INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2024

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Officials

Name	Title	Term Expires
Bradley Gaul Mike Bixler Jon Bell Jeff Kaufmann Bruce Barnhart	Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors	January 2026 January 2026 January 2028 January 2028
Nicolette Welch	Board of Supervisors County Auditor	January 2028 January 2028
Sandy Delaney Melissa Bahnsen	County Treasurer County Recorder	January 2026 January 2026
Warren Wethington Adam Blank	County Sheriff County Attorney	January 2028 January 2026
Cari Dauber	County Assessor	January 2028



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Officials of Cedar County, Iowa

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Cedar County, Iowa as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024 and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Cedar County, Iowa as of June 30, 2024 and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or
 error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include
 examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Cedar County, Iowa's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Cedar County, Iowa's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Information, the Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset), the Schedule of County Contributions and the Schedule of Changes in the County's Total OPEB Liability, Related Ratios and Notes on pages 5 through 10 and 46 through 55 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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 GAAS, 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Cedar County, Iowa's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the six years ended June 30, 2023, (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Other auditor's previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the four years ended June 30, 2018 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 5 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The 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 GAAS. In our opinion, the supplementary information in Schedules 1 through 5 is fairly stated, in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated January 17, 2025, on our consideration of Cedar County, Iowa's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering Cedar County, Iowa's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

ANDERSON, LARKIN & CO., P.C.

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Ottumwa, Iowa January 17, 2025

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Cedar County, Iowa provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the County's financial statements, which follow.

2024 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- County revenue increased 25.4%, or \$5,161,795 from fiscal year 2023 to 2024.
- County program expenses were 10.5%, or \$,2093,310 more in fiscal year 2024 than in 2023.
- The County's net position increased 6.0%, or \$3,377,498 during the year ended June 30, 2024.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the County's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statements consist of a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. These provide information about the activities of Cedar County, Iowa as a whole and present an overall view of the County's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report Cedar County, lowa's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements by providing information about the most significant funds. The remaining financial statements provide information about activities for which Cedar County, lowa acts solely as an agent or custodian for the benefit of those outside of County government (Custodial Funds).

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the County's budget for the year, the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Related Contributions, as well as presenting the Schedule of Changes in the County's Total OPEB Liability, Related Ratios and Notes.

Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental funds and the individual Custodial Funds.

REPORTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statements

One of the most important questions asked about the County's finances is, "Is the County as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information which helps answer this question. These statements include all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The Statement of Net Position presents financial information on all of the County's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in the County's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the County is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the County's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will not result in cash flows until future fiscal years.

The County's governmental activities are presented in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. Governmental activities include public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, county environment and education, roads and transportation, governmental services to residents, administration, interest on long-term debt and non-program activities. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements

The County has three kinds of funds:

1. Governmental funds account for most of the County's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds, and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include: (1) the General Fund, (2) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Rural Services and Secondary Roads, (3) the Debt Service Fund, and (4) the Capital Projects Fund. These funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the County's general governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the County's programs.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances.

2. A proprietary fund accounts for the County's Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund. Internal Service Funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the County's various functions.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position and a Statement of Cash Flows.

3. Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trust or custodial capacity for others which cannot be used to support the County's own programs. These fiduciary funds include Custodial Funds that account for emergency management, E911 service board and the County Assessor, to name a few.

The required financial statements for fiduciary funds are a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the governmental fund financial statements follow the governmental fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in net position for governmental activities.

Net Position of Governmental Activities

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023
Current and other assets Capital assets Total assets	\$ \$24,779,057 58,764,769 83,543,826	\$ 27,195,484 52,763,846 79,959,330
Deferred outflows of resources	2,123,130	1,248,816
Long-term liabilities Other liabilities Total liabilities	11,790,016 1,657,770 13,447,786	11,712,535 2,091,425 13,803,960
Deferred inflows of resources	12,543,272	11,105,786
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	50,825,646	44,197,550
Restricted	6,685,655	10,038,208
Unrestricted	2,164,597	2,062,642
Total net position	\$ 59,675,898	\$ 56,298,400

Net position of the County's governmental activities increased by 6.0% (\$59,675,898 compared to \$56,298,400).

The largest portion of the County's net position is the investment in capital assets (e.g., land, infrastructure, buildings, and equipment), less the related debt. The debt related to the investment in capital assets is liquidated with resources other than capital assets.

Restricted net position represents resources subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. The decrease in restricted net position is primarily due to a decrease in unspent debt proceeds.

Unrestricted net position – the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements – increased from \$2,062,642 at June 30, 2023 to \$2,164,597 at June 30, 2024 an increase of 6.8%. The increase is primarily due to the decrease in restricted net position.

Changes in Net Position of Governmental Activities

	Year Ended June 30,				
	2024		2023		
Revenues:					
Program receipts:					
Charges for service	\$ 2,251,422	\$	1,926,142		
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest	5,589,847		4,888,434		
Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest	5,373,758		1,791,707		
General receipts:					
Property tax	9,761,079		9,289,187		
Local option sales tax	1,209,608		1,338,672		
Unrestricted investment earnings	330,536		225,466		
Other general revenues	967,279		862,126		
Total revenues	25,483,529		20,321,734		
Program Expenses:					
Public safety and legal services	5,405,400		4,486,002		
Physical health and social services	1,666,015		1,546,271		
County environment and education	1,909,817		1,879,500		
Roads and transportation	9,716,876		8,876,656		
Governmental services to residents	657,131		556,269		
Administration	2,632,800		2,519,817		
Non-program	12,660		6,978		
Interest on long-term debt	105,332		141,228		
Total Expenses	22,106,031		20,012,721		
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Change in net position	3,377,498		309,013		
Net position beginning of year	56,298,400		55,989,387		
Net position end of year	\$ 59,675,898	\$	56,298,400		

The results of governmental activities for the year resulted in Cedar County, Iowa's net position increasing by \$3,377,498. Revenues for governmental activities increased by \$5,161,795 from the prior year, including increases in capital grants, contributions and restricted interest. Expenditures increased by \$2,093,310 including increases in public safety and legal services, and roads and transportation expenses.

The cost of all governmental activities this year was \$22,106,031 compared to \$20,012,721 last year. However, as shown in the Statement of Activities, the amount that our taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities was only \$8,891,004 because some of the cost was paid by those directly benefited from the programs \$2,251,422 or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions \$10,963,605.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR FUND ANALYSIS

As Cedar County, Iowa completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$10,612,192, which is a decrease of \$3,505,443 from last year's total of \$14,117,635. The following are the main reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year:

- General Fund revenues decreased by 1.2% and expenditures increased by 2.0%, when compared to the prior year. The ending fund balance showed a decrease from the prior year of \$372,601 (prior year decrease was \$57,905) from \$5,774,703 to \$5,402,102.
- The Secondary Roads Fund balance increased \$173,444 (\$529,063 decrease in prior year) causing a change in fund balance from \$3,329,556 to \$3,503,000. The increase was primarily due to increases in revenues.
- The Rural Services Fund ending fund balance decreased from the prior year by \$396,857 (\$273,681 decrease in prior year) to \$1,014,787. The decrease was primarily due to an increase in expenses.
- The Capital Projects Fund ending fund balance decreased \$3,076,585 to \$20,647. The decrease was primarily due to capital projects fund expenditures.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, Cedar County, Iowa amended its budget once. As a result of the amendment, budgeted disbursements decreased \$105,525 (including an increase of \$422,500 for roads and transportation expenditures and a decrease of \$600,000 for capital projects) as a result of the budget amendment.

The County's receipts were \$1,521,585 more than budgeted, a variance of 7.9%. The most significant variance resulted from the County receiving more intergovernmental and property receipts than anticipated. After the budget amendments, actual disbursements were \$3,468,914 less than the amounts budgeted. This includes \$766,688 and \$1,232,767 in the administration and capital projects functions, respectively.

CAPTIAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2024 Cedar County, lowa had \$58,764,769 invested in a broad range of capital assets, including public safety equipment, buildings, park facilities, and roads and bridges. This is a net increase (including additions, deletions and depreciation) of \$6,000,923 or 11.4% more than the prior year.

Caiptal Assets of Governmental Activities at Year End

	June 30, 2024		Jun	e 30, 2023
Land	\$	2,250,386	\$	2,250,386
Construction in progress		4		7,025,299
Intangibles		-		14,576
Buildings		10,069,085		2,090,407
Improvements other than buildings		2,383,179		171,929
Machinery and equipment		3,475,729		3,432,579
Right-to-use leased equipment		18,565		30,685
Infrastructure		40,567,825		37,747,985
Total	\$	58,764,769	\$	52,763,846
The major additions for each year included:				
Buildings	\$	3,260,058	\$	-
Construction in progress		-		4,428,371
Improvements other than buildings		30,000		
Machinery and equipment		1,112,959		620,292
Infrastructure		5,016,110		1,403,553
Total	\$	9,419,127	\$	6,452,216

CAPTIAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION (Continued)

The County had depreciation expense of \$3,402,125 for the fiscal year and total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2024 of \$50,818,527.

Long-term Liabilities

At June 30, 2024 the County had \$11,790,016 in other long-term liabilities compared to \$11,712,535 at June 30, 2023, as shown below.

Outstanding Long-Term Liabilities of Governmental Activities at Year End

	<u>J</u> (ine 30, 2024	Jun	e 30, 2023
General obligation bonds	\$	7,920,000	\$	8,535,000
Lease agreements		19,123		31,296
Drainage warrants		8,491		13,939
Compensated absences		591,205		543,145
Net pension liability (asset)		2,632,189		1,757,321
Total OPEB liability		619,008		831,834
Total	\$	11,790,016	\$	11,712,535

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt that counties can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the County's corporate limits. The County is well below its constitution debt limit of \$72,149,728. Other obligations include compensated absences, lease agreements, early retirement, drainage warrants, net pension liability (asset) and total OPEB liability. Additional information about the County's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 6 to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

Cedar County, Iowa's elected, and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2025 budget, tax rates, and the fees charged for the various County activities. One of those factors is the economy. Unemployment in the County now stands at 2.8% versus 3.2% a year ago. This compares with the State's unemployment rate of 2.8% and the national rate of 4.1%.

Inflation in the State is lower than the national Consumer Price Index increase. The State's CPI increase was 3.0% for fiscal year 2024 compared with the national increase of 9.1%.

These indicators were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2025. Amounts available for appropriation in the operating budget are increasing by \$2,521,873 compared to the final fiscal year 2024 budget. Property and other county tax revenues are expected to make up the majority of this increase. Budgeted disbursements are expected to decrease by \$1,727,029 compared to the final fiscal year 2024 budget. Capital projects expenditures make up the majority of this decrease. The County has added no major new programs or initiatives to the fiscal year 2025 budget.

If these estimates are realized, the County's fund balance is expected to decrease \$4,622,197 by the close of fiscal year 2025.

CONTACTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of Cedar County, lowa's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Cedar County Auditor's Office, 400 Cedar Street, Tipton, lowa 52772.



CEDAR COUNTY, IOWA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2024

ASSETS:		Governmental Activities
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments	\$	10,634,352
Receivables:		,
Property tax:		
Delinquent		20,262
Succeeding year		12,119,502
Accounts		402,495
Accrued interest		75
Drainage assessments		99,508
Due from other governments Inventories		529,677
Prepaid expenses		771,192
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		201,994 58,764,769
Total assets		83,543,826
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:		03,343,020
Pension related deferred outflows		2,070,824
OPEB related deferred outflows		52,306
Total deferred outflows of resources		2,123,130
LIABILITIES:		2,120,100
Accounts payable		240.458
Salaries and benefits payable		202.782
Due to other governments		13,690
Incurred but not reported claims		34,000
Unearned revenues		1,156,135
Accrued interest payable		10,705
Long-term liabilities:		
Portion due or payable within one year:		
Lease agreements		12,419
General obligation bonds		620,000
Compensated absences		535,250
Portion due or payable after one year: Lease agreements		12.22.0
General obligation bonds		6,704
Drainage warrants		7,300,000
Compensated absences		8,491 55,955
Net pension liability		2,632,189
Total OPEB liability		619,008
Total liabilities		13,447,786
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:		
Unavailable property tax revenue		12 110 E02
OPEB related deferred inflows		12,119,502 246,218
Pension related deferred inflows		177,552
Total deferred inflows of resources		12,543,272
NET POSITION:		
Net investment in capital assets		50,825,646
Restricted for:		30,023,040
Supplemental levy		1,230,163
Secondary roads		3,503,000
Rural services		1,014,787
Capital projects		20,647
Resource enhancement and protection		47,617
Drainage improvement Public health		47,880
Conservation		24,173
Other purposes		92,906
Unrestricted		704,482
Total net position	\$	2,164,597
a man	Ď.	59,675,898

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

				F	rogram Rever	iue	S		
					Operating			_	Net
					Grants,		Capital Grants,		(Expense)
					Contributions		Contributions		Revenue and
			Charges		and Restricted		and Restricted		Changes in
		Expenses	for Service		Interest		Interest		Net Position
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS:									
Governmental activities:									
Public safety and legal services	\$	5,405,400	\$ 350,474	\$	431,086	\$	272,010	\$	(4,351,830)
Physical health and social services	•	1,666,015	344,931	Ψ.	165,252	Ψ.	2,2,010	Ψ	(1,155,832)
County environment and education		1,909,817	879,706		51,357		_		(978,754)
Roads and transportation		9,716,876	233,105		4,894,347		4,632,407		42,983
Governmental services to residents		657,131	437,595		16		1,002,107		(219,520)
Administration		2,632,800	5,611		47,789		469,341		(2,110,059)
Non-program		12,660	-		17,700		100,011		(12,660)
Interest on long-term debt		105,332	_		-		_		(105,332)
Total	\$	22,106,031	\$ 2,251,422	\$	5.589.847	\$	5,373,758		(8,891,004)
GENERAL REVENUES: Property and other County tax levied for: General purposes Debt service Local option sales tax Penalty and interest on property tax State tax credits and replacements Unrestricted investment earnings Miscellaneous Total general revenues									9,059,233 701,846 1,209,608 47,101 628,614 330,536 291,564 12,268,502
Change in net position									3,377,498
NET POSITION - Beginning of year									56,298,400
NET POSITION - End of year								\$	59,675,898

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2024

				Special F	Reve	nue
				Secondary		Rural
		General		Roads		Services
ASSETS				-		Million Control of the Control of th
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments	\$	6,410,092	\$	2,457,854	\$	965,151
Receivables:						
Property tax:						
Delinquent		13,754		-		5,247
Succeeding year		8,524,238		-		2,796,706
Drainage assessments		-		-		
Accounts		100,465		41,760		-
Accrued interest		-				-
Due from other governments		38.600		424,139		66,938
Prepaid expenses		45,029		-		-
Inventories		.0,020		771,192		_
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	15 122 170	¢.		•	2 024 042
TOTAL ASSETS	Ф	15,132,178	\$	3,694,945	\$	3,834,042
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS						
OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES						
OF RESOURCES AND FORD BALD MOLES						
<u>LIABILITIES</u> :						
Accounts payable	\$	60,153	\$	134,704	\$	7,184
Salaries and benefits payable		130,603		56,625		10,118
Deferred revenues		988,441		-		0.54111.5
Due to other governments		12,887		616		:=-
Total liabilities	,	1,192,084		191,945		17,302
Total habilities	9	1,192,004		191,945		17,302
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:						
Unavailable revenues:						
Succeeding year property tax		8,524,238				2,796,706
Drainage assessments		-				-,,
Other		13,754		-		5,247
Total deferred inflows of resources	9	8,537,992				2,801,953
Total deletted filliows of resources		0,557,992				2,001,955
FUND BALANCES:						
Nonspendable:						
Inventories				771,192		-
Prepaid expenses		45,029				123
Restricted for:						
Cemetery levy		22,539				_
Supplemental levy		1,230,163				-
Secondary roads		1,200,100		2,731,808		-
Rural services		120		2,731,000		1,014,787
Capital projects		-		-		1,014,707
Resource enhancement and protection		47,617		-		-
A CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY O				-		-
Public health		24,173		-		57.0
Conservation		92,906		-		-
Debt service		-		-		-
Drainage improvements		(#)		-		**
Other purposes		58,167		-		20
Assigned:		growth Addition				
County sheriff		95,246		-		=
Veteran's aid		9,333		-		-
Unassigned		3,776,929		-		-
Total fund balances		5,402,102		3,503,000		1,014,787
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS	-					
OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	15,132,178	\$	3,694,945	\$	3,834,042

Capital <u>Projects</u>	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	<u>Total</u>
\$ 20,647	\$ 644,582	\$ 10,498,326
\$ 20,647	\$ 1,261 798,558 99,508 260,270 75 - - 1,804,254	\$ 20,262 12,119,502 99,508 402,495 75 529,677 45,029 771,192 24,486,066
\$ -	\$ 38,417 5,436 - 187 44,040 798,558 99,508	\$ 240,458 202,782 988,441 13,690 1,445,371 12,119,502 99,508
	190,492 1,088,558	209,493 12,428,503
π. ω	er er	771,192 45,029
20,647	47,680 47,880	22,539 1,230,163 2,731,808 1,014,787 20,647 47,617 24,173 92,906 47,680 47,880
7-2	576,096	634,263 95,246
20,647	671,656	9,333 3,776,929 10,612,192
\$ 20,647	\$ 1,804,254	\$ 24,486,066

RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2024

TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES

\$ 10,612,192

AMOUNTS REPORTED FOR GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION ARE DIFFERENT BECAUSE:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. The cost of assets is \$109,583,296 and the accumulated depreciation is \$50,818,527.

58,764,769

Other long-term assets are not available to pay current year expenditures and, therefore, are recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds.

309,001

The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Fund are included in governmental activities in the statement of net position.

91,297

Pension and OPEB related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds, as follows:

Deferred outflows of resources Deferred inflows of resources

\$ 2,123,130 (423,770)

1,699,360

Long-term liabilities, including accrued interest, drainage warrants, compensated absences, lease agreements, net pension liability and total OPEB liability, are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.

(11,800,721)

NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

59,675,898

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

				Secondary		Rural
		General		Roads		Services
REVENUES:						
Property and other county tax	\$	6,595,339	\$	_	\$	2,453,126
Interest and penalty on property tax		47,101		-		±.
Local option sales tax		-		242,718		966,890
Intergovernmental		1,956,859		5,551,464		133,079
Licenses and permits		27,526		38,852		7,452
Charges for service		732,316		42		85,644
Use of money and property		394,728		N=		<u>=</u>
Miscellaneous		123,848		49,922		3
Total revenues		9,877,717		5,882,998		3,646,194
Total revenues		9,077,717		3,002,990		3,040,194
EVENDITURES.						
EXPENDITURES:						
Operating:		4.400.454				004.040
Public safety and legal services		4,493,151		100		891,012
Physical health and social services		1,713,345		S. 		-
County environment and education		821,949				252,943
Roads and transportation				8,020,014		-
Governmental services to residents		653,218		-		-
Administration		2,581,507		-		-
Non-program		12,660		-		=
Debt service		-		-		-:
Capital projects				647,686		-
Total expenditures		10,275,830		8,667,700		1,143,955
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over						
(under) expenditures		(398,113)		(2,784,702)		2,502,239
(under) experiatores		(000,110)		(2,701,702)		
Other financial acuracy (uses)						
Other financial sources (uses):		F7 200		110.050		
Sale of capital assets		57,300		119,050		-
Transfers in		31		2,839,096		(0.000.000)
Transfers out		(31,819)				(2,899,096)
Total other financing sources (uses)		25,512		2,958,146		_(2,899,096)
Change in fund balances		(372,601)		173,444		(396,857)
FUND BALANCES - Beginning of year		5,774,703		3,329,556		1,411,644
			-	<u> </u>		
FUND BALANCES - End of year	\$	5,402,102	\$	3 503 000	\$	1,014,787
700	Φ	5,402,102	Φ	3,303,000	Ψ	1,014,707

	Nonmajor	
Capital	Governmental	
<u>Projects</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ -	\$ 701,232	\$ 9,749,697
-	-	47,101
_	-	1,209,608
_	182,523	7,823,925
_	-	73,830
_	637,974	1,455,976
171,774	1,030	567,532
-	122,213	295,986
171,774	1,644,972	21,223,655
37 1,77	1,044,072	
	4,645	5,388,808
-		1,713,345
-	782,781	1,857,673
20	-	8,020,014
=	7 .0	653,218
	18,262	2,599,769
27	-	12,660
-	722,128	722,128
3,290,147		3,937,833
3,290,147	1,527,816	24,905,448
(3,118,373)	117,156	(3,681,793)
		470.050
41 010	- -	176,350
41,819	50,000	2,930,946
(31)		(2,930,946)
41,788	50,000	176,350
(3,076,585)	167,156	(3,505,443)
3,097,232	504,500	14,117,635
\$ 20,647	\$ 671,656	\$ 10,612,192

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024				
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AMOUNTS REPORTED FOR GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES ARE DIFFERENT BECAUSE:			\$	(3,505,443)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets. Capital outlay expenditures exceeded depreciation expense in the current year as follows:				
Expenditures for capital assets Capital assets contributed by the Iowa Department of Transportation Depreciation expense	\$	5,299,548 4,119,579 (3,402,125)		6,017,002
In the statement of activities, the loss on the disposition of capital assets is reported, whereas the governmental funds report the proceeds from the disposition as an increase in financial resources.				(16,079)
Because some revenues will not be collected for several months after the County's year end, they are not considered available revenues and are recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds, as follows:				
Property tax Other		11,382 (31,358)		(19,976)
Proceeds from issuing long-term liabilities provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Repayment of long-term liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Current year repayments are as follows:				
Repaid				632,621
The current year County IPERS contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, but are reported as a deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position.				802,907
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, as follows:				
Compensated absences Interest on long-term debt Pension income (expense) OPEB expense	-	(48,060) 1,795 (382,238) 13,452		(415,051)
The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of the partial self-funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. The change in net position of the Internal Service Fund is reported with				(440,400)
governmental activities. CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES			-	(118,483)
CHANGE IN INC. FOSTION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES			\$_	3,377,498

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND JUNE 30, 2024

ASSETS:

Current assets:

Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments

Prepaid expenses

TOTAL ASSETS

LIABILITIES:

Current liabilities:

Incurred but not reported claims

Unearned revenue

34,000

TOTAL LIABILITIES

167,694 201,694

NET POSITION:

Restricted for employee health

\$ 91,297

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	(ternal Service - Cedar County nployee Health
OPERATING REVENUES: Reimbursements from operating funds	\$	1,858,143
OPERATING EXPENSES: Medical claims, premiums and fees		1,976,626
Net income		(118,483)
NET POSITION - Beginning of year		209,780
NET POSITION - End of year	\$	91,297

PROPRIETARY FUND YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	(ternal Service - Cedar County mployee Health
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Cash received from operating fund reimbursements Cash paid to suppliers for services NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	1,875,235 (1,987,343) (112,108)
NET DECREASE IN CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND POOLED INVESTMENTS		(112,108)
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND POOLED INVESTMENTS - Beginning of year		248,134
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND POOLED INVESTMENTS - End of year	\$	136,026
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:	\$	(118,483)
Increase in prepaid expenses		(20,717)
Increase in incurred by not reported claims Increase in unearned revenue		10,000 17,092
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	(112,108)

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2024

ASSETS:

Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments: County Treasurer Other County officials Receivables: Property tax receivable:	\$	2,882,408 137,055
Delinquent Succeeding year Due from other governments Accrued interest Prepaid expenses Total assets	_	51,026 33,777,723 45,355 439 4,337 36,898,343
<u>LIABILITIES</u> :		
Accounts payable Due to other governments Salaries and benefits payable Compensated absences Trusts payable Total liabilities	_	33,199 1,728,264 4,712 29,724 106,313 1,902,212
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:		
Unavailable property tax revenue		33,777,723
NET POSITION:		
Restricted for individuals, organizations and other governments	\$ _	1,218,408

1,218,408

CEDAR COUNTY, IOWA

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

ADDITIONS:

Net position end of year

Property and other county tax 911 surcharge State tax credits State grants Assessments Office fees and collections Trusts Interest on investments Miscellaneous Total additions	\$	31,926,057 270,070 1,828,432 481,010 28,216 8,927,287 970,115 26,030 141,744 44,598,961
<u>DEDUCTIONS</u> :		
Agency remittances: To other funds To other governments Trusts paid out Total deductions		213,219 43,055,685 970,159 44,239,063
Change in net position		359,898
Net position beginning of year	IX	858,510

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Cedar County, Iowa is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The County operates under the Board of Supervisors form of government. Elections are on a partisan basis. Other elected officials operate independently with the Board of Supervisors. These officials are the Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Sheriff, and Attorney. The County provides numerous services to citizens, including law enforcement, health and social services, parks and cultural activities, planning and zoning, roadway construction and maintenance, and general administrative services.

The County's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Cedar County, Iowa has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The County has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the County are such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of the organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the County to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the County.

These financial statements present Cedar County, Iowa (the primary government) and its component units. The component units discussed below are included in the County's reporting entity because of the significance of their operational or financial relationships with the County.

<u>Blended Component Units</u> – The following component units are entities which are legally separate from the County, but are so intertwined with the County they are, in substance, the same as the County. They are reported as part of the County and blended into the appropriate funds.

One drainage district has been established pursuant to Chapter 468 of the Code of Iowa for the drainage of surface waters from agricultural and other lands or the protection of such lands from overflow. Although this district is legally separate from the County, it is controlled, managed, and supervised by the Cedar County Board of Supervisors. The drainage district is reported as a Special Revenue Fund. Financial information of the drainage district can be obtained from the Cedar County Auditor's office.

The Cedar County Solid Waste Commission has been established pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa for the disposal of solid waste and the acquisition, operation, and use of public disposal areas. Although the Commission is legally separate from the County, the Commission provides services almost entirely to the County and it would be considered misleading to exclude the Commission due to its relationship with the County. The Solid Waste Commission's closure surety, as required by Chapter 106.18 of the Iowa Administrative Code, is included in the Solid Waste Disposal Fund, and is required to provide additional surety against any possible additional closure costs. Financial information of the Solid Waste Commission can be obtained from the Cedar County Auditor's Office.

Jointly Governed Organizations – The County participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the County but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The County Board of Supervisors are members of or appoint representatives to the following boards and commissions: County Assessor's Conference Board, County Emergency Management Commission, and County Joint 911 Service Board. Financial transactions of these organizations are included in the County's financial statements only to the extent of the County's fiduciary relationship with the organization and, as such, are reported in the Custodial Funds of the County.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. Basis of Presentation

<u>Government-wide Financial Statements</u> – The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the County and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are supported by property tax, intergovernmental revenues and other nonexchange transactions.

The Statement of Net Position presents the County's nonfiduciary assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation did not result in any restricted net position.

Unrestricted net position consists of net position not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position is often subject to constraints imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. 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 and (2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – 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. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. All general tax revenues and other revenues not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue

The Secondary Roads Fund is used to account for the road use tax allocation from the State of Iowa, transfers from the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Rural Services Fund and other revenues to be used for secondary road construction and maintenance.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

Special Revenue (Continued)

The Rural Services Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues to provide services which are primarily intended to benefit those persons residing in the county outside of incorporated city areas.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

Additionally, the County reports the following funds:

Proprietary Fund

An Internal Service Fund is utilized to account for the financing of goods or services purchased by one department of the County and provided to other departments or agencies on a cost-reimbursement basis.

Fiduciary Funds

Custodial funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals, private organizations, certain jointly governed organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund 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 tax is recognized as revenue in the year for which it is levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

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 year or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current year. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences are recorded as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds from general long-term debt and acquisitions under lease agreements are reported as other financing sources.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursements grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, and then by general revenues.

When an expenditure is incurred in governmental funds which can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the County's policy is to pay the expenditure from restricted fund balance and then from less-restrictive classifications – committed, assigned and then unassigned fund balances.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating 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 County's Internal Service Fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Internal Service Funds include the cost of services and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The County maintains its financial records on the cash basis. The financial statements of the County are prepared by making memorandum adjusting entries to the cash basis financial records.

D. <u>Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund</u> Balance/Net Position

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

<u>Cash, Cash Equivalents and Pooled Investments</u> – The cash balances of most County funds are pooled and invested. Interest earned on investments is recorded in the General Fund, unless otherwise provided by law. Investments are stated at fair value except for the investment in the lowa Public Agency Investment Trust which is stated at amortized cost and non-negotiable certificates of deposit which are stated at amortized cost.

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

<u>Property Tax Receivable</u> – Property tax in governmental funds is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date the tax asking is certified by the County Board of Supervisors. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Supervisors to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the Board of Supervisors is required to certify its budget in April of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking and budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is reported as deferred inflows of resources in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. <u>Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position (Continued)</u>

Property Tax Receivable (Continued)

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds becomes due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1 ½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2022 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified by the County Board of Supervisors in April 2023.

Interest and Penalty on Property Tax Receivable – Interest and penalty on property tax receivable represents the amount of interest and penalty that was due and payable but has not been collected.

Opioid Settlement Receivable – The County will receive payments from certain prescription drug companies and pharmaceutical distributors engaged in misleading and fraudulent conduct in the marketing and sale of opioids and failure to monitor for, detect and prevent diversion of the drugs. The County is required to use these funds for activities to remediate the opioid crisis and treat or mitigate opioid use disorder and related disorders through prevention, harm reduction and recovery services. These amounts are included in accounts receivable.

<u>Drainage Assessments Receivable</u> – Drainage assessments receivable represent amounts assessed to individuals for work done on drainage districts which benefit their property. These assessments are payable by individuals in not less than 10 nor more than 20 annual installments. Each annual installment with interest in the unpaid balance is due on September 30 and is subject to the same interest and penalties as other taxes. Drainage assessments receivable represent assessments which are due and payable but have not been collected and remaining assessments which are payable but not yet due.

<u>Due from Other Governments</u> – Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Iowa, various shared revenues, grants, and reimbursements from other governments.

<u>Inventories</u> – Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method. Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for consumption. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

<u>Prepaid Expenses</u> – The County has paid for services that will not be a benefit until future periods. These amounts are reflected as a prepaid expenses asset in the financial statements.

<u>Capital Assets</u> — Capital assets are tangible and intangible assets, which include property, furniture and equipment and infrastructure are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost (except for intangible right-to-use lease assets, the measurement of which is discussed under "Leases" below) if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value. Acquisition value is the price that would have been paid to acquire a capital asset with equivalent service potential. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Intangible assets follow the same capitalization policies as tangible capital assets and are reported with tangible assets in the appropriate capital asset class. Reportable capital assets are defined by the County as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of one year.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. <u>Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position</u> (Continued)

Capital Assets (Continued)

Asset Class		Amount		
Infrastructure	\$	50,000		
Intangibles		150,000		
Land, buildings and improvements		5,000		
Right-to-use leased assets		5,000		
Machinery and Equipment		2,500		

Land and construction in progress are not depreciated. The other tangible and intangible property, plant, equipment, the right-to-use leased equipment and infrastructure are depreciated/amortized using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Life (In Years)
Infrastructure	10-65
Intangibles	15
Buildings and improvements	10-50
Right-to-use leased assets	Life of Lease
Machinery and Equipment	3-20

<u>Leases</u> – Cedar County, Iowa is the lessee for a noncancellable lease of equipment. The County has recognized a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the government-wide financial statements. The County recognizes lease liabilities with an initial, individual value of \$5,000 or more.

At the commencement of a lease, the County initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payment expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payment made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgments related to leases include how Cedar County, Iowa determines the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease payments to present value, lease term and lease payments.

Cedar County, Iowa uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the County generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.

The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and a purchase option price that the County is reasonably certain to exercise.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. <u>Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position</u> (Continued)

Leases (Continued)

The County monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u> – Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position applicable to future year(s) which will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred outflows of resources consist of unrecognized items not yet charged to pension and OPEB expense and contributions from the County after the measurement date but before the end of the County's reporting period.

<u>Due to Other Governments</u> – Due to other governments represents taxes and other revenues collected by the County and payments for services which will be remitted to other governments.

<u>Unearned Revenue</u> – Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Unearned revenue in the governmental fund financial statements represents the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the County has not made a qualifying expenditure. Unearned revenue consists of unspent American Rescue Plan Act proceeds.

<u>Trusts Payable</u> – Trusts payable represents amounts due to others which are held by various County officials in fiduciary capacities until the underlying legal matters are resolved.

Compensated Absences – County employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees who have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2024. The compensated absences liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Rural Services, Secondary Roads, and Solid Waste Disposal Funds.

<u>Long-term Liabilities</u> – In the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities or proprietary fund Statement of Net Position.

In the governmental fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. <u>Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position</u> (Continued)

<u>Pensions</u> – 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 Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) and additions to/deductions from IPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by IPERS. 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. The net pension liability (asset) attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Rural Services, Secondary Roads Funds and Solid Waste Disposal funds.

<u>Total OPEB Liability</u> – For purposes of measuring the total OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB and OPEB expense, information has been determined based on the Cedar County, Iowa's actuarial report. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The total OPEB liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Rural Services, Secondary Roads and Solid Waste Disposal Funds.

<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u> – Deferred inflows of resources represents an acquisition of net position applicable to a future year(s) which will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Although certain revenues are measureable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources in the governmental fund financial statements represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources in the fund financial statements consist of property tax receivable and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end and succeeding year property tax receivables that will not be recognized until the year for which they are levied.

Deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position consist of succeeding year property tax receivables that will not be recognized until the year for which they are levied, unrecognized items not yet charged to pension and OPEB expense and the unamortized portion of the net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan and OPEB assets and deferred amounts related to leases.

<u>Fund Balance</u> – In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

Nonspendable – Amounts which cannot be spent because they are in a nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

<u>Restricted</u> – Amounts restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors or state or federal laws or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Assigned - Amounts the Board of Supervisors intend to use for specific purposes.

<u>Unassigned</u> – All amounts not included in the preceding classifications.

<u>Net Position</u> – The net position of the Internal Service, Cedar County Employee Health Fund is designated for anticipated future catastrophic losses of the County.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information.

F. Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2: CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND POOLED INVESTMENTS

The County's deposits in banks at June 30, 2024 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to ensure there will be no loss of public funds.

The County is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Supervisors; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The County had investments in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust (IPAIT) which are valued at an amortized cost of \$28,411. There were no limitations or restrictions on withdrawals for the IPAIT investments. The County's investment in IPAIT is unrated.

Interest rate risk — The County's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) to instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days, but the maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the County.

NOTE 3: INTERFUND TRANSFERS

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from	Amount
General Fund	Capital Projects	\$ 31
Capital Projects	General Fund	31,819
Secondary Roads	Rural Services	2,839,096
Solid Waste	Rural Services	50,000
Capital Projects	Rural Services	10,000
Total		\$ 2,930,946

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

Governmental activities:	Balance Beginning of Year	Increases/ Transfers	Decreases/ <u>Transfers</u>	Balance End of Year
Capital assets not being depreciated: Land	\$ 2.250.386	\$ -	\$ -	A 2.250.200
Construction in progress	7,025,299	3,290,057	10,315,356	\$ 2,250,386
Total capital assets not being depreciated	9,275,685	3,290,057	10,315,356	2,250,386
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Intangibles	218,600	*	w/	218,600
Buildings	4,877,695	8,089,991	w	12,967,686
Improvements other than buildings	258,297	2,225,366	w:	2,483,663
Machinery and equipment	11,520,843	1,112,959	327,315	12,306,487
Right-to-use leased equipment	54,925	THE		54,925
Infrastructure	74,285,439	5,016,110	-	79,301,549
Total capital assets being depreciated	91,215,799	16,444,426	327,315	107,332,910
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Intangibles	204,024	14,576	-	218,600
Buildings	2,787,288	111,313	=	2,898,601
Improvements other than buildings	86,368	14,116	<u>=</u>	100,484
Machinery and equipment	8,088,264	1,053,730	311,236	8,830,758
Right-to-use leased equipment	24,240	12,120	_	36,360
Infrastructure	36,537,454	2,196,270		38,733,724
Total accumulated depreciation	47,727,638	3,402,125	311,236	50,818,527
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	43,488,161	13,042,301	16,079	56,514,383
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 52,763,846	\$ 16,332,358	\$ 10,331,435	\$ 58,764,769

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions:

Governmental activities:

Public safety and legal services	\$ 212,880
Physical health and social services	8,753
County environment and education	180,929
Roads and transportation	2,921,399
Governmental services to residents	19,743
Administration	58,421
Total depreciation expense – governmental activities	\$ 3,402,125

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 5: DUE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The County purchases services from other governmental units and also acts as a fee and tax collection agent for various governmental units. Tax collections are remitted to those governments in the month following collection. A summary of amounts due to other governments at June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Fund	Description	<u>A</u>	mount
General	Services	\$	12,887
Special Revenue: Secondary roads	Services		616
Solid waste disposal Total for governmental funds		=	187 13,690
Custodial: Schools Corporations Area schools Auto license and use tax Townships Agricultural extension education 911 All other	Collections		154,752 43,070 15,012 625,564 5,177 2,332 681,167 201,190
Total for custodial funds		\$ 1	,728,264

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

	Ag	Lease reements	General Obligation Bonds/Notes		Obligation		rainage /arrants	npensated osences	tal OPEB Liability	et Pension bility (Asset)	<u>Total</u>
Balance beginning of year	\$	31,296	\$	8,535,000	\$ 13,939	\$ 543,145	\$ 831,834	\$ 1,757,321	\$ 11,712,535		
Increases Decreases		12,173		615,000	5,448	542,612 494,552	212,826	874,868	1,417,480 1,339,999		
Balance end of year		19,123		7,920,000	8,491	591,205	619,008	2,632,189	11,790,016		
Due within one year	\$	12,419	\$	620,000	\$ _	\$ 535,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,167,669		

Lease Agreements

On April 5, 2021, the County entered into a lease agreement for a copy machine. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$40,814. The agreement requires monthly payments of \$751 over 60 months with an initial payment made on April 5, 2021 for \$751, with an implicit interest rate of 2.00% and final payment due March 5, 2026.

On June 16, 2020, the County entered into a lease agreement for a postage meter with an initial lease liability of \$14,111. The agreement requires monthly payments of \$306 over 60 months, with an implicit interest rate of 2.00% and final payment due June 16, 2025.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

Lease Agreements (Continued)

Future principal and interest lease payments as of June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Year ending		P	osta	де Ме	ter		Copy Machine					Total						
<u>June 30,</u>	P	rincipal	Inte	erest		Total	P	rincipal	In	terest		Total	Р	rincipal	In	terest		Total
2025	\$	3,634	\$	39	\$	3,673	\$	8,785	\$	230	\$	9,015	\$	12,419	\$	269	\$	12.688
2026								6,704		_56		6,760		6,704		_56		6,760
Total	\$	3,634	\$	39	\$	3,673	\$	15,489	\$	286	\$	15,775	\$	19,123	\$	325	\$	19,448

Bonds Payable

On May 4, 2021, the County issued \$9,740,000 of general obligation bonds, with interest rates ranging from 1.00-1.65% per annum. A summary of the County's June 30, 2024 general obligation bonded indebtedness is as follows:

Year Ending	Interest					
June 30,	Rates		Principal Interest Total			
2025	1.00 %	6 \$	620,000	97,005		717,005
2026	1.00		630,000	90,805		720,805
2027	1.00		635,000	84,505		719,505
2028	1.00		645,000	78,155		723,155
2029	1.00		650,000	71,705		721,705
2030-2034	1.00-1.45		3,345,000	246,975		3,591,975
2035-2036	1.55-1.65		1,395,000	33,873		1,428,873
Total		\$	7,920,000	\$ 703,023	\$	8,623,023

Drainage Warrants

Drainage warrants are warrants which are legally drawn on drainage district funds but are not paid for lack of funds, in accordance with Chapter 74 of the Code of Iowa. The warrants bear interest at rates in effect at the time the warrants are first presented. Warrants will be paid as funds become available. Therefore, no amortization schedule is available at this time.

Drainage warrants are paid from the Special Revenue, Drainage District Fund solely from the drainage assessments against benefited properties.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 7: PENSION PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> – IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the County, except for those covered by another retirement system. Employees of the County are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at www.ipers.org.

IPERS benefits are established under lowa Code chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. Chapter 97B and the administrative rules are the official plan documents. The following brief description is provided for general informational purposes only. Refer to the plan documents for more information.

Pension Benefits – A regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an early-retirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, anytime after reaching age 62 with 20 or more years of covered employment, or when the member's years of service plus the member's age at the last birthday equals or exceeds 88, whichever comes first. These qualifications must be met on the member's first month of entitlement to benefits. Members cannot begin receiving retirement benefits before age 55. The formula used to calculate a Regular member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- A multiplier based on years of service.
- The member's highest five-year average salary, except members with service before June 30, 2012, will use the highest three-year average salary as of that date if it is greater than the highest five-year average salary.

Sheriffs, deputies and protection occupation members may retire at normal retirement age which is generally age 55. Sheriffs, deputies and protection occupation members may retire anytime after reaching age 50 with 22 or more years of covered employment.

The formula used to calculate a sheriff's, deputy's or protection occupation member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- 60% of average salary after completion of 22 years of service, plus an additional 1.5% of average salary for years of service greater than 22 but not more than 30 years of service.
- The member's highest three-year average salary.

If a member retires before normal retirement age, the member's monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. The early-retirement reduction is calculated differently for service earned before and after July 1, 2012. For service earned before July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.25% for each month the member receives benefits before the member's earliest normal retirement age. For service earned on or after July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.50% for each month that the member receives benefits before age 65.

Generally, once a member selects a benefit option, a monthly benefit is calculated and remains the same for the rest of the member's lifetime. However, to combat the effects of inflation, retirees who began receiving benefits prior to July 1990 receive a guaranteed dividend with their regular November benefit payments.

<u>Disability and Death Benefits</u> – A vested member who is awarded federal Social Security disability or Railroad Retirement disability benefits is eligible to claim IPERS benefits regardless of age. Disability benefits are not reduced for early retirement. If a member dies before retirement, the member's beneficiary will receive a lifetime annuity or a lump-sum payment equal to the present actuarial value of the member's accrued benefit or calculated with a set formula, whichever is greater. When a member dies after retirement, death benefits depend on the benefit option the member selected at retirement.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 7: PENSION PLAN (Continued)

<u>Contributions</u> – Contribution rates are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation, which applies IPERS' Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization Method. State statute limits the amount rates can increase or decrease each year to 1 percentage point. IPERS Contribution Rate Funding Policy requires the actuarial contribution rate be determined using the "entry age normal" actuarial cost method and the actuarial assumptions and methods approved by the IPERS Investment Board. The actuarial contribution rate covers normal cost plus the unfunded actuarial liability payment based on a 30-year amortization period. The payment to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability is determined as a level percentage of payroll based on the Actuarial Amortization Method adopted by the Investment Board.

In fiscal year 2024, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 6.29% of covered payroll and the County contributed 9.44% of covered payroll, for a total rate of 15.73%. The Sheriff, deputies and the County each contributed 8.51% of covered payroll for a total rate of 17.02%. Protection occupation members contributed 6.21% of covered payroll, and the County contributed 9.31% of covered payroll, for a total rate of 15.52%.

The County's contributions to IPERS for the year ended June 30, 2024 totaled \$802,907.

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense (Income), and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – At June 30, 2024 the County reported a net liability of \$2,632,189 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the County's share of contributions to IPERS relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2023, the County's proportion was .058316%, which was a increase of .011803% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024 the County recognized pension expense of \$382,238. At June 30, 2024 the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 617,571	\$ 12,619
Changes of assumptions	-	100,122
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS' investments	459,233	-
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and the County's proportionate share of contributions	191,113	64,811
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	802,907	
Total	\$ 2,070,824	\$ 177,552

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 7: PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense (Income), and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

\$802,907 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended	
<u>June 30,</u>	Total
2025	(20,854)
2026	(242,629)
2027	1,091,838
2028	219,588
2029	42,422
Total	\$ 1,090,365

There were no non-employer contributing entities at IPERS.

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability in the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate	of	infl	ati	on
Nate	O	11 111	au	OII

(effective June 30,2017)

Rates of salary increase

(effective June 30, 2017)

(effective June 30, 2017)

Wage growth

(effective June 30, 2017)

2.60% per annum.

3.25% to 16.25% average, including inflation.

Rates vary by membership group.

Long-term investment rate of return 7.00% compounded annually, net of investment

expense, including inflation.

3.25% per annum, based on 2.60% inflation

and 0.65% real wage inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023 valuation were based on the results of a quadrennial experience study covering the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.

Mortality rates used in the 2023 valuation were based on the PubG-2010 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2021.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 7: PENSION PLAN (Continued)

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

Asset Class	Asset Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity	21.0 %	4.56 %
International equity	16.5	6.22
Global smart beta equity	5.0	5.22
Core plus fixed income	23.0	2.69
Public credit	3.0	4.38
Cash	1.0	1.59
Private equity	17.0	10.44
Private real assets	9.0	3.88
Private credit	4.5	4.60
Total	100.0 %	

<u>Discount Rate</u> – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability (asset) was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and that contributions from the County will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, IPERS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability (asset).

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	6.00%	7.00%	8.00%
County's proportionate share			
the net pension liability (asset):	\$ 7,605,633	\$ 2,632,189	\$ (1,537,104)

<u>IPERS' Fiduciary Net Position</u> – Detailed information about the IPERS' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS' website at <u>www.ipers.org.</u>

<u>Payables to IPERS</u> – All legally required County contributions and legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages are remitted by the County to IPERS by June 30, 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 8: RISK MANAGEMENT

Cedar County, Iowa has entered into an agreement, as allowed by Chapter 331.301 of the Code of Iowa, to become a member in Heartland Insurance Risk Pool (Pool), a local government risk pool, to protect the County against tort liability, injuries to employees and other risks associated with County operations. The Pool has ten member Counties throughout the State of Iowa. The Pool was created for the purpose of providing and maintaining self-insurance benefits on a group basis substantially at cost.

Each member's annual casualty contributions to the Pool fund current operations and provide capital. Annual operating contributions are those amounts necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses, claims, claims expenses and reinsurance expenses estimated for the fiscal year plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital.

The Pool also provides property coverage. Members who elect such coverage make annual property operating contributions which are necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses, reinsurance premiums, losses and loss expenses for property risks estimated for the fiscal year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Any year-end operating surplus is transferred to capital. Deficiencies in operations are offset by transfers from capital and, if insufficient, by the subsequent year's member contributions.

The County's property and casualty contributions to the pool are recorded as expenditures from its operating funds at the time of payment to the Pool. The County paid \$545,399 into the Pool for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

Initial risk of loss is retained by the Pool. The Pool is reinsured through commercial companies for 100% of claims in excess of \$400,000 per occurrence for general, automobile, law enforcement, legal liability, and public official's liability, \$750,000 per occurrence for workers' compensation, and property losses in excess of \$100,000 per occurrence. The Risk Pool fund includes reserves established to account for the liability for claims reported but not yet paid. A liability is also factored in for claims incurred but not reported (referred to as IBNR claims). As of June 30, 2024, the Risk Pool maintained a surplus over the reserves and IBNR claims.

The Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members provides that in the event a casualty claim or series of claims exceeds the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate, or in the event that a series of casualty claims exhausts total members' equity plus any reinsurance and any excess risk-sharing recoveries, then payment of such claims shall be the obligation of the respective individual member.

The County does not report a liability for losses in excess of reinsurance risk-sharing recoveries unless it is deemed probable such losses have occurred and the amount of such loss can be reasonably estimated. Accordingly, at June 30, 2024 no liability has been recorded in the County's financial statements. As of June 30, 2024, settled claims have not exceeded the risk Pool or reinsurance coverage since the Pool's inception.

The County has renewed its membership in the risk Pool on an annual basis since July 1, 1989.

The County also carries commercial insurance purchased from other insurers for coverage associated with employee blanket bond in the amount of \$80,000. The County assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 9: EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN

The Internal Service, Cedar County Employee Health Fund was established to account for partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan. The plan is funded by both employee and County contributions and is administered through a service agreement with Benefits, Inc. The agreement is subject to automatic renewal provisions. The County assumes liability for the difference between the employee deductible (\$500 for single and \$1,000 for family) and the deductible on the policy purchased by the County (\$3,500 for single and \$7,000 for family) for the health plan. Claims in excess of coverage are insured through purchase of stop loss insurance.

Monthly payments of service fees and plan contributions to the Cedar County Employee Health Fund are recorded as expenditures from the operating funds. Under the administrative services agreement, monthly payments of service fees and weekly payments of claims processed are paid to Benefits, Inc. from the Cedar County Employee Health Fund. The total contribution to the fund for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$1,858,143.

Amounts payable from the Cedar County Employee Health Fund at June 30, 2024 total \$24,000 which is for incurred but not reported (IBNR) and reported but not paid claims. The amounts are based on actuarial estimates of the amounts necessary to pay prior year and current year claims and to establish a reserve for catastrophic losses. That reserve was \$209,780 at June 30, 2024 and is reported as a designation of the Internal Service, Cedar County Employee Group Health Fund net position. A liability has been established based on the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, which requires a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates it is probable a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Settlements have not exceeded the stop-loss coverage in any of the past three years. A reconciliation of changes in the aggregate liability for claims for the current year is as follows:

Unpaid claims beginning of year	\$ 24,000
Incurred claims, premiums and fees (including claims incurred but not reported at June 30, 2024)	1,976,626
Payments on claims during the year	1,966,626
Unpaid claims end of year	\$ 34,000

NOTE 10: OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

<u>Plan Description</u> – The County administers a single employer benefit plan which provides medical, prescription drug and dental benefits for employees, retirees and their spouses. Group insurance benefits are established under lowa Code Chapter 509A.13. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

<u>OPEB Benefits</u> – Individuals who are employed by Cedar County, Iowa and are eligible to participate in the group health plan are eligible to continue healthcare benefits upon retirement. Retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical, prescription drug and dental benefits as active employees, which results in an implicit rate subsidy and an OPEB liability.

Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement. At June 30, 2024 the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	2
Active employees	133
Total	135

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 10: OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

<u>Total OPEB Liability</u> – The County's total OPEB liability of \$619,008 was measured as of June 30, 2024 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> – The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and the entry age normal level percentage of pay actuarial cost method, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Rate of inflation	3.00%	per annum.
(effective June 30, 2024)		
Rates of salary increase	3.50%	per annum, including inflation.
(effective June 30, 2024)		
	3.65%	compounded annually, including inflation.
(effective June 30, 2024)		
Healthcare cost trend rate	5.00%	initial rate decreasing by 0.50% annually,
(effective June 30, 2024)		to an ultimate rate of 4.50%

<u>Discount Rate</u> – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.65% which reflects the index rate for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher as of the measurement date.

Mortality rates are from the RP-2014 annuitant distinct mortality table adjusted to 2006 with MP-2021 generational projection of future mortality improvement. Annual retirement probabilities are based on varying rates by age and turnover probabilities mirror those used by IPERS.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB <u>Liability</u>		
Total OPEB liability beginning of year	\$	831,834	
Changes for the year:			
Service cost		50,646	
Interest		22,558	
Differences between expected and actual			
experiences		(30,678)	
Changes in assumptions		(212, 202)	
Benefit payments	_	(43, 150)	
Net changes	_	(212,826)	
Total OPEB liability end of year	\$	619,008	

Changes of assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 2.14% in fiscal year 2023 to 3.65% in fiscal year 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 10: OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

<u>Sensitivity of the County's Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</u> – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower (2.65%) or 1% higher (4.65%) than the current discount rate.

	1%	Discount	1%		
	Decrease	Rate	Increase		
	(2.65)	(3.65)	(4.65)		
Total OPEB liability	\$ 665,040	\$ 619,008	\$ 577,634		

<u>Sensitivity of the County's Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates</u> – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1% lower (4.00%) or 1% higher (6.00%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates.

		Healthcare		
	1%	Cost Trend	1%	
	Decrease	Rate	Increase	
	(4.00)	(5.00)	(6.00)	
Total OPEB liability	\$ 566,186	\$ 619,008	\$ 679,173	

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB – For the year ended June 30, 2024 the County recognized OPEB expense of \$29,698. At June 30, 2024 the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following resources:

	Deferred of Reso		Of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	17,290	\$	61.956	
Changes in assumptions		35,016		184,262	
Tota	ıl \$	52,306	\$	246,218	

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

Year ending June 30,	Amount
2025	\$ (31, 399)
2026	(23, 329)
2027	(27,929)
2028	(30,994)
2029	(31,685)
Thereafter	(48, 576)
	\$ (193,912)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 11: TAX ABATEMENTS

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 77 defines tax abatements as a reduction in tax revenues that results from an agreement between one or more governments and an individual or entity in which (a) one or more governments promise to forgo tax revenues to which they are otherwise entitled and (b) the individual or entity promises to take a specific action after the agreement has been entered into that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the governments or the citizens of those governments.

County Tax Abatements

The County provides tax abatements for urban renewal and economic development projects with tax increment financing as provided for in Chapters 15A and 403 of the Code of Iowa. For these types of projects, the County enters into agreements with developers which require the County, after developers meet the terms of the agreements, to rebate a portion of the property tax paid by the developers, to pay the developers an economic development grant or to pay the developers a predetermined dollar amount. No other commitments were made by the County as part of these agreements.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, \$70,098 of property tax was diverted from the County under the urban renewal development agreements.

Tax Abatements of Other Entities

Other entities within the County also provided tax abatements for urban renewal and economic development projects pursuant to Chapters 15 and 403 of the Code of Iowa.

Property tax revenues of the County were reduced by the following amounts for the year ended June 30, 2024 under agreements entered into by the following entities:

Entity	Tax Abatement Progam	Amount of ax Abated
City of Tipton	Urban renewal and economic development projects	\$ 159,987
City of Clarence	Urban renewal and economic development projects	\$ 52,053
City of Durant	Urban renewal and economic development projects	\$ 25,900
City of West Branch	Urban renewal and economic development projects	\$ 183,881

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 12: EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA AREA BOARD

The County is the fiscal agent for the Cedar/Jones Early Childhood Iowa Area Board, an organization formed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 256I of the Code of Iowa. The area Board receives state grants to administer early childhood and school ready programs. Financial transactions of the Area Board are included in the County's financial statements as part of Custodial Funds because of the County's fiduciary relationship with the organization. The Area Board's financial data for the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Doumman	Early Childhood		Sch	ool Ready	Total		
Revenues:							
State grants: Early childhood Quality improvement Allocation for administration School ready general use	\$	55,177 - 2,904 -	\$	46,731 13,898 218,259	\$	55,177 46,731 16,802 218,259	
Total state grants Interest on investments Total revenues	-	58,081 32 58,113	_	278,888 143 279,031	_	336,969 175 337,144	
Expenditures: Program services:							
Early childhood Quality improvement School ready general use	_	54,501		46,583 230,882		54,501 46,583 230,882	
Total program services Administration Total expenditures	_	54,501 2,904 57,405	_	277,465 14,144 291,609		331,966 17,048 349,014	
Change in fund balance Net position beginning of year		708 9,396		(12,578) 46,632		(11,870) 56,028	
Net position end of year	\$_	10,104	\$	34,054	\$	44,158	

Findings related to the operations of the Early Childhood Iowa Area Board are included as item IV-K-24 in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

NOTE 13: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The County evaluated subsequent events through January 17, 2025, the date statements were available to be issued.



BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CASH BASIS) - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

DECEMBE		<u>Actual</u>	Less Funds Not Required To Be Budgeted		<u>Net</u>
RECEIPTS:	•	11 007 104	•	æ	11 007 104
Property and other County tax Interest and penalty on property tax	\$	11,067,164 47,283	\$ -	\$	11,067,164 47,283
Interest and penalty on property tax Intergovernmental		7,256,854	-		7,256,854
Licenses and permits		70,512	-		70,512
Charges for service		1,513,719			1,513,719
Use of money and property		562,673	_		562,673
Miscellaneous		287,071	13,554		273,517
Total receipts	-	20,805,276	13,554		20,791,722
Total Tecelpts	97-	20,003,270	10,004		20,731,722
DISBURSEMENTS:					
Public safety and legal services		5,363,334	_		5,363,334
Physical health and social services		1,712,928	-		1,712,928
County environment and education		1,872,400	10,828		1,861,572
Roads and transportation		7,916,491	2 00 00 William - 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0		7,916,491
Governmental services to residents		659,558	-		659,558
Administration		2,605,819			2,605,819
Non-program		12,659	-		12,659
Debt service		719,128			719,128
Capital projects		3,937,833			3,937,833
Total disbursements		24,800,150	10,828		24,789,322
Excess (deficiency) of receipts					
over (under) disbursements		(3,994,874)	2,726		(3,997,600)
Other financing courses (uses) not		176 250			176 250
Other financing sources (uses), net	100	176,350			176,350
Change in balances		(3,818,524)	2,726		(3,821,250)
BALANCE - Beginning of year		44.000.070	46.464		44,000,040
DALAROL - Deginning of year		14,268,970	45,154	1	14,223,816
BALANCE - End of year	\$ _	10,450,446	\$ 47,880	\$	10,402,566

	Final to		
	ed A	mounts	Net
<u>Original</u>		Final	<u>Variance</u>
\$ 10,973,945	\$	10,973,945	\$ 93,219
22,300		22,300	24,983
6,696,671		6,696,671	560,183
41,939		41,939	28,573
1,296,728		1,296,728	216,991
103,906		103,906	458,767
134,648		134,648	138,869
19,270,137		19,270,137	1,521,585
5,606,589		5,620,289	256,955
2,042,911		2,042,911	329,983
2,323,744		2,363,744	502,172
7,820,500		8,243,000	326,509
700,355		710,355	50,797
3,372,507		3,372,507	766,688
8,400		15,700	3,041
718,155		719,130	2
5,770,600		5,170,600	1,232,767
_28,363,761		28,258,236	3,468,914
(9,093,624)		(8,988,099)	4,990,499
82,000		82,000	94,350
(9,011,624)		(8,906,099)	5,084,849
12,942,851		12,942,851	1,280,965
\$ 3,931,227	\$	4,036,752	\$ 6,365,814

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGET TO GAAP RECONCILIATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	_	Governmental Funds				
		Cash Basis		Accrual Adjustments		Modified Accrual Basis
Revenues Expenditures Net	\$	20,805,276 24,800,150 (3,994,874)	\$	418,379 105,298 313,081	\$	21,223,655 24,905,448 (3,681,793)
Other financing sources (uses), net		176,350		-		176,350
Beginning fund balances		14,268,970		1,424,549		14,117,635
Ending fund balances	\$	10,450,446	\$	1,737,630	\$	10,612,192

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - BUDGETARY REPORTING

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

The budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the County Board of Supervisors annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except for blended component units, the Internal Service Fund and Custodial Funds, and appropriates the amount deemed necessary for each of the different County offices and departments. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. Encumbrances are not recognized on the cash basis budget and appropriations lapse at year end.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon nine major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund. These nine functions are: public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, county environment and education, roads and transportation, governmental services to residents, administration, non-program, debt service and capital projects. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund and the Capital Projects Fund. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. Legal budgetary control is also based upon the appropriation to each office or department. During the year, one budget amendment decreased budgeted disbursements by \$105,525. The budget amendments are reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

In addition, annual budgets are similarly adopted in accordance with the Code of Iowa by the appropriate governing body as indicated: for the County Assessor by the County Conference Board, for the 911 System by the Joint 911 Service Board and for Emergency Management Services by the County Emergency Management Commission.

SCHEDULE OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) IOWA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS (IN THOUSANDS)

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

	2024	2023	2022
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.0583160 %	0.0465130 %	0.0523928 %
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 2,632	\$ 1,757	\$ (1,809)
County's covered payroll	\$ 8,150	\$ 7,270	\$ 7,026
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	32.29 %	24.17 %	(25.75) %
IPERS' net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (asset)	90.13 %	91.40 %	100.81 %

^{*}In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, the amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30 of the preceding fiscal year.

2021	2020	<u>2019</u> <u>2018</u>		<u>2019</u> <u>2018</u>		<u>2018</u> <u>2017</u>		2015
0.0619117 %	0.058952 %	0.0611419 %	0.065268 %	0.066267 %	0.062925 %	0.060503 %		
\$ 4,349 \$	3,414 \$	3,869 \$	4,348	\$ 4,170	\$ 3,109	2,399		
\$ 6,521 \$	6,373 \$	6,219 \$	5,966	\$ 5,944	\$ 5,769	5,681		
66.69 %	53.57 %	62.21 %	72.88 %	70.15 %	53.89 %	42.23 %		
82.9 %	85.45 %	83.62 %	82.21 %	81.82 %	85.19 %	87.61 %		

SCHEDULE OF COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS IOWA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS (IN THOUSANDS)

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

	2024		2023		2022
Statutorily required contribution	\$ 803	\$	759	\$	681
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	(803)		(759)		(681)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$		\$	-
County's covered payroll	\$ 8,671	\$	8,150	\$	7,270
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	9.26 %	6	9.31	%	9.37 %

2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016		2015
\$ 663	\$	620	\$	611	\$	566	\$	544	\$	545	\$	531
(663)		(620)		(611)		(566)		(544)		(545)		(531)
\$ 	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	_	\$		\$	
\$ 7,026	\$	6,521	\$	6,373	\$	6,219	\$	5,966	\$	5,944	\$	5,769
9.44 %	,	9.51 %	, D	9.59 %	6	9.10 9	6	9.12 %	6	9.17 %	6	9.20 %

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Changes of benefit terms:

There are no significant changes in benefit terms.

Changes of assumptions:

The 2022 valuation incorporated the following refinements after a quadrennial experience study:

- Changed mortality assumptions to the PubG-2010 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2021.
- Adjusted retirement rates for Regular members.
- Lowered disability rates for Regular members.
- Adjusted termination rates for all membership groups.

The 2018 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a demographic assumption study dated June 28, 2018:

- Changed mortality assumptions to the RP-2014 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2017.
- Adjusted retirement rates.
- Lowered disability rates.
- Adjusted the probability of a vested Regular member electing to receive a deferred benefit.
- Adjusted the merit component of the salary increase assumption.

The 2017 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of an experience study dated March 24, 2017:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.00% to 2.60%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 3.75% to 3.50% per year.
- Decreased the discount rate from 7.50% to 7.00%.
- Decreased the wage growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.
- Decreased the payroll growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE COUNTY'S TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY, RELATED RATIOS AND NOTES

FOR THE LAST SEVEN YEARS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

		2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Service cost	\$	50,646 \$	61,296 \$	59,223 \$	40,495 \$	39,125 \$	38,938 \$	37,804
Interest cost		22,558	18,010	17,298	26,404	25,701	23,477	22,795
Difference between expected and actual experiences		(30,678)		(46,087)		53,315	1129	(142,704)
Changes in assumptions		(212,202)		56,516	-	3,405	-	(6,605)
Benefit payments		(43,150)	(55,546)	(35,045)	(49,269)	(42,951)	(38,643)	(46,736)
Net change in total OPEB liability		(212,826)	23,760	51,905	17,630	78,595	23,772	(135,446)
Total OPEB liability beginning of year	64	831,834	808,074	756,169	738,539	659,944	636,172	771,618
Total OPEB liability end of year	\$	619,008 \$	831,834 \$	808,074 \$	756,169 \$	738,539 \$	659,944 \$	636,172
Covered-employee payroll	\$	8,201,184 \$	6,656,365 \$	5,922,287 \$	6,129,567 \$	5,922,287 \$	6,056,200 \$	5,879,806
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		7.55 %	12.50 %	13.64 %	12.34 %	12.47 %	10.90 %	10.82 %

Notes to Schedule of Changes in the County's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Changes in benefit terms:

There were no significant changes in benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions:

Changes in assumptions and other inputs reflect the effects of changes in the discount rate each period. The following are the discount rates used in each period.

Year ended June 30, 2024	3.65 %
Year ended June 30, 2023	2.14
Year ended June 30, 2022	2.14
Year ended June 30, 2021	3.50
Year ended June 30, 2020	3.50
Year ended June 30, 2019	3.58
Year ended June 30, 2018	3.58
Year ended June 30, 2017	4.00

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.



COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2024

		ecial	Revenue Fu	nds	
	County Recorder's Records lanagement		Solid Waste Disposal		Drug Forfeiture
<u>ASSETS</u>					
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments Receivables: Property tax:	\$ 22,630	\$	373,861	\$	24,198
Delinquent Succeeding year	-		-		-
Drainage assessments	-		-		-
Accounts	251		60,471		1
Accrued interest			75		-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 22,881	\$	434,407	\$	24,199
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES					
LIABILITIES:					
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$	35,417	\$	-
Due to other governments	-		187		-
Salaries and benefits payable	:		5,436		
TOTAL LIABILITIES			41,040		
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u> : Unavailable revenues:					
Succeeding year property tax	-		-		-
Other	-		-		-
Drainage assessments					-
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	-				
FUND BALANCES: Restricted for:					
Records management	22,881		1.0		-
Solid waste disposal	-		378,367		-
Transfer station closure surety	-		15,000		-
Public safety Debt service	-		1.5 1.5		24,199
Opiod abatement	-		-		-
Drainage improvements	-		-		-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	22,881		393,367		24,199
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOUCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 22,881	\$	434,407	\$	24,199

Drainage <u>Districts</u>	al Government Opiod atement Fund	Debt <u>Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 47,880	\$ 125,333	\$ 50,680	\$ 644,582
\$ 99,508	\$ 199,547 	\$ 1,261 798,558 - - - - 850,499	\$ 1,261 798,558 99,508 260,270 75 1,804,254
\$ 	\$ 	\$ 3,000	\$ 38,417 187 5,436 44,040
99,508	189,231	798,558 1,261 - - 799,819	798,558 190,492 99,508 1,088,558
47,880 47,880	135,649	47,680 - 47,680	22,881 378,367 15,000 24,199 47,680 135,649 47,880 671,656
\$ 147,388	\$ 324,880	\$ 850,499	\$ 1,804,254

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Special Revenue Funds County Recorder's Solid Records Waste Drug Forfeiture Management Disposal **REVENUES:** \$ \$ Property and other county tax 138,293 Intergovernmental Charges for service 3.353 634,621 911 13 Use of money and property 16 477 Miscellaneous 27,715 490 Total revenues 3,369 801,540 **EXPENDITURES**: Operating: Public safety and legal services 4.645 771,953 County environment and education Administration 11,462 6,800 Debt service 11,462 778,753 4,645 Total expenditures Excess (deficiency) of revenues 22,787 (4, 155)over (under) expenditures (8,093)OTHER FINANCING SOURCES: Transfers in 50,000 50,000 Total other financing sources Change in fund balances (8.093)72,787 (4,155)30,974 320,580 28,354 FUND BALANCES - Beginning of year

FUND BALANCES - End of year

393,367

22,881

24,199

Drainage <u>District</u>	Opioid Abatement	Debt <u>Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 13,554 13,554	\$ - 90 80,467 80,557	\$ 701,232 44,230 - - - - - 745,462	\$ 701,232 182,523 637,974 1,030 122,213 1,644,972
10,828	-	722,128 722,128	4,645 782,781 18,262 722,128 1,527,816
2,726	80,557	23,334	117,156
			50,000 50,000
2,726	80,557	23,334	167,156
45,154	55,092	24,346	504,500
\$ 47,880	135,649	\$ 47,680	\$ 671,656

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2024

				County Office:	S	
		-	County	County		County
ASSETS:			<u>Auditor</u>	Recorder		Sheriff
AGGETG.						
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled in	vestments:					
County Treasurer		\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Other County officials Receivables:			24,001	30,742		82,312
Property tax:						
Delinquent			-	_		_
Succeeding year			-	-		-
Accrued interest			-	-		» -
Due from other governments Prepaid expenses			-	_		
Tropala experience						
	TOTAL ASSETS		24,001	30,742		82,312
<u>LIABILITIES</u> :						
Accounts payable			-	===		:=
Due to other governments			-	30,742		7=
Salaries and benefits payable			Ξ,	=		_
Compensated absences Trusts payable			24,001			82,312
Trusts payable			24,001			02,012
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		24,001	30,742		82,312
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOUR	CES:					
Unavailable revenues				_		_

NET POSITION:						
Restricted for individuals, organization	ns					
and other governments		\$		\$ 	\$	

SCHEDULE 3

Agricultural Extension Education	Emergency Management		County Assessor		Schools	Area Schools	<u>911</u>	Corporations
\$ 2,332	\$ 128,934	\$	1,135,865 -	\$	154,752	\$ 15,012	\$ 638,579	\$ 43,070
471 292,136 - - -	564	1.	1,208 748,438 - - 4,337		35,300 21,170,560 - -	3,389 2,006,913 - -	175 44,791	9,419 8,960,124 - -
294,939	129,498	1	1,889,848		21,360,612	2,025,314	683,545	9,012,613
2,332	1,616 119,581 1,440 6,861		3,272 22,863		154,752	15,012	2,378 681,167 - -	43,070
2,332			26,160 748,438	8.	154,752 21,170,560	2,006,913	683,545	43,070 8,960,124
\$ 471	\$ 	\$ _	1,115,250	\$	35,300	\$ 3,389	\$ 	\$ 9,419

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2024

ASSETS:		City Special essments	Tov	vnships	Brucellosis and Tuberculosis <u>Eradication</u>	Auto License and <u>Use Tax</u>
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments: County Treasurer Other County officials Receivables:	\$	7,443	\$	5,177 -	\$ 21	\$ 625,564
Property tax: Delinquent Succeeding year Accrued interest		-		1,235 596,763	4 2,789	-
Due from other governments Prepaid expenses	_				-	-
TOTAL ASSETS LIABILITIES:	_	7,443	_	603,175	2,814	625,564
Accounts payable Due to other governments Salaries and benefits payable Compensated absences Trusts payable	_	7,443		5,177 - - -	21 - - -	625,564
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	7,443		5,177	21	625,564
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:						
Unavailable revenues	_	<u>.</u>	_	596,763	2,789	-
NET POSITION:						
Restricted for individuals, organizations and other governments	\$_		\$	1,235	\$4	\$

County Recorder's Electronic ansaction Fee	Advance <u>Tax</u>	Cedar/Jone Early hildhood lov	Cedar/Jones ECI Other Grants	<u>Total</u>
\$ 297	\$ 42,856	\$ 44,144	\$ 38,362	\$ 2,882,408 137,055
250 - - - 547	42,856	14	38,362	51,026 33,777,723 439 45,355 4,337 36,898,343
547	42,856		29,180 - - - - - - 29,180	33,199 1,728,264 4,712 29,724 106,313 1,902,212
			~	33,777,723
\$ -	\$ _	\$ 44,158	\$ 9,182	\$ 1,218,408

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		County Offices									
	C	ounty		County	C	ounty		Extension			
	<u>A</u>	uditor		Recorder	<u>S</u>	heriff		Education			
Additions:											
Property and other County tax	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	272,928			
911 surcharge		-		-		-					
State tax credits		-				-		17,484			
State grants		-		-		-		-			
Assessments		-		-		-		-			
Office fees and collections		-		525,870		59,476					
Trusts		90		-		970,115		-			
Interest on investments		44		-		177		65			
Miscellaneous	-		_	_		-					
Total additions		44	-	525,870	1	,029,591		290,412			
Deductions:											
Agency remittances:											
To other funds		-		165,170		48,049)\' -			
To other governments		-		360,700		11,427		290,203			
Trusts paid out	-	44			_	970,115					
Total deductions		44	-	525,870	1	,029,591		290,203			
Changes in net position		-		-		Tw.		209			
Net position, beginning of year	-	-	-	-	(262			
Net position, end of year	\$		\$ _		\$	-	\$	471			

	Emergency Management		County Assessor		Schools		Area Schools		911		Corporations
\$		\$	602 000	\$	10 005 000	•	4 000 000	•		•	0.457.450
Ψ	_	φ	682,880	Φ	19,885,699	\$	1,883,006	\$	270,070	\$	8,457,458
	27		54,514		977,275		95,619		270,070		656,543
	144,041				-		-		_		000,040
	-		-				-		-		
	-		648		1.00		-		-		-
	=		-		0.00				-		-
			-		.=		~ 1		2,066		-
	106,477		266						12,750		
	250,518		738,308		20,862,974		1,978,625		284,886		9,114,001
	250,518		384,462		20,845,923		1,976,980		284,886		0 112 006
	200,010		504,402		20,043,923		1,970,960		204,000		9,112,086
	250,518		384,462		20,845,923		1,976,980		284,886		9,112,086
					20,040,020		1,370,300		204,000		9,112,000
			353,846		17,051		1,645		-		1,915
	-		761,404		18,249		1,744		-		7,504
\$	-	\$	1,115,250	\$	35,300	\$	3,389	\$	-	\$	9,419

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	<u>A</u>	City Special ssessments		Townships		Brucellosis and Tuberculosis <u>Eradication</u>	
Additions:							
Property and other County tax	\$	-	\$	555,592	\$	2,615	\$
911 surcharge	*	-	Ψ.	-	Ψ	-	•
State tax credits		_		26,827		170	
State grants		-		-		-	
Assessments		28,216		-		(5)	
Office fees and collections		-		=		-	
Trusts				-		-	
Interest on investments		-				-	
Miscellaneous						-	
Total additions		28,216		582,419		2,785	
Deductions:							
Agency remittances:							
To other funds		-		-		-	
To other governments		28,216		581,765		2,783	
Trusts paid out							
Total deductions		28,216		581,765		2,783	
Changes in net position		1-		654		2	
Net position, beginning of year		2=		581		2	
Net position, end of year	\$		\$	1,235	\$	4	\$

Auto License and <u>Use Tax</u>	County Recorder's Electronic Transaction Fee	Tax Sale Redemption	Advance <u>Tax</u>	Cedar/Jones Early Childhood Iowa	Cedar/Jones ECI Other Grants	<u>Total</u>
-	\$ -	\$ 138,311	\$ 47,568	\$ - \$	- \$	31,926,057
-	=	-	-	-	_ *	270,070
-		-	-	-	-	1,828,432
-		-	-	336,969	_	481,010
u ≡		-	-	— 17	=	28,216
8,337,891	3,402	-	-	-	-	8,927,287
-	5 <u>=</u>	-	-	<u>=</u>	-	970,115
THE	-	-		23,920	-	26,030
		-			22,251	141,744
8,337,891	3,402	138,311	47,568	360,889	22,251	44,598,961
8,337,891	3,402	120 211	47.500	270 750	05.005	213,219
0,337,091	3,402	138,311	47,568	372,759	25,805	43,055,685
8,337,891	2 402	120 211	47.500	272.750		970,159
0,337,091	3,402	138,311	47,568	372,759	25,805	44,239,063
-	-	-	-	(11,870)	(3,554)	359,898
2		-		56,028	12,736	858,510
-	\$	\$	\$	\$ 44,158 \$	9,182 \$	1,218,408

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES BY SOURCE AND EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS

	81	2024	2023	2022	2021
REVENUES:					
Property and other County tax	\$	9,749,697	\$ 9,288,120	\$ 10,206,399	\$ 9,584,364
Tax increment financing		-	-	32,905	33,031
Local option sales tax		1,209,608	1,338,672	1,323,203	1,072,893
Interest and penalty on property tax		47,101	53,636	58,252	58,541
Intergovernmental		7,823,925	7,660,483	8,300,521	7,309,688
Licenses and permits		73,830	48,145	42,876	50,426
Charges for service		1,455,976	1,429,782	1,424,589	1,473,456
Use of money and property		567,532	337,168	154,410	181,355
Miscellaneous		295,986	401,419	269,515	1,165,628
Total	\$	21,223,655	\$ 20,557,425	\$ 21,812,670	\$ 20,929,382
EXPENDITURES:					
Operating:					
Public safety and legal services	\$	5,388,808	\$ 4,827,500	\$ 4,342,314	\$ 4,192,575
Physical health and social services		1,713,345	1,635,451	1,570,686	1,481,278
Mental health		-	-	871,657	433,796
County environment and education		1,857,673	2,051,560	1,879,267	2,103,187
Roads and transportation		8,020,014	6,975,302	7,219,210	7,090,901
Governmental services to residents		653,218	553,640	522,708	570,597
Administration		2,599,769	2,779,600	2,738,607	1,968,090
Non-program		12,660	6,978	302	7,652
Debt service		722,128	761,450	768,018	414,409
Capital projects		3,937,833	5,639,418	3,719,882	1,770,782
Total	\$	24,905,448	\$ 25,230,899	\$ 23,632,651	\$ 20,033,267

			lod	ified Accrual Ba	sis		
<u>2020</u>	2019	2018		2017		2016	2015
\$ 9,008,969 32,790	\$ 8,460,189 32,832	\$ 8,457,859 17,960	\$	8,458,798 23,694	\$	8,118,122	\$ 7,980,216
946,285	902,372	809,529		811,458		11,164 835,322	70,471 815,269
25,859	47,472	55,491		47,440		43,694	49,739
6,534,531	6,369,941	6,921,141		6,370,145		6,461,562	5,506,349
38,998	41,865	43,661		42,369		36,066	32,353
1,235,168	1,160,016	1,110,643		1,219,221		1,151,704	1,158,124
151,191	198,431	161,641		131,251		152,306	149,852
590,481	280,965	1,020,149		1,105,643		151,756	118,768
\$ 18,564,272	\$ 17,494,083	\$ 18,598,074	\$	18,210,019	\$	16,961,696	\$ 15,881,141
\$ 4,131,691	\$ 3,931,120	\$ 3,945,254	\$	3,569,714	\$	3,647,382	\$ 3,657,270
1,086,677	1,165,502	1,261,307		1,236,990		1,347,137	1,254,724
669,355	576,574	607,881		1,139,857		1,171,929	1,303,233
1,610,021	1,651,372	1,881,083		1,318,796		1,341,227	1,282,359
7,627,306	5,411,028	6,338,922		6,242,031		6,176,848	5,700,406
557,247	553,340	516,753		495,131		501,094	470,416
1,727,830	1,675,133	1,682,190		1,569,603		1,497,024	1,572,022
8,317 165,030	6,684	6,742		6,250		6,022	5,646
460,501	148,062	802,134		1,028,330		412,213	- 4 405 440
400,301	1,086,758	1,438,240		1,114,283		1,835,885	1,435,410
\$ 18,043,975	\$ 16,205,573	\$ 18,480,506	\$	17,720,985	\$	17,936,761	\$ 16,681,486



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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

To the Officials of Cedar County, Iowa:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Cedar County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024 and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise Cedar County, Iowa's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 17, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Cedar County, lowa's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Cedar County, Iowa's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Cedar County, Iowa'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 a material misstatement of the County's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings as item II-A-24 that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Cedar County, Iowa's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters which are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance or other matters which are described in Part III of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the County's operations for the year ended June 30, 2024 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the County. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Cedar County, lowa's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Cedar County, lowa's responses to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. Cedar County, Iowa's responses were not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

Purpose of this Report

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

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Cedar County, lowa during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

ANDERSON, LARKIN & CO., P.C.

ANDERSON, LARKIN & CO., P.C.

Ottumwa, Iowa January 17, 2025

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Part I: Summary of the Independent Auditor's Results

- a. Unmodified opinions were issued on the financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
- b. A significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting was disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.
- c. The audit did not disclose any non-compliance which is material to the financial statements.

Part II: Findings Related to the Financial Statements

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

II-A-24 Segregation of Duties

<u>Criteria</u> – Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control. A good system of internal control provides for adequate segregation of duties so no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to completion. In order to maintain proper internal control, duties should be segregated so the authorization, custody and recording of transactions are not under the control of the same employee. This segregation of duties helps prevent losses from employee error or dishonesty and maximizes the accuracy of the County's financial statements.

<u>Condition</u> – One individual in the County Sheriff's office is sometimes involved with the collection of cash and checks and they post all collections to the computer system.

<u>Cause</u> – The County Sheriff has limited number of employees and procedures have not been designed to adequately segregate duties or provide compensating controls through additional oversight of transactions and processes.

<u>Effect</u> – Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect the County's ability to prevent or detect and correct misstatements, errors or misappropriation on a timely basis by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Recommendation – The County Sheriff should review the operating procedures of the office to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances utilizing currently available staff, including elected officials.

<u>Response and corrective action planned</u>— With a small office staff it is not economically feasible to properly segregate duties. We do have a person not involved in the collection or recordkeeping function sign all checks and security cameras are in place to observe all transactions.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

Part III: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting

- III-A-24 <u>Certified Budget</u> Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2024 did not exceed the amounts budgeted.
- III-B-24 <u>Questionable Expenditures</u> We noted no expenditures that we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in Article III, Section 31 of the Iowa Constitution and an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- III-C-24 <u>Travel Expense</u> No expenditures of County money for travel expenses of spouses of County officials or employees were noted.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Part III: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting (Continued)

III-D-24 <u>Business Transactions</u> – Business transactions between the County and County officials or employees are detailed as follows:

N	ame, title, and business connection	Transaction description	Amount				
Mike Da	auber, Conservation Director						
Spouse	of Cari Dauber, County Assessor	Death investigations	\$	11,220			
Michael	Foulks, Secondary Roads Employee	Tree Trimming	\$	1,000			
	In accordance with Chapter 331.342(2)(d) Director do not represent a conflict of interesthe transactions and the official had no par Secondary Roads employee are not consist than \$6,000.	est since the official's renumera t in the procurement of the serv	tion was ices. Th	s not directly affected by ne transactions with the			
III-E-24	Restricted Donor Activity – Per Chapter 6 receiving or soliciting gifts from a restricted to any one or any combination of sales, p which the donee holds office or is employed.	donor. A restricted donor per ourchases, leases or contracts	Chapter to, from	68B.2(24)(a) is a "party or with the agency in			
III-F-24	Bond Coverage – Surety bond coverage of provisions.	County officials and employees	s is in ac	cordance with statutory			
III-G-24	Board Minutes – No transactions were four minutes but were not.	and that we believe should have	e been	approved in the Board			
III-H-24	Deposits and Investments – No instances of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Io						
III-I-24	Resource Enhancement and Protection (revenue to conservation purposes as requireceive the additional REAP funds allocated	ired by Chapter 455A.19(1)(b)	of the C	ode of Iowa in order to			
III-J-24	Annual Urban Renewal Report – The annual the Iowa Department of Management on o	al urban renewal report was pro or before December 1 and no e	perly apexceptio	pproved and certified to			
III-K-24	Early Childhood Iowa Area Board - Cedar	r County, Iowa is the fiscal age	ent for th	he Early Childhood Iow			

No instances of noncompliance were noted as a result of the audit procedures performed.

Custodial Funds because of the County's fiduciary relationship with the organization.

Area Board, an organization formed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 256I of the Code of Iowa. Financial transactions of the Area Board are included in the County's financial statements as part of