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Auditor of State Rob Sand today released an audit report on Washington County, Iowa.

The County had local tax revenue of \$39,489,743 for the year ended June 30, 2018, which includes \$3,329,217 in tax credits from the state. The County forwarded \$29,052,859 of the local tax revenue to the townships, school districts, cities and other taxing bodies in the County.

The County retained \$10,436,884 of the local tax revenue to finance County operations, a 5.5% increase over the prior year. Other revenues included charges for service of \$1,995,088, operating grants, contributions and restricted interest of \$5,011,394, capital grants, contributions and restricted interest of \$3,114,809, local option sales and services tax of \$1,154,357, gaming wager tax of \$427,065, gain on disposition of capital assets of \$132,813, unrestricted investment earnings of \$83,469 and other general revenues of \$191,018.

Expenses for County operations for the year ended June 30, 2018 totaled \$19,455,710, a 4.0% increase over the prior year. Expenses included \$7,285,041 for roads and transportation, \$4,870,529 for public safety and legal services and \$1,996,667 for physical health and social services.

A copy of the audit report is available for review on the Auditor of State's web site at https://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/audit-reports/.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

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

JUNE 30, 2018

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Officials

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Term <u>Expires</u>
Abe Miller	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2019
Richard Young	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2019
Jack Seward, Jr.	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2021
Stan Stoops	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2021
Bob Yoder	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2021
Dan Widmer	County Auditor	Jan 2021
Jeffrey A. Garrett	County Treasurer	Jan 2019
Jo Greiner	County Recorder	Jan 2019
Jared Schneider	County Sheriff	Jan 2021
John Gish	County Attorney	Nov 2018
Christy Tinnes	County Assessor	Jan 2022



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Officials of Washington County:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Washington County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Washington County as of June 30, 2018, and the respective changes in its financial position and, where applicable, its cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Emphasis of a Matter

As discussed in Note 18 to the financial statements, Washington County adopted new accounting guidance related to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Information, the Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of County Contributions and the Schedule of Changes in the County's Total OPEB Liability, Related Ratios and Notes on pages 9 through 15 and 58 through 65 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board which 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 U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, 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 Washington County'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 nine years ended June 30, 2017 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 8 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

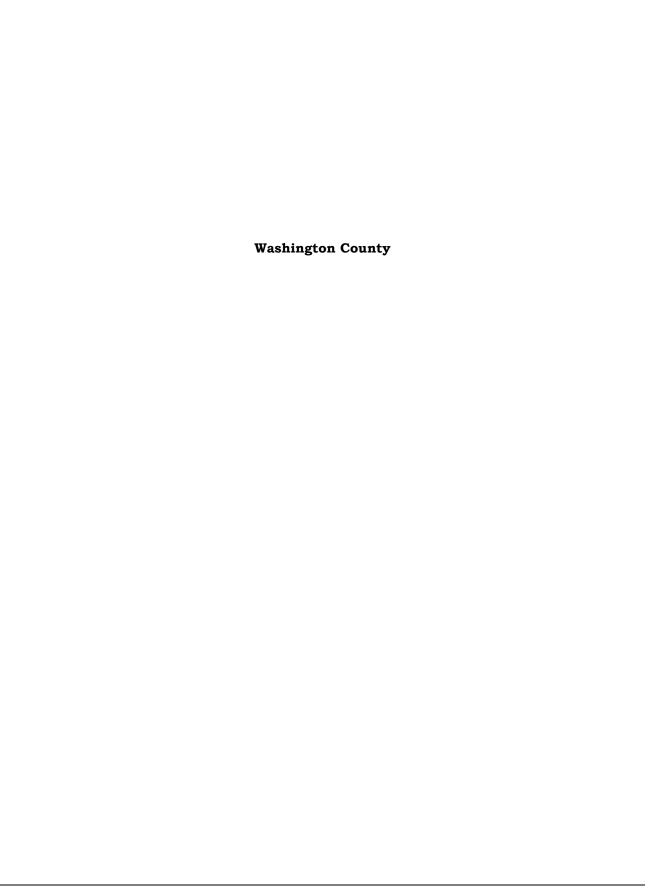
The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In our opinion, the supplementary information 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 March 18, 2019 on our consideration of Washington County'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 Washington County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

ROB SAND Auditor of State

March 18, 2019



MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Washington County 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, 2018. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the County's financial statements, which follow.

2018 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, during fiscal year 2018. The beginning net position for governmental activities was restated by \$156,644 to retroactively report the increase in the OPEB liability as of July 1, 2017. OPEB expense for fiscal year 2017, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources at June 30, 2017 were not restated because the information needed to restate those amounts was not available.
- Revenues of the County's governmental activities increased 10.7%, or approximately \$2,179,000, from fiscal year 2017 to fiscal year 2018. Property and other county tax increased approximately \$525,000, charges for service increased approximately \$153,000, operating grants, contributions, and restricted interest decreased approximately \$335,000 and capital grants, contributions and restricted interest increased approximately \$1,657,000.
- Program expenses of the County's governmental activities were 4.0%, or approximately \$746,000, more in fiscal year 2018 than in fiscal year 2017. Roads and transportation expenses increased approximately \$474,000.
- The County's net position increased 4.8%, or approximately \$3,091,000, over the restated June 30, 2017 balance.

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 Washington County 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 Washington County'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 Washington County acts solely as an agent or custodian for the benefit of those outside of County government (Agency 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 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 and the individual Internal Service and Agency 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, mental health, 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:

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 Mental Health, 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) Proprietary funds account for the County's Internal Service, Employee Group Health and Flexible Benefits Funds. 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 agency capacity for others which cannot be used to support the County's own programs. These fiduciary funds include Agency Funds that account for the Public Safety Commission, 911 Services, emergency management services and the County Assessor, to name a few.

The required financial statement for fiduciary funds is a Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities.

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. Washington County's combined net position increased from approximately \$65.5 million to approximately \$68.5 million. The analysis that follows focuses on the change in the net position of governmental activities, before restatement.

Net Position of Government (Expressed in Th		
	 June	30,
	 2018	2017 (Not Restated)
Current and other assets Capital assets	\$ 35,005 68,074	35,240 65,101
Total assets	 103,079	100,341
Deferred outflows of resources Long-term liabilities Other liabilities	 2,003 1,018 23,932	1,773 928 25,525
Total liabilities	 24,950	26,453
Deferred inflows of resources Net position:	 11,669	10,134
Net investment in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted	 63,021 4,692 750	58,941 5,677 910
Total net position	\$ 68,463	65,528

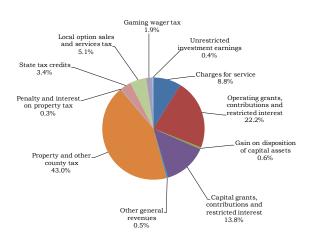
Prior to restatement, net position of Washington County's governmental activities increased 4.5% (approximately \$68.5 million compared to approximately \$65.5 million). The largest portion of the County's net position is invested in capital assets (e.g., land, infrastructure, buildings and equipment), less the related debt. The debt related to the investment in capital assets is liquidated with resources other than capital assets. Net position invested in capital assets increased approximately \$4,080,000. Restricted net position represents resources subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. Restricted net position decreased approximately \$985,000, or 17.4%, from June 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018, primarily due to decreased amounts available for restriction in the Special Revenue, Mental Health and Secondary Roads Funds. The County distributed \$521,318 to the

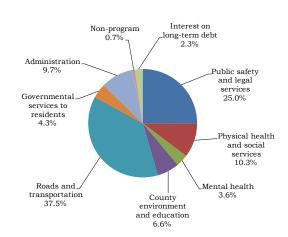
Mental Health Regional fiscal agent during fiscal year 2018 and the Secondary Roads Fund balance decreased as a result of increased infrastructure projects. Unrestricted net position the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements, decreased from approximately \$910,000 at June 30, 2017 to approximately \$750,000 at the end of this year, a decrease of 17.6%, primarily due to the increase in the total OPEB liability as a result of implementing GASB Statement No. 75.

Changes in Net Position of Governmen (Expressed in Thousands)	tal Activit	ies		
(Expressed in Thousands)		Year ended June 30,		
			2017	
_		2018	(Not Restated)	
Program revenues:	4.			
Charges for service	\$	1,995	1,842	
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest		5,011	5,346	
Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest		3,115	1,458	
General revenues:				
Property and other county tax		9,661	9,136	
Penalty and interest on property tax		68	53	
State tax credits		776	753	
Local option sales and services tax		1,154	1,126	
Gaming wager tax		427	427	
Unrestricted investment earnings		84	47	
Gain on disposition of capital assets		133	63	
Other general revenues		123	117	
Total revenues		22,547	20,368	
Public safety and legal services		4,871	4,786	
Physical health and social services		1,997	2,195	
Mental health		693	490	
County environment and education		1,292	1,089	
Roads and transportation		7,285	6,811	
Governmental services to residents		836	647	
Administration		1,895	2,070	
Non-program		140	200	
Interest on long-term debt		447	422	
Total expenses		19,456	18,710	
Change in net position		3,091	1,658	
Net position beginning of year, as restated		65,372	63,870	
Net position end of year	\$	68,463	65,528	

Revenues by Source

Expenses by Program





Revenues for governmental activities increased approximately \$2,179,000 over the prior year. Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest increased approximately \$1,657,000 over the prior year, primarily due to an increase in infrastructure assets contributed by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

For fiscal year 2018, taxable property valuation increased approximately \$25,137,000 and the tax levy rate increased \$0.37232 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. Therefore, property and other County tax revenue increased approximately \$525,000. The total Washington County assessed taxable property valuation for property tax payable in fiscal year 2019 increased approximately \$72,363,000. The tax levy rate is set to increase \$0.62751 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. Property tax revenue is budgeted to increase approximately \$1,504,000 next year.

The cost of all governmental activities this year was approximately \$19.5 million compared to approximately \$18.7 million last year. However, as shown in the Statement of Activities on page 19, the amount taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities this year was approximately \$9.3 million because some of the cost was paid by those directly benefiting from the programs (approximately \$2 million) or by other governments and organizations which subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (approximately \$8.1 million). Overall, the County's governmental program revenues, including intergovernmental aid and fees for service, increased in fiscal year 2018 from approximately \$8,646,000 to approximately \$10,121,000, principally due to an increase in infrastructure assets contributed by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR FUND ANALYSIS

As Washington County completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of approximately \$20.7 million, a decrease of approximately \$2 million from last year's total fund balance of approximately \$22.7 million. The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year:

- The General Fund revenues and expenditures remained consistent when compared to the prior year, increasing only 2.1% and 1.7%, respectively. The ending fund balance increased approximately \$13,000 over the prior year to approximately \$4,129,000.
- The County has continued to look for ways to effectively manage the cost of mental health services. For the year, expenditures totaled approximately \$693,000, an increase of approximately \$205,000 over the prior year. The Special Revenue, Mental Health Fund balance at year end decreased approximately \$369,000 from the prior year to approximately \$283,000, due primarily to distributions to the regional fiscal agent during the year.

- The Special Revenue, Rural Services Fund revenue and expenditures increased 6.9% and 8.0%, respectively, when compared to the prior year. The ending fund balance decreased approximately \$68,000 from the prior year to approximately \$580,000.
- Special Revenue, Secondary Roads Fund expenditures increased approximately \$903,000 over the prior year, due principally to an increase in roadway maintenance as the County continues to upgrade the condition of the County roadway system. The Secondary Roads Fund ending fund balance decreased approximately \$711,000, or 26.4%, from the prior year to approximately \$1,984,000.
- The Debt Service Fund ended the year with a fund balance of approximately \$13,041,000 compared to the prior year fund balance of approximately \$13,984,000. The fund balance is large because the related debt for the Washington County Hospital of \$12,975,000 is not recorded as a fund liability under the modified accrual basis of accounting.
- Capital Projects Fund revenues increased approximately \$55,000 over the prior year. Expenditures decreased approximately \$180,000, or 43.0%, from prior year, due primarily to fewer repairs and maintenance projects completed during the year. The ending fund balance increased approximately \$117,000 over the prior year to approximately \$447,000.

Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, Washington County amended its budget once. The amendment in May 2018 resulted in a decrease in budget receipts and an increase in disbursements, primarily in the capital projects function for road improvement projects.

The County's receipts were \$278,694 more than budgeted, a variance of 1.4%.

Total disbursements were \$2,934,434 less than the amended budget. Actual disbursements for roads and transportation, administration, and capital projects were \$824,773, \$598,410, and \$547,571, respectively, less than budgeted. This was primarily due to decreased roads operations, less disbursements than anticipated for administration and timing delays on projects.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2018, Washington County had approximately \$68.1 million invested in a broad range of capital assets, including public safety equipment, buildings, roads and bridges, computers and audio-visual equipment, transportation equipment and administrative offices. This is a net increase (including additions and deletions) of approximately \$2,973,000, or 4.4% over last year.

Capital Assets of Governmental Activities at Year End					
(Expressed in Thousand	s)				
	June 30,				
	2018 20				
Land	\$	776	726		
Intangibles, road network		3,061	3,061		
Construction in progress		2,945	592		
Buildings		6,691	6,915		
Improvements other than buildings		97	104		
Equipment and vehicles		4,250	4,136		
Intangibles		61	67		
Infrastructure		50,193	49,500		
Total	\$	68,074	65,101		

The County's fiscal year 2018 budget included \$2,243,713 for capital projects, principally for Secondary Roads construction projects, of which \$547,571 was unspent. More detailed information about the County's capital assets is presented in Note 5 to the financial statements.

Washington County had depreciation/amortization expense of \$2,341,050 in fiscal year 2018 and total accumulated depreciation/amortization of \$29,890,617 at June 30, 2018.

Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2018, Washington County had \$18,010,000 of general obligation bonds outstanding compared to \$20,085,000 of long-term debt outstanding at the end of fiscal year 2017. Debt decreased as a result of making scheduled principal payments.

The County carries a general obligation bond rating of Aa3 assigned by national rating agencies. The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt counties can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the County's corporate limits. Washington County's outstanding general obligation debt is significantly below its constitutional debt limit of approximately \$103,603,110. Additional information about the County's long-term debt is presented in Note 7 to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

Washington County's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2019 budget, tax rates and fees charged for various County activities. One of those factors is the economy. Unemployment in the County stands at 2.2%, compared with the State's unemployment rate of 2.7% and the national rate of 4% for the same period ended June 30, 2018.

These indicators were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2019. Amounts available for appropriation in the operating budget are approximately \$21,838,000, a 9.1% increase over the final fiscal year 2018 budget. Budgeted disbursements increased approximately \$174,000 from the final fiscal year 2018 budget, primarily in the debt service function. The County has added no major new programs or initiatives to the fiscal year 2019 budget. If these estimates are realized, the County's budgetary operating balance is expected to decrease approximately \$1,153,000 by the close of fiscal year 2019.

CONTACTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of Washington County'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 Washington County Auditor's Office, 222 West Main Street, PO Box 889, Washington, Iowa 52353.



Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2018

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments	\$ 9,678,391
Receivables:	
Property tax:	
Delinquent	9,830
Succeeding year	11,387,000
Interest and penalty on property tax	12,310
Accounts	125,938
Accrued interest	8,118
Loan to Washington County Hospital	12,975,000
Due from other governments	529,261
Inventories	172,872
Prepaid expense	106,374
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization	68,074,106
Total assets	103,079,200
Deferred Outflows of Resources	1 010 500
Pension related deferred outflows	1,918,520
OPEB related deferred outflows	84,571
Total deferred outflows of resources	2,003,091
Liabilities	745.010
Accounts payable	745,318
Accrued interest payable	41,747
Salaries and benefits payable	204,291
Due to other governments	26,737
Long-term liabilities:	
Portion due or payable within one year:	0.115.000
General obligation bonds	2,115,000
Compensated absences	304,246
Portion due or payable after one year: General obligation bonds	15 905 000
	15,895,000 94,491
Compensated absences Net pension liability	5,041,692
Total OPEB liability	481,545
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Total liabilities Deferred Inflows of Resources	24,950,067
Unavailable property tax revenue	11,387,000
Pension related deferred inflows	274,526
OPEB related deferred inflows	7,867
Total deferred inflows of resources	11,669,393
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	63,020,759
Restricted for:	
Supplemental levy purposes	1,227,626
Mental health purposes	276,737
Rural services purposes	579,974
Secondary roads purposes	1,873,621
Capital projects	447,128
Debt service	43,708
Other purposes	242,876
Unrestricted	750,402
Total net position	\$ 68,462,831
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Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2018

				Program Revenue	s	Net
				Operating Grants,		(Expense)
			Charges	Contributions	Contributions	Revenue and
			for	and Restricted	and Restricted	Changes in
		Expenses	Service	Interest	Interest	Net Position
Functions/Programs:						
Governmental activities:						
Public safety and legal services	\$	4,870,529	738,095	109,569	-	(4,022,865)
Physical health and social services		1,996,667	274,754	651,588	-	(1,070,325)
Mental health		693,466	300	36,777	-	(656,389)
County environment and education		1,292,075	63,691	32,577	82,164	(1,113,643)
Roads and transportation		7,285,041	208,839	3,811,319	3,032,645	(232,238)
Governmental services to residents		836,425	436,913	22,322	-	(377,190)
Administration		1,895,210	73,702	25,000	-	(1,796,508)
Non-program		139,480	178,794	28,613	-	67,927
Interest on long-term debt		446,817	20,000	293,629		(133,188)
Total	\$	19,455,710	1,995,088	5,011,394	3,114,809	(9,334,419)
General Revenues:						
Property and other county tax levied for	:					
General purposes						8,913,457
Debt service						747,556
Penalty and interest on property tax						67,830
State tax credits						775,871
Local option sales and services tax						1,154,357
Gaming wager tax						427,065
Unrestricted investment earnings						83,469
Gain on disposition of capital assets						132,813
Miscellaneous						123,188
Total general revenues						12,425,606
Change in net position						3,091,187
Net position beginning of year, as resta	ted					65,371,644
Net position end of year						\$ 68,462,831
See notes to financial statements.						

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds

June 30, 2018

				Special
		_	Mental	Rural
		General	Health	Services
Assets				
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments	\$	4,034,598	285,735	499,037
Receivables:				
Property tax:				
Delinquent		8,199	336	360
Succeeding year		6,986,000	674,000	2,371,000
Interest and penalty on property tax		12,310	-	-
Accounts		118,953	-	-
Accrued interest		7,581	-	-
Loan		_	_	-
Due from other funds		=	=	=
Due from other governments		131,881	=	97,833
Inventories		-	=.	-
Prepaid expenditures		106,374	-	-
Total assets	\$	11,405,896	960,071	2,968,230
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources				
and Fund Balances				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	99,127	3	12,620
Salaries and benefits payable		148,144	2,585	4,276
Due to other funds		5,361	21	-
Due to other governments		17,794	-	-
Total liabilities		270,426	2,609	16,896
Deferred inflows of resources:			_,	,
Unavailable revenues:				
Succeeding year property tax		6,986,000	674,000	2,371,000
Other		20,509	336	360
	-			
Total deferred inflows of resources	-	7,006,509	674,336	2,371,360
Fund balances:				
Nonspendable:				
Inventories		-	-	-
Prepaid expenditures		106,374	-	-
Restricted for:		1 064 104		
Supplemental levy purposes		1,264,194	-	-
Mental health purposes		-	283,126	-
Rural services purposes		=	-	577,289
Secondary roads purposes		=	=	-
Debt service		=	=	-
Capital projects		-	-	-
Resource enhancement and protection		=	=	-
Other purposes		-	-	-
Assigned for future projects		346,500	-	2,685
Unassigned		2,411,893		-
Total fund balances		4,128,961	283,126	579,974
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources				
and fund balances	\$	11,405,896	960,071	2,968,230
	-			

Revenue				
Secondary	Debt	Capital		
Roads	Service	Projects	Nonmajor	Total
1,881,815	66,173	469,459	241,809	7,478,626
		•		
_	935	_	_	9,830
_	1,356,000	_	_	11,387,000
_	-	-	_	12,310
6,985	_	_	_	125,938
-	_	-	_	7,581
_	12,975,000	-	_	12,975,000
5,382	-	_	_	5,382
298,480	_	_	1,067	529,261
172,872	_	_	-,00.	172,872
-	_	_	_	106,374
2,365,534	14,398,108	469,459	242,876	32,810,174
323,547	-	22,331	-	457,628
49,286	-	-	-	204,291
=	=	-	=	5,382
8,943	-	-	=	26,737
381,776	-	22,331	-	694,038
		,		,
=	1,356,000	_	=	11,387,000
=	935	_	-	22,140
	1,356,935			11,409,140
170.070				170.070
172,872	-	-	-	172,872
-	-	-	-	106,374
				1 064 104
=	=	-	-	1,264,194
=	=	-	=	283,126
-	-	=	=	577,289
1,810,886	-	=	=	1,810,886
-	13,041,173	-	-	13,041,173
-	-	447,128	-	447,128
-	-	-	133,291	133,291
-	-	-	109,585	109,585
=	=	-	-	349,185
	-	-	-	2,411,893
1,983,758	13,041,173	447,128	242,876	20,706,996
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2,365,534	14,398,108	469,459	242,876	32,810,174
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\$ 68,462,831

Washington County

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2018

Total governmental fund balances (page 21)	\$	20,706,996
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 \$97,964,723 and the accumulated depreciation/amortization is \$29,890,617.		68,074,106
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.		22,140
The Internal Service Funds are used by management to charge the costs of partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan and flexible benefits plan to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Funds are included in governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position.		1,912,612
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 (282,3		1,720,698
Long-term liabilities, including general obligation bonds payable, compensated absences payable, net pension liability, total OPEB liability and accrued interest payable, are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	_	(23,973,721)

Net position of governmental activities (page 18)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

Year ended June 30, 2018

	Special Revenue				
			Mental	Rural	Secondary
		General	Health	Services	Roads
Revenues:	· <u> </u>				
Property and other county tax	\$	6,860,654	263,791	2,221,245	-
Local option sales and services tax		-	-	1,154,357	-
Interest and penalty on property tax		55,520	-	-	-
Intergovernmental		1,998,982	59,978	121,181	3,877,358
Licenses and permits		69,529	-	-	26,679
Charges for service		743,678	300	1,100	5,131
Use of money and property		119,896	-	-	-
Miscellaneous		66,374	-	-	170,639
Total revenues		9,914,633	324,069	3,497,883	4,079,807
Expenditures:					
Operating:					
Public safety and legal services		4,483,278	-	311,117	-
Physical health and social services		1,995,237	-	-	-
Mental health		-	693,211	-	-
County environment and education		648,511	-	470,799	-
Roads and transportation		-	-	307,475	5,562,901
Governmental services to residents		806,698	-	2,548	-
Administration		1,722,300	-	-	-
Non-program		3,398	-	-	-
Debt service		-	-	-	-
Capital projects		-	-	-	1,429,817
Total expenditures		9,659,422	693,211	1,091,939	6,992,718
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over					
(under) expenditures		255,211	(369,142)	2,405,944	(2,912,911)
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfers in		28,000	-	-	2,201,656
Transfers out		(270,022)	-	(2,474,434)	
Total other financing sources (uses)		(242,022)	_	(2,474,434)	2,201,656
Change in fund balances		13,189	(369,142)	(68,490)	(711,255)
Fund balances beginning of year		4,115,772	652,268	648,464	2,695,013
Fund balances end of year	\$	4,128,961	283,126	579,974	1,983,758

Debt	Capital		
Service	Projects	Nonmajor	Total
748,202	-	-	10,093,892
-	-	-	1,154,357
-	-	-	55,520
65,670	75,480	12,502	6,211,151
-	-	4 201	96,208
- 2.174	56,745	4,391	811,345
3,174	124,829	1,339	249,238
290,455	24,204	10,598	562,270
1,107,501	281,258	28,830	19,233,981
-	_	_	4,794,395
_	-	-	1,995,237
_	-	-	693,211
_	-	-	1,119,310
_	-	-	5,870,376
_	-	-	809,246
-	-	-	1,722,300
-	-	-	3,398
2,518,756	-	-	2,518,756
	238,290	-	1,668,107
2,518,756	238,290	-	21,194,336
(1,411,255)	42,968	28,830	(1,960,355)
468,800	74,000	-	2,772,456
	-	(28,000)	(2,772,456)
468,800	74,000	(28,000)	
(942,455)	116,968	830	(1,960,355)
13,983,628	330,160	242,046	22,667,351
13,041,173	447,128	242,876	20,706,996



Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2018

Change in fund balances - Total governmental funds (page 25)	\$ (1,960,355)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation/amortization expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets. Capital outlay expenditures and contributed capital assets exceeded depreciation/amortization expense in the current year, as follows:	
Expenditures for capital assets \$ 2,208,626 Capital assets contributed by the Iowa Department of Transportation 2,972,996 Depreciation/amortization expense (2,341,050)	2,840,572
In the Statement of Activities, the gain on the disposition of capital assets is reported whereas the governmental funds report the proceeds from the disposition as an increase in financial resources.	132,813
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.	6,496
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.	2,075,000
The current year County IPERS contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, but is reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position.	665,151
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(12,148)Pension expense(783,945)OPEB expense(37,197)Interest on long-term debt(3,061)	(836,351)
The Internal Service Funds are used by management to charge the costs of partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan and flexible benefits plan to individual funds. The change in net position of the	167,861
Internal Service Funds is reported with governmental activities. Change in net position of governmental activities (page 19)	\$ 3,091,187

Statement of Net Position Proprietary Funds

June 30, 2018

	Internal Service	
Assets		_
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,199,765
Receivables:		
Accrued interest		537
Total assets		2,200,302
Liabilities		
Accounts payable		287,690
Net Position		
Unrestricted	\$	1,912,612

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position Proprietary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2018

		Internal Service
Operating revenues:		
Reimbursements from operating funds		\$ 1,253,073
Reimbursements from employees and others		23,853
Reimbursements from Agency Funds		122,776
Stop loss reimbursements		29,347
Contributions for flexible benefits		25,250
Total operating revenues		1,454,299
Operating expenses:		
Medical claims \$	961,686	
Administrative fees	320,698	
Flexible benefits claims	25,871	1,308,255
Operating income		146,044
Non-operating revenues:		
Interest income		21,817
Net income		167,861
Net position beginning of year		1,744,751
Net position end of year		\$ 1,912,612

Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2018

		_
	Internal	
	Service	
Cash flows from operating activities:		_
Cash received from operating funds	\$ 1,253,073	;
Cash received from employees and others	79,744	,
Cash received from Agency Funds	122,776)
Cash paid to suppliers for services	(1,249,454	-)
Net cash provided by operating activities	206,139)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Interest on investments	21,577	<i>,</i>
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	227,716	
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year	1,972,049)
Cash and cash equivalents end of year	\$ 2,199,765	;
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash		
provided by operating activities:		
Operating income	\$ 146,044	,
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash		
provided by operating activities:		
Decrease in accounts receivable	1,294	-
Increase in accounts payable	58,801	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 206,139	<u>) </u>

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Washington County

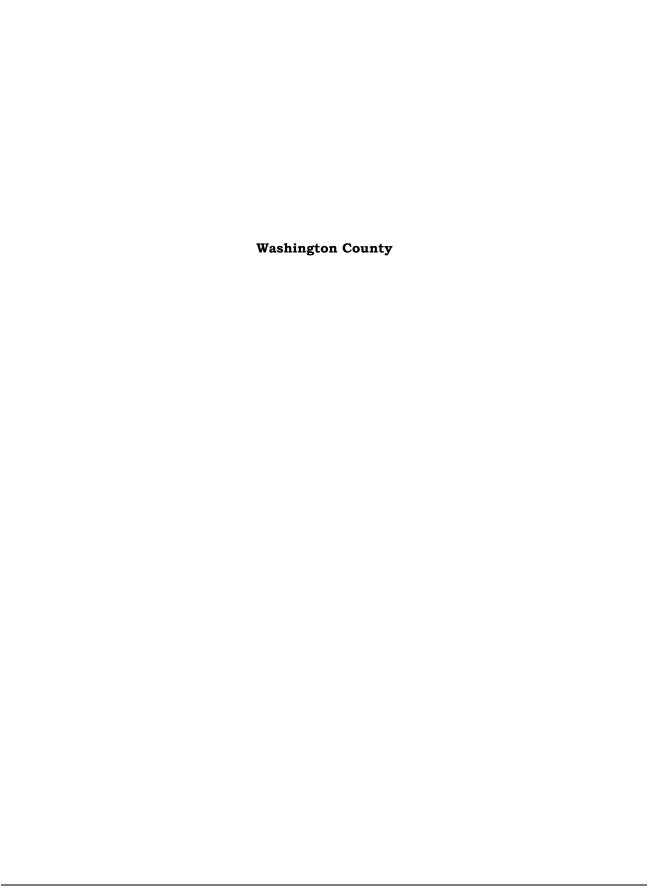
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities Agency Funds

June 30, 2018

Assets	
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments:	
County Treasurer	\$ 2,176,977
Other County officials	138,639
Receivables:	
Property tax:	
Delinquent	41,733
Succeeding year	27,598,000
Accounts	20,476
Special assessments	121,437
Due from other governments	134,462
Total assets	30,231,724
Liabilities	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	12,667
Salaries and benefits payable	28,359
Due to other governments	30,084,251
Trust payable	59,925
Compensated absences	46,522
Total liabilities	30,231,724

See notes to financial statements.

Net position



Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2018

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Washington County 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, Washington County 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 an 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. The County has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

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, County Public Safety Commission and County Joint E911 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 Agency Funds of the County.

The County also participates in the following jointly governed organizations established pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa: East Central Iowa Council of Governments, Washington County Recycling Center and Washington County Mini Bus.

<u>Related Organization</u> – Although the County periodically provides significant financial assistance, primarily through the purchase of ambulances, the County does not appoint a voting majority of Washington County Ambulance, Inc. Board members. Therefore, the financial activity of Washington County Ambulance, Inc. is not included in the reporting entity.

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 non-fiduciary activities of the County. 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 non-exchange transactions.

The Statement of Net Position presents the County's non-fiduciary 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/amortization 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 non-major 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 not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Mental Health Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues to be used to fund mental health, intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities services.

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

The Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for property tax and other revenues to be used for the payment of interest and principal on the County's general long-term debt.

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 Funds – Internal Service Funds are 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 - Agency 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 of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

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-reimbursement 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 non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenue of the County's Internal Service Funds is 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</u> Fund 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 Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust and non-negotiable certificates of deposit which are valued 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 March 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 a deferred inflow 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.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds becomes due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2016 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified by the County Board of Supervisors in March 2017.

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

<u>Due from and Due to Other Funds</u> – During the course of its operations, the County has numerous transactions between funds. To the extent certain transactions between funds had not been paid or received as of June 30, 2018, balances of interfund amounts receivable or payable have been recorded in the fund financial statements.

<u>Special Assessments Receivable</u> – Special assessments receivable represent the amounts due from individuals for work done which benefits their property. These assessments are payable by individuals in not more than 15 annual installments. Each annual installment with interest on unpaid balance is due on September 30 and is subject to the same interest and penalties as other taxes. Special assessments receivable represent assessments which have been made but have not been collected.

<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>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets, which include property, furniture and equipment and intangibles acquired after July 1, 1980 are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost 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. 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 two years.

Asset Class	Amount
Infrastructure	\$ 50,000
Land, buildings and improvements	25,000
Intangibles	50,000
Equipment and vehicles	5,000

Capital assets of the County are depreciated/amortized using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Estimated
	Useful lives
Asset Class	(In Years)
Buildings	40 - 50
Building improvements	20 - 50
Infrastructure	30 - 50
Intangibles	5 - 20
Equipment	2 - 20
Vehicles	3 - 10

<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u> – Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position applicable to a 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>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 comp time 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, 2018. The compensated absences liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Mental Health, Rural Services and Secondary Roads 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.

<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 attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Mental Health, Rural Services and Secondary Roads Funds.

<u>Total OPEB Liability</u> – For purposes of measuring the total OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB and OPEB expense, information has been determined based on the Washington County's actuary 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, Mental Health, Rural Services and Secondary Roads 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 fund financial statements consist of property tax receivable and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end and succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized until the year for which it is levied.

Deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position consist of succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized until the year for which it is 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 assets.

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

<u>Nonspendable</u> – 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.

<u>Assigned</u> – Amounts of Board of Supervisors intend to use for specific purposes.

Unassigned – All amounts not included in the preceding classifications.

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

E. <u>Budgets and Budgetary Accounting</u>

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

(2) Cash, Cash Equivalents and Pooled Investments

The County's deposits in banks at June 30, 2018 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 \$3,962,843 pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940. There were no limitations or restrictions on withdrawals for the IPAIT investments. The County's investment in IPAIT is unrated.

(3) Due From and Due to Other Funds

The detail of interfund receivables and payables at June 30, 2018 is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
Special Revenue:		
Secondary roads	General	\$ 5,361
	Mental Health	 21
Total		\$ 5.382

These balances result from the time lag between the dates interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, transactions are recorded in the accounting system and payments between funds are made.

(4) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2018 is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General	Special Revenue:	
	Delinquent Fines	\$ 28,000
Special Revenue:		
Secondary Roads	General	196,022
	Special Revenue:	
	Rural Services	 2,005,634
		 2,201,656
Capital Projects	General	 74,000
Debt Service	Special Revenue:	
	Rural Services	 468,800
		\$ 2,772,456

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

(5) Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2018 was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	Beginning		-	End
	of Year	Increases	Decreases	of Year
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated/amortized:				
Land	\$ 726,024	50,000	-	776,024
Intangibles, road network	3,060,717	-	-	3,060,717
Construction in progress	592,058	4,392,254	(2,038,930)	2,945,382
Total capital assets not being depreciated/amortized	4,378,799	4,442,254	(2,038,930)	6,782,123
Capital assets being depreciated/amortized:	·			
Buildings	11,880,057	-	-	11,880,057
Improvements other than buildings	147,008	-	-	147,008
Equipment and vehicles	10,591,453	935,182	(729,812)	10,796,823
Intangibles	90,620	-	-	90,620
Infrastructure	66,229,162	2,038,930	-	68,268,092
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized	88,938,300	2,974,112	(729,812)	91,182,600
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization for:				
Buildings	4,965,007	224,363	-	5,189,370
Improvements other than buildings	43,080	6,368	-	49,448
Equipment and vehicles	6,455,043	758,390	(666,811)	6,546,622
Intangibles	24,166	6,041	-	30,207
Infrastructure	16,729,082	1,345,888	-	18,074,970
Total accumulated depreciation/amortization	28,216,378	2,341,050	(666,811)	29,890,617
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized, net	60,721,922	633,062	(63,001)	61,291,983
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 65,100,721	5,075,316	(2,101,931)	68,074,106

Depreciation/amortization expense was charged to the following functions:

Governmental activities:		
Public safety and legal services	\$	287,620
Physical health and social services		9,669
County environment and education		70,931
Roads and transportation		1,862,060
Governmental services to residents		7,168
Administration		103,602
Total depreciation/amortization expense - governmental activities	\$_	2,341,050

(6) 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, 2018 is as follows:

Fund	Description	Amount
General	Services	\$ 17,794
Special Revenue:		
Secondary Roads	Services	 8,943
Total for governmental funds		\$ 26,737
Agency:		
County Offices	Collections	\$ 78,714
Agricultural Extension Education		238,536
County Assessor		603,051
Schools		17,004,026
Community Colleges		1,427,412
Corporations		7,072,023
Townships		464,722
Public Safety Commission		277,219
Auto License and Use Tax		616,972
All other		 2,301,576
Total for agency funds		\$ 30,084,251

(7) Long-Term Liabilities

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2018 is as follows:

	General Obligation	Compensated	Net Pension	Total OPEB	
	Bonds	Absences	Liability	Liability	Total
Balance beginning					_
of year, as restated	\$ 20,085,000	386,589	4,842,456	367,644	25,681,689
Increases	-	426,242	199,236	113,901	739,379
Decreases	2,075,000	414,094	-	-	2,489,094
Balance end of year	\$ 18,010,000	398,737	5,041,692	481,545	23,931,974
Due within one year	\$ 2,115,000	304,246	-	_	2,419,246

General Obligation Bonds

A summary of the County's June 30, 2018 general obligation bonded indebtedness is as follows:

	Series	Series 2012A Refunding Bonds				
Year	Issu	aed Fe	ebruary 15, 201	2		
Ending	Interest					
June 30,	Rates		Principal	Interest		
2019	2.00%	\$	275,000	51,628		
2020	2.00		280,000	46,128		
2021	2.00		285,000	40,528		
2022	2.00		290,000	34,827		
2023	2.00		295,000	29,027		
2024-2026	2.15-2.60		925,000	46,660		
		\$	2,350,000	248,798		

	Series 2015 Hospital				
Year			cember 1, 20	15	
Ending	Interest			_	
June 30,	Rates		Principal	Interest	
2019	0.00%	\$	-	239,390	
2020	0.00		-	239,390	
2021	0.00		-	239,390	
2022	1.75		990,000	239,390	
2023	2.00		1,035,000	222,065	
2024-2028	2.10-2.65		5,535,000	760,305	
2029-2030	2.75-2.85		2,415,000	102,550	
		\$	9,975,000	2,042,480	

	Series 2016 Hospital				
Year	Iss	ued J	anuary 20, 2016)	
Ending	Interest				
June 30,	Rates		Principal	Interest	
2019	1.200%	\$	975,000	41,415	
2020	1.375		990,000	29,715	
2021	1.550		1,005,000	16,102	
2022	1.750		30,000	525	
		\$	3,000,000	87,757	

	Series 2017A Refunding					
Year	Iss	Issued March 7, 2017				
Ending	Interest	Interest				
June 30,	Rates		Principal	Interest		
2019	2.00%	\$	875,000	58,450		
2020	2.00-3.00		895,000	40,850		
2021	2.00-3.00		915,000	18,350		
Total		\$	2,685,000	117,650		

-	General Obligation Bonds			
Year	Total			
Ending				
June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total	
2019	2,125,000	390,883	2,515,883	
2020	2,165,000	356,083	2,521,083	
2021	2,205,000	314,370	2,519,370	
2022	1,310,000	274,742	1,584,742	
2023	1,330,000	251,092	1,581,092	
2024-2028	6,460,000	806,965	7,266,965	
2029-2031	 2,415,000	102,550	2,517,550	
	\$ 18,010,000	2,496,685	20,506,685	

During the year ended June 30, 2018, the County retired \$2,075,000 of general obligation bonds.

General Obligation Hospital Bonds

On December 1, 2015, the County issued \$9,975,000 of general obligation hospital bonds for an expansion project at Washington County Hospital and to refinance a portion of the Hospital's Series 2006 Revenue Bonds. The bonds bear interest payable semi-annually on the first of June and December each year at rates ranging from 1.75% to 2.85% per annum.

On January 20, 2016, the County issued \$4,925,000 of general obligation hospital bonds for an expansion project at Washington County Hospital and to refinance a portion of the Hospital's Series 2006 Revenue Bonds. The bonds bear interest payable semi-annually on the first of June and December each year at rates ranging from 0.75% to 1.75% per annum.

The County loaned the proceeds of both general obligation hospital bonds issued during fiscal year 2017 to Washington County Hospital. Under the loan agreement, Washington County Hospital is to make payments to the County equal to the payments the County is required to make on the general obligation bonds. The payments received from Washington County Hospital are credited to the Debt Service Fund.

(8) Washington County Hospital Loan Receivable

As detailed in Note 7 of the Notes to Financial Statements, the County loaned bond proceeds to Washington County Hospital. Under the loan agreement, Washington County Hospital is to make payments to the County equal to the payments the County is required to make on the general obligation hospital bonds.

(9) 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 the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at PO Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at www.ipers.org.

IPERS benefits are established under Iowa 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.

<u>Pension Benefits</u> – A Regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an early-retirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, any time 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 at age 55. Sheriffs, deputies and protection occupation members may retire any time 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 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.

<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 2018, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 5.95% of covered payroll and the County contributed 8.93% of covered payroll, for a total rate of 14.88%. The Sheriff, deputies and the County each contributed 9.38% of covered payroll, for a total rate of 18.76%. Protection occupation members contributed 6.56% of covered payroll and the County contributed 9.84% of covered payroll, for a total rate of 16.40%.

The County's contributions to IPERS for the year ended June 30, 2018 totaled \$665,151.

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – At June 30, 2018, the County reported a liability of \$5,041,692 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017 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, 2017, the County's proportion was 0.075687%, which was a decrease of 0.001259% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2016.

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the County recognized pension expense of \$783,945. At June 30, 2018, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Defe	rred Outflows	Deferred Inflows
	of	Resources	of Resources
Differences between expected and			
actual experience	\$	72,972	79,035
Changes of assumptions		1,128,984	14,351
Net difference between projected and actual			
earnings on IPERS' investments		-	73,051
Changes in proportion and differences between			
County contributions and the County's			
proportionate share of contributions		51,413	108,089
County contributions subsequent to the			
measurement date		665,151	
Total	\$	1,918,520	274,526

\$665,151 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 ending June 30, 2019. 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 ending	
June 30,	Amount
2019	\$ 95,577
2020	487,596
2021	301,197
2022	19,204
2023	 75,269
Total	\$ 978,843

There were no non-employer contributing entities to IPERS.

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> – The total pension liability in the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation	
(effective June 30, 2017)	2.60% per annum.
Rates of salary increase	3.25 to 16.25% average, including inflation.
(effective June 30, 2017)	Rates vary by membership group.
Long-term investment rate of return	7.00% compounded annually, net of investment
(effective June 30, 2017)	expense, including inflation.
Wage growth	3.25% per annum, based on 2.60% inflation
(effective June 30, 2017)	and 0.65% real wage inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2017 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience study dated March 24, 2017.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Scale AA.

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	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity	24.0%	6.25%
International equity	16.0	6.71
Core plus fixed income	27.0	2.25
Public credit	3.5	3.46
Public real assets	7.0	3.27
Cash	1.0	(0.31)
Private equity	11.0	11.15
Private real assets	7.5	4.18
Private credit	3.0	4.25
Total	100.0%	

<u>Discount Rate</u> – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and 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.

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

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(6.00%)	(7.00%)	(8.00%)
County's proportionate share of			
the net pension liability	\$ 9,385,329	5,041,692	1,396,683

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

<u>Payables to IPERS</u> – All legally required County contributions and legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages were remitted by the County to IPERS by June 30, 2018.

(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 Iowa 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 Washington County 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, 2018, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	3
Active employees	134
Total	137_

<u>Total OPEB Liability</u> – The County's total OPEB liability of \$481,545 was measured as of June 30, 2018, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> – The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and the entry age normal actuarial cost method, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Rate of inflation	
(effective June 30, 2018)	2.60% per annum.
Rates of salary increase	3.25% per annum, including
(effective June 30, 2018)	inflation.
Discount rate	3.56% compounded annually,
(effective June 30, 2018)	including inflation.
Healthcare cost trend rate	8.50% initial rate decreasing by .5%
(effective June 30, 2018)	annually to an ultimate rate of 5.00%

<u>Discount Rate</u> – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.56% 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 SOA RPH-2017 total dataset mortality table fully generational using Scale MP-2017. Annual retirement probabilities are based on varying rates by age and turnover probabilities mirror those used by IPERS.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study with dates corresponding to those listed above.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	otal OPEB Liability
Total OPEB liability beginning of year, as restated	\$ 367,644
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	30,690
Interest	11,421
Differences between expected	
and actual experiences	95,142
Changes in assumptions	(8,850)
Benefit payments	 (14,502)
Net changes	113,901
Total OPEB liability end of year	\$ 481,545

Changes of assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 2.92% in fiscal year 2017 to 3.56% in fiscal year 2018.

<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 (2.56%) or 1% higher (4.56%) than the current discount rate.

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(2.56%)	(3.56%)	(4.56%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 522,926	481,545	443,085

<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 (7.50%) or 1% higher (9.50%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates.

		Healthcare	
	1%	Cost Trend	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(7.50%)	(8.50%)	(9.50%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 423,118	481,545	550,890

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB – For the year ended June 30, 2018, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$37,197. At June 30, 2018, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following resources:

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	Defer	red Outflows	Deferred Inflows
	of Resources		of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience Changes in assumptions	\$	84,571	- 7,867
Total	\$	84,571	7,867

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

Year ending	
June 30,	Amount
2019	\$ 9,588
2020	9,588
2021	9,588
2022	9,588
2023	9,588
Thereafter	28,764
	\$ 76,704

(11) Risk Management

The County is a member of the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool, as allowed by Chapter 331.301 of the Code of Iowa. The Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (Pool) is a local government risk-sharing pool whose 775 members include various governmental entities throughout the State of Iowa. The Pool was formed in August 1986 for the purpose of managing and funding third-party liability claims against its members. The Pool provides coverage and protection in the following categories: general liability, automobile liability, automobile physical damage, public officials liability, police professional liability, property, inland marine and boiler/machinery. There have been no reductions in insurance coverage from prior years.

Each member's annual casualty contributions to the Pool fund current operations and provide capital. Annual casualty 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. Capital contributions are made during the first six years of membership and are maintained at a level determined by the Board not to exceed 300% of basis rate.

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's contributions to the Pool for the year ended June 30, 2018 were \$179,401.

The Pool uses reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements to reduce its exposure to large losses. The Pool retains general, automobile, police professional, and public officials' liability risks up to \$500,000 per claim. Claims exceeding \$500,000 are reinsured through reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements up to the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate. Property and automobile physical damage risks are retained by the Pool up to \$250,000 each occurrence, each location. Property risks exceeding \$250,000 are reinsured through reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements up to the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate.

The Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members provides that in the event a casualty claim, property loss or series of claims or losses exceeds the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate, or in the event a casualty claim, property loss or series of claims or losses exhausts the Pool's funds and any excess risk-sharing recoveries, then payment of such claims or losses shall be the obligation of the respective individual member against whom the claim was made or the loss was incurred.

The County does not report a liability for losses in excess of reinsurance or excess 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, 2018, no liability has been recorded in the County's financial statements. As of June 30, 2018, settled claims have not exceeded the risk pool or reinsurance coverage since the Pool's inception.

Members agree to continue membership in the Pool for a period of not less than one full year. After such period, a member who has given 60 days prior written notice may withdraw from the Pool. Upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim was incurred or reported prior to the member's withdrawal. Upon withdrawal, a formula set forth in the Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members is applied to determine the amount (if any) to be refunded to the withdrawing member.

The County also carries commercial insurance purchased from other insurers for coverage associated with workers compensation and employee blanket bond in the amount of \$1,000,000 and \$100,000, respectively. 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.

(12) Employee Health Insurance Plan

The Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund was established to account for the 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 Wellmark. The agreement is subject to automatic renewal provisions. The County assumes liability for claims up to the individual stop loss limitation of \$50,000. Claims in excess of coverage are insured through purchase of stop loss insurance.

Monthly payments of service fees and plan contributions to the Employee Group Health Fund are recorded as expenditures from the operating funds. Under the administrative services agreement, monthly payments of service fees and claims processed are paid to Wellmark from the Employee Group Health Fund. The County's contribution for the year ended June 30, 2018 was \$1,253,073.

Amounts payable from the Employee Group Health Fund at June 30, 2018 total \$287,690, 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 \$1,898,652 at June 30, 2018 and is reported as a designation of the Internal Service, 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	\$ 228,889
Incurred claims (including claims incurred	
but not reported at June 30, 2018)	961,686
Payments	(902,885)
Unpaid claims end of year	\$ 287,690

(13) 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.

Tax Abatements of Other Entities

Property tax revenues of the County were reduced by the following amounts for the year ended June 30, 2018 under agreements entered into by the following entities:

		Amount of
Entity	Tax Abatement Program	Tax Abated
City of Kalona	Urban renewal and economic development projects	\$ 37,979
City of Washington	Urban renewal and economic	
	development projects	12,829
City of Wellman	Urban renewal and economic	
	development projects	1,244

(14) Jointly Governed Organization

Washington County participates in the Washington County Public Safety Commission, a jointly governed organization formed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa. Financial transactions of this organization are included in the County's financial statements as an Agency Fund because of the County's fiduciary relationship with the organization.

The following financial data is for the year ended June 30, 2018:

Additions:		
Contributions from governmental units:		
Washington County	\$ 311,117	
City of Washington	251,713	
Other cities	 187,210	\$ 750,040
Reimbursement from Joint 911 Service Board		25,000
Miscellaneous		6,655
Total additions		781,695
Deductions:		
Salaries	450,807	
Benefits	149,903	
Office supplies and postage	2,983	
Uniforms	1,353	
Travel	10,485	
Telephone and fax services	12,741	
Training	1,910	
Tort liability insurance	4,633	
Professional services	26,988	
Equipment maintenance	16,473	
Radio equipment maintenance	6,979	
Utilities	13,899	
Miscellaneous	 3,376	702,530
Net		79,165
Balance beginning of year		244,047
Balance end of year		\$ 323,212

(15) Washington County Financial Information Included in the Southeast Iowa Link Mental Health Region

Southwest Iowa Link Mental Health Region, a jointly governed organization formed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa which became effective July 10, 2014, includes the following member counties: Henry County, Jefferson County, Keokuk County, Lee County, Louisa County, Van Buren County and Washington County. The financial activity of Washington County's Special Revenue, Mental Health Fund is included in the Washington County Mental Health region for the year ended June 30, 2018, as follows:

Revenues:		
Property and other county tax		\$ 263,791
Intergovernmental:		
State tax credits	\$ 23,201	
Other	36,777	59,978
Charges for service		 300
Total revenues		 324,069
Expenditures:		
Services to persons with:		
Mental illness		89,950
General administration:		
Direct administration	81,943	
Distribution of regional fiscal agent	521,318	603,261
Total expenditures		693,211
Excess of expenditures over revenues		(369,142)
Fund balance beginning of year		 652,268
Fund balance end of year		\$ 283,126

(16) Subsequent Event

On September 11, 2018, the Board of Supervisor authorized \$3,365,000 of General Obligation County Communication Equipment Bonds, Series 2018A, for the purchase of Emergency Services communication equipment.

(17) Related Party

The County had related party transactions totaling \$178,852 with officials of Washington County Ambulance, Inc.

(18) New Accounting Pronouncement

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB), was implemented during fiscal year 2018. The revised requirements establish new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments which provide their employees with OPEB benefits, including additional note disclosure and required supplementary information. In addition, GASB Statement No. 75 requires a state or local government employer to use the entry age normal actuarial cost method, and requires deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources which arise from other types of events related to OPEB to be recognized. During the transition year, as permitted, beginning balances for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not reported. Beginning net position for governmental activities was restated to retroactively report the change in valuation of the beginning total OPEB liability, as follows:

	Governmental
	Activities
Net position June 30, 2017, as previously reported	\$ 65,528,288
Net OPEB obligation measured under previous standards	211,000
Total OPEB liability at June 30, 2017	(367,644)
Net position July 1, 2017, as restated	\$ 65,371,644



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, 2018

					TD: 1.4
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			Budgeted		Net
Di-t		Actual	Original	Final	Variance
Receipts:	ф	11 046 927	11 147 657	11 147 657	00 100
Property and other county tax	\$	11,246,837 55,520	11,147,657	11,147,657	99,180 5,220
Interest and penalty on property tax Intergovernmental		6,286,459	50,300 6,269,565	50,300 6,277,896	5,220 8,563
Licenses and permits		94,605	79,260	79,260	15,345
-		•	79,260 767,365	,	•
Charges for service		806,552	•	767,365	39,187
Use of money and property Miscellaneous		249,798	171,741	171,741	78,057
Miscenarieous		1,551,108	1,531,201	1,517,966	33,142
Total receipts		20,290,879	20,017,089	20,012,185	278,694
Disbursements:					
Public safety and legal services		4,784,479	5,297,868	5,297,868	513,389
Physical health and social services		2,010,321	2,346,013	2,277,423	267,102
Mental health		751,255	779,757	779,757	28,502
County environment and education		1,182,154	1,277,037	1,277,037	94,883
Roads and transportation		5,644,259	6,344,032	6,469,032	824,773
Governmental services to residents		809,702	769,499	862,711	53,009
Administration		1,706,524	2,304,934	2,304,934	598,410
Non-program		9,704	14,000	14,000	4,296
Debt service		2,518,756	2,520,455	2,521,255	2,499
Capital projects		1,696,142	1,317,136	2,243,713	547,571
Total disbursements		21,113,296	22,970,731	24,047,730	2,934,434
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other financing sources over (under)					
disbursements and other financing uses		(822,417)	(2,953,642)	(4,035,545)	3,213,128
Other financing sources, net		6,796	7,796	7,796	(1,000)
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other financing sources over (under)		,	,	,	
disbursements and other financing uses		(815,621)	(2,945,846)	(4,027,749)	3,212,128
Balance beginning of year		8,294,247	5,932,549	8,387,328	(93,081)
Balance end of year	\$	7,478,626	2,986,703	4,359,579	3,119,047
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See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budget to GAAP Reconciliation Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2018

	Governmental Funds					
	Modifie					
		Cash	Accrual	Accrual		
		Basis	Basis			
Revenues	\$	20,290,879	(1,056,898)	19,233,981		
Expenditures		21,113,296	81,040	21,194,336		
Net		(822,417)	(1,137,938)	(1,960,355)		
Other financing sources (uses), net		6,796	(6,796)	-		
Beginning fund balances		8,294,247	14,373,104	22,667,351		
Ending fund balances	\$	7,478,626	13,228,370	20,706,996		

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Budgetary Reporting

June 30, 2018

This 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 the Internal Service Funds and Agency 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 ten major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund. These ten functions are: public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, mental health, 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 amendments increased budgeted disbursements by \$1,076,999. 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 Extension Office by the County Agricultural Extension Council, 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.

During the year ended June 30, 2018, disbursements did not exceed the amounts budgeted.

Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System For the Last Four Years* (In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

		2018	2017	2016	2015
County's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0	075687%	0.076946%	0.070351%	0.067259%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	5,042	4,842	3,476	2,667
County's covered payroll	\$	7,038	6,924	6,511	6,363
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		71.64%	69.93%	53.39%	41.91%
IPERS' net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		82.21%	81.82%	85.19%	87.61%

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

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Schedule of County Contributions

Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System For the Last Ten Years (In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

	2018	2017	2016	2015
Statutorily required contribution	\$ 665	644	636	600
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	(665)	(644)	(636)	(600)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	-	-	
County's covered payroll	\$ 7,305	7,038	6,924	6,511
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	9.10%	9.15%	9.19%	9.22%

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
585	561	525	465	429	379
(585)	(561)	(525)	(465)	(429)	(379)
_	_	_	_	_	_
6,363	6,218	6,151	6,165	6,068	5,605
9.20%	9.02%	8.54%	7.54%	7.07%	6.76%

Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Pension Liability

Year ended June 30, 2018

Changes of benefit terms:

Legislation enacted in 2010 modified benefit terms for Regular members. The definition of final average salary changed from the highest three to the highest five years of covered wages. The vesting requirement changed from four years of service to seven years. The early retirement reduction increased from 3% per year measured from the member's first unreduced retirement age to a 6% reduction for each year of retirement before age 65.

Changes of assumptions:

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%.

The 2014 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 4.00% to 3.75 % per year.
- Adjusted male mortality rates for retirees in the Regular membership group.
- Reduced retirement rates for sheriffs and deputies between the ages of 55 and 64.
- Moved from an open 30-year amortization period to a closed 30-year amortization period for the UAL (unfunded actuarial liability) beginning June 30, 2014. Each year thereafter, changes in the UAL from plan experience will be amortized on a separate closed 20-year period.

The 2010 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Adjusted retiree mortality assumptions.
- Modified retirement rates to reflect fewer retirements.
- Lowered disability rates at most ages.
- Lowered employment termination rates.
- Generally increased the probability of terminating members receiving a deferred retirement benefit.
- Modified salary increase assumptions based on various service duration.

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

For the Current Year Required Supplementary Information

		2018
Service cost	\$	30,690
Interest cost		11,421
Difference between expected and		
actual experiences		95,142
Changes in assumptions		(8,850)
Benefit payments		(14,502)
Net change in total OPEB liability		113,901
Total OPEB liability beginning of year, as restated		367,644
Total OPEB liability end of year	\$	481,545
Covered-employee payroll	\$	6,809,457
Total OPEB liability as a percentage		
of covered-employee payroll		7.1%

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

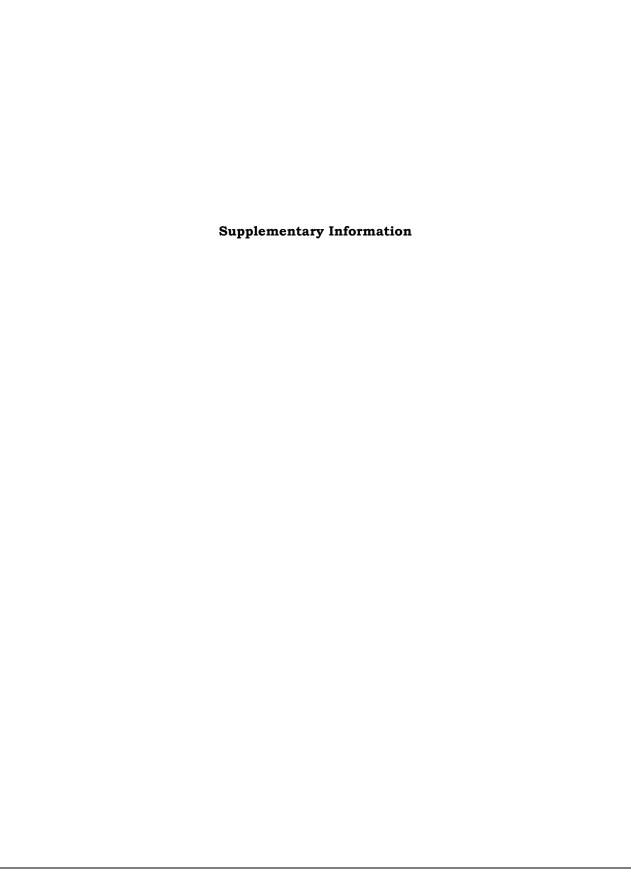
Changes in benefit terms:

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, 2018 3.56% Year ended June 30, 2017 2.92%



Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds

June 30, 2018

				Special
	County		Resource	Law
	Recorder's		Enhancement	Enforcement
	Records		and	County
	Management		Protection	Attorney
Assets				
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments	\$	43,478	133,291	3,090
Due from other governments		427	-	
Total assets	\$	43,905	133,291	3,090
Liabilities and Fund Balances				_
Fund balances:				
Restricted for:				
Resource enhancement and protection		-	133,291	_
Other purposes		43,905	_	3,090
Total fund balances		43,905	133,291	3,090
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	43,905	133,291	3,090

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Revenue			
Law			
Enforcement	Supplemental		
County	Environmental	Delinquent	
Sheriff	Projects	Fines	Total
46,527	1,581	13,842	241,809
	-	640	1,067
46,527	1,581	14,482	242,876
			_
-	-	-	133,291
46,527	1,581	14,482	109,585
46,527	1,581	14,482	242,876
46,527	1,581	14,482	242,876

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Year ended June 30, 2018

			Special
	County	Resource	Law
	Recorder's	Enhancement	Enforcement
	Records	and	County
	Management	Protection	Attorney
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$ -	12,502	-
Charges for service	4,391	-	-
Use of money and property	322	1,005	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	210
Total revenues	4,713	13,507	210
Other financing (uses): Transfers out			
Change in fund balances	4,713	13,507	210
Fund balances beginning of year	39,192	119,784	2,880
Fund balances end of year	\$ 43,905	133,291	3,090

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Revenue			
Law			
Enforcement	Supplemental		
County	Environmental		
Sheriff	Projects	Fines	Total
-	-	-	12,502
-	-	-	4,391
-	12	-	1,339
301	-	10,087	10,598
301	12	10,087	28,830
			_
		(28,000)	(28,000)
301	12	(17,913)	830
46,226	1,569	32,395	242,046
46.527	1.581	14.482	242.876

Combining Schedule of Net Position Internal Service Funds

June 30, 2018

	F1			
		Employee		
	Group Flexible			
		Health	Benefits	Total
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,185,805	13,960	2,199,765
Receivables:				
Accrued interest		537	-	537
Total assets		2,186,342	13,960	2,200,302
Liabilities				
Accounts payable		287,690	-	287,690
Net Position				
Unrestricted	\$	1,898,652	13,960	1,912,612

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position Internal Service Funds

Year ended June 30, 2018

	Employee		
	Group	Flexible	
	Health	Benefits	Total
Operating revenues:			
Reimbursements from operating funds	\$ 1,253,073	-	1,253,073
Reimbursements from employees and others	23,853	-	23,853
Reimbursements from agency funds	122,776	-	122,776
Stop loss reimbursements	29,347	-	29,347
Contributions for flexible benefits		25,250	25,250
Total operating revenues	1,429,049	25,250	1,454,299
Operating expenses:			
Medical claims	961,686	-	961,686
Administrative fees	320,698	-	320,698
Flexible benefits claims		25,871	25,871
Total operating expenses	1,282,384	25,871	1,308,255
Operating income (loss)	146,665	(621)	146,044
Non-operating revenues:			
Interest income	21,817	=	21,817
Net income (loss)	168,482	(621)	167,861
Net position beginning of year	1,730,170	14,581	1,744,751
Net position end of year	\$ 1,898,652	13,960	1,912,612

Combining Schedule of Cash Flows Internal Service Funds

Year ended June 30, 2018

	Employee		
	Group	Flexible	
	Health	Benefits	Total
Cash flows from operating activities:	`		_
Cash received from operating funds	\$ 1,253,073	-	1,253,073
Cash received from employees and others	53,200	26,544	79,744
Cash received from agency funds	122,776	-	122,776
Cash paid to suppliers for services	(1,223,583)	(25,871)	(1,249,454)
Net cash provided by operating activities Cash flows from investing activities:	205,466	673	206,139
Interest on investments	21,577	_	21,577
		670	<u> </u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	227,043	673	227,716
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year	1,958,762	13,287	1,972,049
Cash and cash equivalents end of year	\$ 2,185,805	13,960	2,199,765
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net			
cash provided by operating activities:			
Operating income (loss)			
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$ 146,665	(621)	146,044
Decrease in accounts receivable	-	1,294	1,294
Increase in accounts payable	58,801	-	58,801
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 205,466	673	206,139

Combining Schedule of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities Agency Funds

June 30, 2018

		Agricultural			
	County	Extension	County		Community
	 Offices	Education	Assessor	Schools	Colleges
Assets					
Cash, cash equivalents and					
pooled investments:					
County Treasurer	\$ -	1,251	262,150	90,460	6,848
Other County officials	138,639	-	-	-	-
Receivables:					
Property tax:					
Delinquent	-	285	572	20,566	1,564
Succeeding year	-	237,000	363,000	16,893,000	1,419,000
Accounts	-	-	97	-	-
Special assessments	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	 -				
Total assets	\$ 138,639	238,536	625,819	17,004,026	1,427,412
Liabilities					_
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ -	-	5,166	-	-
Salaries and benefits payable	-	-	6,954	-	-
Due to other governments	78,714	238,536	603,051	17,004,026	1,427,412
Trusts payable	59,925	-	-	-	-
Compensated absences	 -	-	10,648	-	_
Total liabilities	\$ 138,639	238,536	625,819	17,004,026	1,427,412

			Auto		
		Public	License		
		Safety	and		
Corporations	Townships	Commission	Use Tax	Other	Total
50,046	1,641	323,212	616,972	824,397	2,176,977
-	-	-	-	-	138,639
16,977	81	_	_	1,688	41,733
7,005,000	463,000	_	_	1,218,000	27,598,000
-	-	_	_	20,379	20,476
_	_	_	_	121,437	121,437
	-	-	-	134,462	134,462
7,072,023	464,722	323,212	616,972	2,320,363	30,231,724
		4 = 0.4			10.55
-	-	1,791	-	5,710	12,667
-	-	13,845	-	7,560	28,359
7,072,023	464,722	277,219	616,972	2,301,576	30,084,251
-	-	-	-	-	59,925
	_	30,357		5,517	46,522
7,072,023	464,722	323,212	616,972	2,320,363	30,231,724

Combining Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities Agency Funds

Year ended June 30, 2018

		Agricultural			
	County	Extension	County		Community
	Offices	Education	Assessor	Schools	Colleges
Assets and Liabilities					
Balances beginning of year	\$ 126,734	233,661	922,372	16,611,001	1,279,894
Additions:					
Property and other county tax	-	229,757	348,271	16,354,313	1,378,633
911 surcharge	-	-	-	-	-
State tax credits	-	19,695	39,466	1,415,214	108,190
Office fees and collections	578,537	-	-	-	-
Auto licenses, use tax, postage					
and drivers license fees	-	-	-	-	-
Assessments	-	-	-	-	-
Trusts	404,677	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	39	_	370	_	
Total additions	983,253	249,452	388,107	17,769,527	1,486,823
Deductions:					
Agency remittances:					
To other funds	312,541	-	-	-	-
To other governments	252,600	244,577	684,660	17,376,502	1,339,305
Trusts paid out	406,207	=	=		
Total deductions	971,348	244,577	684,660	17,376,502	1,339,305
Balances end of year	\$ 138,639	238,536	625,819	17,004,026	1,427,412

			Auto		
		Public	License		
		Safety	and		
Corporations	Townships	Commission	Use Tax	Other	Total
6,961,816	421,368	244,047	593,266	2,270,120	29,664,279
6,545,951	460,065	-	-	1,182,523	26,499,513
-	-	-	-	309,879	309,879
850,679	22,389	-	-	97,713	2,553,346
-	-	-	-	295,019	873,556
-	-	-	7,601,207	-	7,601,207
-	-	-	-	16,073	16,073
-	-	-	-	-	404,677
		781,695		234,740	1,016,844
7,396,630	482,454	781,695	7,601,207	2,135,947	39,275,095
-	-	-	257,921	-	570,462
7,286,423	439,100	702,530	7,319,580	2,085,704	37,730,981
					406,207
7,286,423	439,100	702,530	7,577,501	2,085,704	38,707,650
7,072,023	464,722	323,212	616,972	2,320,363	30,231,724

Schedule of Revenues by Source and Expenditures by Function - All Governmental Funds

For the Last Ten Years

				Modified
	2018	2017	2016	2015
Revenues:				
Property and other county tax	\$ 10,093,892	9,547,699	9,214,425	8,993,354
Tax increment financing	_	-	-	910,267
Local option sales tax	1,154,357	1,125,920	1,189,149	1,129,426
Interest and penalty on property tax	55,520	52,786	53,397	53,820
Intergovernmental	6,211,151	6,345,389	5,823,552	6,101,263
Licenses and permits	96,208	90,507	83,653	73,462
Charges for service	811,345	788,456	842,784	783,054
Use of money and property	249,238	170,398	158,570	190,767
Miscellaneous	562,270	659,632	557,909	365,425
Total	\$ 19,233,981	18,780,787	17,923,439	18,600,838
Expenditures:				
Operating:				
Public safety and legal services	\$ 4,794,395	4,560,519	4,280,381	4,317,598
Physical health and social services	1,995,237	2,190,791	2,179,693	2,222,115
Mental health	693,211	488,587	630,463	310,473
County environment and education	1,119,310	985,610	1,053,243	954,300
Roads and transportation	5,870,376	5,668,040	5,979,548	5,065,801
Governmental services to residents	809,246	636,027	637,042	609,740
Administration	1,722,300	1,745,629	1,757,456	1,679,024
Non-program	3,398	114,670	46,374	51,812
Debt service	2,518,756	6,077,520	1,391,979	5,156,992
Capital projects	 1,668,107	1,118,554	534,651	543,450
Total	\$ 21,194,336	23,585,947	18,490,830	20,911,305

Accrual Basis					
2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
9,092,267	9,658,584	9,197,085	8,129,183	7,795,295	7,474,768
1,746,821	1,807,197	1,785,917	1,790,775	1,795,275	1,712,008
1,114,808	969,263	1,084,809	968,286	872,690	907,821
70,802	72,171	74,276	76,322	79,213	72,916
5,935,796	6,094,416	6,833,101	6,690,934	7,101,605	6,721,217
87,100	71,390	70,128	61,438	54,308	51,350
737,985	788,891	758,402	714,553	704,331	718,783
139,590	148,447	135,668	151,486	175,085	206,634
514,918	856,268	704,465	623,606	358,210	444,509
19,440,087	20,466,627	20,643,851	19,206,583	18,936,012	18,310,006
4,011,223	4,106,744	3,776,403	3,752,408	3,777,719	3,671,315
2,242,800	2,517,575	2,461,339	2,412,125	2,382,538	2,316,409
324,392	435,068	2,301,318	1,733,162	1,633,941	1,642,744
926,078	1,247,107	1,043,520	886,227	796,374	733,200
5,006,326	4,651,989	4,242,814	4,729,678	4,660,891	4,141,415
599,112	600,254	595,946	599,233	594,919	587,746
1,661,955	1,695,303	1,581,466	1,576,049	1,572,228	1,523,319
88,683	59,227	54,498	57,065	46,241	62,187
3,117,343	3,417,027	2,971,717	2,288,019	2,297,777	2,061,861
2,981,114	2,677,266	5,340,817	1,801,336	254,840	2,392,295
20,959,026	21,407,560	24,369,838	19,835,302	18,017,468	19,132,491





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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 Washington County:

We have audited in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards 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 Washington County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 18, 2019.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Washington County's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures 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 Washington County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Washington County's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

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. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items (A) and (B) to be material weaknesses.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control which is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items (C) through (F) to be significant deficiencies.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the County's operations for the year ended June 30, 2018 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.

Washington County's Responses to the Findings

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

Purpose of this Report

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 Washington County 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.

ROB SAND Auditor of State

March 18, 2019

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2018

Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

(A) 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> – Generally, one or two individuals in the offices identified may have control over the following areas for which no compensating controls exist:

	Applicable Offices
(1) All incoming mail is not opened by an employee who is not authorized to make entries to the accounting records.	Recorder, Engineer, Conservation, Public Safety Commission Ag Extension
(2) Generally, one individual may have control over listing mail receipts, collecting, depositing, posting, maintaining receivable records and daily reconciling of receipts for which no compensating controls exist.	Recorder, Public Health Nurse and Trust Fund, Engineer, Conservation, Public Safety Commission Ag Extension
A listing of mail receipts is not prepared.	Recorder, Engineer
The initial listing of mail receipts is not compared to receipt records by an independent person.	Public Safety Commission, Ag Extension
(3) Bank accounts were not reconciled by an individual who does not sign checks, handle or record cash. Bank reconciliations were not reviewed periodically by an independent person for propriety.	Recorder, Public Health Nurse-Trust Fund, Ag Extension
(4) Daily cash reconciliations prepared in the Recorder's office are not reviewed and approved by an independent person for propriety.	Recorder

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(5) All individuals in the Treasurer's Office have the ability to void receipts in the Eden system, including individuals who perform daily balancing. No report is maintained or review performed over voided receipts.

Treasurer

All individuals in the Recorder's Office have the ability to void receipts, including individuals who perform daily balancing. No report is maintained or review performed over voided receipts.

Recorder

(6) Journal entries are not reviewed and approved.

Auditor

(7) All Ag Extension Council Members are authorized to sign checks.

Ag Extension

(8) Persons who sign checks are not independent of persons who approve disbursements, record cash or prepare checks.

Recorder

<u>Cause</u> – The County offices noted above have a 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 each County Office'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.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Each official should review the control activities of their office to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances. The official should utilize current personnel, including elected officials, to provide additional control through review of financial transactions, reconciliations and reports.

Responses

<u>County Recorder</u> – We have segregated duties as much as possible and feel we can monitor employees with oversight.

<u>County Treasurer</u> – During fiscal year 2018, have gained the ability to run a listing of voided receipts. They are now run and checked monthly.

<u>County Conservation</u> – We will continue to monitor and oversee the segregation of duties within the Conservation Department.

<u>Engineer</u> – We will explore options to open/accept mail by others not involved in the depositing, posting and maintaining of records.

<u>Public Health Nurse</u> – We will continue to review internal processes and staffing to ensure segregation of duties.

<u>Public Safety Commission</u> – We will do our best to segregate duties, even though we have a limited number of staff in office.

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<u>County Auditor</u> – We will begin reviewing and approving journal entries.

<u>Ag Extension</u> – The Director is the only one authorized to make entries in accounting records. However, this individual sometimes has to open mail and prepare listing of receipts. There are steps now in place that only lets the Director do these if she is the only person in the office and it needs to be done. However, there is nothing else that can be done on this front. We have discussed the fact that all nine Council Members are authorized to sign checks, however they maintain this is needed so they have viable options if emergency checks need to be signed as all Council Members live all around the County.

Conclusion - Responses accepted.

(B) Financial Reporting

<u>Criteria</u> – A deficiency in internal control over financial reporting 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 of the financial statements on a timely basis. Properly designed policies and procedures and implementation of the policies and procedures are an integral part of ensuring the reliability and accuracy of the County's financial statements.

<u>Condition</u> – Material amounts of receivables and payables were not properly recorded in the County's financial statements. Adjustments were subsequently made by the County to properly include these amounts in the financial statements.

<u>Cause</u> – County policies do not require and procedures have not been established to require independent review of year-end cut-off transactions to ensure the County's financial statements are accurate and reliable.

<u>Effect</u> – Lack of policies and procedures resulted in County employees not detecting the errors in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. As a result, material adjustments to the County's financial statements were necessary.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The County should establish procedures to ensure all receivables and payables are identified and properly reported in the County's financial statements.

Responses

<u>Treasurer</u> – The Treasurer will work with staff to ensure proper cut-off for year-end accruals.

<u>County Auditor</u> – We will work with staff to ensure proper cut-off for year end accruals.

Conclusion - Responses accepted.

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(C) Capital Assets

<u>Criteria</u> – A deficiency in internal control over financial reporting 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 of the financial statements on a timely basis. Properly designed policies and procedures and implementation of the policies and procedures are an integral part of ensuring the reliability and accuracy of the County's financial statements.

<u>Condition</u> – Capital assets are not tested periodically by an independent person to determine the assets exist and all assets are included in the capital asset listing.

<u>Cause</u> – County policies do not require and procedures have not been established to require independent review of capital assets to ensure assets exist and are included in the capital asset listing.

<u>Effect</u> – Lack of policies and procedures may result in County employees not detecting errors in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, resulting in the over or under statement of reported capital assets.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The County should establish procedures to ensure capital assets are tested periodically by an independent person to determine assets exist and are included in the capital asset listing.

<u>County Auditor Response</u> – We will periodically test capital assets to ensure the accuracy of the capital asset listing.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

(D) Computer Systems

<u>Criteria</u> – Properly designed policies and procedures pertaining to control activities over the County's computer systems and implementation of the policies and procedures help provide reasonable assurance financial information is safeguarded and reliable, and helps ensure the reliability of financial reporting, the effectiveness and efficiency of operations and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Condition - The County does not have written policies for:

- password privacy and confidentiality.
- requiring password changes because software does not require the user to change log-ins/passwords periodically.

Also, the County does not have a written disaster recovery plan.

<u>Cause</u> – Management has not required written policies for the above computer based controls.

<u>Effect</u> – Lack of written policies for computer based systems could result in a loss of data or compromised data, resulting in unreliable financial information. The failure to have a formal disaster recovery plan could result in the County's inability to function in the event of a disaster or continue County business without interruption.

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<u>Recommendation</u> – The County should develop written policies addressing the above items in order to improve the County's control over its computer systems. A written disaster recovery plan should also be developed.

<u>County Auditor Response</u> – A written disaster recovery plan and password policies will be developed.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

(E) Public Safety Commission Meal Allowance

<u>Criteria</u> – An effective internal control system provides for internal controls related to ensuring disbursements are properly and adequately supported and reviewed. The Commission has a policy providing employees a \$6 meal allowance while working a shift due to not being able to leave the radios and take a meal break. Employees are allowed to charge meals at various approved restaurants or grocery stores, and receipts must be retained. The Commission verifies the accuracy and adequacy of the documentation and approves the disbursement. However, based on supporting documentation from grocery store purchases, it is unclear how the County determined compliance with their meal policy, including that meals were within the \$6.00 allowance, since dates of meals consumed was not documented. The receipts only documented the employee and the number of meals consumed by each employee.

<u>Condition</u> – Although itemized store receipts were provided, supporting documentation is not available with the receipt to determine compliance with their policy. In addition, some receipts tested exceeded the \$6 allowance.

<u>Cause</u> – Procedures have not been established to ensure meal disbursements were incurred during dates the employees worked and to ensure the meals did not exceed the allowable \$6.

<u>Effect</u> – Lack of procedures resulted in employees not detecting noncompliance with the County's policy in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The Commission should ensure sufficient supporting documentation is provided to document meals were incurred during dates the employees were working and should ensure meal reimbursements do not exceed the amount allowed by County policy.

<u>Public Safety Response</u> – We will include proper support documentation to ensure compliance.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

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(F) Payroll

<u>Criteria</u> – An effective internal control system provides for internal controls related to the preparation of timesheets by all employees. Timesheets support all hours worked and taken as vacation, sick leave, holiday hours and personal days and provide an accurate record of hours worked. Supervisory review of timesheets can help ensure the accuracy of recorded hours worked.

<u>Condition</u> – Although timesheets are prepared, there is no evidence of approval of timesheets by supervisory personnel for the Conservation director, Engineer, and Public Health nurse. These department heads are salaried employees who prepare and approve their own timesheet.

<u>Cause</u> – Policies have not been established and procedures have not been implemented to require timesheets be reviewed and approved by supervisory personnel.

<u>Effect</u> – The lack of a documented supervisory review process increases the probability staff errors in recording hours or leave time that will go undetected.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Timesheets should be submitted to an appropriate supervisor for approval and should be signed by the employee and supervisor.

County Auditor Response – We will review possible options for approval.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

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Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- (1) <u>Certified Budget</u> Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2018 did not exceed the amounts budgeted.
- (2) <u>Questionable Expenditures</u> The following disbursements we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 since the public benefits to be derived have not been clearly documented were noted.

Paid to	Purpose	An	ount
Ace-N-More	Toaster oven for Conservation shop	\$	30
Wal-Mart	Cookies and snacks for employee meeting		22

<u>Recommendation</u> – The Board of Supervisors should determine and document the public purpose served by these expenditures before authorizing any further payments. If this practice is continued, the County should establish written policies and procedures, including requirements for proper documentation.

<u>Response</u> – In the future, the County will document the public purpose before authorizing any further payments.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (3) <u>Travel Expense</u> No expenditures of County money for travel expenses of spouses of County officials or employees were noted.
- (4) <u>Business Transactions</u> Business transactions between the County and County officials or employees are detailed as follows:

Name, Title and	Transaction	
Business Connection	Description	Amount
Richard Young, Board of Supervisors, president of Washington County		
Ambulance, Inc.	Ambulance	\$ 178,852

In the opinion of the County Attorney, the transactions with Washington County Ambulance, Inc. do not represent a conflict of interest as defined in Chapter 331.342 of the Code of Iowa because Supervisor Young recuses himself from all voting on these expenditures and is not involved in the budgeting duties with regards to the Washington County Ambulance Service.

(5) <u>Bond Coverage</u> – Surety bond coverage of County officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of surety bond coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure the coverage is adequate for current operations.

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(6) <u>Board Minutes</u> – No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not. However, two of three minutes tested were not published within one week following adjournment of the meeting as required by Chapter 349.18 of the Code of Iowa.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The County should comply with the Code of Iowa and should ensure Board minutes are published, as required.

<u>County Auditor Response</u> – The County will comply with the Code of Iowa.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

- (7) <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapters 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the County's investment policy were noted.
- (8) Resource Enhancement and Protection Certification The County properly dedicated property tax revenue to conservation purposes as required by Chapter 455A.19(1)(b) of the Code of Iowa in order to receive the additional REAP funds allocated in accordance with subsections (b)(2) and (b)(3).
- (9) <u>County Extension Office</u> The County Extension Office is operated under the authority of Chapter 176A of the Code of Iowa and serves as an agency of the State of Iowa. This fund is administered by an Extension Council separate and distinct from County operations and, consequently, is not included in Exhibits A or B.
 - Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2018 for the County Extension Office did not exceed the amount budgeted.
- (10) <u>Electronic Check Retention</u> Chapter 554D.114 of the Code of Iowa allows the County to retain cancelled checks in an electronic format and requires retention in this manner to include an image of both the front and back of each cancelled check. The image of the backs of each cancelled check was not obtained by the County Sheriff.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The County should obtain and retain an image of both the front and back of each cancelled check, as required.

Response – We will be working towards a solution.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Responses accepted.

(11) Washington County Public Safety Commission – The Washington County Public Safety Commission is operated under the authority of Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa. Chapter 28E(6)(3)(a) of the Code of Iowa requires the Washington County Public Safety Commission to publish a summary of the proceedings of each regular, adjourned, or special meeting. Minutes of the Public Safety Commission were not published in the papers as required by Chapter 28E.6(3). In addition, minutes were not signed.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The Commission should ensure minutes are published and signed, as required.

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<u>Public Safety Response</u> – Minutes are published starting with the July 2018 meeting.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

(12) <u>Taxable Fringe Benefits</u> – Certain County clothing expenditures for clothing considered adaptable to general usage as ordinary clothing were not included in wages of employees in accordance with Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Guidelines.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The County should properly include taxable fringe benefits in reported employee wages in accordance with IRS guidelines.

<u>County Auditor Response</u> – We will develop procedures for including clothing expenditures in wages of employees.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

(13) <u>County Sheriff</u> – The County Sheriff maintains a bank account for activity related to reserve officers. This account's activity was not reflected in the County's accounting system and has not been included in the County's annual budget or financial report.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Chapter 80D.11 of the Code of Iowa defines reserved peace officers as employees of the governing body. The activity should be included in the County's annual budget and financial statements and disbursements should be charged to appropriate expenditure account in accordance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts for County Governments in Iowa.

Sheriff Response - Sheriff will work with Auditors office to resolve.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

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