

***BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA***

***Annual Financial Report***

***For the year ended December 31, 2017***

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## Independent Auditor's Report

Honorable Commissioner  
Bartow County, Georgia

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bartow County, Georgia, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of Bartow County Health Department, a component unit of Bartow County, Georgia. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for Bartow County Health Department, is based solely on the report of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

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

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

## Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bartow County, Georgia, as of December 31, 2017, and the respective changes in the financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, and the budgetary comparison of the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Other Matters

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and the required supplementary information on pages 4 through 14 and 90 through 93, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### *Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Bartow County, Georgia's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, the schedule of projects financed with special purpose local option sales tax, and the schedule of completed state awards expended are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, the schedule of projects financed with special purpose local option sales tax, the schedule of completed state awards expended, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, the schedule of projects financed with special purpose local option sales tax, the schedule of completed state awards expended, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We also have previously audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States, Bartow County, Georgia's basic financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016, which are not presented with the accompanying financial statements. In our report dated June 9, 2017, we expressed unmodified opinions on the respective financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information. That audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Bartow County's basic financial statements as a whole.

The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules related to the 2016 financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2016 basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of those basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the 2016 combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements from which they have been derived.

**Other Reporting Required by *Governmental Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 8, 2018, on our consideration of Bartow County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Bartow County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Rushton & Company, LLC*

Certified Public Accountants

Gainesville, Georgia  
June 8, 2018

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# BARTOW COUNTY

Steve Taylor, Sole Commissioner

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Bartow County management is proud to present this narrative discussion and analysis of Bartow County's financial performance, making available an overview of the activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017. This report is drafted annually to provide readers of financial statements with information that will help them make timely and meaningful financial decisions or draw conclusions about Bartow County. As required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, this discussion and analysis affords comparisons with the previous fiscal year.

### Financial Highlights

- Bartow County's assets exceeded its liabilities at December 31, 2017 by \$335,175,951 (*net position*). Of this amount, (\$32,999,918) is reported as unrestricted net position. This is an decrease of \$7,824,536 from the previous fiscal year for unrestricted. Total net position decreased by \$4,358,004 from the previous fiscal year as the result of operations.
- As of December 31, 2017, Bartow County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$45,224,347. Approximately 32% of this total amount, or \$14,320,334, is reported as unassigned and available for spending at the County's discretion. Approximately 32%, or \$14,488,643, is restricted for capital outlay. Information about Bartow County's policy on fund balance can be found in Note 2Q in the *Notes to the Financial Statements* beginning on page 45.

More detailed information regarding these activities and funds begins on page 8.

### Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis narrative is intended to serve as an introduction to Bartow County's basic financial statements. Bartow County's basic financial statements are composed of three elements: 1) government-wide financial statements; 2) fund financial statements; and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information in addition to our basic financial statements.

### Government-wide Financial Statements (Reporting the County as a Whole)

The focus of the government-wide financial statements is on the overall financial position and activities of Bartow County and is designed to provide a broad overview of the County's financial activities in a manner similar to a private business enterprise.

The County's government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These two statements report information about Bartow County using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by non-public businesses. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The purpose of the **Statement of Net Position** (pages 15-16) is to report all of the assets held and liabilities owed by the County. The County reports all of its assets when it acquires ownership over the assets and reports all of its liabilities when they are incurred. The difference between the total assets and total liabilities is labeled *net position*. While the purpose of County Government is not to accumulate net position, as this amount increases it can indicate the strength of the County's financial position as a whole. When this amount decreases it can indicate a weakening of the County's financial position.

The **Statement of Activities** (page 17) presents the revenues and expenses of the County. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses when incurred in this statement. Thus, revenues are reported even when they may not be collected for several weeks after the end of the accounting period and expenses are recorded even though they may not have used cash during the current period. The difference is described as *change in net position*. The Statement of Activities primary focus is on the *net cost* of various activities provided by the County and identifies the extent to which each function of the County draws from general revenues or is self-financing through user fees, special revenues, grants, or other sources.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, we divide Bartow County into three types of activities:

- **Governmental activities** – Most of the County's basic services are reported under this category which includes: judicial, public safety, public works, and general administration. Taxes such as: real property, sales, insurance premium and intangible finance most of these services.
- **Business-type or Enterprise activities** – The County charges fees to customers to assist in recovering the cost for providing certain services. The County's water services and solid waste services are reported in this category.
- **Discretely Presented Component Unit** – A component unit is a legally separate organization for which the elected officials of the County are financially accountable. The Bartow County Health Department, although legally separate, functions for all practical purposes as a department of Bartow County, and therefore has been included as an integral part of the primary government.

The County's government-wide financial statements are presented on pages 15-17.

## **Fund Financial Statements (Reporting the County's Major Funds)**

The focus of fund financial statements is directed at specific activities of the County and its most significant funds, not the County as a whole. A fund is an entity with a self-balancing set of accounts that the County uses to track specific resources and expenditures, either for management purposes or because of legal mandates. In addition to the major funds, individual fund data for the County's non-major funds can be found beginning on page 94. The County's funds are divided into three broad categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. They use different prescribed accounting methodologies.

- **Governmental Funds** – These funds account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, governmental fund financial statements focus on the short-term view of the County's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash.

Because the focus of the governmental fund financial statements is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements and because of the different accounting methods used to prepare them, there are often significant differences between the totals presented in these financial statements. It is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By so doing, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. An analysis of the balance sheet and the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances that reconciles the two statements are provided following each statement.

Bartow County maintains nineteen individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, 2014 SPLOST Debt Service Fund, 2007 SPLOST Capital Projects Fund, and 2014 SPLOST Capital Projects Fund, which are considered major governmental funds. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements on pages 94-97 of this report.

Bartow County adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been included for the General Fund to show the final result of actual revenues and expenditures as compared to the initial projections.

The County's basic governmental fund financial statements are presented on pages 18-25 of this report.

- **Proprietary Funds** – When the County charges customers for services it provides, these services are generally reported in proprietary funds. These proprietary funds are prepared using the same accrual basis of accounting as the government-wide financial statements.

Enterprise fund statements report the same functions presented in the business-type activities columns of the government-wide financial statements. Bartow County uses enterprise funds to account for its Water and Sewer and Solid Waste functions.

The County's proprietary fund financial statements are presented on pages 26-30.

**Fiduciary Funds** – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are not available to support the County's own programs and services. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is similar to that used for proprietary funds. Fiduciary funds are presented in the fund financial statements but are not reported in the government-wide financial statements. The fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on page 31.

### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 32-89 of this report.

### **Required Supplementary Information**

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report presents certain required supplementary information concerning the County's defined benefit pension plan. The required supplementary information can be found on pages 90-93 of this report.

### **Other Supplementary Information**

Other supplementary information includes combining financial statements for non-major governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds. These funds are added together by fund type and presented in single columns in the basic financial statements but are not reported individually, as with major funds, on the government-wide financial statements.

This report includes two schedules (pages 20 and 23) which reconcile the amounts reported on the governmental fund financial statements (modified accrual basis of accounting) with the governmental activities reported on the government-wide financial statements (accrual basis of accounting). The following summarizes the impact of transitioning from modified accrual to accrual accounting:

- Capital assets used in governmental activities on the government-wide statements are not reported on fund financial statements.
- Certain tax revenues that are earned, but not available, are reported as revenue on the government-wide statements but as deferred inflows of resources on the fund statements.

- Unless due and payable, long-term liabilities, such as lease obligations, compensated absences, bonds and notes payable, and others only appear as liabilities in the government-wide statements.
- Capital outlay spending results in capital assets on the government-wide statements but is reported as expenditures on the governmental fund financial statements.
- Certain other outflows represent either increases or decreases in liabilities on the government-wide statements but are reported as expenditures on the governmental fund financial statements.

### Overview of the County's Financial Position and Operations

The County's overall financial position and operations for this fiscal year is summarized as follows based on the information included in the government-wide financial statements (see pages 15-17):

#### Bartow County Net Position Fiscal Years 2017 and 2016

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
Current assets	\$ 49,463,464	\$ 54,102,150	\$ 27,722,201	\$ 22,419,011	\$ 77,185,665	\$ 76,521,161
Capital assets	271,368,425	273,833,233	108,589,038	107,303,597	379,957,463	381,136,830
Other noncurrent assets	0	0	0	87,500	0	87,500
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>320,831,889</u>	<u>327,935,383</u>	<u>136,311,239</u>	<u>129,810,108</u>	<u>457,143,128</u>	<u>457,745,491</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	18,890,818	14,433,943	1,869,589	1,404,465	20,760,407	15,838,408
Current liabilities	16,230,830	13,559,087	4,034,739	3,701,554	20,265,569	17,260,641
Noncurrent liabilities	96,151,762	91,845,297	26,310,253	24,944,006	122,462,015	116,789,303
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>112,382,592</u>	<u>105,404,384</u>	<u>30,344,992</u>	<u>28,645,560</u>	<u>142,727,584</u>	<u>134,049,944</u>
<b>Net position:</b>						
Net investment in capital assets	247,418,158	244,008,977	94,451,612	95,318,406	341,869,770	339,327,383
Restricted	23,599,491	24,881,386	2,706,608	500,568	26,306,099	25,381,954
Unrestricted	<u>(43,677,534)</u>	<u>(31,925,421)</u>	<u>10,677,616</u>	<u>6,750,039</u>	<u>(32,999,918)</u>	<u>(25,175,382)</u>
<b>Total net position</b>	<u>\$ 227,340,115</u>	<u>\$ 236,964,942</u>	<u>\$ 107,835,836</u>	<u>\$ 102,569,013</u>	<u>\$ 335,175,951</u>	<u>\$ 339,533,955</u>

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. Assets for Bartow County exceeded liabilities by \$335,175,951 at the close of fiscal year 2017. Over 102% of Bartow County's net position is reflected in its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment, infrastructure), less any related debt outstanding that was needed to construct or acquire them. This is up over 2% from 99.9% at December 31, 2016. The County uses capital assets to provide services to citizens. Consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the County's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. Restricted net position comprises 8%. This amount represents resources that are subject to external restrictions or enabling legislation on how they may be used.

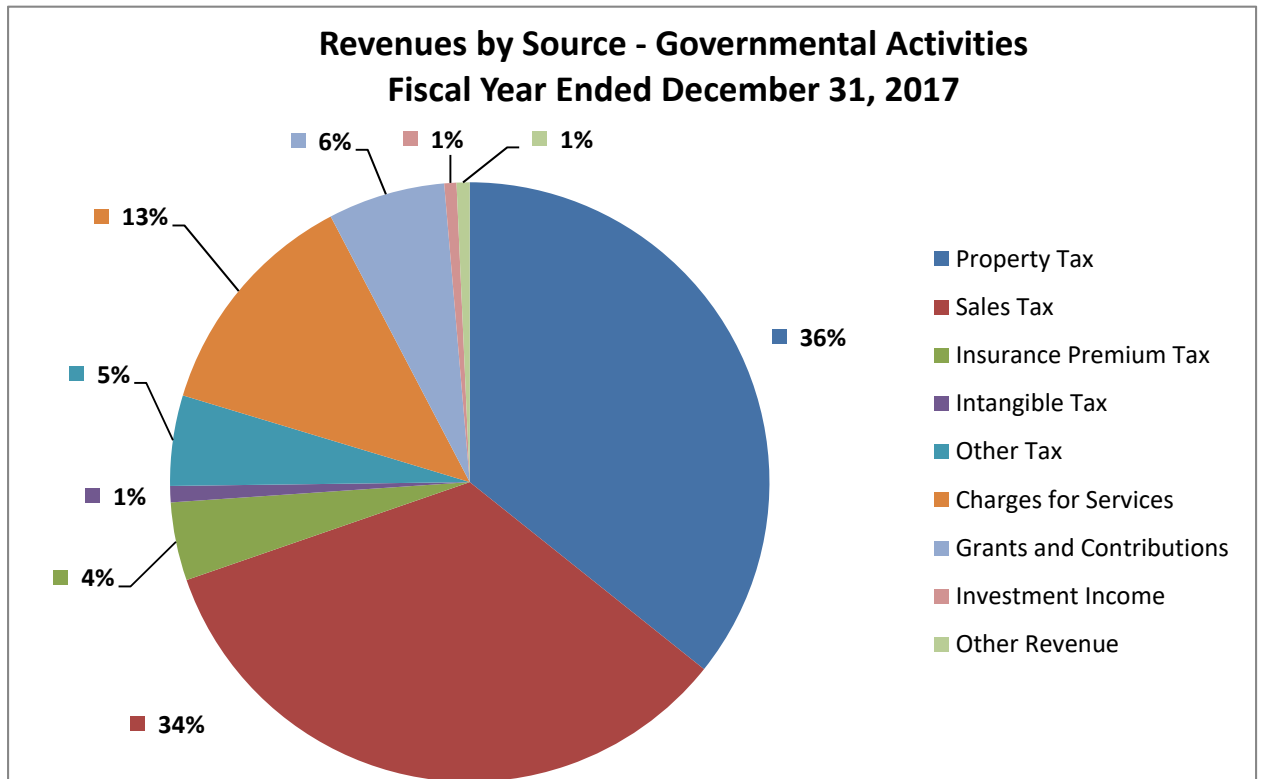
The following condensed financial information was derived from the government-wide Statement of Activities and reflects how Bartow County's net position changed during the fiscal year.

**Bartow County  
Changes in Net Position  
Fiscal Years 2017 and 2016**

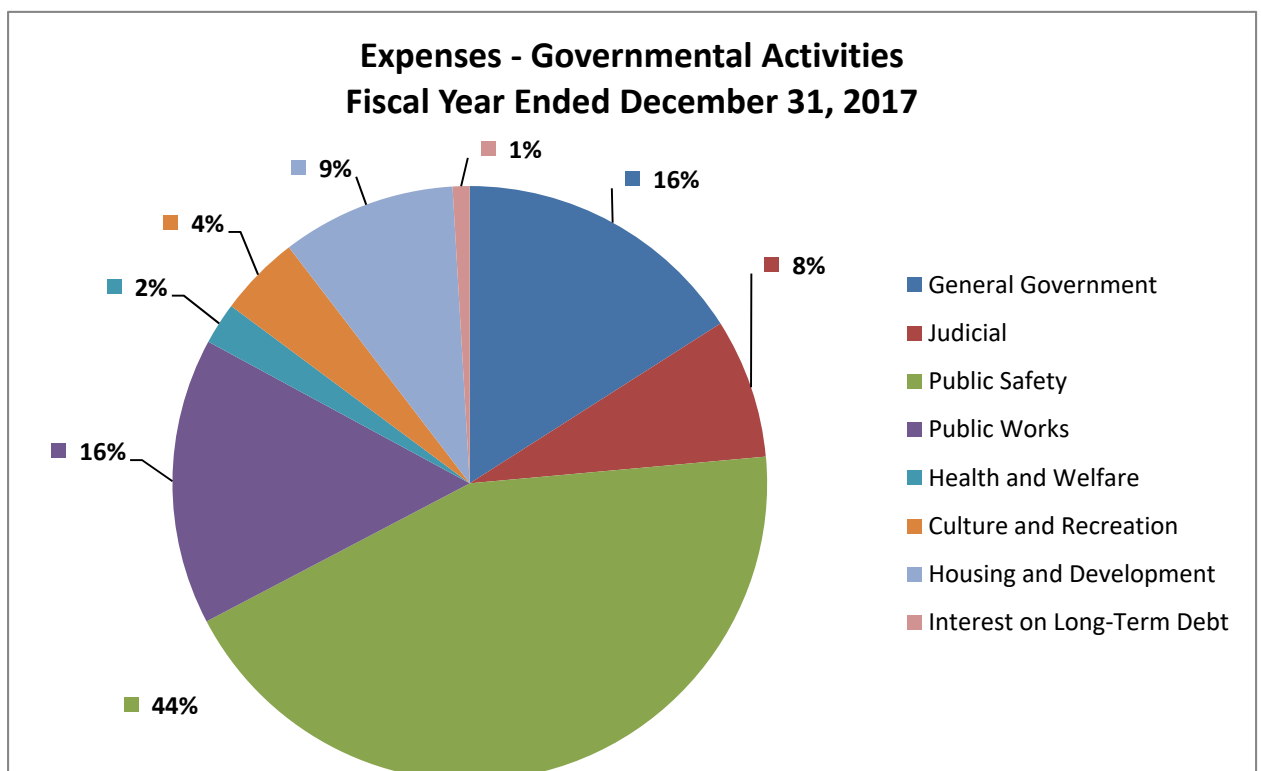
	<b>Governmental Activities</b>		<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		<b>Totals</b>	
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Revenues</b>						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 12,303,512	\$ 12,162,716	\$ 23,066,552	\$ 21,048,193	\$ 35,370,064	\$ 33,210,909
Operating grants and contributions	2,683,124	1,772,220	0	0	2,683,124	1,772,220
Capital grants and contributions	3,461,195	2,622,387	715,422	500,562	4,176,617	3,122,949
General revenues:						
Property tax	34,737,821	33,002,630	0	0	34,737,821	33,002,630
Sales tax	33,030,206	30,937,175	0	0	33,030,206	30,937,175
Intangible tax	854,195	759,639	0	0	854,195	759,639
Insurance premium tax	4,102,437	3,831,880	0	0	4,102,437	3,831,880
Other taxes	4,743,318	4,271,681	0	0	4,743,318	4,271,681
Interest & investment earnings	630,629	615,895	54,726	53,854	685,355	669,749
Other revenue	687,989	864,177	176,739	105,742	864,728	969,919
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>97,234,426</u>	<u>90,840,400</u>	<u>24,013,439</u>	<u>21,708,351</u>	<u>121,247,865</u>	<u>112,548,751</u>
<b>Expenses</b>						
General government	16,659,086	15,782,997	0	0	16,659,086	15,782,997
Judicial	7,925,337	7,604,098	0	0	7,925,337	7,604,098
Public Safety	45,638,684	41,861,535	0	0	45,638,684	41,861,535
Public Works	16,265,460	14,918,680	0	0	16,265,460	14,918,680
Health and Welfare	2,368,824	1,791,002	0	0	2,368,824	1,791,002
Culture and Recreation	4,609,746	4,310,680	0	0	4,609,746	4,310,680
Housing and Development	9,894,588	2,044,124	0	0	9,894,588	2,044,124
Interest on long-term debt	961,688	1,237,526	0	0	961,688	1,237,526
Water and Sewer	0	0	15,869,604	14,913,217	15,869,604	14,913,217
Solid Waste	0	0	5,412,852	4,603,502	5,412,852	4,603,502
<b>Total expenses</b>	<u>104,323,413</u>	<u>89,550,642</u>	<u>21,282,456</u>	<u>19,516,719</u>	<u>125,605,869</u>	<u>109,067,361</u>
<b>Increase (decrease) in net position before transfers</b>	(7,088,987)	1,289,758	2,730,983	2,191,632	(4,358,004)	3,481,390
Transfers	<u>(2,535,840)</u>	<u>(5,764,575)</u>	<u>2,535,840</u>	<u>5,764,575</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Increase (decrease) in net position</b>	(9,624,827)	(4,474,817)	5,266,823	7,956,207	(4,358,004)	3,481,390
<b>Net position - beginning</b>	<u>236,964,942</u>	<u>241,439,759</u>	<u>102,569,013</u>	<u>94,612,806</u>	<u>339,533,955</u>	<u>336,052,565</u>
<b>Net position - ending</b>	<u>\$ 227,340,115</u>	<u>\$ 236,964,942</u>	<u>\$ 107,835,836</u>	<u>\$ 102,569,013</u>	<u>\$ 335,175,951</u>	<u>\$ 339,533,955</u>

## Governmental Activities –

The following chart illustrates revenues of the governmental activities for the fiscal year:



The following chart illustrates the expenses of the governmental activities for the fiscal year:



## **Business-Type Activities –**

Business-type activities increased Bartow County's net position by \$5,266,823, or 5%.

## **Financial Analysis of the County's Funds**

Bartow County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental Funds.** The main focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of unrestricted resources. Such information is useful in assessing the County's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

- 1) As the County completed this fiscal year, its governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$45,224,347. Of this amount, \$14,320,334 (32%) constitutes unassigned fund balance, which is available for appropriation for the general purposes of the funds in accordance with the Bartow County policy on fund balance.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the County. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$14,320,334, while total fund balance reached \$20,593,084. Unassigned fund balance represents approximately 70% of total fund balance in the General Fund. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it is useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 19% of total General Fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents approximately 28% of that same amount. The County ended the fiscal year realizing a decrease in the overall fund balance in the General Fund by \$2,015,421, or approximately 9%. The County decreased unassigned fund balance in the General Fund by \$3,457,088, or 19%. This decrease was due in large part to assigning \$4,723,300 for the fiscal year 2018 budget. The decrease in total fund balance was due mostly to substantially increased expenditures, with the largest increase being public safety expenditures increasing \$2,774,101. The other three major governmental funds reflect expenditures of special purpose local option sales taxes in accordance with the referendums.

## **General Fund Budget Highlights**

The original budget for the General Fund was amended reflecting grant awards, reimbursements, insurance claims, as well as unanticipated revenues and expenditures. The Commissioner also approved interdepartmental transfers and transfers from the contingency/reserve for emergencies line item. Overall, General Fund revenues were below the final amended budget projections by \$2,803,594, or 4%. General Fund expenditures were below the final amended budget projections by \$1,839,941, or 2%. \$4,723,300 of the fund balance in the General Fund is budgeted for use in fiscal year 2018. Current General Fund revenues are meeting estimates for fiscal year 2018 and the General Fund fund balance is expected to remain similar, with the exception of the budgeted use.

### Proprietary Funds

Bartow County's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail. Unrestricted net position of the County's two proprietary funds totaled as follows:

▪ Water and Sewer	\$ 16,151,898
▪ Solid Waste	\$ (5,474,282)

The Water and Sewer Fund increased net position by \$2,550,747. The Solid Waste Fund increased net position by \$2,716,076. Post-closure care liability as of December 31, 2017 is \$7,471,684 versus \$7,101,925 at the end of 2016. This is an increase of \$369,759, or 5%.

### Capital Assets and Debt Administration

**Capital Assets.** Bartow County has invested \$379,957,463 in capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) compared to \$381,136,830 in the previous fiscal year. This represents a decrease of 0.3%. Approximately 7% of this investment is related to governmental activities and includes infrastructure, land, buildings, and machinery and equipment. Capital assets held by the County at fiscal year-end are summarized as follows:

Bartow County Capital Assets (net of accumulated depreciation) Fiscal Years 2017 and 2016						
	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
Land	\$ 36,115,633	\$ 35,949,639	\$ 5,783,047	\$ 5,681,117	\$ 41,898,680	\$ 41,630,756
Construction in progress	13,059,524	11,003,248	2,740,294	9,686,863	15,799,818	20,690,111
Buildings and improvements	97,083,171	94,936,088	3,098,137	2,967,025	100,181,308	97,903,113
Improvements other than buildings	4,025,682	2,204,817	21,153,613	14,346,717	25,179,295	16,551,534
Vehicles and equipment	37,307,053	35,687,424	9,956,005	8,805,955	47,263,058	44,493,379
Infrastructure	376,551,236	373,901,622	127,353,876	124,170,585	503,905,112	498,072,207
<b>Total</b>	<b>564,142,299</b>	<b>553,682,838</b>	<b>170,084,972</b>	<b>165,658,262</b>	<b>734,227,271</b>	<b>719,341,100</b>
Accumulated Depreciation	(292,773,874)	(279,849,605)	(61,495,934)	(58,354,665)	(354,269,808)	(338,204,270)
<b>Net Capital Assets</b>	<b>\$ 271,368,425</b>	<b>\$ 273,833,233</b>	<b>\$ 108,589,038</b>	<b>\$ 107,303,597</b>	<b>\$ 379,957,463</b>	<b>\$ 381,136,830</b>

Major capital asset expenditures during the current fiscal year for governmental activities included the following:

- Property was purchased for a boat ramp site off Hardin Bridge Road in 2016. The project was completed in 2017 with a total cost of \$322,760. Bartow County was able to get approved for grant funds of \$100,000 to help fund the project.
- A Community Development Block Grant was awarded to the County by the Department of Community Affairs for \$500,000. The grant was used by the Good Neighbor Homeless Shelter to construct eight new homes for homeless families. The Shelter provided the land for the project and will run the program.
- The Road Department purchased equipment costing \$632,212. Items purchased included an asphalt spreader, mowers, tractors, and a double drum roller.
- The Senior Center purchased a new 28 passenger StarCraft bus to be used for trips. The cost of the bus was \$56,565.

- A LED Lighting Project was completed at Hamilton Crossing and Manning Mill Parks using grant funds of \$109,718.
- Purchased new vehicles for the Sheriff's Department in the General Fund totaling \$350,366.
- The 700 MHZ Radio Project progressed with expenditures totaling \$5,367,942.

Major capital asset expenditures during the current fiscal year for business-type activities included the following:

- Water upgrades on Hwy. 113 were made at a total cost of \$320,190 in 2017.
- Construction of a new cell in the existing solid waste landfill was completed with expenses totaling \$2,813,132 in 2017. Other purchases for solid waste included trucks and a new compactor for the landfill. Equipment expenditures totaled \$1,568,265.

Additional information on Bartow County's capital assets can be found in Note 10 on pages 53-54 of this report.

**Debt.** On December 31, 2017, Bartow County had a total debt balance outstanding for governmental activities in the amount of \$34,928,819, as compared to \$35,477,016 the previous fiscal year. Bartow County's outstanding debt for governmental activities has decreased by \$548,197 during the course of the fiscal year due to scheduled payments on existing debt and the addition of a guarantee obligation. On December 31, 2017, Bartow County had a total debt balance outstanding for the business-type activities in the amount of \$13,693,463, as compared to \$13,262,720 the previous fiscal year. Bartow County's outstanding debt for business-type activities has increased by \$430,743 during the course of the fiscal year due to additions to open GEFA notes payable reduced by the scheduled payments on existing debt.

Additional information on the County's long-term debt can be found in Note 12 on pages 55-66 of this report.

### **Economic Condition and Outlook**

The economic outlook for 2018 remains positive for Bartow County. Preliminary tax digest consolidation numbers from the tax assessors show positive growth in the digest of nearly 8 percent, well-exceeding expectations. The expansion of several industrial facilities was announced in 2017 as well as additional new projects for manufacturing and distribution facilities. The County is experiencing continued growth in employment at existing and new facilities. The number of jobs in Bartow County, according to Department of Labor reports, grew from 31,365 in 2012 to 37,251 in 2016, an 18.8 percent increase. Census estimates show that the population has grown 4.9% since 2010 to 105,054 and the number of jobs committed to by existing and new industry in the next four years are expected to generate further population growth. Unemployment is at 3.5% as of April 2018. Average per capita income has grown from \$30,618 in 2011 to \$35,306 in 2016. Home sales are increasing, with a tight supply, and the number of new home permits issued in the unincorporated County is expected to reach 500 this year.

The County continues to take a conservative financial position and is focused on reducing debt and limiting the growth of expenditures. The County has maintained the same millage rate in 2015, 2016 and 2017 and anticipates that the millage rate will

remain unchanged for 2018 to provide additional revenue to cover increasing operational costs caused by growth in wages, insurance and other operational costs.

The Lakepoint Project, which includes the indoor pavilion project for which the County backed \$35,000,000 in bonds, is undergoing a restructuring. The new capital owners Rim Rock Capital Management, are the old debt holders and are committed to investing at least \$10 million in the project and improving the performance of the project, which is estimated to generate \$100 million of economic impact annually over the region, with over 1 million visitors annually. Unfortunately, the performance of the indoor pavilion has not been consistent with the feasibility study and the County has had to contribute to the debt servicing of the bonds under its agreements relating to the project. The County contributed approximately \$650,000 in 2017 and is anticipated to have to contribute approximately \$2,500,000 in 2018. Rim Rock has committed to improving the performance and reducing the County's need for debt support to \$1 million in 2020, \$700,000 in 2021 and \$0 by 2022. In addition, Rim Rock has agreed the County will be reimbursed any debt support payments paid when the indoor pavilion purchase option agreement is exercised. These amounts and future anticipated do not materially affect the County's \$79 million general fund and the County does not anticipate having to increase its millage rate to make such payments. In addition, the \$29 million Lakepoint Parkway project, a road providing the backbone of the north campus development, was commenced this year and should complete mid-2019, leading to further vertical development opportunities. The County's independent financial expert advised the County on these agreements and reviewed the economic performance and targets of the project and estimated a total tax impact across all jurisdictions in the County (including the cities and school systems) and including property tax, hotel motel tax and sales tax, of approximately \$40 million in tax revenue over the next five years.

Sales tax overall is showing an eight percent increase for the first part of the year. The County expects at least six percent growth overall this year in sales tax revenue. Ongoing SPLOST projects include a \$13 million public safety radio project, the Cass White Road phase I project and the Glade Road Dawn's Way project. The County continues to focus on paying down debt with the 2013 SPLOST. The voters of the County approved in May of 2018 a further six-year extension of the SPLOST sales tax, extending it from January 2020 to December 2025. The voters authorized up to \$25,000,000 in debt, but the County intends to take a conservative position and largely pay for new projects out of revenue collected rather than borrow against future revenue.

### **Contacting the County**

This financial report is designed to provide County citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of Bartow County's finances and to demonstrate the County's high level of accountability for the revenue it receives and the services it provides. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

#### **Finance**

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#### **Administration**

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## ***BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS***

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2017**

	Primary Government			Component Unit
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	Bartow County Health Department
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 34,550,571	\$ 19,983,919	\$ 54,534,490	\$ 1,454,315
Investments	4,985,133	0	4,985,133	0
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	0	3,602,781	3,602,781	0
Accounts receivable (net)	958,041	2,615,016	3,573,057	0
Intergovernmental receivables	2,010,380	1,564,370	3,574,750	163,678
Taxes receivable	5,464,584	0	5,464,584	0
Internal balances	448,302	(448,302)	0	0
Inventories	0	404,417	404,417	14,514
Prepaid items	946,453	0	946,453	0
Other current assets	100,000	0	100,000	0
Total current assets	49,463,464	27,722,201	77,185,665	1,632,507
<b>Noncurrent assets</b>				
Non-depreciable capital assets	49,175,157	8,523,341	57,698,498	0
Depreciable capital assets (net)	222,193,268	100,065,697	322,258,965	9,513
Total noncurrent assets	271,368,425	108,589,038	379,957,463	9,513
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>320,831,889</b>	<b>136,311,239</b>	<b>457,143,128</b>	<b>1,642,020</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	6,069,149	592,634	6,661,783	213,599
Pension investment return differences	2,486,204	231,771	2,717,975	161,441
Pension experience differences	6,229,679	624,639	6,854,318	0
Pension assumption changes	4,105,786	411,989	4,517,775	13,450
Pension differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	0	0	0	74,352
Deferred charges on refunding	0	8,556	8,556	0
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>18,890,818</b>	<b>1,869,589</b>	<b>20,760,407</b>	<b>462,842</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>Current liabilities</b>				
Accounts payable	1,135,566	794,343	1,929,909	202
Intergovernmental payable	927,096	32,730	959,826	58,839
Interest payable	272,983	0	272,983	0
Accrued salaries and payroll liabilities	1,422,557	133,843	1,556,400	0
Compensated absences	1,253,083	145,230	1,398,313	6,573
Unearned revenue	15,940	0	15,940	0
Claims and judgements payable	1,296,811	126,133	1,422,944	0
Guarantee obligation	2,252,224	0	2,252,224	0
Capital lease payable	19,358	0	19,358	0
Contracts payable	590,000	0	590,000	0
Notes payable	0	304,324	304,324	0
Bonds payable	6,825,000	944,631	7,769,631	0
Closure and post-closure care costs	0	8,968	8,968	0
Other current liabilities	220,212	0	220,212	0
Liabilities payable from restricted assets				
Retainages payable	0	132,995	132,995	0
Interest payable	0	99,920	99,920	0
Customer deposits	0	796,253	796,253	0
Bonds payable	0	515,369	515,369	0
Total current liabilities	16,230,830	4,034,739	20,265,569	65,614

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2017**

	Primary Government			Component Unit
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	Bartow County Health Department
<b>Noncurrent liabilities</b>				
Net pension liability	\$ 33,443,846	\$ 3,274,320	\$ 36,718,166	\$ 1,587,860
Net OPEB obligation	37,465,679	3,644,078	41,109,757	0
Compensated absences	0	0	0	59,158
Guarantee obligation	3,267,761	0	3,267,761	0
Capital lease payable	20,637	0	20,637	0
Contracts payable	4,665,000	0	4,665,000	0
Certificates of participation	1,825,405	0	1,825,405	0
Notes payable	0	4,048,536	4,048,536	0
Bonds payable	15,463,434	7,880,603	23,344,037	0
Closure and post-closure care costs	0	7,462,716	7,462,716	0
Total noncurrent liabilities	96,151,762	26,310,253	122,462,015	1,647,018
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>112,382,592</b>	<b>30,344,992</b>	<b>142,727,584</b>	<b>1,712,632</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Pension experience differences	0	0	0	3,667
Pension differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	0	0	0	11,638
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15,305</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>				
Net investment in capital assets	247,418,158	94,451,612	341,869,770	9,513
Restricted for:				
Judicial	465,451	0	465,451	0
Public Safety	733,897	0	733,897	0
Public Works	792,344	0	792,344	0
Capital Outlay	14,488,643	2,191,239	16,679,882	0
Debt Service	7,119,156	515,369	7,634,525	0
Unrestricted	(43,677,534)	10,677,616	(32,999,918)	367,412
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ 227,340,115</b>	<b>\$ 107,835,836</b>	<b>\$ 335,175,951</b>	<b>\$ 376,925</b>

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**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
*For the year ended December 31, 2017*

		Program Revenues			
			Operating	Capital	Net
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	(Expense)
	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Revenue
<b>FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS</b>					
<b>Primary government</b>					
Governmental activities					
General Government	\$ 16,659,086	\$ 2,562,702	\$ 8,173	\$ 0	\$ (14,088,211)
Judicial	7,925,337	204,304	682,943	0	(7,038,090)
Public Safety	45,638,684	8,568,262	243,254	109,708	(36,717,460)
Public Works	16,265,460	372,594	0	3,168,596	(12,724,270)
Health and Welfare	2,368,824	3,606	859,770	80,206	(1,425,242)
Culture and Recreation	4,609,746	487,035	0	102,685	(4,020,026)
Housing and Development	9,894,588	105,009	888,984	0	(8,900,595)
Interest on long-term debt	961,688	0	0	0	(961,688)
Total governmental activities	104,323,413	12,303,512	2,683,124	3,461,195	(85,875,582)
<b>Business-type activities</b>					
Water and Sewer	15,869,604	17,136,607	0	715,422	1,982,425
Solid Waste	5,412,852	5,929,945	0	0	517,093
Total business-type activities	21,282,456	23,066,552	0	715,422	2,499,518
Total primary government	125,605,869	35,370,064	2,683,124	4,176,617	(83,376,064)
<b>Component Unit</b>					
Bartow County Health Department					
Health and Welfare	1,865,560	558,819	860,250	0	(446,491)
		Primary Government			
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	Component Unit	
<b>Change in net position</b>					
Net (expense) revenue	\$ (85,875,582)	\$ 2,499,518	\$ (83,376,064)	\$ (446,491)	
<b>General revenues</b>					
Taxes					
Property	34,737,821	0	34,737,821	0	
Sales	33,030,206	0	33,030,206	0	
Insurance premium	4,102,437	0	4,102,437	0	
Occupational	429,996	0	429,996	0	
Franchise	640,746	0	640,746	0	
Intangible	854,195	0	854,195	0	
Alcohol Excise	481,853	0	481,853	0	
Hotel/Motel	1,447,730	0	1,447,730	0	
Energy Excise	1,494,650	0	1,494,650	0	
Other	248,343	0	248,343	0	
Interest and investment earnings	630,629	54,726	685,355	3,293	
Payments from Bartow County	0	0	0	510,366	
Gain on sale of assets	18,706	55,853	74,559	0	
Other	669,283	120,886	790,169	2,982	
Transfers	(2,535,840)	2,535,840	0	0	
Total general revenues and transfers	76,250,755	2,767,305	79,018,060	516,641	
Change in net position	(9,624,827)	5,266,823	(4,358,004)	70,150	
Net position - beginning	236,964,942	102,569,013	339,533,955	306,775	
Net position - ending	\$ 227,340,115	\$ 107,835,836	\$ 335,175,951	\$ 376,925	

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**December 31, 2017**

	<b>General</b>	<b>2014 SPLOST Debt Service</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,328,579	\$ 1,764,517
Investments	0	3,500,000
Receivables (net)		
Accounts	696,468	0
Intergovernmental	1,956,674	0
Taxes	3,173,750	0
Due from other funds	448,580	0
Prepaid items	757,106	0
Other assets	100,000	0
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<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 23,461,157</b>	<b>\$ 5,264,517</b>
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<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 870,566	\$ 0
Intergovernmental payables	0	0
Accrued salaries and payroll liabilities	1,377,627	0
Due to other agencies	0	0
Due to other funds	0	0
Unearned revenue	15,940	0
Other liabilities	86,194	0
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Total liabilities	2,350,327	0
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<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>		
Unavailable revenue-property taxes	517,746	0
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<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Nonspendable prepaid items	757,106	0
Restricted for:		
Judicial	0	0
Public Safety	0	0
Public Works	792,344	0
Capital Outlay	0	0
Debt Service	0	5,264,517
Assigned for:		
Public Safety	0	0
Housing and Development	0	0
Debt Service	0	0
Subsequent year's budget	4,723,300	0
Unassigned	14,320,334	0
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Total fund balances	20,593,084	5,264,517
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<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 23,461,157</b>	<b>\$ 5,264,517</b>
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<b>2007 SPLOST</b>	<b>2014 SPLOST</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Totals</b>
\$ 2,775,359	\$ 9,463,611	\$ 4,218,505	\$ 34,550,571
0	372,824	1,112,309	4,985,133
0	0	261,573	958,041
0	0	53,706	2,010,380
0	2,187,964	102,870	5,464,584
0	0	711,713	1,160,293
0	0	189,347	946,453
0	0	0	100,000
<u>\$ 2,775,359</u>	<u>\$ 12,024,399</u>	<u>\$ 6,650,023</u>	<u>\$ 50,175,455</u>
\$ 0	\$ 79,427	\$ 185,573	\$ 1,135,566
0	927,096	0	927,096
0	0	44,930	1,422,557
0	0	133,967	133,967
0	0	711,991	711,991
0	0	0	15,940
0	0	51	86,245
<u>0</u>	<u>1,006,523</u>	<u>1,076,512</u>	<u>4,433,362</u>
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>517,746</u>
0	0	189,347	946,453
0	0	465,451	465,451
0	0	733,897	733,897
0	0	0	792,344
2,775,359	11,017,876	695,408	14,488,643
0	0	1,854,639	7,119,156
0	0	959,181	959,181
0	0	75,351	75,351
0	0	600,237	600,237
0	0	0	4,723,300
0	0	0	14,320,334
<u>2,775,359</u>	<u>11,017,876</u>	<u>5,573,511</u>	<u>45,224,347</u>
<u>\$ 2,775,359</u>	<u>\$ 12,024,399</u>	<u>\$ 6,650,023</u>	<u>\$ 50,175,455</u>

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**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2017**

**Total fund balances - total governmental funds** **\$ 45,224,347**

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

Some assets are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. These are:

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation 271,368,425

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are reported as deferred inflows of resources in the funds. These are:

Property taxes 517,746

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. These are:

Deferred outflows of resources:			
Pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	\$ 6,069,149		
Pension investment return differences	2,486,204		
Pension experience differences	6,229,679		
Pension assumption changes	<u>4,105,786</u>		18,890,818

Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. These are:

Accrued interest payable	(272,983)	
Compensated absences	(1,253,083)	
Claims and judgements payable	(1,296,811)	
Guarantee obligation	(5,519,985)	
Capital lease payable	(39,995)	
Contracts payable	(5,255,000)	
Bonds payable	(22,288,434)	
Net pension liability	(33,443,846)	
Net OPEB obligation	(37,465,679)	
Certificates of participation	<u>(1,825,405)</u>	<u>(108,661,221)</u>

Net position of governmental activities \$ 227,340,115

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES,**  
**EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

	<b>General</b>	<b>2014 SPLOST Debt Service</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Taxes	\$ 56,368,102	\$ 0
Licenses and permits	424,252	0
Fines, fees and forfeitures	2,418,642	0
Charges for services	6,433,227	0
Intergovernmental	4,320,697	0
Investment income	798	13,426
Contributions	35,000	0
Other	613,288	0
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>70,614,006</b>	<b>13,426</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Current		
General Government	11,850,016	0
Judicial	7,128,501	0
Public Safety	38,090,546	0
Public Works	7,914,916	0
Health and Welfare	2,671,355	0
Culture and Recreation	3,932,136	0
Housing and Development	2,346,340	0
Capital outlay	0	0
Debt service	25,249	5,686,010
Intergovernmental	0	0
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>73,959,059</b>	<b>5,686,010</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<b>(3,345,053)</b>	<b>(5,672,584)</b>
Other financing sources (uses)		
Transfers in	1,607,413	6,360,000
Transfers out	(385,000)	0
Sale of capital assets	107,219	0
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>1,329,632</b>	<b>6,360,000</b>
Net change in fund balance	(2,015,421)	687,416
Fund balances, January 1	22,608,505	4,577,101
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<b>\$ 20,593,084</b>	<b>\$ 5,264,517</b>

<b>2007 SPLOST</b>	<b>2014 SPLOST</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Totals</b>
\$ 0	\$ 19,654,970	\$ 1,447,729	\$ 77,470,801
0	0	0	424,252
0	0	760,271	3,178,913
0	0	2,225,259	8,658,486
0	906,808	763,920	5,991,425
1,172	20,667	35,257	71,320
0	0	0	35,000
0	0	55,995	669,283
<u>1,172</u>	<u>20,582,445</u>	<u>5,288,431</u>	<u>96,499,480</u>
0	0	0	11,850,016
0	0	309,315	7,437,816
0	0	2,502,400	40,592,946
0	0	0	7,914,916
0	0	500,000	3,171,355
0	0	0	3,932,136
0	0	903,734	3,250,074
148,433	7,415,247	787,029	8,350,709
0	851,401	18,631	6,581,291
0	4,131,381	0	4,131,381
<u>148,433</u>	<u>12,398,029</u>	<u>5,021,109</u>	<u>97,212,640</u>
<u>(147,261)</u>	<u>8,184,416</u>	<u>267,322</u>	<u>(713,160)</u>
0	0	385,000	8,352,413
0	(9,361,209)	(1,142,044)	(10,888,253)
0	0	5,323	112,542
<u>0</u>	<u>(9,361,209)</u>	<u>(751,721)</u>	<u>(2,423,298)</u>
(147,261)	(1,176,793)	(484,399)	(3,136,458)
<u>2,922,620</u>	<u>12,194,669</u>	<u>6,057,910</u>	<u>48,360,805</u>
<u>\$ 2,775,359</u>	<u>\$ 11,017,876</u>	<u>\$ 5,573,511</u>	<u>\$ 45,224,347</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF**  
**REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

**Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds** **\$ (3,136,458)**

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.

Capital outlays	\$ 12,249,577	
Depreciation	<u>(13,939,759)</u>	(1,690,182)

In the statement of activities, the gain/loss on the disposal of assets is reported, whereas in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale of capital assets increases financial resources.

Cost of assets disposed	(1,939,906)	
Related accumulated depreciation	<u>1,015,490</u>	(924,416)

Contributions of capital assets from individuals increase net position in the statement of activities, but do not appear in the governmental funds because they are not financial resources. 149,790

Governmental funds report pension contributions as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of pension benefits earned net of employee contributions is reported as pension expense.

Pension contributions	5,065,869	
Cost of benefits earned net of employee contributions	<u>(6,021,783)</u>	(955,914)

The proceeds of debt issuance, net of premiums, discounts and issuance costs provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. In addition, interest on long-term debt is not recognized in the governmental funds until due, but is recognized in the statement of activities as it accrues.

Debt principal payments	6,015,989	
Increase in guarantee obligation	(6,032,135)	
Amortization of bond premiums	569,277	
Amortization of discount on certificate of participation	(4,934)	
Net change in interest payable	<u>120,688</u>	668,885

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.

Unavailable revenue-property taxes		(2,825)
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Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Compensated absences	(30,738)	
Net OPEB obligation	(3,626,315)	
Claims and judgements payable	<u>(76,654)</u>	(3,733,707)

Change in net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ (9,624,827)</u>	
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**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

	<b>Budget</b>			<b>Variance with</b>
	<b>Original</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Taxes	\$ 55,807,500	\$ 59,003,500	\$ 56,368,102	\$ (2,635,398)
Licenses and permits	515,000	428,000	424,252	(3,748)
Fines, fees and forfeitures	2,520,000	2,452,000	2,418,642	(33,358)
Charges for services	5,748,500	6,092,000	6,433,227	341,227
Intergovernmental	2,872,000	3,479,000	4,320,697	841,697
Interest	100	100	798	698
Contributions	0	35,000	35,000	0
Other	1,760,000	1,928,000	613,288	(1,314,712)
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>69,223,100</b>	<b>73,417,600</b>	<b>70,614,006</b>	<b>(2,803,594)</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
General Government				
Commissioner's Office	1,083,700	1,083,700	1,039,899	43,801
Legal	155,000	781,500	769,268	12,232
Data Processing	999,000	998,500	877,547	120,953
Purchasing	328,000	327,500	292,604	34,896
Elections and Registrar	520,500	519,500	428,506	90,994
Tax Assessor	914,400	935,400	923,593	11,807
Tax Commissioner	1,419,000	1,443,500	1,428,835	14,665
Facilities	2,366,600	2,366,100	2,266,945	99,155
Human Resources	444,100	477,100	467,648	9,452
County Administration	3,102,000	3,387,900	3,355,171	32,729
Judicial				
Superior Court	868,500	1,123,500	1,118,873	4,627
District Attorney	980,500	824,100	807,444	16,656
Public Defender	594,400	189,900	185,551	4,349
Clerk of Superior Court	1,518,700	1,516,700	1,461,768	54,932
Magistrate Court	837,100	836,600	800,555	36,045
Probate Court	1,062,700	1,062,200	977,835	84,365
Juvenile Court	1,419,000	1,454,000	1,417,129	36,871
Victim Assistance	369,800	369,800	359,346	10,454
Public Safety				
Sheriff and Jail	21,658,000	22,991,000	22,939,253	51,747
Coroner	108,700	108,700	93,589	15,111
Fire	9,637,000	9,637,000	9,153,307	483,693
Emergency Management	368,900	368,900	331,414	37,486
Emergency Medical Service	4,425,200	4,730,200	4,711,621	18,579
Animal Control	895,400	894,400	861,362	33,038
Public Works				
Highways and Streets	7,367,700	8,013,700	7,914,916	98,784
Health and Welfare				
Health Department	520,000	520,100	510,761	9,339
Mental Health	62,000	62,000	60,688	1,312
Senior Citizens Services	608,400	636,400	627,891	8,509
Indigent Care Services	672,600	666,600	455,299	211,301
Transit	1,090,400	1,090,400	1,016,716	73,684
Culture and Recreation				
Parks and Recreation	2,845,000	3,086,000	3,055,386	30,614
Libraries	877,000	877,000	876,750	250

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

	<b>Budget</b>			<b>Variance with</b>
	<b>Original</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES (continued)</b>				
Current				
Housing and Development				
Community Development	\$ 1,503,800	\$ 1,483,300	\$ 1,474,014	\$ 9,286
County Agent	143,800	143,800	140,115	3,685
Forestry	20,000	20,000	17,656	2,344
Economic Development	180,500	687,500	686,497	1,003
Keep Bartow Beautiful	27,000	29,000	28,058	942
Debt service				
Judicial				
Superior Court	24,000	55,500	25,249	30,251
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>72,018,400</b>	<b>75,799,000</b>	<b>73,959,059</b>	<b>1,839,941</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(2,795,300)	(2,381,400)	(3,345,053)	(963,653)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	665,000	1,565,000	1,607,413	42,413
Transfers out	(338,500)	(385,500)	(385,000)	500
Sale of capital assets	120,000	95,000	107,219	12,219
Contingency	(1,000,000)	0	0	0
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(553,500)</b>	<b>1,274,500</b>	<b>1,329,632</b>	<b>55,132</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	(3,348,800)	(1,106,900)	(2,015,421)	(908,521)
Fund balances, January 1	3,348,800	1,106,900	22,608,505	21,501,605
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 20,593,084</b>	<b>\$ 20,593,084</b>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**December 31, 2017**

	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		
	<b>Water and Sewer</b>	<b>Solid Waste</b>	<b>Totals</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,978,637	\$ 4,005,282	\$ 19,983,919
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	3,602,781	0	3,602,781
Accounts receivable (net)	1,817,890	797,126	2,615,016
Intergovernmental receivables	1,564,370	0	1,564,370
Inventories	404,417	0	404,417
Total current assets	23,368,095	4,802,408	28,170,503
<b>Noncurrent assets</b>			
Capital assets			
Non-depreciable	7,343,682	1,179,659	8,523,341
Depreciable (net)	87,023,031	13,042,666	100,065,697
Total noncurrent assets	94,366,713	14,222,325	108,589,038
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>117,734,808</b>	<b>19,024,733</b>	<b>136,759,541</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	294,240	298,394	592,634
Pension investment return differences	121,745	110,026	231,771
Pension experience differences	301,412	323,227	624,639
Pension assumption changes	198,640	213,349	411,989
Deferred charges on refunding	8,556	0	8,556
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>924,593</b>	<b>944,996</b>	<b>1,869,589</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Payables			
Accounts	529,566	264,777	794,343
Intergovernmental	32,730	0	32,730
Accrued salaries and payroll liabilities	58,205	75,638	133,843
Compensated absences	70,269	74,961	145,230
Claims and judgements payable	68,979	57,154	126,133
Due to other funds	448,302	0	448,302
Notes payable	304,324	0	304,324
Revenue bonds payable	944,631	0	944,631
Closure and post-closure care costs	0	8,968	8,968
Liabilities payable from restricted assets			
Retainages payable	132,995	0	132,995
Interest payable	99,920	0	99,920
Customer deposits	796,253	0	796,253
Revenue bonds payable	515,369	0	515,369
Total current liabilities	4,001,543	481,498	4,483,041

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**December 31, 2017**

	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		
	<b>Water and Sewer</b>	<b>Solid Waste</b>	<b>Totals</b>
<b>Noncurrent liabilities</b>			
Net pension liability	\$ 1,648,071	\$ 1,626,249	\$ 3,274,320
Net OPEB obligation	1,992,855	1,651,223	3,644,078
Notes payable	4,048,536	0	4,048,536
Revenue bonds payable	7,880,603	0	7,880,603
Closure and post-closure care costs	0	7,462,716	7,462,716
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Total noncurrent liabilities	15,570,065	10,740,188	26,310,253
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<b>Total liabilities</b>	19,571,608	11,221,686	30,793,294
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<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	80,229,287	14,222,325	94,451,612
Restricted for Capital Outlay	2,191,239	0	2,191,239
Restricted for Debt Service	515,369	0	515,369
Unrestricted	16,151,898	(5,474,282)	10,677,616
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<b>Total net position</b>	<u>\$ 99,087,793</u>	<u>\$ 8,748,043</u>	<u>\$ 107,835,836</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

	Business-Type Activities		
	Water and Sewer	Solid Waste	Totals
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>			
Charges for sales and services	\$ 17,136,607	\$ 5,929,945	\$ 23,066,552
Other	119,976	910	120,886
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>17,256,583</b>	<b>5,930,855</b>	<b>23,187,438</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Costs of sales and services	8,909,958	1,892,288	10,802,246
Personal services	2,877,521	2,976,914	5,854,435
Depreciation	3,076,523	543,650	3,620,173
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>14,864,002</b>	<b>5,412,852</b>	<b>20,276,854</b>
Operating income (loss)	2,392,581	518,003	2,910,584
Non-operating revenues (expenses)			
Interest revenue	54,726	0	54,726
Interest expense	(448,926)	0	(448,926)
Gain on sale of assets	0	55,853	55,853
Loss on disposal of assets	(556,676)	0	(556,676)
<b>Total non-operating revenues (expenses)</b>	<b>(950,876)</b>	<b>55,853</b>	<b>(895,023)</b>
Net income (loss) before capital contributions and transfers	1,441,705	573,856	2,015,561
Capital contributions			
Connection fees	715,422	0	715,422
Net income (loss) before transfers	2,157,127	573,856	2,730,983
Transfers in (out)			
Transfers in	393,620	2,670,573	3,064,193
Transfers out	0	(528,353)	(528,353)
<b>Total transfers in (out)</b>	<b>393,620</b>	<b>2,142,220</b>	<b>2,535,840</b>
Change in net position	2,550,747	2,716,076	5,266,823
Net position, January 1	96,537,046	6,031,967	102,569,013
<b>Net position, December 31</b>	<b>\$ 99,087,793</b>	<b>\$ 8,748,043</b>	<b>\$ 107,835,836</b>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		
	<b>Water and Sewer</b>	<b>Solid Waste</b>	<b>Totals</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>			
Receipts from customers	\$ 16,933,646	\$ 5,865,760	\$ 22,799,406
Payments to suppliers	(9,315,370)	(1,413,206)	(10,728,576)
Payments to employees	(2,663,447)	(2,720,033)	(5,383,480)
Other receipts	119,976	910	120,886
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	5,074,805	1,733,431	6,808,236
<b>Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:</b>			
Receipts from other funds	244,546	0	244,546
Payments to other funds	0	(497,245)	(497,245)
Net cash provided (used) by non-capital financing activities	244,546	(497,245)	(252,699)
<b>Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:</b>			
Receipt of capital contributions	715,422	0	715,422
Receipts from other funds	393,620	2,607,589	3,001,209
Receipts of principal on notes receivable	112,500	0	112,500
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	0	55,853	55,853
Payments for acquisitions of capital assets	(1,880,349)	(3,137,978)	(5,018,327)
Payment of prior year capital related payables	(201,684)	0	(201,684)
Interest paid	(452,302)	0	(452,302)
Proceeds from promissory notes	381,747	0	381,747
Principal payments - promissory notes	(46,045)	0	(46,045)
Principal payments - bonds	(1,420,000)	0	(1,420,000)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	(2,397,091)	(474,536)	(2,871,627)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Interest received	5,397	0	5,397
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	2,927,657	761,650	3,689,307
Cash and cash equivalents, January 1	16,653,761	3,243,632	19,897,393
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, December 31</b>	<b>\$ 19,581,418</b>	<b>\$ 4,005,282</b>	<b>\$ 23,586,700</b>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		
	<b>Water and Sewer</b>	<b>Solid Waste</b>	<b>Totals</b>
<b>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:</b>			
Operating income (loss)	\$ 2,392,581	\$ 518,003	\$ 2,910,584
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:			
Depreciation expense	3,076,523	543,650	3,620,173
Landfill closure/postclosure costs	0	369,759	369,759
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(221,136)	(64,185)	(285,321)
(Increase) decrease in inventories	(1,862)	0	(1,862)
(Increase) decrease in pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	(44,240)	(53,394)	(97,634)
(Increase) decrease in pension investment return differences	34,652	41,822	76,474
(Increase) decrease in pension experience differences	(122,713)	(148,102)	(270,815)
(Increase) decrease in pension assumption changes	(82,335)	(99,370)	(181,705)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(389,364)	105,137	(284,227)
Increase (decrease) in intergovernmental payable	(16,955)	0	(16,955)
Increase (decrease) in claims and judgements payable	2,769	4,186	6,955
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits	18,175	0	18,175
Increase (decrease) in accrued payroll liabilities	11,429	19,094	30,523
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability	260,671	314,604	575,275
Increase (decrease) in net OPEB obligation	156,610	182,227	338,837
Total adjustments	2,682,224	1,215,428	3,897,652
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 5,074,805	\$ 1,733,431	\$ 6,808,236
<b>Cash and cash equivalents reconciliation</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,978,637	\$ 4,005,282	\$ 19,983,919
Restricted assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3,602,781	0	3,602,781
	\$ 19,581,418	\$ 4,005,282	\$ 23,586,700

**Noncash investing, capital, and financing activities:**

Increase in intergovernmental receivables through promissory notes from governments totaled \$1,564,370.  
Acquisition of capital assets through payables totaled \$443,963.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**December 31, 2017**

	<u>Agency Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,647,735
Taxes receivable, net	<u>2,709,371</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 5,357,106</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Due to other agencies	<u>\$ 5,357,106</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**December 31, 2017**

**1. Description of Government Unit**

Bartow County, Georgia (the County) is a political subdivision of the State of Georgia created by legislative act in 1832. The County is governed by an elected Commissioner who is governed by State statutes and regulations.

The County provides a full range of governmental services, including public safety, health and welfare services, recreational programs, public works, and solid waste services.

**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**A. Description of Government-wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. All fiduciary activities are reported only in the fund financial statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges to external customers for support. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

**B. Reporting Entity**

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of Bartow County (the primary government) and material component units. The component units discussed below are included in the County's reporting entity because of the significance of its operational and financial relationship with the County.

In conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, as set forth in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended by Statement No. 61, the financial statements of component units have been included either as blended or discretely presented component units.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***B. Reporting Entity, continued***

Blended Component Units – Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the Government's operations.

Bartow County Resource Recovery Development Authority – The Bartow County Resource Recovery Development Authority is governed by a five-member board appointed by the County Commissioner. Although it is separate from the County being a body corporate and politic and an instrumentality of the State of Georgia, the Authority is reported as if it were part of the primary government because its sole purpose is to finance, construct and to a limited degree operate the new Bartow County landfill. Because of its limited activity, separate financial statements are not prepared for the Authority.

Discretely Presented Component Units – Discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the combined financial statements to emphasize it is legally separate from the government.

Bartow County Health Department – The Bartow County Health Department is responsible for providing environmental and physical health services to the citizens of Bartow County. Bartow County Board of Health was created by a state legislative act. It is operated under a seven member board and a full-time executive director. The County by virtue of its appointments and the presence of the County Commissioner on the Board controls a majority of Board of Health governing positions. Although the County does not have the authority to approve or modify the Board of Health's operational and capital budget, it does have the ability to control the amount of funding it provides to the Board of Health. Such funding is significant to the overall operations of the Board of Health. The Health Department's fiscal year end is June 30. A copy of the Bartow County Health Department's financial statements can be obtained from 100 Zena Drive, Cartersville, Georgia 30121.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***B. Reporting Entity, continued***

Certain county officials collect and disburse taxes, fees, fines, and other trust and agency receipts. Separate records of accountability are maintained for such receipts. For purposes of this report, these records are included as a part of agency funds with remittances to the General Fund from these officials recorded as revenue. Operating costs for these officials are included as a part of the County's General Fund. These units include:

Tax Commissioner	Probate Court	Clerk of Court
Sheriff	Superior Court	
Magistrate Court	Juvenile Court	

***Related Organizations***

The County's governing body is also responsible for appointing the members of the board of other organizations, but the County's accountability for these organizations does not extend beyond making the appointments. Principal bodies excluded due to the County's limited accountability are the following Bartow County authorities and boards:

Board of Family and Children Services  
Cartersville-Bartow County Joint Development Authority  
Cartersville-Bartow County Second Joint Development Authority  
Development Authority of Bartow County  
Community Service Board

***C. Basis of Presentation – Government-wide Financial Statements***

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds, while business-type activities incorporate data from the government's enterprise funds. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***C. Basis of Presentation – Government-wide Financial Statements, continued***

As discussed earlier, the government has one discretely presented component unit. While it is not considered to be a major component unit, it is shown in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

***D. Basis of Presentation – Fund Financial Statements***

The fund financial statements provide information about the government's funds, including its fiduciary funds and blended component units. Separate statements for each fund category—governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary—are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds. Major individual governmental and enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

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

**2014 SPLOST Debt Service Fund** – accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on the Series 2013 Bartow County, Georgia General Obligation Sales Tax Bonds.

**2007 SPLOST Capital Projects Fund** – accounts for the proceeds of a 1 percent local option sales tax approved in 2007 for a period of time not to exceed six years for the purpose of financing long-term projects.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***D. Basis of Presentation – Fund Financial Statements, continued***

**2014 SPLOST Capital Projects Fund** – accounts for the proceeds of a 1 percent local option sales tax approved in 2011 for a period of time not to exceed six years for the purpose of financing long-term projects.

The County reports the following major proprietary funds:

**Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund** – accounts for the activities of the County's water and sewer systems. The system includes sewage treatment plants, sewage pumping stations and collection systems, and the water distribution system.

**Solid Waste Enterprise Fund** – accounts for the activities of the County's solid waste disposal services for the residences of Bartow County.

Additionally, the government reports the following fund types:

***Governmental Fund Types***

**Special Revenue Funds** – accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally or donor restricted to be expended for specified purposes.

**Debt Service Funds** – accounts for the accumulation of resources and payment of general government long-term debt principal and interest from governmental resources.

**Capital Projects Funds** – accounts for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of specifically planned projects (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***D. Basis of Presentation – Fund Financial Statements, continued***

***Fiduciary Fund Types***

***Agency Funds*** – Agency Funds are custodial in nature and do not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. Agency funds are accounted for using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. These funds are used to account for assets that are held either for the County or for others.

During the course of operations the government has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year end are reported as due from/to other funds and advances to/from other funds. While these balances are reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Balances between the funds included in governmental activities (i.e., the governmental funds) are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the governmental activities column. Similarly, balances between the funds included in business-type activities (i.e., the enterprise funds) are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the business-type activities column.

Further, certain activity occurs during the year involving transfers of resources between funds. In fund financial statements these amounts are reported at gross amounts as transfers in/out. While reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Transfers between the funds included in governmental activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the governmental activities column. Similarly, balances between the funds included in business-type activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the business-type activities column.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***E. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting***

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

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

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***E. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting, continued***

Property taxes, sales taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Entitlements are recorded as revenues when all eligibility requirements are met, including any time requirements, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of year-end). Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements have been met, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of year-end). All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

The proprietary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

***F. Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses***

Program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment, and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes, and other internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Water and Sewer and Solid Waste Funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***G. Budgetary Information***

An operating budget is legally adopted each fiscal year for the General Fund and the Special Revenue and Debt Service Funds on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with the Georgia Code, the County has project length balanced budgets for all Capital Projects Funds.

All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. The level of control (the level on which expenditures may not exceed appropriations) for each legally adopted annual operating budget is the department level. During the year, supplemental appropriations are approved by the Commissioner to cover unforeseen expenditures and are funded out of contingency accounts, from favorable revenue and expenditure variances or unappropriated fund balances.

The annual budget cycle begins in the fall of the preceding year when budget requests are submitted to the administrative staff. The County Commissioner advertises and conducts public hearings on the proposed budget in compliance with state law and adopts a final budget as soon as practicable after January 1.

***H. Cash and Investments***

The county's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, certificates of deposit, and other short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. For the purpose of the proprietary fund type statement of cash flows, the County considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***H. Cash and Investments, continued***

The statutes of the State of Georgia authorize the County to invest in U.S. Government obligations; obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the U. S. Government or by a government agency of the United States; obligations of any Corporation of the U. S. Government; State of Georgia obligations and other States; obligations of other counties, municipal corporations and political subdivisions of the State of Georgia; repurchase agreements when collateralized by U.S. Government or agency obligations; prime banker's acceptances; certificates of deposit or time deposit of any national state bank or savings and loan which have deposits insured by the FDIC or FSLIC; and pooled investment programs sponsored by the State of Georgia for the investment of local government funds.

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

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

The County reports investments using net asset value (NAV) when NAV is calculated in a manner consistent with fair value measurement guidelines, fair value is not readily determinable, and it is not probable for the investment to be sold at an amount other than NAV.

***I. Intergovernmental Receivables***

Receivables from state, federal, and local governments are recorded as revenue for the period of the allocation or as earned based on expenditures made for which reimbursement is due.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***J. Inventories***

Certain governmental fund-types had a de minimis amount of expendable supplies on hand at year end. Accordingly, none are shown on the balance sheets at year end. The County uses the purchase method of accounting for the purchase of materials and supplies or services. These items are charged directly to the expenditure account. Enterprise fund inventories are stated at cost on the basis of inventories first in, first out (FIFO) method of accounting. Enterprise fund inventories consist of expendable supplies (i.e. pipe, meters) held for consumption.

***K. Prepaid Items***

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 2017, are recorded as prepaid items. The costs of governmental fund-type prepaid items are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

***L. Capital Assets***

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g. roads, bridges, sidewalks, culverts and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the County as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Roads, bridges and culverts are defined by the County as projects with an individual cost of \$100,000. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value. The County has included all of its infrastructure assets (roads, bridges and culverts) regardless of acquisition date using actual costs or estimated costs using the backtracking method.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***L. Capital Assets, continued***

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the assets constructed. The amount of interest capitalized is calculated by offsetting interest expense incurred (from the date of borrowing until completion of the project) with interest earned on investment proceeds over the same period.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets ranging as follows:

	<b><u>Useful Life in Years</u></b>
Land	N/A
Intangibles	N/A
Buildings and structure	25-50
Land improvements	10-20
Vehicles	5
Machinery and equipment	5-20
Infrastructure	20-50
Distribution system	30-50

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add value or materiality extend the life of the asset are charged to operations as incurred. Costs of major additions and improvements are capitalized.

***M. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources***

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/ expenditure) until then. The County reports deferred outflows of resources for deferred charges on bond refunding and their defined benefit pension plans. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***M. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, continued***

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has only one type of item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from two sources: property taxes and special assessments. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

***N. Net Position Flow Assumption***

Sometimes the County will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted – net position and unrestricted – net position in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the County's policy to consider restricted – net position to have been depleted before unrestricted – net position is applied.

***O. Fund Balance Flow Assumption***

Sometimes the County will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the County's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***P. Restricted Assets and Restricted Net Position***

Restricted assets of the Water and Sewer Fund represent certain resources set aside for construction and the repayment of revenue bonds because they are maintained in a separate bank account and their use is limited.

Restricted net position is equal to the excess of the restricted assets funded from operations over the liabilities to be paid with restricted assets which are due in one year or less. Restricted assets exclude bond proceeds for calculation of restriction.

***Q. Fund Balances – Governmental Funds***

Bartow County implemented GASB No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, in 2012. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the following classifications of fund balance:

**Nonspendable** – includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not spendable in form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. All amounts reported as nonspendable by the County are nonspendable in form. The County has not reported any amounts that are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

**Restricted** – includes amounts restricted by external sources (creditors, laws of other governments, etc.) or by constitutional provision or enabling legislation.

**Committed** – includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes. Committed fund balance is reported pursuant to resolutions passed by the Commissioner, the County's highest level of decision making authority, which include the language "committed for the purpose of". Commitments may be modified or rescinded only through adoption of a subsequent resolution, which shall refer to the original resolution by its number.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***Q. Fund Balances – Governmental Funds, continued***

**Assigned** - consists of amounts that are intended to be used by the County for a specific purpose, but do not meet the definition of restricted or committed fund balance. Intent can only be expressed by the Commissioner or his designee. Assigned Fund Balance differs from Committed Fund Balance in that assignments do not require a resolution. Through resolution, the Commissioner has authorized the County Administrator or Chief Financial Officer to assign fund balances.

**Unassigned** – includes amounts that do not fall into one of the above four categories. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. The General Fund is the only fund that should report this category of fund balance. It is the County's target to maintain an unassigned fund balance of not less than three months operating expenses.

***R. Compensation for Future Absences***

Annual leave is earned at the rate of ten days during the first five years of service, fifteen days per year after five years of service, and twenty days per year after fourteen years of service for the remainder of employment. There is no requirement that annual leave be taken. Upon termination, all employees are paid for all accumulated annual leave up to a maximum of two hundred hours. For the Government's government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund financial statements, an expense and a liability for compensated absences and the salary-related payments are recorded as leave is earned.

Sick leave is earned at the rate of four hours per month and is allowed to accumulate up to ninety days. Unused sick leave is forfeited upon termination of employment. It is not considered practical to determine the actual liability for sick leave. Therefore, accrued sick leave is not reported in the County's financial statements. It is not expected that any unrecorded sick pay benefits will exceed a normal year's accumulation.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**S. Long-Term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as prepaid bond insurance, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Prepaid bond insurance is reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the debt. Issuance costs are recognized during the current period.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types, bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are recognized during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as another financing source. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financial sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, even if withheld from the actual net proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

**T. Pensions**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Restated Pension Plan for Bartow County employees (the Plan) and additions to/deductions from the Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

**U. Capital Contributions**

Federal, state and local government assistance in the form of grants that are permanent in nature and restricted for the construction or acquisition of specific property and equipment is recorded as an asset and as non-operating revenue.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

***V. Use of Estimates in the Preparation of the Financial Statements***

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

**3. Deposit and Investment Risk**

**Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a financial institution failure, the County's deposits may not be returned. The County has no formal policy, but follows the State of Georgia requirement that all deposits be federally insured or fully collateralized.

**Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates may adversely affect an investment's fair value. The County has no formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

**Credit Risk**

State statutes authorize the government to invest in obligations of the United States Treasury (100%) and of its agencies and instrumentalities (80%); bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state and of its agencies and instrumentalities (25%); certificates of deposits of banks insured by FDIC (75%); prime bankers' acceptances (10%); the State of Georgia Local Government Investment Pool (100%); repurchase agreements (25%); bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness of any solvent corporation subject to certain conditions (0%).

**Concentration of Credit Risk**

Bartow County places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

**Foreign currency risk**

The County has no investments denominated in a foreign currency.

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**3. Deposit and Investment Risk (continued)**

At December 31, 2017, the County had investments with recurring fair value measurements using level one inputs with the following maturities and credit ratings:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Average Maturity (in months)</u>	<u>Credit Rating (1)</u>
Repurchase Agreements	\$ 1,112,309	126	A to A2
Federal National Mortgage Assn. Notes	372,824	1	AA+ to AAA
Certificates of deposit	<u>3,500,000</u>	1	N/A
Total	<u><u>\$ 4,985,133</u></u>		

(1) - Standard and Poor's and Moodys

**4. Accounts Receivable**

Net accounts receivable at December 31, 2017 consist of the following:

**Primary Government:**

**Major Funds**

General Fund	\$ 1,139,290	
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	<u>(442,822)</u>	\$ 696,468

Water and Sewer Fund	2,590,220	
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	<u>(772,330)</u>	1,817,890

Solid Waste Enterprise Fund	908,046	
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	<u>(110,920)</u>	797,126

**Nonmajor Funds**

Emergency Telephone Special Revenue Fund	<u>261,573</u>	
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<b>Total primary government</b>	<u><u>\$ 3,573,057</u></u>	
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**5. Intergovernmental Receivables**

Intergovernmental receivables at December 31, 2017 consist of the following:

**Primary Government:**

**Major Funds**

General Fund

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	\$ 142,450	
Prosecuting Attorney Council	47,944	
Georgia Department of Transportation	115,951	
Georgia Department of Human Services	12,424	
Georgia Department of Natural Resources	25,000	
Georgia Department of Agriculture	9,463	
Georgia Department of Corrections	4,230	
Georgia Emergency Management Agency	22,939	
Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety	15,774	
Transit Alliance Group - Georgia DHS	14,220	
Atlanta-Carolinas HIDTA	4,823	
Etowah Housing Authority	3,296	
Bartow County Health Department	96	
Bartow-Cartersville Joint Development Authority	1,418,102	
Cherokee County, Georgia	1,395	
Gordon County, Georgia	35,140	
Cities in Bartow County, Georgia	83,427	
Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund		
Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority	<u>1,564,370</u>	\$ 3,521,044

**Nonmajor Funds**

Drug Abuse Education Special Revenue Fund		
Cities in Bartow County, Georgia	2,885	
Crime Victim Assistance Special Revenue Fund		
Appling County Magistrate Court	18	
Cities in Bartow County, Georgia	3,883	
County Jail Special Revenue Fund		
Cities in Bartow County, Georgia	8,917	
2003 SPLOST Capital Projects Fund		
Georgia Department of Transportation	<u>38,003</u>	<u>53,706</u>
<b>Total primary government</b>		<u><u>\$ 3,574,750</u></u>

**Bartow County Health Department Component Unit**

Georgia Department of Public Health	\$ 118,891	
Floyd County Health Department	<u>44,787</u>	<u>\$ 163,678</u>
<b>Total Bartow County Health Department Component Unit</b>		<u><u>\$ 163,678</u></u>

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**6. Notes Receivable**

On June 27, 2016, the County entered into a lending agreement with a private company in the amount of \$125,000 with an interest rate of 0.00% (\$0 outstanding); the loan was made to provide for a capital contribution to be made over time. Repayment is due in sixty monthly installments of \$2,083 beginning July 5, 2016. The note was paid in full during 2017.

**7. Property Taxes**

Property tax rates are set by the County Commissioner each year and are limited by statutory or constitutional provision. Property values are assessed as of January 1<sup>st</sup> each year. Property taxes for digest year 2017, based upon the assessments as of January 1, 2017, were levied on August 9, 2017, billed on September 15, 2017, and due on November 15, 2017. Tax liens may be issued 60 days after the due date.

Taxes receivable as of December 31, 2017, consist of property taxes for seven years as follows:

Year of Levy	
2017	\$ 1,248,857
2016	124,841
2015	4,477
2014	2,962
2013	4,439
2012	1,252
2011	190
	<u>1,387,018</u>
Less allowance for uncollectible	<u>(38,160)</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 1,348,858</u></u>

\$3,676,876 of sales taxes, \$162,299 of excise taxes, \$137,091 of franchise taxes, \$36,590 in alcoholic beverage taxes, and \$102,870 of hotel/motel tax are also included in taxes receivable.

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**8. Interfund Receivables and Payables**

A summary of interfund receivables and payables as of December 31, 2017 is as follows:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Water & Sewer	\$ 438,970
	Nonmajor Governmental	9,610
Nonmajor Governmental	Water & Sewer	9,332
	Nonmajor Governmental	702,381
		<u>\$ 1,160,293</u>

The balances reported as Due to/Due from represent loans between the borrower funds and the General Fund. These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that transactions are recorded in the accounting system and payments between the funds are made. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances".

**9. Interfund Transfers**

A summary of interfund transfers as of December 31, 2017 is as follows:

<u>Transfer Out Fund</u>	<u>Transfer In Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Nonmajor Governmental	\$ 385,000
2014 SPLOST	2014 SPLOST Debt Service	6,360,000
	Water and Sewer	393,620
	Solid Waste	2,607,589
Solid Waste	General	528,353
Nonmajor Governmental	General	1,079,060
	Solid Waste	62,984
		<u>\$ 11,416,606</u>

Interfund transfers are used to 1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires collecting them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and 2) use unrestricted revenues collected to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. Transfers are eliminated in the government-wide financial statements if the interfund transfer is within the governmental fund group or business-type fund group.

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## 10. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the primary government for the year ended December 31, 2017, was as follows:

	Balance 12/31/2016	Increases	Decreases	Balance 12/31/2017
<b>Governmental activities</b>				
Nondepreciable assets				
Land	\$ 35,949,639	\$ 546,712	\$ (380,718)	\$ 36,115,633
Construction in progress	11,003,248	8,131,234	(6,074,958)	13,059,524
Total nondepreciable assets	46,952,887	8,677,946	(6,455,676)	49,175,157
Depreciable assets				
Buildings	94,936,088	2,194,933	(47,850)	97,083,171
Land improvements	2,204,817	1,820,865	0	4,025,682
Vehicles and equipment	35,687,424	2,670,860	(1,051,231)	37,307,053
Infrastructure	373,901,622	2,649,614	0	376,551,236
Total depreciable assets	506,729,951	9,336,272	(1,099,081)	514,967,142
Less accumulated depreciation				
Buildings	(20,516,555)	(1,734,247)	29,827	(22,220,975)
Land improvements	(250,092)	(105,273)	0	(355,365)
Vehicles and equipment	(22,270,583)	(2,882,292)	985,663	(24,167,212)
Infrastructure	(236,812,375)	(9,217,947)	0	(246,030,322)
Total accumulated depreciation	(279,849,605)	(13,939,759)	1,015,490	(292,773,874)
Total depreciable assets, net	226,880,346	(4,603,487)	(83,591)	222,193,268
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 273,833,233	\$ 4,074,459	\$ (6,539,267)	\$ 271,368,425
<b>Business-type activities</b>				
Nondepreciable assets				
Land	\$ 5,681,117	\$ 101,930	\$ 0	\$ 5,783,047
Construction in progress	9,686,863	3,746,973	(10,693,542)	2,740,294
Total nondepreciable assets	15,367,980	3,848,903	(10,693,542)	8,523,341
Depreciable assets				
Buildings	2,967,025	142,142	(11,030)	3,098,137
Land improvements	14,346,717	6,806,896	0	21,153,613
Distribution system	124,170,585	3,236,076	(52,785)	127,353,876
Vehicles and equipment	8,805,955	1,613,389	(463,339)	9,956,005
Total depreciable assets	150,290,282	11,798,503	(527,154)	161,561,631
Less accumulated depreciation				
Buildings and improvements	(1,096,778)	(70,519)	11,030	(1,156,267)
Land improvements	(12,804,264)	(100,444)	0	(12,904,708)
Distribution system	(38,528,329)	(2,949,167)	8,069	(41,469,427)
Vehicles and equipment	(5,925,294)	(500,043)	459,805	(5,965,532)
Total accumulated depreciation	(58,354,665)	(3,620,173)	478,904	(61,495,934)
Total depreciable assets, net	91,935,617	8,178,330	(48,250)	100,065,697
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 107,303,597	\$ 12,027,233	\$ (10,741,792)	\$ 108,589,038

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**10. Capital Assets (continued)**

Decreases in construction in progress for the governmental activities consist of projects placed in service in the amount of \$5,614,851 and projects abandoned in the amount of \$460,107. Decreases in construction in progress for the business-type activities consist of projects placed in service in the amount of \$10,185,116 and projects abandoned in the amount of \$508,426.

Activity for the discretely presented component unit is as follows:

	<b>Balance 7/1/2016</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Balance 6/30/2017</b>
<b>Health Department</b>				
Depreciable assets				
Machinery and equipment	\$ 26,350	\$ 10,193	\$ 0	\$ 36,543
Less accumulated depreciation				
Machinery and equipment	(24,345)	(2,685)	0	(27,030)
Total depreciable assets, net	<u>\$ 2,005</u>	<u>\$ 7,508</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 9,513</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs as follows:

**Primary Government**

**Governmental activities**

General Government	\$ 600,145
Judicial	35,386
Public Safety	2,605,755
Public Works	9,792,975
Health and Welfare	155,003
Culture and Recreation	730,035
Housing and Development	20,460
Total depreciation expense for governmental activities	<u>\$ 13,939,759</u>

**Business-type activities**

Water and Sewer	\$ 3,076,523
Solid Waste	543,650
Total depreciation expense for business-type activities	<u>\$ 3,620,173</u>

**Health Department Component Unit**

	<u>\$ 2,685</u>
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## **11. Capital Lease Agreements**

The County has entered into a lease agreement to finance the acquisition of certain courtroom equipment. The terms of the agreement meet the criteria of a capital lease as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 13, which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risk of ownership to the lessee. The lease bears interest at 6.99% and requires annual payments through 2019. The principal balance of the lease at December 31, 2017 is \$39,995 for governmental activities. As of December 31, 2017, the County had \$63,276 of equipment (reported as vehicles and equipment), with associated accumulated depreciation of \$12,655 financed under the capital leases. Depreciation expense for 2017 on the leased assets totaled \$12,655.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2017:

<b>Year Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
2018	\$ 21,364
2019	21,364
	<u>42,728</u>
Less amounts representing interest	<u>(2,733)</u>
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u><u>\$ 39,995</u></u>

## **12. Long-Term Debt**

### ***Governmental Activities***

#### ***General Obligation Bonds***

The County issues general obligation bonds to provide funds to pay, or to be applied or contributed toward, the cost of constructing, improving, expanding and extending public roads, highways, streets and related facilities as well as the acquisition, construction, improvement and expansion of park and recreation facilities, and water system improvement.

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Governmental Activities, continued***

***General Obligation Bonds, continued***

General obligation bonds are direct obligations of the County and are payable from the levy of an ad valorem tax, without limitation as to rate or amount, levied on all taxable property, including all real property, within the County subject to taxation for general obligation bond purposes. In certain instances specific revenues are pledged for servicing the debt, but the full faith, credit and taxing power of the County is ultimately responsible.

***Cartersville Development Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2013:*** On October 2, 2013, the County received \$5,485,000 into a Project Trust Fund pursuant to a bond closing by the Cartersville Development Authority. The County is responsible for paying the debt service on the Bonds. The Cartersville Development Authority Revenue Bonds (Bartow County Project), Series 2013 (the “Bonds”), were issued by the Cartersville Development Authority (the Authority), a public body corporate and politic of the State of Georgia. The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used for the purpose of (i) financing all or a portion of the costs of the Burnt Hickory Extension Project (the “Project”); and (ii) paying the costs of the issuance of the Bonds.

The Bonds are limited obligations of the Authority. The County is required to pay SPLOST proceeds to the Authority to be used to pay debt service on the Bonds pursuant to an amended and restated intergovernmental contract, dated as of October 1, 2013, between the Authority and the County.

The Bonds are payable in annual installments ranging from \$1,790,000 to \$1,865,000 commencing March 1, 2018 through March 1, 2020; interest at 2.00% is paid semi-annually on March 1<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup>. As the County is responsible for 100% of the issue, under the related documents to make payments to the Authority sufficient to pay principal and interest on the Bonds, the related transactions, including the liability for the bonds, have been recorded in the County’s financial statements. As of December 31, 2017, the revenue bonds had an outstanding balance of \$5,485,000.

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Governmental Activities, continued***

***General Obligation Bonds, continued***

***General Obligation Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2013:*** In May 2013, the County issued Series 2013 General Obligation Sales Tax Bonds in the amount of \$30,000,000. The bonds bear interest at 5.00% and will be repaid in principal installments of \$4,715,000 to \$5,350,000 beginning in March 2015 and ending in March 2020. The bonds are being issued to fund (i) cost of certain capital outlay projects of Bartow County Georgia, (ii) capitalized interest on the Series 2013 Bonds, and (iii) the costs of issuance of the Series 2013 Bonds. The Bonds are general obligations of Bartow County, Georgia and are payable first from a 1% special purpose local option sales and use tax collected within Bartow County, Georgia and second from the levy of an ad valorem tax, without limitation as to rate or amount, on all property within Bartow County, Georgia subject to taxation for bond purposes. As of December 31, 2017, the bonds had an outstanding balance of \$15,570,000.

The annual requirements to amortize general obligation bonds payable as of December 31, 2017 are as follows:

<b>Year Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2018	\$ 6,825,000	\$ 694,075	\$ 7,519,075
2019	7,015,000	452,725	7,467,725
2020	7,215,000	152,400	7,367,400
Totals	<u>\$ 21,055,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,299,200</u>	<u>\$ 22,354,200</u>

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Governmental Activities, continued***

***Contracts Payable***

***City of Cartersville Building Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2008:*** On March 5, 2008, the City of Cartersville Building Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 were issued by the City of Cartersville Building Authority, a public body corporate and political of the State of Georgia. The County and City of Cartersville received \$4,360,000 into a Project Trust Fund pursuant to a bond closing by the Cartersville Building Authority. Through the original intergovernmental agreement, each governmental entity was responsible for the issue as follows: County 35.29%; City of Cartersville 64.71%. The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used for the purpose of (i) financing all or a portion of the costs of the acquisition, construction, development and equipping of certain utility infrastructure (the "Project"); and (ii) paying the costs of the issuance of the Bonds.

The Bonds are limited obligations of the Authority. The County's portion of the Bonds are payable solely from payments to be made by the County pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement, dated as of March 1, 2008 (the "Contract"), between the Authority and the County. The County's obligation to make payment to the Authority sufficient in time and amount to enable the Authority to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds is absolute and unconditional, is secured by a pledge of the County's full faith and credit and taxing powers and will not expire so long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid. These funds are primarily to be used to extend utility service to an industrial park being developed by the Bartow-Cartersville Joint Development Authority.

The Bonds are payable in annual installments ranging from \$185,000 to \$345,000 commencing February 1, 2012 through February 1, 2028; interest at 3.83% is paid semi-annually on February 1<sup>st</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup>. As the County is responsible for 35.29% of the issue, under the related documents to make payments to a trustee sufficient to pay principal and interest on the bonds, the related transactions, including the liability for the bonds, have been recorded in the County's financial statements as contracts payable.

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Governmental Activities, continued***

***Contracts Payable, continued***

On July 18, 2014, the first amendment to the lease agreement changed the terms of the original lease agreement to make the County 100% responsible for the issue. Therefore, 100% of the remaining balance has now been recorded on the County's financial statements as contracts payable. The outstanding balance of the contracts payable at December 31, 2017 is \$3,140,000. The County has entered into an intergovernmental contract with the Bartow-Cartersville Joint Development Authority regarding the reimbursement of amounts paid by the County. See Note 20 for additional information.

***City of Cartersville Building Authority Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012:*** On October 1, 2012, the City of Cartersville Building Authority Revenue Bonds (Utility Systems Project), Series 2004 were refunded through the \$7,610,000 issuance of the Cartersville Building Authority Refunding Revenue Bond, Series 2012. Through an intergovernmental agreement, the City of Cartersville and Bartow County are each responsible for 50% of the issue. The City of Cartersville Building Authority Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 (the "Bonds"), were issued by the Cartersville Building Authority (the Authority), a public body corporate and politic of the State of Georgia. The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used for the purpose of (i) refinancing the costs of acquiring, constructing, and installing sewer system, natural gas system, and water system utility improvements (the "System Properties"), and (ii) financing related costs

The Bonds are limited obligations of the Authority. The Bonds are payable solely from payments to be made by the County pursuant to an Intergovernmental Contract, dated as of November 1, 2004 (the "Contract"), between the Authority and the County. The County's obligation to make payment to the Authority sufficient in time and amount to enable the Authority to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds is absolute and unconditional, is secured by a pledge of the County's full faith and credit and taxing powers and will not expire so long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid.

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Governmental Activities, continued***

***Contracts Payable, continued***

The Bonds are payable in annual installments ranging from \$675,000 to \$3,520,000 commencing April 1, 2013 through April 1, 2019; interest at 1.95% is paid semi-annually on April 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>. As the County is responsible for 50% of the issue, under the related documents to make payments to a trustee sufficient to pay principal and interest on the bonds, the related transactions, including the liability for the bonds, were recorded in the County's financial statements as contracts payable. The outstanding balance of the contracts payable at December 31, 2017 is \$2,115,000. The County has entered into an intergovernmental contract with the Bartow-Cartersville Joint Development Authority regarding the reimbursement of amounts paid by the County. See Note 20 for additional information.

The annual requirements to amortize contracts payable as of December 31, 2017 are as follows:

<b>Year Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2018	\$ 590,000	\$ 153,543	\$ 743,543
2019	2,000,000	123,825	2,123,825
2020	250,000	97,282	347,282
2021	260,000	87,515	347,515
2022	275,000	77,270	352,270
2023-2027	1,535,000	217,448	1,752,448
2028	345,000	6,607	351,607
Totals	<u>\$ 5,255,000</u>	<u>\$ 763,490</u>	<u>\$ 6,018,490</u>

***Certificate of Participation***

The County has entered into an interest rate swap agreement for \$1,855,000 of its fixed rate 1998 A Grantor Trust Certificate of Participation for the outstanding period of the COPS. Based on the swap agreement, the County pays a synthetic variable rate to the counter party to the swap. In return, the counter party owes the County interest based on a fixed rate that matches the rate required by the COPS. Only the net difference in interest payments is actually exchanged with the counter party. The \$1,855,000 in COPS principal is not exchanged; it is the initial notional amount upon which the interest payments are calculated.

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Governmental Activities, continued***

***Certificate of Participation, continued***

The interest rate swap agreement does not affect the obligation of the County under the indenture to pay the principal of, and fixed interest on, the 1998 COPS. However, during the term of the swap agreement, the County effectively pays a variable rate on the debt. The debt service requirements to maturity for these lease obligations (presented in this note) are based on the variable rate in effect at year-end. The county will be exposed to fixed rates if the counter party to the swap defaults or if the swap agreement is terminated. A termination or default of the swap agreement may also result in the County making or receiving a termination or default payment, generally equal to the fair value of the swap agreement at the time of termination. This agreement matures on June 1, 2028, at the same time as the certificates of participation. The fixed rate on the certificates is 4.75%. The variable (floating) rate of interest is based on the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Associations (SIFMA) Municipal Swap Index (plus a 31 basis points spread). The rate at December 31, 2017 is 2.73%.

***Swap Payments and Associated Debt***

Using interest rates as of December 31, 2017, principal and interest requirements of the debt and net swap payments for the term of the swap and the debt are as follows. As rates vary, net swap payments will vary.

<b>Year Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Fixed Rate COPS</b>		<b>Interest Rate Swaps, Net</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>			
2018	\$0	\$ 88,112	\$ (50,641)	\$ 37,471
2019	0	88,112	(50,641)	37,471
2020	0	88,112	(50,641)	37,471
2021	0	88,112	(50,641)	37,471
2022	0	88,112	(50,641)	37,471
2023-2027	0	440,563	(253,208)	187,355
2028	1,855,000	36,714	(21,101)	1,870,613
Totals	<u>\$1,855,000</u>	<u>\$ 917,837</u>	<u>\$ (527,514)</u>	<u>\$ 2,245,323</u>

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Business-Type Activities***

***Revenue Bonds***

Revenue bonds have been issued for business-type activities and are comprised of the following individual issues at December 31, 2017:

***Water and Sewerage Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2010:*** On May 26, 2010, the County issued Water and Sewerage Bonds in the amount of \$6,995,000, due in annual installments of \$300,000 to \$1,190,000 through September 1, 2018, with an interest rate of 2.40% (\$1,545,000 outstanding). All proceeds were used to advance payment on previously issued debts of the County. On May 26, 2010, the County deposited \$6,936,688, \$6,080,112 of bond proceeds plus an additional deposit of \$856,576, from the prior sinking fund, into escrow pursuant to the bond closing. This amount was sufficient to refund the outstanding principal of the Water and Sewerage Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1999, total principal outstanding, \$2,070,000, plus additional interest in the amount of \$36,024, and the Water and Sewerage Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2002, total principal outstanding \$4,690,000, plus additional interest in the amount of \$99,664 and a premium in the amount of \$41,000. All remaining proceeds were used for advance payment of the 1996 GEFA note payable. As of December 31, 2017, the bonds had an outstanding balance of \$495,000.

***Water and Sewerage Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2012:*** On June 7, 2012, the County issued Water and Sewerage Bonds in the amount of \$11,110,000, due in annual installments of \$135,000 to \$1,210,000 through 2031, with an interest rate of 2.00% to 5.00% (\$9,910,000 outstanding). The total proceeds of the issue were \$12,073,076, \$11,110,000 plus a premium of \$963,076. Total debt issue costs in the amount of \$262,130 were incurred to issue the bonds. On June 7, 2012, a total of \$4,804,359 was used for advance payment of 3 GEFA notes payable, the remaining \$7,185,391 was deposited into the 2012 Project Fund Account to be used for future expansion of the water and sewerage system in accordance with the bond resolution and to pay debt issue costs. As of December 31, 2017, the bonds had an outstanding balance of \$8,155,000.

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Business-Type Activities, continued***

***Revenue Bonds, continued***

The annual requirements to amortize revenue bonds payable as of December 31, 2017 are as follows:

<b>Year Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2018	\$ 1,460,000	\$ 296,135	\$ 1,756,135
2019	1,500,000	255,305	1,755,305
2020	1,560,000	195,305	1,755,305
2021	1,600,000	157,105	1,757,105
2022	260,000	83,105	343,105
2023-2027	1,425,000	291,435	1,716,435
2028-2031	845,000	55,125	900,125
Totals	<u>\$ 8,650,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,333,515</u>	<u>\$ 9,983,515</u>

***Notes Payable***

The County entered into borrowings with the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority for expansion of the County's water and sewer system. These notes, including original balances, are as follows as of December 31, 2017:

<b>Interest Rate</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Original Balance</b>
0.52%	10 Years	2027	\$ 2,834,535
1.31%	10 Years	2028	347,031
			<u>\$ 3,181,566</u>

During 2017, the County also entered into a note agreement with GEFA to borrow up to \$4,600,000 for expansion of the County's water and sewer system. As of December 31, 2017, the note has a balance of \$939,303 and is still in the draw down phase. Therefore, a future payment schedule has not been established. The note requires interest only payments until the earlier of April 1, 2019, the completion date, or the date that the loan is fully disbursed. The note bears an interest rate of 1.89%. The maturity schedule below does not include this note.

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Business-Type Activities, continued***

***Notes Payable, continued***

During 2017, the County also entered into a note agreement with GEFA to borrow up to \$6,230,000 for expansion of the County's water and sewer system. As of December 31, 2017, the note has a balance of \$278,035 and is still in the draw down phase. Therefore, a future payment schedule has not been established. The note requires interest only payments until the earlier of April 1, 2019, the completion date, or the date that the loan is fully disbursed. The note bears an interest rate of 1.89%. The maturity schedule below does not include this note.

The annual requirements to amortize notes payable as of December 31, 2017 are as follows:

<b>Year Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2018	\$ 304,324	\$ 17,806	\$ 322,130
2019	311,606	16,388	327,994
2020	313,493	14,500	327,993
2021	315,394	12,599	327,993
2022	317,308	10,685	327,993
2023-2027	1,567,232	24,243	1,591,475
2028	6,165	10	6,175
Totals	<u>\$ 3,135,522</u>	<u>\$ 96,231</u>	<u>\$ 3,231,753</u>

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Changes in Long - Term Debt***

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt of the County for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017:

	<b>Balance 12/31/2016</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Deductions</b>	<b>Balance 12/31/2017</b>	<b>Due Within One Year</b>
<b>Governmental activities</b>					
Bonds payable	\$ 25,965,000	\$ 0	\$ 4,910,000	\$ 21,055,000	\$ 6,825,000
Original issue premium	1,802,711	0	569,277	1,233,434	0
Total bonds payable	27,767,711	0	5,479,277	22,288,434	6,825,000
Certificate of participation	1,855,000	0	0	1,855,000	0
Original issue discount	(34,529)	0	(4,934)	(29,595)	0
Total certificate of participation	1,820,471	0	(4,934)	1,825,405	0
Contracts payable	5,827,500	0	572,500	5,255,000	590,000
Capital lease payable	61,334	0	21,339	39,995	19,358
Guarantee obligation	0	6,032,135	512,150	5,519,985	2,252,224
Compensated absences	1,222,345	1,253,083	1,222,345	1,253,083	1,253,083
Claims and judgements	1,220,157	11,766,084	11,689,430	1,296,811	1,296,811
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 37,919,518</u>	<u>\$ 19,051,302</u>	<u>\$ 19,492,107</u>	<u>\$ 37,478,713</u>	<u>\$ 12,236,476</u>
<b>Business-type activities</b>					
Bonds payable	\$ 10,070,000	\$ 0	\$ 1,420,000	\$ 8,650,000	\$ 1,460,000
Original issue premium	739,932	0	49,329	690,603	0
Total bonds payable	10,809,932	0	1,469,329	9,340,603	1,460,000
Notes payable	2,452,788	1,946,117	46,045	4,352,860	304,324
Compensated absences	125,343	145,230	125,343	145,230	145,230
Claims and judgements	119,178	1,129,507	1,122,552	126,133	126,133
Closure and post-closure costs	7,101,925	378,727	8,968	7,471,684	8,968
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 20,609,166</u>	<u>\$ 3,599,581</u>	<u>\$ 2,772,237</u>	<u>\$ 21,436,510</u>	<u>\$ 2,044,655</u>

Bond discounts/premiums are amortized over the life of the related debt using the straight-line method. In prior years, long-term liabilities, such as compensated absences, claims and judgements, and guarantee obligation of the governmental activities were liquidated in the General Fund. The landfill closure and post-closure care costs are paid for by the Solid Waste Fund.

The total interest incurred and charged to expense for the year ended December 31, 2017 was \$961,688 and \$448,926 for governmental activities and business-type activities, respectively.

See Note 23 for additional details on the guarantee obligation.

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**12. Long-Term Debt (continued)**

***Changes in Long - Term Debt, continued***

Long-term liability activity for the discretely presented component unit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 was as follows:

	<u>Balance 6/30/2016</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance 6/30/2017</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
<b>Bartow County Health Department</b>					
Compensated absences	\$ 65,185	\$ 11,547	\$ 11,001	\$ 65,731	\$ 6,573

**13. Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Care Costs**

State and federal laws and regulations require that the County place a final cover on its landfill when closed and perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill site for a period from five to thirty years after closure. In addition to operating expenses related to current activities of the landfill, an expense provision and related liability are being recognized based on the future closure and post-closure care costs that will be incurred near or after the date the landfill no longer accepts waste. The recognition of these landfill closure and post-closure care costs is based on the amount of the landfill capacity used during the year. The recorded liability for landfill closure and post-closure care costs as of December 31, 2017 totaled \$7,471,684. This amount is based on the total estimated cost and management's estimate of the percentage of landfill capacity used at December 31, 2017, which is 17.3% of the Subtitle "D" landfill, 100% for the old landfill and 100% of the C & D landfill. It is estimated that an additional \$13,772,455 will be recognized as closure and post-closure care expenses through the date the landfills are expected to be filled to capacity (2068) for the Subtitle "D" landfill. The estimated total current cost of the landfill closure and post-closure care (approximately \$21,244,139) is based on the amount that would be paid if all equipment, facilities, and services required to close, monitor, and maintain the landfill were acquired as of the date of closure. However, the actual cost of closure and post-closure care may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in landfill laws and regulations.

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# **14. Restricted, Committed, and Assigned Fund Balances**

The following is a summary of restricted, committed, and assigned fund balances of the governmental funds for year ended December 31, 2017:

	2014 SPLOST		2007 SPLOST	2014 SPLOST	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
	General	Debt Service				
<b>Restricted for:</b>						
Judicial						
Drug abuse treatment and education programs	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 220,359	\$ 220,359
Crime victims assistance	0	0	0	0	9,316	9,316
Treatment programs for juvenile offenders	0	0	0	0	74,734	74,734
Law library operations	0	0	0	0	17,314	17,314
District Attorney operations	0	0	0	0	43,967	43,967
Clerk of Court technology	0	0	0	0	99,761	99,761
Public Safety						
Construction, operation, and staffing of detention facilities	0	0	0	0	17,930	17,930
Law enforcement facilities, equipment, and operations	0	0	0	0	586,260	586,260
Sheriff facilities and equipment	0	0	0	0	129,707	129,707
Public Works						
Highways and streets maintenance and construction	792,344	0	0	0	0	792,344
Capital projects	0	0	2,775,359	11,017,876	695,408	14,488,643
Debt service	0	5,264,517	0	0	1,854,639	7,119,156
	<u>\$ 792,344</u>	<u>\$ 5,264,517</u>	<u>\$ 2,775,359</u>	<u>\$ 11,017,876</u>	<u>\$ 3,749,395</u>	<u>\$ 23,599,491</u>
<b>Assigned for:</b>						
Public Safety						
Emergency 911 system operations	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 959,181	\$ 959,181
Housing and Development						
Tourism	0	0	0	0	75,351	75,351
Debt service	0	0	0	0	600,237	600,237
Subsequent year's budget	4,723,300	0	0	0	0	4,723,300
	<u>\$ 4,723,300</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 1,634,769</u>	<u>\$ 6,358,069</u>

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**15. Net Investment in Capital Assets**

The net investment in capital assets reported on the government-wide statement of net position is calculated as follows for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017:

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
Cost of capital assets	\$ 564,142,299	\$ 170,084,972
Accumulated depreciation	(292,773,874)	(61,495,934)
Book value	271,368,425	108,589,038
Capital-related accounts payable	(106,309)	(310,968)
Retainages payable	0	(132,995)
Capital lease payable	(39,995)	0
Notes payable	0	(4,352,860)
Bonds payable	(22,288,434)	(9,340,603)
Certificates of participation	(1,825,405)	0
Unspent debt proceeds	309,876	0
Net investment in capital assets	<u>\$ 247,418,158</u>	<u>\$ 94,451,612</u>

**16. Retirement Plans**

***Defined Benefit Pension Plan***

*Plan Description.* The County contributes to the Association of the County Commissioners of Georgia Restated Pension Plan for Bartow County Employees (The Plan), a defined benefit pension plan, an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system. The Plan issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Plan. That report may be obtained by writing to Government Employees Benefits Corporation of Georgia, 400 Galleria Parkway, Suite 1250, Atlanta, Georgia 30339. The Plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan participants and beneficiaries. The Plan, through execution of an adoption agreement, is affiliated with the Association County Commissioners of Georgia Third Restated Defined Benefit Plan (The ACCG Plan), an agent multiple-employer pension plan administered by the Government Employee's Benefit Corporation (GEBCorp). The ACCG, in its role as Plan Sponsor, has the sole authority to amend the provisions of the ACCG Plan, as provided in Section 17.01 of the ACCG Plan document. The County has the authority by resolution to amend the adoption agreement, which defines the specific benefit provisions of the Plan, as provided in section 17.02 of the ACCG Plan document.

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**16. Retirement Plans (continued)**

***Defined Benefit Pension Plan, continued***

Any employees hired on or after March 6, 2014 are not eligible for participation in the previously adopted plan. For employees hired prior to March 6, 2014, all full-time County employees meeting the provisions as set out in the adoption agreement are eligible to participate in the Plan after completing three years of service. Benefits vested at 100% after five years of service. Participants become eligible to retire at the earlier of: a) age 65 or b) the anniversary date of the required years of service under which the Plan specifies.

Current membership is as follows:

Retirees, beneficiaries, and disablees	
currently receiving benefits	323
Terminated plan participants entitled to but	
not yet receiving benefits	260
Active employees participating in the plan	<u>536</u>
Total number of participants	<u><u>1,119</u></u>

*Benefits Provided.* Upon eligibility to retire, participants are entitled to an annual benefit in the amount of 1.5% of average annual compensation up to \$10,000 plus 2% of average annual compensation in excess of \$10,000 plus \$36 multiplied by years of service. Compensation is averaged over a five year period prior to retirement or termination. The Plan also provides benefits in the event of death before retirement and early retirement subject to certain early retirement reduction factors.

*Contributions.* County employees are not required to contribute to the Plan. The County contributes the entire cost of the Plan, using the actuarial basis described in the annual valuation report. The County's actuarially determined contribution rate for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 was \$5,645,508, or 22.23% of covered payroll. The County's covered payroll for employees participating in the Plan was \$25,396,627 (based on covered earnings for the preceding year). The County Commissioner provides for the benefits and funding policy through County ordinance and maintains the authority to change the policy. The administrative expenses set by contract between the ACCG and GEBCorp are in addition to the state-required annual funding requirement.

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**16. Retirement Plans (continued)**

***Defined Benefit Pension Plan, continued***

The Georgia Constitution enables the governing authority of the County, the County Commissioner, to establish, and amend from time-to-time contribution rates for the County and its Plan participants.

*Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions.* At December 31, 2017, the County reported a net pension liability of \$36,718,166. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2016. For the year ended December 31, 2017, the County recognized pension expense of \$7,719,293. For governmental activities, the net pension liability is liquidated by the General Fund.

The components of the net pension liability are as follows:

	<b>Total Pension Liability (a)</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)</b>	<b>Net Pension Liability (a)-(b)</b>
<b>Balances at December 31, 2015</b>	<b>\$ 87,099,967</b>	<b>\$ 56,369,865</b>	<b>\$ 30,730,102</b>
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	1,243,632	0	1,243,632
Interest	6,347,162	0	6,347,162
Liability experience (gain) / loss	4,536,227	0	4,536,227
Assumption change	3,021,950	0	3,021,950
Employer contributions	0	5,645,508	(5,645,508)
Service credit transfer	0	0	0
Net investment income	0	4,178,787	(4,178,787)
Benefit payments	(4,942,290)	(4,942,290)	0
Administrative expense	0	(105,963)	105,963
Other changes	0	(557,425)	557,425
Net changes	<u>10,206,681</u>	<u>4,218,617</u>	<u>5,988,064</u>
<b>Balances at December 31, 2016</b>	<b><u>\$ 97,306,648</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 60,588,482</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 36,718,166</u></b>

Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	62.27%
Covered payroll	\$ 24,206,684
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	151.69%

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**16. Retirement Plans (continued)**

***Defined Benefit Pension Plan, continued***

At December 31, 2017, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the plan from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ 6,661,783	\$ 0
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	2,717,975	0
Differences between expected and actual experience	6,854,318	0
Changes of assumptions	4,517,775	0
Totals	<u>\$ 20,751,851</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

The \$6,661,783 of deferred outflows of resources resulting from the County's contributions subsequent to measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<b>Year Ending December 31</b>	
2018	\$ 3,783,224
2019	3,783,224
2020	3,667,295
2021	2,296,459
2022	559,866
Totals	<u>\$ 14,090,068</u>

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**16. Retirement Plans (continued)**

***Defined Benefit Pension Plan, continued***

*Actuarial Assumptions.* The total pension liability in the January 1, 2016 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.00%
Future salary increases	4.00% per year with an age based scale
Cost of living adjustments	N/A
Net investment rate of return	7.25%

Healthy mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Table. Disabled rates were derived from a 1977 Social Security Administration study.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2016 are summarized in the following table:

<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Asset Allocation</b>	<b>Average 20 Year Return</b>	<b>Weighted 20 Year Return</b>	<b>Average 30 Year Return</b>	<b>Weighted 30 Year Return</b>
S&P 500	30%	7.91%	2.37%	10.22%	3.07%
Barlay's Agg.	30%	5.60%	1.68%	6.56%	1.97%
MSCI EAFE	15%	4.29%	0.64%	5.73%	0.86%
Citi Non US WEBI	5%	4.66%	0.23%	5.98%	0.30%
NAREIT Equity	5%	10.79%	0.54%	10.44%	0.52%
Russell 2000	5%	8.06%	0.40%	9.33%	0.47%
Russell 3000	5%	8.03%	0.40%	10.14%	0.51%
S&P Mid Cap	5%	11.22%	0.56%	11.53%	0.58%
Weighted Return			<u>6.82%</u>		<u>8.28%</u>

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**16. Retirement Plans (continued)**

***Defined Benefit Pension Plan, continued***

*Discount Rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The discount rate is determined through a blend of using a building blocks approach based on 20-year benchmarks (33.33%) and 30-year benchmarks (33.33%), as well as the forward-looking capital market assumptions for a moderate asset allocation (33.34%), as determined by UBS. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from employer will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

*Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate.* The following presents what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or one percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	<b>Discount Rate</b>	<b>Net Pension Liability</b>
1% decrease	6.25%	\$ 50,415,761
Current discount rate	7.25%	36,718,166
1% increase	8.25%	25,482,369

*Plan Fiduciary Net Position.* Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Association County Commissioners of Georgia GEBCorp financial report.

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**16. Retirement Plans (continued)**

***Defined Contribution Plan***

The County approved the adoption of the *ACCG 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan for Bartow County Employees*, effective October 1, 2014. Only full-time employees are eligible for participation in the plan. Eligible employees may enter the plan on the first day of the first pay period beginning on or after the date the participant first meets the eligibility requirements. The plan can be amended by the County Commissioner. The County will match 100% of the first four percent of compensation on amounts participants contributed to the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan. The maximum matching contribution shall be no more than four percent of compensation. Employee contributions vest when made and employer contributions made vest as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>% Vested</u>
< 5	0%
5 or more	100%

Normal retirement age is 65. The plan does not provide for early retirement. During the year ended December 31, 2017, plan members made contributions of \$166,781 and the County made contributions of \$165,251.

The County has no fiduciary relationship with the plan, and plan assets are not available to the County or its general creditors. The Plan assets are held in trust by the administrator for the exclusive benefit of the participants of the Plan. The County Commissioner provides for the funding policy through a County ordinance and maintains the authority to change the policy. Separate financial statements are not issued for the Plan.

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**16. Retirement Plans (continued)**

***Deferred Compensation Plan***

The County offers its employees an optional deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan is available to all County employees and permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. All amounts of compensation deferred under the plan, all property and rights purchased with those amounts, and all income attributable to those amounts, property, or rights are (until paid or made available to the participant or other beneficiary) solely the property and rights of a Trust created by the County for the benefit of the participants. The County has adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 32 which required the removal of plan assets and liabilities from the financial statements of the County.

***Other County Plans***

In addition to the plan above, various County employees are covered under the following plans: Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund, Georgia State Employees' Retirement System (ERS), Magistrates' Retirement Fund of Georgia, Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Georgia, Probate Judges' Retirement Fund of Georgia, Sheriffs' Retirement Fund of Georgia, and Superior Court Clerks' Retirement Fund of Georgia. Further information regarding these plans can be obtained from the plans' annual reports. These plans are immaterial to the financial statements.

***Bartow County Health Department Retirement Plan***

Eligible employees of the Bartow County Health Department participate in the Georgia State Employees' Retirement System (ERS), a statewide multiple-employer public employee retirement system. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the Department contributed \$213,599. As of June 30, 2017, the Department reported a liability in the amount of \$1,587,860 for its proportionate share (0.033567%) of the net pension liability. The Department recognized pension expense of \$128,020 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. Further information regarding the plan can be obtained from Department's annual audit report by contacting Bartow County Health Department, 100 Zena Drive, Cartersville, Georgia 30121.

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**17. Post Employment Health Care Benefits**

*Plan Description.* Bartow County administers a single-employer defined benefit health care plan, the “*The Healthcare Plan of Bartow County.*” The OPEB financial statements are included in this report. No stand-alone financial report is issued.

The County Commissioner authorizes participation in the OPEB and sets the contribution rates and benefits, and maintains the authority to change the policy. Coverage under the plan includes medical, prescription drug and dental benefits for retirees and dependents.

Employees hired prior to March 1, 2003 are eligible to retire and continue medical coverage after 20 years of service regardless of age. Employees hired after March 1, 2003 may retire and continue their medical coverage upon completing the earlier of age 55 with 20 years of service, or age 50 with 25 years of service. Employees hired on or after June 1, 2009 may retire and continue their medical coverage upon reaching age 55 with 30 years of service. Employees hired or rehired after March 5, 2014 are not eligible for participation in the plan.

Current Membership is as follows:

Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	131
Active participants	<u>647</u>
Total number of participants	<u><u>778</u></u>

*Funding Policy.* The funding policy for the plan is to contribute an amount equal to the benefit and administrative costs paid on behalf of retirees and their dependents (ie, pay-as-you-go basis).

Retiree and spousal coverage is provided for the lifetime of the participant. Upon the death of an eligible retiree with a covered dependent, the surviving dependent may extend coverage. Retiree life insurance is provided with a face amount of \$10,000, with that amount reducing to \$6,500 after the retiree turns age 65.

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**17. Post Employment Health Care Benefits (continued)**

As of 1/1/2017, the monthly health and dental insurance rates are as follows:

<u>Plan Name</u>	<u>Employee Only</u>	<u>Employee +1</u>	<u>Family</u>
POS 1000	\$ 596.54	\$ 1,312.39	\$ 1,908.94
POS 750	614.98	1,352.98	1,967.96
HAS	522.74	1,150.04	1,672.77
Medicare Advantage	433.77	867.54	N/A
Dental	19.57	54.19	54.19

As of 1/1/2017, the retiree health and dental monthly contributions are as follows:

<u>Plan Name</u>	<u>Employee Only</u>	<u>Employee +1</u>	<u>Family</u>
POS 1000	\$ 58.50	\$ 117.00	\$ 175.50
POS 750	71.50	143.00	214.50
HAS	22.00	44.00	66.00
Medicare Advantage	71.00	142.00	213.00
Dental	0.00	0.00	0.00

The cost of coverage is paid in part by the employer and in part by the retiree. Plan members receiving benefits contributed \$437,060 through their required contributions.

The recommended contribution meets the guidelines for calculating an annual required contribution set forth in GASB Statement No. 45. These contributions are determined under the projected unit credit actuarial cost method and the market value of assets for developing the actuarial value of assets. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) is being amortized as a level percentage of pay on an open basis. The remaining amortization period at January 1, 2016 is 30 years.

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

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**17. Post Employment Health Care Benefits (continued)**

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effect of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations. The projection of benefits does not incorporate the potential effect of legal or contractual funding limitations on the pattern of cost sharing between the employer and plan members in the future.

*Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation.* For 2017, the County's annual OPEB cost of \$6,492,937 was equal to the County's recommended contribution, as calculated on the pay-as-you go basis. The recommended contribution was computed as part of an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2016. Significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuation include: (a) a rate of return on the investment of present and future assets of 4.0 percent per year compounded annually, (b) a rate of inflation of 3.0 percent, (c) no post-retirement benefit increases, and (d) a pre-Medicare trend rate of 7.75 percent and Medicare trend rate of 5.75 percent, both graded to 5 percent, with the year of ultimate trend rate as 2022.

The County's annual OPEB cost and net OPEB obligations for the current year were as follows:

Annual required contribution	\$ 7,072,613
Interest on net OPEB obligation	1,485,784
Adjustment to ARC	<u>(2,065,460)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	6,492,937
Contributions made	<u>(2,527,785)</u>
Increase (decrease) in net OPEB obligation	3,965,152
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	<u>37,144,605</u>
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	<u><u>\$ 41,109,757</u></u>

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**17. Post Employment Health Care Benefits (continued)**

*Historical Trend Information.* Historical trend information for annual OPEB cost and funding progress is as follows:

**Schedule of Employer Contributions**

<b>Year ended December 31,</b>	<b>Annual OPEB Cost (AOC)</b>	<b>Percentage of APC Contributed</b>	<b>Net OPEB Obligation</b>
2015	\$ 6,172,724	36.07%	\$ 32,751,803
2016	6,561,493	33.05%	37,144,605
2017	6,492,937	38.93%	41,109,757

**Schedule of Funding Progress**

<b>Actuarial Valuation Date</b>	<b>Actuarial Value of Assets (a)</b>	<b>Actuarial Accrued Liability* (AAL) (b)</b>	<b>Unfunded (UAAL) (b-a)</b>	<b>Funded Ratio (a/b)</b>	<b>Covered Payroll** (c)</b>	<b>UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b-a)/c)</b>
1/1/2013	0	\$ 77,188,727	\$ 77,188,727	0.00%	\$ 24,609,931	313.65%
1/1/2014	0	75,341,018	75,341,018	0.00%	25,902,413	290.86%
1/1/2016	0	82,953,286	82,953,286	0.00%	21,644,573	383.25%

\* AAL based on a pay-as-you-go plan

\*\* Payroll of participants whose attained age is less than the assumed retirement age

**18. Tax Abatements**

Bartow County is subject to tax incentives granted by various authorities in the County. These incentives are negotiated on an individual basis as a reduction of property taxes based on the percentage negotiated and have the stated purpose of increasing business activity and employment in the County by allowing localities to abate property taxes for a variety of economic development purposes, including business relocation, retention, and expansion. The incentives may be granted to any business located within or promising to relocate to a local government's geographic area and require the business to invest \$5,000,000 or more. Each of the incentive agreements contains a recapture provision that requires repayment of a portion of the abatement for that year if the business fails to meet its jobs and/or investment goals. Other than one agreement that included an agreement to perform some grading and dirt removal, the County has not made any commitments as part of the agreements other than to reduce taxes.

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**18. Tax Abatements (continued)**

For the year ended December 31, 2017, Bartow County property taxes were abated totaling \$6,691,127 under this program through authorities as follows: \$5,823,765 through the Bartow-Cartersville Joint Development Authority, \$64,658 through the Bartow-Cartersville Second Joint Development Authority, \$641,017 through the Development Authority of Bartow County, and \$161,687 through the Development Authority of Cartersville. Individual tax abatement agreements that each exceeded ten percent of the total amount abated are as follows:

- 100% property tax abatement for a local manufacturer investing in personal property for its manufacturing facility located in Bartow County. The abatement amounted to \$1,546,118.
- 90% property tax abatement for a local manufacturer investing in personal property for its manufacturing facility located in Bartow County. The abatement amounted to \$1,423,926.

**19. Hotel/Motel Lodging Tax**

The County has levied an 8% lodging tax in accordance with OCGA 48-13-51. A summary of the transactions for the year ended December 31, 2017 follows:

Lodging Tax Receipts	\$ 1,447,729	
Disbursements for trade and tourism	\$ 632,614	44% of tax receipts
Disbursements for tourism product development	\$ 271,120	19% of tax receipts

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## **20. Joint Ventures**

Pursuant to an interlocal agreement authorized by state statutes, Bartow County joined with the City of Cartersville to establish and operate an airport operation for the mutual advantage of the governments. One member of the authority for the joint venture is appointed by each government. These two members then select the third member. The operating and capital budgets are funded by equal contributions from each government for those required amounts in excess of operating revenues and grants. The government's share of assets, liabilities and fund equity is 50%. Summary financial information as of, and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, is not presently available.

Bartow County assists with the operations of the Bartow County Library System through annual funding requests. In evaluating how to define the government unit for financial reporting purposes, Library System management has considered the criteria set forth in GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity". Based upon the application of the above criteria, the Bartow County Library System is determined to be a joint venture. The Library Board consists of seven members, three members appointed by the Bartow County Commissioner, two members appointed by the Cartersville City Council, and one member each appointed by Adairsville and Euaharlee City Councils. The Board is without authority to determine the amount of its funding, except by submission of budget requests to local governmental units from which that library receives support and to the State of Georgia for state and federal funding. Membership in the library and participation in library services is at the discretion of each participating governmental agency. The Board has the power to designate management, the power to retain unassigned fund balances of local funds for continued operations and is the lowest level of oversight responsibility for the Library's operations. The Library is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" as defined by GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards. A copy of the Bartow County Library System financial statements can be obtained from Bartow County Library System, 429 West Main Street, Cartersville, Georgia 30120.

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**20. Joint Ventures (continued)**

Under Georgia law, the County, in conjunction with other cities and counties in the Northwest Georgia area, is a member of the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission (NWGRC) and is required to pay annual dues thereto. During the year ended December 31, 2017, the County paid \$83,054 in such dues. Membership in an RC is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-8-34, which provides for the organizational structure of the RC in Georgia. The RC Board membership includes the chief elected official in each county and municipality of the area. OCGA 50-8-39.1 provides that the member governments are liable for any debts or obligations of an RC. A copy of the NWGRC financial statements can be obtained from Northwest Georgia Regional Commission, 1 Jackson Hill Drive, P.O. Box 1798, Rome, Georgia 30162.

The Bartow-Cartersville Joint Development Authority (JDA) is a public corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, particularly the Development Authorities Law, and was activated by a resolution adopted by the Commissioner of the County on June 16, 2004 and a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City on June 17, 2004. The Authority has no taxing power and has no legal right to receive appropriations or other payments from the County, the City, or any other governmental body, except for the payments the County and the City have contracted to make under the contracts. The affairs of the Authority are conducted by a Board of Directors consisting of six members. The Commissioner of the County appoints three members and the City Council of the City appoints the other three members, each for staggered terms of office of four years. The Development Authorities Law requires all members of the Board of Directors of the Authority to be taxpayers residing in Bartow County. The Authority issues taxable bonds to help businesses and community institutions expand, renovate, and relocate in the County. The goal is to bring more businesses to Bartow County, and to create more jobs, thus providing a larger tax base for the County. On March 16, 2004, an intergovernmental agreement was entered into between the City of Cartersville, Bartow County, the JDA, and their respective school systems. One of the purposes of said agreement was to provide for the reimbursement of the City and County of any outlays of funds relating to JDA projects. The reimbursement from the JDA to the City and County is to be paid out of proceeds from land sales, PILOT payments, and other revenues. A copy of the Bartow-Cartersville Joint Development Authority financial statements can be obtained from Bartow-Cartersville Joint Development Authority, P.O. Box 307, Cartersville, Georgia 30120.

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**20. Joint Ventures (continued)**

The Bartow-Cartersville Second Joint Development Authority (Second JDA) is a public corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, particularly the Development Authorities Law, and was activated by a resolution adopted by the Commissioner of the County on July 13, 2011 and a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City on July 7, 2011. The Second JDA has no taxing power and has no legal right to receive appropriations or other payments from the County, the City, or any other governmental body, except for the payments the County and the City have contracted to make under the contracts. The affairs of the Second Authority are conducted by a Board of Directors consisting of eight members. The Commissioner of the County appoints four members and the City Council of the City appoints the other four members, each for staggered terms of office of four years. The Development Authorities Law requires all members of the Board of Directors of the Second JDA to be taxpayers residing in Bartow County. The Second JDA was created for the purpose of developing and promoting for the public good and general welfare trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities in the County and the City, thereby promoting the general welfare of the citizenry of the County and the City. A copy of the Bartow-Cartersville Second Joint Development Authority financial statements can be obtained from Bartow-Cartersville Second Joint Development Authority, P.O. Box 307, Cartersville, Georgia 30120.

**21. Risk Management**

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The State Constitution provides that the County (a political subdivision) may be immune from liability for most forms of bodily injury and property damage arising out of its operations, if such losses are not insured. It is the policy of the County to utilize immunity as a legal defense against liability claims whenever the risk of loss is not insured and immunity may be asserted.

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**21. Risk Management (continued)**

***Group Health Insurance***

The County offers to all eligible employees' medical insurance coverage through a partially self-insured medical plan called an MPA or Minimum Premium Agreement. The partially self-insured plan is administered by an insurance company, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Georgia, which passes the claims costs to the County. The County has reinsurance coverage for excess claims. The maximum claims liability represents the level of paid claims during the policy year that the County would have to pay in a "worst case scenario". Bartow County pays for all claims up to the maximum claims liability of \$14,898,000, and the insurer pays for all claims in excess of the maximum claims liability. A pro rata share of the plan's annual maximum claims liability is calculated monthly, based on the number of insured covered by the plan. This amount represents the monthly maximum claims liability, subject to a claw-back provision that enables the insurance company to recover past excess costs. The County also has an individual excess loss protection on each member for claimants that exceed \$300,000 during the plan year. The insurer absorbs any amounts in excess of this claims level. The insurer agreement also has a maximum contractual obligation in the event of termination for the incurred but not reported claims. Reserves are established for the medical insurance liabilities based on information provided by the plan administrator (Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Georgia).

***Workers' Compensation***

Pursuant to Title 34, Chapter 9, Article 5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Bartow County has elected to participate with several other Georgia counties in the risk management program known as Association County Commissioner of Georgia Group Self-Insurance Workers' Compensation Fund ("ACCG-GSIWCF"). ACCG-GSIWCF is a public entity risk pool operating as a common risk management and insurance program. The effective date of membership was January 1, 1994. The liability of the fund to the employees of Bartow County is specifically limited to such obligations as are imposed by applicable state laws against the employer for workers' compensation and/or employer's liability.

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**21. Risk Management (continued)**

***Workers' Compensation, continued***

The fund is to defend, in the name of and on behalf of the County, any suits or other proceedings which may at any time be instituted against the County on account of injuries or death within the parameters of the Workers' Compensation Law of the State of Georgia, or on the basis of employer's liability, including suits or other proceedings alleging such injuries and demanding damages or compensation therefore, although such suits, other proceedings, allegations or demands are wholly groundless, false or fraudulent. The Fund is to pay all costs taxed against the County in any legal proceeding defended by the County, all interest accruing after entry of judgment, and all expenses incurred for investigation, negotiation or defense, above the elected deductible of \$250,000 of claims and expenses for each occurrence of workers' compensation injuries. Reserves are established for workers' compensation based on actuarial projections provided by the ACCG-GSIWCF and their actuaries, Casualty Actuarial Consultants, Inc.

***Other***

The County has elected to participate with several other Georgia counties in the risk management program known as ACCG-Interlocal Risk Management Agency ("ACCG-IRMA"). ACCG-IRMA is a public entity risk pool operating as a common risk management and insurance program, whereby the members join together to provide a source of coverage for their property, automobile, general liability, law enforcement liability, public officials' liability, crime, statutory bond and boiler and machinery exposures. The fund is owned by its members and managed by a seven member Board of Trustees elected by the ACCG Board of Managers from member counties.

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**21. Risk Management (continued)**

***Other, continued***

The Fund is operated under the authority of O.C.G.A. 36-85-20 et seq. ACCG-IRMA estimates the anticipated losses for its members and self-funds a portion of that exposure. The funds which are allocated for anticipated losses are invested until such time that they are needed to pay claims. ACCG-IRMA purchases appropriate re-insurance to provide for catastrophic losses and for an unanticipated frequency of smaller claims. Nothing contained in the ACCG-IRMA intergovernmental contract shall be deemed to create any relationship of surety, indemnification, or responsibility between an individual Member for the debts or claims against any other individual Member. In accordance with Sections 36-85-9 and 36-85-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, each Member shall be jointly and severally liable for all legal obligations of any fund and assessments may be required to meet any financial deficiencies of ACCG-IRMA or of any Fund. The effective date of membership was January 1, 2003.

As part of these risk pools, the County is obligated to pay all contributions and assessments as prescribed by the pools, to cooperate with the pool's agents and attorneys, to follow loss reduction procedures established by the funds, and to report as promptly as possible, and in accordance with any coverage descriptions issued, all incidents that could require the fund to pay any type of loss. The County is also to allow all the pool's agents and attorneys to represent the County in investigations, settlement discussions, and all levels of litigation arising out of any claims made against the County within the scope of loss protection furnished by the funds.

As required by GASB Statement No. 10 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Risk Financing and Related Insurance Issues, liabilities for claims are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities include an amount for claims that have been incurred but not reported (IBNRs). Claim liabilities are calculated considering the effects of inflation, recent claim settlement trends including frequency and amount of pay-outs and other economic and social factors. The liability for claims and judgments, is reported in the General Fund as expenditures and liabilities to the extent that the amounts are payable with expendable available financial resources.

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**21. Risk Management (continued)**

	<b>Workers'</b>	<b>Health and</b>	
	<b>Compensation</b>	<b>Dental</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Balance, December 31, 2016</b>	\$ 850,000	\$ 489,335	\$ 1,339,335
Incurred claims, net of any changes	958,527	11,937,064	12,895,591
Payments	<u>(798,527)</u>	<u>(12,013,455)</u>	<u>(12,811,982)</u>
<b>Balance, December 31, 2017</b>	<u>\$ 1,010,000</u>	<u>\$ 412,944</u>	<u>\$ 1,422,944</u>

There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year, and there have been no settlements that exceed the County's insurance coverage during the past three years.

**22. Commitments and Contingencies**

***Commitments***

The County has active construction projects as of December 31, 2017. At year end, the County's commitments with contractors are as follows:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount Spent to Date</b>	<b>Remaining Commitment</b>
Cass-White Road Corridor	\$ 1,724,755	\$ 162,592
Glade Road / Dawn's Way	697,403	83,423
Great Valley Parkway	477,805	133,338
Hamilton Crossing	631,207	73,522
700 MHZ Radio	8,939,819	8,209,605
	<u>\$ 12,470,989</u>	<u>\$ 8,662,480</u>

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**22. Commitments and Contingencies (continued)**

***Contingencies***

The County is involved in several lawsuits filed in the normal course of its activities. The majority of these claims are considered minimal with a favorable outcome expected. The County's position is to vigorously defend its position or seek an out of court settlement. These particular cases are covered by the County's liability insurance less the applicable deductible amount of \$10,000 for each case.

The County has received federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to disallowance of certain expenditures previously reimbursed by those agencies. Based upon prior experience, County management believes such disallowances, if any, will not be significant.

The County has entered into various contractual agreements with Cartersville, Emerson and Adairsville to purchase water at various wholesale rates.

The County has a contractual agreement with Cartersville for sewage disposal.

The County has a contract with Kingston to sell water to the City at a specific rate.

**23. Nonexchange Financial Guarantee**

The County entered into an intergovernmental recreation contract with the Development Authority of Bartow County dated July 1, 2015. The contract stated if the Authority is unable to pay the principal, interest, and premium on the Development Authority of Bartow County Recreational Facilities Taxable Revenue Bonds Series 2015, the County will pay to the Authority the amount of such insufficiency. The contract will remain in effect until such time as the bonds have been paid in full, but in no event shall the term exceed fifty years. The bonds require annual payments of principal through January 1, 2035, with semi-annual interest payments at rates ranging from 2.298% to 4.85%. As of December 31, 2017, the outstanding principal balance of the Series 2015 Bonds is \$36,285,000.

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**23. Nonexchange Financial Guarantee (continued)**

The Authority issued these bonds for the purpose of financing the costs of acquiring, constructing, and installing an indoor sports pavilion to be located in Bartow County to be managed and operated for and on behalf of the issuer by LP Indoor Pavilion, LLC (manager) pursuant to a management services agreement. Due to the economic conditions, the manager (and Authority) is unable to make the required principal and interest payments on the bonds. As a result, during 2017, the County began making a portion of the required bond payments. A third party consultant has evaluated the forecasted future cash flows of the manager to determine the estimated assistance required by the County. At December 31, 2017, the County recognized a liability in the amount of \$5,519,985 for an amount that is the County's best estimate of the discounted present value of the future outflows the County expects to incur as a result of the guarantee.

During 2017, the County paid \$512,150 in principal and interest on the guarantee obligation. The following is a summary of changes in the liability recognized for the nonexchange financial guarantee for the year ended December 31, 2017:

<b>Balance 12/31/2016</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Deductions</b>	<b>Balance 12/31/2017</b>
<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 6,032,135</u>	<u>\$ 512,150</u>	<u>\$ 5,519,985</u>

The probability of recovery of any payments it makes on the Authority's guaranteed debt is unknown.

***REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION***

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**December 31, 2017**  
**(Unaudited)**

	<b>Fiscal Year End</b>		
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Total pension liability</b>			
Service cost	\$ 1,243,632	\$ 1,130,200	\$ 1,101,659
Interest	6,347,162	5,584,567	5,567,097
Liability experience (gain) / loss	4,536,227	4,912,652	0
Assumption change	3,021,950	3,197,359	0
Service credit transfer	0	20,227	0
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(4,942,290)	(4,391,626)	(4,250,133)
Net change in total pension liability	10,206,681	10,453,379	2,418,623
Total pension liability - beginning	87,099,967	76,646,588	74,227,965
<b>Total pension liability - ending (a)</b>	<b>\$ 97,306,648</b>	<b>\$ 87,099,967</b>	<b>\$ 76,646,588</b>
<b>Plan fiduciary net position</b>			
Contributions - employer	\$ 5,645,508	\$ 5,476,825	\$ 5,500,000
Service credit transfer	0	20,227	0
Net investment income	4,178,787	477,729	3,541,054
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(4,942,290)	(4,391,626)	(4,096,514)
Administrative expense	(105,963)	(104,398)	(96,193)
Other	(557,425)	(617,561)	(550,630)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	4,218,617	861,196	4,297,717
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	56,369,865	55,508,669	51,210,952
<b>Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)</b>	<b>\$ 60,588,482</b>	<b>\$ 56,369,865</b>	<b>\$ 55,508,669</b>
<b>Net pension liability (asset) - ending : (a) - (b)</b>	<b>\$ 36,718,166</b>	<b>\$ 30,730,102</b>	<b>\$ 21,137,919</b>
Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	62.27%	64.72%	72.42%
Covered payroll	\$ 24,206,684	\$ 23,574,738	\$ 23,397,640
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	151.69%	130.35%	90.34%

Note: Fiscal year 2015 was the first year of implementation. Therefore, years prior to fiscal year 2015 are not reported.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**December 31, 2017**  
**(Unaudited)**

	<b>Fiscal Year End</b>		
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 5,645,508	\$ 5,476,825	\$ 5,039,281
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	<u>(5,645,508)</u>	<u>(5,476,825)</u>	<u>(5,500,000)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ (460,719)</u>
Covered payroll	\$ 25,396,627	\$ 24,206,684	\$ 23,574,738
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	22.23%	22.63%	23.33%

Note: Fiscal year 2015 was the first year of implementation. Therefore, years prior to fiscal year 2015 are not reported.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**December 31, 2017**

**1. Valuation Date**

The actuarially determined contribution rate was determined as of January 1, 2016, with an interest adjustment to the fiscal year. Contributions in relation to this actuarially determined contribution rate will be reported for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017.

**2. Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates**

Actuarial cost method = Entry Age Normal

Amortization method = Closed level dollar for remaining unfunded liability

Remaining amortization period = Remaining amortization period varies for the bases, with a net effective amortization period of 15 years

Asset valuation method = Smoothed market value with a 5-year smoothing period.

Net investment rate of return = 7.25%

Future salary increases = 4.00% per year with an age based scale

Cost of living adjustments = N/A

Normal retirement age = 65

Mortality = Healthy mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Table. Disabled rates were derived from a 1977 Social Security Administration study.

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**NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**December 31, 2017**

**3. Changes in Benefits**

There have been no substantive changes since the last actuarial valuation.

**4. Changes of Assumptions**

The net investment rate of return was revised from 7.50% to 7.25% as of December 31, 2016.

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***COMBINING STATEMENTS***

***Nonmajor Governmental Funds***

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
December 31, 2017**

	Special Revenue						Law Enforcement Confiscated Assets
	Drug Abuse Education	Crime Victim Assistance	Emergency Telephone	Juvenile Supervision	County Jail	Hotel/ Motel Tax	
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 220,379	\$ 5,415	\$ 737,574	\$ 74,734	\$ 9,013	\$ 113,512	\$ 720,227
Investments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Receivables							
Accounts	0	0	261,573	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental	2,885	3,901	0	0	8,917	0	0
Taxes	0	0	0	0	0	102,870	0
Due from other funds	0	0	9,332	0	0	0	0
Prepaid items	0	0	189,347	0	0	0	0
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 223,264</b>	<b>\$ 9,316</b>	<b>\$ 1,197,826</b>	<b>\$ 74,734</b>	<b>\$ 17,930</b>	<b>\$ 216,382</b>	<b>\$ 720,227</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>							
<b>Liabilities</b>							
Accounts payable	\$ 2,905	\$ 0	\$ 4,368	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 141,031	\$ 0
Accrued salaries and payroll liabilities	0	0	44,930	0	0	0	0
Due to other agencies	0	0	0	0	0	0	133,967
Due to other funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>2,905</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49,298</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>141,031</b>	<b>133,967</b>
<b>Fund balances</b>							
Nonspendable prepaid items	0	0	189,347	0	0	0	0
Restricted for:							
Judicial	220,359	9,316	0	74,734	0	0	0
Public Safety	0	0	0	0	17,930	0	586,260
Capital outlay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Debt service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assigned for:							
Public Safety	0	0	959,181	0	0	0	0
Housing and Development	0	0	0	0	0	75,351	0
Debt service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<b>220,359</b>	<b>9,316</b>	<b>1,148,528</b>	<b>74,734</b>	<b>17,930</b>	<b>75,351</b>	<b>586,260</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 223,264</b>	<b>\$ 9,316</b>	<b>\$ 1,197,826</b>	<b>\$ 74,734</b>	<b>\$ 17,930</b>	<b>\$ 216,382</b>	<b>\$ 720,227</b>

Special Revenue					Debt Service		Capital Projects	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Inmate Welfare	Law Library	District Attorney	Multiple Grants	Clerk of Court Technology	Debt Service	GMA COPS Debt Service	2003 SPLOST	
\$ 138,510	\$ 18,121	\$ 43,967	\$ 0	\$ 99,761	\$ 1,302,618	\$ 40,000	\$ 694,674	\$ 4,218,505
0	0	0	0	0	0	1,112,309	0	1,112,309
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	261,573
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38,003	53,706
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	102,870
0	0	0	0	0	0	702,381	0	711,713
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	189,347
<u>\$ 138,510</u>	<u>\$ 18,121</u>	<u>\$ 43,967</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 99,761</u>	<u>\$ 1,302,618</u>	<u>\$ 1,854,690</u>	<u>\$ 732,677</u>	<u>\$ 6,650,023</u>
\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 37,269	\$ 185,573
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44,930
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	133,967
8,803	807	0	0	0	702,381	0	0	711,991
0	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	51
<u>8,803</u>	<u>807</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>702,381</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>37,269</u>	<u>1,076,512</u>
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	189,347
0	17,314	43,967	0	99,761	0	0	0	465,451
129,707	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	733,897
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	695,408	695,408
0	0	0	0	0	0	1,854,639	0	1,854,639
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	959,181
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75,351
0	0	0	0	0	600,237	0	0	600,237
<u>129,707</u>	<u>17,314</u>	<u>43,967</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>99,761</u>	<u>600,237</u>	<u>1,854,639</u>	<u>695,408</u>	<u>5,573,511</u>
<u>\$ 138,510</u>	<u>\$ 18,121</u>	<u>\$ 43,967</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 99,761</u>	<u>\$ 1,302,618</u>	<u>\$ 1,854,690</u>	<u>\$ 732,677</u>	<u>\$ 6,650,023</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

	Special Revenue						
	Drug Abuse Education	Crime Victims Assistance	Emergency Telephone	Juvenile Supervision	County Jail	Hotel/ Motel Tax	Law Enforcement Confiscated Assets
<b>REVENUES</b>							
Taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,447,729	\$ 0
Fines, fees, and forfeitures	112,004	102,447	0	4,826	0	0	360,839
Charges for services	0	0	1,689,693	0	214,828	0	0
Intergovernmental	0	0	55,810	0	0	0	0
Investment income	0	0	0	0	0	0	774
Other	0	0	55,995	0	0	0	0
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>112,004</b>	<b>102,447</b>	<b>1,801,498</b>	<b>4,826</b>	<b>214,828</b>	<b>1,447,729</b>	<b>361,613</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
Current							
Judicial	55,002	0	0	829	0	0	0
Public Safety	0	0	1,971,981	0	0	0	279,654
Health and Welfare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Housing and Development	0	0	0	0	0	903,734	0
Capital outlay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Debt service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>55,002</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,971,981</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>903,734</b>	<b>279,654</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	57,002	102,447	(170,483)	3,997	214,828	543,995	81,959
Other financing sources (uses)							
Transfers in	0	0	385,000	0	0	0	0
Transfers out	(22,147)	(101,913)	0	0	(205,000)	(500,000)	0
Sale of capital assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(22,147)</b>	<b>(101,913)</b>	<b>385,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(500,000)</b>	<b>0</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	34,855	534	214,517	3,997	9,828	43,995	81,959
Fund balances, January 1	185,504	8,782	934,011	70,737	8,102	31,356	504,301
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<b>\$ 220,359</b>	<b>\$ 9,316</b>	<b>\$ 1,148,528</b>	<b>\$ 74,734</b>	<b>\$ 17,930</b>	<b>\$ 75,351</b>	<b>\$ 586,260</b>

Special Revenue					Debt Service		Capital Projects	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Inmate Welfare	Law Library	District Attorney	Multiple Grants	Clerk of Court Technology	Debt Service	GMA COPS Debt Service	2003 SPLOST	
\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,447,729
0	44,673	74,144	0	61,338	0	0	0	760,271
320,738	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,225,259
0	0	0	500,000	0	0	0	208,110	763,920
0	0	0	0	0	0	32,591	1,892	35,257
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55,995
320,738	44,673	74,144	500,000	61,338	0	32,591	210,002	5,288,431
0	48,873	64,214	0	140,397	0	0	0	309,315
250,765	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,502,400
0	0	0	500,000	0	0	0	0	500,000
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	903,734
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	787,029	787,029
0	0	0	0	0	0	18,631	0	18,631
250,765	48,873	64,214	500,000	140,397	0	18,631	787,029	5,021,109
69,973	(4,200)	9,930	0	(79,059)	0	13,960	(577,027)	267,322
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	385,000
0	0	0	0	0	(312,984)	0	0	(1,142,044)
3,000	0	2,323	0	0	0	0	0	5,323
3,000	0	2,323	0	0	(312,984)	0	0	(751,721)
72,973	(4,200)	12,253	0	(79,059)	(312,984)	13,960	(577,027)	(484,399)
56,734	21,514	31,714	0	178,820	913,221	1,840,679	1,272,435	6,057,910
<u>\$ 129,707</u>	<u>\$ 17,314</u>	<u>\$ 43,967</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 99,761</u>	<u>\$ 600,237</u>	<u>\$ 1,854,639</u>	<u>\$ 695,408</u>	<u>\$ 5,573,511</u>

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### ***GENERAL FUND***

The general operating fund of the County is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash	\$ 16,328,579	\$ 16,572,021
Receivables (net)		
Accounts	696,468	852,174
Intergovernmental	1,956,674	1,373,734
Taxes	3,173,750	5,839,904
Due from other funds	448,580	204,041
Prepaid items	757,106	281,207
Other assets	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 23,461,157</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 25,223,081</u></u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 870,566	\$ 679,392
Accrued salaries and payroll liabilities	1,377,627	1,253,940
Due to other funds	0	47,068
Unearned revenue	15,940	24,411
Other liabilities	<u>86,194</u>	<u>89,194</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>2,350,327</u>	<u>2,094,005</u>
 <b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>		
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	<u>517,746</u>	<u>520,571</u>
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Nonspendable prepaid items	757,106	281,207
Restricted for Public Works	792,344	1,201,076
Assigned for subsequent year's budget	4,723,300	3,348,800
Unassigned	<u>14,320,334</u>	<u>17,777,422</u>
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<u>20,593,084</u>	<u>22,608,505</u>
 <b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances</b>	<u><u>\$ 23,461,157</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 25,223,081</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Taxes	\$ 56,368,102	\$ 53,657,712
Licenses and permits	424,252	418,589
Fines, fees and forfeitures	2,418,642	2,604,642
Charges for services	6,433,227	6,068,320
Intergovernmental	4,320,697	3,447,814
Interest	798	1,551
Contributions	35,000	20,000
Other	613,288	778,435
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>70,614,006</u>	<u>66,997,063</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Current		
General Government	11,850,016	10,654,534
Judicial	7,128,501	6,622,630
Public Safety	38,090,546	35,316,445
Public Works	7,914,916	6,581,652
Health and Welfare	2,671,355	2,333,471
Culture and Recreation	3,932,136	3,672,900
Housing and Development	2,346,340	1,727,848
Debt Service		
Judicial	25,249	38,117
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>73,959,059</u>	<u>66,947,597</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>(3,345,053)</u>	<u>49,466</u>
Other financing sources (uses)		
Transfers in (out)		
Crime Victims Assistance Fund	101,913	100,000
Hotel/Motel Tax Fund	500,000	350,000
County Jail Fund	205,000	210,000
Drug Abuse Education Fund	22,147	15,000
Emergency Telephone Fund	(385,000)	(285,000)
Debt Service Fund	250,000	0
Solid Waste Fund	528,353	0
Sale of capital assets	107,219	282,690
Issuance of capital leases	0	63,276
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<u>1,329,632</u>	<u>735,966</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	<u>(2,015,421)</u>	<u>785,432</u>
Fund balances, January 1	<u>22,608,505</u>	<u>21,823,073</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 20,593,084</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 22,608,505</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>				
<b>Taxes</b>				
General property taxes				
Real and personal tax	\$ 33,388,000	\$ 30,757,030	\$ (2,630,970)	\$ 29,655,729
Motor vehicle tax	3,750,000	3,727,184	(22,816)	3,405,849
Mobile home tax	100,000	92,156	(7,844)	101,670
Cost, penalties and interest	165,000	164,276	(724)	168,939
Total general property taxes	37,403,000	34,740,646	(2,662,354)	33,332,187
Local option sales tax	13,370,000	13,375,236	5,236	12,528,028
Insurance premium tax	4,105,000	4,102,437	(2,563)	3,831,880
Intangibles tax	835,000	854,195	19,195	759,639
Real estate transfer tax	245,000	238,717	(6,283)	238,878
Franchise tax	675,000	640,746	(34,254)	662,943
Beer and wine tax	485,000	481,853	(3,147)	476,066
Occupational tax	435,000	429,996	(5,004)	395,462
Energy excise tax	1,438,000	1,494,650	56,650	1,423,569
Other taxes	12,500	9,626	(2,874)	9,060
Total taxes	59,003,500	56,368,102	(2,635,398)	53,657,712
<b>Licenses and permits</b>				
Alcohol licenses	55,000	52,060	(2,940)	48,825
Building permits	356,000	355,492	(508)	366,564
Other permits	17,000	16,700	(300)	3,200
Total licenses and permits	428,000	424,252	(3,748)	418,589
<b>Fines, fees and forfeitures</b>	2,452,000	2,418,642	(33,358)	2,604,642
<b>Charges for Services</b>				
Emergency services	3,000,000	2,315,942	(684,058)	2,364,616
Sheriff services	100,000	206,662	106,662	244,044
Prisoner board	332,000	381,605	49,605	393,181
Recreation fees	450,000	487,035	37,035	438,835
Collection commissions	1,621,500	1,677,403	55,903	1,351,025
Other charges for services	588,500	1,364,580	776,080	1,276,619
Total charges for services	6,092,000	6,433,227	341,227	6,068,320
<b>Intergovernmental</b>	3,479,000	4,320,697	841,697	3,447,814
<b>Interest</b>	100	798	698	1,551
<b>Contributions</b>	35,000	35,000	0	20,000
<b>Other</b>				
Rental Income	238,000	239,356	1,356	224,524
Miscellaneous	1,690,000	373,932	(1,316,068)	553,911
Total other	1,928,000	613,288	(1,314,712)	778,435
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>\$ 73,417,600</u>	<u>\$ 70,614,006</u>	<u>\$ (2,803,594)</u>	<u>\$ 66,997,063</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
<b>General Government</b>				
Commissioner's Office				
Personal services	\$ 1,001,000	\$ 969,364	\$ 31,636	\$ 921,510
Contract services	58,700	50,533	8,167	42,549
Materials and supplies	24,000	20,002	3,998	17,202
Total Commissioner's Office	1,083,700	1,039,899	43,801	981,261
Legal				
Contract services	781,500	769,268	12,232	673,199
Data Processing				
Personal services	691,500	641,784	49,716	640,721
Contract services	262,150	196,686	65,464	154,219
Materials and supplies	22,850	17,502	5,348	11,916
Capital outlay	22,000	21,575	425	0
Total Data Processing	998,500	877,547	120,953	806,856
Purchasing				
Personal services	262,700	248,135	14,565	209,739
Contract services	25,600	23,267	2,333	7,460
Materials and supplies	29,200	21,202	7,998	(5,390)
Capital outlay	10,000	0	10,000	0
Total Purchasing	327,500	292,604	34,896	211,809
Elections and Registrar				
Personal services	436,000	385,090	50,910	563,004
Contract services	41,500	26,071	15,429	46,846
Materials and supplies	42,000	17,345	24,655	46,098
Capital outlay	0	0	0	21,590
Total Elections and Registrar	519,500	428,506	90,994	677,538
Tax Assessor				
Personal services	753,500	749,568	3,932	669,271
Contract services	165,700	159,702	5,998	188,482
Materials and supplies	16,200	14,323	1,877	13,855
Capital outlay	0	0	0	26,616
Total Tax Assessor	935,400	923,593	11,807	898,224
Tax Commissioner				
Personal services	1,298,000	1,289,280	8,720	1,193,547
Contract services	113,000	110,390	2,610	120,465
Materials and supplies	30,000	29,165	835	19,731
Capital outlay	2,500	0	2,500	0
Total Tax Commissioner	1,443,500	1,428,835	14,665	1,333,743

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>General Government (continued)</b>				
Facilities				
Personal services	\$ 1,556,100	\$ 1,531,198	\$ 24,902	\$ 1,543,410
Contract services	242,200	206,052	36,148	191,940
Materials and supplies	474,600	437,005	37,595	378,857
Capital outlay	93,200	92,690	510	0
Total Facilities	2,366,100	2,266,945	99,155	2,114,207
Human Resources				
Personal services	428,500	426,584	1,916	377,151
Contract services	37,100	33,259	3,841	25,175
Materials and supplies	10,500	7,805	2,695	7,403
Capital outlay	1,000	0	1,000	0
Total Human Resources	477,100	467,648	9,452	409,729
County Administration				
Personal services	502,000	585,156	(83,156)	567,405
Contract services	1,881,000	1,483,064	397,936	1,323,936
Materials and supplies	193,900	143,095	50,805	120,034
Capital outlay	26,000	371,095	(345,095)	116
Payments to others	785,000	772,761	12,239	536,477
Total County Administration	3,387,900	3,355,171	32,729	2,547,968
Total General Government	12,320,700	11,850,016	470,684	10,654,534
<b>Judicial</b>				
Superior Court				
Personal services	663,500	659,765	3,735	615,143
Contract services	226,500	219,740	6,760	223,165
Materials and supplies	8,500	6,258	2,242	9,722
Capital outlay	0	0	0	95,221
Payments to others	225,000	233,110	(8,110)	73,970
Total Superior Court	1,123,500	1,118,873	4,627	1,017,221
District Attorney				
Personal services	731,300	724,664	6,636	647,898
Contract services	59,300	54,292	5,008	48,714
Materials and supplies	33,500	28,488	5,012	23,265
Total District Attorney	824,100	807,444	16,656	719,877
Public Defender				
Personal services	40,650	40,552	98	40,552
Contract services	115,700	113,284	2,416	98,512
Materials and supplies	33,550	31,715	1,835	23,424
Total Public Defender	189,900	185,551	4,349	162,488

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>Judicial (continued)</b>				
Clerk of Superior Court				
Personal services	\$ 1,337,700	\$ 1,299,704	\$ 37,996	\$ 1,200,431
Contract services	140,500	126,299	14,201	127,456
Materials and supplies	38,500	35,765	2,735	24,563
Total Clerk of Superior Court	1,516,700	1,461,768	54,932	1,352,450
Magistrate Court				
Personal services	777,100	761,025	16,075	734,046
Contract services	45,000	29,445	15,555	27,847
Materials and supplies	14,500	10,085	4,415	16,323
Total Magistrate Court	836,600	800,555	36,045	778,216
Probate Court				
Personal services	805,200	770,728	34,472	707,091
Contract services	239,000	195,049	43,951	241,303
Materials and supplies	18,000	12,058	5,942	15,870
Capital outlay	0	0	0	10,606
Total Probate Court	1,062,200	977,835	84,365	974,870
Juvenile Court				
Personal services	962,500	953,110	9,390	871,482
Contract services	438,300	417,654	20,646	406,714
Materials and supplies	53,200	46,365	6,835	33,957
Total Juvenile Court	1,454,000	1,417,129	36,871	1,312,153
Victim Assistance				
Personal services	351,000	343,359	7,641	295,342
Contract services	7,300	5,484	1,816	3,417
Materials and supplies	11,500	10,503	997	6,596
Total Victim Assistance	369,800	359,346	10,454	305,355
Total Judicial	7,376,800	7,128,501	248,299	6,622,630
<b>Public Safety</b>				
Sheriff and Jail				
Personal services	16,846,000	16,830,131	15,869	15,785,190
Contract services	3,551,500	3,526,428	25,072	3,386,939
Materials and supplies	2,195,500	2,185,308	10,192	1,998,075
Capital outlay	398,000	397,386	614	311,435
Total Sheriff and Jail	22,991,000	22,939,253	51,747	21,481,639

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>Public Safety (continued)</b>				
Coroner				
Personal services	\$ 76,700	\$ 69,724	\$ 6,976	\$ 65,519
Contract services	12,000	7,336	4,664	11,485
Materials and supplies	20,000	16,529	3,471	16,705
Total Coroner	108,700	93,589	15,111	93,709
Fire				
Personal services	7,822,000	7,818,665	3,335	7,241,582
Contract services	287,000	280,572	6,428	261,320
Materials and supplies	847,500	835,986	11,514	828,873
Capital outlay	680,500	218,084	462,416	246,762
Total Fire	9,637,000	9,153,307	483,693	8,578,537
Emergency Management				
Personal services	183,400	175,359	8,041	171,606
Contract services	86,000	68,028	17,972	53,924
Materials and supplies	70,500	59,492	11,008	52,068
Capital outlay	29,000	28,535	465	14,036
Total Emergency Management	368,900	331,414	37,486	291,634
Emergency Medical Services				
Personal services	4,013,500	4,005,846	7,654	3,625,791
Contract services	96,700	110,984	(14,284)	78,622
Materials and supplies	420,000	395,835	24,165	338,086
Capital outlay	200,000	198,956	1,044	0
Total Emergency Medical Services	4,730,200	4,711,621	18,579	4,042,499
Animal Control				
Personal services	727,500	722,754	4,746	697,998
Contract services	37,500	28,661	8,839	25,183
Materials and supplies	88,400	69,517	18,883	68,897
Capital outlay	41,000	40,430	570	36,349
Total Animal Control	894,400	861,362	33,038	828,427
Total Public Safety	38,730,200	38,090,546	639,654	35,316,445
<b>Public Works</b>				
Highways and Streets				
Personal services	3,928,500	3,908,970	19,530	3,404,207
Contract services	2,232,700	869,701	1,362,999	306,353
Materials and supplies	951,500	919,829	31,671	1,094,746
Capital outlay	901,000	2,216,416	(1,315,416)	1,776,346
Total Highways and Streets	8,013,700	7,914,916	98,784	6,581,652

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>Health and Welfare</b>				
Health Department				
Payments to others	\$ 520,100	\$ 510,761	\$ 9,339	\$ 501,899
Mental Health				
Payments to others	62,000	60,688	1,312	60,688
Senior Citizens Services				
Personal services	484,000	480,442	3,558	447,477
Contract services	10,400	8,599	1,801	13,845
Materials and supplies	85,000	82,285	2,715	81,982
Capital outlay	57,000	56,565	435	0
Total Senior Citizens Services	636,400	627,891	8,509	543,304
Indigent Care Services				
Personal services	412,000	348,646	63,354	346,908
Contract services	177,600	60,443	117,157	67,982
Materials and supplies	41,500	20,840	20,660	27,184
Capital outlay	0	0	0	5,886
Payments to others	35,500	25,370	10,130	25,317
Total Indigent Care Services	666,600	455,299	211,301	473,277
Transit				
Personal services	844,600	755,006	89,594	603,724
Contract services	74,400	69,923	4,477	45,209
Materials and supplies	109,900	101,756	8,144	105,370
Capital outlay	61,500	90,031	(28,531)	0
Total Transit	1,090,400	1,016,716	73,684	754,303
Total Health and Welfare	2,975,500	2,671,355	304,145	2,333,471
<b>Culture and Recreation</b>				
Parks and Recreation				
Personal services	2,034,000	2,032,041	1,959	1,828,808
Contract services	160,000	154,585	5,415	144,255
Materials and supplies	641,500	619,301	22,199	599,167
Capital outlay	250,500	249,459	1,041	223,849
Total Parks and Recreation	3,086,000	3,055,386	30,614	2,796,079
Roselawn				
Materials and supplies	0	0	0	71
Libraries				
Payments to others	877,000	876,750	250	876,750
Total Culture & Recreation	3,963,000	3,932,136	30,864	3,672,900

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>Housing and Development</b>				
Community Development				
Personal services	\$ 1,281,500	\$ 1,278,130	\$ 3,370	\$ 1,265,405
Contract services	102,500	98,652	3,848	64,076
Materials and supplies	42,300	40,714	1,586	35,020
Capital outlay	57,000	56,518	482	5,563
Total Community Development	1,483,300	1,474,014	9,286	1,370,064
County Agent				
Personal services	115,000	113,970	1,030	112,806
Contract services	18,200	17,133	1,067	17,704
Materials and supplies	5,100	3,937	1,163	4,691
Capital outlay	5,500	5,075	425	0
Total County Agent	143,800	140,115	3,685	135,201
Forestry				
Contract services	20,000	17,656	2,344	17,656
Economic Development				
Materials and supplies	174,500	174,347	153	180,500
Payments to others	513,000	512,150	850	0
Total Economic Development	687,500	686,497	1,003	180,500
Keep Bartow Beautiful				
Materials and supplies	29,000	28,058	942	24,427
Total Housing and Development	2,363,600	2,346,340	17,260	1,727,848
Total Current	75,743,500	73,933,810	1,809,690	66,909,480
<b>Debt Service</b>				
<b>Judicial</b>				
Superior Court	55,500	25,249	30,251	38,117
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 75,799,000</u>	<u>\$ 73,959,059</u>	<u>\$ 1,839,941</u>	<u>\$ 66,947,597</u>

## ***SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS***

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally or donor restricted to expenditure for specified purposes.

Drug Abuse Education Fund – This fund is used to account for monies collected under Georgia law related to additional penalties on controlled substance offenses. Such monies are restricted for drug abuse treatment and education programs relating to controlled substances and marijuana.

Crime Victims Assistance Fund – This fund is used to account for grant monies received for the purpose of providing counseling services to victims of crime and add-on fine surcharges as required by the O.C.G.A.

Emergency Telephone Fund – This fund is used to account for monies collected under Georgia law by the telephone company on behalf of Bartow County. These monies are remitted to the County and are restricted to providing emergency 911 services to the residents of the County.

Juvenile Supervision Fund – This fund is used to account for monies collected under Georgia law for probational services to juvenile offenders. Such monies are restricted to providing treatment to juvenile offenders.

County Jail Fund – This fund is used to account for monies collected as a result of a 10% penalty on certain court cases. These funds are legally restricted for the construction, operation, and staffing of the County detention facilities.

Hotel/Motel Tax Fund – This fund is used to account for monies collected on all short-term room rentals by hotels and motels located in the unincorporated area of Bartow County.

Law Enforcement Confiscated Assets Fund – This fund is used to account for monies confiscated under Federal and Georgia law by the Bartow County Sheriff's Office related to controlled substances offenses. Such monies are restricted to defray the cost of complex investigations and to purchase equipment relating to said investigations.

Inmate Welfare Fund – This fund is used to account for monies collected from inmates for purchase of supplies. The profit from these sales is used for the benefit of the general inmate population.

Law Library Fund – This fund is used to account for fees received from Superior and Probate Courts and used to finance the Law Library's operation and purchase of reference materials.

District Attorney Fund – This fund is used to account for monies forfeited under O.C.G.A. 16-13-49 held by the Cherokee Judicial Circuit. These funds are held to provide payment for any and all necessary expenses for the operation of the District Attorney's Office.

Multiple Grants Fund – This fund is used to account for grants received restricted for special purposes.

Clerk of Court Technology Fund – This fund is used to account for fees received restricted for technology needs of the Clerk of Court.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 220,379	\$ 174,605
Intergovernmental receivables	2,885	501
Due from other funds	<u>0</u>	<u>14,047</u>
	<u>\$ 223,264</u>	<u>\$ 189,153</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,905	\$ 3,649
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Judicial	<u>220,359</u>	<u>185,504</u>
 <b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	 <u><u>\$ 223,264</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 189,153</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
For the year ended December 31, 2017  
(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Fines and forfeitures	\$ 115,000	\$ 112,004	\$ (2,996)	\$ 128,653
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>115,000</u>	<u>112,004</u>	<u>(2,996)</u>	<u>128,653</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Judicial				
Contract services	<u>115,000</u>	<u>55,002</u>	<u>59,998</u>	<u>68,442</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	57,002	57,002	60,211
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)				
General Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>(22,147)</u>	<u>(22,147)</u>	<u>(15,000)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	0	34,855	34,855	45,211
Fund balance, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>185,504</u>	<u>185,504</u>	<u>140,293</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 220,359</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 220,359</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 185,504</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,415	\$ 3,966
Intergovernmental receivables	3,901	2,903
Due from other funds	<u>0</u>	<u>1,913</u>
	<u>\$ 9,316</u>	<u>\$ 8,782</u>
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Judicial	<u>\$ 9,316</u>	<u>\$ 8,782</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
For the year ended December 31, 2017  
(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Fines and forfeitures	\$ 100,000	\$ 102,447	\$ 2,447	\$ 97,778
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Judicial	0	0	0	0
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	100,000	102,447	2,447	97,778
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)				
General Fund	(100,000)	(101,913)	(1,913)	(100,000)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	0	534	534	(2,222)
Fund balance, January 1	0	8,782	8,782	11,004
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 9,316</b>	<b>\$ 9,316</b>	<b>\$ 8,782</b>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 737,574	\$ 767,949
Accounts receivable	261,573	240,063
Due from other funds	9,332	4,666
Prepaid items	<u>189,347</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,197,826</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,012,678</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 4,368	\$ 30,197
Accrued salaries and payroll liabilities	<u>44,930</u>	<u>48,470</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>49,298</u>	<u>78,667</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Nonspendable prepaid items	189,347	0
Assigned for Public Safety	<u>959,181</u>	<u>934,011</u>
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<u>1,148,528</u>	<u>934,011</u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,197,826</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,012,678</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
*(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)*

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Charges for services	\$ 1,732,000	\$ 1,689,693	\$ (42,307)	\$ 1,738,032
Intergovernmental	56,000	55,810	(190)	0
Other	55,000	55,995	995	55,996
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>1,843,000</b>	<b>1,801,498</b>	<b>(41,502)</b>	<b>1,794,028</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Public Safety				
Personal services	1,784,000	1,729,160	54,840	1,765,664
Contract services	435,000	236,049	198,951	328,919
Materials and supplies	9,500	6,772	2,728	10,663
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>2,228,500</b>	<b>1,971,981</b>	<b>256,519</b>	<b>2,105,246</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(385,500)	(170,483)	215,017	(311,218)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)				
General Fund	385,500	385,000	(500)	285,000
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	0	214,517	214,517	(26,218)
Fund balance, January 1	0	934,011	934,011	960,229
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 1,148,528</b>	<b>\$ 1,148,528</b>	<b>\$ 934,011</b>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
JUVENILE SUPERVISION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 74,734	\$ 70,737
	<u>74,734</u>	<u>70,737</u>
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Judicial	\$ 74,734	\$ 70,737
	<u>74,734</u>	<u>70,737</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
JUVENILE SUPERVISION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
For the year ended December 31, 2017  
(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Fines and forfeitures	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,826	\$ (174)	\$ 4,380
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>4,826</u>	<u>(174)</u>	<u>4,380</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Judicial				
Contract services	<u>5,000</u>	<u>829</u>	<u>4,171</u>	<u>650</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>829</u>	<u>4,171</u>	<u>650</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	3,997	3,997	3,730
Fund balance, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>70,737</u>	<u>70,737</u>	<u>67,007</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 74,734</u>	<u>\$ 74,734</u>	<u>\$ 70,737</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
COUNTY JAIL  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,013	\$ 2,357
Intergovernmental receivable	<u>8,917</u>	<u>5,745</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 17,930</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,102</u></u>
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Public Safety	<u><u>\$ 17,930</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,102</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
COUNTY JAIL  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
For the year ended December 31, 2017  
(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Charges for services	\$ 205,000	\$ 214,828	\$ 9,828	\$ 202,962
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>205,000</u>	<u>214,828</u>	<u>9,828</u>	<u>202,962</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Public Safety	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	205,000	214,828	9,828	202,962
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)				
General Fund	<u>(205,000)</u>	<u>(205,000)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(210,000)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	0	9,828	9,828	(7,038)
Fund balance, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>8,102</u>	<u>8,102</u>	<u>15,140</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,930</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,930</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,102</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 113,512	\$ 60,116
Taxes receivable	<u>102,870</u>	<u>100,906</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 216,382</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 161,022</u></u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 141,031	\$ 129,666
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Assigned for Housing and Development	<u>75,351</u>	<u>31,356</u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u><u>\$ 216,382</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 161,022</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**HOTEL/MOTEL TAX**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
*(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)*

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Hotel/motel taxes	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,447,729	\$ (52,271)	\$ 1,065,704
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>1,447,729</u>	<u>(52,271)</u>	<u>1,065,704</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Housing and Development	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>903,734</u>	<u>596,266</u>	<u>679,729</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>903,734</u>	<u>596,266</u>	<u>679,729</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	543,995	543,995	385,975
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)				
General Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>(500,000)</u>	<u>(500,000)</u>	<u>(350,000)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	0	43,995	43,995	35,975
Fund balance, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>31,356</u>	<u>31,356</u>	<u>(4,619)</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 75,351</u>	<u>\$ 75,351</u>	<u>\$ 31,356</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
LAW ENFORCEMENT CONFISCATED ASSETS  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 720,227	\$ 736,043
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>\$ 720,227</u>	<u>\$ 736,043</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Due to other agencies	\$ 133,967	\$ 231,742
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Public Safety	<u>586,260</u>	<u>504,301</u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u>\$ 720,227</u>	<u>\$ 736,043</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**LAW ENFORCEMENT CONFISCATED ASSETS**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
*(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)*

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Fines and forfeitures	\$ 311,997	\$ 360,839	\$ 48,842	\$ 173,456
Interest	0	774	774	1,800
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>311,997</u>	<u>361,613</u>	<u>49,616</u>	<u>175,256</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Public Safety				
Contract services	311,997	47,401	264,596	42,370
Materials and supplies	0	112,216	(112,216)	59,784
Capital outlay	0	35,400	(35,400)	30,467
Payments to others	0	84,637	(84,637)	8,918
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>311,997</u>	<u>279,654</u>	<u>32,343</u>	<u>141,539</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	81,959	81,959	33,717
Fund balance, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>504,301</u>	<u>504,301</u>	<u>470,584</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 586,260</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 586,260</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 504,301</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
INMATE WELFARE  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$      138,510</u>	<u>\$      60,878</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Due to other funds	\$      8,803	\$      4,144
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Public Safety	<u>129,707</u>	<u>56,734</u>
 <b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u><u>\$      138,510</u></u>	<u><u>\$      60,878</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**INMATE WELFARE**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
*(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)*

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Charges for services	\$ 255,650	\$ 320,738	\$ 65,088	\$ 289,620
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>255,650</u>	<u>320,738</u>	<u>65,088</u>	<u>289,620</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Public Safety				
Personal services	145,650	55,101	90,549	52,100
Contract services	0	16,156	(16,156)	22,300
Materials and supplies	0	86,169	(86,169)	106,474
Capital outlay	<u>110,000</u>	<u>93,339</u>	<u>16,661</u>	<u>203,977</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>255,650</u>	<u>250,765</u>	<u>4,885</u>	<u>384,851</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	69,973	69,973	(95,231)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Sale of capital assets	<u>0</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	0	72,973	72,973	(95,231)
Fund balance, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>56,734</u>	<u>56,734</u>	<u>151,965</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 129,707</u>	<u>\$ 129,707</u>	<u>\$ 56,734</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
LAW LIBRARY  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 18,121	\$ 22,321
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Due to other funds	\$ 807	\$ 807
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Judicial	17,314	21,514
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u>\$ 18,121</u>	<u>\$ 22,321</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**LAW LIBRARY**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Fines and forfeitures	\$ 85,000	\$ 44,673	\$ (40,327)	\$ 44,577
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>85,000</u>	<u>44,673</u>	<u>(40,327)</u>	<u>44,577</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Judicial				
Personal services	0	3,230	(3,230)	3,230
Materials and supplies	85,000	45,643	39,357	25,851
Capital outlay	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25,593</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>85,000</u>	<u>48,873</u>	<u>36,127</u>	<u>54,674</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	(4,200)	(4,200)	(10,097)
Fund balance, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>21,514</u>	<u>21,514</u>	<u>31,611</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,314</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,314</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 21,514</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$     43,967	\$     31,714
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Judicial	\$     43,967	\$     31,714
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
For the year ended December 31, 2017  
(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Fines and forfeitures	\$ 68,000	\$ 74,144	\$ 6,144	\$ 29,153
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>68,000</u>	<u>74,144</u>	<u>6,144</u>	<u>29,153</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Judicial				
Contract services	68,000	43,529	24,471	2,272
Materials and supplies	0	6,291	(6,291)	5,911
Capital outlay	0	14,394	(14,394)	50,799
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>68,000</u>	<u>64,214</u>	<u>3,786</u>	<u>58,982</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	9,930	9,930	(29,829)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Sale of capital assets	0	2,323	2,323	3,339
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	0	12,253	12,253	(26,490)
Fund balance, January 1	0	31,714	31,714	58,204
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 43,967</u>	<u>\$ 43,967</u>	<u>\$ 31,714</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
 MULTIPLE GRANTS  
 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
 COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
 December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	 <u>\$ 0</u>	 <u>\$ 0</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**MULTIPLE GRANTS**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
*(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)*

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>Total revenues</b>	500,000	500,000	0	0
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Health and Welfare				
Payments to others	500,000	500,000	0	0
<b>Total expenditures</b>	500,000	500,000	0	0
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	0	0	0
Fund balance, January 1	0	0	0	0
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
CLERK OF COURT TECHNOLOGY  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 99,761	\$ 178,820
	<u>99,761</u>	<u>178,820</u>
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for Judicial	\$ 99,761	\$ 178,820
	<u>99,761</u>	<u>178,820</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**CLERK OF COURT TECHNOLOGY**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
*(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)*

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Fines and forfeitures	\$ 141,000	\$ 61,338	\$ (79,662)	\$ 321,604
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>141,000</u>	<u>61,338</u>	<u>(79,662)</u>	<u>321,604</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current				
Judicial				
Contract services	132,000	50,016	81,984	55,854
Materials and supplies	0	38,076	(38,076)	34,625
Capital outlay	9,000	52,305	(43,305)	52,305
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>141,000</u>	<u>140,397</u>	<u>603</u>	<u>142,784</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	(79,059)	(79,059)	178,820
Fund balance, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>178,820</u>	<u>178,820</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 99,761</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 99,761</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 178,820</u></u>

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### ***DEBT SERVICE FUNDS***

Debt service funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources and payment of general government long-term debt principal and interest from governmental resources.

Debt Service Fund – This fund is used to account for the accumulation and disbursement of money needed to comply with the interest and principal redemption requirements of the governmental fund type general obligation bonds and other long-term debt obligations.

GMA COPS Debt Service Fund – This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources and payments made for principal and interest on the GMA certificates of participation.

2014 SPLOST Debt Service Fund – This fund is used to account for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on the Series 2013 Bartow County, Georgia General Obligation Sales Tax Bonds.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
DEBT SERVICE FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS  
December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,302,618	\$ 845,746
Due from other funds	<u>0</u>	<u>67,475</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,302,618</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 913,221</u></u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Due to other funds	\$ 702,381	\$ 0
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Assigned for debt service	<u>600,237</u>	<u>913,221</u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,302,618</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 913,221</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**DEBT SERVICE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
*(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)*

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>				
<b>Total revenues</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
<b>Total expenditures</b>	0	0	0	0
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	0	0	0
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)				
General Fund	(450,000)	(250,000)	200,000	0
Solid Waste Fund	0	(62,984)	(62,984)	0
<b>Total other financing         sources (uses)</b>	<u>(450,000)</u>	<u>(312,984)</u>	<u>137,016</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	(450,000)	(312,984)	137,016	0
Fund balances, January 1	<u>450,000</u>	<u>913,221</u>	<u>463,221</u>	<u>913,221</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 600,237</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 600,237</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 913,221</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GMA COPS**  
**DEBT SERVICE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
Investments	1,112,309	1,805,221
Due from other funds	<u>702,381</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,854,690</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,845,221</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Due to other funds	\$ 0	\$ 4,491
Other liabilities	<u>51</u>	<u>51</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	51	4,542
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for debt service	<u>1,854,639</u>	<u>1,840,679</u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,854,690</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,845,221</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**GMA COPS**  
**DEBT SERVICE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
*(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)*

	<b>2017</b>			<b>2016</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Interest	\$ 20,000	\$ 32,591	\$ 12,591	\$ 24,943
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>32,591</u>	<u>12,591</u>	<u>24,943</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Debt Service				
Interest	<u>20,000</u>	<u>18,631</u>	<u>1,369</u>	<u>6,782</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>18,631</u>	<u>1,369</u>	<u>6,782</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	13,960	13,960	18,161
Fund balances, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>1,840,679</u>	<u>1,840,679</u>	<u>1,822,518</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,854,639</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,854,639</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,840,679</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2014 SPLOST**  
**DEBT SERVICE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,764,517	\$ 2,077,101
Investments	<u>3,500,000</u>	<u>2,500,000</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 5,264,517</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,577,101</u></u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for debt service	<u><u>\$ 5,264,517</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,577,101</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2014 SPLOST**  
**DEBT SERVICE FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**  
**(With comparative actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 2016)**

	2017			2016
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Interest	\$ 0	\$ 13,426	\$ 13,426	\$ 6,012
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>13,426</u>	<u>13,426</u>	<u>6,012</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Debt Service				
Principal	5,686,600	4,910,000	776,600	4,805,000
Interest	<u>0</u>	<u>776,010</u>	<u>(776,010)</u>	<u>946,275</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>5,686,600</u>	<u>5,686,010</u>	<u>590</u>	<u>5,751,275</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(5,686,600)	(5,672,584)	14,016	(5,745,263)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in (out)				
2014 SPLOST Fund	<u>5,686,600</u>	<u>6,360,000</u>	<u>673,400</u>	<u>5,382,017</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	0	687,416	687,416	(363,246)
Fund balances, January 1	<u>0</u>	<u>4,577,101</u>	<u>4,577,101</u>	<u>4,940,347</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,264,517</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,264,517</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,577,101</u></u>

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### ***CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS***

Capital Project Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of specifically planned projects (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

2003 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Fund – This fund is used to account for the proceeds of a 1 percent local option sales tax approved in 2003 for a period of time not to exceed six years for the purpose of financing long-term projects.

2007 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Fund – This fund is used to account for the proceeds of a 1 percent local option sales tax approved in 2007 for a period of time not to exceed six years for the purpose of financing long-term projects.

2014 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Fund – This fund is used to account for the proceeds of a 1 percent local option sales tax approved in 2011 for a period of time not to exceed six years for the purpose of financing long-term projects.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2003 SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 694,674	\$ 1,248,631
Intergovernmental receivables	<u>38,003</u>	<u>427,245</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 732,677</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,675,876</u></u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 37,269	\$ 403,441
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for capital outlay	<u>695,408</u>	<u>1,272,435</u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u><u>\$ 732,677</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,675,876</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2003 SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Intergovernmental	\$ 208,110	\$ 647,245
Interest	<u>1,892</u>	<u>3,180</u>
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>210,002</u>	<u>650,425</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Capital outlay		
Public Safety		
Fire	0	1,251,148
Public Works		
Highways and Streets	<u>787,029</u>	<u>628,570</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>787,029</u>	<u>1,879,718</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(577,027)	(1,229,293)
Fund balances, January 1	<u>1,272,435</u>	<u>2,501,728</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 695,408</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,272,435</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2007 SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,775,359	\$ 3,307,388
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>\$ 2,775,359</u>	<u>\$ 3,307,388</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Payables		
Accounts	\$ 0	\$ 151,448
Retainages	0	186,613
Intergovernmental	<u>0</u>	<u>46,707</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	0	384,768
 <b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Restricted for capital outlay	<u>2,775,359</u>	<u>2,922,620</u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u>\$ 2,775,359</u>	<u>\$ 3,307,388</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2007 SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Interest	\$ 1,172	\$ 1,467
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>1,172</u>	<u>1,467</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Capital outlay		
General Government		
Other General Government	0	304
Public Safety		
Fire	40,880	733,636
Public Works		
Highways and Streets	306	424
Culture and Recreation		
Parks and Recreation	<u>107,247</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>148,433</u>	<u>734,364</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(147,261)	(732,897)
Fund balances, January 1	<u>2,922,620</u>	<u>3,655,517</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 2,775,359</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,922,620</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2014 SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,463,611	\$ 9,804,463
Investments	372,824	1,853,196
Intergovernmental receivables	0	116,171
Taxes receivable	2,187,964	2,169,290
Prepaid items	<u>0</u>	<u>193,402</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 12,024,399</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 14,136,522</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Payables		
Accounts	\$ 79,427	\$ 952,038
Retainages	0	168,979
Intergovernmental	<u>927,096</u>	<u>820,836</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>1,006,523</u>	<u>1,941,853</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Nonspendable prepaid items	0	193,402
Restricted for capital outlay	<u>11,017,876</u>	<u>12,001,267</u>
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<u>11,017,876</u>	<u>12,194,669</u>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<u><u>\$ 12,024,399</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 14,136,522</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2014 SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Taxes	\$ 19,654,970	\$ 18,409,147
Intergovernmental	906,808	188,553
Investment income	20,667	12,310
Total revenues	<u>20,582,445</u>	<u>18,610,010</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Capital Outlay		
General Government		
Data Processing	0	21,246
Engineering	0	70,578
Public Buildings	59,550	391,984
Other General Government	0	200
Public Safety		
Sheriff	0	99,780
Fire	0	1,093,588
Emergency Medical Services	0	292,430
Animal Control	228,836	0
E-911	5,554,523	1,633,170
Public Works		
Highways and Streets	1,036,489	6,784,452
Health and Welfare		
Health Department	34,616	20,367
Senior Citizens Services	55,428	21,590
Culture and Recreation		
Parks and Recreation	419,205	579,645
Libraries	26,600	0
Debt service		
Debt issue costs	0	2,119
Economic Development	851,401	849,380
Intergovernmental	<u>4,131,381</u>	<u>3,150,450</u>
Total expenditures	<u>12,398,029</u>	<u>15,010,979</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>8,184,416</u>	<u>3,599,031</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**2014 SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Other financing sources (uses)		
Transfers in (out)		
2014 SPLOST Debt Service Fund	\$ (6,360,000)	\$ (5,382,017)
Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund	(393,620)	(830,793)
Solid Waste Enterprise Fund	(2,607,589)	(4,933,782)
Sale of capital assets	<u>0</u>	<u>12,673</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(9,361,209)</u>	<u>(11,133,919)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	(1,176,793)	(7,534,888)
Fund balances, January 1	<u>12,194,669</u>	<u>19,729,557</u>
<b>Fund balances, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 11,017,876</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 12,194,669</u></u>

### ***ENTERPRISE FUNDS***

Enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The funds are self-supporting in nature where the costs, including depreciation, of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis are financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

Water and Sewer Fund - Used to account for activities connected with the development, operation and maintenance of water and sewer services in Bartow County.

Solid Waste Fund – This fund is used to account for activities connected with the disposal of residential and commercial solid waste at the County's solid waste landfill.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**WATER AND SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,978,637	\$ 13,784,050
Receivables		
Accounts (net)	1,817,890	1,596,754
Intergovernmental	1,564,370	0
Notes	0	25,000
Inventories	404,417	402,555
	<u>19,765,314</u>	<u>15,808,359</u>
<b>Restricted assets</b>		
Construction Fund		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,191,239	1,479,213
Debt Redemption		
Cash and cash equivalents	615,289	612,420
Customer Deposits		
Cash and cash equivalents	796,253	778,078
	<u>3,602,781</u>	<u>2,869,711</u>
<b>Capital assets</b>		
Land	4,603,388	4,501,458
Buildings	1,268,288	1,137,176
Distribution system	127,353,876	124,170,585
Vehicles and equipment	2,380,556	2,590,023
Construction in progress	2,740,294	4,451,125
Accumulated depreciation	(43,979,689)	(41,174,767)
	<u>94,366,713</u>	<u>95,675,600</u>
<b>Other noncurrent assets</b>		
Notes receivable	0	87,500
	<u>117,734,808</u>	<u>114,441,170</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>		
Pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	294,240	250,000
Pension investment return differences	121,745	156,397
Pension experience differences	301,412	178,699
Pension assumption changes	198,640	116,305
Deferred charges on refunding	8,556	17,112
	<u>924,593</u>	<u>718,513</u>
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>		

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**WATER AND SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 529,566	\$ 682,891
Intergovernmental payables	32,730	49,685
Accrued salaries and payroll liabilities	58,205	57,001
Compensated absences	70,269	60,044
Claims and judgements payable	68,979	66,210
Due to other funds	448,302	203,756
Notes payable	304,324	0
Revenue bonds payable	944,631	919,432
	<u>2,457,006</u>	<u>2,039,019</u>
<b>Current liabilities payable from restricted assets</b>		
Retainages payable	132,995	126,755
Interest payable	99,920	111,852
Customer deposits	796,253	778,078
Revenue bonds payable	515,369	500,568
	<u>1,544,537</u>	<u>1,517,253</u>
<b>Long-term liabilities</b>		
Net pension liability	1,648,071	1,387,400
Net OPEB obligation	1,992,855	1,836,245
Notes payable	4,048,536	2,452,788
Revenue bonds payable	7,880,603	9,389,932
	<u>15,570,065</u>	<u>15,066,365</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>19,571,608</u>	<u>18,622,637</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Net investment in capital assets	80,229,287	83,690,409
Restricted for capital outlay	2,191,239	0
Restricted for debt service	515,369	500,568
Unrestricted	16,151,898	12,346,069
<b>Total net position</b>	<u>\$ 99,087,793</u>	<u>\$ 96,537,046</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**WATER AND SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>		
Charges for sales and services		
Water sales	\$ 12,420,416	\$ 11,917,261
Sewer charges	3,902,568	3,441,079
Tap fees	101,430	95,750
Other	712,193	875,607
Other	119,976	26,165
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<u>17,256,583</u>	<u>16,355,862</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Costs of sales and services	8,909,958	8,942,856
Personal services	2,877,521	2,779,101
Depreciation	3,076,523	2,812,055
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<u>14,864,002</u>	<u>14,534,012</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>2,392,581</u>	<u>1,821,850</u>
Non-operating revenues (expenses)		
Interest revenue	54,726	53,854
Interest expense	(448,926)	(379,205)
Loss on disposal of capital assets	(556,676)	0
<b>Total non-operating revenues (expenses)</b>	<u>(950,876)</u>	<u>(325,351)</u>
Net income (loss) before capital contributions and transfers	<u>1,441,705</u>	<u>1,496,499</u>
Capital contributions		
Connection fees	715,422	375,562
Capital contributions	0	125,000
<b>Total capital contributions</b>	<u>715,422</u>	<u>500,562</u>
Net income (loss) before transfers	2,157,127	1,997,061
Transfers in (out)		
2014 SPLOST Fund	393,620	830,793
Change in net position	2,550,747	2,827,854
Net position, January 1	<u>96,537,046</u>	<u>93,709,192</u>
<b>Net position, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 99,087,793</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 96,537,046</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**WATER AND SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Receipts from customers	\$ 16,933,646	\$ 16,199,246
Payments to suppliers	(9,315,370)	(8,905,060)
Payments to employees	(2,663,447)	(2,575,460)
Other receipts	<u>119,976</u>	<u>26,165</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>5,074,805</u>	<u>4,744,891</u>
<b>Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:</b>		
Receipts from other funds	<u>244,546</u>	<u>7,497</u>
<b>Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:</b>		
Receipts of capital contributions	715,422	375,562
Receipts from other funds	393,620	830,793
Receipts from other governments	0	502,979
Receipts of principal on notes receivable	112,500	12,500
Payments for acquisitions of capital assets	(1,880,349)	(4,014,550)
Payment of prior year capital related payables	(201,684)	(470,878)
Interest paid	(452,302)	(383,459)
Proceeds from promissory notes	381,747	2,345,009
Principal payments - promissory notes	(46,045)	(387,473)
Principal payments - bonds	<u>(1,420,000)</u>	<u>(1,385,000)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	<u>(2,397,091)</u>	<u>(2,574,517)</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>		
Interest received	<u>5,397</u>	<u>4,525</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	2,927,657	2,182,396
Cash and cash equivalents, January 1	<u>16,653,761</u>	<u>14,471,365</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 19,581,418</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,653,761</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**WATER AND SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:</b>		
Operating income (loss)	\$ 2,392,581	\$ 1,821,850
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense	3,076,523	2,812,055
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(221,136)	(146,397)
(Increase) decrease in inventories	(1,862)	(3,872)
(Increase) decrease in pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	(44,240)	1,825
(Increase) decrease in pension investment return differences	34,652	(135,076)
(Increase) decrease in pension experience differences	(122,713)	(178,699)
(Increase) decrease in pension assumption changes	(82,335)	(116,305)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(389,364)	20,071
Increase (decrease) in intergovernmental payable	(16,955)	26,109
Increase (decrease) in claims and judgements payable	2,769	(4,512)
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits	18,175	15,946
Increase (decrease) in accrued payroll liabilities	11,429	8,461
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability	260,671	415,476
Increase (decrease) in net OPEB obligation	156,610	207,959
Total adjustments	<u>2,682,224</u>	<u>2,923,041</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>\$ 5,074,805</u>	<u>\$ 4,744,891</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents reconciliation</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,978,637	\$ 13,784,050
Construction Fund		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,191,239	1,479,213
Debt Redemption		
Cash and cash equivalents	615,289	612,420
Customer Deposits		
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>796,253</u>	<u>778,078</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 19,581,418</u>	<u>\$ 16,653,761</u>
<b>Noncash investing, capital, and financing activities:</b>		
Increase in intergovernmental receivables through promissory notes from governments totaled \$1,564,370 and \$0 for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.		
Acquisition of capital assets through payables totaled \$443,963 and \$201,684 for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.		

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,005,282	\$ 3,243,632
Accounts receivable (net)	797,126	732,941
Due from other funds	0	31,108
	<u>4,802,408</u>	<u>4,007,681</u>
Total current assets		
<b>Capital assets</b>		
Land	1,179,659	1,179,659
Buildings	1,829,849	1,829,849
Land improvements	21,153,613	14,346,717
Vehicles and equipment	7,575,446	6,215,932
Construction in progress	0	5,235,738
Accumulated depreciation	(17,516,242)	(17,179,898)
	<u>14,222,325</u>	<u>11,627,997</u>
Total capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)		
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>19,024,733</u>	<u>15,635,678</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>		
Pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	298,394	245,000
Pension investment return differences	110,026	151,848
Pension experience differences	323,227	175,125
Pension assumption changes	213,349	113,979
	<u>944,996</u>	<u>685,952</u>
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>		
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	264,777	159,640
Accrued salaries and payroll liabilities	75,638	66,206
Compensated absences	74,961	65,299
Claims and judgements payable	57,154	52,968
Due to other funds	0	62,984
Closure and post-closure care costs	8,968	4,925
	<u>481,498</u>	<u>412,022</u>
Total current liabilities		
<b>Noncurrent liabilities</b>		
Net pension liability	1,626,249	1,311,645
Net OPEB obligation	1,651,223	1,468,996
Closure and post-closure care costs	7,462,716	7,097,000
	<u>10,740,188</u>	<u>9,877,641</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities		
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>11,221,686</u>	<u>10,289,663</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Net investment in capital assets	14,222,325	11,627,997
Unrestricted	(5,474,282)	(5,596,030)
	<u>\$ 8,748,043</u>	<u>\$ 6,031,967</u>
<b>Total net position</b>		

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>		
Charges for sales and services		
Sanitation fees	\$ 5,604,648	\$ 4,497,449
Recycling fees	325,297	221,047
Other	910	3,371
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<u>5,930,855</u>	<u>4,721,867</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Costs of sales and services	1,892,288	1,354,586
Personal services	2,976,914	2,716,666
Depreciation	543,650	532,250
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<u>5,412,852</u>	<u>4,603,502</u>
Operating income (loss)	518,003	118,365
Non-operating revenues (expenses)		
Gain (loss) on sale of capital assets	55,853	76,206
Net income (loss) before transfers	<u>573,856</u>	<u>194,571</u>
Transfers in (out)		
General Fund	(528,353)	0
Debt Service Fund	62,984	0
2014 SPLOST Fund	2,607,589	4,933,782
<b>Total transfers in (out)</b>	<u>2,142,220</u>	<u>4,933,782</u>
Change in net position	2,716,076	5,128,353
Net position, January 1	<u>6,031,967</u>	<u>903,614</u>
<b>Net position, December 31</b>	<u><u>\$ 8,748,043</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,031,967</u></u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Receipts from customers	\$ 5,865,760	\$ 4,450,497
Payments to suppliers	(1,413,206)	(1,034,865)
Payments to employees	(2,720,033)	(2,464,068)
Other receipts	910	3,371
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Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	1,733,431	954,935
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<b>Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:</b>		
Payments to other funds	(497,245)	0
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<b>Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:</b>		
Receipts from other funds	2,607,589	4,933,782
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	55,853	76,206
Payments for acquisitions of capital assets	(3,137,978)	(4,933,782)
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Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	(474,536)	76,206
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Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	761,650	1,031,141
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Cash and cash equivalents, January 1	3,243,632	2,212,491
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<b>Cash and cash equivalents, December 31</b>	<b>\$ 4,005,282</b>	<b>\$ 3,243,632</b>
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<b>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:</b>		
Operating income (loss)	\$ 518,003	\$ 118,365
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Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense	543,650	532,250
Landfill closure/post-closure costs	369,759	307,985
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(64,185)	(267,999)
(Increase) decrease in pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	(53,394)	(15,000)
(Increase) decrease in pension investment return differences	41,822	(132,374)
(Increase) decrease in pension experience differences	(148,102)	(175,125)
(Increase) decrease in pension assumption changes	(99,370)	(113,979)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	105,137	11,304
Increase (decrease) in claims and judgements payable	4,186	432
Increase (decrease) in accrued payroll liabilities	19,094	5,709
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability	314,604	423,955
Increase (decrease) in net OPEB obligation	182,227	259,412
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Total adjustments	1,215,428	836,570
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Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 1,733,431	\$ 954,935
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## ***AGENCY FUNDS***

These funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent to be expended in accordance with the conditions of its agency capacity.

Tax Commissioner - This fund accounts for assets and related liabilities for the collection of taxes and tag and title fees.

Clerk of Superior Court, Probate Court, Juvenile Court and Magistrate Court - These funds account for assets and related liabilities for the collection of court related fees.

Sheriff Department - This fund accounts for deposits held for incarcerated inmates.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA  
AGENCY FUNDS  
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
December 31, 2017**

	<u>Tax Commissioner</u>	<u>Clerk of Superior Court</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 253,424	\$ 2,124,498
Taxes receivable, net	<u>2,709,371</u>	<u>0</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 2,962,795</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,124,498</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Due to others	<u><u>\$ 2,962,795</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,124,498</u></u>

<u>Sheriff</u>	<u>Probate Court</u>	<u>Juvenile Court</u>	<u>Magistrate Court</u>	<u>Totals</u>
\$ 172,465	\$ 57,851	\$ 11,416	\$ 28,081	\$ 2,647,735
0	0	0	0	2,709,371
<u>\$ 172,465</u>	<u>\$ 57,851</u>	<u>\$ 11,416</u>	<u>\$ 28,081</u>	<u>\$ 5,357,106</u>
<u>\$ 172,465</u>	<u>\$ 57,851</u>	<u>\$ 11,416</u>	<u>\$ 28,081</u>	<u>\$ 5,357,106</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**AGENCY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

	<u>Balance January 1</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance December 31</u>
<b>TAX COMMISSIONER</b>				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 185,384	\$ 124,187,551	\$ 124,119,511	\$ 253,424
Taxes receivable, net	8,664,832	59,079,704	65,035,165	2,709,371
Total	<u>\$ 8,850,216</u>	<u>\$ 183,267,255</u>	<u>\$ 189,154,676</u>	<u>\$ 2,962,795</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	<u>\$ 8,850,216</u>	<u>\$ 183,267,255</u>	<u>\$ 189,154,676</u>	<u>\$ 2,962,795</u>
<b>CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT</b>				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 2,830,397</u>	<u>\$ 8,123,806</u>	<u>\$ 8,829,705</u>	<u>\$ 2,124,498</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	<u>\$ 2,830,397</u>	<u>\$ 8,123,806</u>	<u>\$ 8,829,705</u>	<u>\$ 2,124,498</u>
<b>SHERIFF</b>				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 127,368</u>	<u>\$ 1,928,384</u>	<u>\$ 1,883,287</u>	<u>\$ 172,465</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	<u>\$ 127,368</u>	<u>\$ 1,928,384</u>	<u>\$ 1,883,287</u>	<u>\$ 172,465</u>
<b>PROBATE COURT</b>				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 57,693</u>	<u>\$ 1,951,947</u>	<u>\$ 1,951,789</u>	<u>\$ 57,851</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	<u>\$ 57,693</u>	<u>\$ 1,951,947</u>	<u>\$ 1,951,789</u>	<u>\$ 57,851</u>
<b>JUVENILE COURT</b>				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 12,878</u>	<u>\$ 27,359</u>	<u>\$ 28,821</u>	<u>\$ 11,416</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	<u>\$ 12,878</u>	<u>\$ 27,359</u>	<u>\$ 28,821</u>	<u>\$ 11,416</u>
<b>MAGISTRATE COURT</b>				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 30,416</u>	<u>\$ 659,231</u>	<u>\$ 661,566</u>	<u>\$ 28,081</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	<u>\$ 30,416</u>	<u>\$ 659,231</u>	<u>\$ 661,566</u>	<u>\$ 28,081</u>
<b>TOTALS - ALL AGENCY FUNDS</b>				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,244,136	\$ 136,878,278	\$ 137,474,679	\$ 2,647,735
Taxes receivable, net	8,664,832	59,079,704	65,035,165	2,709,371
Total	<u>\$ 11,908,968</u>	<u>\$ 195,957,982</u>	<u>\$ 202,509,844</u>	<u>\$ 5,357,106</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	<u>\$ 11,908,968</u>	<u>\$ 195,957,982</u>	<u>\$ 202,509,844</u>	<u>\$ 5,357,106</u>

## ***SINGLE AUDIT SECTION***

This section contains reports required by the Uniform Guidance and grantor agencies.

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**Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on  
Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements  
Performed In Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

Honorable Commissioner  
Bartow County, Georgia

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bartow County, Georgia, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Bartow County, Georgia's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 8, 2018. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Bartow County Health Department, as described in our report on Bartow County, Georgia's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that were reported on separately by those auditors.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2017-001 through 2017-005 that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

**Compliance and Other Matters**

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

## **Bartow County, Georgia's Responses to Findings**

Bartow County, Georgia's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Bartow County's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

### **Purpose of this Report**

This report is intended 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 Bartow County, Georgia's internal control over compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Rushton & Company, LLC*

Certified Public Accountants

Gainesville, Georgia

June 8, 2018

## **Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance**

Honorable Commissioner  
Bartow County, Georgia

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

We have audited Bartow County, Georgia's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Bartow County, Georgia's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2017. Bartow County, Georgia's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

### **Management's Responsibility**

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

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

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

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination on Bartow County, Georgia's compliance.

### **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, Bartow County, Georgia complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2017.

## **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

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

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

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

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Rushton & Company, LLC*

Certified Public Accountants  
Gainesville, Georgia  
June 8, 2018

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2017**

<b>Federal Grant/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title</b>	<b>Federal CFDA Number</b>	<b>Pass- Through Number</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>
<b>Department of Agriculture</b>			
Local Food Promotion Program	10.172	N/A	\$ 29,483
<b>Department of Defense</b>			
Passed through the Georgia Office of the State Treasurer: Payments to States in Lieu of Real Estate Taxes	12.112	FY2016	124,536
<b>Department of Housing and Urban Development</b>			
Passed through the Georgia Department of Community Affairs: Community Development Block Grants / State's Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii	14.228	15p-y-008-1-5791	500,000
<b>Department of the Interior</b>			
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	15.226	N/A	41,863
Passed through the Georgia Department of Natural Resources: Outdoor Recreation Acquisition, Development and Planning	15.916	13-00960	48,300
<b>Total Department of the Interior</b>			90,163
<b>Department of Justice</b>			
Passed through the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	C15-8-374 C16-8-001 C16-8-207	7,392 64,714 23,380 95,486
Equitable Sharing for State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies	16.922	N/A	84,912
<b>Total Department of Justice</b>			180,398

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2017**

Federal Grant/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass- Through Number	Expenditures
<b>Department of Transportation</b>			
Highway Planning and Construction Cluster of Programs			
Passed through the Georgia Department of Transportation: Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	PL000-0014-00(105) PI#0012599	\$ 95,331 156,560 <u>251,891</u>
Passed through the Georgia Department of Natural Resources: Recreational Trails Program	20.219	NR15(6)	<u>54,385</u>
Total Highway Planning and Construction Cluster of Programs			<u>306,276</u>
Passed through the Georgia Department of Transportation Federal Lands Access Program	20.224	PI#0013321	<u>51,550</u>
Formula Grants for Rural Areas	20.509	T005493 T005914 T006136	38,954 99,884 93,225 <u>232,063</u>
Passed through the Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety: State and Community Highway Safety	20.600	GA-2017-402PT-150 GA-2018-402PT-026	91,670 27,107 <u>118,777</u>
<b>Total Department of Transportation</b>			<u>708,666</u>
<b>Environmental Protection Agency</b>			
Passed through the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority: Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds	66.458	CWSRF 14-011 CW2016046	381,748 939,303 <u>1,321,051</u>
Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	66.468	DW2017003	<u>278,035</u>
<b>Total Environmental Protection Agency</b>			<u>1,599,086</u>
<b>Department of Health and Human Services</b>			
Passed through Transit Alliance Group: Special Programs for the Aging Title III, Part B, Grants for Supportive Services and Senior Centers	93.044	BARTOW TRANSIT	<u>116,205</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2017**

Federal Grant/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass- Through Number	Expenditures
<b><u>Department of Homeland Security</u></b>			
Passed through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency: Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	OEM16-008 OEM17-008	\$ 10,701 19,216 <u>29,917</u>
Pre-Disaster Mitigation	97.047	PDFM-PL-2014-001	<u>3,750</u>
<b>Total Department of Homeland Security</b>			<u><u>33,667</u></u>
 <b>Total Federal Awards</b>			 <u><u>\$ 3,382,204</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and the schedule of findings and questioned costs.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**December 31, 2017**

**1. Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Bartow County, Georgia, under programs for the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2017. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because this schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the County.

**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in OMB Circular A-87, *Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments*, or the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

**3. De Minimis Indirect Cost Rate**

Bartow County, Georgia has elected not to use the 10-percent *de minimis* indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**4. Federal Loan Programs**

The balances and transactions relating to the federal loan programs listed below are included in Bartow County, Georgia's basic financial statements. The balance of loans outstanding as of December 31, 2017 consists of:

<u>CFDA Number</u>	<u>Program Name</u>	<u>Outstanding Balance at December 31, 2017</u>
66.458	Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds	\$3,727,794
66.468	Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	\$278,035

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

**1. Summary of the Auditor's Results**

**A. Financial Statements**

Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	None reported
Significant deficiencies identified not considered material weaknesses?	Yes
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	None reported

**B. Federal Awards**

Internal control over major programs:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	None reported
Significant deficiencies identified not considered material weaknesses?	None reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance?	None reported
Identification of major programs:	
15.916 Outdoor Recreation Acquisition, Development and Planning	
66.458 Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish Between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	No

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

**2. Financial Statement Findings and Responses**

**2017-001**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Juvenile Court, we noted instances where deposits were not made timely. Receipts were held for more than seven days before depositing.

*Criteria:* Proper internal controls require that cash receipts be deposited and transactions recorded in a timely manner.

*Effect:* Failure to deposit cash receipts in a timely manner exposes the County to a greater risk of loss due to fraud.

*Recommendation:* At a minimum, deposits should be made weekly.

*Management Response:* Management concurs with this finding. Management will advise the appropriate Judicial Officials to implement the recommendation. This action was taken immediately upon receipt of the comment from our auditors.

**2017-002**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Senior Center, we noted instances where deposits were not made timely. Receipts were held for more than seven days before depositing.

*Criteria:* Proper internal controls require that cash receipts be deposited and transactions recorded in a timely manner.

*Effect:* Failure to deposit cash receipts in a timely manner exposes the County to a greater risk of loss due to fraud.

*Recommendation:* At a minimum, deposits should be made weekly.

*Management Response:* Management concurs with this finding. Management will direct the appropriate Department Head to implement the recommendation. This action was taken immediately upon receipt of the comment from our auditors.

**2017-003**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures on Landfill receipts, we noted instances where deposits were not made timely. Receipts were held for more than seven days before depositing.

*Criteria:* Proper internal controls require that cash receipts be deposited and transactions recorded in a timely manner.

*Effect:* Failure to deposit cash receipts in a timely manner exposes the County's assets to a greater risk of loss due to fraud.

*Recommendation:* At a minimum, deposits should be made weekly.

*Management Response:* Management concurs with this finding. Management will advise the appropriate Department Head to implement the recommendation. This action was taken immediately upon receipt of the comment from our auditors.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

**2. Financial Statement Findings and Responses, continued**

**2017-004**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Building and Planning department, we noted instances where deposits of occupational tax receipts were not made timely. Receipts were held for more than seven days before depositing in 7 of 25 (28%) receipts tested.

*Criteria:* Proper internal controls require that cash receipts be deposited and transactions recorded in a timely manner.

*Effect:* Failure to deposit cash receipts in a timely manner exposes the County's assets to a greater risk of loss due to fraud.

*Recommendation:* At a minimum, deposits should be made weekly.

*Management Response:* Management concurs with this finding. Management will advise the appropriate Department Head to implement the recommendation. This action was taken immediately upon receipt of the comment from our auditors.

**2017-005**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Building and Planning department, we noted there is a lack of segregation of duties. The Permit Technician does most of the receipting and daily balancing.

*Criteria:* Proper internal controls require adequate segregation of duties in control over adjustments to the general ledger.

*Effect:* Failure to maintain adequate segregation of duties subjects the assets of the County to greater risk of misappropriation.

*Recommendation:* To ensure that sufficient internal controls are in place, the Building and Planning Department should properly segregate duties.

*Management Response:* Management concurs with this finding. Management will direct the appropriate Department Head to implement the recommendation. This action was taken immediately upon receipt of the comment from our auditors.

**3. Prior Year Audit Findings Follow-Ups**

**2016-001**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Magistrate Court, we noted instances where deposits were not made timely. Receipts were held for more than seven days before depositing in 9 of 37 (24%) receipts tested.

Corrected

**2016-002**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Magistrate Court, we noted instances where voided transactions lacked evidence of approval. During our testing, we noted 7 of 20 (35%) of voided transactions did not have evidence of approval.

Corrected

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

**3. Prior Year Audit Findings Follow-Ups, continued**

**2016-003**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Clerk of Court, we noted instances where voided transactions lacked evidence of approval. During our testing, we noted 5 of 15 (33%) of voided transactions did not have evidence of approval.

Corrected

**2016-004**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Juvenile Court, we noted instances where deposits were not made timely. Receipts were held for more than seven days before depositing.

Not corrected

**2016-005**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Tax Assessor's Office, we noted instances where deposits were not made timely. Receipts were held for more than seven days before depositing.

Corrected

**2016-006**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures at the Building and Planning department, we noted that there is a lack of segregation of duties. The Permit Technician does most of the receipting and daily balancing, and delivers the deposits to the Commissioner's Office.

Not corrected

**2016-007**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures on Landfill receipts, we noted instances where deposits were not made timely. Receipts were held for more than seven days before depositing.

Not corrected

**2016-008**

*Condition:* While performing audit procedures on Landfill receipts, we noted instances where we were unable to trace receipts to deposits and bank statements. Each receipt at the Landfill has a receipt number. However, Landfill personnel do not provide a listing of receipts included in a deposit.

Corrected

**2016-009**

*Condition:* The County experienced a material excess of expenditures over appropriations in the Inmate Welfare Special Revenue Fund and District Attorney Special Revenue Fund.

Corrected

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

**3. Prior Year Audit Findings Follow-Ups, continued**

**2016-010**

*Condition:* The accounts at one financial institution were not sufficiently collateralized.

Corrected

**4. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

The audit of our basic financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards disclosed no audit findings or questioned costs which are required to be reported under Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*.

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### ***STATE REPORTING SECTION***

This section contains additional reports required by the State of Georgia.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF PROJECTS FINANCED WITH SPECIAL**  
**PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

Project	Estimated Cost *		Expenditures		
	Original	Current	Prior Years	Current Year	Total
<b><u>2003 SPLOST</u></b>					
Water and Sewer	\$ 18,000,000	\$ 18,000,000	\$ 18,052,365	\$ 0	\$ 18,052,365
Library System	5,000,000	5,000,000	548,954	0	548,954
Public Safety Equipment	2,410,000	2,410,000	2,291,386	0	2,291,386
Public Safety Facilities - Fire	3,470,000	3,470,000	5,184,005	0	5,184,005
Recreation	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,272,771	0	3,272,771
Economic Development	2,000,000	2,000,000	921,675	0	921,675
GIS Program	400,000	400,000	409,699	0	409,699
Greenspace	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,927,317	0	1,927,317
Historic Courthouse					
Renovation	700,000	700,000	828,220	0	828,220
Other County Buildings	500,000	500,000	4,347,898	0	4,347,898
Roads and Bridges	15,011,350	15,011,350	17,849,762	578,919	18,428,681
Debt Service	6,031,650	6,031,650	10,733,866	0	10,733,866
City of Cartersville	17,827,800	17,827,800	18,776,815	0	18,776,815
City of Adairsville	2,872,400	2,872,400	3,025,370	0	3,025,370
City of Emerson	1,694,200	1,694,200	1,784,438	0	1,784,438
City of Kingston	821,300	821,300	865,045	0	865,045
City of White	821,300	821,300	865,045	0	865,045
City of Euahlee	3,440,000	3,440,000	3,623,229	0	3,623,229
Total	<u>\$ 86,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 86,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 95,307,860</u>	<u>\$ 578,919</u>	<u>\$ 95,886,779</u>
Total Expenditures of the 2003 SPLOST Capital Projects Fund				\$ 787,029	
Expenditures Financed by Other Revenues				(208,110)	
				<u>\$ 578,919</u>	

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF PROJECTS FINANCED WITH SPECIAL**  
**PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

Project	Estimated Cost *		Expenditures		
	Original	Current	Prior Years	Current Year	Total
<b><u>2007 SPLOST</u></b>					
Water and Sewer	\$ 30,100,000	\$ 30,100,000	\$ 4,697,836	\$ 0	\$ 4,697,836
Public Safety Equipment	400,000	400,000	416,578	34,039	450,617
Public Safety Facilities - Fire	9,200,000	9,200,000	4,977,531	6,841	4,984,372
Public Safety Facilities	33,000,000	33,000,000	34,316,409	0	34,316,409
Recreation	250,000	250,000	1,180,958	107,247	1,288,205
Economic Development	3,000,000	3,000,000	994,512	0	994,512
Flood Plain Mapping	1,000,000	1,000,000	979,067	0	979,067
Greenspace	2,000,000	2,000,000	8,275	0	8,275
Historic Courthouse Renovation	2,756,000	2,756,000	3,050,499	0	3,050,499
Other County Buildings	1,494,000	1,494,000	924,253	0	924,253
Roads and Bridges	34,150,000	34,150,000	5,203,329	306	5,203,635
Public Works Equipment	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,817,653	0	1,817,653
Civic Center	20,000,000	20,000,000	18,866,446	0	18,866,446
Solid Waste Expansion	2,740,000	2,740,000	3,036,710	0	3,036,710
Solid Waste Equipment	650,000	650,000	10,506	0	10,506
Debt Service	19,011,667	19,011,667	14,088,213	0	14,088,213
City of Cartersville	37,314,000	37,314,000	22,868,068	0	22,868,068
City of Adairsville	6,012,000	6,012,000	3,693,769	0	3,693,769
City of Emerson	3,546,000	3,546,000	2,173,183	0	2,173,183
City of Kingston	1,719,000	1,719,000	1,044,214	0	1,044,214
City of White	1,719,000	1,719,000	1,053,499	0	1,053,499
City of Euahlee	7,200,000	7,200,000	4,423,475	0	4,423,475
Total	<u>\$ 219,011,667</u>	<u>\$ 219,011,667</u>	<u>\$ 129,824,983</u>	<u>\$ 148,433</u>	<u>\$ 129,973,416</u>

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF PROJECTS FINANCED WITH SPECIAL**  
**PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

Project	Estimated Cost *		Expenditures		
	Original	Current	Prior Years	Current Year	Total
<b>2014 SPLOST</b>					
Water and Sewer	\$ 37,244,350	\$ 37,244,350	\$ 1,835,851	\$ 418,784	\$ 2,254,635
Animal Control	269,500	269,500	0	231,419	231,419
Building Maintenance	600,500	600,500	341,911	3,859	345,770
Information Technology	590,350	590,350	863,393	9,745	873,138
Geographic Information System	799,500	799,500	0	0	0
E-911	744,500	744,500	291,275	3,288	294,563
EMA Warning Sirens	319,500	319,500	93,374	1,054	94,428
EMS Ambulances	2,469,500	2,469,500	1,025,796	11,578	1,037,374
Engineering	4,204,500	4,204,500	699,114	7,891	707,005
Facilities Improvement	869,500	869,500	1,552,411	77,744	1,630,155
Fire Department Proj. and Equip.	7,219,500	7,219,500	3,735,942	42,168	3,778,110
Purchasing	238,700	238,700	0	0	0
Public Works	2,969,500	2,969,500	0	0	0
Roads	51,995,700	51,995,700	18,427,078	387,979	18,815,057
Health Dept. Fac. and Equip.	1,069,500	1,069,500	183,345	37,076	220,421
Greenspace	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	0	0
Recreation	6,034,750	6,034,750	5,275,370	434,635	5,710,005
Community Center	1,034,750	1,034,750	0	0	0
Senior Center Vehicle	339,500	339,500	21,946	56,301	78,247
Sheriff's Department Vehicles	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,805,516	20,379	1,825,895
Solid Waste	2,969,500	2,969,500	2,849,851	32,167	2,882,018
Library System Books and Equip.	1,269,500	1,269,500	221,601	29,401	251,002
Landfill Expansion	12,500,000	12,500,000	5,453,381	2,698,575	8,151,956
Radio System / Communication	15,000,000	15,000,000	4,886,352	5,672,372	10,558,724
Industrial Park	13,073,354	13,073,354	8,827,180	960,644	9,787,824
City of Adairsville	8,932,000	8,932,000	2,089,338	699,324	2,788,662
City of Cartersville	27,822,796	27,822,796	7,938,161	2,224,819	10,162,980
City of Emerson	3,792,250	3,792,250	887,068	296,911	1,183,979
City of Euahlee	7,950,250	7,950,250	1,859,691	622,459	2,482,150
City of Kingston	1,838,375	1,838,375	430,027	143,934	573,961
City of White	1,838,375	1,838,375	430,027	143,934	573,961
Total	<u>\$ 220,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 220,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 72,024,999</u>	<u>\$ 15,268,440</u>	<u>\$ 87,293,439</u>
Transfers to the Water and Sewer Fund				(393,620)	
Transfers to the Solid Waste Fund				(2,607,589)	
				<u>\$ 12,267,231</u>	
Total Expenditures of the 2014 SPLOST Capital Projects Fund				\$ 12,398,029	
Interest Paid from the 2014 SPLOST Debt Service Fund				776,010	
Expenditures Financed by Other Revenues and Other Financing Sources				(906,808)	
				<u>\$ 12,267,231</u>	

\* Estimated cost represents the portion of these projects to be financed with Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax.

Actual costs that are in excess of these amounts have been financed through alternative funds.

**BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF COMPLETED STATE AWARDS EXPENDED**  
**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2017**

<u>Grant Name</u>	<u>Grant Period</u>	<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Amount Awarded</u>	<u>State Revenues</u>	<u>State Expenditures</u>	<u>Amount Due from State</u>
DHS Operating Grant - Family Connection	07/01/16 to 06/30/17	427-93-171700009	\$ 47,000	\$ 24,330	\$ 24,330	\$ 0
DHS Operating Grant - Family Connection	07/01/17 to 06/30/18	427-93-181800009	48,500	23,174	23,174	12,424
DHS / Transit Alliance Group	07/01/16 to 06/30/17	Transit Operating (5311)	134,902	61,139	61,139	0
DHS / Transit Alliance Group	07/01/17 to 06/30/18	Transit Operating (5311)	120,306	55,066	55,066	14,220
Total			<u>\$ 350,708</u>	<u>\$ 163,709</u>	<u>\$ 163,709</u>	<u>\$ 26,644</u>

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