

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
Arapahoe County, Colorado

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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Independent Auditor's Report

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of East Smoky Hill Metropolitan District No. 1 (the "District"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of East Smoky Hill Metropolitan District No. 1 as of December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Other Matters

Required Supplemental Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing 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. Our opinions on the basic financial statements are not affected by this missing information.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information as listed in the table of contents is presented for the purposes of legal compliance and additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 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. In our opinion, such information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.



Wipfli LLP
Denver, Colorado

September 21, 2024

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	\$ 456,850
Cash and Investments - Restricted	427,297
Prepaid Insurance	445
Property Tax Receivable	425,499
Receivable from County Treasurer	1,811
Capital Assets:	
Capital Assets Net of Depreciation	<u>310,905</u>
Total Assets	<u>1,622,807</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	91,635
Accrued Bond Interest	7,313
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	165,400
Due in More Than One Year	<u>2,498,991</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>2,763,339</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred Property Tax	<u>425,499</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>425,499</u>
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	310,905
Restricted for:	
Emergency Reserve	5,700
Debt Service	414,084
Net Position - Unrestricted	<u>(2,296,720)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (1,566,031)</u>

See accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	Program Revenues			Net Revenues (Expenses) and Changes in Net Position	
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Primary Government:					
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	\$ 187,839	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,584	\$ (181,255)
Interest on Long-Term Debt and Related Costs	96,301	-	-	-	(96,301)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 284,140	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,584	(277,556)
GENERAL REVENUES					
Property taxes					427,305
Specific ownership taxes					27,980
Interest income					48,612
Other revenue					1,353
Total General Revenues and Transfers					505,250
CHANGES IN NET POSITION					227,694
Net Position - Beginning of Year					(1,793,725)
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR					\$ (1,566,031)

See accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

**EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
BALANCE SHEET –
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	General	Debt Service	Conservation Trust	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and Investments	\$ 450,336	\$ -	\$ 6,514	\$ 456,850
Cash and Investments - Restricted	5,700	421,397	200	427,297
Receivable from County Treasurer	1,811	-	-	1,811
Prepaid Insurance	445	-	-	445
Property Tax Receivable	181,360	244,139	-	425,499
Total Assets	<u>\$ 639,652</u>	<u>\$ 665,536</u>	<u>\$ 6,714</u>	<u>\$ 1,311,902</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	\$ 91,635	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 91,635
Total Liabilities	91,635	-	-	91,635
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Deferred Property Tax	181,360	244,139	-	425,499
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	181,360	244,139	-	425,499
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable:				
Prepaid Expense	445	-	-	445
Restricted for:				
Emergency Reserves	5,700	-	200	5,900
Debt Service	-	421,397	-	421,397
Committed:				
Operations	-	-	6,514	6,514
Unassigned	360,512	-	-	360,512
Total Fund Balances	<u>366,657</u>	<u>421,397</u>	<u>6,714</u>	<u>794,768</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 639,652</u>	<u>\$ 665,536</u>	<u>\$ 6,714</u>	

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	310,905
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	
Bonds Payable	(2,540,000)
Accrued Bond Interest	(7,313)
Unamortized Bond Premium	(124,391)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$ (1,566,031)</u>

See accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES –
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	General	Debt Service	Conservation Trust	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Property taxes	\$ 134,057	\$ 293,248	\$ -	\$ 427,305
Specific ownership taxes	27,980	-	-	27,980
Interest income	23,407	25,075	130	48,612
Conservation Trust Fund proceeds	-	-	6,584	6,584
Other revenue	1,353	-	-	1,353
Total Revenues	<u>186,797</u>	<u>318,323</u>	<u>6,714</u>	<u>511,834</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Accounting	25,435	-	-	25,435
Auditing	5,000	-	-	5,000
County Treasurer's Fee	2,012	4,401	-	6,413
Directors' fees	2,600	-	-	2,600
Dues and membership	583	-	-	583
Election	1,908	-	-	1,908
Electricity	5,357	-	-	5,357
Insurance	4,988	-	-	4,988
Irrigation	29,161	-	-	29,161
Landscaping	75,640	-	-	75,640
Legal	24,849	-	-	24,849
Payroll taxes	199	-	-	199
Snow removal	14,785	-	-	14,785
Debt Service:				
Bond interest	-	91,950	-	91,950
Bond principal	-	140,000	-	140,000
Paying agent fees	-	300	-	300
Total Expenditures	<u>192,517</u>	<u>236,651</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>429,168</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER)				
EXPENDITURES	(5,720)	81,672	6,714	82,666
Transfers from other funds	-	300	-	300
Transfers to other fund	(300)	-	-	(300)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(300)</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(6,020)	81,972	6,714	82,666
Fund Balances - Beginning of Year	<u>372,677</u>	<u>339,425</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>712,102</u>
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 366,657</u>	<u>\$ 421,397</u>	<u>\$ 6,714</u>	<u>\$ 794,768</u>

See accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

**EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$ 82,666

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. In the statement of activities capital outlay is not reported as an expenditure. However, the statement of activities will report as depreciation expense the allocation of the cost of any depreciable asset over the estimated useful life of the asset. Therefore, this is the amount of capital outlay, depreciation and dedication of capital assets to other governments, in the current period.

Depreciation Expense (11,459)

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of government funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position.

Bond Principal 140,000

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 governmental funds.

Accrued Contingent Liability 350
Amortization of Bond Premium 16,137

Changes in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 227,694

**EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
GENERAL FUND –
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE –
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	Original and Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES			
Property taxes	\$ 133,962	\$ 134,057	\$ 95
Specific ownership taxes	25,620	27,980	2,360
Interest income	4,700	23,407	18,707
Other revenue	-	1,353	1,353
Total Revenues	<u>164,282</u>	<u>186,797</u>	<u>22,515</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Accounting	25,000	25,435	(435)
Auditing	5,000	5,000	-
Conference/Training	1,000	-	1,000
Conservation trust fund projects	6,100	-	6,100
Contingency	6,511	-	6,511
County Treasurer's Fee	2,009	2,012	(3)
Directors' fees	3,000	2,600	400
District communication	1,000	-	1,000
Dues and membership	600	583	17
Election	5,000	1,908	3,092
Electricity	6,000	5,357	643
Insurance	5,500	4,988	512
Irrigation	32,000	29,161	2,839
Landscaping	85,000	75,640	9,360
Legal	21,000	24,849	(3,849)
Payroll taxes	230	199	31
Snow removal	20,000	14,785	5,215
Special projects	50,000	-	50,000
Storm drainage	50	-	50
Total Expenditures	<u>275,000</u>	<u>192,517</u>	<u>82,483</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(110,718)	(5,720)	104,998
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers from other funds	6,100	-	(6,100)
Transfers to other fund	-	(300)	(300)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>6,100</u>	<u>(300)</u>	<u>(6,400)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(104,618)	(6,020)	98,598
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>365,908</u>	<u>372,677</u>	<u>6,769</u>
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 261,290</u>	<u>\$ 366,657</u>	<u>\$ 105,367</u>

See accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

NOTE 1 DEFINITION OF REPORTING ENTITY

(the District), a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the state of Colorado, was organized by order and decree of the District Court for Arapahoe County on November 22, 1994 and is governed pursuant to provisions of the Colorado Special District Act (Title 32, Article 1, Colorado Revised Statutes). The District's service area is located in Arapahoe County, Colorado (the County). A portion of the District's boundaries lies within the city of Centennial. The District was established to provide financing for the construction and installation of sanitary sewer, water, streets, safety protection, and park and recreation improvements. The District has dedicated these improvements to the County and to East Cherry Creek Valley Water and Sanitation District (ECCV) for the use and benefit of the District taxpayers. The District currently exists to retire its outstanding debt obligation and to assist with the maintenance of the landscaped areas within the District.

The District follows the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) accounting pronouncements which provide guidance for determining which governmental activities, organizations and functions should be included within the financial reporting entity. GASB pronouncements set forth the financial accountability of a governmental organization's elected governing body as the basic criterion for including a possible component governmental organization in a primary government's legal entity. Financial accountability includes, but is not limited to, appointment of a voting majority of the organization's governing body, ability to impose its will on the organization, a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits or burdens and fiscal dependency.

The District is not financially accountable for any other organization, nor is the District a component unit of any other primary governmental entity.

The District has no employees, and all operations and administrative functions are contracted.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The more significant accounting policies of the District are described as follows:

Amortization

Original Issue Discount/Premium

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method.

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These financial statements include all of the activities of the District. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The statement of net position reports all financial and capital resources of the District. The difference between the sum of assets and the sum of liabilities and deferred inflows of resources is reported as net position.

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function 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.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

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.

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 received within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. The major sources of revenue susceptible to accrual are property taxes and specific ownership taxes. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District. Expenditures, other than interest on long-term obligations, are recorded when the liability is incurred, or the long-term obligation is due.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

The Debt Service Fund accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of the governmental funds.

The Conservation Trust Fund (a Capital Projects Fund) is used to account for the lottery proceeds received from the state. This revenue is restricted for parks and recreational purposes under state statutes.

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Budgets

In accordance with the State Budget Law, the District's Board of Directors holds public hearings in the fall each year to approve the budget and appropriate the funds for the ensuing year. The appropriation is at the total fund expenditures and other financing uses level and lapses at year-end. The District's Board of Directors can modify the budget by line item within the total appropriation without notification. The appropriation can only be modified upon completion of notification and publication requirements. The budget includes each fund on its basis of accounting unless otherwise indicated.

Pooled Cash and Investments

The District follows the practice of pooling cash and investments of all funds to maximize investment earnings. Except when required by trust or other agreements, all cash is deposited to and disbursed from a single bank account. Cash in excess of immediate operating requirements is pooled for deposit and investment flexibility. Investment earnings are allocated periodically to the participating funds based upon each fund's average equity balance in the total cash.

Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied by the District's Board of Directors. The levy is based on assessed valuations determined by the County Assessor generally as of January 1 of each year. The levy is normally set by December 15 by certification to the County Commissioners to put the tax lien on the individual properties as of January 1 of the following year. The County Treasurer collects the determined taxes during the ensuing calendar year. The taxes are payable by April or if in equal installments, at the taxpayer's election, in February and June. Delinquent taxpayers are notified in August and generally sales of the tax liens on delinquent properties are held in November or December. The County Treasurer remits the taxes collected monthly to the District.

Property taxes, net of estimated uncollectible taxes, are recorded initially as deferred inflow of resources in the year they are levied and measurable. The unearned property tax revenues are recorded as revenue in the year they are available or collected.

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g. roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation.

Capital assets which are anticipated to be conveyed to other governmental entities are recorded as construction in progress and are not included in the calculation of the net investment in capital assets component of the District's net position.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the life of the asset are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable.

Depreciation expense has been computed using the straight-line method over the following economic useful lives:

Fencing	30 Years
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Deferred Inflow of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, deferred property tax revenue, is deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amount becomes available.

Equity

Net Position

For government-wide presentation purposes when both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's practice to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Fund Balance

Fund balance for governmental funds should be reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which spending can occur. Governmental funds report up to five classifications of fund balance: nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned. Because circumstances differ among governments, not every government or every governmental fund will present all of these components. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Equity (continued)

Fund Balance (continued)

Nonspendable Fund Balance – The portion of fund balance that cannot be spent because it is either not in spendable form (such as prepaid amounts or inventory) or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted Fund Balance – The portion of fund balance that is constrained to being used for a specific purpose by external parties (such as bondholders), constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance – The portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the government’s highest level of decision-making authority, the Board of Directors. The constraint may be removed or changed only through formal action of the Board of Directors.

Assigned Fund Balance – The portion of fund balance that is constrained by the government’s intent to be used for specific purposes but is neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by the Board of Directors to be used for a specific purpose. Constraints imposed on the use of assigned amounts are more easily removed or modified than those imposed on amounts that are classified as committed.

Unassigned Fund Balance – The residual portion of fund balance that does not meet any of the criteria described above.

If more than one classification of fund balance is available for use when an expenditure is incurred, it is the District’s practice to use the most restrictive classification first.

NOTE 3 CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2023, are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Statement of Net Position:

Cash and Investments	\$ 456,850
Cash and Investments - Restricted	427,297
Total Cash and Investments	\$ 884,147

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2023, consist of the following:

Deposits with Financial Institutions	\$ 10,141
Investments	874,006
Total Cash and Investments	\$ 884,147

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

NOTE 3 CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Deposits with Financial Institutions

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulators. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized. The eligible collateral is determined by the PDPA. PDPA allows the institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds. The pool for all the uninsured public deposits as a group is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust. The market value of the collateral must be 102% of the aggregate uninsured deposits.

The State Commissioners for banks and financial services are required by statute to monitor the naming of eligible depositories and reporting of the uninsured deposits and assets maintained in the collateral pools.

At December 31, 2023, the District's cash deposits had a bank balance and carrying balance of \$10,141.

Investments

The District has not adopted a formal investment policy. However, the District follows state statutes regarding investments.

The District generally limits its concentration of investments to those noted with an asterisk (*) below, which are believed to have minimal credit risk, minimal interest rate risk and no foreign currency risk. Additionally, the District is not subject to concentration risk or investment custodial risk disclosure requirements for investments that are in the possession of another party.

Colorado revised statutes limit investment maturities to five years or less unless formally approved by the Board of Directors. Such actions are generally associated with a debt service reserve or sinking fund requirements.

Colorado statutes specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local governments may invest which include:

- . Obligations of the United States, certain U.S. government agency securities, and securities of the World Bank
- . General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- . Certain certificates of participation
- . Certain securities lending agreements
- . Bankers' acceptances of certain banks
- . Commercial paper
- . Written repurchase agreements and certain reverse repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- . Certain money market funds
- . Guaranteed investment contracts
- * Local government investment pools

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NOTE 3 CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Investments (continued)

As of December 31, 2023, the District had the following investments:

<u>Investment</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust (CSAFE)	Weighted-Average Under 60 Days	\$ 874,006
		<u>\$ 874,006</u>

CSAFE

The District invested in the Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust (CSAFE) (the Trust), which is an investment vehicle established by state statute for local government entities to pool surplus assets. The State Securities Commissioner administers and enforces all State statutes governing the Trust. The Trust currently offers two portfolios – CSAFE CASH FUND and CSAFE CORE.

CSAFE CASH FUND operations similar to a money market fund, with each share valued at \$1.00. CSAFE may invest in U.S. Treasury securities, repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities, certain money market funds and highest rated commercial paper, any security allowed under CRS 24-75-601.

CSAFE CORE, a variable Net Asset Value (NAV) Local Government Investment Pool, offers weekly liquidity and is managed to approximate a \$2.00 transactional share price. CSAFE CORE may invest in securities authorized by CRS 24-75-601, including U.S. Treasury securities, repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities, certain obligations of U.S. government agencies, highest rated commercial paper, and any security allowed under CRS 24-75-601.

A designated custodial bank serves as custodian for CSAFE’s portfolio pursuant to a custodian agreement. The custodian acts as safekeeping agent for CSAFE’s investment portfolio and provides services as the depository in connection with direct investments and withdrawals. The custodian’s internal records segregate investments owned by CSAFE. CSAFE CASH FUND is rated AAmmf and CSAFE CORE is rated AAaf/S1 by Fitch Ratings. CSAFE records its investments at amortized cost and the District records its investments in CSAFE using the amortized cost method. There are no unfunded commitments, the redemption frequency is daily and there is no redemption notice period.

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NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS

An analysis of the changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2023, follows:

	Balance at December 31, 2022	Increases	Decreases	Balance at December 31, 2023
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated:				
Fencing	\$ 369,118	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 369,118
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	369,118	-	-	369,118
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Fencing	46,754	11,459	-	58,213
Total Accumulated Depreciation	46,754	11,459	-	58,213
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 322,364</u>	<u>\$ 11,459</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 310,905</u>

Depreciation expense for 2023 was \$11,459.

NOTE 5 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is an analysis of the changes in long-term obligations for the year ended December 31, 2023:

	Balance at December 31, 2022	Additions	Reductions	Balance at December 31, 2023	Due Within One Year
Bonds Payable					
Genreal Obligation Bonds					
Series 2016	\$ 2,680,000	\$ -	\$ 140,000	\$ 2,540,000	\$ 150,000
Bond Premium - Series 2016	140,528	-	16,137	124,391	15,400
Total Long-Term Obligations	<u>\$ 2,820,528</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 156,137</u>	<u>\$ 2,664,391</u>	<u>\$ 165,400</u>

On April 29, 2016, the District issued \$3,470,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds (2016 Bonds). The 2016 Bonds bear interest of between 2.00% and 4.00% per annum payable on June 1 and December 1, commencing on December 1, 2016. Mandatory principal payments are due on December 1, commencing on December 1, 2016, with final payment due on December 1, 2036. The 2016 Bonds cannot be prepaid prior to December 1, 2026.

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NOTE 5 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

To the extent principal on the 2016 Bonds is not paid when due, principal shall remain outstanding until paid, subject to discharge on December 1, 2036. To the extent interest on the 2016 Bonds is not paid when due, such unpaid interest shall compound on each interest payment date, at the rate then borne by the 2016 Bonds.

The 2016 Bonds are not subject to early termination. The 2016 Bonds are not subject to acceleration. The 2016 Bonds do not have any unused lines of credit. No assets have been pledged as collateral on the 2016 Bonds.

Events of Default of the Bonds

Events of default occur if the District fails to impose the Required Mill Levy, or to apply the Pledged Revenues as required by the Indenture, and does not comply with other customary terms and conditions consistent with normal municipal financing as described in the Indenture.

The Series 2016 Bonds have an average yield of 2.452%.

The Series 2016 Bonds are general obligations of the District, secured by a pledge of the full faith and credit of the District and payable from general ad valorem taxes which may be levied without limitation of rate and in an amount necessary to pay the bonds when due against all taxable property within the District.

The District's long-term bonded general obligation debt matures as follows:

Year Ending <u>December 31,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ 150,000	\$ 87,750	\$ 237,750
2025	155,000	83,250	238,250
2026	160,000	78,600	238,600
2027	170,000	73,800	243,800
2028	175,000	68,700	243,700
2029-2033	1,005,000	257,700	1,262,700
2034-2036	725,000	59,000	784,000
Total	<u>\$ 2,540,000</u>	<u>\$ 708,800</u>	<u>\$ 3,248,800</u>

Authorized Debt

On November 8, 1994, the District's electors authorized the incurrence of general obligation debt totaling \$12,000,000 in principal at a rate not to exceed 18%. The issuance of the Series 2016 Bonds refunded the Series 2006 Bonds and did not use any debt authorization. As of December 31, 2023, the authorized debt from November 8, 1994 has expired.

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NOTE 6 NET POSITION

The District has net position consisting of three components – net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets. As of December 31, 2023, the District has net investment in capital assets of \$310,905.

The restricted component of net position includes assets that are restricted for use either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other government or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The District had restricted net position as of December 31, 2023, as follows:

Restricted Net Position:

Emergencies	\$ 5,700
Debt Service Reserve	414,084
Total Restricted Net Position	<u>\$ 419,784</u>

The unrestricted component of net position is the net amount of the assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of the restricted component of net position or net investment in capital assets.

The District has a deficit in unrestricted net position. This deficit amount is the result of the District being responsible for the repayment of bonds issued for public improvements which were conveyed to other governmental entities and which costs were removed from the District's financial records.

NOTE 7 AGREEMENTS

Real Estate Leases

The District desires to improve the common area fencing within the District. In 2009, the District entered into three 99-year real estate leases, each at a rent of \$10 per year, with (1) Stanford Hills Master HOA, (2) Stanford Hills Paired Units HOA, and (3) Highland Pointe HOA, all located within the District's boundaries. The leased property includes fencing, landscaping and other public improvements. On March 16, 2013, the District and both Stanford Hills HOAs terminated their 2009 leases in order to eliminate the provision that allowed those HOAs to unilaterally terminate the leases and entered into new 99-year leases. On January 3, 2014, Stanford Hills Master HOA conveyed fencing along S. Riviera Way and E. Powers Avenue to the District. On November 1, 2021, the District purchased fencing located on leased property from Highland Pointe HOA. On July 20, 2022, the District purchased fencing located on leased property from Stanford Hills Master HOA. In the future, the District may purchase additional property from the HOAs. Due to the immaterial effect of the agreement a lease Right of Use asset was not recorded.

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NOTE 7 AGREEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Maintenance Improvements

During 2009, the District entered into maintenance improvements agreements with the homeowners' associations within the District whereby, beginning in 2010, the District will reimburse each association an annual amount for common property maintenance, to be paid in quarterly installments. The total amount of annual contractual reimbursements paid by the District was originally capped at \$103,551, with the ability to increase the amount upon consent by the District's Board of Directors. The actual amount paid in 2023 was \$146,343, which included \$42,792 of special projects approved by the Board of Directors.

NOTE 8 RISK MANAGEMENT

Except as provided in the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, the District may be exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; thefts of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or acts of God.

The District is a member of the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool (the Pool). The Pool is an organization created by intergovernmental agreement to provide property, liability, public officials' liability, boiler and machinery and workers' compensation coverage to its members. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The District pays annual premiums to the Pool for liability, property, public officials' liability, and workers' compensation coverage. In the event aggregated losses incurred by the Pool exceed amounts recoverable from reinsurance contracts and funds accumulated by the Pool, the Pool may require additional contributions from the Pool members. Any excess funds which the Pool determines are not needed for purposes of the Pool may be returned to the members pursuant to a distribution formula.

NOTE 9 TAX, SPENDING, AND DEBT LIMITATIONS

Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR), contains tax, spending, revenue and debt limitations which apply to the state of Colorado and all local governments.

Spending and revenue limits are determined based on the prior year's Fiscal Year Spending adjusted for allowable increases based upon inflation and local growth. Fiscal Year Spending is generally defined as expenditures plus reserve increases with certain exceptions. Revenue in excess of the Fiscal Year Spending limit must be refunded unless the voters approve retention of such revenue.

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NOTE 9 TAX, SPENDING, AND DEBT LIMITATIONS (CONTINUED)

TABOR requires local governments to establish Emergency Reserves. These reserves must be at least 3.00% of Fiscal Year Spending (excluding bonded debt service). Local governments are not allowed to use the emergency reserves to compensate for economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or benefit increases.

On November 8, 1994, a majority of the District's electors authorized an annual \$300,000 increase in property tax collections for operations and maintenance and the collection annually of \$200,000 of systems development fees without regard to TABOR or other state statutes. The District believes it has taken such steps as are appropriate in light of current interpretations of TABOR to comply with its terms. However, TABOR is complex and subject to multiple interpretations. Many of the provisions, including but not limited to the interpretation of how to calculate Fiscal Year Spending and other limits, will require judicial interpretation.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
DEBT SERVICE FUND –
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE –
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	Original and Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES			
Property taxes	\$ 293,041	\$ 293,248	\$ 207
Interest income	5,500	25,075	19,575
Total Revenues	<u>298,541</u>	<u>318,323</u>	<u>19,782</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Bond interest	91,950	91,950	-
Bond principal	140,000	140,000	-
Contingency	3,354	-	3,354
County Treasurer's Fee	4,396	4,401	(5)
Paying agent fees	300	300	-
Total Expenditures	<u>240,000</u>	<u>236,651</u>	<u>3,349</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	58,541	81,672	23,131
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers from other funds	-	300	300
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>-</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	58,541	81,972	23,431
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>338,716</u>	<u>339,425</u>	<u>709</u>
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 397,257</u>	<u>\$ 421,397</u>	<u>\$ 24,140</u>

**EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
 CONSERVATION TRUST FUND –
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE –
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	Original and Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES			
Conservation Trust Fund proceeds	6,000	6,584	584
Interest income	100	130	30
Total Revenues	6,100	6,714	614
EXPENDITURES			
Total Expenditures	-	-	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	6,100	6,714	614
OTHER FINANCING (USE)			
Transfers to other fund	(6,100)	-	6,100
Total Other Financing (Use)	(6,100)	-	6,100
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-	6,714	6,714
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	-	-	-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ 6,714	\$ 6,714

**EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
SCHEDULE OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS TO MATURITY
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	\$3,470,000		
	General Obligation Refunding Bonds		
	Interest Rate from 2.00% to 4.00%		
	Series 2016		
	Dated April 29, 2016		
	Interest Payable June 1 and December 1		
	Principal Payable December 1		
Bonds/Loans and Interest Maturing in the Year Ending <u>December 31,</u>	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 150,000	\$ 87,750	\$ 237,750
2025	155,000	83,250	238,250
2026	160,000	78,600	238,600
2027	170,000	73,800	243,800
2028	175,000	68,700	243,700
2029	180,000	63,450	243,450
2030	195,000	58,050	253,050
2031	200,000	52,200	252,200
2032	210,000	46,200	256,200
2033	220,000	37,800	257,800
2034	230,000	29,000	259,000
2035	240,000	19,800	259,800
2036	255,000	10,200	265,200
Total	\$ 2,540,000	\$ 708,800	\$ 3,248,800

**EAST SMOKY HILL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 1
SCHEDULE OF ASSESSED VALUATION, MILL LEVY, AND PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

Year Ended December 31.	Assessed Valuation	Total Mills Levied		Total Property Taxes		Percent Collected to Levied
		General Operations	Debt Service	Levied	Collected	
2019	\$ 14,046,628	12.000	17.500	\$ 414,376	\$ 414,375	100.00 %
2020	16,401,219	8.000	17.500	418,231	418,163	99.98
2021	16,499,319	8.000	17.500	420,733	420,730	100.00
2022	17,185,187	8.000	17.500	438,222	437,956	99.94
2023	16,745,218	8.000	17.500	427,003	427,305	100.07
Estimated for Year Ending December 31, 2024	\$ 20,857,800	6.400	14.000	\$ 425,499		

Note:

Property taxes collected in any one year include collection of delinquent property taxes levied in prior years. Information received from the Treasurer does not permit identification of specific year of levy.