

El Paso County School District No. 8

Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Education
El Paso County School District No. 8

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of El Paso County School District No. 8, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the El Paso County School District No. 8, as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the El Paso County School District No. 8's basic financial statements. The Other Supplementary Information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Other Supplementary Information and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund statements and schedules and the schedule of expenditures of federal 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 December 5, 2019, on our consideration of the El Paso County School District No. 8's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on 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 El Paso County School District No. 8's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Hoelting & Company, Inc.

Colorado Springs, Colorado
December 5, 2019

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of El Paso County School District No. 8, we offer readers of the District's Basic Financial Statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the information furnished in our financial statements.

Financial Highlights

- The liabilities of the District exceeded its assets at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$43,632,179 (net position). This includes the net pension liability of \$156,857,678 and net OPEB liability of \$7,834,088 reported in compliance with GASB 68 which requires all PERA contributors to record their share of the net pension liability on the Statement of Net Position. More information on GASB 68 can be found in the notes to the financial statements.
- The District's total net position increased by \$37,885,815 during the fiscal year.
- At the close of the current fiscal year, the District's *governmental funds* reported combined ending fund balances of \$38,141,001, which represents an increase of \$11,847,651 from the prior year.
- The *governmental funds* reported an unassigned fund balance of \$3,462,380 in the General Fund, and assigned fund balances of \$166,664 in the Insurance Reserve sub-fund of the General Fund, of \$12,471,419 in the Building Fund, \$17,859,549 in the Capital Projects Fund, and \$890,714 in the Food Service Fund.
- At June 30, 2019, \$2,060,000 of the General Fund balance was restricted for the emergency contingency required by Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution (TABOR).
- During 2019, the District received \$31,779,236 in federal Impact Aid funding of which \$30,974,031 is recorded in the General Fund and \$805,205 is recorded in the Building Fund.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the El Paso County School District No. 8 basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) major fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains required and other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. They consist of two statements:

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*.

The government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the District that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities of the District include: instruction, instructional support, administration, central support services, food service operations and community services.

Fund Financial Statements. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All District funds can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds. *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflow and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

Governmental Funds (continued)

The District maintains five individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds balance sheet and in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance for the General Fund, Building Fund and Capital Projects Fund which are all considered to be major funds and combined for the Food Service Fund and Designated Purpose Grants Fund which are both considered non-major governmental funds.

Fiduciary Funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the District. Fiduciary funds are not reported in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is on the full accrual basis. The District uses an agency fund to account for its Pupil Activities.

Notes to the Financial Statements. The notes to the basic financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other Information. The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for its governmental funds. A budgetary comparison schedule, Required Supplementary Information (RSI), has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget. Notes to the RSI are also included in this report. In addition, due to the implementation of GASB 68 and 75, an RSI schedule disclosing the District's proportionate share of net pension liabilities and contributions to PERA, and an RSI schedule disclosing the District's proportionate share of net OPEB liabilities have been provided.

Supplementary Information, including budget schedules for the remaining governmental funds and the fiduciary fund are presented immediately following the RSI.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

- As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District's financial position, The District's liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets plus deferred outflows of resources resulting in a net deficit position of \$43,632,179 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.
- \$155,473,895 of net position represents the District's net investment in capital assets. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.
- A portion of the District's net position totaling \$3,119,935 represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis (Continued)

- A key component of the District’s net governmental position is the large net pension liability of \$156,857,678. Prior to the implementation of Statement 68 from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), the District was not required as a contributor to PERA to record their share of the net pension liability. The implementation of GASB 68 is outlined in the notes to the basic financial statements.
- Due to the addition of the net pension liability, at the end of the current fiscal year the District’s unrestricted net deficit balance is negative \$202,226,009.
- During 2019, District-wide net position increased by \$37,885,815.
- The District’s ability to finance services in the future is reflected by the difference between current assets (those that will be converted into cash within one year) and current liabilities (amounts payable within one year). The District’s current asset ratio at June 30, 2019 is 3.21 (2.85 at June 30, 2018) meaning the District has liquid assets equal to 3.21 times its other liabilities.

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets	\$ 54,243,602	\$ 38,728,323
Capital assets	168,115,771	158,885,506
Total assets	<u>222,359,373</u>	<u>197,613,829</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	<u>48,611,478</u>	<u>95,760,212</u>
LIABILITIES		
Other liabilities	16,885,047	13,595,566
Long-term debt	178,619,023	346,723,673
Total liabilities	<u>195,504,070</u>	<u>360,319,239</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS	<u>119,098,960</u>	<u>14,572,796</u>
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	155,473,895	156,141,936
Restricted	3,119,935	2,380,905
Unrestricted	<u>(202,226,009)</u>	<u>(240,040,835)</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ (43,632,179)</u>	<u>\$ (81,517,994)</u>

Governmental Activities. Governmental activities increased the District’s net position by \$37,885,815, thereby accounting for 100% of the total change in the net position of the District.

- The cost of all governmental activities was \$84,793,831.
- Users of the District’s governmental programs financed \$1,313,513.
- Federal and state governments subsidized certain programs with operating grants totaling \$11,650,259 and capital contributions of \$911,136.
- General revenues for governmental activities of \$108,804,738 include \$3,716,739 of property taxes, \$56,875,185 of state equalization, \$31,969,211 of federal impact aid funding and \$14,493,593 insurance proceeds, net.

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION

REVENUES	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Program Revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 1,313,513	\$ 1,296,322
Operating grants and contributions	11,650,259	11,144,190
Capital grants and contributions	911,136	81,678
General Revenues:		
Property and specific ownership taxes	4,184,441	4,148,444
State equalization	56,875,185	53,655,187
Impact aid	31,969,211	31,218,062
Net gain on insurance proceeds	14,493,593	-
Other revenue	849,657	403,250
Earnings on investments	432,651	175,165
Total Revenues	<u>122,679,646</u>	<u>102,122,298</u>
EXPENSES		
Instruction	45,107,682	85,403,926
Instructional supporting services	8,476,541	15,428,101
Administration	6,800,433	12,689,929
Support services	23,168,530	35,075,464
Community services	775,111	443,808
Interest and fiscal charges	465,534	130,211
Total Expenses	<u>84,793,831</u>	<u>149,171,439</u>
Increase (decrease) in net position	37,885,815	(47,049,141)
Beginning net position, as restated	<u>(81,517,994)</u>	<u>(34,468,853)</u>
Ending net position	<u>\$ (43,632,179)</u>	<u>\$ (81,517,994)</u>

Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

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

Governmental Funds

The focus of the District's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, *unrestricted fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$38,141,001. Approximately 9.1% of this total amount constitutes *unassigned fund balance*, which is available for spending at the District's discretion. The remainder of fund balance is *non-spendable, restricted, or assigned* to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it has already been committed for various purposes including 1) for purchased inventory, 2) insurance activities, 3) for constitutional amendment, 4) multi-year obligations, and 5) future capital projects.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the District. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$3,462,380, while total fund balance reached \$6,749,727. 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. Unassigned fund balance represents 4.4% of total General Fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 8.5% of that same amount.

The fund balance of the District's General Fund increased by \$870,715 during the current fiscal year compared to an increase of \$497,367 in the prior year.

General Fund revenue totaled \$100,766,562 during the current fiscal year compared to \$95,218,692 in the prior year. This reflects a \$3.2M increase in state equalization and \$1.3M of state PERA non-employer contribution which was new this year.

Fund balance for the Building Fund, a major governmental fund, decreased by \$6,423,900 compared to an increase of \$10,207,585 in the prior year due to on-going construction at Fountain Middle School. Fund balance for the Capital Projects Fund, another major governmental fund, increased by \$17,335,325 compared to an increase of \$284,544 in the prior year due to unspent insurance claim proceeds of \$17,035,022.

Major Fund Budgetary Highlights

The District approves the original budget in June based on enrollment projections for the following school year. In December, after funded pupil counts are certified, necessary revenue adjustments are included in the mid-year budget revision.

Colorado Statutes permit transferring budgeted amounts from one object or purpose to another within the same fund. Board policy allows management to transfer budgets between objects or purposes without obtaining authorization from the Board of Education.

Differences between the original general fund expenditures budget and the final amended budget totaled \$773,679 or 0.9% of the total original budget. The final General Fund budget for revenues increased by \$8,175,374 or 9.0% of the original budget and was the net result of an increase in federal impact aid.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The District's investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2019 amounts to \$155,473,895 (net of accumulated depreciation and related debt). This investment in capital assets includes land, construction in progress, buildings, improvements, machinery, equipment, and vehicles. The net increase in the District's capital assets for the current fiscal year was \$9,230,265, which represents an increase of 5.8% over the June 30, 2018 balance.

During the year, the District continued construction of a replacement for Fountain Middle School which was originally built in the 1950's. This project was divided into six phases and is scheduled to be completed in the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Debt Administration. The balance outstanding on the District's Certificates of Participation, issued to shorten the new Fountain Middle School construction timeline, was \$12,280,000 at June 30, 2019.

For more detailed information on capital assets and debt administration, see Note 4 and Note 5 to the basic financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets

Enrollment in the school District declined slightly during 2018-19 primarily due to troop movement at Fort Carson.

Although there were no new housing units built on Fort Carson during the year, there continues to be residential growth in the City of Fountain.

The majority of the District's funding is based on pupil count. Instability caused by the demolition and replacement of housing units on Post and deployment of thousands of soldiers makes estimating pupils much more difficult. The District will have fluctuations in student growth through the coming years and anticipates enrollment growth over the next few years.

The District is reviewing several options to accommodate projected student growth in Fountain through fiscal year 2023-24 include an addition to Mesa Elementary School to update infrastructure and add capacity, construction of a new 5-A gymnasium and career-tech center at Fountain-Fort Carson High School, and expansion of the town preschool facility.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of the Assistant Superintendent of Business
El Paso County School District No. 8
10665 Jimmy Camp Road
Fountain, CO 80817

Basic Financial Statements

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2019

	Primary Government Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and investments	\$ 53,553,397
Accounts receivable	144,085
Taxes receivable	134,865
Intergovernmental receivables	233,755
Inventories and prepaid expenses	170,340
Internal balances	7,160
Capital assets, not being depreciated	25,857,308
Capital assets, depreciated, net	142,258,463
Total assets	222,359,373
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pensions, net of accumulated amortization	48,177,714
OPEB, net of accumulated amortization	433,764
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	270,970,851
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	5,478,867
Accrued salaries and benefits	8,537,396
Unearned revenues	1,919,005
Accrued interest payable	68,220
Non-current liabilities due within one year	881,559
Non-current liabilities due in more than one year:	
Compensated absences - net of current portion	2,041,940
Vehicle lease - net of current portion	295,317
COP - net of current portion	11,590,000
Net pension liability	156,857,678
Net OPEB liability	7,834,088
Total liabilities	195,504,070
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pensions, net of accumulated amortization	119,087,035
OPEB, net of accumulated amortization	11,925
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	314,603,030
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	155,473,895
Restricted for	
Mill levy override	
Instructional materials and salaries	589,093
Constitutional amendment (TABOR)	2,060,000
BEST Grant capital renewal reserve	114,000
Multi-year obligations	356,842
Unrestricted	(202,226,009)
Total net position	\$ (43,632,179)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Governmental activities:					
Instruction	\$ 45,107,682	\$ 160,685	\$ 6,740,997	\$ -	\$ (38,206,000)
Instructional support	8,476,541	-	1,606,155	-	(6,870,386)
Administration	6,800,433	-	11,882	-	(6,788,551)
Central support services	23,168,530	1,093,569	3,255,326	911,136	(17,908,499)
Community services	775,111	59,259	35,899	-	(679,953)
Interest and fiscal charges	465,534	-	-	-	(465,534)
Total primary government	<u>\$ 84,793,831</u>	<u>\$ 1,313,513</u>	<u>\$ 11,650,259</u>	<u>\$ 911,136</u>	<u>(70,918,923)</u>
General revenues:					
Property taxes					3,716,739
Specific ownership taxes					467,702
State equalization					56,875,185
Federal impact aid					31,969,211
Gain on involuntary conversion					14,493,593
Investment earnings					849,657
Miscellaneous revenues					432,651
Total general revenues					<u>108,804,738</u>
Change in net position					37,885,815
Net position, beginning of year					<u>(81,517,994)</u>
Net position, end of year					<u>\$ (43,632,179)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
June 30, 2019

	General Fund	Building Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Non-major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS					
Cash and investments	\$ 15,432,576	\$ 15,523,939	\$ 20,919,548	\$ 1,677,334	\$ 53,553,397
Accounts receivable	42,593	50,236	-	51,256	144,085
Taxes receivable	134,865	-	-	-	134,865
Internal balances	314,659	-	-	-	314,659
Intergovernmental receivables	74,865	-	-	158,890	233,755
Inventories	114,748	-	-	55,592	170,340
	<u>16,114,306</u>	<u>15,574,175</u>	<u>20,919,548</u>	<u>1,943,072</u>	<u>54,551,101</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 16,114,306</u>	<u>\$ 15,574,175</u>	<u>\$ 20,919,548</u>	<u>\$ 1,943,072</u>	<u>\$ 54,551,101</u>
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable	\$ 354,408	\$ 2,217,195	\$ 1,588,308	\$ 115,386	\$ 4,275,297
Accrued salaries and benefits	8,137,999	-	-	399,397	8,537,396
Accrued liabilities	125,000	885,561	318,009	-	1,328,570
Internal balances	-	-	-	307,499	307,499
Unearned revenues	704,839	-	1,039,682	174,484	1,919,005
	<u>9,322,246</u>	<u>3,102,756</u>	<u>2,945,999</u>	<u>996,766</u>	<u>16,367,767</u>
Total liabilities	<u>9,322,246</u>	<u>3,102,756</u>	<u>2,945,999</u>	<u>996,766</u>	<u>16,367,767</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Property Taxes	42,333	-	-	-	42,333
	<u>42,333</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>42,333</u>
FUND BALANCES					
Nonspendable					
Inventories	114,748	-	-	55,592	170,340
Restricted					
Mill levy override					
Instructional materials and salaries	589,093	-	-	-	589,093
Constitutional amendment (TABOR)	2,060,000	-	-	-	2,060,000
Multi-year obligations	356,842	-	-	-	356,842
BEST Grant capital renewal reserve	-	-	114,000	-	114,000
Assigned					
Insurance activities	166,664	-	-	-	166,664
Food service	-	-	-	890,714	890,714
Insurance recoveries	-	-	17,035,022	-	17,035,022
Capital projects	-	12,471,419	824,527	-	13,295,946
Unassigned	3,462,380	-	-	-	3,462,380
	<u>6,749,727</u>	<u>12,471,419</u>	<u>17,973,549</u>	<u>946,306</u>	<u>38,141,001</u>
Total fund balances	<u>6,749,727</u>	<u>12,471,419</u>	<u>17,973,549</u>	<u>946,306</u>	<u>38,141,001</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	<u>\$ 16,114,306</u>	<u>\$ 15,574,175</u>	<u>\$ 20,919,548</u>	<u>\$ 1,943,072</u>	<u>\$ 54,551,101</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2019

Total fund balances--governmental funds \$ 38,141,001

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds. Capital assets at year-end consist of:

	Land	\$ 3,560,545	
	Construction in Progress	22,296,763	
	Depreciable Assets	192,394,630	
	Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(50,136,167)</u>	
			168,115,771

Property tax revenue not available to pay for current period expenditures is deferred in the governmental funds but recorded as general revenues in the statement of activities. 42,333

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

	COP's payable	\$ (12,280,000)	
	Accrued interest payable	(68,220)	
	Vehicle lease payable	(361,876)	
	Compensated absences	(2,041,940)	
	Net pension liability	(156,857,678)	
	Pension-related deferred outflows of resources	48,177,714	
	Pension-related deferred inflows of resources	(119,087,035)	
	Net OPEB liability	(7,834,088)	
	OPEB-related deferred outflows of resources	433,764	
	OPEB-related deferred inflows of resources	<u>(11,925)</u>	
			<u>(249,931,284)</u>

Total net position--governmental activities \$ (43,632,179)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	General Fund	Building Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Non-major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES					
Local sources	\$ 5,251,244	\$ 331,683	\$ 402,125	\$ 953,048	\$ 6,938,100
State sources	62,926,756	-	105,931	92,719	63,125,406
Federal sources	32,588,562	805,205	-	5,903,205	39,296,972
Total revenues	100,766,562	1,136,888	508,056	6,948,972	109,360,478
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
Instruction	45,212,885	-	1,033,561	2,690,516	48,936,962
Instructional support	8,471,666	-	-	800,751	9,272,417
Administration	7,692,592	-	-	-	7,692,592
Central Support Services	16,968,707	82,913	2,851,925	3,356,495	23,260,040
Community services	771,269	-	-	35,699	806,968
Capital Outlay	-	23,791,894	7,615,331	-	31,407,225
Debt service					
Principal retirement	-	830,000	-	-	830,000
Interest and fees	-	455,981	-	-	455,981
Total expenditures	79,117,119	25,160,788	11,500,817	6,883,461	122,662,185
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	21,649,443	(24,023,900)	(10,992,761)	65,511	(13,301,707)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from insurance claims	-	-	24,787,482	-	24,787,482
Proceeds from lease financing	-	-	361,876	-	361,876
Transfers in	-	17,600,000	3,178,728	-	20,778,728
Transfers (out)	(20,778,728)	-	-	-	(20,778,728)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(20,778,728)	17,600,000	28,328,086	-	25,149,358
Net change in fund balances	870,715	(6,423,900)	17,335,325	65,511	11,847,651
Fund balances, beginning of year	5,879,012	18,895,319	638,224	880,795	26,293,350
Fund balances, end of year	<u>\$ 6,749,727</u>	<u>\$ 12,471,419</u>	<u>\$ 17,973,549</u>	<u>\$ 946,306</u>	<u>\$ 38,141,001</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

Net change in fund balances -- governmental funds \$ 11,847,651

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

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets eligible for capitalization is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the period.

	Capital outlays	\$ 26,376,667	
	Retirements, net	(12,768,818)	
	Depreciation expense	<u>(4,377,584)</u>	
			9,230,265

Revenues that do not provide current financial resources are deferred in the governmental fund financial statements but are recognized in the government-wide financial statements. This amount represents the change in property taxes not available as current resources. (10,741)

Equipment lease proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. The net effect in the treatment of long-term debt and related items is as follows:

	Vehicle Lease	(361,876)
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Repayment of long-term debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

	COP principal payment	830,000
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Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.

	Change in accrued interest payable	\$ (9,553)	
	Change in compensated absences	(27,650)	
	Change in net pension liability	168,467,656	
	Pension-related deferred outflows of resources	(47,244,998)	
	Pension-related deferred inflows of resources	(104,691,329)	
	Change in net OPEB liability	(405,039)	
	OPEB-related deferred outflows of resources	96,264	
	OPEB-related deferred inflows of resources	<u>165,165</u>	
			<u>16,350,516</u>

Change in net position of governmental activities \$ 37,885,815

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AGENCY FUND
JUNE 30, 2019

	Pupil Activity Agency Fund
ASSETS	
Cash and investments	\$ 273,784
Accounts receivable	12,618
	\$ 286,402
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 7,925
Due to other funds	7,160
Due to student organizations	271,317
	\$ 286,402

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 1 **DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

El Paso County School District No. 8 (the School District or District) was established in 1890 and is organized under the Constitution of the State of Colorado. The legislative power of the school district is vested in the Board of Education, consisting of five members elected at large for staggered four-year terms. This Board controls the District's 14 instructional/support facilities staffed by 457 non-certificated employees and 616 certificated employees to provide services to approximately 8,298 students and other community members.

The mission of the District is to develop generations of world-class learners capable of being successful members of society by providing a positive, empowering, and safe environment where academic excellence is the desired result for all students.

The District spans 150 square miles including the City of Fountain, Fort Carson Military Installation, Rock Creek, and the rural areas surrounding these locations. The City of Fountain is located approximately seven miles south of Colorado Springs off highway 85 and I-25. The District includes one preschool in the City of Fountain and eight elementary schools, four schools in the City of Fountain (Aragon Elementary, Eagleside Elementary, Jordahl Elementary, and Mesa Elementary) and four on the Fort Carson installation (Abrams Elementary, Patriot Elementary, Mountainside Elementary, and Weikel Elementary). The District's two middle schools, Fountain Middle School and Carson Middle School, are located in the City of Fountain and on Fort Carson, respectively. The District's comprehensive high school, Fountain-Fort Carson High School, and the Welte Education Center are located in the City of Fountain.

NOTE 2 **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

A - Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the District includes all organizations for which it is financially accountable. Financial accountability exists if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board or if the organization is fiscally dependent on the District and the District is able to impose its will on the organization, or if there is a potential for the organization to provide benefits to, or impose financial burdens on, the District. Criteria for determining whether the District has the ability to impose its will on organizations are the District's ability to: remove members of the organization's governing boards; modify or approve the budget; modify or approve rate or fee changes affecting revenues; veto, overrule, or modify the decisions of the organization's governing board; or hire, reassign, or dismiss those persons responsible for the day-to-day operations of the organization. In determining whether an organization has a financial benefit or burden relationship with the District, the following conditions are used: legal entitlement to or access to the organization's resources; legal obligation or assumption of the obligation to finance the deficits or provide financial support to the organization; or obligation in some manner for the organization's debt. The District is not financially accountable for any other entity and is considered the primary government.

B - Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Exceptions to this general rule are charges for services that are reasonably equivalent to the services provided. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported in a single column.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to students or other customers who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment.

Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and the fiduciary fund, even though the latter is excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C - Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

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 when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. The agency fund uses the accrual basis of accounting.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, long-term debt, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, intergovernmental revenues, grants and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

The District reports the following major funds:

The **General Fund** is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the District, except those accounted for in another fund. The **Building Fund** and **Capital Projects Fund** are also major funds used for major construction projects and capital improvements financed primarily by debt proceeds and transfers from the General Fund.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Additionally, the District uses an Agency Fund to account for resources used to support each school's student activities. The District holds all resources in a purely custodial capacity.

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

D - Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balance

1 - Deposits and Investments

Colorado State Statutes authorize the District to invest in:

- a. Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agency's securities;
- b. Certain international agency securities;
- c. General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities;
- d. Banker's acceptances of certain banks;
- e. Commercial paper;
- f. Local government investments pools;
- g. Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities;
- h. Certain money market funds;
- i. Guaranteed investment contracts.

The District may also deposit funds in Colorado financial institutions (including certificates of deposit) that are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and eligible public depositories under the Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA).

The District has Board-approved investment policies that limit investments to certain eligible depositories, which include State and national banks with headquarters in Colorado and insured by the FDIC; State and federally chartered savings and loan associations headquartered in Colorado and insured by FDIC; and the COLOTRUST.

Additionally, investments are limited to eligible investments consisting of obligations of the U.S. Government, repurchase agreements, and government investment pools.

2 - Receivables

Receivables consist of taxes, accounts (interest and fees), and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs, and the current year guarantee of federal funds.

Property taxes for the current year are certified in arrears in December, and attach as a lien on property the previous January 1. For example, property taxes owed in fiscal 2019 are certified to the County in December 2018 and are available for collection on the levy date, January 1, 2019. Property taxes are payable in full by April 30, or in two equal installments due February 28 and June 15. The County bills and collects property taxes for all taxing districts in the County. The property tax receipts collected by the County are remitted to the District in the subsequent month.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3 – Prepaid Expenses

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future years and are reported as prepaid expenses.

4 - Inventories

All inventories are valued at cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method. Inventories are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased. Inventories of supplies and materials in the governmental funds are offset by a nonspendable fund balance to indicate that they do not constitute available spendable resources.

Donated commodities, received at no cost under a program supported by the federal government, are stated at USDA's assigned values, which approximate fair value at the date of receipt.

5 - Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, equipment and vehicles are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at the acquisition value on the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Depreciation of exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against operations in the government-wide financial statements. Land and construction in progress are not depreciable assets.

Depreciable assets are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings & Improvements	50
Equipment & Vehicles	5 - 10

6 - Accrued Salaries and Benefits

Salaries and benefits of certain personnel are paid over a twelve month period from September to August, but are earned during a school year of approximately nine to ten months. The salaries and benefits earned, but unpaid, are reflected as a liability in the accompanying financial statements.

7 – Unearned Revenues

Unearned revenues include grants received before eligibility requirements established by the provider have been met.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

8 - Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. Debt premiums, discounts, and refunding losses are deferred and amortized over the life of the debt using the straight-line method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds recognize the face amount of debt issued as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Debt issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the debt proceeds, are reported as current expenses or expenditures.

9 - Compensated Absences

Under the District's policies certain employees earn vacation pay for 10-20 days annually, based on longevity of service or position, and may carry over unused vacation up to 30 days at which time it is reclassified as leave. All unused/accrued vacation leave is payable upon resignation, termination, retirement or death.

Employees accrue 10-13 days of annual leave each year dependent upon their contract basis. Employees may carry-over unused annual leave days at which time it is reclassified to sick leave. Employees are allowed to accumulate an unlimited number of sick leave days. After a minimum of two years employment with the District, unused annual and sick leave days are payable upon resignation, termination, retirement or death. For employees with a minimum of two years employment with the District, unused leave is paid at the rate of \$50 per day. For employees with at least ten years employment with the District, unused leave is paid at the rate of \$100 per day for all staff. Sick leave payouts are paid at least 90 days after an employee's last regular pay is processed.

These compensated absences are recognized as expenditures when paid in the governmental funds. The District has reported the long-term liability for leave and vacation pay in the government-wide financial statements as compensated absences payable.

10 - Pensions

El Paso County School District No. 8 participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position of the SCHDTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

The Colorado General Assembly passed significant pension reform through Senate Bill (SB) 18-200: Concerning Modifications To the Public Employees' Retirement Association Hybrid Defined Benefit Plan Necessary to Eliminate with a High Probability the Unfunded Liability of the Plan Within the Next Thirty Years. The bill was signed into law by Governor Hickenlooper on June 4, 2018. A full copy of the bill can be found online at www.leg.colorado.gov. A brief description of some of the major changes to plan provisions required by SB 18-200 for the SCHDTF are listed below.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

10 – Pensions (Continued)

- Increases employer contribution rates for the SCHDTF by 0.25 percent on July 1, 2019.
- Increases employee contribution rates for the SCHDTF by a total of 2 percent (to be phased in over a period of 3 years starting on July 1, 2019).
- As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-413, the State is required to contribute \$225 million each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. A portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the total annual payroll of the SCHDTF, State Division Trust Fund, Judicial Division Trust Fund, and Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund. A portion of the direct distribution allocated to the SCHDTF is considered a nonemployer contribution for financial reporting purposes.
- Modifies the retirement benefits, including temporarily suspending and reducing the annual increase for all current and future retirees, increases the highest average salary for employees with less than five years of service credit on December 31, 2019 and raises the retirement age for new employees.
- Member contributions, employer contributions, the direct distribution from the State, and the annual increases will be adjusted based on certain statutory parameters beginning July 1, 2020, and then each year thereafter, to help keep PERA on path to full funding in 30 years.

11 - Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

El Paso County School District No. 8 participates in the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB fund administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position of the HCTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefits paid on behalf of health care participants are recognized when due and/or payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

12 - Deferred Inflows of Resources

Property taxes earned but not available as current financial resources are reported as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental fund financial statements.

13 - Net Position/Fund Balance

In the government-wide and fund financial statements, fund balances and net position are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are externally imposed.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report committed fund balance when the Board of Education formally commits resources for a specific purpose through the passage of a resolution. Assigned fund balance is reported when the Board of Education intends to use resources for a specific purpose but without formal action.

The District has not established a formal policy for its use of restricted and unrestricted fund balances. However, if both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available for a specific purpose, the District uses restricted fund balances first, followed by committed, assigned and unassigned balances.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 3 DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

At June 30, 2019, the District had the following cash and investments:

Cash on hand	\$ 1,675
Deposits	14,308,437
Investments	<u>39,517,069</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 53,827,181</u></u>

Cash and investments are reported in the financial statements as follows:

Cash and Investments - Primary Government	\$ 53,553,397
Cash and Investments - Agency Fund	<u>273,784</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 53,827,181</u></u>

Deposits

The Colorado Public Deposit and Protection Act (PDPA) requires local government entities to deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by State regulations. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized by eligible collateral as determined by the PDPA. The PDPA allows financial institutions to create a single collateral pool for all public funds held. The pool is to be maintained by another institution, or held in trust for all uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits. At June 30, 2019, the District had uninsured, collateralized deposits of \$17,580,217 held by the financial institution's agent, but not in the District's name.

Investments

Interest rate risk – State statutes generally limit investments to an original maturity of five years from the date of purchase, unless the governing board authorizes the investment for a period in excess of five years.

Credit risk - State statutes allow certain investments to those with specified ratings provided by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations, depending on the investment type.

Concentration of Credit Risk - State statutes do not limit the amount the District may invest in a single issuer of investment securities, except for corporate securities.

Custodial Risk - State statutes do not address custodial risk, except for collateral for repurchase agreements.

Local Government Investment Pool - As of June 30, 2019, the District had \$39,517,069 invested in the Colorado Local Government Liquid Asset Trust (COLOTRUST). The Trust is an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado to pool surplus funds. The Colorado Division of Securities administers and enforces the requirements of creating and operating the Trust. The Trust operates in conformity with the Securities and Exchange Commission's Rule 2a-7. The Trust is measured at the net asset value per share, with each share valued at \$1. The Trust is rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's. Investments of the Trust are limited to those allowed by State statutes. A designated custodial bank provides safekeeping and depository services in connection with direct investment and withdrawal functions. The custodian's internal records identify the investments owned by the participating governments.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS

Activity for capital assets during the year ended June 30, 2019, was as follows.

Governmental activities:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 3,120,347	\$ 440,198	\$ -	\$ 3,560,545
Construction in progress	34,866,852	21,433,328	34,003,417	22,296,763
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>37,987,199</u>	<u>21,873,526</u>	<u>34,003,417</u>	<u>25,857,308</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings	163,148,269	37,044,276	21,190,810	179,001,735
Equipment	5,356,496	320,044	-	5,676,540
Buses/Other vehicles	7,687,806	1,142,238	1,113,689	7,716,355
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>176,192,571</u>	<u>38,506,558</u>	<u>22,304,499</u>	<u>192,394,630</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	45,935,255	3,540,905	8,434,379	41,041,781
Equipment	3,721,494	354,456	-	4,075,950
Buses/Other vehicles	5,637,515	482,223	1,101,302	5,018,436
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>55,294,264</u>	<u>4,377,584</u>	<u>9,535,681</u>	<u>50,136,167</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>120,898,307</u>	<u>34,128,974</u>	<u>12,768,818</u>	<u>142,258,463</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 158,885,506</u>	<u>\$ 56,002,500</u>	<u>\$ 46,772,235</u>	<u>\$ 168,115,771</u>

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

Governmental activities:

Instruction	\$ 2,582,775
Instructional Support	437,758
Administration	989,334
Central Support Services	367,717
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 4,377,584</u>

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 5 **LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

Following is a summary of long-term debt transactions for the year ended June 30, 2019.

Governmental Activities	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
2018 Certificates of Participation	\$ 13,110,000	\$ -	\$ 830,000	\$ 12,280,000	\$ 690,000
Vehicle Lease	-	361,876	-	361,876	66,559
Compensated Absences	2,014,290	304,099	151,449	2,166,940	125,000
Total	<u>\$ 15,124,290</u>	<u>\$ 665,975</u>	<u>\$ 981,449</u>	<u>\$ 14,808,816</u>	<u>\$ 881,559</u>

Certificates of Participation

In April 2018, \$13,110,000 in Series 2018 certificates of participation were issued to partially finance the construction of a replacement middle school in Fountain. Principal payments are due annually on November 15 through 2032 and interest payments are paid semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. Interest accrues on the Series 2018 certificates at 3.580% per annum.

Future debt service requirements are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2020	\$ 690,000	\$ 427,273	\$ 1,117,273
2021	715,000	402,124	1,117,124
2022	740,000	376,079	1,116,079
2023	770,000	349,050	1,119,050
2024	795,000	321,037	1,116,037
2025 - 2029	4,430,000	1,148,645	5,578,645
2030 - 2033	4,140,000	303,048	4,443,048
Total	<u>\$ 12,280,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,327,256</u>	<u>\$ 15,607,256</u>

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NOTE 5 **LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)**

Vehicle Lease

In August 2019, the District entered into a five-year financing agreement with KS State Bank to purchase four school buses. Principal and interest payments are due annually on August 22 through 2023. Interest accrues on the lease at 4.19% per annum.

Future debt service requirements are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2020	\$ 66,559	\$ 15,163	\$ 81,722
2021	69,348	12,374	81,722
2022	72,253	9,468	81,721
2023	75,281	6,441	81,722
2024	78,435	3,286	81,721
Total	<u>\$ 361,876</u>	<u>\$ 46,732</u>	<u>\$ 408,608</u>

Compensated Absences

Accrued compensated absences of the governmental activities are expected to be liquidated primarily with revenues of the General Fund.

Equipment Leases

In July 2018, the District entered into two financing agreements with Insight Investments, LLC to lease technology equipment. No assets were capitalized under the leases since these devices are owned by the leasing company and will be returned at the end of each lease term. Principal and interest payments are due quarterly from September 2018 through June 2022. The interest rates were 5.15% and -6.85% per annum.

NOTE 6 **INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

During the year ended June 30, 2019, the General Fund transferred \$17,600,000 to the Building Fund and \$3,178,728 to the Capital Projects Fund for construction and improvement projects.

NOTE 7 **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District 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 on a claim made basis. The District provides for these risks through the purchase of commercial insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the purchased commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

During the summer of 2018, the District's facilities and fleet sustained substantial damage from three separate weather related events. As a result, the District is in the process of replacing all roofs and making major repairs to other building components. All repairs and replacements are expected to be completed by June 30, 2020. In addition, the District has replaced several vehicles. The total estimated cost of repairs and replacements is approximately \$30M. All costs will be covered by the District's property and automobile insurance policies, after payment of the applicable deductibles.

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NOTE 8 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Claims and Judgments

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the District. The amount, if any, of expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

Litigation

The District has pending or threatened litigation. The outcome of this litigation cannot be determined, but management believes that any result will not have a significant effect on the District's financial position.

Construction Commitments

The District has active construction projects as of June 30, 2019. Two school replacement and remodel projects are partially financed by COP proceeds and are recorded in the Building Fund. In the Capital Projects Fund, insurance recoveries are fully funding the replacement of all roofs and related infrastructure throughout the District that were damaged by recent hail storms. At year end, the District's commitments with contractors are as follows:

<u>Construction Project:</u>	<u>Spent to Date</u>	<u>Committed for Next Fiscal Year</u>
Fountain Middle School	\$ 54,648,104	\$ 7,031,512
Mesa Elementary School	1,437,173	10,198,325
District-wide roofing projects	7,615,331	6,568,995
Total Commitments	\$ 63,700,608	\$ 23,798,832

Capital Renewal Reserve

In 2010, the District was awarded a Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) grant from the State of Colorado in the amount of \$3,261,355 to assist with construction of a new elementary school. In accordance with the related State statutes, the District is required to establish a capital renewal reserve for the purpose of replacing major facility systems such as roofs, interior finishes, electrical systems and heating, ventilating, and air conditioning systems. During the year, the District contributed \$14,000 to the capital renewal reserve. At June 30, 2019, the reserve was reported as restricted fund balance in the Capital Projects Fund, in the amount of \$114,000.

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NOTE 9 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

General Information

Plan description. Eligible employees of the El Paso County School District No. 8 are provided with pensions through the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF)—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. Plan benefits are specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), administrative rules set forth at 8 C.C.R. 1502-1, and applicable provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits provided as of December 31, 2018. PERA provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned and/or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure(s) under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement. Retirement eligibility is specified in tables set forth at C.R.S. § 24-51-602, 604, 1713, and 1714.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA benefit structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit
- The value of the retiring employee's member contribution account plus a 100 percent match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date. This amount is then annuitized into a monthly benefit based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

In all cases the service retirement benefit is limited to 100 percent of highest average salary and also cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

Members may elect to withdraw their member contribution accounts upon termination of employment with all PERA employers; waiving rights to any lifetime retirement benefits earned. If eligible, the member may receive a match of either 50 percent or 100 percent on eligible amounts depending on when contributions were remitted to PERA, the date employment was terminated, whether 5 years of service credit has been obtained and the benefit structure under which contributions were made.

As of December 31, 2018, benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit are generally eligible to receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments in certain years, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S. Pursuant to SB 18-200, there are no annual increases (AI) for 2018 and 2019 for all benefit recipients. Thereafter, benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began eligible employment before January 1, 2007 and all benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure will receive an annual increase, unless PERA has a negative investment year, in which case the annual increase for the next three years is the lesser of 1.5 percent or the average of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) for the prior calendar year. Benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began eligible employment after January 1, 2007 will receive the lesser of an annual increase of 1.5 percent or the average CPI-W for the prior calendar year, not to exceed 10 percent of PERA's Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the SCHDTF. The automatic adjustment provision may raise or lower the aforementioned AI for a given year by up to one-quarter of 1 percent based on the parameters specified C.R.S. § 24-51-413.

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Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the lifetime retirement benefit formula(s) shown above considering a minimum 20 years of service credit, if deemed disabled.

Survivor benefits are determined by several factors, which include the amount of earned service credit, highest average salary of the deceased, the benefit structure(s) under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor(s) who will receive the benefits.

Contributions provisions as of June 30, 2019: Eligible employees, El Paso County School District No. 8 and the State are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements for the SCHDTF are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, et seq. and § 24-51-413. Eligible employees are required to contribute 8 percent of their PERA-includable salary during the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below:

	January 1, 2018 Through December 31, 2018	January 1, 2019 Through June 30, 2019
Employer contribution rate	10.15%	10.15%
Amount of employer contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f)	(1.02)%	(1.02)%
Amount apportioned to the SCHDTF	9.13%	9.13%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	4.50%	4.50%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	5.50%	5.50%
Total employer contribution rate to the SCHDTF	19.13%	19.13%

Contribution rates for the SCHDTF are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42).

As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-413, the State is required to contribute \$225 million each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. A portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the total annual payroll of the SCHDTF, State Division Trust Fund, Judicial Division Trust Fund, and Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund. A portion of the direct distribution allocated to the SCHDTF is considered a nonemployer contribution for financial reporting purposes.

Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the El Paso County School District No. 8 is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from El Paso County School District No. 8 were \$10,069,081 for the year ended June 30, 2019.

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NOTE 9 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

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

The net pension liability for the SCHDTF was measured as of December 31, 2018, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2017. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2018. The El Paso County School District No. 8 proportion of the net pension liability was based on El Paso County School District No. 8 contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2017 relative to the total contributions of participating employers and the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

At June 30, 2019, the El Paso County School District No. 8 reported a liability of \$156,857,678 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected a reduction for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. The amount recognized by the El Paso County School District No. 8 as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with El Paso County School District No. 8 were as follows:

El Paso County School District No. 8 proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 156,857,678
The State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a nonemployer contributing entity associated with the El Paso County School District No. 8	110,187
Total	\$ 156,967,865

At December 31, 2018, the El Paso County School District No. 8 proportion was 0.8858485315%, which was a decrease of 0.1202154444% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2017.

For the year ended June 30, 2019, the El Paso County School District No. 8 recognized pension expense of \$805,839 and revenue of \$110,187 for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. At June 30, 2019, the El Paso County School District No. 8 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
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 5,320,787	\$ -
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	29,278,171	97,548,604
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	8,549,723	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	253,113	21,538,431
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	4,775,920	N/A
Total	\$ 48,177,714	\$ 119,087,035

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\$4,775,920 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30, 2019:	
2020	\$ (14,181,283)
2021	(39,799,075)
2022	(26,381,747)
2023	4,676,864
2024	-
Thereafter	-

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2017 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.40 percent
Real wage growth	1.10 percent
Wage inflation	3.50 percent
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.50 – 9.70 percent
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25 percent
Discount rate	4.78 percent
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07; and DPS benefit structure (automatic)	2.00 percent compounded annually
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 (ad hoc, substantively automatic)	Financed by the Annual Increase Reserve

The revised assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll-forward calculation of the total pension liability from December 31, 2017 to December 31, 2018:

Discount rate	7.25 percent
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (automatic)	0% through 2019 and 1.5% compounded annually, thereafter
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 (ad hoc, substantively automatic)	Financed by the Annual Increase Reserve

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members reflect the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

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Healthy, post-retirement mortality assumptions reflect the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- Males: Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- Females: Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

For disabled retirees, the mortality assumption was based on 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2016, valuations were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the periods January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as, the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by the PERA Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four or five years for PERA. Recently, this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in presentations to PERA's Board on October 28, 2016.

Several factors were considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption for the SCHDTF, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation.

As of the most recent adoption of the long-term expected rate of return by the PERA Board, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity – Large Cap	21.20%	4.30%
U.S. Equity – Small Cap	7.42%	4.80%
Non U.S. Equity – Developed	18.55%	5.20%
Non U.S. Equity – Emerging	5.83%	5.40%
Core Fixed Income	19.32%	1.20%
High Yield	1.38%	4.30%
Non U.S. Fixed Income – Developed	1.84%	0.60%
Emerging Market Debt	0.46%	3.90%
Core Real Estate	8.50%	4.90%
Opportunity Fund	6.00%	3.80%
Private Equity	8.50%	6.60%
Cash	1.00%	0.20%
Total	100.00%	

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NOTE 9 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.50%.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200. Employer contributions also include the current and estimated future AED and SAED, until the actuarial value funding ratio reaches 103%, at which point, the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50% every year until they are zero. Additionally, estimated employer contributions included reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.
- As specified in law, the State will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million (actual dollars), commencing July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial fiduciary net position, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits reserve or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. AIR transfers to the fiduciary net position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the projection test indicates the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount determination does not use the municipal bond rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent.

As of the prior measurement date, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments of 7.25 percent and the municipal bond index rate of 3.43 percent were used in the discount rate determination resulting in a discount rate of 4.78 percent, 2.47 percent lower compared to the current measurement date.

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NOTE 9 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Sensitivity of the El Paso County School District No. 8 proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 199,417,704	\$ 156,857,678	\$ 121,142,639

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position is available in PERA's CAFR which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN

Health Care Trust Fund

Plan description. Eligible employees of the El Paso County School District No. 8 are provided with OPEB through the HCTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by PERA. The HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), as amended. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the C.R.S., as amended, sets forth a framework that grants authority to the PERA Board to contract, self-insure, and authorize disbursements necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the PERACare program, including the administration of the premium subsidies. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits provided. The HCTF provides a health care premium subsidy to eligible participating PERA benefit recipients and retirees who choose to enroll in one of the PERA health care plans, however, the subsidy is not available if only enrolled in the dental and/or vision plan(s). The health care premium subsidy is based upon the benefit structure under which the member retires and the member's years of service credit. For members who retire having service credit with employers in the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Division and one or more of the other four Divisions (State, School, Local Government and Judicial), the premium subsidy is allocated between the HCTF and the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust Fund (DPS HCTF). The basis for the amount of the premium subsidy funded by each trust fund is the percentage of the member contribution account balance from each division as it relates to the total member contribution account balance from which the retirement benefit is paid.

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 et seq. specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated. All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure and all retirees under the DPS benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare. Upon the death of a DPS benefit structure retiree, no further subsidy is paid.

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NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (Continued)

Health Care Trust Fund (Continued)

Enrollment in the PERACare is voluntary and is available to benefit recipients and their eligible dependents, certain surviving spouses, and divorced spouses and guardians, among others. Eligible benefit recipients may enroll into the program upon retirement, upon the occurrence of certain life events, or on an annual basis during an open enrollment period.

PERA Benefit Structure

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The basis for the maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for benefit recipients with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5 percent reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The benefit recipient pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For benefit recipients who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, C.R.S. § 24-51-1206(4) provides an additional subsidy. According to the statute, PERA cannot charge premiums to benefit recipients without Medicare Part A that are greater than premiums charged to benefit recipients with Part A for the same plan option, coverage level, and service credit. Currently, for each individual PERACare enrollee, the total premium for Medicare coverage is determined assuming plan participants have both Medicare Part A and Part B and the difference in premium cost is paid by the HCTF or the DPS HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

For retirees who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, the HCTF or the DPS HCTF pays an alternate service-based premium subsidy. Each individual retiree meeting these conditions receives the maximum \$230 per month subsidy reduced appropriately for service less than 20 years, as described above. Retirees who do not have Medicare Part A pay the difference between the total premium and the monthly subsidy.

Contributions. Pursuant to Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1) (f) of the C.R.S., as amended, certain contributions are apportioned to the HCTF. PERA-affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions are required to contribute at a rate of 1.02 percent of PERA-includable salary into the HCTF.

Employer contributions are recognized by the HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the El Paso County School District No. 8 is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the HCTF from El Paso County School District No. 8 were \$509,704 for the year ended June 30, 2019.

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NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related OPEB

At June 30, 2019, the El Paso County School District No. 8 reported a liability of \$7,834,088 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability for the HCTF was measured as of December 31, 2018, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2017. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2018. The El Paso County School District No. 8 proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on El Paso County School District No. 8 contributions to the HCTF for the calendar year 2018 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the HCTF.

At December 31, 2018, the El Paso County School District No. 8 proportion was 0.5758063774% percent, which was an increase of 0.0041651569% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2017.

For the year ended June 30, 2019, the El Paso County School District No. 8 recognized OPEB expense of \$643,003. At June 30, 2019, the El Paso County School District No. 8 reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 28,433	\$ 11,925
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	54,955	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	45,051	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	50,673	-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	254,652	N/A
Total	\$ 433,764	\$ 11,925

\$254,652 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

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NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related OPEB (Continued)

Year ended June 30, 2019:	
2020	\$ 29,244
2021	29,244
2022	29,255
2023	60,532
2024	18,220
Thereafter	694

Actuarial assumptions. The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2017 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.40 percent
Real wage growth	1.10 percent
Wage inflation	3.50 percent
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.50 percent in aggregate
Long-term investment rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25 percent
Discount rate	7.25 percent
Health care cost trend rates	
PERA benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00 percent
PERACare Medicare plans	5.00 percent
Medicare Part A premiums	3.25 percent for 2018, gradually rising to 5.00 percent in 2025
DPS benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00 percent
PERACare Medicare plans	N/A
Medicare Part A premiums	N/A

Calculations are based on the benefits provided under the terms of the substantive plan in effect at the time of each actuarial valuation and on the pattern of sharing of costs between employers of each fund to that point.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2017, valuations were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the periods January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as, the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by the PERA Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting. In addition, certain actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and their related trends are analyzed and reviewed by PERA's actuary, as discussed below.

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NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related OPEB (Continued)

In determining the additional liability for PERACare enrollees who are age sixty–five or older and who are not eligible for premium–free Medicare Part A, the following monthly costs/premiums are assumed for 2018 for the PERA Benefit Structure:

Medicare Plan	Cost for Members Without Medicare Part A	Premiums for Members Without Medicare Part A
Self-Funded Medicare Supplement Plans	\$736	\$367
Kaiser Permanente Medicare Advantage HMO	602	236
Rocky Mountain Health Plans Medicare HMO	611	251
UnitedHealthcare Medicare HMO	686	213

The 2018 Medicare Part A premium is \$422 per month.

In determining the additional liability for PERACare enrollees in the PERA Benefit Structure who are age sixty–five or older and who are not eligible for premium–free Medicare Part A, the following chart details the initial expected value of Medicare Part A benefits, age adjusted to age 65 for the year following the valuation date:

Medicare Plan	Cost for Members Without Medicare Part A
Self-Funded Medicare Supplement Plans	\$289
Kaiser Permanente Medicare Advantage HMO	300
Rocky Mountain Health Plans Medicare HMO	270
UnitedHealthcare Medicare HMO	400

All costs are subject to the health care cost trend rates, as discussed below.

Health care cost trend rates reflect the change in per capita health costs over time due to factors such as medical inflation, utilization, plan design, and technology improvements. For the PERA benefit structure, health care cost trend rates are needed to project the future costs associated with providing benefits to those PERACare enrollees not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A.

Health care cost trend rates for the PERA benefit structure are based on published annual health care inflation surveys in conjunction with actual plan experience (if credible), building block models and heuristics developed by health plan actuaries and administrators, and projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Effective December 31, 2017, the health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

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NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related OPEB (Continued)

The PERA benefit structure health care cost trend rates that were used to measure the total OPEB liability are summarized in the table below:

Year	PERACare Medicare Plans	Medicare Part A Premiums
2018	5.00%	3.25%
2019	5.00%	3.50%
2020	5.00%	3.75%
2021	5.00%	4.00%
2022	5.00%	4.25%
2023	5.00%	4.50%
2024	5.00%	4.75%
2025+	5.00%	5.00%

Mortality assumptions for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below are applied, as applicable, in the determination of the total OPEB liability for the HCTF. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

Healthy, post-retirement mortality assumptions for the School and Judicial Divisions were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- Males: Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- Females: Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

For disabled retirees, the mortality assumption was based on 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

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JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related OPEB (Continued)

The following health care costs assumptions were updated and used in the measurement of the obligations for the HCTF:

- Initial per capita health care costs for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to attain age 65 and older ages and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits were updated to reflect the change in costs for the 2018 plan year.
- The health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the then-current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four or five years for PERA. Recently, this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in presentations to PERA's Board on October 28, 2016.

Several factors were considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption for the HCTF, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation.

As of the most recent adoption of the long-term expected rate of return by the PERA Board, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity – Large Cap	21.20%	4.30%
U.S. Equity – Small Cap	7.42%	4.80%
Non U.S. Equity – Developed	18.55%	5.20%
Non U.S. Equity – Emerging	5.83%	5.40%
Core Fixed Income	19.32%	1.20%
High Yield	1.38%	4.30%
Non U.S. Fixed Income – Developed	1.84%	0.60%
Emerging Market Debt	0.46%	3.90%
Core Real Estate	8.50%	4.90%
Opportunity Fund	6.00%	3.80%
Private Equity	8.50%	6.60%
Cash	1.00%	0.20%
Total	100.00%	

In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
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JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related OPEB (Continued)

Sensitivity of the El Paso County School District No. 8 proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates. The following presents the net OPEB liability using the current health care cost trend rates applicable to the PERA benefit structure, as well as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

	1% Decrease in Trend Rates	Current Trend Rates	1% Increase in Trend Rates
PERACare Medicare trend rate	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%
Initial Medicare Part A trend rate	2.25%	3.25%	4.25%
Ultimate Medicare Part A trend rate	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 7,617,757	\$ 7,834,088	\$ 8,082,905

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Updated health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums as of the December 31, 2018, measurement date.
- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.50%.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law and effective as of the measurement date.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
 - Transfers of a portion of purchase service agreements intended to cover the costs associated with OPEB benefits were estimated and included in the projections.
 - Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the projection test indicates the HCTF's fiduciary net position was projected to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 10 DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related OPEB (Continued)

Sensitivity of the El Paso County School District No. 8 proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 8,765,662	\$ 7,834,088	\$ 7,037,678

OPEB plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the HCTF’s fiduciary net position is available in PERA’s CAFR which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

NOTE 11 TAX, SPENDING AND DEBT LIMITATIONS

In November 1992, Colorado voters passed Article X, Section 20 (the “TABOR Amendment”) to the State Constitution which limits State and local government taxing powers and imposes spending limitations. The District is subject to the TABOR Amendment.

Fiscal year 1993 provides the basis for limits in future years to which may be applied allowable increases for inflation and student enrollment. In November 2000, voters within the District authorized the District to collect, retain and expend all excess revenues and other funds received from every source, without limitation, in the 2000-01 budget year and each subsequent budget year thereafter without further voter approval, notwithstanding the limitations of the TABOR Amendment. The TABOR Amendment is subject to many interpretations, but the District believes it is in substantial compliance with the TABOR Amendment.

The TABOR Amendment requires the District to establish a reserve for emergencies. At June 30, 2019, the District’s reserve of \$2,060,000 was reported as restricted fund balance in the General Fund.

Required Supplementary Information

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET OPEB LIABILITY AND CONTRIBUTIONS
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO - HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND
June 30, 2019

	<u>12/31/2018</u>	<u>12/31/2017</u>
PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET OPEB LIABILITY		
District's proportion of net OPEB liability	0.5758063774%	0.5716412205%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 7,834,088	\$ 7,429,049
District's covered - employee payroll	\$ 48,699,851	\$ 46,408,502
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered - employee payroll	16.09%	16.01%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	17.0%	17.5%
	<u>6/30/2019</u>	<u>6/30/2018</u>
DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS		
Statutorily required contributions	\$ 509,704	\$ 481,715
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contributions	<u>(509,704)</u>	<u>(481,715)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District covered - employee payroll	\$ 49,970,999	\$ 47,226,930
Contributions as a percentage of covered - employee payroll	1.02%	1.02%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Until information for the full ten-year period is available, information will be presented for the years it is available.

See accompanying independent auditors report.

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

REVENUES	Budget		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final		Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Local sources				
Property taxes	\$ 3,693,510	\$ 3,696,682	\$ 3,727,480	\$ 30,798
Specific ownership taxes	365,577	365,577	467,702	102,125
Tuition	45,000	35,000	40,788	5,788
Interest on investments	50,050	100,050	239,372	139,322
Miscellaneous	827,670	799,812	775,902	(23,910)
Total local sources	<u>4,981,807</u>	<u>4,997,121</u>	<u>5,251,244</u>	<u>254,124</u>
State sources				
State equalization	58,161,677	56,863,686	56,875,185	11,499
Special education	2,600,000	2,600,000	2,614,676	14,676
Transportation	730,000	716,412	768,894	52,482
Miscellaneous Grants	1,454,181	1,640,749	2,668,001	1,027,252
Total state sources	<u>62,945,858</u>	<u>61,820,847</u>	<u>62,926,756</u>	<u>1,105,909</u>
Federal sources				
Impact aid	21,740,000	30,974,031	30,974,031	-
DoD supplemental assistance	1,000,000	995,180	995,180	-
Carl Perkins Grant	51,928	57,788	56,329	(1,459)
JROTC Grant	130,000	125,000	126,760	1,760
Preschool Program	56,357	56,357	56,357	-
SAMHSA Project Aware	350,000	375,000	379,905	4,905
Total federal sources	<u>23,328,285</u>	<u>32,583,356</u>	<u>32,588,562</u>	<u>5,206</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ 91,255,950</u>	<u>\$ 99,401,324</u>	<u>\$ 100,766,562</u>	<u>\$ 1,365,238</u>

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**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

EXPENDITURES	Budget		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final		Final Budget
				Positive (Negative)
Instruction				
Salaries	\$ 32,121,993	\$ 31,981,263	\$ 31,262,395	\$ 718,868
Employee benefits	9,825,137	9,713,092	10,438,295	(725,203)
Purchased Services	1,871,607	1,801,303	1,901,902	(100,599)
Supplies and materials	1,542,324	1,805,866	1,333,095	472,771
Capital Outlay	217,408	199,977	137,671	62,306
Other	180,050	191,907	139,527	52,380
Total	<u>45,758,519</u>	<u>45,693,408</u>	<u>45,212,885</u>	<u>480,523</u>
Counselors & SPED support				
Salaries	3,835,704	4,125,819	4,023,188	102,631
Employee benefits	1,048,081	1,073,585	1,295,988	(222,403)
Purchased Services	140,435	140,435	138,144	2,291
Supplies and materials	413,819	413,819	288,879	124,940
Capital Outlay	21,240	20,940	6,357	14,583
Other	5,500	5,500	7,869	(2,369)
Total	<u>5,464,779</u>	<u>5,780,098</u>	<u>5,760,425</u>	<u>19,673</u>
Curriculum, Media & Staff Development				
Salaries	1,775,220	1,796,208	1,704,330	91,878
Employee benefits	522,703	535,361	547,198	(11,837)
Purchased Services	433,266	534,202	389,203	144,999
Supplies and materials	84,469	86,490	67,795	18,695
Capital Outlay	2,500	2,500	2,496	4
Other	810	810	219	591
Total	<u>2,818,968</u>	<u>2,955,571</u>	<u>2,711,241</u>	<u>244,330</u>
Board of Education, Legal, PR & Superintendent				
Salaries	416,000	416,000	415,776	224
Employee benefits	159,650	159,650	173,912	(14,262)
Purchased Services	221,500	221,500	202,850	18,650
Supplies and materials	70,500	70,500	76,753	(6,253)
Capital Outlay	4,200	4,200	2,103	2,097
Other	83,200	83,200	51,871	31,329
Total	<u>955,050</u>	<u>955,050</u>	<u>923,265</u>	<u>31,785</u>
School Administration				
Salaries	5,013,022	5,029,022	5,030,660	(1,638)
Employee benefits	1,543,852	1,543,735	1,642,596	(98,861)
Purchased Services	51,072	48,172	27,513	20,659
Supplies and materials	41,057	40,757	53,921	(13,164)
Capital Outlay	6,592	1,660	14,532	(12,872)
Other	3,160	2,100	105	1,995
Total	<u>6,658,755</u>	<u>6,665,446</u>	<u>6,769,327</u>	<u>(103,881)</u>

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**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

EXPENDITURES	Budget		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final		Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Business Support & Internal Operations				
Salaries	\$ 790,259	\$ 815,259	\$ 816,587	\$ (1,328)
Employee benefits	262,253	262,253	284,839	(22,586)
Purchased Services	195,300	145,300	136,830	8,470
Supplies and materials	94,229	73,000	80,078	(7,078)
Capital Outlay	41,000	41,000	16,528	24,472
Other	(58,166)	(58,166)	(51,136)	(7,030)
Total	<u>1,324,875</u>	<u>1,278,646</u>	<u>1,283,726</u>	<u>(5,080)</u>
Operations Maintenance				
Salaries	2,877,627	2,822,477	2,891,524	(69,047)
Employee benefits	915,758	903,400	1,032,324	(128,924)
Purchased Services	1,860,528	1,859,578	1,556,961	302,617
Supplies and materials	2,107,685	2,107,685	2,258,409	(150,724)
Capital Outlay	46,500	46,500	97,580	(51,080)
Other	(935)	(935)	2,199	(3,134)
Total	<u>7,807,163</u>	<u>7,738,705</u>	<u>7,838,997</u>	<u>(100,292)</u>
Transportation				
Salaries	2,572,625	2,512,625	2,672,998	(160,373)
Employee benefits	885,164	885,164	984,522	(99,358)
Purchased Services	164,600	164,600	161,204	3,396
Supplies and materials	493,500	493,500	417,907	75,593
Capital Outlay	7,500	7,500	11,943	(4,443)
Other	(76,052)	(74,424)	(39,571)	(34,853)
Total	<u>4,047,337</u>	<u>3,988,965</u>	<u>4,209,003</u>	<u>(220,038)</u>
Personnel & Information Systems				
Salaries	1,736,804	1,728,054	1,624,707	103,347
Employee benefits	496,211	477,093	519,812	(42,719)
Purchased Services	1,627,808	1,627,808	1,414,064	213,744
Supplies and materials	102,091	102,091	40,538	61,553
Capital Outlay	11,000	18,000	19,371	(1,371)
Other	22,363	23,113	18,489	4,624
Total	<u>3,996,277</u>	<u>3,976,159</u>	<u>3,636,981</u>	<u>339,178</u>
Community Services				
Salaries	79,083	79,083	91,498	(12,415)
Employee benefits	23,023	23,023	28,961	(5,938)
Purchased Services	706,973	718,973	561,217	157,756
Supplies and materials	7,075	7,075	313	6,762
Other	-	85,000	89,280	(4,280)
Total	<u>816,154</u>	<u>913,154</u>	<u>771,269</u>	<u>141,885</u>

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**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	Budget		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final		Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Reserves				
TABOR	\$ 2,045,000	\$ 2,075,000	\$ -	\$ 2,075,000
Mill Levy Override	748,729	502,425	-	502,425
Contingency	1,286,323	1,978,981	-	1,978,981
Total	<u>4,080,052</u>	<u>4,556,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,556,406</u>
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 <u>83,727,929</u>	 <u>84,501,608</u>	 <u>79,117,119</u>	 <u>5,384,489</u>
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	 <u>7,528,021</u>	 <u>14,899,716</u>	 <u>21,649,443</u>	 <u>6,749,727</u>
 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfer to Building Fund	(3,249,023)	(3,178,728)	(3,178,728)	-
Transfer to Capital Projects Fund	(8,850,000)	(17,600,000)	(17,600,000)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(12,099,023)</u>	<u>(20,778,728)</u>	<u>(20,778,728)</u>	<u>-</u>
 Net change in fund balance	 (4,571,002)	 (5,879,012)	 870,715	 6,749,727
Fund balance, beginning	<u>4,571,002</u>	<u>5,879,012</u>	<u>5,879,012</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,749,727</u>	<u>\$ 6,749,727</u>

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Other Supplementary Information

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2019

	Food Service Fund	Designated Purpose Grants Fund	Totals
ASSETS			
Cash and investments	\$ 1,006,089	\$ 671,245	\$ 1,677,334
Accounts receivable	51,256	-	51,256
Intergovernmental receivables	31,093	127,797	158,890
Inventories	55,592	-	55,592
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,144,030	\$ 799,042	\$ 1,943,072
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 97,724	\$ 17,662	\$ 115,386
Accrued salaries and benefits	-	399,397	399,397
Due to other funds	100,000	207,499	307,499
Unearned revenues	-	174,484	174,484
TOTAL LIABILITIES	197,724	799,042	996,766
FUND BALANCE			
Nonspendable			
Inventories	55,592	-	55,592
Assigned			
Food service	890,714	-	890,714
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	946,306	-	946,306
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 1,144,030	\$ 799,042	\$ 1,943,072

See accompanying independent auditors report.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

	Food Service Fund	Designated Purpose Grants Fund	Totals
REVENUES			
Local sources	\$ 953,048	\$ -	\$ 953,048
State sources	92,719	-	92,719
Federal sources	2,200,522	3,702,683	5,903,205
TOTAL REVENUES	3,246,289	3,702,683	6,948,972
EXPENDITURES			
Current			
Instruction	-	2,690,516	2,690,516
Instructional support	-	800,751	800,751
Central Support Services	3,180,778	175,717	3,356,495
Community services	-	35,699	35,699
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,180,778	3,702,683	6,883,461
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	65,511	-	65,511
Fund balance, beginning of year	880,795	-	880,795
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 946,306</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 946,306</u>

See accompanying independent auditors report.

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
FOOD SERVICE FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	Budget		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Local sources	\$ 1,006,834	\$ 941,500	\$ 953,048	\$ 11,548
State sources	95,000	95,000	92,719	(2,281)
Federal sources	2,444,659	2,406,267	2,200,522	(205,745)
TOTAL REVENUES	3,546,493	3,442,767	3,246,289	(196,478)
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries	50,000	50,000	49,688	312
Employee benefits	22,950	22,950	22,284	666
Purchased Services	1,482,707	1,461,155	1,365,900	95,255
Supplies	1,898,662	1,858,662	1,616,719	241,943
Equipment	20,000	25,000	26,187	(1,187)
Other	100,000	150,000	100,000	50,000
Contingency	803,589	755,795	-	755,795
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,377,908	4,323,562	3,180,778	1,142,784
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(831,415)	(880,795)	65,511	946,306
Fund balance, beginning of year	831,415	880,795	880,795	-
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 946,306</u>	<u>\$ 946,306</u>

See accompanying independent auditors report.

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
DESIGNATED PURPOSE GRANTS FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	Budget		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Federal sources	\$ 3,515,009	\$ 3,912,997	\$ 3,702,683	\$ (210,314)
TOTAL REVENUES	3,515,009	3,912,997	3,702,683	(210,314)
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries	2,235,044	2,332,251	2,230,943	101,308
Employee benefits	567,078	578,275	633,781	(55,506)
Purchased Services	237,032	320,354	218,704	101,650
Supplies	257,905	505,330	451,808	53,522
Equipment	17,000	17,000	16,866	134
Other	200,950	159,787	150,581	9,206
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,515,009	3,912,997	3,702,683	210,314
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-	-
Fund balance, beginning of year	-	-	-	-
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

See accompanying independent auditors report.

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
BUILDING FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	Budget		Actual	Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final		Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Local sources	\$ 200,000	\$ 210,000	\$ 331,683	\$ 121,683
Federal Sources	500,000	688,402	805,205	116,803
TOTAL REVENUES	700,000	898,402	1,136,888	238,486
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Salaries and benefits	130,000	82,000	82,913	(913)
Capital outlay				
Facilities acquisition and construction	19,876,500	25,150,000	23,791,894	1,358,106
Debt service				
Principal	830,000	830,000	830,000	-
Interest and fees	454,481	455,981	455,981	-
Contingency	5,787,863	10,875,740	-	10,875,740
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	27,078,844	37,393,721	25,160,788	12,232,933
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(26,378,844)	(36,495,319)	(24,023,900)	12,471,419
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Transfer from the General Fund	8,850,000	17,600,000	17,600,000	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	8,850,000	17,600,000	17,600,000	-
Net change in fund balance	(17,528,844)	(18,895,319)	(6,423,900)	12,471,419
Fund balance, beginning of year	17,528,844	18,895,319	18,895,319	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,471,419	\$ 12,471,419

See accompanying independent auditors report.

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	Budget		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Local sources	\$ 500	\$ 355,000	\$ 402,125	\$ 47,125
State sources	-	1,145,613	105,931	(1,039,682)
TOTAL REVENUES	500	1,500,613	508,056	(992,557)
EXPENDITURES				
Purchased Services	1,006,000	1,708,773	1,907,266	(198,493)
Capital Outlay	2,140,076	27,695,115	9,593,551	18,101,564
Debt Service				
Principal	-	794,095	-	794,095
Interest and fees	-	10,597	-	10,597
Contingency	409,394	360,861	-	360,861
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,555,470	30,569,441	11,500,817	19,068,624
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(3,554,970)	(29,068,828)	(10,992,761)	18,076,067
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Proceeds from insurance claims	-	24,890,000	24,787,482	(102,518)
Proceeds from lease financing	-	361,876	361,876	-
Transfer from the General Fund	3,249,023	3,178,728	3,178,728	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	3,249,023	28,430,604	28,328,086	(102,518)
Net change in fund balance	(305,947)	(638,224)	17,335,325	17,973,549
Fund balance, beginning of year	305,947	638,224	638,224	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,973,549	\$ 17,973,549

See accompanying independent auditors report.

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
PUPIL ACTIVITY AGENCY FUND
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2018</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2019</u>
ASSETS				
Cash and investments	\$ 185,838	\$ 1,088,834	\$ (1,000,888)	\$ 273,784
Accounts receivable	277	12,618	(277)	12,618
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 186,115</u>	<u>\$ 1,101,452</u>	<u>\$ (1,001,165)</u>	<u>\$ 286,402</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ 9,889	\$ 7,925	\$ (9,889)	\$ 7,925
Due to other funds	2,438	7,160	(2,438)	7,160
Due to student organizations	173,788	984,932	(887,403)	271,317
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 186,115</u>	<u>\$ 1,000,017</u>	<u>\$ (899,730)</u>	<u>\$ 286,402</u>

See accompanying independent auditors report.

Compliance Section

Single Audit

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures
U.S. Department of Education				
Direct Programs				
Impact Aid		84.041	\$ -	\$ 31,779,236
Title VI Indian Education		84.060	-	9,492
Total Direct Programs			-	31,788,728
Passed through Colorado Department of Education				
Title I Title I	4010, 8010	84.010	-	1,437,823
Special Education Cluster				
IDEA Special Education	4027	84.027	-	1,289,144
IDEA Special Education Preschool	4173	84.173	-	56,357
Total Special Education Cluster			-	1,345,501
Title II-A Supporting Effective Instruction	4367	84.367	-	255,879
Title III English Language Acquisition (ELL)	4365	84.365	-	27,834
Title IV-A Student Support and Academic Enrichment	4424	84.424	-	86,613
Title X Education for Homeless Children and Youth	5196	84.196	-	37,500
Total Passed through Colorado Department of Education			-	3,191,150
Passed through Colorado Community College System				
Career and Technical Education (CTE)		84.048	-	56,329
Total U.S. Department of Education			-	35,036,207
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				
Passed through Colorado Department of Education				
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services	7243	93.243	-	379,905
U.S. Department of Agriculture				
Child Nutrition Cluster				
Passed through Colorado Department of Human Services				
Food Donation (commodities)	4555	10.555	-	229,363
Passed through Colorado Department of Education				
School Breakfast Program	4553	10.553	-	446,639
National School Lunch Program	4555	10.555	-	1,473,777
Special Milk Program for Children	4556	10.556	-	8,843
Summer Food Service Program for Children	4559	10.559	-	41,900
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			-	2,200,522
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			-	2,200,522
U.S. Department of Defense				
Direct Programs				
Junior ROTC		12.000	-	126,760
DOD Impact Aid		12.558	-	995,180
Promoting K-12 Student Achievement at Military Connected Schools		12.556	-	558,398
Total U.S. Department of Defense			-	1,680,338
Total Federal Awards			\$ -	\$ 39,296,972

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
JUNE 30, 2019

NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of El Paso County School District No. 8 under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2019. 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). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of El Paso County School District No. 8, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of El Paso County School District No. 8.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified-accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. For the year ended June 30, 2019, there are no negative amounts on the schedule.

Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available. For the year ended June 30, 2019, no amounts were passed through to sub-recipients.

Junior ROTC does not have a CFDA number, so the Federal CFDA number on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards identifies the Department followed by "000".

NOTE 3 INDIRECT COST RATE

El Paso County School District No. 8 has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 4 NON-CASH ASSISTANCE

During the year end June 30, 2019, El Paso County School District No. 8 received \$229,363 in non-cash assistance in the form of food commodities. Valuation of commodities is based on fair market value at the time of receipt.



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

To the Board of Education
El Paso County School District No. 8

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of El Paso County School District No. 8, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise El Paso County School District No. 8's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 5, 2019.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered El Paso County School District No. 8's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of El Paso County School District No. 8's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of El Paso County School District No. 8's internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether El Paso County School District No. 8'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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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

Hoelting & Company, Inc.

Colorado Springs, Colorado
December 5, 2019



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

To the Board of Education
El Paso County School District No. 8

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited El Paso County School District No. 8's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of El Paso County School District No. 8's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2019. El Paso County School District No. 8's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of El Paso County School District No. 8's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. 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). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about El Paso County School District No. 8's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of El Paso County School District No. 8's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, El Paso County School District No. 8, 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, 2019.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of El Paso County School District No. 8 is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered El Paso County School District No. 8's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of El Paso County School District No. 8's 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 material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Purpose of this Report

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. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Hoelting & Company Inc.

Colorado Springs, Colorado
December 5, 2019

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

Section I—Summary of Auditors’ Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors’ report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? ___ yes x no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? ___ yes x none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? ___ yes x no

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs?

- Material weakness(es) identified? ___ yes x no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? ___ yes x none reported

Type of auditors’ report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? ___ yes x no

Identification of major programs:

<u>CFDA Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
CFDA 10.553, 10.555, 10.556 & 10.559	Child Nutrition Cluster
CFDA 12.558	DOD Impact Aid
CFDA 84.041	Impact Aid

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs? \$1,178,909

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? x yes ___ no

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

Section II—Financial Statement Findings

None reported.

Section III—Federal Award Findings

None reported.

**EL PASO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

The Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings (the Summary) summarizes the status of the audit findings reported in the El Paso County School District No. 8 Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs for the year ended June 30, 2018. If the prior audit finding was fully addressed, the Summary indicates that the corrective action described in the prior audit report was taken or that corrective action is no longer needed. Otherwise, the Summary references the page number of the June 30, 2019 single audit report where a repeat recommendation, description of the planned corrective action, or reason for not implementing the recommendation is presented.

There were no prior year audit findings.

State Compliance



**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COLORADO SCHOOL
DISTRICT/BOCES AUDITOR'S INTEGRITY REPORT**

To the Board of Education
El Paso County School District No. 8

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of El Paso County School District No. 8, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, which collectively comprise El Paso County School District No. 8's basic financial statements, and our report thereon dated December 5, 2019, which expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statement, appears as listed in the table of contents.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the El Paso County School District No. 8's financial statements. The accompanying *Colorado School District/BOCES, Auditor's Integrity Report* is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Hoelting & Company, Inc.

Colorado Springs, Colorado
December 5, 2019



Colorado Department of Education
Auditors Integrity Report
 District: 1000 - Fountain 8
 Fiscal Year 2018-19
 Colorado School District/BOCES

Revenues, Expenditures, & Fund Balance by Fund

Fund Type & Number	Beg Fund Balance & Prior Per Adj (6880*)	1000 - 5999 Total Revenues & Other Sources	0001-0999 Total Expenditures & Other Uses	6700-6799 & Prior Per Adj (6880*) Ending Fund Balance
Governmental	+		-	=
10 General Fund	5,779,310	79,037,716	78,233,963	6,583,063
18 Risk Mgmt Sub-Fund of General Fund	99,702	950,118	883,156	166,664
19 Colorado Preschool Program Fund	0	0	0	0
Sub- Total	5,879,012	79,987,835	79,117,120	6,749,727
11 Charter School Fund	0	0	0	0
20,26-29 Special Revenue Fund	0	0	0	0
06 Supplemental Cap Const, Tech, Main. Fund	0	0	0	0
21 Food Service Spec Revenue Fund	880,795	3,246,288	3,180,777	946,306
22 Govt Designated-Purpose Grants Fund	1	3,702,683	3,702,683	0
23 Pupil Activity Special Revenue Fund	0	0	0	0
24 Full Day Kindergarten Mill Levy Override	0	0	0	0
25 Transportation Fund	0	0	0	0
31 Bond Redemption Fund	0	0	0	0
39 Certificate of Participation (COP) Debt Service Fund	0	0	0	0
41 Building Fund	18,895,319	18,736,888	25,160,787	12,471,419
42 Special Building Fund	0	0	0	0
43 Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund	638,224	28,836,142	11,500,817	17,973,549
46 Supplemental Cap Const, Tech, Main Fund	0	0	0	0
Totals	26,293,350	134,509,836	122,662,184	38,141,002
Proprietary				
50 Other Enterprise Funds	0	0	0	0
64 (63) Risk-Related Activity Fund	0	0	0	0
60,65-69 Other Internal Service Funds	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0
Fiduciary				
70 Other Trust and Agency Funds	0	0	0	0
72 Private Purpose Trust Fund	0	0	0	0
73 Agency Fund	0	0	0	0
74 Pupil Activity Agency Fund	173,788	984,932	887,403	271,317
79 GASB 34:Permanent Fund	0	0	0	0
85 Foundations	0	0	0	0
Totals	173,788	984,932	887,403	271,317

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