

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**  
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners  
Harris County Emergency  
Services District No. 29  
Harris County, Texas

### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29 (the "District") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District'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 and major fund of the District as of December 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinions**

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

### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

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

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





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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted 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, we:

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

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

### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund, the Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, the Schedule of District Contributions-Pensions, the Schedule of Changes in Net Other Postemployment Liability and Related Ratios and the Schedule of District's Contributions-Other Postemployment Benefits, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with 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.



**Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The supplementary information required by Harris County and the other supplementary information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The supplementary information, excluding that portion marked "Unaudited" on which we express no opinion or provide any assurance, 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 information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Houston, Texas

August 10, 2023



**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Management’s discussion and analysis of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29’s (the “District”) financial performance provides an overview of the District’s financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022. Please read it in conjunction with the District’s financial statements.

**USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The basic financial statements include: (1) fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements and (2) notes to the financial statements. The fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements combine both: (1) the Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and (2) the Statement of Activities and Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance. This report also includes required and other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The District’s annual report includes two financial statements combining the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the District’s overall status. Financial reporting at this level uses a perspective like that found in the private sector with its basis in full accrual accounting and elimination or reclassification of internal activities.

The Statement of Net Position includes all the District’s assets, liabilities and, if applicable, deferred inflows and outflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District as a whole is improving or deteriorating. Evaluation of the overall health of the District would extend to other non-financial factors.

The Statement of Activities reports how the District’s net position changed during the current fiscal year. All current year revenues and expenses are included regardless of when cash is received or paid.

**FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The combined statements also include fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District has one governmental fund type. The General Fund accounts for resources not accounted for in another fund, property tax revenues, sales tax receipts, costs of assessing and collecting taxes and general expenditures.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

Governmental funds are reported in each of the financial statements. The focus in the fund financial statements provides a distinctive view of the District’s governmental funds. These statements report short-term fiscal accountability focusing on the use of spendable resources and balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. They are useful in evaluating annual financing requirements of the District and the commitment of spendable resources for the near-term.

Since the government-wide focus includes the long-term view, comparisons between these two perspectives may provide insight into the long-term impact of short-term financing decisions. The adjustments columns, the Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position, and the Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance to the Statement of Activities explain the differences between the two presentations and assist in understanding the differences between these two perspectives.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The accompanying notes to the financial statements provide information essential to a full understanding of the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**OTHER INFORMATION**

In addition to the financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information (“RSI”). The budgetary comparison schedule is included as RSI for the General Fund. In addition, the Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, the Schedule of District Contributions-Pensions, the Schedule of Changes in Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and Related Ratios, and the Schedule of District Contributions-Net Other Postemployment Benefits are included in RSI.

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District’s financial position. In the case of the District, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$11,088,297 as of December 31, 2022.

A portion of the District’s net position reflects its net investment in capital assets (land, buildings, emergency vehicles, trucks, furniture and equipment less any debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding). The District uses these assets to provide firefighting and fire prevention services within the District.

The following is a comparative analysis of government-wide changes in net position:

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (Continued)**

	Summary of Changes in the Statement of Net Position		
	2022	2021	Change Positive (Negative)
Current and Other Assets	\$ 12,079,166	\$ 9,071,795	\$ 3,007,371
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	<u>6,040,881</u>	<u>6,445,363</u>	<u>(404,482)</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 18,120,047</u>	<u>\$ 15,517,158</u>	<u>\$ 2,602,889</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 581,238</u>	<u>\$ 978,705</u>	<u>\$ (397,467)</u>
Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 2,904,674	\$ 3,140,263	\$ 235,589
Other Liabilities	<u>742,294</u>	<u>946,891</u>	<u>204,597</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 3,646,968</u>	<u>\$ 4,087,154</u>	<u>\$ 440,186</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 3,966,020</u>	<u>\$ 3,400,290</u>	<u>\$ (565,730)</u>
Net Position:			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 2,900,618	\$ 3,078,079	\$ (177,461)
Unrestricted	<u>8,187,679</u>	<u>5,930,340</u>	<u>2,257,339</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 11,088,297</u>	<u>\$ 9,008,419</u>	<u>\$ 2,079,878</u>

The following table provides a summary of the District's operations for the years ended December 31, 2022, and December 31, 2021.

	Summary of Changes in the Statement of Activities		
	2022	2021	Change Positive (Negative)
Revenues:			
Property Taxes	\$ 3,338,603	\$ 3,243,394	\$ 95,209
Sales Tax Receipts	4,056,346	3,443,889	612,457
Other Revenues	<u>78,645</u>	<u>55,878</u>	<u>22,767</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 7,473,594</u>	<u>\$ 6,743,161</u>	<u>\$ 730,433</u>
Expenses for Services	<u>5,393,716</u>	<u>4,870,757</u>	<u>522,959</u>
Change in Net Position	\$ 2,079,878	\$ 1,872,404	\$ 207,474
Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>9,008,419</u>	<u>7,136,015</u>	<u>1,872,404</u>
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 11,088,297</u>	<u>\$ 9,008,419</u>	<u>\$ 2,079,878</u>

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

The District's fund balance as of December 31, 2022, was \$7,364,163, an increase of \$2,187,872 from the prior year. This increase was primarily due to property and sales tax revenues exceeding operating costs.

**GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

The Board of Commissioners did not amend the budget during the current year. Actual revenues were \$1,056,998 more than budgeted revenues primarily due to higher than expected property taxes and sales tax receipts. Actual expenditures were \$253,977 less than budgeted expenditures primarily due to operations being less than budgeted.

**CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets as of December 31, 2022, total \$6,040,881 (net of accumulated depreciation) and include land, buildings, emergency vehicles, trucks, furniture and equipment. Capital asset events in the current year included construction and other costs related to Station No. 11 improvements and CenterPoint Tower.

Capital Assets At Year-End, Net of Accumulated Depreciation			
	2022	2021	Change Positive (Negative)
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:			
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 1,299,906	\$ 1,299,906	\$
Construction in Progress		524,464	(524,464)
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation:			
Buildings and Improvements	3,505,581	3,162,875	342,706
Vehicles and Trucks	1,054,650	1,321,281	(266,631)
Furniture and Equipment	180,744	136,837	43,907
Total Net Capital Assets	\$ 6,040,881	\$ 6,445,363	\$ (404,482)

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in Note 5 of this report.



**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**LONG-TERM DEBT ACTIVITY**

At the end of the current fiscal year, the District had long-term total debt payable of \$3,140,263. The changes in the debt position of the District during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, are summarized as follows:

Notes Payable, January 1, 2022	\$ 3,367,284
Less: Principal Paid	<u>227,021</u>
Notes Payable, December 31, 2022	<u><u>\$ 3,140,263</u></u>

**CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29, 12730 Champion Forest Drive, Houston, Texas 77066.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	General Fund	Adjustments	Statement of Net Position
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash in Banks-Unrestricted	\$ 7,979,307	\$	\$ 7,979,307
Petty Cash	53		53
Cash with Harris County	115,011		115,011
Receivables:			
Property Taxes	2,335,443		2,335,443
Sales Tax Receipts	780,679		780,679
Penalty and Interest on Delinquent Taxes		75,850	75,850
Advance for Texas Emergency Communications			
Center Operations	400,000		400,000
Net Pension Asset		392,823	392,823
Land		1,299,906	1,299,906
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)		4,740,975	4,740,975
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 11,610,493</u>	<u>\$ 6,509,554</u>	<u>\$ 18,120,047</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Deferred Outflows-Other Postemployment Benefits	\$	\$ 11,557	\$ 11,557
Deferred Outflows-Pension Plan		569,681	569,681
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 581,238</u>	<u>\$ 581,238</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<u>\$ 11,610,493</u>	<u>\$ 7,090,792</u>	<u>\$ 18,701,285</u>

The accompanying notes to the financial  
statements are an integral part of this report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	General Fund	Adjustments	Statement of Net Position
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 345,254	\$	\$ 345,254
Accrued Interest Payable		117,806	117,806
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Net Other Postemployment Benefit Liability		43,645	43,645
Notes Payable:			
Due Within One Year		235,589	235,589
Due After One Year		2,904,674	2,904,674
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$ 345,254	\$ 3,301,714	\$ 3,646,968
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Property Taxes	\$ 3,901,076	\$ (134,784)	\$ 3,766,292
Deferred Inflows-Other Postemployment Benefit		2,470	2,470
Deferred Inflows-Pension Plan		197,258	197,258
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	\$ 3,901,076	\$ 64,944	\$ 3,966,020
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>			
Nonspendable:			
Advance TECC Operations	\$ 400,000	\$ (400,000)	\$
Unassigned	6,964,163	(6,964,163)	
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	\$ 7,364,163	\$ (7,364,163)	\$ - 0 -
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE</b>	\$ 11,610,493		
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets		\$ 2,900,618	\$ 2,900,618
Unrestricted		8,187,679	8,187,679
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>		\$ 11,088,297	\$ 11,088,297

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds \$ 7,364,163

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

Land, construction in progress and capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds. 6,040,881

Portions of the change in net pension asset/liability that are not immediately recognized as pension expense are recorded as deferred outflows and inflows of resources. 392,823

Portions of the change in net pension liability that are not immediately recognized as pension expense are recorded as deferred outflows and inflows of resources. 381,510

Deferred inflows of resources related to property tax revenues and penalty and interest receivable on delinquent taxes for the 2021 and prior tax levies became part of recognized revenues in the governmental activities of the District. 210,634

Certain liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. These liabilities at year-end consist of:

Accrued Interest Payable	\$ (117,806)	
Net Other Postemployment Benefit Liability	(43,645)	
Notes Payable Within One Year	(235,589)	
Notes Payable After One Year	<u>(2,904,674)</u>	<u>(3,301,714)</u>

Total Net Position - Governmental Activities \$ 11,088,297

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF**  
**REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Statement of Activities</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property Taxes	\$ 3,317,967	\$ 20,636	\$ 3,338,603
Sales Tax Receipts	4,056,346		4,056,346
Penalty and Interest	30,615	12,460	43,075
Investment Revenues	12,437		12,437
Miscellaneous Revenues	23,133		23,133
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>\$ 7,440,498</u>	<u>\$ 33,096</u>	<u>\$ 7,473,594</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES</b>			
Service Operations:			
District Fire Operations	\$ 4,497,841	\$ (121,101)	\$ 4,376,740
Administrative, Accounting and Auditing	48,081		48,081
Appraisal District Fees	25,839		25,839
Legal - General	99,785		99,785
Legal - Delinquent Tax Collections	8,353		8,353
Other Consulting Fees	70,800		70,800
Sales Tax Consultant	6,298		6,298
Tax Assessor/Collector Fees	14,895		14,895
Depreciation		486,748	486,748
Other	35,190		35,190
Capital Outlay	91,442	(82,266)	9,176
Debt Service:			
Note Principal	227,021	(227,021)	
Note Interest	127,081	84,730	211,811
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES</b>	<u>\$ 5,252,626</u>	<u>\$ 141,090</u>	<u>\$ 5,393,716</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	\$ 2,187,872	\$ (2,187,872)	\$
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>		2,079,878	2,079,878
<b>FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2022</b>	<u>5,176,291</u>	<u>3,832,128</u>	<u>9,008,419</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION - DECEMBER 31, 2022</b>	<u>\$ 7,364,163</u>	<u>\$ 3,724,134</u>	<u>\$ 11,088,297</u>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF  
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds \$ 2,187,872

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

Governmental funds report tax revenues when collected. However, in the government-wide financial statements, revenues are recorded in the accounting period for which the taxes are levied. 20,636

Governmental funds report penalty and interest on delinquent property taxes when collected. However, in the government-wide financial statements, revenues are recorded when the penalty and interest are assessed. 12,460

The changes in the net pension liability, net other postemployment benefit liability as well as deferred inflows and outflows of resources are recorded in the government-wide financial statements. 121,101

Governmental funds do not account for depreciation. However, in the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are depreciated and depreciation expense is recorded in the Statement of Activities. (486,748)

Governmental funds report capital costs as expenditures in the period purchased. However, in the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are increased by new purchases that meet the District's threshold for capitalization, and are owned and maintained by the District. All other capital assets purchases are expensed in the Statement of Activities. 82,266

Governmental funds report principal payments on long-term debt as expenditures. However, in the government-wide financial statements, principal payments decrease long-term liabilities and the Statement of Activities is not affected. 227,021

Governmental funds report interest payments on long-term debt as expenditures in the year paid. However, in the government-wide financial statements, interest is accrued on the long-term debt through fiscal year-end. (84,730)

Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities \$ 2,079,878

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**NOTE 1. CREATION OF DISTRICT**

Harris County Rural Fire Prevention District No. 29, located in Harris County, Texas was created as a political subdivision of the State of Texas under the provision of Section 48-d of Article III of the State Constitution in accordance with Title 44, Article 2351a-6 of The Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas. The District was created by order of the Harris County Court of Commissioners and held its first meeting on October 1, 1984. Effective September 1, 2003, Texas Legislature Senate Bill 1021 converted all rural fire prevention districts to emergency services districts and mandated a name change to Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29 (the “District”). The District is responsible for the protection of life and property from fire and for the conservation of natural resources within its boundaries.

Chapter 775 of the Health and Safety Code provides that an emergency services district may provide all or any one of the emergency services included in the code, including fire prevention and firefighting, but is not required to perform all emergency services.

The District is governed by a Board of Commissioners consisting of five individuals residing within the District who are elected by voters within the District. The Board of Commissioners sets the policies of the District.

**NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”).

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas governed by an elected board. The GASB has established the criteria for determining whether an entity is a primary government or a component unit of a primary government. The primary criteria are that it has a separately elected governing body, it is legally separate, and it is fiscally independent of other state and local governments. Under these criteria, the District is considered a primary government and is not a component unit of any other government. Additionally, no other entities meet the criteria for inclusion in the District’s financial statement as component units.

Financial Statement Presentation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards Part II, Financial Reporting (“GASB Codification”).

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**NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

The GASB Codification sets forth standards for external financial reporting for all state and local government entities, which include a requirement for a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. It requires the classification of net position into three components: Net Investment in Capital Assets; Restricted; and Unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

- \* Net Investment in Capital Assets – This component of net position consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.
- \* Restricted Net Position – This component of net position consists of external constraints placed on the use of assets imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulation of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- \* Unrestricted Net Position – This component of net position consists of assets that do not meet the definition of Restricted or Net Investment in Capital Assets.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the District as a whole. The District's Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities are combined with the governmental fund financial statements. The District is viewed as a special-purpose government and has the option of combining these financial statements.

The Statement of Net Position is reported by adjusting the governmental fund types to report on the full accrual basis, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. Any amounts recorded due to and due from other funds are eliminated in the Statement of Net Position.

The Statement of Activities is reported by adjusting the governmental fund types to report only items related to current year revenues and expenditures. Items such as capital outlay are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. Internal activities between governmental funds, if any, are eliminated by adjustment to obtain net total revenues and expenses in the government-wide Statement of Activities.



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Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements

As discussed above, the District's fund financial statements are combined with the government-wide financial statements. The fund financial statements include a Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and a Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance.

Governmental Funds

The District has one governmental fund; therefore, this fund is a major fund.

General Fund - To account for resources not required to be accounted for in another fund, property tax revenues, costs of assessing and collecting taxes and general expenditures.

Basis of Accounting

The District uses the modified accrual basis of accounting for governmental fund types. The modified accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues when both "measurable and available." Measurable means the amount can be determined. Available means collectable within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. The District considers revenues reported in governmental funds to be available if they are collectable within 60 days after year-end. Also, under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, which are recognized as expenditures when payment is due.

Property taxes considered available by the District and included in revenue include the 2021 tax levy collections during the period October 1, 2021, to December 31, 2022, and taxes collected from January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022, for all prior tax levies. The 2022 tax levy has been fully deferred to fund 2023 costs.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, buildings and equipment, are reported in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated assets are valued at their fair market value on the date donated. Repairs and maintenance are recorded as an expenditure in the governmental fund incurred and as an expense in the government-wide Statement of Activities. Capital asset additions, improvements and preservation costs that extend the life of an asset are capitalized and depreciated over the estimated useful life of the asset after completion.

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Capital Assets (Continued)

Capital assets are capitalized if they have an individual cost of \$5,000 or more (including installation costs and professional fees) and an estimated useful life of two years or more. Bunker/turnout gear, hoses, connections and fittings are expensed in the year purchased. Depreciation on trucks and vehicles is calculated using 20 percent to 30 percent salvage value and the declining balance method of depreciation. Depreciation on all other depreciable capital assets is calculated using no salvage value and the straight-line method of depreciation. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

	Years
Buildings and Improvements	30
Furniture and Equipment	2-15
Vehicles	7-15

Budgeting

An annual unappropriated budget is adopted for the General Fund by the District’s Board of Directors. The budget is prepared using the same method of accounting as for financial reporting. The original General Fund budget for the current year was not amended. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund presents the original and revised budget amounts, if revised, compared to the actual amounts of revenues and expenditures for the current year.

Pensions and Other Postemployment Benefits

The District makes payments into the social security system for its employees. See Notes 10 and 13 for the District’s pension plans and Note 11 for the District’s postemployment benefits plan. The Internal Revenue Service has determined that fees of office received by Commissioners are wages subject to federal income tax withholding for payroll tax purposes only.

Measurement Focus

Measurement focus is a term used to describe which transactions are recognized within the various financial statements. In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, the governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows. All assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows of resources associated with the activities are reported. Fund equity is classified as net position.

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**NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

Measurement Focus (Continued)

Governmental fund types are accounted for on a spending or financial flow measurement focus. Accordingly, only current assets and current liabilities are included on the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet, and the reported fund balances provide an indication of available spendable or appropriable resources. Operating statements of governmental fund types report increases and decreases in available spendable resources. Fund balances in governmental funds are classified using the following hierarchy:

*Nonspendable*: amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted*: amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation, or because of constraints that are imposed externally. The District does not have any restricted fund balances.

*Committed*: amounts that can be spent only for purposes determined by a formal action of the Board of Commissioners. The Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the District. This action must be made no later than the end of the fiscal year. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through ordinances or resolutions approved by the Board. The District does not have any committed fund balances.

*Assigned*: amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed, but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. The District has not adopted a formal policy regarding the assignment of fund balances and does not have any assigned fund balances.

*Unassigned*: all other spendable amounts in the General Fund.

When expenditures are incurred for which restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of restricted funds, then committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds.

Accounting Estimates

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

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**NOTE 3. TAX LEVY**

On May 10, 2008, voters of the District approved to increase the maximum tax rate from \$0.05 to \$0.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation on all taxable property within the District. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the District levied an ad valorem tax at the rate of \$0.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation, which resulted in a tax levy of \$3,766,292 on the adjusted taxable valuation of \$3,790,582,008 for the 2022 tax year.

All property values and exempt status, if any, are determined by the appraisal district. Assessed values are determined as of January 1 of each year, at which time a tax lien attaches to the related property. Taxes are levied around October/November, are due upon receipt and are delinquent the following February 1. Penalty and interest attach thereafter.

**NOTE 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of Texas statutes.

Texas statutes require that any cash balance in any fund shall, to the extent not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor, be continuously secured by a valid pledge to the District of securities eligible under the laws of Texas to secure the funds of the District, having an aggregate market value, including accrued interest, at all times equal to the uninsured cash balance in the fund to which such securities are pledged. At fiscal year-end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$7,849,781 and the bank balance was \$7,648,227. Of the bank balance, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance, the balance was covered by collateral pledged in the name of the District and held in a third-party depository.

The carrying values of the deposits are included in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and the Statement of Net Position at December 31, 2022, as listed below:

	Cash
GENERAL FUND	\$ 7,849,781

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**NOTE 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

Investments

Under Texas law, the District is required to invest its funds under written investment policies that primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity and that address investment diversification, yield, maturity, and the quality and capability of investment management, and all District funds must be invested in accordance with the following investment objectives: understanding the suitability of the investment to the District’s financial requirements, first; preservation and safety of principal, second; liquidity, third; marketability of the investments if the need arises to liquidate the investment before maturity, fourth; diversification of the investment portfolio, fifth; and yield, sixth. The District’s investments must be made “with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of the person’s own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived.” No person may invest District funds without express written authority from the Board of Commissioners.

Texas statutes include specifications for and limitations applicable to the District and its authority to purchase investments as defined in the Public Funds Investment Act. The District has adopted a written investment policy to establish the guidelines by which it may invest. This policy is reviewed annually. The District’s investment policy may be more restrictive than the Public Funds Investment Act.

The District invests in TexPool, an external investment pool that is not SEC-registered. The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts has oversight of the pool. Federated Investors, Inc. manages the daily operations of the pool under a contract with the Comptroller. TexPool measures all its portfolio assets at amortized cost. As a result, the District also measures its investments in TexPool at amortized cost for financial reporting purposes. There are no limitations or restrictions on withdrawals from TexPool.

As of December 31, 2022, the District had the following investments and maturities:

Fund and Investment Type	Fair Value	Maturities of Less Than 1 Year
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		
TexPool	<u>\$ 129,526</u>	<u>\$ 129,526</u>

Credit risk is the risk that the issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The District’s investment in TexPool was rated AAAM by Standard and Poor’s.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The District considers the investment in TexPool to have a maturity of less than one year due to the fact the share position can usually be redeemed each day at the discretion of the District, unless there has been a significant change in value.

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**NOTE 5. CAPITAL ASSETS**

	January 1, 2022	Increases	Decreases	December 31, 2022
<b>Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated</b>				
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 1,299,906	\$	\$	\$ 1,299,906
Construction in Progress	<u>524,464</u>	<u>82,266</u>	<u>606,730</u>	<u></u>
<b>Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated</b>	<u>\$ 1,824,370</u>	<u>\$ 82,266</u>	<u>\$ 606,730</u>	<u>\$ 1,299,906</u>
<b>Capital Assets Subject to Depreciation</b>				
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 9,672,641	\$ 542,204	\$	\$ 10,214,845
Vehicles and Trucks	4,005,018			4,005,018
Furniture and Equipment	<u>379,840</u>	<u>64,526</u>	<u></u>	<u>444,366</u>
<b>Total Capital Assets Subject to Depreciation</b>	<u>\$ 14,057,499</u>	<u>\$ 606,730</u>	<u>\$ - 0 -</u>	<u>\$ 14,664,229</u>
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation</b>				
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 6,509,766	\$ 199,498	\$	\$ 6,709,264
Vehicles and Trucks	2,683,737	266,631		2,950,368
Furniture and Equipment	<u>243,003</u>	<u>20,619</u>	<u></u>	<u>263,622</u>
<b>Total Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<u>\$ 9,436,506</u>	<u>\$ 486,748</u>	<u>\$ - 0 -</u>	<u>\$ 9,923,254</u>
<b>Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<u>\$ 4,620,993</u>	<u>\$ 119,982</u>	<u>\$ - 0 -</u>	<u>\$ 4,740,975</u>
<b>Total Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<u>\$ 6,445,363</u>	<u>\$ 202,248</u>	<u>\$ 606,730</u>	<u>\$ 6,040,881</u>

**NOTE 6. NOTES PAYABLE**

On September 27, 2018, the District entered into a loan agreement with Capital One Public Funding, LLC, in the amount of \$4,000,000 for the construction of the station on Cutten Road. Payments are due and payable in annual installments of \$354,102 beginning September 27, 2019 and continuing through to and including September 27, 2033. The interest rate is 3.774%.

The following is a summary of transactions regarding notes payable for the year ended December 31, 2022:

Notes Payable, January 1, 2022	\$ 3,367,284
Less: Principal Paid	<u>227,021</u>
Notes Payable, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 3,140,263</u>
Notes Payable:	
Due Within One Year	\$ 235,589
Due After One Year	<u>2,904,674</u>
Notes Payable, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 3,140,263</u>

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**NOTE 6. NOTES PAYABLE (Continued)**

As of December 31, 2022, the debt service requirements on the note are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023	\$ 235,589	\$ 118,514	\$ 354,103
2024	244,480	109,622	354,102
2025	253,707	100,396	354,103
2026	263,281	90,821	354,102
2027	273,218	80,885	354,103
2028-2032	1,528,764	241,747	1,770,511
2033	341,224	12,878	354,102
	<u>\$ 3,140,263</u>	<u>\$ 754,863</u>	<u>\$ 3,895,126</u>

**NOTE 7. CONTRACTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES**

On December 19, 2007, the District entered into a Construction, Financing, and Cost Sharing Agreement with Harris County Emergency Services District No. 11 (“ESD No. 11”) for ESD No. 11 to obtain a fractional ownership interest (16.8%) of the facility located at 12730 Champion Forest Drive. ESD No. 11 will house emergency service equipment and personnel in the station. ESD No. 11 agrees to reimburse the District for 16.8% of the construction costs and interest on the construction loan. The District shall hold legal title to the facilities and the site, subject to the ESD No. 11’s 16.8% interest. ESD No. 11 will reimburse the District for monthly operating and maintenance fees for an amount equal to 16.8% of the total monthly operating costs incurred. Unless terminated by mutual agreement of the parties, this agreement shall continue in force and effect for 40 years from the date executed. During a prior year, ESD No. 11 paid the balance due in full.

Radio Channel Communications Dispatch System

Effective February 1, 2016, the District entered into an Interlocal Agreement for a Combined Radio Channel Communications Dispatch System. Harris County Emergency Services District Nos. 7, 13, 16, 17 and 28 (the “ESD Members”), Ponderosa Volunteer Fire Association, Spring Volunteer Fire Department, Cypress Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Klein Volunteer Fire Department, and Little York Volunteer Fire Department (the “VFD Members”), are parties to the agreement, collectively referred to as Radio Communications Consortium Members. The agreement sets out the understanding regarding the purchase, acquisition and maintenance of the radio channel communications dispatch system for the use and benefit of the Members and the related cost-sharing. The term of the agreement is through December 31, 2019 and will automatically renew every year for one-year terms unless agreed upon otherwise by the Members. The agreement may be terminated by a two-thirds vote by the Members. Any party to this agreement may exit and terminate its obligation under this agreement and remove itself from any further obligations by giving 90 days written notice to the other Members prior to the renewal date.

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**NOTE 7. CONTRACTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES (Continued)**

Radio Channel Communications Dispatch System (Continued)

The combined fire department dispatch channels will be used to dispatch fire, first responder and emergency medical services to the Members. Initially three sites will maintain the three analog channels. The channels will be monitored for integrity in accordance with Insurance Services Organization (“ISO”) requirements. Each host department will: allow any and all of their facilities to be used for the term of this agreement; promptly pay for any and all utility costs related to operation of the channels and will not seek reimbursements from other Members for these costs; maintain insurance coverage sufficient to replace, at full replacement value, any and all equipment owned or maintained by the host department, name other parties to this agreement as additional insured on such policies; and maintain adequate backup power to the equipment.

The Members agree the initial equipment and installation costs will be shared equally between the six ESD Members and their respective Department’s. The estimated cost is \$271,456.38, each ESD or corresponding department will pay to Northwest Communications, Inc. (“NWC”) one-sixth of the total cost of the equipment, \$45,242.73. There will be initial as well as reoccurring costs paid as follows: 1) Spring VFD will invoice the six ESD Members their pro-rata share of the rental cost for the Plum Creek Tower, \$9,816 per year; 2) NWC will invoice the six ESD Members their pro-rata share of the rental cost for the NWC Tower and the Greenspoint No. 4 site, \$8,400 each site per year. Maintenance, repair, replacement and upgrade costs, recurring costs, and Cypress Creek VFD administrator and project manager costs for the system operations will be shared equally between the six ESD Members or their corresponding department. Initially, it is not anticipated that there would be any cost to the Members for the administrative work.

During a prior year, the District paid \$41,897 to NWC for the District’s share of the equipment and installation. Current year operations costs were \$10,829.

**NOTE 8. RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; and errors and omissions; for which the District carries commercial insurance. The District participates in the Texas Political Subdivisions Joint Self-Insurance Fund (“TPS”) to provide workers compensation insurance coverage. The District, along with other participating entities, contribute annual amounts determined by TPS’ management. As claims arise, they are submitted and paid by TPS. The District has not significantly reduced insurance coverage or had settlements which exceeded coverage amounts in the past three years.



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**NOTE 9. SALES AND USE TAX ELECTION**

In accordance with Chapter 775 of the Health and Safety Code, the District is authorized to adopt and impose a sale and use tax if authorized by a majority of the qualified voters of the District. The election to adopt sales and use tax is governed by the provision of Subchapter E, Chapter 323 of the Tax Code.

On May 11, 2013, the voters of the District approved the establishment and adoption of a sales and use tax of up to a maximum of one percent. On May 22, 2013, the Board set a local sales and use tax of one percent on all applicable sales and uses within the boundaries of the District, excluding any territory in the District where sales and use tax is currently two percent (2.0%) effective October 1, 2013. During the current year, the District recorded \$4,056,346 in sales tax receipts, of which \$780,679 was due from the State Comptroller at December 31, 2022.

**NOTE 10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN**

Plan Description

The District provides retirement, disability, and death benefits for all full-time and part-time non temporary employees through a non-traditional defined benefit pension plan in the statewide Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS). The Board of Trustees of TCDRS is responsible for the administration of the statewide, agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system consisting of nearly 850 non-traditional defined benefit pension plans. TCDRS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) which includes financial statements, notes and required supplementary information which can be obtained at TCDRS, Finance Division, Barton Oaks Plaza IV Suite 500, 901 S. MoPac Expressway, Austin, Texas or at [www.tcdrs.org](http://www.tcdrs.org).

Benefits Provided

Benefit provisions are adopted by the District, within the options available in the Texas state statutes governing TCDRS (TCDRS Act). Members can retire at ages 60 and above with 5 or more years of service, with 20 years of service regardless of age, or when the sum of their age and years of service equals 75 or more. Members are vested after 5 years of service but must leave their accumulated contributions in the plan to receive any employer-financed benefit. Members who withdraw their personal contributions in a lump sum are not entitled to any amounts contributed by the District.

Benefit amounts are determined by the sum of the employee's deposits to the plan, with interest, and employer-financed monetary credits. The level of these monetary credits is adopted by the District within the actuarial constraints imposed by the TCDRS Act so that the resulting benefits can be expected to be adequately financed by the employer's commitment to contribute. At retirement, death, or disability, the benefit is calculated by converting the sum of the employee's accumulated deposits and the employer-financed monetary credits to a monthly annuity using annuity purchase rates prescribed by the TCDRS Act.

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**NOTE 10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

At the valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	-0-
Inactive employees entitled but not yet receiving benefits	13
Active employees	84
Total	97

Contributions

The plan is funded by monthly contributions from both employee members and the employer based on the covered payroll of employee members. Under the TCDRS Act, the contribution rate of the employer is actuarially determined annually. The employer contributed using the actuarially determined rate of 6.16% for calendar year 2022. The deposit rate payable by the employee members for calendar year 2022 is 7.00% as adopted by the governing body of the District. The employee deposit rate and the employer contribution rate may be changed by the governing body of the District within the options available in the TCDRS Act.

The District's contributions to TCDRS for the year ended December 31, 2022, were \$184,785; and were equal to the required contributions. The District made an additional contribution of \$170,000 during the current fiscal year. The employee's contributions to TCDRS for the year ended December 31, 2022, were \$197,417.

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**NOTE 10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the December 31, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumption:

	<u>Actuarial Valuation Information</u>
Actuarial valuation date	12/31/21
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age
Amortization method	Level percentage of payroll, closed
Remaining Amortization period	19.5
Asset Valuation Method	5-year smoothed market
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment return <sup>1</sup>	7.5%
Projected salary increases <sup>1</sup>	4.7%
Inflation	2.50%
Cost-of-living adjustments	0.0%

<sup>1</sup>Includes inflation at the stated rate

The demographic assumptions were developed from an actuarial experience investigation of TCDRS over the years 2017-2020. They were recommended by Milliman and adopted by the TCDRS Board of Trustees in December of 2021. All economic assumptions were recommended by Milliman and adopted by the TCDRS Board of Trustees in March of 2021. These assumptions, except where required to be different by GASB 68, are used to determine the total pension liability as of December 31, 2021. The assumptions are reviewed annually for continued compliance with the relevant actuarial standards of practice.

Mortality rates were based on the following:

Depositing members – 135% of Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for males and 120% Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.

Service retirees, beneficiaries and non-depositing members – 135% of the Pub-2010 General Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for males and 120% of Pub-2010 General Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.

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**NOTE 10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)

Disabled retirees - 160% of Pub-2010 General Disabled Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for males and 125% of Pub-2010 General Disabled Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.6%, an increase of 0.1% from the prior year.

To determine the discount rate to be used, the actuary used an alternative method to determine the sufficiency of the fiduciary net position in all future years. This alternative method reflects the funding requirements under the District's funding policy and the legal requirements under the TCDRS Act:

- 1) TCDRS has a funding policy where the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) shall be amortized as a level percent of pay over 20-year closed layered periods.
- 2) Under the TCDRS Act, the District is legally required to make the contributions specified in the funding policy.
- 3) The employer's assets are projected to exceed its accrued liabilities in 20 years or less. When this point is reached, the employer is still required to contribute at least the normal cost.
- 4) Any increased cost due to the adoption of a cost-of-living adjustment is required to be funded over a period of 15 years, if applicable.

Based on the above, the projected fiduciary net position is determined to be sufficient compared to projected benefit payments. Based on the expected level of cash flows and investment returns to the system, the fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability is projected to increase from its current level in future years.

Since the projected fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay projected benefit payments in all future years, the discount rate for purposes of calculating the total pension liability and net pension liability of the District is equal to the long-term assumed rate of return on investments. This long-term assumed rate of return should be net of investment expenses, but gross of administrative expenses. Therefore, the actuary has used a discount rate of 7.60%. This rate reflects the long-term assumed rate of return on assets for funding purposes of 7.50%, net of all expenses, increased by 0.10% to be gross of administrative expenses.

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**NOTE 10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return on TCDRS assets is determined by adding expected inflation to expected long-term real returns, and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions and information shown below are provided by TCDRS' investment consultant, Cliffwater LLC. The numbers shown are based on January 2022 information for a 10-year time horizon.

Note that the valuation assumption for long-term expected return is re-assessed in detail at a minimum of every four years, and is set based on a long-term time horizon. The TCDRS Board of Trustees adopted the current assumptions at their March 2021 meeting. The assumptions for the long-term expected return is reviewed annually for continued compliance with the relevant actuarial standards of practice. Milliman relies on the expertise of Cliffwater in this assessment.

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Geometric Real Rate of Return (Expected minus Inflation)
US Equities	11.50 %	3.80 %
Global Equities	2.50	4.10
International Equities-Developed Markets	5.00	3.80
International Equities-Emerging Markets	6.00	4.30
Investment-Grade Bonds	3.00	(0.85)
Strategic Credit	9.00	1.77
Direct Lending	16.00	6.25
Distressed Debt	4.00	4.50
REIT Equities	2.00	3.10
Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs)	2.00	3.85
Private Real Estate Partnerships	6.00	5.10
Private Equity	25.00	6.80
Hedge Funds	6.00	1.55
Cash Equivalents	2.00	(1.05)
	<u>100.00 %</u>	

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**NOTE 10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

Changes in Net Pension Liability/(Asset)

Changes in Net Pension Liability/(Asset) for the measurement year ended December 31, 2021 are as follows:

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability/(Asset) (a)-(b)
Balances of December 31, 2020	\$ 1,234,136	\$ 912,607	\$ 321,529
Changes for the year:			
Service Cost	322,703		322,703
Interest on total pension liability	117,846		117,846
Effect of plan changes	117,338		117,338
Effect of economic/demographic gains or losses	(31,152)		(31,152)
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	10,017		10,017
Refund of contributions	(12,691)	(12,691)	
Administrative expenses		(1,164)	1,164
Member contributions		187,367	(187,367)
Net investment income		304,899	(304,899)
Employer contributions		734,007	(734,007)
Other		25,995	(25,995)
Balances of December 31, 2021	<u>\$ 1,758,197</u>	<u>\$ 2,151,020</u>	<u>\$ (392,823)</u>

Sensitivity Analysis

The following presents the net pension liability of the District, calculated using the discount rate of 7.60%, as well as what the District net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.60%) or 1 percentage point higher (8.60%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
	6.60%	7.60%	8.60%
Total Pension Liability	\$ 2,084,662	\$ 1,758,197	\$ 1,492,028
Fiduciary Net Position	2,151,020	2,151,020	2,151,020
Net Pension Liability/(asset)	<u>\$ (66,358)</u>	<u>\$ (392,823)</u>	<u>\$ (658,992)</u>

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**NOTE 10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources

As of December 31, 2022, the deferred inflows and deferred outflows of resources are as follows:

	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 28,037	\$ 126,609
Changes of assumptions	1,780	84,830
Net differences between projected and actual earnings	167,441	3,457
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date		354,785
Total	\$ 197,258	\$ 569,681

Amounts currently reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, excluding contributions made subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended December 31:	
2022	\$ (19,711)
2023	(23,167)
2024	(19,873)
2025	(19,781)
2026	20,363
Thereafter	79,807

**NOTE 11. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

The District also participates in the retiree group-term life program, administered by TCDRS, known as the Group Term Life (“GTL”). This is an optional program. The District elected, by ordinance, to provide group-term life insurance coverage to both current and retired employees. The District may elect to opt out of coverage as of January 1 each year.

Current employees are insured for an amount equivalent to the employee’s current annual compensation. Retirees are insured for \$5,000. Life insurance proceeds are payable as a lump sum. The coverage to retirees is a postemployment benefit other than pension benefits (OPEB). As the GTL covers both active and retiree participants with no segregation of assets, the GTL is considered to be an unfunded OPEB plan (i.e. no assets are accumulated).

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**NOTE 11. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)**

The District contributes to the GTL program at a contractually required rate as determined by an annual actuarial valuation. The rate is equal to the cost of providing one-year term life insurance. The premium rate is expressed as a percentage of the covered payroll of members employed by the participating employer. There is a one-year delay between actuarial valuation that serves as the basis for the employer contribution rate and the calendar year when the rate goes into effect. Contributions are not intended to pre-fund retiree term life insurance during the employee’s careers. The contribution rates for the District were 0.18% and 0.00% for the calendar year ended December 31, 2022 for active employees and retirees, respectively. The District’s contribution to the TCDRS GTL program for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022 for active employees was \$4,835, for the retirees was \$-0-.

As of the December 31, 2021 valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	-0-
Inactive employees entitled but not yet receiving benefits	10
Active employees	84
Total	94

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions Used for GASB Calculations

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2020, except where required to be different by GASB 75. The assumptions are reviewed annually for continued compliance.

The assumptions are summarized below:

Investment Rate of Return (Discount Rate) - 2.06% based on 20 Year Bond GO Index published by bondbuyer.com as of December 31, 2021.

Mortality rates were based on the following:

Depositing members – 135% of Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for males and 120% Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.

Service retirees, beneficiaries and non-depositing members – 135% of Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for males and 120% Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.



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**NOTE 11. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)**

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions Used for GASB Calculations (Continued)

Disabled retirees –160% of Pub-2010 General Disabled Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for males and 125% Pub-2010 General Disabled Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.

Discount Rate

The TCDRS GTL program is treated as an unfunded OPEB plan because the GTL trust covers both actives and retirees and the assets are not segregated for these groups. Under GASB 75 (paragraph 155), the discount rate for an unfunded OPEB plan should be based on 20-year tax-exempt AA or higher Municipal Bonds. Therefore, a discount rate of 2.06% based on the 20 Year Bond GO Index published by bondbuyer.com is used as of the measurement date of December 31, 2021.

Change in Total OPEB Liability for measurement year ended December 31, 2021 are as follows:

Changes in Net OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB Liability
Balances of December 31, 2020	\$ 35,331
Changes for the year:	
Service Costs	9,631
Interest on Total OPEB Liability	953
Effect of economic/demographic experience	475
Effect of assumptions changes or inputs	(2,745)
Balances of December 31, 2021	\$ 43,645

Sensitivity Analysis – The following shows the Total OPEB liability of the District, calculated using the discount rate of 2.06%, as well as what the District’s Total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (1.06%) or 1 percentage point higher (3.06%) than the current rate.

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	1.06%	2.06%	3.06%
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 57,308	\$ 43,645	\$ 33,819

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**NOTE 11. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)**

Discount Rate (Continued)

As of December 31, 2022, the deferred inflows and outflows of resources are as follows:

	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	\$ 2,458
Changes in assumptions and other inputs	2,470	4,264
Contributions by the District subsequent to the measurement date		4,835
Total	\$ 2,470	\$ 11,557

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB benefits, excluding contributions subsequent to December 31, 2021 will be recognized OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended December 31:	
2022	\$ 473
2023	473
2024	473
2025	473
2026	473
Thereafter	1,887

**NOTE 12. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FACILITY**

The District is pursuing an Interlocal Agreement with Harris County ESD No.’s 7, 13, 16 and 28 (the “Parties”) for the construction and operation of a joint, integrated, emergency communications system to serve the Parties and potentially other emergency services providers. As of the date of this report, this agreement has not been fully executed.

Each of the Parties agree to provide its share of the costs related to the creation of the Texas Emergency Communications Center, Inc. (the “TECC”), the Texas non-profit corporation of which each Party to this agreement is a member. Services of the TECC will be made available to each Party as limited by each Parties payment for those services. Each Party shall appoint one representative to serve as a delegate to the TECC. That representative will serve until their successors have been duly appointed and qualified as determined by the Board of Commissioners of each District.

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**NOTE 12. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FACILITY (Continued)**

Each Party agrees to provide \$300,000 for the initial cash call for the design and construction of a future facility (the “Center”). The total cost to each Party for the construction of the Center will be calculated in proportion to the membership interest allocated to each Party, at this time each Parties share is 20%.

Each Party agrees to advance its share of a three months operating reserve. The reserve is based on the operating budget for the upcoming fiscal year. During the current year, the District advanced \$400,000 for the TECC operating reserve and \$116,446 for operations costs for the fourth quarter 2022 operations.

**NOTE 13. RETIREMNET PLAN**

In April 2022, the District established a 457(b)-retirement plan for its employees. The plan is a qualified prototype plan approved by the Internal Revenue Service. One America is the service provider and record keeper for the plan. The 457(b)-retirement plan is a deferred compensation plan open to regular full-time employees only and is funded 100 percent by employee pre-tax contributions. Each employee participant directs the investment in his/her respective account. During, the current year, the employees contributed \$42,508 to the plan.

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**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**DECEMBER 31, 2022**



**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES**  
**IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	Original & Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property Taxes	\$ 3,050,000	\$ 3,317,967	\$ 267,967
Sales Tax Receipts	3,330,000	4,056,346	726,346
Penalty and Interest		30,615	30,615
Investment Revenues	1,000	12,437	11,437
Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>2,500</u>	<u>23,133</u>	<u>20,633</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>\$ 6,383,500</u>	<u>\$ 7,440,498</u>	<u>\$ 1,056,998</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Service Operations:			
District Fire Operations	\$ 4,825,000	\$ 4,497,841	\$ 327,159
Administrative, Accounting and Auditing	50,000	48,081	1,919
Appraisal District Fees	25,000	25,839	(839)
Legal - General	70,000	99,785	(29,785)
Legal - Delinquent Tax Collections		8,353	(8,353)
Other Consulting Fees	75,000	70,800	4,200
Sales Tax Consultant	10,000	6,298	3,702
Tax Assessor/Collector Fees	1,000	14,895	(13,895)
Other	66,500	35,190	31,310
Capital Outlay	30,000	91,442	(61,442)
Debt Service:			
Note Principal	227,021	227,021	
Note Interest	<u>127,082</u>	<u>127,081</u>	<u>1</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>\$ 5,506,603</u>	<u>\$ 5,252,626</u>	<u>\$ 253,977</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	<u>\$ 876,897</u>	<u>\$ 2,187,872</u>	<u>\$ 1,310,975</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2022</b>	<u>5,176,291</u>	<u>5,176,291</u>	
<b>FUND BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2022</b>	<u>\$ 6,053,188</u>	<u>\$ 7,364,163</u>	<u>\$ 1,310,975</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2021	2020	2019
Total Pension Liability			
Service Cost	\$ 322,703	\$ 178,262	\$ 168,057
Interest on total pension liability	117,846	68,354	48,868
Effect of plan changes	117,338	104,813	161
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	10,017	92,663	
Effect of economic/demographic (gains) or losses	(31,152)	124,429	13,272
Benefit payments/refunds of contributions	(12,691)		
Other			1
Net change in total pension liability	\$ 524,061	\$ 568,521	\$ 230,359
Total pension liability, beginning	<u>1,234,136</u>	<u>665,615</u>	<u>435,256</u>
Total pension liability, ending (a)	<u>\$ 1,758,197</u>	<u>\$ 1,234,136</u>	<u>\$ 665,615</u>
Fiduciary Net Position			
Employer contributions	\$ 734,007	\$ 111,651	\$ 70,876
Member contributions	187,367	190,161	123,723
Investment income net of investment expenses	304,899	56,971	48,436
Benefit payments/refunds of contributions	(12,691)		
Administrative Expense	(1,164)	(668)	(416)
Other	<u>25,995</u>	<u>8,985</u>	<u>6,739</u>
Net change in fiduciary net position	\$ 1,238,413	\$ 367,100	\$ 249,358
Fiduciary net position, beginning	<u>912,607</u>	<u>545,507</u>	<u>296,149</u>
Fiduciary net position, ending (b)	<u>\$ 2,151,020</u>	<u>\$ 912,607</u>	<u>\$ 545,507</u>
Net pension liability/(asset), ending = (a) - (b)	<u>\$ (392,823)</u>	<u>\$ 321,529</u>	<u>\$ 120,108</u>
Fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	122.34%	73.95%	81.96%
Pensionable covered payroll	\$ 2,676,667	\$ 2,716,579	\$ 1,767,470
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	-14.68%	11.84%	6.80%

See accompanying independent auditor's report.



2018	2017	2016
\$ 130,022	\$ 177,129	N/A
27,603	14,347	N/A
44,751	22,006	N/A
	(2,890)	N/A
22,118	169	N/A
<u>1</u>		<u>N/A</u>
\$ 224,495	\$ 210,761	N/A
<u>210,761</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>N/A</u>
<u>\$ 435,256</u>	<u>\$ 210,761</u>	<u>N/A</u>
\$ 66,109	\$ 47,090	N/A
102,231	72,894	N/A
(419)	1,930	N/A
		N/A
(238)	(82)	N/A
<u>5,027</u>	<u>1,607</u>	<u>N/A</u>
\$ 172,710	\$ 123,439	N/A
<u>123,439</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>N/A</u>
<u>\$ 296,149</u>	<u>\$ 123,439</u>	<u>N/A</u>
<u>\$ 139,107</u>	<u>\$ 87,322</u>	<u>N/A</u>
68.04%	58.57%	N/A
\$1,703,847	\$1,455,436	N/A
8.16%	6.00%	N/A

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS-PENSIONS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Fiscal Year Ending December 31	Actuarially Determined Contribution <sup>(1)</sup>	Actual Employer Contribution <sup>(1)</sup>	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Pensionable Covered Payroll <sup>(2)</sup>	Actual Contribution as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2017	\$ 47,011	\$ 47,090	\$ (79)	\$ 1,455,436	3.2%
2018	\$ 66,109	\$ 66,109	\$ - 0 -	\$ 1,690,847	3.9%
2019	\$ 70,876	\$ 70,876	\$ - 0 -	\$ 1,767,470	4.0%
2020	\$ 111,651	\$ 111,651	\$ - 0 -	\$ 2,716,579	4.1%
2021	\$ 152,838	\$ 734,007	\$ (581,169)	\$ 2,676,667	27.4%
2022	\$ 184,785	\$ 354,785	\$ (170,000)	\$ 2,820,236	12.6%

<sup>(1)</sup> *TCDRS calculates actuarially determined contributions on a calendar year basis. GASB Statement No. 68 indicates the employer should report employer contribution amounts on a fiscal year basis.*

<sup>(2)</sup> *Payroll is calculated based on contributions as reported to TCDRS.*

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS-PENSIONS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Valuation Date: Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated each December 31, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age (level percentage of pay)
Amortization Method	Level percentage of payroll, closed
Remaining Amortization Period	19.5 years (based on contribution rate calculated in December 31, 2021 valuation)
Asset Valuation Method	5-year smoothed market
Inflation	2.5%
Salary Increases	Varies by age and service. 4.7% average over career including inflation.
Investment Rate of Return	7.5%, net of administrative and investment expenses, including inflation.
Retirement Age	Members who are eligible for service retirement are assumed to commence receiving benefit payments based on age. The average age at service retirement for recent retirees is 61.
Mortality	135% of the Pub-2010 General Retirees Table for males and 120% of the Pub-2010 General Retirees Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale of 2010.
Change in Assumptions and Methods Reflected in the Schedule of Employer Contributions*	2015: New inflation, mortality and other assumptions were reflected. 2017: New mortality assumptions were reflected. 2019: New inflation, mortality and other assumptions were reflected.
Changes in Plan Provisions Reflected in the Schedule of Employer Contributions*	2015: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule. 2016: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule. 2017: New Annuity Purchase Rates were reflected for benefits earned after 2017. 2018: District contributions reflect that the member contribution rate was increased to 6%. 2019: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule. 2020: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule. 2021: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule.

\* Only changes that affect the benefit amount and that are effective 2015 and later are shown in the Notes to the Schedule.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT LIABILITY**  
**AND RELATED RATIOS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	Year Ended December 31, 2021	Year Ended December 31, 2020	Year Ended December 31, 2019
<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>			
Service Cost	\$ 9,631	\$ 8,149	\$ -0-
Interest on total OPEB liability	953	737	
Effect of plan changes			18,750
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	(2,745)	5,212	0
Effect of economic/demographic (gains) or losses	<u>475</u>	<u>2,483</u>	
Net change in total OPEB liability	\$ 8,314	\$ 16,581	\$ 18,750
Total OPEB liability, beginning	<u>35,331</u>	<u>18,750</u>	
Total OPEB liability, ending	<u>\$ 43,645</u>	<u>\$ 35,331</u>	<u>\$ 18,750</u>
<b>OPEB Covered-employee payroll</b>	\$ 2,676,667	\$ 2,716,579	\$ 1,767,470
<b>Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll</b>	1.63%	1.30%	1.06%

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT  
BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Fiscal Year Ending December 31	Actuarially Determined Contribution <sup>(1)</sup>	Actual Employer Contribution <sup>(1)</sup>	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Pensionable Covered Payroll <sup>(2)</sup>	Actual Contribution as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2020	\$ 4,890	\$ 4,890	\$ - 0 -	\$ 2,716,579	0.2%
2021	\$ 5,086	\$ 5,086	\$ - 0 -	\$ 2,676,667	0.2%
2022	\$ 4,835	\$ 4,835	\$ - 0 -	\$ 2,820,236	0.2%

<sup>(1)</sup> *TCDRS calculates actuarially determined contributions on a calendar year basis. GASB Statement No. 75 indicates the employer should report employer contribution amounts on a fiscal year basis.*

<sup>(2)</sup> *Payroll is calculated based on contributions as reported to TCDRS.*

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS – OTHER**  
**POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

All actuarial assumptions and methods that determined the total OPEB liability as of December 31, 2021 were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2020, except where required to be different by GASB 75.

Valuation Timing	Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated on a calendar year basis as of December 31, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which the contributions are reported.
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Level Percent of Salary
Amortization Method	
Recognition of economic/ demographic gains or losses	Straight-Line amortization over Expected Working Life
Recognition of assumptions changes or inputs	Straight-Line amortization over Expected Working Life
Asset Valuation Method	Does not apply
Inflation	Does not apply
Salary Increases	Note that salary increases do not affect benefits but are used in the allocation of costs under the actuarial cost method
Investment Rate of Return (Discount Rate)	2.06% 20 Year Bond GO Index published by bondbuyer.com as of December 31, 2021.
Cost-of-Living Adjustment	Does not apply
Disability	Members who become disabled are eligible to commence benefit payments regardless of age.
Mortality	135% of Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for males and 120% Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.
Retirement	Deferred members are assumed to retire (100% probability) at the later of: a) age 60 b) earliest retirement eligibility.
Other Termination of Employment	The rate of assumed future termination from active participation in the plan for reasons other than death, disability or retirement vary by length of service, entry-age group (age at hire). No termination after eligibility for retirement is assumed.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**REQUIRED BY HARRIS COUNTY**

**DECEMBER 31, 2022**





**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**COMPUTATION OF NET LONG-TERM DEBT PER CAPITA**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2022**  
**(UNAUDITED)**

Long-Term Debt at December 31, 2022	\$ 3,140,263
Less: Amount in Debt Service Fund	_____
Net Long-Term Debt at December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 3,140,263</u>
Estimated District Population*	<u>29,509</u>
Net Long-Term Debt Per Capita at December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 106.42</u>

\* Per 2022 update to comprehensive review

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**LISTING OF THE NUMBER OF EMERGENCY RESPONSES**  
**MADE WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**  
**(UNAUDITED)**

Number of Emergency Responses made Within the District	1,094
Number of Emergency Responses made Outside of the District	<u>237</u>
Total Emergency Responses	<u><u>1,331</u></u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE AND BONDING COVERAGE**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Type of Coverage	From To	Amount of Coverage	Insurer/Name
UMBRELLA LIABILITY General Aggregate Each Occurrence	05/17/22 05/17/23	\$ 4,000,000 2,000,000	Arch Insurance Company
AUTOMOBILE Liability - Combined Single Limit Deductible Property Damage – Per Accident	05/17/22 05/17/23	\$ 1,000,000 1,000 Scheduled Vehicles	Arch Insurance Company
INLAND MARINE  Deductible	05/17/22 05/17/23	Blanket Unlimited Coverage \$ 250	Arch Insurance Company
PROPERTY AND TERRORISM Buildings Contents Building and Content Deductible	05/17/22 05/17/23	\$ 13,450,500 928,448 2,500	Arch Insurance Company
GROUP LIFE Group Life	08/07/22 08/07/23	\$ 50,000	Provident Insurance
WORKERS COMPENSATION Bodily Injury by Accident Bodily Injury by Disease Disease Policy Limit	09/05/22 09/05/23	\$ 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000	Texas Political Subdivisions
GENERAL LIABILITY, INCLUDING MANAGEMENT, FIREFIGHTER AND EMS LIABILITY/CRIME (Includes Treasurer Position coverage) General Aggregate Each Occurrence	05/17/22 05/17/23	\$ 10,000,000 1,000,000	Arch Insurance Company

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**OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

		Maintenance Taxes
TAXES RECEIVABLE - JANUARY 1, 2022	\$ 2,159,807	
Adjustments to Beginning Balance	(49,429)	\$ 2,110,378
Original 2022 Tax Levy	\$ 3,557,263	
Adjustment to 2022 Tax Levy	209,029	3,766,292
 TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR		 \$ 5,876,670
 TAX COLLECTIONS:		
Prior Years	\$ 1,975,594	
Current Year	1,565,633	3,541,227
 TAXES RECEIVABLE - DECEMBER 31, 2022		 \$ 2,335,443
 TAXES RECEIVABLE BY YEAR:		
2022		\$ 2,200,659
2021		41,007
2020		25,343
2019		21,150
2018		12,183
2017		4,517
2016		5,685
2015		5,525
2014		4,367
2013		3,792
2012		3,727
2011		2,522
2010		1,191
2009		795
2008		665
2007		410
2006		407
2005		274
2004		301
2003		350
2002		152
2001		421
 TOTAL		 \$ 2,335,443

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**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29  
TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
PROPERTY				
VALUATIONS	<u>\$ 3,790,582,008</u>	<u>\$ 3,388,027,496</u>	<u>\$ 3,296,040,313</u>	<u>\$ 3,094,859,066</u>
TAX RATES PER \$100				
VALUATION	<u>\$ 0.10</u>	<u>\$ 0.10</u>	<u>\$ 0.10</u>	<u>\$ 0.10</u>
ADJUSTED TAX LEVY*	<u>\$ 3,766,292</u>	<u>\$ 3,388,032</u>	<u>\$ 3,296,209</u>	<u>\$ 3,094,967</u>
PERCENTAGE OF TAXES				
COLLECTED TO				
TAXES LEVIED	<u>41.57 %</u>	<u>98.79 %</u>	<u>99.23 %</u>	<u>99.32 %</u>

\* Based upon the adjusted levy at the time of the audit for the fiscal year in which the tax was levied.

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**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**  
**GENERAL FUND – FIVE YEARS**

	Amounts		
	2022	2021	2020
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property Taxes	\$ 3,317,967	\$ 3,228,572	\$ 3,070,309
Sales Tax Receipts	4,056,346	3,443,889	3,142,279
Penalty and Interest	30,615	35,244	33,751
Investment Revenues	12,437	4,594	54,256
Miscellaneous Revenues	23,133	7,880	281,553
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 7,440,498</b>	<b>\$ 6,720,179</b>	<b>\$ 6,582,148</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
District Fire Operations	\$ 4,497,841	\$ 4,572,640	\$ 4,021,812
Administrative, Accounting and Auditing	48,081	43,150	39,080
Appraisal District Fees	25,839	23,902	23,183
Legal - General	99,785	57,456	56,715
Legal - Delinquent Tax Collections	8,353	9,164	8,306
Other Consulting Fees	70,800	71,129	69,756
Sales Tax Consultant	6,298	7,722	75,805
Tax Assessor/Collector Fees	14,895	18,586	9,700
Other	35,190	3,487	1,152
Capital Outlay	91,442	562,026	285,091
Debt Service:			
Capital Lease Principal			988,687
Capital Lease Interest			48,590
Note Principal	227,021	218,849	1,793,120
Note Interest	127,081	135,253	191,528
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 5,252,626</b>	<b>\$ 5,723,364</b>	<b>\$ 7,612,525</b>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 2,187,872</b>	<b>\$ 996,815</b>	<b>\$ (1,030,377)</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>			
Note Proceeds	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 2,187,872</b>	<b>\$ 996,815</b>	<b>\$ (1,030,377)</b>
<b>BEGINNING FUND BALANCE</b>	5,176,291	4,179,476	5,209,853
<b>ENDING FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 7,364,163</b>	<b>\$ 5,176,291</b>	<b>\$ 4,179,476</b>

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		Percentage of Total Revenues				
2019	2018	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
\$ 2,885,925	\$ 2,813,586	44.6 %	48.0 %	46.7 %	47.4 %	51.8 %
2,946,999	2,455,466	54.5	51.3	47.7	48.4	45.2
33,665	35,770	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.7
157,991	67,256	0.2	0.1	0.8	2.6	1.2
69,556	60,261	0.3	0.1	4.3	1.1	1.1
<u>\$ 6,094,136</u>	<u>\$ 5,432,339</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>
\$ 2,888,069	\$ 2,589,936	60.5 %	68.0 %	61.1 %	47.4 %	47.7 %
38,264	46,041	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8
21,764	21,656	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
47,490	60,469	1.3	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.1
9,685	10,094	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
40,900	800	1.0	1.1	1.1	0.7	
238,844	134,505	0.1	0.1	1.2	3.9	2.5
14,343	14,041	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3
5,022	2,317	0.4			0.1	
5,109,106	837,000	1.2	8.4	4.3	83.8	15.4
149,476	144,714			15.0	2.4	2.7
36,508	41,270			0.7	0.6	0.8
492,071	280,400	3.1	3.3	27.2	8.1	5.2
207,879	65,448	1.7	2.0	2.9	3.4	1.2
<u>\$ 9,299,421</u>	<u>\$ 4,248,691</u>	<u>70.5 %</u>	<u>85.2 %</u>	<u>115.7 %</u>	<u>152.6 %</u>	<u>78.3 %</u>
<u>\$ (3,205,285)</u>	<u>\$ 1,183,648</u>	<u>29.5 %</u>	<u>14.8 %</u>	<u>(15.7) %</u>	<u>(52.6) %</u>	<u>21.7 %</u>
<u>\$ - 0 -</u>	<u>\$ 4,000,000</u>					
\$ (3,205,285)	\$ 5,183,648					
<u>8,415,138</u>	<u>3,231,490</u>					
<u>\$ 5,209,853</u>	<u>\$ 8,415,138</u>					

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**HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND CONSULTANTS**  
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District Mailing Address - Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29  
12730 Champion Forest Drive  
Houston, TX 77066

District Telephone Number - (281) 444-2014

<u>Commissioners</u>	<u>Term of Office (Appointed or Elected)</u>	<u>Fees of Office for the year ended December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Expense Reimbursements for the year ended December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Title</u>
Scott Morgan	06/01/22 05/31/26 (Elected)	\$ -0-	\$ 1,900	President
David J. Parker	06/01/20 05/31/24 (Elected)	\$ -0-	\$ 160	Vice President
Jon Taylor	06/01/22 05/31/26 (Elected)	\$ -0-	\$ 1,497	Secretary
Kenneth Latimer	06/01/20 05/31/24 (Elected)	\$ 350	\$ -0-	Treasurer/ Investment Officer
William Hogue, III	06/01/20 05/31/24 (Elected)	\$ -0-	\$ 340	Assistant Secretary/ Assistant Treasurer

The limit on fees of office that a Commissioner may receive during a year is set by the Health and Safety Code-Chapter 775. Effective September 1, 2017, a Commissioner is entitled to receive compensation in the same manner and amount as are provided by Section 49.060 of the Texas Water Code, currently \$7,200 per fiscal year. The above fees of office and expense reimbursements are the amounts paid to a Commissioner during the District's current fiscal year.

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<b>Consultants:</b>	<u>Date Hired</u>	<u>Fees for the year ended December 31, 2022*</u>	<u>Title</u>
Coveler & Peeler, P.C.		\$ 99,785	General Counsel
McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC	01/22/09	\$ 24,000	Auditor
Better Bookkeepers, Inc.	05/01/20	\$ 19,275	Bookkeeper
Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP		\$ 8,353	Delinquent Tax Attorney
Sales Tax Assurance LLC	02/26/15	\$ 6,298	Sales Tax Consultant
Harris County Tax Assessor/Collector	Legislative Action	\$ 14,895	Tax Assessor/ Collector

\* Accrual basis

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