FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND COMPLIANCE REPORT

As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2024

And Reports of Independent Auditor



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### **Report of Independent Auditor**

To the Board of Delegates Central Pines Regional Council Research Triangle Park, North Carolina

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the general fund, and the fiduciary fund of the Central Pines Regional Council (the "Council"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the general fund, and the fiduciary fund of the Council as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

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

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Council's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

#### 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 opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Governmental 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.

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In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government 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 Council'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 Council'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 required supplemental information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a required 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 basic financial statements of the Council. The accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, as well as the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), and the State Single Audit Implementation Act, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal and State awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements, as a whole.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 14, 2024, on our consideration of the Council's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Council's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Raleigh, North Carolina November 14, 2024

Cherry Bekaert LLP

JUNE 30, 2024

The Central Pines Regional Council (the "Council" or "CPRC"), formerly known as Triangle J Council of Governments, is comprised of municipal and county governments in central North Carolina. The Council is one of 16 regional councils established in 1972 by the General Assembly to educate and empower local governments through direct assistance, regional planning, and technical expertise.

The organization was first established as the Research Triangle Regional Planning Commission in 1959 to help guide local governments in Wake, Durham, and Orange counties around impending growth related to the establishment of the Research Triangle Park. In 1973, the organization became the Triangle J Council of Governments and added the counties of Johnston, Lee, and Chatham. Moore County was added in the 2000's after the dissolution of another regional council.

On any given day, CPRC works with our partners to provide support across our six strategic focus areas: Aging and Human Services; Community and Economic Development; Environment and Resilience; Member Support and Strategy and Mobility and Transportation. In 2023, the Council became the designated Local Planning Agency for the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization.

This section of the Council's financial report represents our discussion and analysis of the financial performance of the Council for the year ended June 30, 2024. This information should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements included in this report.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The liabilities and deferred inflows of resources of the Council exceeded the assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Council at the close of the fiscal year by \$326,580 (net position).
- The Council's total net position decreased by \$371,615 as a result of decreases in federal and state funding exceeding the increase in expenditures of the same funding during the year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Council's general fund reported an ending fund balance of \$2,923,030. Of this amount, \$6,244,689 is restricted by state statute.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

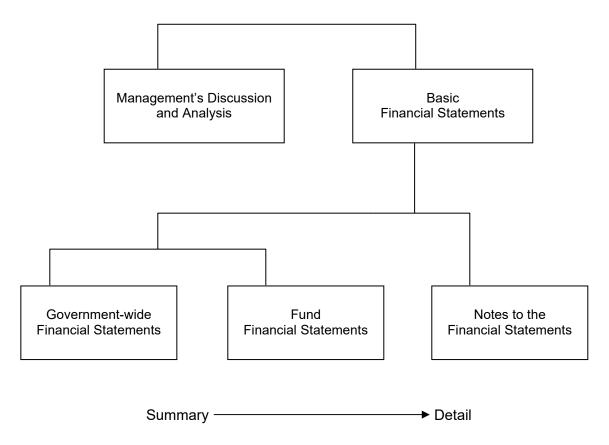
This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Council's basic financial statements which consist of three components as follows: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. The basic financial statements present two different views of the Council's finances through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplementary information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of the Council.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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Figure 1

## **Required Components of Annual Financial Report**



#### **Basic Financial Statements**

The first two statements (pages 10 and 11) in the basic financial statements are the *government-wide statements*. They provide both short and long-term information about the Council's financial status. The next statements (pages 12 through 17) are *fund financial statements*. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of the Council's government. These statements provide more detail than the government-wide statements. There are three parts to the fund financial statements: 1) the governmental funds statements, 2) the budgetary comparison statements, and 3) the other postemployment benefit trust fund statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the *notes*. The notes to the financial statements explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, supplementary information is provided to show details about the Council's indirect costs. Budgetary information required by the General Statutes also can be found in this part of the statements.

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#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the Council's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the Council's financial status as a whole.

The two government-wide statements report the Council's net position and how it has changed. Net position is the difference between the Council's total assets and deferred outflows and total liabilities and deferred inflows. Measuring net position is one way to gauge the Council's financial condition.

Government-wide financial statements may be divided into as many as three categories: 1) governmental activities, 2) business-type activities, and 3) component units. The governmental activities include all of the Council's basic services such as general administration, economic and community development, human services, environmental protection, and transportation planning services. State and federal grants and contributions from regional non-profits, supporting entities, and local governments comprising the service area of the Council finance most of these activities.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at the Council's most significant activities. 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 Council, like all other governmental entities in North Carolina, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or the Council's budget ordinance. One of the funds of the Council can be classified within the governmental funds category, while the other fund of the Council can be classified with the fiduciary funds category.

Governmental Funds – Governmental funds are used to account for those functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. All of the Council's basic services are accounted for in governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can readily be converted into cash flow in and out, and what monies are left at year-end that will be available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting. This method also has a current financial resources focus. As a result, the governmental fund financial statements give the reader a detailed short-term view that helps to determine if there are more or less financial resources available to finance the Council's programs. The relationship between governmental activities (reported in the statement of net position and the statement of activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is part of the fund financial statements.

The Council adopts an annual budget for its General Fund, as required by the General Statutes. The budget is a legally adopted document that incorporates input from the constituent member local governments, the management of the Council, and the decisions of the Board of Delegates ("Board") about which services to provide and how to pay for them. It also authorizes the Council to obtain funds from identified sources to finance these current period activities. The budgetary statement provided for the General Fund demonstrates how well the Council complied with the budget ordinance and whether or not the Council succeeded in providing the services as planned when the budget was adopted. The budgetary comparison statement uses the budgetary basis of accounting and is presented using the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document.

The statement shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the Board, 2) the final budget as amended by the Board, 3) the actual resources, charges to appropriations, and ending balances in the General Fund, and 4) the difference or variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges.

Fiduciary Fund – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside of the Council. The Council's fiduciary fund is for their Other Postemployment Benefit ("OPEB") trust fund.

Notes to the Financial Statements – The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements begin on page 18 of this report.

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### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

## Table 1 Condensed Statement of Net Position June 30,

	Governmental Activities		
	2024	2023	
Assets:			
Current assets	\$ 9,275,31		
Capital assets	4,013,86	8 41,985	
	13,289,18	6 10,423,635	
Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,749,60	9 1,670,298	
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities	6,609,17	8 746,304	
Noncurrent liabilities	8,005,97	7 3,762,401	
	14,615,15	5 4,508,705	
Deferred Inflows of Resources	750,22	820,193	
Net Position:			
Net investment in capital assets	20,71	5 6,837	
Restricted by stabilization of State Statute	6,244,68	9 4,269,056	
Unrestricted	(6,591,98	4) (4,230,858)	
	\$ (326,58	0) \$ 45,035	

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The liabilities and deferred inflows of resources of the Council exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$326,580 of June 30, 2024. The Council's net position decreased by \$371,615 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. Of the net position, \$20,715 reflects the Council's net investment in capital assets (office and computer equipment, right-to-use assets, and vehicles). The Council uses these capital assets to provide services to constituent local government members; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

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## Table 2 Condensed Statement of Activities June 30,

	Governmental Activities		
	2024	2023	
Revenues: Program Revenues: Charges for services Intergovernmental revenues	\$ 8,506,581 21,639,384	\$ 8,654,161 20,146,395	
General Revenues: Local government dues Unrestricted investment earnings Durham-Chapel Hill Carrboro MPO	784,773 195,381 214,569	701,110 199,669 -	
Total Revenues	31,340,688	29,701,335	
Expenses: Governmental Activities: General government Community & economic development Durham Chappel Hill Carboro MPO Environmental protection Economic and physical development Transportation Total Expenses	14,793,332 1,987,020 2,917,745 2,664,556 7,542,119 1,807,531 31,712,303	15,067,825 2,668,773 - 1,603,294 8,078,067 1,958,977 29,376,936	
Change in net position Net position, July 1	(371,615) 45,035	324,399 (279,364)	
Net position, June 30	\$ (326,580)	\$ 45,035	

Governmental Activities. Governmental activities decreased the Council's net position by \$371,615.

The Council's revenues were \$31,340,688. 69% of the Council's revenues come from federal and state revenues.

The Council's expenditures were \$31,712,303. 47% of the Council's expenditures were related to Human Services programs and 24% of expenses were member support related.

### Financial Analysis of the Council's Funds

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

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Governmental Funds. The focus of the Council's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Specifically, unreserved fund balance can be a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. The General Fund is the operating fund of the Council. At the end of the fiscal year, the General Fund unassigned fund balance reflects a deficit of \$3,853,865 while total fund balance was \$2,923,030, a consequence of State Statute requirements that program receivables are restricted. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. The purpose of the comparison is to understand what resources are available for the coming year operations. At June 30, 2024, the fund balance of the governmental funds of the Council decreased by \$16,674 over the prior year.

**Governmental Funds Budgetary Highlights.** During the fiscal year, the Council revised the budget on several occasions. Generally, budget amendments fall into one of three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget ordinance once exact information is available; 2) amendments to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as federal and state grants; and 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services. The Council's total revenues were \$17 million less than budgeted and the Council's total expenditures were \$17 million less than the final budget.

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets**. The Council's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2024 totals \$4,013,868 (net of accumulated depreciation and amortization). Capital assets include a furniture and a vehicle, which are substantially depreciated. Right-to-use leased assets include a building and copier leases.

Additional information on the Council's capital assets can be found in Notes 4 and 5 of the basic financial statements.

**Long-Term Liabilities**. The Council's long-term liabilities consisted of the following for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2024: a net OPEB liability of \$1,734,390, compensated absences of \$309,172, lease liability of \$3,993,153 and net pension liability of \$2,226,152, totaling \$8,262,867.

Additional information on the Council's long-term obligations can be found in Note 8 of the basic financial statements.

## **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The governmental activities of the Council make up the largest percentage of both revenues and expenditures. The Council conducts its administration of the government programs primarily within the indirect cost budget of the government programs it monitors and administers.

The adopted budget for the coming fiscal year calls for funded expenditures of approximately \$43 million. The change in the adopted budget over the current year is attributable to an increase in grant funding and project income.

#### **Requests for Information**

This report is intended to provide a summary of the financial condition of the Council. Questions or requests for additional information should be addressed to:

Hope Tally, Chief Financial Officer 4307 Emperor Boulevard, Suite 110 Durham, NC 27703

# STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Current Assets:  Cash and cash investments	\$ 1,536,256
Accounts receivable	171,639
Due from other governments	6,073,050
Restricted cash	1,494,373
Total Current Assets	9,275,318
Noncurrent Assets:	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	4,013,868
Total Noncurrent Assets	4,013,868
Total Assets	13,289,186
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension deferrals	1,498,182
OPEB deferrals	251,427
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,749,609
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4,857,915
Unearned grant revenue	1,494,373
Lease liability	256,890
Total Current Liabilities	6,609,178
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Compensated absences	309,172
Lease liability	3,736,263
Net pension liability	2,226,152
Net OPEB liability	1,734,390
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	8,005,977
Total Liabilities	14,615,155
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension deferrals	19,866
OPEB deferrals	730,354
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	750,220
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	20,715
Restricted:	6 044 690
Stabilization by State Statute Unrestricted	6,244,689 (6,591,984)
Total Net Position	
i otal Net Position	\$ (326,580)

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

		Prograi	n Revenues Operating	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Primary Government
Eunotions/Brograms	Evnonces	Charges for Services	Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Functions/Programs Governmental Activities:	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Activities
Aging and Human Services Community and Economic Development Durham Chapel Hill Carrboro MPO Environment and Resilience Member Support and Strategy Transportation Total Governmental Activities  General Revenues: Local revenues not restricted Unrestricted investment earnings	\$14,793,332 1,987,020 2,917,745 2,664,556 7,542,119 1,807,531 \$31,712,303	\$ 270,652 896,727 761,280 1,550,477 4,991,445 36,000 \$ 8,506,58	861,009 2,376,371 808,427 1,485,055 1,685,171	\$ (99,329) (229,284) 219,906 (305,652) (1,065,619) (86,360) (1,566,338) 784,773 195,381
Special Items: Durham-Chapel Hill Carrboro MPO Total General Revenues and Special Items				214,569 1,194,723
Change in net position  Net position, beginning of year  Net position, end of year				(371,615) 45,035 \$ (326,580)

# BALANCE SHEET – GENERAL FUND

JUNE 30, 2024

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ASSETS Cash and investments	\$	1,536,256
Accounts receivable	Ψ	74,966
Due from other governments		6,169,723
Restricted cash		1,494,373
Total Assets	,	\$ 9,275,318
LIABILITIES	•	_
Program accounts payable and accrued expenses		\$ 4,857,915
Unearned grant revenue		1,494,373
Total Liabilities		6,352,288
FUND BALANCES		
Nonspendable for prepaid items		-
Restricted:		0.044.000
Stabilization by State Statute		6,244,689
Assigned:		47 520
Clean Water Education Partnership (CWEP) Jordan Lake One Water (JLOW)		47,530 18,151
LOGO Career Expo		29,129
Triangle Area Rural Planning Organization (TARPO)		7,504
Triangle Area Water Supply Monitoring Project (TAWSMP)		110,543
Triangle Water Supply Partnership (TWSP)		319,349
Unassigned		(3,853,865)
Total Fund Balances	•	2,923,030
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances		\$ 9,275,318
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position	·	
are different because:		
Ending fund balances - governmental funds.		\$ 2,923,030
Capital assets, including right-of-use assets, used in governmental activities		
are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		4,013,868
Some liabilities, including leases and compensated absences, are not due and		/ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		(4,302,325)
OPEB activity (including long-term liability, deferred outflows, and deferred inflows). Pension activity (including long-term liability, deferred outflows, and deferred inflows)		(2,213,317)
is not reported in the funds.		(747,836)
Net position of governmental activities	:	\$ (326,580)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GENERAL FUND

Revenues:	
Federal government grants	\$ 5,112,412
State government grants	496,875
Federal and state passthrough	16,028,356
Member assessments	784,773
Special assessments	1,746,041
Local aging share	270,031
Program income/fees	6,374,372
Other income	117,878
Interest income	 195,381
Total Revenues	31,126,119
Expenditures:	
General government	231,071
Aging and Human Services	14,797,198
Community and Economic Development	1,847,209
Durham Chapel Hill Carrboro MPO	3,137,650
Environment and Resilience	2,485,107
Member Support and Strategy	7,051,506
Transportation	1,807,621
Lease capital outlay	 4,159,786
Total Expenditures	 35,517,148
Other Financing Sources (Uses):	
Lease liability issued	4,159,786
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	4,159,786
Special Items:	
Durham-Chapel Hill Carrboro MPO	214,569
Total Special Items	214,569
Net change in fund balances	(16,674)
Fund balances, beginning of year	2,939,704
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 2,923,030
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# RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (16,674)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation and amortization expense in the current period:	
Capital outlay	4,312,839
Depreciation and amortization expense for governmental assets, net of disposals	(340,956)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources in governmental funds and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds:	
Pension related changes	(205,104)
OPEB related changes	(59,100)
Compensated absences related changes	(104,615)
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position.	
Issuance of lease agreement	(4,159,786)
Repayments of lease liability	201,781
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ (371,615)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ANNUAL BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Fi	riance with nal Budget Positive Negative)
Revenues:					
Federal government grants	\$ 6,572,219	\$ 12,106,855	5,112,412	\$	(6,994,443)
State government grants	1,600,010	1,719,641	496,875		(1,222,766)
Federal and state passthrough	15,773,982	17,704,664	16,028,356		(1,676,308)
Member assessments	781,646	794,646	784,773		(9,873)
Special assessments	997,560	1,996,434	1,746,041		(250,393)
Local aging share	253,953	270,031	270,031		-
Program income/fees	13,999,242	13,503,103	6,374,372		(7,128,731)
Other income	12,000	39,267	117,878		78,611
Interest income			195,381		195,381
Total Revenues	39,990,612	48,134,641	31,126,119		(17,008,522)
Expenditures:					
General government	193,773	189,239	231,071		(41,832)
Aging and Human Services	16,033,768	17,088,523	14,797,198		2,291,325
Community and Economic Development	820,530	1,236,608	1,847,209		(610,601)
Durham Chapel Hill Carrboro MPO	2,632,310	6,682,561	3,137,650		3,544,911
Environment and Resilience	2,345,004	2,901,361	2,485,107		416,254
Member Support and Strategy	13,307,878	13,947,549	7,051,506		6,896,043
Transportation	3,126,870	3,470,936	1,807,621		1,663,315
Housing	1,982,967	3,189,729	-		3,189,729
Total Expenditures	40,443,100	48,706,506	31,357,362		17,349,144
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Other Financing Sources (Uses): Appropriation of fund balance	452,488	571,865	-		571,865
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	452,488	571,865			571,865
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Net change in fund balances	\$ -	\$ -	(231,243)	\$	(231,243)
Fund balances, beginning of year			2,939,704		
Fund balances, end of year			\$ 2,708,461		
Fund bala	ance (non-GAAP	) June 30, 2024	\$ 2,708,461		
Dur	ham-Chapel Hill		214,569		
	lss	suance of lease	4,159,786		
	Leas	e capital outlay	(4,159,786)		
Fund balan	ce (GAAP basis)	June 30, 2024	\$ 2,923,030		

# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - OPEB TRUST FUND

JUNE 30, 2024

ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 417,568
LIABILITIES Retirees OPEB payable	\$ 54,958
NET POSITION Restricted for OPEB benefits	\$ 362,610

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - OPEB TRUST FUND

Additions: Net appreciation in fair value of investments Total Additions	\$ 173 173
Deductions: Benefit payments Total Deductions	54,967 54,967
Change in net position Net position restricted for OPEB benefits, beginning of year Net position restricted for OPEB benefits, end of year	(54,794) 417,404 \$ 362,610

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### Note 1—Nature of operations and summary of significant accounting policies

The accounting policies of the Central Pines Regional Council (the "Council") conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies:

Reporting Entity – The Council is one of 16 regional councils of government formed pursuant to the General Statutes of North Carolina, Chapter 160A, Article 20, Part 2. Membership in the Council consists of seven counties (Durham, Orange, Wake, Chatham, Johnston, Lee, and Moore) and 39 municipalities from within those counties. The Board of Delegates is comprised of one delegate from each governmental unit.

*Purpose* – The Council's purpose is to provide a forum for consideration of multi-jurisdictional matters affecting health, safety, welfare, education, recreation, economic conditions, regional planning, and development. The amount of local contribution from the members for the year ended June 30, 2024 (based on July 1999 capital) was \$0.39 for the first 150,000 persons, then \$0.20 per person thereafter. County dues exclude the incorporated population of the municipalities.

During the year ended June 30, 2017, the Council created Triangle J Regional Corporation, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. There was no activity within Triangle J Regional Corporation during the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements – The Council has implemented Government Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments, and related standards. The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Council. These statements include the financial activities of the overall council. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements display the governmental activities of the Council. Governmental activities generally are financed through intergovernmental revenues and other non-exchange transactions.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Council's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including member dues, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements – The fund financial statements provide information about the Council's funds. The Council maintains one governmental fund and one fiduciary fund which are described as follows:

General Fund – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Council. The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund. The primary revenue sources are federal and state grants, technical assistance contracts, contracts and fees, and member dues. The primary expenditures are for area agencies on aging, planning assistance and administration, and the regional initiatives group.

Other Postemployment Benefit Trust Fund – The Other Postemployment Benefit ("OPEB") Trust Fund is used to report resources that are required to be held in trust for the members and beneficiaries of the other postemployment benefit plan. The OPEB Trust Fund accounts for the Council's contributions for healthcare coverage provided to qualified retirees.

*Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting* – In accordance with North Carolina Statutes, all funds of the Council are maintained during the year using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

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#### Note 1—Nature of operations and summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Government-Wide Financial Statements – The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the Council gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include grants. Revenues from grants are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements – Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Budgetary Data – The Council's budget ordinance is adopted, as required by the North Carolina General Statutes, on or before July 1 for the next fiscal year.

Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the program or project level. The Council's finance officer is authorized to transfer appropriations within a program or project; however, any revisions that alter total expenditure of any program must be approved by the governing board.

The appropriations are formally budgeted and legally controlled on a program or project basis. The annual budget, which is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting as required by North Carolina Statute, is amended during the fiscal year by the Board of Delegates, and the budget amounts reflected in the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance represent the budget as amended to June 30, 2024. Unencumbered annual appropriations lapse at each fiscal year-end and must be re-appropriated in the following fiscal year's budget.

Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

*Indirect Costs* – Indirect costs in program or project expenditures are those costs not readily assignable to a program or incurred for a common or joint purpose benefiting more than one program or project. Indirect costs are charged to programs or projects during the year based on direct salaries and fringe benefits using the actual rate.

Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance/Net Position

Deposits and Investments – All deposits of the Council are made in board-designated official depositories and are either insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or held in investment vehicles authorized by the State Treasurer.

State law [G.S. 159-30 (c)] authorizes the Council to invest in obligations of the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States; obligations of the state of North Carolina; bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public council; obligations of certain non-guaranteed federal agencies; certain high-quality issues of commercial paper and bankers' acceptances; and the North Carolina Capital Management Trust ("NCCMT").

The Council's investments are primarily in securities of the NCCMT Government Portfolio. The NCCMT Government Portfolio, a SEC-registered (2a-7) money market mutual fund, is measured at amortized cost which approximates fair value, and is the NCCMT's share price. Because the NCCMT Government Portfolio has a weighted average maturity of less than 90 days, it is presented as an investment with a maturity of less than six months.

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#### Note 1—Nature of operations and summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Cash and Cash Equivalents – The Council combines cash from program awards into one operating account to facilitate disbursements and investments and to maximize investment income. The Council considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash and cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable – The Council considers all revenues available if they are collected within 90 days subsequent to year-end except for grant receivables. Grant-related receivables are considered to be available regardless of when the amounts are collected. Grant revenues for which eligibility requirements have not been met at year-end are recorded as unearned revenues.

Those revenues susceptible to accrual are member dues, investment earnings, technical assistance contracts, contracts and fees, and federal and state restricted intergovernmental revenues. Expenditures driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been satisfied.

The Council provides for losses on receivables on the allowance method. The allowance method is based on experience, third party contracts, and other circumstances, which may affect the ability of debtors to meet their obligations. It is the Council's policy to charge-off uncollectible receivables when management determines the receivable will not be collected. Management of the Council believes all receivables will be collected. Therefore, no allowance for uncollectible accounts is considered necessary.

Capital Assets – Capital assets are defined by the Council as (a) physical assets and (b) technological assets with an initial, individual cost greater than or equal to (a) \$5,000 and (b) \$30,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Council assets meeting this definition are recorded at original cost at the time of acquisition and depreciated over the useful lives, ranging from 5 to 10 years, on a straight-line basis. When an asset is disposed of, the cost of the asset and the related accumulated depreciation are removed from the books. Any gain or loss on disposition is reflected in the earnings for the period.

Right-to-Use Lease Asset and Lease Liability – The Council has recorded right-to-use lease assets and lease liabilities as a result of implementing GASB 87, Leases. The right-to-use assets are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability plus any lease payments made prior to the lease term, less lease incentives, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the lease into services. These right-of-use assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

Compensated Absences – Council policy provides the accumulation of earned vacation up to 240 hours. Leave is fully vested when earned. Accumulated earned vacation at June 30, 2024 was \$309,172. Accumulated vacation is accounted for on a LIFO basis, assuming employees are taking leave as it is earned. The current portion of the accumulated vacation pay is not considered to be material and, therefore, no provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements. Employees can accumulate an unlimited amount of sick leave. Accrued sick leave may be used in the determination of length of service for retirement benefit purposes. Since the Council has no further obligation for accumulated sick leave, no accrual for sick leave has been made.

Coverage for other postretirement benefits is provided through common insurance carriers.

Deferred Outflows of Resources – In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The Council has two items that meet this criterion, its contributions and other deferrals made to the Local Government Employees' Retirement System ("LGERS") and contributions and other deferrals made to the Council's OPEB plan.

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### Note 1—Nature of operations and summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Deferred Inflows of Resources – In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The Council has three items that meet this criterion, deferrals related to future changes of the pension, OPEB liabilities and unavailable revenue received outside the Council's 90-day policy at the general fund.

Net OPEB Liability – The Council maintains one postemployment benefit plan. The plan's financial statement is prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Contributions are recognized when due, and the Council will provide the contributions to the Plan. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the term of the plan. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations. Deposits in savings account are at fair value. Administration costs of the plan are financed through investment earnings and deposits made by the Council.

Pension – For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of LGERS, and additions to/deductions from LGERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by LGERS. For this purpose, plan members' contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. The Council's employer contributions are recognized when due and the Council has a legal requirement to provide contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of LGERS. Investments are reported at fair value.

Unearned Revenue - Unearned revenue represents grant receipts not yet earned (not expended).

Net Position – Net position in the government-wide financial statements is classified as net investment in capital assets; restricted and unrestricted. Restricted net position represents constraints on resources that are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through State Statute.

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balance is composed of five classifications designed to disclose the hierarchy of constraints placed on how fund balance can be spent.

The governmental fund types classify fund balances as follows:

Nonspendable – This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. There was no nonspendable balance in the current year.

Restricted – This classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes externally imposed by creditors or imposed by law.

Stabilization by State Statute – Portion of fund balance that is restricted by State Statute [G.S. 159-8(a)].

Committed – Portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes imposed by majority vote by quorum of the Council's governing body (highest level of decision-making authority). Any changes or removal of specific purpose requires majority action by the governing body. There was no committed balance in the current year.

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#### Note 1—Nature of operations and summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Assigned – Portion of fund balance that the Council intends to use for specific purposes.

Subsequent Year's Expenditures Clean Water Education Partnership, Central Pines Rural Planning Organization, Jordan Lake One Water, LOGO Career Expo, Triangle Area Water Supply Monitoring Project, Triangle Water Supply Partnership – Portion of fund balance that is appropriated in the next year's budget that is not already classified in restricted or committed. The governing body approves the appropriation; however, the budget ordinance authorizes the Finance Director to modify the appropriations by resource or appropriation within funds.

*Unassigned* – Portion of fund balance that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes or other funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available to use, it is the Council's policy to use restricted resources first then unrestricted resources, as they are needed.

### Note 2—Deposits and investments

All of the Council's deposits are either insured or collateralized by using one of two methods. Under the Dedicated Method, all deposits exceeding the federal depository insurance coverage level are collateralized with securities held by the Council's agents in the unit's name. Under the Pooling Method, which is a collateral pool, all uninsured deposits are collateralized with securities held by the State Treasurer's agent in the name of the State Treasurer. Since the State Treasurer is acting in a fiduciary capacity for the Council, these deposits are considered to be held by the agent in the entity's name. The amount of the pledged collateral is based on an approved averaging method for non-interest-bearing deposits and the actual current balance for interest-bearing deposits. Depositories using the Pooling Method report to the State Treasurer the adequacy of their pooled collateral covering uninsured deposits. The State Treasurer does not confirm this information with the Council or with the escrow agent. Because of the inability to measure the exact amount of collateral pledged for the Council under the Pooling Method, the potential exists for under-collateralization, and this risk may increase in periods of high cash flows. However, the State Treasurer of North Carolina enforces strict standards of financial stability for each depository that collateralizes public deposits under the Pooling Method.

At June 30, 2024, the Council's deposits had a carrying amount of \$331,569 and a bank balance of \$404,030. Of the bank balance, \$250,000 was covered by FDIC. The remaining bank balance is collateralized under the Pooling Method.

At June 30, 2024, the Council's deposits in the OPEB Trust Fund had a carrying amount of \$417,568 and a bank balance of \$417,568. The bank balance is collateralized under the Pooling Method.

At June 30, 2024, the Council had the following investments:

	Valuation Measurement	Book Value at		
Investment Type	<u>Method</u>	June 30, 2024	Maturity	Rating
	Fair Value		Less than	
NCCMT - Government Portfolio	Level 1	\$2,699,060	6 months	AAAm

All investments are measured using the market approach: using prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or a group of assets.

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## Note 2—Deposits and investments (continued)

Level of fair value hierarchy: Level 1 investment securities are valued using directly observable, quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets.

The Council's investment in the NCCMT's Government Portfolio carried a credit rating of AAAm by Standard & Poor's and AAA-mf by Moody's Investor Service as of June 30, 2024. The Authority has no formal policy regarding credit risk on its investments. At June 30, 2023, the Council's OPEB Fund had \$417,568 in a Business Market Rate savings account.

#### Note 3—Receivables

The amount due from other governments and other receivables that is owed to the Council at June 30, 2024 consists of the following:

DHHS - Division of Aging and Adult Services	\$ 2,691,733
N.C. Department of Transportation	2,127,734
Capital Area MPO	154,973
Other receivables	 1,270,249
	\$ 6,244,689

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### Note 4—Capital assets

The capital assets of the Council at June 30, 2024 consist of an office building, administrative and program equipment and vehicles. The following is a schedule of capital assets:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets being depreciated:				
General equipment	\$ -	\$ 153,053	\$ -	\$ 153,053
Vehicles	17,779			17,779
	17,779	153,053	-	170,832
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
General equipment	-	30,611	-	30,611
Vehciles	9,524	2,540		12,064
	9,524	33,151	-	42,675
Total capital assets being				
depreciated, net	8,255			128,157
Capital assets being amortized:				
Building	480,820	4,159,786	(480,820)	4,159,786
Copier	21,748			21,748
	502,568	4,159,786	(480,820)	4,181,534
Less accumulated amortization for:			<u>-</u>	
Building	461,588	284,430	(461,588)	284,430
Copier	7,250	4,143		11,393
	468,838	\$ 288,573	\$ (461,588)	295,823
Total capital assets being				
amortized, net	33,730			3,885,711
Governmental acuities capital assets, net	\$ 41,985			\$ 4,013,868

### Note 5—Retirement plan

### Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description – The Council is a participating employer in the statewide LGERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan (the "Plan") administered by the state of North Carolina. LGERS membership is comprised of general employees and local law enforcement officers ("LEO") of participating local governmental entities. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 128 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the Plan is vested in LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the State Senate, one appointed by the State House of Representatives, and the State Treasurer, and State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio member. LGERS is included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report ("ACFR") for the state of North Carolina. The state's ACFR includes financial statements and required supplementary information for LGERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454, or at www.osc.nc.gov.

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### Note 5—Retirement plan (continued)

Benefits Provided – LGERS provides retirement and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as 1.85% of the member's average final compensation, times the member's years of creditable service. A member's average final compensation is calculated as the average of a member's four highest consecutive years of compensation. Plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or at age 60 with five years of creditable service. Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age or have completed five years of service and have reached age 60. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions. The Plan does not provide for automatic postretirement benefit increases. Increases are contingent upon actuarial gains of the Plan.

Contributions – Contribution provisions are established by G.S. 128-30 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Employees are required to contribute 6% of their compensation. Employer contributions are actuarially determined and set annually by LGERS Board of Trustees. The Council's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2024 was 12.10% of compensation for general employees, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year. Contributions to the Plan from the Council were \$476,740 for the year ended June 30, 2024. The contributions made from the Council equaled the required contributions for the year.

Refund of Contributions – Council employees who have terminated service as a contributing member of LGERS may file an application for a refund of their contributions. By state law, refunds to members with at least five years of service include 4% interest. State law requires a 60-day waiting period after service termination before the refund may be paid. The acceptance of a refund payment cancels the individual's right to the employer contributions, or any other benefit provided by LGERS.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the Council reported a liability of \$2,226,152 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2023, utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The Council's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Council's long-term share of future payroll covered by the pension plan, relative to the projected future payroll covered by the pension plan of all participating LGERS employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the Council's proportion was 0.03361%, which was an increase of 0.001299% from its proportion measured at June 30, 2022.

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#### Note 5—Retirement plan (continued)

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the Council recognized pension expense of \$205,104. At June 30, 2024, the Council reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	248,059	\$	5,340
Changes of assumptions		94,599		-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings				
on pension plan investments		595,816		-
Changes in proportion and differences between Council				
contributions and proportionate share of contributions		82,968		14,526
Council contributions subsequent to the measurement date		476,740		-
	\$	1,498,182	\$	19,866

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the Council's contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$476,740 will be recognized as a decrease of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Years Ending June 30,	
2025	\$ 375,617
2026	200,609
2027	400,154
2028	25,196
	\$ 1,001,576

Actuarial Assumptions – The total pension liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.50%

Salary Increase 3.25% to 8.25%, including inflation and productivity factor

Investment rate of return 6.50%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

The plan currently uses mortality rates based on projections from 2010 using generational improvement with Scale MortalityProjections-2019 that vary be age, gender, employee group (i.e., general, law enforcement officer) and health status (i.e., disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience review for the period from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are, therefore, not included in the measurement.

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### Note 5—Retirement plan (continued)

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. Global public equity return projections are established through analysis of the equity risk premium and the fixed income return projections. Other asset categories and strategies' return projections reflect the foregoing and historical data analysis. These projections are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2023, are summarized in the following table.

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Estate
Fixed income	33.0%	0.9%
Global equity	38.0%	6.5%
Real estate	8.0%	5.9%
Alternatives	8.0%	8.2%
Opportunistic fixed income	7.0%	5.0%
Inflation sensitive	6.0%	2.7%
	100.0%	

The information above is based on 30-year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the liability and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 2.25%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Council's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the Council's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.50%, as well as what the Council's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (5.50%) or one percentage point higher (7.50%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (5.50%)		Dis	(6.50%)	 Increase (7.50%)
Council's proportionate share of the		_			_
net pension liability (asset)	\$	3,856,721	\$	2,226,152	\$ 883,715

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued ACFR for the state of North Carolina.

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### Note 5—Retirement plan (continued)

Supplemental Retirement Income Plan

All full-time employees of the Council, who are members of LGERS, can voluntarily elect to participate in the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan of North Carolina. This plan is a defined contribution pension plan governed by the Department of the State Treasurer and a Board of Trustees. Participation begins at the date of employment in a defined contribution plan; benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings. The Council contributes amounts equal to 5% of each employee's gross annual salary. Contributions are remitted bi-weekly and such contributions vest immediately. Council contributions to the plan totaled \$185,709 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### Note 6—Other postemployment benefits

Plan Administration – Under the terms of a Council resolution, the Council administers a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan (the "Retiree Health Plan"). The plan provides postemployment healthcare benefits to retirees of the Council, provided they participate in the North Carolina LGERS and have at least five years of creditable service with the Council. The Council pays a percentage of the premium for the coverage based on the equivalent years of service as follows:

Retire with	CPRC Service	Individual Health Insurance Premium	
At Least	Not More Than	CPRC Pays	<b>Employee Pays</b>
5 years	10 years	25%	75%
10 years	15 years	50%	50%
15 years	20 years	75%	25%
20+ years	-	100%	0%

Membership in the Retiree Health Plan consisted of 11 retirees and 33 active employees for a total of 44 employees included in the calculation as of June 30, 2023. The Council's retirees may elect to purchase coverage for their dependents at the Council's group rates. The Council's Board may amend the benefit provisions. A separate report was not issued for the Retiree Health Plan.

Funding Policy – By Council resolution, the Council pays the full cost of coverage for the healthcare benefits paid to qualified retirees. The Council has chosen to fund the healthcare benefits on a pay-as-you-go basis. In fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the Council's total contributions were \$45,505. The OPEB Trust Fund is accounted for as a trust fund.

Benefits Provided – The Council's plan provides healthcare benefits for retirees. The Council pays a percentage of the cost of coverage for employees' benefits through private insurers.

The following are the Council's contributions to the plan based on years of creditable service as of June 30, 2024:

Years of Creditable Service	Date Hired Pre-July 1, 2007	Date Hired on or After July 1, 2007
Less than 10 years	43.75%	0.00%
10 to 20 years	32.00%	0.00%
More than 20 years	24.25%	0.00%

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### Note 6—Other postemployment benefits (continued)

Investment Policy – The Council's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the Board by a majority vote of its members. It is the policy of the Board to pursue an investment strategy that reduces risk through the prudent diversification of the portfolio across a Broad selection of distinct asset classes. The Council discourages the use of cash and cash equivalents, except for liquidity purposes, and aims to refrain from dramatically shifting asset class allocations over short time spans. Investments are valued at fair value.

The following was the Board's adopted asset allocation policy as of June 30, 2024:

		Long-Term
		<b>Expected Real</b>
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Rate of Return
Cash and cash equivalents	100%	0.03%

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the annual money weighted rate of return on investments, net of investment expense, was 0.03%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

Net OPEB Liability of the Council – The components of the net OPEB liability of the Council at June 30, 2024 were as follows:

Total OPEB liability	\$ 2,151,958
Plan fiduciary net position	417,568
Net OPEB liability	\$ 1,734,390

Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability

19.40%

Actuarial Assumptions – The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

2.50%
0.75%
3.25%
3.25% - 8.41%
0.03%
3.65%
3.93%
2.21%
2.48%
7.00% for 2022 decreasing to an
ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2032
5.125% for 2022 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2025

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### Note 6—Other postemployment benefits (continued)

The total OPEB liability was rolled forward to June 30, 2024, utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was based upon the single equivalent interest rate.

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 mortality tables, with adjustments for LGERS experience and generational mortality improvements using Scale MP-2019.

The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, and salary increases used in the June 30, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019, adopted by LGERS.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2022 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2022 valuation.

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the net OPEB liability of the Council, as well as what the Council's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower or one-percentage-point higher than the current discount rate:

				Current		
	19	% Decrease (2.93%)	Dis	count Rate (3.93%)	19	% Increase (4.93%)
Net OPEB liability	\$	2,170,576	\$	1,734,390	\$	1,396,201

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates – The following presents the net OPEB liability of the Council, as well as what the Council's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rate that is one-percentage-point lower or one-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate:

	1%	6 Decrease	Cu	rrent Rate	1% Increase		
Net OPEB liability	\$	1,320,081	\$	1,734,390	\$	2,293,900	

Changes in Net OPEB Liability, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB – At June 30, 2024, the Council reported a net OPEB liability of \$1,734,390. The total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022.

Changes of Assumptions – Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 2.21% in 2023 to 3.93% in 2024.

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## Note 6—Other postemployment benefits (continued)

The components of the net OPEB liability of the Council, measured as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

	otal OPEB ability (a)	Plan Net Position (b)		_	Net OPEB pility (a) - (b)
Balance as of June 30, 2023	\$ 2,141,148	\$	417,404	\$	1,723,744
Changes for the year:					
Service cost at the end of the year	102,303		-		102,303
Interest on TOL and cash flows	46,819		-		46,819
Change in benefit terms	-		-		-
Difference between expected and actual experience	13,987		-		13,987
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(106,794)		-		(106,794)
Contributions - employer	-		45,505		(45,505)
Contributions - non-employer	-		-		-
Net investment income	-		164		(164)
Benefit payments	(45,505)		(45,505)		-
Plan administrative expenses	-		-		-
Other	-				
Net changes	10,810		164		10,646
Balance as of June 30, 2024	\$ 2,151,958	\$ \$ 417,568 \$ 1,7		1,734,390	

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Council recognized OPEB expense of \$59,100. At June 30, 2024, the Council reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Du Re	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	16,721	\$	432,378
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		234,706		296,791
Net difference between projected and actual earnings				
on plan investments				1,185
	\$	251,427	\$	730,354

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

#### Measurement Period for Fiscal Years Ending June 30:

2024	\$ (66,6	344)
2025	(125,6	381)
2026	(145,6	319)
2027	(109,1	137)
2028	(28,8	353)
Thereafter	(2,9	993)
	\$ (478,9	927)

The financial statements for the OPEB Trust Fund is shown as a fiduciary fund on pages 16 and 17.

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### Note 7—Other employment benefits

The Council has elected to provide death benefits to employees through the Death Benefit Plan for members of LGERS ("Death Benefit Plan"), a multiple-employer, state-administered, cost-sharing plan funded on a one-year term cost basis. The beneficiaries of those employees who die in active service after one year of contributing membership in the system, or who die within 180 days after retirement or termination of service and have at least one year of contributing membership service in the system at the time of death are eligible for death benefits. Lump sum death benefit payments to beneficiaries are equal to the employee's 12 highest months' salary in a row during the 24 months prior to the employee's death, but the benefit may not exceed \$50,000 or be less than \$25,000. Because all death benefit payments are made from the Death Benefit Plan and not by the Council, the Council does not determine the number of eligible participants. The Council has no liability beyond the payment of monthly contributions. The contributions to the Death Benefit Plan cannot be separated between the postemployment benefit amount and the other benefit amount. Contributions are determined as a percentage of monthly payroll based upon rates established annually by the state. Separate rates are set for employees not engaged in law enforcement and for law enforcement officers. The Council considers these contributions to be immaterial.

## Note 8—Long-term obligations

Leases – The Council leases certain facilities and equipment under noncancelable leases. The lease agreements qualify as other than short-term lease agreements under GASB 87 and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inception. The leases have various terms, with maturity ranging from July 2024 through July 2033. The leases have discount rates of 3.25% and 8.25%. As a lessee, the Council recognized lease assets and lease liabilities on the statement of net position. See Note 5 for further information.

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of the operating and finance lease payments as of June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Years Ending June 30:	Principal		 Interest	Total	
2025	\$	256,890	\$ 319,465	\$	576,355
2026		293,530	297,122		590,652
2027		331,408	271,647		603,055
2028		372,989	242,838		615,827
2029		420,940	210,281		631,221
2030 - 2034		2,317,396	 427,072		2,744,468
	\$	3,993,153	\$ 1,768,425	\$	5,761,578

Change in Long-Term Obligations – A summary of changes in long-term obligations for the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

	E	Beginning Balance	Net Increase		Net Decrease		Ending Balance		Current Portion
Net OPEB liability	\$	1,723,744	\$	10,646	\$	-	\$	1,734,390	\$ -
Compensated absences		204,557		104,615		-		309,172	-
Leases		35,148		4,159,786		(201,781)		3,993,153	256,890
Net pension liability		1,823,310		402,842				2,226,152	
	\$	3,786,759	\$	4,677,889	\$	(201,781)	\$	8,262,867	\$ 256,890

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#### Note 9—Risk management

The Council is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Council participates in two self-funded risk financing pools administered by the North Carolina League of Municipalities. Through these pools, the Council obtains general liability of \$5 million per occurrence, auto liability coverage of \$5 million per occurrence, property coverage up to the total insurance values of the property policy, and workers' compensation coverage up to statutory limits. The pools are reinsured through commercial companies for single occurrence claims against general liability, auto liability, and property in excess of \$500,000 and \$300,000 up to statutory limits for workers' compensation. The property liability pool has an aggregate limit for the total property losses in a single year, with the reinsurance limit based upon a percentage of the total insurance values.

The Council carries commercial coverage for all other risks of loss. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage in the prior year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past fiscal years. In accordance with G.S. 159-29, the Council's employees that have access to \$100 or more at any given time of the Council's funds are performance bonded through a commercial surety bond. The finance officer is individually bonded for \$1,000,000. The remaining employees that have access to funds are bonded under a blanket bond for \$250.000.

## Note 10—Contingent liabilities

The Council is the recipient of various state and federal awards for specific purposes that are subject to review and possibly final audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to requests by the grantor agencies for reimbursement of expenditures disallowed under the compliance terms of the grant. At June 30, 2024, no requests for reimbursement by the grantor agencies existed for those grants which have been subjected to grantor audits.

#### Note 11—Concentration of risk

A material part of the Council's support is derived from grants from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services – Division of Aging. This support represented 47% of the Council's total revenue for the year ended June 30, 2024. The loss of this revenue would have an adverse effect on the Council's ability to continue to provide its aging services.

#### Note 12—Transfer of operations

Effective July 1, 2023, the boards of Central Pines Regional Council ("CPRC") and Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro ("DCHC") Metropolitan Planning Organization ("MPO") entered into a lead planning agency agreement to assume certain administrative duties and functions for MPO. MPO's previous governmental agency servicing as lead planning agency, the City of Durham, transferred \$214,569 in cash assets to CPRC upon transfer of DCHC MPO's operations. MPO transferred no capital assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, or deferred inflows of resources.

#### Note 13—Subsequent events

The Council has evaluated subsequent events through November 14, 2024, in connection with the preparation of these financial statements, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

This section contains additional information required by governmental accounting standards board.

- Other Postemployment Healthcare Benefits –
   Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability, Related Ratios, and Investment Returns
   Schedule of OPEB Employer Contributions
   Notes to the Required Schedule
- Local Government Employees 'Retirement System –
   Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liabilities
   Schedule of Contributions

OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE BENEFITS – SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY, RELATED RATIOS, AND INVESTMENT RETURNS

#### LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30

	 2024	 2023	 2022	 2021	 2020	 2019
Total OPEB liability Service cost Interest Changes of benefit terms	\$ 102,303 46,819	\$ 134,985 61,357	\$ 158,078 48,731	\$ 163,836 50,542 40.278	\$ 112,344 59,678	\$ 62,775 59,009
Difference between expected and actual experience Changes in assumptions Benefit payments	13,987 (106,794) (45,505)	(594,425) 163,949 (42,660)	3,334 (307,957) (44,414)	(74,097) (105,169) (34,401)	(4,424) 483,197 (28,207)	45,705 215,218 (21,584)
Net change in total OPEB liability	10,810	(276,794)	(142,228)	40,989	622,588	361,123
Total OPEB liability, beginning	2,141,148	2,417,942	2,560,170	2,519,181	1,896,593	1,535,470
Total OPEB liability, ending	\$ 2,151,958	\$ 2,141,148	\$ 2,417,942	\$ 2,560,170	\$ 2,519,181	\$ 1,896,593
Plan fiduciary net position Contributions - employer Contributions - non-employer Contributions - active member	\$ 45,505 -	\$ 192,658 -	\$ 44,414 -	\$ 97,445 -	\$ 102,861 -	\$ 91,682 -
Net investment income Benefit payments Administrative expense Other	164 (45,505) -	173 (42,660) -	2,877 (44,414) -	21 (34,401) -	31 (28,207) -	- 16 (21,584) - -
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	164	150,171	2,877	63,065	74,685	70,114
Plan fiduciary net position, beginning	 417,404	267,233	264,356	 201,291	126,606	 56,492
Plan fiduciary net position, ending	\$ 417,568	\$ 417,404	\$ 267,233	\$ 264,356	\$ 201,291	\$ 126,606
Net OPEB liability - ending	\$ 1,734,390	\$ 1,723,744	\$ 2,150,709	\$ 2,295,814	\$ 2,317,890	\$ 1,769,987
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	19.40%	19.49%	11.05%	10.33%	7.99%	6.68%

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. This schedule will not present 10 years of information until fiscal year 2026.

# OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE BENEFITS – SCHEDULE OF OPEB EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

#### LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30

	2024	 2023	 2022	 2021	2020	 2019
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 313,414	\$ 405,734	\$ 405,734	\$ 404,714	\$ 404,714	\$ 276,180
Contributions in relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution	 45,505	 192,658	 44,414	97,445	 102,861	91,682
Annual contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 267,909	\$ 213,076	\$ 361,320	\$ 307,269	\$ 301,853	\$ 184,498
Covered employee payroll	\$ 1,470,449	\$ 1,470,449	\$ 2,010,476	\$ 2,010,476	\$ 1,685,103	\$ 1,685,103
Actual contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	3.09%	13.10%	2.21%	4.85%	6.10%	5.44%

<sup>(1)</sup> Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

# OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE BENEFITS – NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SCHEDULE

#### LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30

#### Notes to the Required Schedule

Actuarially determined contribution rates, as a percentage of payroll used to determine the actuarially determined contribution amounts in the Schedule of Employer Contributions are calculated with each biennial actuarial valuation. The following actuarial methods and assumptions (from the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation) were used to determine contribution rates reported in that schedule for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Amortization method	Level dollar
Amortization period	30 years, closed
Asset valuation method	Market value of assets
Actuarial assumptions:	
Inflation	2.50%
Real wage growth	0.75%
Wage inflation	3.25%
Salary increases	3.25% - 8.41%
Investment rate of return	0.03%
Municipal bond index rate - prior measurement date	3.65%
Municipal bond index rate - measurement date	3.93%
Year FNP depletion projected - prior measurement date	2048
Year FNP depletion projected - measurement date	2047
Single equivalent interest rate - prior measurement date	2.21%
Single equivalent interest rate - measurement date	2.48%
Healthcare cost trend rates - Pre-Medicare	7.00% for 2022 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2032
Healthcare cost trend rates - Medicare	5.125% for 2022 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2025

Schedule of Investment Returns	2024	2023	2022	2021
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	-13.13%	56.19%	1.09%	31.33%
	2020	2019	2018	
	54.60%	130%	-7.05%	

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM – SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITIES AND SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

#### LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30\*

	2024		2023	2022		2021	2020		2019		2018	2017	2016	2015
Council's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	0.034%	_	0.032%	0.026%	-	0.026%	0.026%		0.025%	-	0.026%	0.023%	0.024%	 0.027%
Council's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ 2,226,152	\$	1,823,310	\$ 399,195	\$	921,587	\$ 716,321	\$	600,914	\$	401,638	\$ 485,166	\$ 108,159	\$ 323,043
Council's covered payroll	\$ 2,683,663	\$	2,260,266	\$ 1,985,350	\$	1,859,630	\$ 1,729,645	\$	1,635,289	\$	1,376,448	\$ 1,472,426	\$ 1,237,322	\$ 1,237,322
Council's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	82.95%		80.67%	46.42%		49.56%	34.74%		24.56%		35.25%	7.35%	10.65%	22.25%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	82.49%		84.14%	95.51%		88.61%	90.86%		91.63%		98.31%	97.97%	98.09%	102.64%
Schedule of Contributions														
	2024		2023	2022		2021	2020		2019		2018	2017	 2016	2015
Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required	\$ 476,740	\$	322,882	\$ 255,166	\$	210,512	\$ 178,483	\$	144,865	\$	130,516	\$ 119,540	\$ 91,809	\$ 105,581
contribution	476,740		322,882	 255,166	_	210,512	 178,483	_	144,865	_	130,516	 119,540	 91,809	 105,581
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$		\$ 	\$		\$ 	\$		\$		\$ <u> </u>	\$ 	\$ 

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending June 30.



# SCHEDULE OF INDIRECT COSTS – BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	 Budget	Actual	Ī	/ariance Positive Vegative)
Indirect Personnel Costs:				
Salaries	\$ 643,941	\$ 631,506	\$	12,435
Fringe benefits	 239,696	 233,892		5,804
	 883,637	865,398		18,239
Administrative Costs:				
Audit cost	44,600	41,450		3,150
Conferences/professional development	30,000	26,773		3,227
Contractual	227,202	212,232		14,970
Dues and subscriptions	7,675	7,289		386
Equipment depreciation	29,922	30,611		(689)
General supplies	17,500	17,210		290
Insurance	30,233	23,282		6,951
Leased equipment	8,500	6,842		1,658
Legal cost	10,000	2,890		7,110
Office furnishings/repairs	545,533	526,173		19,360
Postage	2,600	824		1,776
Printing	9,057	6,051		3,006
Recruitment cost	9,835	10,004		(169)
Rent building	495,932	440,238		55,694
Software maintenance/support	66,308	43,693		22,615
Telecommunications	316,351	314,036		2,315
Travel - mileage	 3,500	1,943	1	1,557
	1,854,748	1,711,541		143,207
Total Indirect Costs	\$ 2,738,385	\$ 2,576,939	\$	161,446

# **CENTRAL PINES REGIONAL COUNCIL**SCHEDULE OF INDIRECT COSTS APPLIED TO PROGRAMS

	Program Salaries	 Program Fringe	Indii Allo Progr	Actual rect Costs ocated to ams Based Salaries
319 Septic Phase II	\$ 3,366	\$ 1,007	\$	2,241
Aging Ombudsman	228,460	99,879		168,405
Aging Planning & Admininstration	318,030	140,602		235,233
American Rescue Plan	123,882	40,726		84,427
ARP CDS Johnston	660	316		501
ARP Planning & Admin	90,672	34,288		64,092
ARP Title III-D-Health Promotion	31,307	14,822		23,660
ARP Ombudsman LOC6	1,087	292		707
CALSTART East Coast ZEV Plan	8,330	4,017		6,333
Cameron Rural Transformation Grant	784	294		730
Cary CDBG	36,633	15,183		28,640
CDS-Chatham	297	114		211
Center of the Region Enterprise (CORE)	18,123	7,426		15,738
Central Pines Rural Planning Organization	77,975	35,205		57,976
Chatham County URP	2,617	1,160		1,937
Chatham ESFR21	2,183	1,047		1,657
Chatham Housing Project	18,327	8,343		15,129
City of Durham LMI Solarize	5,351	2,123		3,834
City of Raleigh EV Study	5,257	1,863		3,648
City of Raleigh LMI Solarize	9,336	4,061		6,871
Clean Fuels Advanced Technologies	17,140	8,733		13,270
Clean Water Education Partnership (CWEP)	34,518	12,016		27,705
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant	62,335	23,375		43,877
Community & Economic Dev Strategy & Technical Assistance	9,943	3,953		7,527
Connected Region	6,663	2,979		59,382
Drive EV USA	7,086	3,183		5,264
Drug Alcohol Testing Program	4,181	1,785		2,164
Durham Communities to Clean Energy (C2C)	5,374	2,236		3,903
Durham County ESFR 2022	4,720	2,260		3,580
Economic Development District	27,030	10,702		19,353
Elder Abuse	10,330	3,080		6,878
Environment & Resilience Strategy & Technical Assistance	11,891	4,332		8,340
EPA Brownfields	5,278	2,067		3,768
ESG Chatham County	36,417	3,237		2,436
ESHPF Addor Community Center	2,968	1,199		2,125
ESHPF Lee County	2,292	916		1,897
ESHPF Princeton Grade School	2,395	962		1,900
Family Caregiver	57,800	24,783		42,357
FHLB Grant	2,197	1,057		1,702
Finance Assistance	70,765	11,608		33,472

# SCHEDULE OF INDIRECT COSTS APPLIED TO PROGRAMS (CONTINUED)

	Program Salaries	Program Fringe	A Prog	Actual lirect Costs llocated to grams Based n Salaries
Foreign Trade Zone	\$ 30,500	\$ 14,274	\$	28,862
Grant Assistance	64,391	26,478		49,288
Harnett County ESFR 2022	4,475	2,144		3,395
Haw River Specialist	15,235	6,087		10,936
Health Promotion	7,519	3,598		5,702
Housing Strategy & Technical Assistance	15,152	6,195		11,005
JLOW Membership	17,192	4,977		12,520
Lead Capacity Building Program	8,126	3,434		5,929
Lee County ESFR 2021	3,682	1,735		2,817
Lee County URP 2022	1,650	801		1,593
Local Contact Agency (LCA)	298	276		295
Local Development District	4,720	1,839		3,364
Member Support & Strategy Technical Assistance	147,702	53,077		106,210
MIPPA VI	790	306		562
Morrisville Small Business	1,826	836		1,365
NC Biotech Ambassador Program	9,252	3,822		7,213
NC Recovery & Resiliency	67,673	30,355		52,733
NCARCOG Subrecipient Process	15,989	7,023		11,803
PL Federal Highway Administration Planning	1,024,512	390,796		725,911
Raleigh Watershed Protection	16,453	5,707		12,688
Regional Data Center	7,919	2,208		16,422
Safe Routes to School	44,493	22,400		34,309
Safe Streets Morrisville/Lee Co/Sanford	16,793	6,003		11,691
Sanford Rural Transformation Grant	794	310		638
Saralyn	1,668	623		1,175
Transportation Demand Management (TDM)	185,183	89,415		140,841
Transportation Strategy & Technical Assistance	33,332	12,135		33,317
Triangle Area Water Supply Monitoring Project	11,035	3,934		8,002
Triangle Clean Cities	43,165	21,335		33,039
Triangle Region Solid Waste Consortium	14,215	6,725		11,870
Triangle Water Supply Partnership	21,600	7,883		19,818
Tri-COG FEEDS	7,305	3,297		5,438
Trinity Zion Rehabilitation Project	4,080	1,677		2,952
Upper Cape Fear River Basin	8,562	2,371		6,963
Urban Transportation Support & Regional Planning Coordinate	174,652	62,100		129,084
URP-ESFR Orange County	10,960	4,995		8,183
USDA Rural Development HPG	1,632	4,995 750		1,222
Vass Rural Transformation Grant	2,312	960		1,811
Veteran Directed Home & Community Based Services	2,560	1,101		1,878
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Wake County ARPA	13,818	3,171		8,714
Wake County Non-ARPA Wake ESFR21	22,156 4,282	7,408 1,968		29,313 3,198
Total Indirect Costs	\$ 3,453,653	\$ 1,363,760	\$	2,576,939

# SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM REVENUES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND

	Budget			Actual	Variance Positive Negative)
Aging & Human Services:					
Aging Fans	\$	17,760	\$	16,760	\$ (1,000)
Aging Ombudsman		561,920		515,612	(46,308)
Aging Planning & Admininstration		720,723		720,721	(2)
Aging Senior Center-GP		156,830		155,208	(1,622)
ARP CDS Johnston		61,702		14,668	(47,034)
ARP Congregate		295,853		102,708	(193,145)
ARP Family Caregiver		516,148		221,513	(294,635)
ARP Home Delivered Meals		666,631		490,046	(176,585)
ARP Ombudsman		38,427		707,528	669,101
ARP Planning & Admin		532,283		3,971	(528,312)
ARP Title III-B		1,493,887		196,204	(1,297,683)
ARP Title III-D-Health Promotion		158,414		78,891	(79,523)
ARP Ombudsman LOC6		31,956		2,086	(29,870)
CDS-Chatham		43,950		23,678	(20,272)
Elder Abuse		22,665		22,638	(27)
Family Caregiver		776,334		720,807	(55,527)
Health Promotion		131,036		131,025	(11)
Home Com Care Block Grant		10,493,879		10,449,977	(43,902)
Legal		57,688		57,688	-
Local Contact Agency (LCA)		6,019		633	(5,386)
MIPPA VI		98,272		26,744	(71,528)
MIPPA VII		91,051		26,588	(64,463)
Supplemental 5 Congregate Meals		568		568	-
Supplemental 5 Home Delivered		6,436		3,754	(2,682)
Veteran Directed Home & Community Based Services		108,091		107,182	 (909)
		17,088,523		14,797,198	(2,291,325)

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM REVENUES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND (CONTINUED)

Community & Foomeric Developments		Budget		Actual	Ī	/ariance Positive legative)
Community & Economic Development: Cary CDBG	φ	95 000	\$	95 000	\$	
Cary CDBG Center of the Region Enterprise (CORE)	\$	85,000 57,575	Ф	85,000	Ф	- (27.075)
Chatham County URP		57,575 139,700		20,500 5,714		(37,075)
Chatham ESFR21		239,015		,		(133,986)
				45,568		(193,447)
Chatham Housing Project		45,000		43,500		(1,500)
Community & Economic Dev Strategy & Technical Assistance		132,811		74,330		(58,481)
Digital Inclusion		87,905		488		(87,417)
Duke Affordable Housing Study		12,938		-		(12,938)
Durham County ESFR 2022		299,254		21,000		(278,254)
Durham Senior Home Rehab		750,000		-		(750,000)
Economic Development District		85,735		61,639		(24,096)
EPA Brownfields		218,066		121,428		(96,638)
ESFR 2019 Harnett County		21,802		-		(21,802)
ESG Chatham County		60,708		58,564		(2,144)
ESHPF Addor Community Center		8,611		6,292		(2,319)
ESHPF Lee County		8,611		5,105		(3,506)
ESHPF Princeton Grade School		10,233		4,270		(5,963)
FHLB Grant		413,361		121,107		(292,254)
Foreign Trade Zone		77,640		77,635		(5)
Harnett County ESFR 2022		299,807		10,500		(289,307)
Haw River Specialist		149,317		126,873		(22,444)
Housing Strategy & Technical Assistance		36,785		36,785		-
Lead Capacity Building Program		184,100		30,176		(153,924)
Lee County ESFR 2021		59,521		48,400		(11,121)
Lee County URP 2022		20,910		20,910		-
Local Development District		26,000		9,923		(16,077)
Morrisville Small Business		6,436		4,033		(2,403)
NC Biotech Ambassador Program		30,329		21,167		(9,162)
Regional Data Center		30,189		30,189		-
Saralyn		178,560		3,502		(175,058)
Tri-COG FEEDS		17,001		16,843		(158)
Trinity Zion Rehabilitation Project		199,354		8,710		(190,644)
Urban Transportation Support & Regional Planning		402,495		343,495		(59,000)
URP-ESFR Orange County		32,519		19,014		(13,505)
USDA Rural Development HPG		189,612		178,224		(11,388)
Wake ESFR21		242,124		186,325		(55,799)
		4,859,024		1,847,209		(3,011,815)

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM REVENUES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND (CONTINUED)

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
<b>Durham Chapel Hill Carborro MPO:</b> DSWG-BSRS Durham Transit Staff Working Group	\$ 907,274	\$ -	\$ (907,274)
DSWG-P Durham Transit Staff Working Group	39,806	φ <u>-</u> 25,564	(14,242)
FTA Transit Capital and Operating Assistance	151,000	20,004	(151,000)
OSWG-P Orange Transit Staff Working Group	39,806	16,414	(23,392)
Federal Highway Administration Planning Group	4,341,282	3,095,672	(1,245,610)
Federal Highway Administration Planning Group Set Aside	24,900	-	(24,900)
Safe Streets for All	500,000	_	(500,000)
Transportation Planning	504,167	_	(504,167)
	6,508,235	3,137,650	(3,370,585)
Environment & Resilience:			
319 Septic Phase II	74,425	37,663	(36,762)
CALSTART East Coast ZEV Plan	25,000	18,945	(6,055)
Chapel Hill LMI Solarize	55,000	<u>-</u>	(55,000)
City of Durham LMI Solarize	246,999	37,608	(209,391)
City of Raleigh EV Study	22,000	12,840	(9,160)
City of Raleigh LMI Solarize	231,000	73,066	(157,934)
Clean Fuels Advanced Technologies	45,000	40,057	(4,943)
Clean Water Education Partnership (CWEP)	232,823	175,333	(57,490)
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant	320,894	328,732	7,838
Drive EV USA	97,000	85,449	(11,551)
Duke Resilience Grant	65,000	2,107	(62,893)
Durham Communities to Clean Energy (C2C)	25,000	15,000	(10,000)
Durham County LMI Solarize	55,000	10,520	(44,480)
EFC-Extreme Fast Charger	10,000	-	(10,000)
Environment & Resilience Strategy & Technical Assistance	36,466	31,613	(4,853)
JLOW Membership	60,751	70,900	10,149
NC Recovery & Resiliency	150,427	152,898	2,471
Orange County LMI Solarize	50,000	10,520	(39,480)
Raleigh Watershed Protection	612,751	541,746	(71,005)
Triangle Area Water Supply Monitoring Project	459,548	433,961	(25,587)
Triangle Clean Cities	118,062	109,150	(8,912)
Triangle Region Solid Waste Consortium	34,564	34,450	(114)
Triangle Sustainability Partnership (Solarize)	5,662	3,473	(2,189)
Triangle Water Supply Partnership	361,401	236,100	(125,301)
Upper Cape Fear River Basin	22,975	22,975	
	3,417,748	2,485,106	(932,642)

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM REVENUES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND (CONTINUED)

Mambar Cupport & Strategy		Budget		Actual		Variance Positive Negative)
Member Support & Strategy: American Rescue Plan	\$	273,937	\$	273,936	\$	(1)
Cameron Rural Transformation Grant	φ	20.000	φ	1.806	φ	(1)
Connected Region		322.424		46,731		(18,194) (275,693)
Drug Alcohol Testing Program		15,850		15,125		,
Finance Assistance		180,000		180,791		(725) 791
Grant Assistance		173.250		192.375		19,125
Human Resources Assistance		150,000		151.864		1,864
Member Support & Strategy Technical Assistance		361,365		352,604		(8,761)
NCARCOG Subrecipient Process		34,815		34,815		(0,701)
Non-Departmental		232,488		191,740		(40,748)
Sanford Rural Transformation Grant		10.012		1.741		(8,271)
Vass Rural Transformation Grant		32,500		5,082		(27,418)
Wake County ARPA		2,454,700		1,247,116		(1,207,584)
Wake County Non-ARPA		9,933,417		4,355,780		(5,577,637)
		14,194,758		7,051,506		(7,143,252)
Transportation:						
Central Pines Rural Planning Organization		179,010		179,010		-
Safe Routes to School		164,036		114,513		(49,523)
Safe Streets Morrisville/Lee Co/Sanford		300,000		34,487		(265,513)
Transportation Demand Management (TDM)		1,916,019		1,400,287		(515,732)
Transportation Strategy & Technical Assistance		79,153		79,153		_
		2,638,218		1,807,450		(830,768)
Total Program Revenues	\$ 4	48,706,506	\$	31,126,119	\$	(17,580,387)

# SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM EXPENDITURES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND

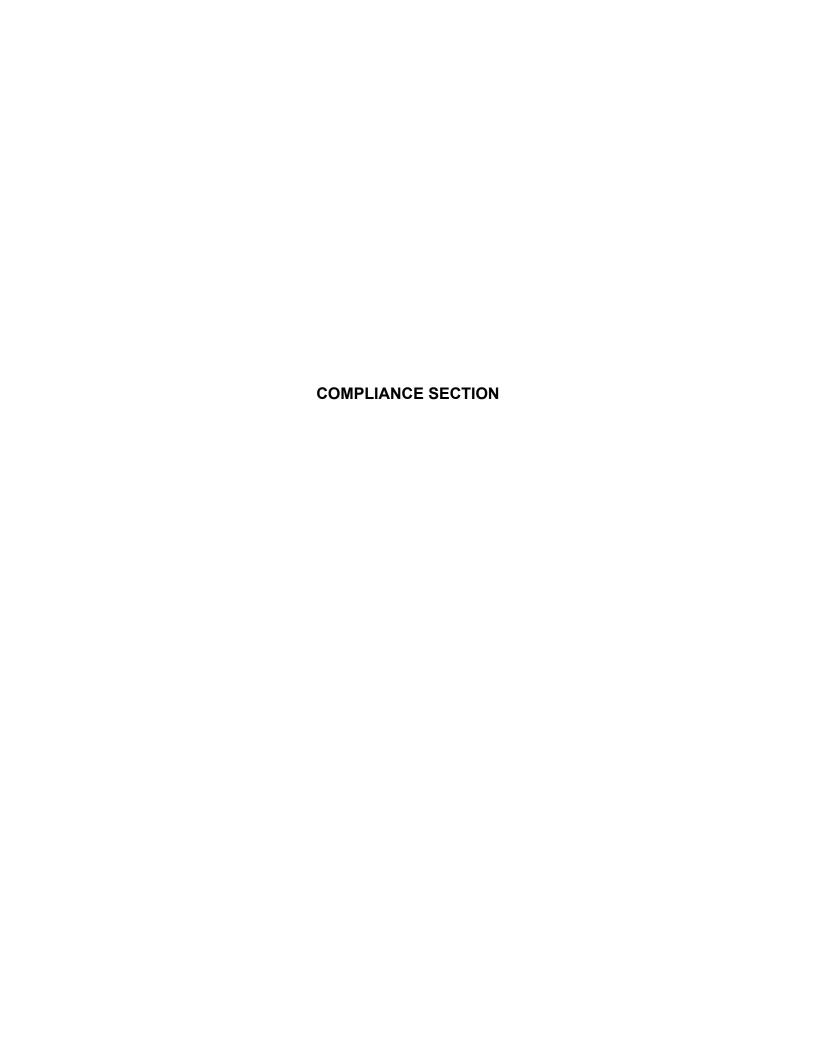
		Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Aging & Human Services:				
Aging Fans	\$	17,760	\$ 17,760	\$ -
Aging Ombudsman		561,920	515,612	46,308
Aging Planning & Admininstration		720,723	720,721	2
Aging Senior Center-GP		156,830	155,208	1,622
ARP CDS Johnston		61,702	14,668	47,034
ARP Congregate		295,853	102,708	193,145
ARP Family Caregiver		516,148	221,513	294,635
ARP Home Delivered Meals		666,631	490,046	176,585
ARP Ombudsman		38,427	3,970	34,457
ARP Planning & Admin		532,283	196,204	336,079
ARP Title III-B		1,493,887	707,528	786,359
ARP Title III-D-Health Promotion		158,414	78,892	79,522
ARP Ombudsman LOC6		31,956	2,086	29,870
CDS-Chatham		43,950	23,678	20,272
Elder Abuse		22,665	22,638	27
Family Caregiver		776,334	720,807	55,527
Health Promotion		131,036	131,025	11
Home Com Care Block Grant	1	10,493,879	10,449,977	43,902
Legal	•	57,688	57,688	-0,502
Local Contact Agency (LCA)		6,019	869	5,150
MIPPA VI		98,272	26,744	71,528
MIPPA VII		91,051	21,588	69,463
Supplemental 5 Congregate Meals		568	568	09,403
Supplemental 5 Congregate Means Supplemental 5 Home Delivered		6,436	3,754	2,682
Veteran Directed Home & Community Based Services				
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	1	7,088,523	 14,793,332	2,295,191
Community & Economic Development:				
Cary CDBG		85,000	84,690	310
Center of the Region Enterprise (CORE)		57,575	44,574	13,001
Chatham County URP		139,700	5,714	133,986
Chatham ESFR21		239,015	50,482	188,533
Chatham Housing Project		45,000	43,200	1,800
Community & Economic Dev Strategy & Technical Assistance		132,811	74,300	58,511
Digital Inclusion		87,905	488	87,417
Duke Affordable Housing Study		12,938	-	12,938
Durham County ESFR 2022		299,254	22,269	276,985
Durham Senior Home Rehab		750,000	-	750,000
Economic Development District		85,735	61,639	24,096
EPA Brownfields		218,066	121,428	96,638
ESFR 2019 Harnett County		21,802	21,828	(26)
ESG Chatham County		60,708	58,564	2,144
ESHPF Addor Community Center		8,611	6,292	2,319
ESHPF Lee County		8,611	5,105	3,506
ESHPF Princeton Grade School		10,233	5,257	4,976
FHLB Grant		413,361	142,086	271,275
Foreign Trade Zone		77,640	77,635	5
Harnett County ESFR 2022		299,807	19,448	280,359
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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM EXPENDITURES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND (CONTINUED)

	Dudo	-4	Astual	Variance Positive
	Budg	<u>et</u>	Actual	(Negative)
Community & Economic Development (continued):		0.47	407.050	<b>A</b> 00.005
Haw River Specialist		,317 \$	•	\$ 22,265
Housing Strategy & Technical Assistance		,785	36,785	450.004
Lead Capacity Building Program		,100	30,176	153,924
Lee County ESFR 2021		,521	43,641	15,880
Lee County URP 2022		,910	20,708	202
Local Development District		,000	9,923	16,077
Morrisville Small Business		,436	4,027	2,409
NC Biotech Ambassador Program		,329	20,440	9,889
Regional Data Center		,189	30,189	475.055
Saralyn		,560	3,505	175,055
Tri-COG FEEDS		,001	16,842	159
Trinity Zion Rehabilitation Project		,354	8,709	190,645
Urban Transportation Support & Regional Planning Coordinatio		,495	402,495	- - 200
URP-ESFR Orange County		,519	27,217	5,302
USDA Rural Development HPG		,612	178,224	11,388
Wake ESFR21		,124	182,091	60,033
	4,859	,024	1,987,023	2,872,001
Durham Chapel Hill Carborro MPO:				
DSWG-BSRS Durham Transit Staff Working Group	907	,274	_	907,274
DSWG-P Durham Transit Staff Working Group		,806	9	39,797
FTA Transit Capital and Operating Assistance		,000	-	151,000
OSWG-P Orange Transit Staff Working Group		,806	_	39,806
Federal Highway Administration Planning Group	4,341		2,906,447	1,434,835
Federal Highway Administration Planning Group Set Aside		,900	-	24,900
Safe Streets for All		,000	10,000	490,000
Transportation Planning		,167	1,289	502,878
	6,508		2,917,745	3,590,490
Environment & Resilience:				
319 Septic Phase II	74	,425	37,663	36,762
CALSTART East Coast ZEV Plan		,000	18,680	6,320
Chapel Hill LMI Solarize		,000	-	55,000
City of Durham LMI Solarize		,999	37,608	209,391
City of Raleigh EV Study		,000	10,767	11,233
City of Raleigh LMI Solarize		,000	73,066	157,934
Clean Fuels Advanced Technologies		,000	40,017	4,983
Clean Water Education Partnership (CWEP)		,823	224,005	8,818
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant		,894	328,732	(7,838)
Drive EV USA		,000	85,449	11,551
Duke Resilience Grant		,000	2,107	62,893
Durham Communities to Clean Energy (C2C)		,000	11,513	13,487
Durham County LMI Solarize		,000	10,520	44,480
EFC-Extreme Fast Charger		,000	-	10,000
Environment & Resilience Strategy & Technical Assistance		,466	31,613	4,853
JLOW Membership		,751	52,749	8,002
NC Recovery & Resiliency		,427	152,898	(2,471)
Orange County LMI Solarize		,000	10,520	39,480
Raleigh Watershed Protection		,751	518,031	94,720

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM EXPENDITURES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND (CONTINUED)

	Budget	Actual		ariance Positive legative)
Environment & Resilience (cont'd):	4 4-0-40	4040-4		(0= 100)
Triangle Area Water Supply Monitoring Project	\$ 459,548	\$ 494,654	\$	(35,106)
Triangle Clean Cities	118,062	112,124		5,938
Triangle Region Solid Waste Consortium	34,564	34,417		147
Triangle Sustainability Partnership (Solarize)	5,662	3,473		2,189
Triangle Water Supply Partnership	361,401	355,854		5,547
Upper Cape Fear River Basin	22,975	18,097		4,878
	3,417,748	2,664,557		753,191
Member Support & Strategy:				
American Rescue Plan	273,937	273,936		1
Cameron Rural Transformation Grant	20,000	1,806		18,194
Connected Region	322,424	244,023		78,401
Drug Alcohol Testing Program	15,850	13,425		2,425
Finance Assistance	180,000	180,791		(791)
Grant Assistance	173,250	173,246		4
Human Resources Assistance	150,000	120,658		29,342
Member Support & Strategy Technical Assistance	361,365	350,044		11,321
NCARCOG Subrecipient Process	34,815	34,815		-
Non-Departmental	232,488	184,888		47,600
Sanford Rural Transformation Grant	10,012	1,741		8,271
Vass Rural Transformation Grant	32,500	5,082		27,418
Wake County ARPA	2,454,700	1,247,116		1,207,584
Wake County Non-ARPA	9,933,417	4,355,780		5,577,637
	14,194,758	 7,187,351		7,007,407
Transportation:		 		
Central Pines Rural Planning Organization	179,010	178,686		324
Safe Routes to School	164,036	114,507		49,529
Safe Streets Morrisville/Lee Co/Sanford	300,000	34,487		265,513
Transportation Demand Management (TDM)	1,916,019	1,400,521		515,498
Transportation Strategy & Technical Assistance	79,153	79,153		
	2,638,218	1,807,354		830,864
Total Program Expenditures	\$ 48,706,506	\$ 31,357,362	\$ 1	7,349,144





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

To the Board of Delegates Central Pines Regional Council Research Triangle Park, North Carolina

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the general fund, and the fiduciary fund of the Central Pines Regional Council (the "Council"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprises the Council's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 14, 2024.

#### Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Council's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control.

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

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

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

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

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#### **Purpose of This Report**

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

Raleigh, North Carolina November 14, 2024

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# Report of Independent Auditor on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Each Major Federal Program on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Implementation Act

To the Board of Delegates Central Pines Regional Council Research Triangle Park, North Carolina

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

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Central Pines Regional Council (the "Council") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* and the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, issued by the Local Government Commission, that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Council's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Council's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Council complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

#### Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and the State Single Audit Implementation Act we:

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

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

#### Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

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

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

Raleigh, North Carolina November 14, 2024

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# Report of Independent Auditor on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Each Major State Program and on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Implementation Act

To the Board of Delegates Central Pines Regional Research Triangle Park, North Carolina

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program

#### Opinion on the Major State Program

We have audited the Central Pines Regional (the "Council") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, issued by the Local Government Commission, that could have a direct and material effect on the Council's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Council's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Council complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### Basis for Opinion on the Major State Program

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

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

#### Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and the State Single Audit Implementation Act we:

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

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

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

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

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

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

Raleigh, North Carolina November 14, 2024

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# **CENTRAL PINES REGIONAL COUNCIL**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS

Grantor/Pass-Through	Federal Assistance Listing	State/ Pass-Through Grantor's	Fede	eral (Direct	Expenditure		Pass-Through to
Grantor/Program Title	Number	Number	Pass	-Through)	State	<u>s</u>	ub-Recipients
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Programs passed-through North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services-Division of Aging							
Special Programs for the Aging-Title VII, Chapter 3				.=		_	
Programs for Prevention of Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation	93.041	NC-10	\$	17,338	\$ 3,060	\$	-
Special Programs for the Aging-Title III-D Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Services	93.043	NC-10		109,942	19,401		114,209
ARPA - Preventative Health	93.043	NC-10		78,891	15,401		114,203
Special Programs for the Aging-Title VII-D	55.5.15			-			-
Long Term Care Ombudsman Services for Older Individuals	93.042	NC-10		108,731	19,188		-
ARPA - Ombudsman	93.042	NC-10		3,971			-
				318,873	41,649		114,209
Aging Cluster  Special Programs for the Aging - Title III-B Grants for Supportive  Services and Senior Centers							
HCCBG - Access, In-Home Support Services, Legal	93.044	NC-10		2,374,850	419,091		2,785,317
Ombudsman-Title III, Part B	93.044	NC-10		159,364	28,123		-
Planning and Administration-Title III, Part B	93.044	NC-10		398,987	132,996		-
ARPA Supportive Services Special Programs for the Aging - Title III-C Nutrition Services	93.044	NC-10		638,663	112,705		700,384
Congregate Nutrition-Title III, Part C1	93.045	NC-10		908,487	160,321		1,068,808
Home Delivered Meals-Title III, Part C2	93.045	NC-10		1,818,011	320,825		2,138,836
Nutrition Consolidated Appropriations Act	93.045	NC-10		4,322			4,322
ARPA Congregate Meals	93.045	NC-10		89,024	15,710		104,734
ARPA Home Delivered Meals	93.045	NC-10		414,817	73,203		488,020
ARPA Planning and Administration	93.045	NC-10		144,761	48,254		
Nutrition Services Incentive Program	93.053	NC-10		393,731			393,731
Total Aging Cluster				7,345,018	1,311,228		7,684,152
National Family Caregiver Support, Title III, Part E	93.052	NC-10		678,185	45,212		596,702
ARPA Family Caregiver	93.052	NC-10		166,135	55,378		181,913
				844,321	100,589		778,615
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				8,508,212	1,453,466		8,576,976
U.S. Department of Energy Program passed through North Carolina Department of Energy Conservation Research and Development						_	
Drive EV	81.086	DE-EE009228		54,150			-
Triangle Clean Cities	81.086	DE-FE0004002		110,000			-
CALSTART, Charge to Work USA	81.086	DE-EE0010645		18,680			
Total U.S. Department of Energy				182,830			

# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS (CONTINUED)

	Federal	State/		Expenditures	
	Assistance	Pass-Through	Federal (Direct		Pass-Through
Grantor/Pass-Through	Listing	Grantor's	and		to
Grantor/Program Title	Number	Number	Pass-Through)	State	Sub-Recipients
U.S. Department of Agriculture					
Rural Housing Preservation Grant	10.433		\$ 178,224	\$ -	\$ -
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture					
			178,224		
U.S. Department of Transportation Program passed through North Carolina Department of Transportation Highway Planning and Construction					
Triangle TDM Rideshare	20.205	36225.9.17.2	912,824	_	737,064
	20.200	49600.4.17 /	0.2,02.		707,001
TARPO Planning	20.205	49600.4.19	143,010	-	-
Durham Communities to Clean Energy	20.205		11,513	-	-
Federal Highway	20.205		2,376,371	-	-
Highway Planning and Construction Clean Fuels	20.205	DE-FE0004002	32,046	-	-
Federal Highway	20.939	693JJ32440069		_	-
Safe Routes to Schools	20.516	48778.4.10	114,285	_	_
Total U.S. Department of Transportation	20.010	101100			707.004
·			3,617,639		737,064
II O December of the common					
U.S. Department of Insurance	00.074		05.000		
Medicare Enrollment Assistance Program	93.071		35,000		
II C Don't of Commons					
U.S. Dept of Commerce					
Economic Development District	11.307		61,639	-	-
Economic Development Administration	11.302		16,843	-	-
Haw River Specialist	11.307	04-69-07696	127,052		
Total U.S. Dept of Commerce			205,534		
Southeast Crescent Regional Commission					
SEID Grant Program	90.705		9,923	_	_
			9,923		
Total Southeast Crescent Regional Commission			9,923		
U.S. Environment Protection Agency					
EPA Brownfields	66.818	BF-02D32122	121,428	-	-
Program passed through North Carolina Department					
of Environmental Quality					
Climate Pollution Reduction Funds	66.046		328,732	-	-
319 Septic Phase II	66.460	477911	37,663		
Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency			487,823	-	_
Dept of Housing & Urban Development					
Home Investment Partnerships Program					
Lead Capacity Building Program	14.913		30,176	-	-
ESFR 2022 Durham County	14.239		22,269	-	-
ESFR 2022 Harnett County	14.239		19,448	-	-
ESFR 2021 Chatham County	14.239		50,482	-	-
ESFR 2021 Wake County	14.239		182,091	-	-
Emergency Solutions Grant Program	14.231		37,597	-	-
Total Dept of Housing & Urban Development			342,063		
U.S. Dept of the Interior					
National Historic Preservation Act	45.004		0.700		
2022 HPF AACR	15.904		8,709		
			8,709		
U.S. Dept of Veterans Affairs					
Veterans Directed Home & Community Based Services	64.044		95,000		

# **CENTRAL PINES REGIONAL COUNCIL**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS (CONTINUED)

	Federal	State/		Expenditures	
	Assistance	Pass-Through	Federal (Direct	Exponentareo	Pass-Through
Grantor/Pass-Through	Listing	Grantor's	and		to
Grantor/Program Title	Number	Number	Pass-Through)	State	Sub-Recipients
U.S. Department of Treasury					
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds					
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027		\$ 26,300	\$ -	\$ -
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027		52,798	_	-
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027		488	-	-
COVID-19 Passed through Wake County, North Carolina	21.027	34CV83	1,209,378	_	-
COVID-19 Homeowner Assistance Fund Program/Urgent Repair Program	21.026	HAF0019	5,714	-	-
COVID-19 Passed through NC Assoc Regional Council of Governments	21.027		273,936	-	-
Total U.S. Dept of Treasury			1,568,614		-
TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS			15,239,571	1,453,466	9,314,040
STATE AWARDS					
NC Recovery & Resiliency		NC-47	-	152,468	-
N.C. Dept of Health and Human Services					
Division of Aging and Adult Services					
90% State Funds - Access		NC-10	-	864,219	864,219
90% State Funds - In-Home Services		NC-10	-	3,122,588	3.122.588
90% State Funds - Home Delivered Meals		NC-10	-	117,079	117,079
75% State Funds - Senior Center Development		NC-10	-	155,208	155,208
Project CARE-AAA Admin		NC-11	-	48,262	· -
Total Division of Aging and Adult Services				4,307,356	4,259,094
North Carolina Department of Transportation					
		36225.9.15 /			
Transportation Demand Management		36225.9.16		487,462	234,802
TOTAL ASSISTANCE-STATE PROGRAMS				4,947,286	4,259,094
TOTAL ASSISTANCE			\$ 15,239,571	\$ 6,400,752	\$ 13,573,134

#### NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

#### Note 1—Basis of presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal and state awards (the "schedule") includes all federal and state grant activity of Central Pines Regional Council and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance") and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

#### Note 2—Summary of significant accounting policies

Expenditures reported in the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

#### Note 3—Indirect cost rate

The Council has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

#### **SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

#### **Financial Statements** Type of auditor's report issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP: Unmodified Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified? Χ yes no Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses \_\_X none reported yes Noncompliance material to financial statements noted yes \_\_X no Federal Awards Internal control over major Federal programs: Material weakness(es) identified? yes <u>X</u> no Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses none reported Χ yes Noncompliance material to Federal awards Χ yes no Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major Federal program: Unmodified Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance Χ yes no Identification of major Federal programs: Program Name Assistance Listing Number 93.044, 93.045, 93.053 Aging Cluster National Family Caregiver Support 93.052 Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds 21.027 Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Programs \$ 750,000 Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee Χ yes no

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)

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State /	<u>Awards</u>					
Internal	l control over major State programs:					
•	Material weakness(es) identified?			yes	<u>X</u>	no
•	Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses			yes	<u>X</u>	none reported
Noncor	mpliance material to State awards		_	yes	<u>X</u>	no
	f auditor's report issued on compliance ior State programs:		Unmo	odified		
report	dit findings disclosed that are required to be ed in accordance with the State Single Implementation Act			yes	<u>X</u>	no
Identific	cation of major State programs:					
90% St 90% St 90% St	m Name rate Funds – Access rate Funds – In-Home Services rate Funds – Home Delivered Meals rate Funds – Senior Center Development	Cluster or G NC- NC- NC- NC-	-10 -10 -10	<u>oer</u>		
Sectio	on II – Financial Statement Findings					
None re	eported.					
Sectio	on III – Federal Awards Findings and Ques	stioned Cos	ts			
None re	eported.					
Sectio	on IV – State Awards Findings and Question	oned Costs				
None re	eported.					

# **CENTRAL PINES REGIONAL COUNCIL** SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

2023-001 Corrected.