

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council
Town of Brantley, Alabama

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Brantley, Alabama, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Brantley, Alabama, as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis budgetary comparison schedule on pages 3 through 8 and 31 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Brantley, Alabama's basic financial statements. We have not performed any procedures to the audited financial statements subsequent to April 23, 2024. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated April 23, 2024, on our consideration of the Town of Brantley, Alabama'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 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 internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Town of Brantley, Alabama's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Libson & Carden, LLC

Troy, Alabama
April 23, 2024

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Town of Brantley, Alabama, we offer readers of the Town of Brantley's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Brantley for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023. We encourage readers to read the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the Town's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

The components of the general purpose external financial statements include Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A), Basic Financial Statements, and Other Required Supplementary Information (RSI). The MD&A, a component of RSI, introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the Town's financial activities.

Financial Highlights

The assets of the Town exceeded its liabilities at the close of the fiscal year by \$7,032,718. (net position).

At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the General Fund was \$814,621, or 56 percent of total General Fund expenditures for the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the Rescue Squad Fund was \$132,991, or 86 percent of total Rescue Squad Fund expenditures for the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the Fire Department Fund was \$100,469, or 130 percent of total Fire Department Fund expenditures for the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, restricted fund balance for the State Gas Tax Fund was \$115,685, or 482 percent of total State Gas Tax Fund expenditures for the fiscal year.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements are comprised of the following elements:

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the Town's overall financial condition. The two government-wide statements report the Town's net position and how they have changed. net position are the difference between the Town's total assets and total liabilities. Changes in the Town's financial condition may be measured over time by increases and decreases in the Statement of Activities.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements focus on individual parts of the Town, reporting the Town's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements. The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at the Town's most significant activities. The Town of Brantley, like all other governmental entities in Alabama, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or the Town's budget ordinance. All of the funds of Town of Brantley can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary funds.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. Refer to Note 1 to the basic financial statements for more detailed information on the elements of the financial statements. Table 1 summarizes the major features of the basic financial statements.

Table 1: Major Features of the Basic Financial Statements				
	Government-wide Financial Statements	Fund Financial Statements		
		<i>Governmental Funds</i>	<i>Proprietary Funds</i>	<i>Fiduciary Funds</i>
Scope	Entire Town government (except fiduciary funds) and the Town's component units	Activities of the Town that are not proprietary or fiduciary	Activities of the Town that are operated similar to private businesses	Instances in which the Town is the trustee or agent for someone else's resources
Required financial statements	- Statement of net position	- Balance sheet - Statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance	- Statement of net position - Statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position - Statement of cash flows	- Statement of fiduciary net position - Statement of changes in fiduciary net position
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset/liability information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	- Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year - Expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

Condensed Statement of Net Position

The assets of the Town of Brantley exceeded its liabilities at the close of the fiscal year by \$7,032,718. The Town's net position increased by \$1,060,996 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023. The largest portion of net position (84%) reflects the Town's current and future investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt still outstanding that was issued to acquire those items. The Town of Brantley uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town of Brantley's investment in its capital assets is reported net of the outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources, since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. An additional portion of the Town of Brantley's net assets, \$349,145 or 5%, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of \$685,743 is unrestricted.

Table 2 presents the Town's condensed statement of net position as of September 30, 2023, and 2022, derived from the government-wide Statement of net position.

Table 2: Town of Brantley Condensed Statement of Net Position As of September 30

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Assets:						
Current and other assets	\$ 1,175,288	\$ 1,162,341	\$ 44,219	\$ 36,231	\$ 1,219,507	\$ 1,198,572
Capital assets	3,668,460	3,617,664	3,908,055	2,160,650	7,576,515	5,778,314
Total Assets	\$ 4,843,748	\$ 4,780,005	\$ 3,952,274	\$ 2,196,881	\$ 8,796,022	\$ 6,976,886
Liabilities:						
Long-term liabilities	\$ 421,850	\$ 459,684	\$ 1,096,000	\$ 70,000	\$ 1,517,850	\$ 529,684
Other liabilities	60,792	302,199	184,662	173,281	245,454	475,480
Total Liabilities	\$ 482,642	\$ 761,883	\$ 1,280,662	\$ 243,281	\$ 1,763,304	\$ 1,005,164
Net position:						
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 3,208,775	\$ 2,880,423	\$ 2,789,055	\$ 1,977,400	\$ 5,997,830	\$ 4,857,823
Restricted	349,145	336,309	-	-	349,145	336,309
Unrestricted	803,186	801,390	(117,443)	(23,800)	685,743	777,590
Total Net Position	\$ 4,361,106	\$ 4,018,122	\$ 2,671,612	\$ 1,953,600	\$ 7,032,718	\$ 5,971,722

Condensed Statement of Activities

Table 3 presents the Town's condensed statement of activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, and 2022, derived from the government-wide Statement of Activities. Over time, increases and decreases in net position measure whether the Town's financial position is improving or deteriorating. During the fiscal year, the net position of the governmental activities increased by \$342,984 or 9%, and the net position of the business-type increased by \$718,012 or 4%.

Table 3: Town of Brantley Condensed Statement of Activities For the Year Ending September 30

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 160,569	\$ 205,473	\$ 418,146	\$ 350,416	\$ 578,715	\$ 555,889
Operating grants	6,452	7,442	-	-	6,452	7,442
Capital grants	3,455	79,103	778,409	-	781,864	79,103
General revenues:						
Property taxes	22,767	23,673	-	-	22,767	23,673
Other taxes	696,833	668,210	-	-	696,833	668,210
Fines and Corrections	721,713	427,004	-	-	721,713	427,004
Investment earnings	3,898	2,785	-	-	3,898	2,785
Gain on Sale of Fixed Asset	-	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Other	171,886	257,913	-	-	171,886	257,913
Total Revenues	1,787,573	1,680,103	1,196,555	350,416	2,984,128	2,030,519
Expenses:						
General government	496,921	433,545	-	-	496,921	433,545
Public safety	709,283	909,440	-	-	709,283	909,440
Highways and streets	109,089	108,539	-	-	109,089	108,539
Culture and recreation	34,791	33,824	-	-	34,791	33,824
Interest on long-term debt	26,939	16,649	2,062	2,200	29,001	18,849
Water, garbage and sewer	-	-	544,047	587,995	544,047	587,995
Total Expenses	1,377,023	1,501,997	546,109	590,195	1,923,132	2,092,192
Increase in net position						
Before Transfers	410,550	178,106	650,446	(239,779)	1,060,996	(61,673)
Transfers	(67,566)	(139,070)	67,566	139,070	-	-
Increase in net position	342,984	39,036	718,012	(100,709)	1,060,996	(61,673)
Net position - Beginning of Year	4,018,122	3,979,086	1,953,600	2,054,309	5,971,722	6,033,395
Net position - End of Year	\$ 4,361,106	\$ 4,018,122	\$ 2,671,612	\$ 1,953,600	\$ 7,032,718	\$ 5,971,722

Overall Analysis

Financial highlights for the Town as a whole during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, include the following:

Governmental activities. Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$342,984. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

Fine revenues were \$721,713 mostly from camera car system and police department spending was \$709,283.

Business-type activities: Business-type activities increased the Town of Brantley's net position by \$718,012. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

Transfers in from General Fund \$67,566

Depreciation of \$116,739 on capital assets.

Capital Grant Revenue of \$778,409

Fund Analysis

As noted earlier, the Town of Brantley uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the Town of Brantley's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town of Brantley's financing requirements. Specifically, unreserved fund balance can be a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the close of the fiscal year, the Town of Brantley's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,163,766, an increase of \$14,365 in comparison with the prior year. See Note 1 to the financial statements for an explanation of the different types of reserve categories.

General Fund

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the Town of Brantley. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the General Fund totaled \$814,621, an increase of \$1,529.

Rescue Squad Fund

The Rescue Squad Fund is the chief operating fund for the Brantley Rescue Squad. Fund balance at September 30, 2023, totaled \$132,991, which includes a decrease of \$20,865.

Fire Department Fund

The Fire Department Fund is the chief operating fund for the Brantley Fire Department. Fund balance at September 30, 2023, totaled \$100,469, which includes an increase of \$5,410.

State Gas Tax Fund

The State Gas Tax Fund is the chief operating fund for street improvements for the Town. Fund balance at September 30, 2023, totaled \$115,685, which includes an increase of \$28,291.

Proprietary Funds

The Town of Brantley's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements but in more detail. The Town's proprietary funds reported net position of \$2,671,612 at September 30, 2023, for enterprise funds.

Budget Variances in the General Fund

Budgeted expenditures are based on the estimated revenue receipts as estimated by the Town Council. Original expenditures are budgeted for less than total expected resources available. No variances between the original and final budget or between final and actual budget are expected to significantly affect future services or liquidity. For additional information on the budget variances, refer to the budgetary comparison schedule for the General Fund in the Required Supplementary Information.

The Town of Brantley does amend the budget during the year as circumstances change. All expenditures/revenues outside the budget are approved by the Council on an individual basis.

The Town had a favorable variance of \$684,169 in revenues and an unfavorable variance of \$618,529 in expenditures budgeted.

Capital Asset and Long-Term Debt Activity

Capital Asset Activity

The Town of Brantley's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of September 30, 2023, totals \$7,576,515 (net of accumulated depreciation). These assets include buildings, roads and bridges, land, machinery and equipment, water, garbage, and sewer distribution systems, park facilities, and vehicles. Refer to Note 3 to the basic financial statements for additional information on capital assets.

Major capital asset transactions during the year include the following.

- Water system improvements of \$1,530,923
- Armory improvements \$60,011
- Sewer improvements \$318,267

Long-term Debt Activity

As of September 30, 2023, the Town of Brantley had total debt outstanding of \$1,578,685. Refer to Note 5 to the basic financial statements for additional information on long-term debt activity.

Alabama general statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt that a unit of government can issue to 20 percent of the total assessed value of taxable property located within that government's boundaries.

Economic Conditions and Outlook

We expect revenues from sales tax in 2024 to be comparative to revenues received in 2023.

Budget Highlights for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2024

Governmental Activities: No significant changes are expected in the coming year. Expenditures and current programs are expected to remain constant.

Business – type Activities: Water and sewer rates are established by ordinance and are not expected to increase.

Requests for Information

This report is designed to provide an overview of the Town's finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to the Town Administrator, Town of Brantley, Post Office Box 44, Brantley, Alabama 36009.

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Assets			
Cash	\$ 1,174,979	\$ 10,758	\$ 1,185,737
Receivables	309	33,461	33,770
Fixed assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	3,668,460	3,908,055	7,576,515
Total Assets	\$ 4,843,748	\$ 3,952,274	\$ 8,796,022
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 8,844	\$ 107,463	\$ 116,307
Other liabilities	14,113	6,890	21,003
Customer deposits	-	47,309	47,309
Notes due within one year	37,835	23,000	60,835
Notes due in more than one year	421,850	1,096,000	1,517,850
Total Liabilities	\$ 482,642	\$ 1,280,662	\$ 1,763,304
Net Position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 3,208,775	\$ 2,789,055	\$ 5,997,830
Restricted			
Debt service and Improvements	349,145	-	349,145
Unrestricted	803,186	(117,443)	685,743
Total Net Position	\$ 4,361,106	\$ 2,671,612	\$ 7,032,718

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Change in Net Position		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Primary Government		Total
				Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	
Functions/Programs						
Primary Government:						
Governmental Activities:						
General government	\$ 496,921	\$ 26,220	\$ -	\$ (467,246)	\$ -	\$ (467,246)
Public safety	709,283	134,349	-	(574,934)	-	(574,934)
Highways and streets	109,089	-	-	(109,089)	-	(109,089)
Culture and recreation	34,791	-	6,452	(28,339)	-	(28,339)
Interest on long-term debt	26,939	-	-	(26,939)	-	(26,939)
Total Governmental Activities	1,377,023	160,569	6,452	(1,206,547)	-	(1,206,547)
Business-type Activities:						
Water and garbage	493,478	332,395	-	-	322,226	322,226
Sewer	52,631	85,751	-	-	328,220	328,220
Total Business-type Activities	546,109	418,146	-	-	650,446	650,446
Total Primary Government	\$ 1,923,132	\$ 578,715	\$ 6,452	\$ (1,206,547)	\$ 650,446	\$ (556,101)
General Revenues:						
Property taxes				\$ 22,767	\$ -	\$ 22,767
General sales and use tax				426,328	-	426,328
Franchise, beer, tobacco and lodging tax				206,898	-	206,898
State and local gasoline taxes				63,607	-	63,607
Fines and corrections				721,713	-	721,713
Investment earnings				3,898	-	3,898
Gain (Loss) on sale of fixed assets				-	-	-
Other revenues				171,886	-	171,886
Total General Revenues				1,617,097	-	1,617,097
Transfers:						
				(67,566)	67,566	-
Change in Net Position				342,984	718,012	1,060,996
Net Position - Beginning of Year				4,018,122	1,953,600	5,971,722
Net Position - Ending of Year				\$ 4,361,106	\$ 2,671,612	\$ 7,032,718

SEE AUDITORS' REPORT AND NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
FUND BALANCE SHEETS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	General Fund	Rescue Squad	Fire Department	State Gas Tax	Total
Assets					
Cash	\$ 824,169	\$ 132,991	\$ 100,160	\$ 117,659	\$ 1,174,979
Accounts receivable	-	-	309	-	309
Total Assets	<u>\$ 824,169</u>	<u>\$ 132,991</u>	<u>\$ 100,469</u>	<u>\$ 117,659</u>	<u>\$ 1,175,288</u>
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 6,870	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,974	\$ 8,844
Other liabilities	2,678	-	-	-	2,678
Total Liabilities	9,548	-	-	1,974	11,522
Fund Balances					
Unassigned	814,621				814,621
Assigned for Fire and Rescue	-	132,991	100,469	-	233,460
Restricted for Capital Improvements	-	-	-	115,685	115,685
Total Fund Balances	<u>814,621</u>	<u>132,991</u>	<u>100,469</u>	<u>115,685</u>	<u>1,163,766</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 824,169</u>	<u>\$ 132,991</u>	<u>\$ 100,469</u>	<u>\$ 117,659</u>	<u>\$ 1,175,288</u>

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
**RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEETS TO THE
GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Fund Types: \$ 1,163,766

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. 3,668,460

Liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. (471,120)

Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 4,361,106

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES****GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

	General Fund	Rescue Squad	Fire Department	State Gas Tax	Total
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$ 667,332	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 667,332
State gasoline taxes	-	-	-	52,268	52,268
Charges for services	26,220	134,349	-	-	160,569
Licenses and permits	24,782	-	-	-	24,782
Fines and costs	721,713	-	-	-	721,713
Interest income	3,672	226	-	-	3,898
Library state aid	6,452	-	-	-	6,452
Other revenues	64,483	-	82,621	-	147,104
Total Revenues	1,514,654	134,575	82,621	52,268	1,784,118
Expenditures:					
General government	451,771	-	-	-	451,771
Public safety	442,813	155,440	41,165	-	639,418
Highways and streets	-	-	-	23,977	23,977
Culture and recreation	24,376	-	-	-	24,376
Library	10,415	-	-	-	10,415
Capital outlay	250,923	-	-	-	250,923
Debt service	268,716	-	36,046	-	304,762
Total Expenditures	1,449,014	155,440	77,211	23,977	1,705,642
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	65,640	(20,865)	5,410	28,291	78,476
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Proceeds from debt	-	-	-	-	-
Grant revenues	3,455	-	-	-	3,455
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	-	-
Operating transfers out	(67,566)	-	-	-	(67,566)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(64,111)	-	-	-	(64,111)
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	1,529	(20,865)	5,410	28,291	14,365
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	813,092	153,856	95,059	87,394	1,149,401
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$ 814,621	\$ 132,991	\$ 100,469	\$ 115,685	\$ 1,163,766

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA**RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

Net Changes in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 14,365
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.	50,796
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In the Statement of Activities, only the gain on the sale of the fixed assets is reported, while in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increase financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the fixed assets sold.	-
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The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provide current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	277,823
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Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 342,984
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TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

ASSETS			
	<u>Water and Garbage Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Current Assets:			
Cash	\$ 10,758	\$ -	\$ 10,758
Accounts receivable	27,189	6,272	33,461
Total Current Assets	37,947	6,272	44,219
Fixed Assets:			
Water system	4,448,010	-	4,448,010
Sewer system	-	1,985,826	1,985,826
	4,448,010	1,985,826	6,433,836
Accumulated depreciation	(1,477,591)	(1,048,190)	(2,525,781)
Net Fixed Assets	2,970,419	937,636	3,908,055
Total Assets	<u>\$ 3,008,366</u>	<u>\$ 943,908</u>	<u>\$ 3,952,274</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION			
Current Liabilities (payable from current assets):			
Accounts payable	\$ 107,463	\$ -	\$ 107,463
Notes payable	23,000	-	23,000
Other liabilities	6,890	-	6,890
Total Current Liabilities (payable from current assets)	137,353	-	137,353
Long-term Liabilities:			
Notes Payable	1,096,000	-	1,096,000
Customer deposits	47,309	-	47,309
Total Long-term Liabilities	1,143,309	-	1,143,309
Total Liabilities	1,280,662	-	1,280,662
Net Position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,851,419	937,636	2,789,055
Unrestricted net position	(167,024)	49,581	(117,443)
Total Net Position	<u>1,684,395</u>	<u>987,217</u>	<u>2,671,612</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Position	<u>\$ 2,965,057</u>	<u>\$ 987,217</u>	<u>\$ 3,952,274</u>

SEE AUDITORS' REPORT AND NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Water and Garbage Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
Operating Revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 332,395	\$ 85,751	\$ 418,146
Total Operating Revenues	332,395	85,751	418,146
Operating Expenses:			
Personnel services	230,734	-	230,734
Contractual services	18,221	-	18,221
Supplies	3,613	-	3,613
Utilities	11,509	-	11,509
Depreciation	82,795	33,944	116,739
Repair and maintenance	67,178	18,687	85,865
Taxes	4,289	-	4,289
Vehicle	25,084	-	25,084
Miscellaneous	47,993	-	47,993
Total Operating Expenses	491,416	52,631	544,047
Operating Income	(159,021)	33,120	(125,901)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):			
Grant revenues	483,309	295,100	778,409
Interest expense	(2,062)	-	(2,062)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	481,247	295,100	776,347
Net Income before Contributions and Transfers	322,226	328,220	650,446
Interfund transfers	67,566	-	67,566
Changes in Net Position	389,792	328,220	718,012
Net Position - Beginning of Year	1,294,603	658,997	1,953,600
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 1,684,395	\$ 987,217	\$ 2,671,612

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TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Water and Garbage Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Receipts from customers	\$ 333,111	\$ 85,163	\$ 418,274
Payments to suppliers	(76,256)	(18,687)	(94,943)
Payments to employees for wages and benefits	(230,734)	-	(230,734)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>26,121</u>	<u>66,476</u>	<u>92,597</u>
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:			
Amounts transferred (to) from other funds	<u>110,875</u>	<u>(43,309)</u>	<u>67,566</u>
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Noncapital Financing Activities	<u>110,875</u>	<u>(43,309)</u>	<u>67,566</u>
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:			
Proceeds from grant	483,309	295,100	778,409
Proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	-
Purchase of fixed assets	(1,545,877)	(318,267)	
Proceeds from debt	1,989,750	-	
Principal payments on capital debt	(1,054,000)	-	(1,054,000)
Interest paid on capital debt	(2,062)	-	(2,062)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>(128,880)</u>	<u>(23,167)</u>	<u>(277,653)</u>
Cash Flows from Investing:			
Interest received	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Equivalents	8,116	-	8,116
Cash and Equivalents - Beginning of Year	<u>2,642</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,642</u>
Cash and Equivalents - End of Year	<u>\$ 10,758</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,758</u>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net
Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities**

Operating income (loss)	\$ (159,021)	\$ 33,120	\$ (125,901)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:			
Depreciation expense	82,795	33,944	116,739
(Increase) decrease in:			
Accounts receivable	716	(588)	128
Increase (decrease) in:			
Accounts payable	97,893	-	97,893
Customer deposits	93	-	93
Other liabilities	3,645	-	3,645
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 26,121</u>	<u>\$ 66,476</u>	<u>\$ 92,597</u>

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TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

The accompanying financial statements of the Town of Brantley (the "Town") have been prepared in conformity with United States of America generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The following summary of the Town's more significant accounting policies is presented to assist the reader in interpreting the basic financial statements and other data in this report. These policies should be viewed as an integral part of the accompanying basic financial statements.

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

In 2004, the Town implemented GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*, GASB Statement No. 37, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments Omnibus*, which provides additional guidance for the implementation of GASB Statement 34, and GASB Statement No. 38, *Certain Financial Statement Disclosures*, which changes note disclosure requirements for governmental entities.

GASB Statement No. 34 established a new financial reporting model for state and local governments that included the addition of management's discussion and analysis, entity-wide financial statements, required supplementary information, and the elimination of the effects of the use of account groups to the already required fund financial statements and notes.

The GASB determined that fund accounting has and will continue to be essential in helping governments to achieve fiscal accountability and should, therefore, be retained. The GASB also determined that entity-wide financial statements are needed to allow user's of financial reports to assess a government's operational accountability. The new GASB model integrates fund-based financial reporting and entity-wide financial reporting as complementary components of a single comprehensive financial reporting model.

(A) Financial Reporting Entity:

The Town of Brantley, Alabama, was incorporated in 1843. The Town was incorporated under the laws of the State of Alabama and operates under the Mayor - Council form of government. As required by United States of America generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the Town of Brantley (the primary government) and its component units. The component unit discussed below is included in the Town 's reporting entity because of the significance of its operational or financial relationship with the Town.

Component units - In conformity with United States of America generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of component units have been included in the financial reporting entity as blended component units.

Blended Component Unit - The Town of Brantley Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad are entities legally separate from the Town and are managed by their members who volunteer for service. For financial reporting purposes, each entity is reported as if they were part of the Town's operations due to the Town being financially accountable for the operating funds and debt of each organization.

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(B) Basis of Presentation:

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Government-wide financial statements (statement of net position and the statement of activities) display information about the primary government. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the Town. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges for services, which report fees, fines, and forfeitures, and other charges to users of the Town's services; (2) operating grants and contributions, which finance annual operating activities including restricted investment income; and (3) capital grants and contributions, which fund the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of capital assets. These revenues are subject to externally imposed restrictions to the program uses. Taxes and other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Net assets are restricted when constraints placed on them are either externally imposed or are imposed by constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Internally imposed designations of resources are not presented as restricted net assets. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is the City's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the Town's funds. Separate statements for each fund category – *governmental and proprietary* – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds. The nonmajor governmental funds consist of the Rescue Squad, Fire Department and State Gas Tax funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from non-exchange transactions or ancillary activities.

The Town reports the following major governmental fund:

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

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(B) Basis of Presentation, Continued:

The Town reports the following major proprietary funds:

Water and Garbage and Sewer Systems - These funds account for the provision of water, garbage and sewer services to the residents of the Town. All activities necessary to provide such services are accounted for in these funds including, but not limited to, administration, operations, maintenance, financing and related debt service, and billing and collection.

(C) Basis of Accounting:

In accordance with Alabama General Statutes, all funds of the Town are maintained during the year using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Government-wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements. The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Town gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General 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.

As permitted by United States of America generally accepted accounting principles, the Town has elected to apply only applicable FASB Statements and Interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989 that do not contradict GASB pronouncements in its accounting and reporting practices for its proprietary operations.

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

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA

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SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

(D) Assets, Liabilities, Net Assets or Equity, and Other Financial Statement Items:

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Town considers highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

The Town, for purposes of the statement of cash flows, considers both restricted and unrestricted cash on deposit with financial institutions in demand deposit accounts, such as checking, savings, and money market accounts, to be cash and cash equivalents. Time deposits with an original maturity of more than three months are not considered cash and cash equivalents.

Time certificates of deposit held in banks are carried at cost, which approximates market value. As of September 30, 2023, the carrying amount of the Town's deposits with financial institutions in all funds was \$1,102,031. All of the account balances are covered either by federal depository insurance or under the State of Alabama's Security of Alabama Funds Enhancement (SAFE) program administered by the Alabama state treasurer.

Investments of Alabama Municipalities are controlled by Alabama Law sections 11-81-19 and 11-81-21 and these statutes authorize the Town to invest in certain obligations. Allowable "direct" investments of excess funds that would be in compliance with current state law would be:

A. Direct obligations of the Department of the Treasury of the United States, such as Treasury Bonds, Notes, and Bills.

B. Obligations of the Farmers Home Administration, General Services Administration, U.S. Maritime Administration, Small Business Administration, Government National Mortgage Association, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or Federal Housing Administration. (Does not include Federal National Mortgage Association.)

C. U.S. Dollar denominated deposit accounts and certificates of deposit with banks or savings associations which are qualified under Chapter 14A of Title 41. (These are banks participating in the "SAFE" Program that secures deposits in excess of \$250,000)

D. Pre-refunded public obligations which are not callable, which are fully secured as to principal, interest, and redemption premium by direct obligations of the Department of the Treasury, the pre-refunding fund must be verified as sufficient by an independent certified public accountant and also be rated, based on the escrow, in the highest rating category of Standard & Poor's Corporation and Moody's. (These would be State and Local bonds that have been defeased from the issuer's prospective but are still outstanding and all necessary debt service has been provided for in an escrow fund held by a trustee.)

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
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(D) Assets, Liabilities, Net Assets or Equity, and Other Financial Statement Items, Continued:

E. Interests in a common or collective trust fund maintained by any national or state chartered bank, trust company, or savings association having trust powers, or in any open-end or closed-end management type investment company or trust registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 so as long as 65% of these common or collective funds are invested in items approved in items A-D above and not more than 35% is invested solely in obligations issued or guaranteed by Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, including participation certificates of these agencies, and also mortgage related securities of FNMA, FHLMC, Federal Land Banks, Student Loan Marketing Association, and Federal Home Loan banks, or repurchase agreements fully collateralized by obligations, securities, or investments otherwise authorized by E as long as the common or collective trust takes possession of the collateral supporting the repurchase agreement.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

Custodial credit risk that in the event of bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned to it. The Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of September 30, 2023, \$0 of the Town's bank balance of \$1,102,031 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Interfund Transactions

Interfund transactions are reflected as transfers.

Receivables

All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles of zero. The Town considers accounts receivable to be fully collectible.

Capital Assets

Capital outlays are recorded as expenditures of the General, Special Revenue, and Capital Projects Funds and as assets in the government-wide financial statements to the extent the Town's capitalization threshold is met. Proprietary capital assets are also reported in their respective fund financial statements.

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. The Town maintains infrastructure asset records with all other capital assets. Proprietary capital assets are also reported in their respective fund financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$1,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Betterments and major improvements which significantly increase values, change capacities or extend useful lives are capitalized. Upon sale or retirement of capital assets, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts and any resulting gain or loss is included in the results of operations.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

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(D) Assets, Liabilities, Net Assets or Equity, and Other Financial Statement Items, Continued:

Property, plant and equipment of the primary government, as well as the component units, is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Asset</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and Improvements	50 years
Machinery and Equipment	5 - 10 years
Streets and Infrastructure	15 - 20 years
Water and Sewer System	50 years

Compensated Absences

It is the Town's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vacation and sick pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for all vacation and a portion of sick leave amounts are reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premiums or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Non-Current Governmental Assets/Liabilities

GASB Statement No. 34 eliminates the presentation of account groups, but provides for these records to be maintained and incorporates the information into the Governmental Activities column in the government-wide statement of net position.

Net Position/Fund Equity

The government-wide and business-type activities fund financial statements utilize a net position presentation. net position are classified as invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted; and unrestricted.

Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt - This category groups all capital assets, including infrastructure, into one component of net position. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of these assets reduce the balance in this category.

Restricted net position - This category presents external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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(D) Assets, Liabilities, Net Assets or Equity, and Other Financial Statement Items, Continued:

Unrestricted net position - This category represents net position of the Town, not restricted for any project or other purpose.

In 2011 the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions became effective. This Statement defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes. The Town has adopted to follow this Statement and use the following fund balance categories below:

Nonspendable fund balance is associated with inventories, prepaids, long-term loans, and notes receivable, these are assets that are not readily available to fund current operational expenditures.

Restricted fund balance classification includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes as stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action or resolution of the Town Council (the Town's highest level of decision-making authority).

Assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are intended to be used by the government for specific purposes as determined by the Town Council but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the government's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

Capitalization of Interest Revenue and Expense - Proprietary Funds

It is the policy of the Town to capitalize, during the period of significant construction only, interest on projects of the Water and Garbage and Sewer Systems proprietary funds. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, there were no interest costs required to be capitalized.

(E) Use of Estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with United States of America generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 - Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

For the year ended September 30, 2023, appropriations over expenditures for major governmental funds were \$1,529.

Reclassifications and Eliminations

Internal balances - amounts reported in the fund financial statements as interfund receivables and payable are eliminated in the governmental and business-type activities columns of the statement of net position, except for the net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are reported as internal balances.

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
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SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 2 - Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability, Continued:

Internal activities - amounts reported as interfund transfers in the fund financial statements are eliminated in the government-wide statement of activities, except for net amount of transfers between governmental and business-type activities, which are reported as transfers - internal activities.

The effect of interfund services between funds is not eliminated in the statement of activities.

NOTE 3 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2023 was as follows:

Primary Government	Beginning			Ending
Governmental activities:	Balance	Additions	Reductions	Balance
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 341,621	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 341,621
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	341,621	-	-	341,621
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Buildings	1,173,943	60,011	-	1,233,954
Improvements other than buildings	3,514,941	187,344	-	3,702,285
Machinery and equipment	2,074,652	3,568	-	2,078,220
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	6,763,536	250,923	-	7,014,459
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Buildings	191,402	28,376	-	219,778
Improvements other than buildings	1,728,267	97,151	-	1,825,418
Machinery and equipment	1,567,824	74,600	-	1,642,424
Total Accumulated depreciation	3,487,493	200,127	-	3,687,620
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, net	3,276,043	50,796	-	3,326,839
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, net	\$ 3,617,664	\$ 50,796	\$ -	\$ 3,668,460
Business-type activities:	Beginning			Ending
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:	Balance	Additions	Reductions	Balance
Water distribution system	\$ 2,902,133	\$ 1,545,877	\$ -	\$ 4,448,010
Sewer distribution system	1,667,559	318,267	-	1,985,826
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	4,569,692	1,864,144	-	6,433,836
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Water distribution system	1,394,796	82,795	-	1,477,591
Sewer distribution system	1,014,246	33,944	-	1,048,190
Total Accumulated depreciation	2,409,042	116,739	-	2,525,781
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, net	2,160,650	1,747,405	-	3,908,055
Business-type Activities Capital Assets, net	\$ 2,160,650	\$ 1,747,405	\$ -	\$ 3,908,055

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NOTE 3 - Capital Assets, Continued:

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General government	\$ 45,150
Public safety	69,865
Highways and public improvements	85,112
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 200,127</u>
Business-Type Activities:	
Utility systems and equipment	\$ 116,739
Total Depreciation Expense - Business-Type Activities	<u>\$ 116,739</u>
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$ 316,866</u>

NOTE 4 - Interfund Transactions

Interfund transactions are reported as either loans, services provided, reimbursements, or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables, as appropriate, and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements occur when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund, and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers among governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

<u>Governmental Funds:</u>	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 67,566
Rescue Squad	-	-
Fire Department	-	-
State Gas Tax	-	-
 <u>Proprietary Funds:</u>		
Water and Garbage	67,566	-
Sewer	-	-
	<u>\$ 67,566</u>	<u>\$ 67,566</u>

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 5 - Long-Term Debt

Long-term liability activity for the year ended September 30, 2023 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Notes Payable:					
General obligation notes payable	\$ 737,241	\$ -	\$ 277,556	\$ 459,685	\$ 37,835
Total Notes Payable	737,241	-	277,556	459,685	37,835
Other liabilities:					
Compensated absences	-	-	-	-	-
Long-term Liabilities	\$ 737,241	\$ -	\$ 277,556	\$ 459,685	\$ 37,835
Business-type Activities:					
Notes Payable:					
Proprietary notes payable	\$ 183,250	\$ 940,750	\$ 1,054,000	\$ 70,000	\$ 5,000
Bonds payable	-	1,049,000	-	1,049,000	\$ 18,000
Total Notes Payable	183,250	1,989,750	1,054,000	1,119,000	23,000
Long-term Liabilities	\$ 183,250	\$ 1,989,750	\$ 1,054,000	\$ 1,119,000	\$ 23,000

The annual requirements to amortize all general long-term debt outstanding as of September 30, 2023, including interest payments of \$234,664 are as follows:

For the Year Ending September 30,	General Obligations		
	Principal	Interest	Total Payments
2024	37,835	21,021	58,856
2025	34,583	18,968	53,551
2026	36,512	17,040	53,552
2027	38,549	15,003	53,552
2028	10,083	13,659	23,742
2029-2033	57,431	61,279	118,710
2034-2038	71,142	47,568	118,710
2039-2043	88,126	30,583	118,709
2044-2048	85,424	9,543	94,967
			-
	\$ 459,685	\$ 234,664	\$ 694,349

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 5 - Long-Term Debt. Continued

Notes payable at September 30, 2023, are comprised of the following individual issues:

Governmental Activities:

United States Department of Agriculture Community Facilities Loan; secured by fire truck and grant agreement; due in annual payments of \$5,305 including interest at a rate of 4.5%	5,076
United States Department of Agriculture Loan; due in annual payments of \$23,744 including interest at a rate of 4.375 %	348,484
Brantley Bank & Trust Co; \$129,017 loan for Fire Truck; due in 60 monthly payments of \$2,484 thru September 2027 including an interest at a rate of 5.8%	106,125
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 459,685</u>

Business-type Activities

Notes payable:

Alabama Drinking Water Finance Authority, 2.75% interest, due in semi-annual installments thru 2032.	\$ 70,000
Series 2023 Water and Sewer Bonds payable, 1.75% interest, due in various 40 yearly installments thru January 2063.	1,049,000
Total Business-type Activities	<u>\$ 1,119,000</u>

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 5 - Long-Term Debt. Continued

The annual requirements to amortize all business type long-term debt outstanding as of September 30, 2023, including interest payments of \$368,059 are as follows:

For the Year Ending September 30,	Debt Obligations		Total Payments
	Principal	Interest	
2024	23,000	9,062	32,062
2025	23,000	17,360	40,360
2026	24,000	16,950	40,950
2027	24,000	16,525	40,525
2028	29,000	15,414	44,414
2029-2033	142,000	71,633	213,633
2034-2038	110,000	61,230	171,230
2039-2043	119,000	52,666	171,666
2044-2048	130,000	43,332	173,332
2049-2053	142,000	33,197	175,197
2054-2058	163,000	21,930	184,930
2059-2063	190,000	8,760	198,760
	<u>\$ 1,119,000</u>	<u>\$ 368,059</u>	<u>\$ 1,487,059</u>

NOTE 6 - Customers' Deposits - Proprietary Fund

No restricted bank account is maintained to hold customers' deposits. The deposits at September 30, 2023, which total \$47,309, are included in the operating cash and constitute a portion of the current assets shown in these statements.

NOTE 7 - Litigation

There are no claims that have been determined to have a possible unfavorable outcome that would require payment by, or result in a loss to, the Town of Brantley. Therefore, no disclosure of ongoing litigation is required.

NOTE 8 - Property Taxes

Crenshaw County is responsible for assessing, collecting, and distributing property taxes in accordance with enabling state legislation on the behalf of the cities and towns in its jurisdiction. The following dates are applicable to property taxes:

Lien date	Oct. 1
Levy date	Oct. 1
Due date	Dec. 31
Collection date	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31

All property taxes are recognized in compliance with National Council on Governmental Accounting Interpretation No. 3, which states that such revenue should be recorded when it becomes measurable and available. Available means due, past due, and receivable within the current period and collected no longer than 60 days after the close of the current period.

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 9 - Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town has obtained commercial insurance coverage to effectively manage risk.

NOTE 10 - Cash and Equivalents, Cash Flow Statement

For purposes of reporting cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits, short-term investments and cash and investments with fiscal agents. Cash equivalents are defined as short-term, highly liquid investments that are both readily convertible to known amounts of cash and so near their maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of changes in interest rates. Generally, only investments with original maturities of three months or less meet this definition.

NOTE 11 - Subsequent Events

The Town has evaluated events subsequent to the balance sheet date through the date of the auditors' report, which is the date through which the report was available to be issued.

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
BUDGET TO ACTUAL COMPARISON STATEMENT
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	2023			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 484,410	\$ 484,410	\$ 667,332	\$ 182,922
Licenses and permits	27,775	27,775	24,782	(2,993)
Charges for services	600	600	26,220	25,620
Library state aid	5,700	5,700	6,452	752
Fines and forfeits	300,000	300,000	721,713	421,713
Interest	200	200	3,672	3,472
Other	11,800	11,800	64,483	52,683
Total Revenues	<u>830,485</u>	<u>830,485</u>	<u>1,514,654</u>	<u>684,169</u>
Expenditures:				
General government	347,721	347,721	451,771	(104,050)
Public safety	408,364	408,364	442,813	(34,449)
Highways and streets	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	23,700	23,700	24,376	(676)
Library expenditures	10,700	10,700	10,415	285
Capital outlay	-	-	250,923	(250,923)
Debt service	40,000	40,000	268,716	(228,716)
Total Expenditures	<u>830,485</u>	<u>830,485</u>	<u>1,449,014</u>	<u>(618,529)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	-	-	65,640	65,640
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Debt proceeds	-	-	-	-
Grant revenue	-	-	3,455	3,455
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	-
Operating transfers out	-	-	(67,566)	(67,566)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(64,111)</u>	<u>(64,111)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	-	-	1,529	1,529
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>813,092</u>	<u>813,092</u>	<u>813,092</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 813,092</u>	<u>\$ 813,092</u>	<u>\$ 814,621</u>	<u>\$ 1,529</u>

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The procedures established by the Town Council in adopting the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements are as follows:

1. Prior to September 1, the Mayor submits to the Council a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following October 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
3. Prior to October 1, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution.

The Mayor is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund and approve reductions of budgeted amounts. All other unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end. Encumbered amounts are re-appropriated in the ensuing fiscal year budget.

Budgets are adopted for the General Fund and are prepared on a basis consistent with United States of America generally accepted accounting principles. Budget amounts are as originally adopted. The Rescue Squad and Fire Department do not have a legally adopted budget; therefore, that information is not presented.

Basis of Accounting

The Town's budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis for all budgeted funds, including the major fund, General, as presented in the Budget to Actual Comparison Statement - General Fund of the Required Supplemental Information.



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council
Town of Brantley, Alabama

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Brantley, Alabama, as of, and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Brantley, Alabama's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 23, 2024.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the next paragraph that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

The Town has historically relied on the Town Clerk to perform all accounting tasks. Thus, the accuracy of the accounting records have traditionally depended on the abilities and integrity of the Town Clerk. To reduce the risks of error or irregularities, many duties would have to be segregated. The limited budget of the Town of Brantley makes it difficult to justify the additional cost required to hire additional employees and without them it makes the Town unable to properly segregate duties. The Mayor and Council involve themselves in reviewing all accounting activity on a regular basis to mitigate this risk.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

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 entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gibson Carter LLC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

April 23, 2024
Troy, Alabama



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council
Town of Brantley, Alabama

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Town of Brantley, Alabama's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of Brantley, Alabama's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2023. The Town of Brantley, Alabama's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Town of Brantley, Alabama's complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Town of Brantley, Alabama and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Town of Brantley, Alabama's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to Town's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Town of Brantley, Alabama's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Town of Brantley, Alabama's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- * Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- * Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Town of Brantley, Alabama's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- * Obtain an understanding of Town of Brantley, Alabama's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Town's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Controls over Compliance

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

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

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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



April 23, 2024
Troy, Alabama

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

EXHIBIT 11

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Agency Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Grantor's Number	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Agriculture			
Community Facilities Loans and Grants Cluster:	10.760	Loan	\$ 1,049,000
Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities	10.760	Grant	377,721
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		Program Total	<u>\$ 1,426,721</u>
U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development			
Alabama Department of Commerce			
Community Development Block Grant/State Program	14.228	SM-CM-PF-20-034	\$ 307,550
Total			<u>\$ 307,550</u>
U.S. Department of Justice			
Drug Enforcement Agency/ Alabama Law Enforcement Agency			
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program	95.001		\$ 3,455
Total U.S. Department of Justice			<u>\$ 3,455</u>
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency			
American Rescue Plan Act			
Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	66.468	FS010158-02	\$ 24,200
Total			<u>\$ 24,200</u>
Grand Total - All Federal Programs			<u>\$ 1,761,926</u>

See Auditors' Report

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

1 - Basis of Presentation:

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal award activity of the Town of Brantley, Alabama, under programs of the federal government for the year ended September 30, 2023 in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only selected portion of the operations of the Town of Brantley, Alabama, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the Town of Brantley, Alabama.

2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowed or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts, if any, shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

3 - Indirect Cost Rate:

The Town has not elected to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate.

4 - Federally-Funded Loans:

As of September 30, 2023 the Town had an outstanding balance of \$1,049,000 from the USDA Loan Program CFDA #10.760 - Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities. This loan was fully expended and will not be subject to continuing compliance requirements.

TOWN OF BRANTLEY, ALABAMA
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

EXHIBIT 12

Section 1. Summary of Auditors' Results

- 1 - The independent auditors' report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of Town of Brantley.
- 2 - A material weakness relating to the audit of the financial statements is reported in the Independent Auditors' 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*. Material weakness 2023-1 was also noted during the audit for the year ended September 30, 2023.
- 3 - No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Town of Brantley, which would be required to be reported in accordance with Government Auditing Standards, were disclosed during the audit.
- 4 - No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the major federal award programs are reported in the Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and Report on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by Uniform Guidance.
- 5 - The auditors' report on compliance for major federal award programs for Town of Brantley expresses an unmodified opinion on the major federal programs.
- 6 - No audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a) were
- 7 - The Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities Cluster was tested as a major program.
- 8 - The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs for major federal programs was \$750,000.
- 9 - Town of Brantley was not determined to be a low-risk auditee.

Section 2. Financial Statement Findings

2023-1 Separation of Duties

Condition: There is a lack of segregation of duties between employees who have record-keeping responsibility and employees in custody of Authority assets.

Recommendation: The size of the Organization's administrative staff makes it difficult to achieve ideal separation of duties. We recommend that management be mindful of this condition and design and implement policies and procedures, where possible, to reduce the risks associated with such limitation.

Management Response: The Organization is aware of this condition and plans to continue to separate record-keeping duties from custody of assets as much as possible with a small administrative staff.

Section 3. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No matters were reported.
