

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2024



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Certified Public Accountants

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



Wall,
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To the Board of County Commissioners
Costilla County, Colorado
San Luis, Colorado

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Costilla County, Colorado (the County), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County, as of December 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the County'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.

Auditors' 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 auditors' report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud

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may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- 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 County'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 County's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information

and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining fund financial schedules, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and the Local Highway Finance Report, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements 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 fund financial schedules, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and the Local Highway Finance Report 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 September 23, 2025 on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.
Alamosa, Colorado

September 23, 2025

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

December 31, 2024

	Primary Government		TOTAL
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,571,481	\$ 109,819	\$ 5,681,300
Property Taxes Receivable	2,763,685	-	2,763,685
Accounts Receivable	42,380	1,890	44,270
Due from Custodial Fund	-	-	-
Due from Other Governments	831,712	-	831,712
Prepaid Expenses	-	-	-
Inventory	183,652	-	183,652
Total Current Assets	9,392,910	111,709	9,504,619
Noncurrent Assets			
Capital Assets			
Construction In Progress	25,641	-	25,641
Land and Land Improvements	2,977,699	-	2,977,699
Buildings	10,301,949	-	10,301,949
Equipment	9,885,856	-	9,885,856
Infrastructure	8,623,663	-	8,623,663
Water and Sewer Plant	-	4,606,133	4,606,133
Less: Accumulated Depreciation/Depletion	(16,646,507)	(3,481,008)	(20,127,515)
Subscription assets, net of accumulated amortization	151,738	-	151,738
Total Noncurrent Assets	15,320,039	1,125,125	16,445,164
TOTAL ASSETS	24,712,949	1,236,834	25,949,783
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	250,937	10,854	261,791
Due to Other Governments	228,880	-	228,880
Unearned Revenue - Other	917,644	-	917,644
Financed Purchase Agreement	111,321	-	111,321
Subscription Agreements	73,822	-	73,822
Compensated Absences	118,690	-	118,690
Total Current Liabilities	1,701,294	10,854	1,712,148
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Financed Purchase Agreement	255,464	-	255,464
Subscription Agreements	77,916	-	77,916
Compensated Absences	19,495	-	19,495
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	352,875	-	352,875
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,054,169	10,854	2,065,023
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable Revenue - Property Tax	2,763,685	-	2,763,685
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	14,801,516	1,125,125	15,926,641
Restricted for TABOR	372,826	-	372,826
Unrestricted	4,821,640	100,855	4,922,495
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 19,995,982	\$ 1,225,980	\$ 21,221,962

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants & Contributions	Capital Grants & Contributions	Primary Government		
					Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	TOTAL
Primary Government:							
Governmental Activities:							
General Government	\$ 3,446,707	\$ 656,532	\$ 67,475	\$ 65,507	\$ (2,657,193)	\$ -	\$ (2,657,193)
Public Safety	1,837,342	129,754	61,552	130,691	(1,515,345)	-	(1,515,345)
Health and Welfare	7,643,800	409,581	6,544,682	78,526	(611,011)	-	(611,011)
Highways and Streets	4,796,009	18,226	4,630,933	1,020,000	873,150	-	873,150
Auxiliary Services	266,016	-	46,006	-	(220,010)	-	(220,010)
Culture and Recreation	122,000	-	48,780	116,626	43,406	-	43,406
Interest Expense	24,693	-	-	-	(24,693)	-	(24,693)
Total Governmental Activities	18,136,567	1,214,093	11,399,428	1,411,350	(4,111,696)	-	(4,111,696)
Business-Type Activities							
Water	160,425	117,094	-	4,000	-	(39,331)	(39,331)
Sanitation	117,644	56,920	-	-	-	(60,724)	(60,724)
Total Business-Type Activities	278,069	174,014	-	4,000	-	(100,055)	(100,055)
Total Primary Government	\$ 18,414,636	\$ 1,388,107	\$ 11,399,428	\$ 1,415,350	(4,111,696)	(100,055)	(4,211,751)
General Revenues:							
Taxes							
					3,101,366	-	3,101,366
					571,114	-	571,114
					250,655	-	250,655
					340	-	340
					3,247	-	3,247
					193,412	-	193,412
					4,120,134	-	4,120,134
					8,438	(100,055)	(91,617)
					20,014,478	1,326,035	21,340,513
					(26,934)	-	(26,934)
					19,987,544	1,326,035	21,313,579
					\$ 19,995,982	\$ 1,225,980	\$ 21,221,962

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COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 2024

	GENERAL FUND	ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND	SOCIAL SERVICES FUND	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
ASSETS					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,703,073	\$ 3,234,440	\$ 339,782	\$ 294,186	\$ 5,571,481
Receivables					
Property Taxes Receivable	2,291,719	-	398,201	73,765	2,763,685
Accounts Receivable	-	-	18	42,362	42,380
Due From Other Funds	148,564	-	-	-	148,564
Due From Other Governments	184,830	442,502	111,406	92,974	831,712
Prepaid Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Inventory	-	183,652	-	-	183,652
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,328,186	\$ 3,860,594	\$ 849,407	\$ 503,287	\$ 9,541,474
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE					
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	\$ 106,234	\$ 128,455	\$ -	\$ 16,248	\$ 250,937
Due to Other Funds	-	16,212	1,730	29,735	47,677
Due to Other Governments	-	-	228,880	-	228,880
Unearned Revenue - Other	873,706	-	43,938	-	917,644
TOTAL LIABILITIES	979,940	144,667	274,548	45,983	1,445,138
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable Revenue - Property Tax	2,291,719	-	398,201	73,765	2,763,685
FUND BALANCE					
Nonspendable	-	183,652	-	-	183,652
Restricted	138,000	140,000	72,326	22,500	372,826
Committed	-	3,392,275	104,332	361,039	3,857,646
Assigned	810,000	-	-	-	810,000
Unassigned	108,527	-	-	-	108,527
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	1,056,527	3,715,927	176,658	383,539	5,332,651
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 4,328,186	\$ 3,860,594	\$ 849,407	\$ 503,287	\$ 9,541,474

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COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
December 31, 2024

Total governmental fund balances	\$	5,332,651
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets and subscription assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		15,320,039
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Financed Purchase Agreement	\$	(366,785)
Subscription Agreements		(151,738)
Compensated Absences		(138,185)
		(656,708)
Net position of governmental activities	\$	19,995,982

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COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	GENERAL FUND	ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND	SOCIAL SERVICES FUND	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ 3,397,668	\$ -	\$ 444,000	\$ 81,467	\$ 3,923,135
Intergovernmental Revenue	530,146	4,649,159	5,898,457	710,527	11,788,289
Licenses and Permits	25,245	-	-	-	25,245
County Ordinances	50,316	-	-	-	50,316
Charges for Services	683,682	-	-	409,581	1,093,263
Interest on Deposits	2,606	-	-	-	2,606
Miscellaneous	127,906	48,976	-	11,324	188,206
TOTAL REVENUES	4,817,569	4,698,135	6,342,457	1,212,899	17,071,060
EXPENDITURES					
Current Expenditures					
General Government	3,218,910	-	-	-	3,218,910
Public Safety	1,787,044	-	-	-	1,787,044
Health and Welfare	-	-	6,386,377	1,095,532	7,481,909
Highways and Streets	-	3,847,028	-	-	3,847,028
Auxiliary Services	266,016	-	-	-	266,016
Culture and Recreation	-	-	-	118,069	118,069
Capital Outlay	501,215	416,791	-	18,306	936,312
Debt Service	51,024	-	107,680	-	158,704
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,824,209	4,263,819	6,494,057	1,231,907	17,813,992
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(1,006,640)	434,316	(151,600)	(19,008)	(742,932)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers (to)/from Other Funds	37,027	(37,027)	-	-	-
Sale of Fixed Assets	-	53,945	-	-	53,945
Financed Purchase Agreement Proceeds	117,388	-	-	-	117,388
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	154,415	16,918	-	-	171,333
Net change in fund balance	(852,225)	451,234	(151,600)	(19,008)	(571,599)
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,908,752	3,264,693	328,258	429,481	5,931,184
Adjustment to Correct Prior Year Revenues	-	-	-	(26,934)	(26,934)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, Restated	1,908,752	3,264,693	328,258	402,547	5,904,250
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 1,056,527	\$ 3,715,927	\$ 176,658	\$ 383,539	\$ 5,332,651

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ (571,599)

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation and amortization expense. This is the activity in the capital assets in the current period.

Capital Asset Additions	\$	2,029,536	
Capital Asset Deletions, net of Accumulated Depreciation		(13,500)	
Depreciation and Amortization Expense		(1,597,049)	
		418,987	418,987

Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. This is the activity in debt in the current period.

Financed Purchase Agreement Payments		134,011	
Subscription Agreement Payments		196,275	
Financed Purchase Agreement Proceeds		(117,388)	
		212,898	212,898

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.

Compensated Absences		(51,848)	
		(51,848)	

Change in net position of governmental activities **\$ 8,438**

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
December 31, 2024

	WATER AND SANITATION FUND
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 109,819
Accounts Receivable	1,890
Total Current Assets	111,709
Noncurrent Assets	
Capital Assets	
Water and Sewer Plant	4,606,133
Less: Accumulated Depreciation/Depletion	(3,481,008)
Total Noncurrent Assets	1,125,125
TOTAL ASSETS	1,236,834
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	10,854
Total Current Liabilities	10,854
TOTAL LIABILITIES	10,854
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,125,125
Unrestricted	100,855
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 1,225,980

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	WATER AND SANITATION FUND
OPERATING REVENUES	
Charges for Services	\$ 160,572
Miscellaneous Revenue	13,442
	174,014
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Salaries and Benefits	100,849
Supplies	10,537
Utilities	30,114
Professional Services	9,595
Repairs and Maintenance	24,508
Permits and Fees	6,463
Depreciation Expense	94,155
Miscellaneous	1,848
	278,069
Operating Income (Loss)	(104,055)
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	
Tap Fees	4,000
Transfer In	-
	4,000
Change in Net Position	(100,055)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	1,326,035
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 1,225,980

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	<u>WATER AND SANITATION FUND</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 171,907
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(86,507)
Cash Payments to Employees for Services	<u>(100,849)</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>(15,449)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<u>-</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Cash Received from Tap Fees	<u>4,000</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) FOR CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<u>4,000</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>-</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(11,449)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>121,268</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 109,819</u></u>
 RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (104,055)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:	
Depreciation Expense	94,156
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	(2,108)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	<u>(3,442)</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u><u>\$ (15,449)</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
December 31, 2024

	<u>PUBLIC TRUSTEE</u>	<u>COUNTY CLERK</u>	<u>COUNTY TREASURER</u>	<u>TOTAL CUSTODIAL FUNDS</u>
ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,270	\$ 20,159	\$ 412,653	\$ 435,082
Property Tax Receivable	-	-	7,875,866	7,875,866
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>2,270</u>	<u>20,159</u>	<u>8,288,519</u>	<u>8,310,948</u>
LIABILITIES				
Funds Held for Others	-	-	270,534	270,534
Due to General Fund	-	-	100,887	100,887
Due to Other Governments	-	20,159	-	20,159
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>20,159</u>	<u>371,421</u>	<u>391,580</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES - CURRENT				
Unavailable Revenue - Property Tax	-	-	7,875,866	7,875,866
NET POSITION				
Restricted for:				
Individuals, Organizations, and Other Governments	<u>2,270</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,232</u>	<u>43,502</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 2,270</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 41,232</u>	<u>\$ 43,502</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	PUBLIC TRUSTEE	COUNTY CLERK	COUNTY TREASURER	TOTAL CUSTODIAL FUNDS
ADDITIONS				
Tax Collections for Other Governments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,097,451	\$ 9,097,451
Public Trustee Activity	7,355	-	-	7,355
County Clerk Collections	-	1,414,521	-	1,414,521
Miscellaneous	-	-	569,529	569,529
	<u>7,355</u>	<u>1,414,521</u>	<u>9,666,980</u>	<u>11,088,856</u>
DEDUCTIONS				
Taxes and Other Collections Disbursed	-	-	9,671,560	9,671,560
Public Trustee Disbursements	7,786	-	-	7,786
County Clerk Disbursements	-	1,414,521	-	1,414,521
	<u>7,786</u>	<u>1,414,521</u>	<u>9,671,560</u>	<u>11,093,867</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Fiduciary Net Position	(431)	-	(4,580)	(5,011)
Net position - Beginning of the Year	<u>2,701</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>45,812</u>	<u>48,513</u>
Net position - End of the Year	<u><u>\$ 2,270</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 41,232</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 43,502</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting and reporting policies of the County reflected in the accompanying financial statements conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to state and local governments. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for local governments are those promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in *Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*.

REPORTING ENTITY

Primary Government

Costilla County was created as a quasi-municipal corporation by the legislature in 1913 for the purpose of exercising a part of the political power of the State of Colorado. The County is governed by a three-member Board of County Commissioners (the Board). Each commissioner is elected at-large by the voters of the County to represent one of the three separate districts and must reside in the district for which he or she is elected. There are also five other elected officials - assessor, clerk and recorder, coroner, sheriff, and treasurer. The treasurer is also the County Public Trustee. The County provides the following services: public safety (sheriff), highways and streets, health and welfare, water and sanitation system, property tax collection and distribution, land use planning and regulations, culture and recreation, library, and general administrative services.

Component Units

The County's combined financial statements include the accounts of all County operations. The criteria for including organizations as component units within the County's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of GASB's *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, include whether:

- The organization is legally separate (can sue and be sued in their own name)
- The County holds the corporate powers of the organization
- The County appoints a voting majority of the organization's board
- The County is able to impose its will on the organization
- The organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the County
- There is fiscal dependency by the organization on the County
- The organization is financially accountable to the County
- The organization receives or holds funds that are for the benefit of the County; and the County has access to a majority of the funds held; and the funds that are accessible are also significant to the County

Based on the aforementioned criteria, Costilla County has no component units.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. Government-wide statements report information on all of the activities of the County and its component units, if any, except for County fiduciary activity. The effect of interfund transfers has been removed from the government-wide statements but continues to be reflected on the fund statements. Mainly taxes and intergovernmental revenues support governmental activities.

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The statement of activities reflects the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable within a specific function. Program revenues include:

- Charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and
- 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 in program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. 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. This measurement is also used for the proprietary fund financial statements. 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 when all applicable eligibility requirements imposed by the provider are met.

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 available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Sales and use taxes, other taxes, charges for services, intergovernmental revenues, and interest are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

- The **General Fund** is the general operating fund of the County. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The **Road and Bridge Fund** is used to account for the maintenance and improvements of streets and highways. The sources of funds include highway user's fees and other revenue sources.
- The **Social Services Fund** is used to account for the operations of social programs; i.e. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Old Age Pension, Aid to the Blind, Aid to the Needy and Disabled, among others. Financing is provided by grants, allotments, and property tax revenue.

Proprietary fund financial statements are used to account for activities, which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The measurement focus is dependent upon determination of net income, financial position, and cash flows. Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a

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proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Water and Sanitation Fund are service fees charged to customers. Operating expenses for the Water and Sanitation Fund consist primarily of salaries and operating expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The Proprietary Fund is accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting as follows:

- Revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recognized when the liabilities are incurred.
- Current-year contributions, administrative expenses, and premium payments, which are not received or paid until the subsequent year, are accrued.

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are not available to support the County's own programs. The fiduciary fund financial statements consist of custodial funds that are fiduciary in nature and present changes in fiduciary net position. Custodial funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. These funds are used to account for assets that the County holds for others in a fiduciary capacity.

- The *Public Trustee Fund* was established to account for expenditures for the Public Trustee's Office. The Public Trustee is appointed by the Governor of Colorado for a four-year term. This office administers foreclosures including issuance of Public Trustee deeds, cure of default and lien redemptions.
- The *County Treasurer Fund* accounts for monies collected (principally tax collections) by the Costilla County Treasurer for various local government entities within the County.
- The *Clerk and Recorder Fund* accounts for the receipt and disbursement of revenues received by the clerk and recorder office for disbursement to other governments and recording funds to be used by the clerk and recorder.

Certain eliminations have been made as prescribed by GASB Statement No. 34 in regards to interfund activities, payables, and receivables. All internal balances in the statement of net position have been eliminated.

ASSETS, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The County's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. All investments, if any, are recorded at fair market value.

Property Taxes

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 each year. The taxes are payable in two installments on February 28 and June 15 or in full on April 30. The County Treasurer bills and collects all property taxes for the County. Property tax revenue is recognized by the County to the extent it results in a current receivable. The 2024 property tax levy due January 1, 2025, has been recorded in the financial statements as a receivable and corresponding deferred inflows of resources.

Inventories

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market. Inventory in the Road and Bridge Fund consists of expendable supplies held for use. Reported inventories are equally offset by nonspendable fund balance, which indicates that it does not constitute "available spendable resources" even though they are a component of net current assets.

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Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, construction in progress, buildings, equipment, infrastructure (e.g. roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items) and water and sewer plant are reported in the applicable governmental and business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. The County defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

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

Assets	Years
Buildings	20-30
Equipment	5-15
Infrastructure	20-50

Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA)

Subscriber: The County recognizes a subscription liability and intangible right to use subscription asset in the government-wide financial statements. The County recognizes subscription liabilities with an initial, individual value of \$15,000 or more.

At the commencement of a subscription-based information technology arrangement (SBITA), the County initially measures the subscription liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the subscription term. Subsequently, the subscription liability is reduced by the principal portion of the subscription payments made. The subscription asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the subscription payments made at or before the subscription commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the subscription asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgments related to subscriptions include how the County determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected subscription payments to present value, (2) subscription terms, and (3) subscription payments.

- The County uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the County generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for subscriptions.
- The subscription term includes the noncancellable period of the subscriptions. Subscription payments included in the measurement of the subscription liability are composed of fixed payments and purchase option price that the County is reasonably certain to exercise.

The County monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its subscription and will remeasure the subscription asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the subscription liability.

Subscription assets are reported with other capital assets and subscription liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

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Long-Term Obligations

Long-term debt and other long-term obligations are recorded as liabilities in the government-wide financial statements. In the fund financial statements for governmental fund types, debt proceeds are reported as an other financing source and debt payments are reported as debt service expenditures.

Compensated Absences

The County's policy allows employees to accumulate unused vacation leave up to 80 hours. However, not all of the County offices adhere to this policy. The Treasurer does not carry over any unused leave. All vacation leave pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability is reported in the governmental funds only if they have matured, for example as a result of employee retirements or resignations.

Unearned Revenue

Revenues on grants, which are restricted by the grant document for specific purposes, are recognized as revenue only after eligible grant costs have been incurred. Grant funds received in excess of grant expenditures are recorded as unearned revenues.

Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position and governmental funds balance sheet report a separate section of deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. Net position is displayed in the following three components:

- *Net investment in capital assets* – consists of capital assets, net accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt should be included in this component of net position.
- *Restricted* – consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Restricted assets consist of assets that have limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.
- *Unrestricted* – consists of the net amount of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted components of net position.

Fund Balance

Fund balances are reported by classification based on the extent to which the County is bound to honor constraints for the specific purpose on which amounts in the fund can be spent. Fund balances are classified in one of the following five categories:

- *Nonspendable Fund Balance* – amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form – such as inventory and prepaid expenditures.

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- *Restricted Fund Balance* – amounts restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- *Committed Fund Balance* – amounts that can only be used for specific purposes as a result of constraints imposed through adopted resolution by the Board of County Commissioners, the highest level of decision making authority. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes those constraints by taking the same type of action. Committed fund balances differ from restricted balances because the constraints on their use do not come from outside parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.
- *Assigned Fund Balance* – amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the Board of County Commissioners or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority.
- *Unassigned Fund Balance* – amounts that are available for any purpose; these amounts are reported only in the General Fund.

FUND BALANCE	GENERAL FUND	ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND	SOCIAL SERVICES FUND	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
Nonspendable					
Inventory	\$ -	\$ 183,652	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 183,652
Restricted					
TABOR Amendment Reserve	138,000	140,000	72,326	22,500	372,826
Committed					
Capital Projects	-	-	-	27,745	27,745
Health and Welfare	-	-	104,332	238,676	343,008
Highway and Streets	-	3,392,275	-	-	3,392,275
Culture and Recreation	-	-	-	94,618	94,618
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,392,275</u>	<u>104,332</u>	<u>361,039</u>	<u>3,857,646</u>
Assigned					
Designated for Future Use	810,000	-	-	-	810,000
Unassigned	108,527	-	-	-	108,527
	<u>\$ 1,056,527</u>	<u>\$ 3,715,927</u>	<u>\$ 176,658</u>	<u>\$ 383,539</u>	<u>\$ 5,332,651</u>

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position/fund balance is available, the County considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned and unassigned fund balances are available, the County considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless the Board of County Commissioners has provided otherwise in its commitment or assigned actions.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

New Accounting Pronouncements

During fiscal year 2024, the District adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, that aligns the recognition and measurement guidance for (1) leave that has not been used and (2) leave that has been used but not yet paid in cash or settled through noncash means under a unified model. In addition, it amended certain

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previously required disclosures. There is no effect on beginning net position as a result of the implementation of this standard.

NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Costilla County follows the procedures set forth in the Colorado Local Government Budget Law when preparing the annual budget for each fund. Budget procedures include:

- Preparation of budget documents by administrative staff, which shall be submitted to the Board no later than October 15 of each year.
- Publication of a notice stating that the budget is available for public inspection.
- Discussion of the budget in a meeting open to the public.
- Adoption of the budget in a public meeting by appropriate resolution, no later than December 31.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for all funds of the County. All budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The total expenditures for each fund cannot exceed the budgeted amount unless a supplemental appropriation is adopted. The Board of County Commissioners adopted supplemental appropriations during 2024. All budget amounts presented in the accompanying supplementary information reflect the original budget and the final amended budget.

NOTE 3 CASH, DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

A summary of cash, deposits, and investments for the County are as follows:

Cash on hand	\$ 1,458
Cash deposited with banks	6,054,308
Investments	60,616
Total cash, deposits, and investments: (Book Balance)	6,116,382
Less: amounts related to Fiduciary Funds	(435,082)
Total cash, deposits, and investments on Statement of Net Position	\$ 5,681,300

Cash and Deposits

Colorado State Statutes govern the County's deposits of cash. The statutes specify eligible depositories for public cash deposits, which must be Colorado institutions and must maintain federal insurance (FDIC) on deposits held.

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

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. The County does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At December 31, 2024, \$6,109,680 was exposed to

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credit risk. Deposits exposed to credit risk, if any, are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institutions through PDPA.

Investments

The County's investment policy and Colorado statutes specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local government entities may invest. They include:

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. Government agency securities
- Certain international agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- Bankers' acceptances of certain banks
- Commercial paper
- Local government investment pools
- Repurchase agreements
- Money market funds
- Guaranteed investments contracts
- Corporate or bank debt issued by eligible corporations or banks

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments

The County's investment policy calls for investment diversification within the portfolio to avoid unreasonable risks inherent in over investing in specific instruments, individual financial institutions or maturities. The policy allows for the investment in local government investment pools.

Interest Rate Risk

Colorado Revised Statutes and the County's investment policy limit investment maturities to five years or less from the date of purchase. This limit on investment maturities is a means of limiting exposure to fair values arising from increasing interest rates.

The Colorado Government Liquid Asset Trust (ColoTrust), is an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado pursuant to Part 7 of Article 75 of Title 24 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to pool surplus funds for investment purposes. ColoTrust operates similarly to a money market fund and each share is equal in value to \$1.00. The fair value of the position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares. The designated custodial bank provides safekeeping and depository services in connection with the direct investment and withdrawal functions. Substantially all securities owned by the pool are held by the Federal Reserve Bank in the account maintained for the custodial bank. The custodian's internal records identify the investments owned by the pool. Investments of the pools consist of U.S. Treasury bills, notes and note strips and repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury Notes. As of December 31, 2024, the local government investment pools (Colostrust) in which the County had invested were rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

The Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust (C-SAFE) investments are valued using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) of the investments. The investments do not have any unfunded commitments, redemption restrictions, redemption notice periods or withdrawal restrictions. C-SAFE investments conform to Colorado Statutes CRS 24-75-601 et. seq. and therefore invests primarily in securities of the United States Treasury, United States Agencies, Primary Dealer Repurchase Agreements, highly rated commercial paper, highly rated corporate bonds, Colorado depositories collateralized at 102% of market value according to the guidelines of the Public Deposit Protection Act. C-SAFE measures all of its investments at amortized cost. C-SAFE is rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

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NOTE 4 PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE

At December 31, 2024, the County had an estimated property tax receivable split between the funds as follows:

General Fund	\$ 2,291,719
Social Services Fund	398,201
Library Fund	<u>73,765</u>
	<u><u>\$ 2,763,685</u></u>

NOTE 5 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

At December 31, 2024, the County had accounts receivable as follows:

Social Services Fund	\$ 18
Public Health Fund (net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of (\$74))	42,362
Water and Sanitation Fund (net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$856)	<u>1,890</u>
Total Accounts Receivable, Net	<u><u>\$ 44,270</u></u>

NOTE 6 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS

The County reports interfund balances between many of its funds. The balances result from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made. Interfund balances are generally expected to be repaid within one year of the financial statement date.

Interfund receivables and payables for the year ended December 31, 2024, were as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 16,212
General Fund	Public Health Fund	2,194
General Fund	Conservation Trust Fund	27,541
General Fund	Social Services Fund	1,730
General Fund	Custodial Fund	<u>100,887</u>
		<u><u>\$ 148,564</u></u>

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2024, were as follows:

Transfers In	Transfers Out	Amount
General Fund	Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 37,027

The Road and Bridge Fund transferred \$37,027 to the General Fund for reimbursement of professional fees.

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NOTE 7 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2024, was as follows:

	Balance 12/31/2023	Additions	Deletions	Balance 12/31/2024
<i>Governmental Activities</i>				
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 1,927,699	\$ 1,050,000	\$ -	\$ 2,977,699
Construction in Progress	-	25,641	-	25,641
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>1,927,699</u>	<u>1,075,641</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,003,340</u>
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings	10,157,668	144,281	-	10,301,949
Equipment	9,187,496	774,985	76,625	9,885,856
Infrastructure	8,589,034	34,629	-	8,623,663
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>27,934,198</u>	<u>953,895</u>	<u>76,625</u>	<u>28,811,468</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	5,955,364	296,036	-	6,251,400
Equipment	7,026,562	711,179	63,125	7,674,616
Infrastructure	2,326,932	393,559	-	2,720,491
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>15,308,858</u>	<u>1,400,774</u>	<u>63,125</u>	<u>16,646,507</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>12,625,340</u>	<u>(446,879)</u>	<u>13,500</u>	<u>12,164,961</u>
Assets being amortized				
Subscription Assets	801,398	-	-	801,398
Total assets being amortized	<u>801,398</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>801,398</u>
Less accumulated amortization for				
Subscription Assets	453,385	196,275	-	649,660
Total accumulated amortization	<u>453,385</u>	<u>196,275</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>649,660</u>
Total assets being amortized, net	<u>348,013</u>	<u>(196,275)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>151,738</u>
<i>Governmental Activities Capital Assets, net</i>	<u>\$ 14,901,052</u>	<u>\$ 432,487</u>	<u>\$ 13,500</u>	<u>\$ 15,320,039</u>
	Balance			Balance
	12/31/2023	Additions	Deletions	12/31/2024
<i>Business-type Activities</i>				
Capital assets being depreciated				
Water and Sewer Plant	\$ 4,606,133	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,606,133
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(3,386,852)</u>	<u>(94,156)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,481,008)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>1,219,281</u>	<u>(94,156)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,125,125</u>
<i>Business-type Activities Capital Assets, net</i>	<u>\$ 1,219,281</u>	<u>\$ (94,156)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,125,125</u>

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

Governmental activities:

General Government	\$ 341,136
Public Safety	82,837
Health and Welfare	153,642
Highways and Streets	1,009,362
Culture and Recreation	3,931
Total depreciation and Amortization Expense - governmental activities	\$ 1,590,908

Business-type activities:

Water	\$ 48,067
Sanitation	46,089
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	\$ 94,156

NOTE 8 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Changes in Long-term Liabilities

Long-term liability balances for the year ended December 31, 2024, were as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
<i>Governmental Activities:</i>					
Financed Purchase Agreement					
2007 Health and Human Services	\$ 256,000	\$ -	\$ (90,000)	\$ 166,000	\$ 64,000
2019 Patrol Vehicles	22,111	-	(22,111)	-	-
2022 Patrol Vehicles	59,694	-	(13,733)	45,961	14,498
2023 Police Responder	45,603	-	(8,168)	37,435	8,619
2024 Police Trucks	-	91,268	-	91,268	15,991
2024 Assessor Vehicle	-	26,120	-	26,120	8,213
Total Financed Purchase Agreements	383,408	117,388	(134,012)	366,785	111,321
Subscription Agreements	348,013	-	(196,275)	151,738	73,822
Compensated Absences	86,337	51,848*	-	138,185	118,690
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 817,758	\$ 169,236	\$ (330,287)	\$ 656,708	\$ 303,833

*The change in the compensated absences liability is presented as a net change.

Financed Purchase Agreements

Health and Human Services Complex - An annually renewable financed purchase agreement, dated June 15, 2007, was entered into between Alpine Bank (the "Bank"), as lessor, and Costilla County, Colorado (the "County"), as lessee. The bank issued \$869,000 at 5.2% interest, to the County for the purchase of the Health and Human Services Complex under construction. The County is leasing the building back via the financed purchase agreement. The County used the proceeds from the sale to construct and equip the Social Services wing of the Costilla County Health and Human Services Complex. The complex is included in fixed assets at a cost of \$2,547,072 with accumulated depreciation of \$1,443,335.

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Payments are due to the Bank in semi-annual installments through June 15, 2027. The County can purchase the building back at any time for the purchase option price included in the agreement. Principal and interest were paid during 2024 in the amount of \$90,000 and \$5,502 respectively, from the Social Services Fund. The principal balance at December 31, 2024 was \$166,000.

Patrol Vehicles - On February 25, 2019 the County entered into a \$100,000 government obligation contract with Kansas State Bank, payable in annual installments of \$23,281 beginning on February 25, 2020, at 5.219% interest for the purchase of a three patrol vehicles. Final payment was due February 25, 2024 and has been paid off. Principal and interest payments were paid from the General Fund. The principal balance at December 31, 2024 was \$0. These capital assets are fully depreciated.

Patrol Vehicles - The County entered into a \$72,703 government obligation contract with Kansas State Bank, payable in annual installments of \$17,058 beginning on December 27, 2022, at 5.57% interest for the purchase of police patrol vehicles. Final payment is due December 27, 2027. Principal and interest payments are paid from the General Fund. The principal balance at December 31, 2024 was \$45,961. This capital asset is recorded in the fixed assets of the governmental activities at \$87,175 less accumulated depreciation of \$34,870.

Police Responder Vehicle - On March 20, 2023 the County entered into a \$45,603 government obligation contract with Kansas State Bank, payable in annual installments of \$10,685 beginning on March 20, 2024, at 6.07% interest for the purchase of a police responder vehicle. Final payment is due March 20, 2028. Principal and interest payments are paid from the General Fund. The principal balance at December 31, 2024 was \$37,435. This capital asset is recorded in the fixed assets of the governmental activities at \$50,670 less accumulated depreciation of \$20,268.

Two 2024 Ford F-150 Police Trucks – On August 1, 2024 the County entered into a \$91,266 government obligation contract with Kansas State Bank, payable in annual installments of \$22,033 beginning on August 1, 2025, at 6.62% interest for the purchase of police responder vehicles. Final payment is due August 1, 2029. Principal and interest payments are paid from the General Fund. The principal balance at December 31, 2024 was \$91,266. These capital assets are recorded in the fixed assets of the governmental activities at \$91,268 less accumulated depreciation \$18,254.

2024 Ford E7BT Bronco – On December 19, 2024 the County entered into a \$26,120 government obligation contract with Kansas State Bank, payable in annual installments of \$9,752 beginning on December 19, 2025, at 5.89% interest for the purchase of an assessor vehicle. Final payment is due December 19, 2027. Principal and interest payments are paid from the General Fund. The principal balance at December 31, 2024 was \$26,120. The capital asset is recorded in the fixed assets of the governmental activities at \$26,120 less accumulated depreciation of \$0.

	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 111,321	\$ 20,006	\$ 131,327
2026	117,147	13,828	130,975
2027	88,141	7,297	95,438
2028	29,508	3,210	32,718
2029	20,668	1,368	22,036
	\$ 366,785	\$ 45,709	\$ 412,494

Subscription Agreements

The County, as a subscriber, has entered into several subscription-based information technology arrangements, with the longest expiring in 2028. The subscriptions require annual payments ranging from \$5,410 to \$32,303.

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The required principal and interest payments to maturity are found in the table below:

	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 73,822	\$ 4,480	\$ 78,302
2026	47,330	2,295	49,625
2027	14,911	918	15,829
2028	15,675	470	16,145
	\$ 151,738	\$ 8,163	\$ 159,901

Compensated Absences

The County’s policy allows employees to accumulate unused vacation leave up to 80 hours. However, not all of the County offices adhere to this policy. All vacation leave pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. Employees are allowed to accumulate sick leave up to a maximum of 384 hours. However, unused sick leave will not be paid upon separation of employment. A long-term liability is reported in the government-wide financial statements for accrued time.

NOTE 9 RETIREMENT

Pension Plans

All eligible employees, participate in the Colorado County Officials and Employees Retirement Association (CCOERA) (the Plan), a defined contribution plan, authorized by state statute. The Plan is a tax qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code and all contributions by or on behalf of employees are tax deferred until time of withdrawal.

Employees are eligible after completing twelve months of service with Costilla County, and participation is mandatory. Employee contributions are always 100% vested, and the employer match follows a five-year vesting schedule of 20% per year after the first year of participation. Employees are fully vested after a five-year participation period. Elected officials are 100% vested immediately upon participation.

The County must contribute 4% of the compensation of each participant. Each participant contributes a minimum amount equal to the County's contribution, and is permitted to make additional contributions not to exceed 10% of their compensation. For the year ended December 31, 2024, employee contributions totaled \$151,693 and the County recognized pension expense of \$151,693. The County recognized \$0 of forfeitures in retirement expense during 2024. Plan benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings, less administrative expenses. The Plan may be amended by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners but it may not be amended beyond the limits established by state statute.

Deferred Compensation Plan

The County also offers its employees an additional voluntary deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code 457(f), administered by Colorado County Officials and Employees Retirement Association (CCOERA) (the Plan).

The Plan permits the employees to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergencies. The County has no other liability other than to make the required monthly contribution.

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NOTE 10 TABOR AMENDMENT RESERVE

Colorado voters passed an amendment to the State Constitution, Article X, Section 20, which has several limitations, including revenue raising, spending abilities, and other specific requirements of state and local governments. The amendment is complex and subject to judicial interpretation. The County believes it is in compliance with the requirements of the amendment.

Fiscal year spending and revenue limits are determined based on the prior year's spending adjusted for inflation and local growth. Revenue in excess of the limit must be refunded unless the voters approve retention of such revenue. In November 1997, the voters of Costilla County passed a ballot issue which stated that the County shall "be permitted to collect, retain, and expend the full proceeds of the County taxes, grants, fees and other revenues, and other funds collected, notwithstanding Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution from the date of January 1, 1996, provided that no local tax rate or mill levy shall be increased without further voter approval."

The amendment also requires that Emergency Reserves be established. These reserves must be at least three percent of fiscal year spending. The Emergency Reserve has been presented as a restricted net position/fund balance in the financial statements. The County is not allowed to use the Emergency Reserve to compensate for economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or benefit increases.

NOTE 11 RISK MANAGEMENT

Colorado Counties Casualty and Property Pool (CAPP)

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to property and casualty losses. The County joined together with other counties in the State of Colorado to form the Colorado Counties Casualty and Property Pool (CAPP), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for member counties. The County pays an annual contribution to CAPP for its property and casualty insurance coverage. The inter-governmental agreement of formation of CAPP provides that the pool will be financially self-sustaining through member contributions and additional assessments, if necessary, and the Pool will purchase excess insurance through commercial companies for members' claims in excess of a specified self-insured retention that is determined each policy year. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

At December 31, 2024, CAPP had assets of \$33,762,267, liabilities of \$23,939,800 (including \$22,655,070 reserved for losses and claims), and members' equity of \$9,822,467. The liability amount includes no long-term debt. Total revenues for the year ended December 31, 2024, amounted to \$17,520,103 and total expenses were \$17,773,221, resulting in net income before return of surplus/(loss) of \$(253,118).

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NOTE 12 SEGMENT INFORMATION FOR ENTERPRISE FUND

Because water and sanitation services are provided for in one fund, several items cannot be allocated between each segment. Therefore, a condensed statement of cash flows, as well as some line items have been omitted in the segment information. The following is a summary of operating income and expense information on the various segments of the Water and Sanitation Fund. All services are provided from a single enterprise fund.

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sanitation</u>	<u>Total</u>
Charges for Services	\$ 110,373	\$ 50,199	\$ 160,572
Miscellaneous Revenue	6,721	6,721	13,442
Total Operating Revenue	<u>117,094</u>	<u>56,920</u>	<u>174,014</u>
Operating Expenses	112,359	71,555	183,914
Depreciation Expenses	48,066	46,089	94,155
Total Operating Expenses	<u>160,425</u>	<u>117,644</u>	<u>278,069</u>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	<u>(43,331)</u>	<u>(60,724)</u>	<u>(104,055)</u>
Capital Contributions (Water and Sewer Taps)	<u>4,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,000</u>
Change in Net Position	(39,331)	(60,724)	(100,055)
BEGINNING NET POSITON			1,326,035
ENDING NET POSITION			<u>\$ 1,225,980</u>
Current Assets			\$ 111,709
Capital Assets (net of accumulated depreciation of \$3,481,008)	483,861	641,264	1,125,125
TOTAL ASSETS			<u>1,236,834</u>
Current Liabilities	5,427	5,427	10,854
TOTAL LIABILITIES			<u>10,854</u>
Net Investment in Capital Assets			1,125,125
Net Working Capital			100,855
TOTAL EQUITY			<u>\$ 1,225,980</u>

NOTE 13 PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

Public Health Fund

The beginning net position of the Public Health Fund has been restated to correct revenue recorded in prior years. It was determined that outstanding deposits recorded in prior years were never received or cleared by the bank. These deposits were incorrectly included in the cash balance of previously issued financial statements. A reconciliation of the prior period ending net position to the current year beginning net position for the Public Health Fund is as follows:

	<u>Public Health Fund and Governmental Activities</u>
12/31/2023 Net Position, as Previously Presented	\$ 286,152
Adjustment for Change in Accounting Principle	(26,934)
12/31/2023 Net Position, as Restated	<u>\$ 259,218</u>

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NOTE 14 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Grants

The County participates in a number of federal and state grant programs. These programs are subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The amount of expenditures, if any, which may be disallowed by the granting agencies, cannot be determined at this time although the County expects any such amounts to be immaterial.

Insurance Pools

The County is a member of the Colorado Counties Casualty and Property Pool (CAPP). CAPP has a legal obligation for claims against its members to the extent that funds are available in their annually established loss funds and amounts are available from insurance providers under excess specific and aggregate insurance contracts. Losses incurred in excess of loss funds are direct liabilities of the participating members. CAPP has indicated that the amount of any excess losses would be billed to members in proportion to their contributions in the year such excess occurs. The ultimate liability to the County resulting from claims not covered by CAPP is not presently determinable.

Litigation

The County is currently the defendant in several lawsuits arising principally in the normal course of operations. Such litigation could result in a loss to the County, however, such amount is undetermined as of audit date.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

In addition to the basic financial statements, a budgetary comparison schedule is required for the General Fund and, if applicable, each of the County's major special revenue funds.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH
	ORIGINAL	FINAL		FINAL BUDGET
				POSITIVE
				(NEGATIVE)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 2,901,933	\$ 2,969,436	\$ 3,397,668	\$ 428,232
Intergovernmental Revenue	2,380,012	2,380,012	530,146	(1,849,866)
Licenses and Permits	25,000	25,000	25,245	245
County Ordinance	-	-	50,316	50,316
Charges for Services	786,521	786,521	683,682	(102,839)
Interest on Deposits	-	-	2,606	2,606
Miscellaneous	236,149	298,091	127,906	(170,185)
TOTAL REVENUES	6,329,615	6,459,060	4,817,569	(1,641,491)
EXPENDITURES				
General Government	4,860,026	4,877,326	3,218,910	1,658,416
Public Safety	1,596,147	1,708,292	1,787,044	(78,752)
Health and Welfare	219,356	219,356	-	219,356
Auxiliary Services	990,922	990,922	266,016	724,906
Capital Outlay	-	-	501,215	(501,215)
Debt Service	-	-	51,024	(51,024)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,666,451	7,795,896	5,824,209	1,971,687
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(1,336,836)	(1,336,836)	(1,006,640)	330,196
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers from Other Funds	-	-	37,027	37,027
Financed Purchase Agreement Proceeds	-	-	117,388	117,388
Subscription Proceeds	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Other Funds	(6,500)	(6,500)	-	6,500
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(6,500)	(6,500)	154,415	160,915
Net change in fund balance	(1,343,336)	(1,343,336)	(852,225)	491,111
Fund Balance at beginning of year	2,583,688	2,583,688	1,908,752	(674,936)
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 1,240,352	\$ 1,240,352	\$ 1,056,527	\$ (183,825)

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

The basis of budgeting is the same as GAAP.

This schedule is presented on the GAAP basis.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH
	ORIGINAL	FINAL		FINAL BUDGET
				POSITIVE
				(NEGATIVE)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 4,502,688	\$ 4,502,688	\$ 4,649,159	\$ 146,471
Miscellaneous	11,550	11,550	48,976	37,426
TOTAL REVENUES	4,514,238	4,514,238	4,698,135	183,897
EXPENDITURES				
Highways and Streets	6,074,040	6,074,040	3,847,028	2,227,012
Capital Outlay	-	-	416,791	(416,791)
Debt Service	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	6,074,040	6,074,040	4,263,819	1,810,221
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(1,559,802)	(1,559,802)	434,316	1,994,118
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Sale of Fixed Assets	-	-	53,945	53,945
Transfers Out	-	-	(37,027)	(37,027)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	-	16,918	16,918
Net change in fund balance	(1,559,802)	(1,559,802)	451,234	2,011,036
Fund Balance at beginning of year	2,607,667	2,607,667	3,264,693	657,026
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 1,047,865	\$ 1,047,865	\$ 3,715,927	\$ 2,668,062

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

The basis of budgeting is the same as GAAP.

This schedule is presented on the GAAP basis.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
SOCIAL SERVICES FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH
	ORIGINAL	FINAL		FINAL BUDGET
				POSITIVE
				(NEGATIVE)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 490,884	\$ 490,884	\$ 444,000	\$ (46,884)
Intergovernmental Revenue	8,397,922	8,523,922	5,898,457	(2,625,465)
TOTAL REVENUES	8,888,806	9,014,806	6,342,457	(2,672,349)
EXPENDITURES				
Health and Welfare	8,919,612	9,045,612	6,386,377	2,659,235
Debt Service	-	-	107,680	(107,680)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,919,612	9,045,612	6,494,057	2,551,555
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(30,806)	(30,806)	(151,600)	(120,794)
Fund Balance at beginning of year	322,120	322,120	328,258	6,138
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 291,314	\$ 291,314	\$ 176,658	\$ (114,656)

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

The basis of budgeting is the same as GAAP.

This schedule is presented on the GAAP basis.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

The combining financial statements represent the second level of financial reporting for the County. These financial statements present more detailed information for the individual funds in a format that segregates information by fund type.

**COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for specific revenues that are legally restricted to be expended for particular purposes.

Public Health Fund – This fund is used to account for the multiple programs of providing health services. Financing is provided by grants and fees for services.

Library Fund – This fund is used to account for property tax revenues of the library district. These funds are used for the operation of the library.

Conservation Trust Fund – This fund is used to account for the County share of the state lottery program. The monies may be expended only for the acquisition, development, and maintenance of parks and other public recreational facilities.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Capital Projects Fund – Capital project funds are used to account for and report on financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 2024

	NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				TOTAL NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL
	PUBLIC HEALTH FUND	LIBRARY FUND	CONSERVATION TRUST FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	
ASSETS					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 139,419	\$ 21,603	\$ 105,419	\$ 27,745	\$ 294,186
Property Taxes Receivable	-	73,765	-	-	73,765
Accounts Receivable	42,362	-	-	-	42,362
Due from Other Funds	-	-	-	-	-
Due from Other Governments	92,974	-	-	-	92,974
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 274,755	\$ 95,368	\$ 105,419	\$ 27,745	\$ 503,287
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE					
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	\$ 9,885	\$ 2,363	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,248
Due to Other Funds	2,194	-	27,541	-	29,735
Security Deposit Payable	4,000	-	-	-	4,000
Unearned Revenue- Other	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	16,079	2,363	27,541	-	45,983
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable Revenue - Property Tax	-	73,765	-	-	73,765
FUND BALANCE					
Nonspendable					
Inventory	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted					
TABOR Amendment Reserve	20,000	2,500	-	-	22,500
Committed					
Capital Projects	-	-	-	27,745	27,745
Health and Welfare	238,676	-	-	-	238,676
Culture and Recreation	-	16,740	77,878	-	94,618
Total Committed	238,676	16,740	77,878	27,745	361,039
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	258,676	19,240	77,878	27,745	383,539
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 274,755	\$ 95,368	\$ 105,419	\$ 27,745	\$ 503,287

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				TOTAL NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL
	PUBLIC HEALTH FUND	LIBRARY FUND	CONSERVATION TRUST FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ -	\$ 81,467	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81,467
Intergovernmental Revenue	692,499	-	18,028	-	710,527
Charges for Services	409,581	-	-	-	409,581
Miscellaneous	11,216	7	101	-	11,324
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>1,113,296</u>	<u>81,474</u>	<u>18,129</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,212,899</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current Expenditures					
Health and Welfare	1,095,532	-	-	-	1,095,532
Culture and Recreation	-	67,473	50,596	-	118,069
Capital Outlay	18,306	-	-	-	18,306
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>1,113,838</u>	<u>67,473</u>	<u>50,596</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,231,907</u>
Net change in fund balance	(542)	14,001	(32,467)	-	(19,008)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, As previously stated	286,152	5,239	110,345	27,745	429,481
Adjustment to Correct Revenues	(26,934)	-	-	-	(26,934)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, Restated	<u>259,218</u>	<u>5,239</u>	<u>110,345</u>	<u>27,745</u>	<u>402,547</u>
Fund Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 258,676</u>	<u>\$ 19,240</u>	<u>\$ 77,878</u>	<u>\$ 27,745</u>	<u>\$ 383,539</u>

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS OUT
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
ALL NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS,
AND MAJOR PROPRIETARY FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		EXPENDITURES	ADJUSTMENTS	EXPENDITURES	VARIANCE WITH
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	REPORTED ON	TO BUDGETARY	ON THE	FINAL BUDGET
			THE GAAP	BASIS	BUDGETARY	POSITIVE
			BASIS	BASIS	BASIS	(NEGATIVE)
Governmental Funds						
Non-major Governmental Funds						
Special Revenue Funds						
Public Health Fund	\$ 1,063,603	\$ 1,182,717	\$ 1,113,838	\$ -	\$ 1,113,838	\$ 68,879
Library Fund	75,165	75,165	67,473	-	67,473	7,692
Conservation Trust Fund	67,253	67,253	50,596	-	50,596	16,657
Total Special Revenue Funds	1,206,021	1,325,135	1,231,907	-	1,231,907	93,228
Capital Projects Funds						
Capital Projects Fund	27,745	27,745	-	-	-	27,745
Total Capital Projects Funds	27,745	27,745	-	-	-	27,745
Total Non-major Governmental Funds	\$ 1,233,766	\$ 1,352,880	\$ 1,231,907	\$ -	\$ 1,231,907	\$ 120,973
Proprietary Fund						
Major Proprietary Fund						
Water and Sanitation Fund	\$ 272,227	\$ 272,227	\$ 278,069	\$ (94,155)	\$ 183,914	\$ 88,313
Total Major Proprietary Fund	\$ 272,227	\$ 272,227	\$ 278,069	\$ (94,155)	\$ 183,914	\$ 88,313

Adjustments to budgetary basis include depreciation expense.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO

OTHER SCHEDULES AND REPORTS

COSTILLA COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

<i>Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title</i>	<i>Assistance Listing Number</i>	<i>Pass-through Grantor and Number</i>	<i>Federal Expenditures(\$)</i>
CCDF Cluster			
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			
Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	\$ 45,128
Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds of the Child Care and Development Fund	93.596	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	28,122
<i>Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</i>			73,250
Total CCDF Cluster			73,250
Food Distribution Cluster			
U.S. Department of Agriculture			
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	10.565	Colorado Department of Human Services and Care and Share Food Bank, N/A	37,642
Emergency Food Assistance Program (Food Commodities)	10.569	Colorado Department of Human Services and Care and Share Food Bank, N/A	81,330
<i>Total U.S. Department of Agriculture</i>			118,972
Total Food Distribution Cluster			118,972
Medicaid Cluster			
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			
Grants to States for Medicaid	93.778	Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing,N/A	131,403
<i>Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</i>			131,403
Total Medicaid Cluster			131,403
SNAP Cluster			
U.S. Department of Agriculture			
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.551	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	138
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.561	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	59,887
<i>Total U.S. Department of Agriculture</i>			60,025
Total SNAP Cluster			60,025
Total All Clusters			383,650
Other Programs			
U.S. Department of the Interior			
Wildlife Resource Management	15.247		40,000
<i>Total U.S. Department of the Interior</i>			40,000

COSTILLA COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

<i>Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title</i>	<i>Assistance Listing Number</i>	<i>Pass-through Grantor and Number</i>	<i>Federal Expenditures(\$)</i>
U.S. Department of Homeland Security			
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	Colorado Department of Local Affairs,N/A	39,938
<i>Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security</i>			39,938
U.S. Department of Treasury			
Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund	21.032		11,413
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	Colorado Department of Local Affairs, N/A	15,321
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, OPHP LPHA ARPA	78,526
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	Colorado Department of Human Services, N/A	10,171
<i>Total U.S. Department of the Treasury</i>			115,431
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			
Public Health Emergency Preparedness	93.069	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, PHEP	31,854
Guardianship Assistance	93.090	Colorado Department of Human Services, N/A	906
COVID-19 Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, IMM#4	32,443
Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, IMM#3	19,491
COVID-19 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)	93.323	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, ELC	94,816
Public Health Emergency Response: Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Response: Public Health Crisis Response	93.354	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, OPHP LPHA	23,579
COVID-19 Activities to Support State, Tribal, Local and Territorial (STLT) Health Department Response to Public Health or Healthcare Crises	93.391	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, COVID	81,720
Title IV-E Kinship Navigator Program	93.471	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	6,017
Title IV-E Prevention Program	93.472	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	2,958
COVID-19 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	1,849

COSTILLA COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

<i>Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title</i>	<i>Assistance Listing Number</i>	<i>Pass-through Grantor and Number</i>	<i>Federal Expenditures(\$)</i>
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	189,208
Child Support Services	93.563	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	73,116
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program	93.645	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	26,574
Foster Care-Title IV-E	93.658	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	73,764
Adoption Assistance	93.659	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	82,368
Social Services Block Grant	93.667	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	5,587
COVID-19 Elder Abuse Prevention Interventions Program	93.747	Colorado Department of Human Services,N/A	7,819
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Collaboration with Academia to Strengthen Public Health	93.967	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, OPHP LPHA CDC	91,304
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant to the States	93.994	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment,OPHP LPHA	5,123
<i>Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</i>			850,496
<i>Total Other Programs</i>			1,045,865
<i>Total Expenditures of Federal Awards</i>			\$ 1,429,515

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal grant activity of Costilla County, Colorado under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2024. 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 Costilla County, Colorado, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of Costilla County, Colorado.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting, except for funds passed-through the Colorado Department of Human Services, Department of Public Health and Environment, Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, and Care and Share Food Bank. These funds are reported on the cash basis. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through identifying numbers are presented where available. The County did not elect to use the 10-percent or 15-percent de minimis indirect cost rate, as applicable, as allowed under Uniform Guidance for the year ended December 31, 2024. In addition, the County did not pass-through federal funds to subrecipients.

NOTE 3 FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Nonmonetary assistance is reported in the Schedule at the fair market value of commodities received and disbursed.

**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**



Wall,
Smith,
Bateman Inc.

To the Board of County Commissioners
Costilla County, Colorado
San Luis, Colorado

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Costilla County, Colorado (the County), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 23, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as Finding 2024-001 and 2024-002 that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County'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

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financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned cost as Finding 2024-002.

County's Response to the Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the County's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying corrective action plan. The County's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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 County'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 County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.
Alamosa, Colorado

September 23, 2025

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



**Wall,
Smith,
Bateman Inc.**

To the Board of County Commissioners
Costilla County, Colorado
San Luis, Colorado

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Costilla County, Colorado's (the County) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024. The County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the County 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 December 31, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

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Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a 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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

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

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

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.
Alamosa, Colorado

September 23, 2025

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Section I – Summary of Auditors’ Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors’ report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? X yes no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are **not** considered to be material weakness(es)? yes X none reported
- Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? X yes no

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? yes X no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are **not** considered to be material weakness(es)? 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 section 200.516(a)? yes X no

Identification of major programs:

<u>Assistance Listing Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
21.027	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
93.558	COVID-19 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families TANF)
93.558	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee? X yes no

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2024-001: Compensated Absences

Type of finding: Internal Control (material weakness)

Criteria: GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, requires governments to recognize a liability for compensated absences when earned by employees, based on leave policies and historical usage patterns. Additionally, Government Auditing Standards (GAS) requires entities to maintain adequate records to support financial reporting and ensure the reliability of reported liabilities.

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Condition: The County was unable to provide sufficient supporting documentation to verify employee leave balances for all departments.

Cause: The County has not implemented standardized policies or procedures across departments to ensure consistent tracking and reporting of employee leave balances.

Effect: Due to the lack of consistent tracking and supporting documentation in some departments, we were unable to substantiate a portion of the County's estimated liability for compensated absences which may hinder the accuracy and reliability of financial reporting.

Recommendation: The County should develop and implement county-wide policies and procedures to ensure that all departments are consistently tracking employee leave balances. These policies should support accurate and complete reporting of compensated absences liabilities, regardless of the specific time reporting systems used by individual departments.

Management's Response: See corrective action plan.

Finding 2024-002: Treasurer's Fees

Type of finding: *Internal Control (material weakness) and Noncompliance (material noncompliance)*

Criteria: C.R.S 30-1-102 requires county treasurers to charge and collect specific fees based on the type of funds received and the county's classification. These fees are intended to support county operations and administrative costs.

Condition: The County Treasurer did not assess or collect fees as required under Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S) 30-1-102. Specifically, certain statutory fees – such as those on town and city taxes, school taxes, and other types of collections – were omitted following a software conversion.

Cause: The Treasurer's Office transitioned to a new software system in December 2023 and did not properly configure the new system to assess the required statutory fees. As a result, the automated processes failed to apply the correct fee structure.

Effect: Failure to assess and collect the required fees may result in lost revenue for the county and noncompliance with state law.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Treasurer's Office review and update the software configuration to ensure statutory fees are correctly assessed, train staff on statutory requirements and system controls, and implement internal controls and periodic reviews to ensure ongoing compliance.

Management's Response: See corrective action plan.

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None

COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2023-001: Internal Control over Financial Reporting
(Repeat of Finding 2022-001)

Type of finding: Internal Control (significant deficiency)

Condition/Cause: The County does not have a complete system of internal control to prevent and detect financial misstatements.

Recommendation: The County should improve its internal controls with adopted policies and procedures regarding proper monitoring over the acquisition of new debt, implementation of new governmental accounting standards, and year-end reconciling of accounts receivable to ensure accurate reporting in the financial statements.

Status: Partially Implemented (see Finding 2024-001).



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CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Oversight Agencies:

U.S. Department of Treasury
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Costilla County, Colorado respectfully submits the following corrective action plan for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Independent Accountants:

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Audit period:

Year ended December 31, 2024

The findings from the December 31, 2024 schedule of findings and questioned costs are discussed below. The findings are numbered consistently with the numbers assigned in the schedule. Section I of the schedule, Summary of Auditors' Results, does not include findings and is not addressed.

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2024-001: Compensated Absences

Type of Finding: Internal Control (material weakness)

Recommendation: The County should develop and implement county-wide policies and procedures to ensure that all departments are consistently tracking employee leave balances. These policies should support accurate and complete reporting of compensated absences liabilities, regardless of the specific time reporting systems used by individual departments.

Action Taken: *The county will create and implement a standard leave tracking system that the elected officials and other departments in the county will adhere to.*

Finding 2024-002: Treasurer's Fees

Type of Finding: Internal Control (material weakness) and Noncompliance (material noncompliance)

Recommendation: We recommend that the Treasurer's office review and update the software configuration to ensure statutory fees are correctly assessed, train staff on statutory requirements and system controls, and implement internal controls and periodic reviews to ensure ongoing compliance.

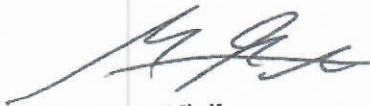
Action Taken: The Treasurer's Office is currently in the process of resolving the error in treasurers fees collections. The lack of treasurers fees collection is a result of the transition of our operating software from Pueblo Progress over to Tyler Technologies. During said transition, training was not given on how to enter said fee percentages. Without being informed that this was a necessary step in setting up our new system, the proper fee percentages were missed. County Treasurer will continue to monitor and remedy the error. The fix requires entering the correct fee percentage as directed by state statute into each county authority that is designated to collect treasurers fees. They must be entered manually into the current tax year as well as previous tax years. County Treasurer has the current tax year fee schedule percentages and has reached out to the Colorado Treasurers Association for previous years fee schedules as the percentages change periodically. County Treasurer has reached out to Tyler to schedule a live tech support session to walk staff through how to enter fees correctly.

If there are questions regarding this plan, please call the responsible parties listed below.

Sincerely yours,



Julie Albert
Chief Financial Officer
Costilla County, Colorado



Michael Ray Vigil
County Treasurer
Costilla County, Colorado

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LOCAL HIGHWAY FINANCE REPORT		City or County: Costilla County
		YEAR ENDING : December 2024
This Information From The Records Of (example - City of _ or County of _): Costilla County	Prepared By: Phone:	Julie Albert (719) 672-3372

I. DISPOSITION OF HIGHWAY-USER REVENUES AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE

ITEM	A. Local Motor-Fuel Taxes	B. Local Motor-Vehicle Taxes	C. Receipts from State Highway-User Taxes	D. Receipts from Federal Highway Administration
1. Total receipts available				
2. Minus amount used for collection expenses				
3. Minus amount used for nonhighway purposes				
4. Minus amount used for mass transit				
5. Remainder used for highway purposes				

II. RECEIPTS FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES

III. DISBURSEMENTS FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES

ITEM	AMOUNT	ITEM	AMOUNT
A. Receipts from local sources:		A. Local highway disbursements:	
1. Local highway-user taxes		1. Capital outlay (from page 2)	159,445
a. Motor Fuel (from Item I.A.5.)		2. Maintenance:	3,882,485
b. Motor Vehicle (from Item I.B.5.)		3. Road and street services:	
c. Total (a.+b.)		a. Traffic control operations	12,944
2. General fund appropriations		b. Snow and ice removal	12,627
3. Other local imposts (from page 2)	0	c. Other	0
4. Miscellaneous local receipts (from page 2)	102,920	d. Total (a. through c.)	25,571
5. Transfers from toll facilities		4. General administration & miscellaneous	233,344
6. Proceeds of sale of bonds and notes:		5. Highway law enforcement and safety	
a. Bonds - Original Issues		6. Total (1 through 5)	4,300,845
b. Bonds - Refunding Issues		B. Debt service on local obligations:	
c. Notes		1. Bonds:	
d. Total (a. + b. + c.)	0	a. Interest	0
7. Total (1 through 6)	102,920	b. Redemption	0
B. Private Contributions		c. Total (a. + b.)	0
C. Receipts from State government (from page 2)	4,649,159	2. Notes:	
D. Receipts from Federal Government (from page 2)	0	a. Interest	
E. Total receipts (A.7 + B + C + D)	4,752,079	b. Redemption	
		c. Total (a. + b.)	0
		3. Total (1.c + 2.c)	0
		C. Payments to State for highways	
		D. Payments to toll facilities	
		E. Total disbursements (A.6 + B.3 + C + D)	
			4,300,845

IV. LOCAL HIGHWAY DEBT STATUS

(Show all entries at par)

	Opening Debt	Amount Issued	Redemptions	Closing Debt
A. Bonds (Total)				0
1. Bonds (Refunding Portion)				
B. Notes (Total)	0		0	0

V. LOCAL ROAD AND STREET FUND BALANCE

	A. Beginning Balance	B. Total Receipts	C. Total Disbursements	D. Ending Balance	E. Reconciliation
	3,264,693	4,752,079	4,300,845	3,715,927	0

Notes and Comments:

LOCAL HIGHWAY FINANCE REPORT

STATE:
Colorado
YEAR ENDING (mm/yy):
December 2024

II. RECEIPTS FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES - DETAIL

ITEM	AMOUNT	ITEM	AMOUNT
A.3. Other local imposts:		A.4. Miscellaneous local receipts:	
a. Property Taxes and Assessments		a. Interest on investments	
b. Other local imposts:		b. Traffic Fines & Penalties	
1. Sales Taxes		c. Parking Garage Fees	
2. Infrastructure & Impact Fees		d. Parking Meter Fees	
3. Liens		e. Sale of Surplus Property	
4. Licenses		f. Charges for Services	0
5. Specific Ownership &/or Other		g. Other Misc. Receipts	48,975
6. Total (1. through 5.)	0	h. Other	53,945
c. Total (a. + b.)	0	i. Total (a. through h.)	102,920
	(Carry forward to page 1)		(Carry forward to page 1)

ITEM	AMOUNT	ITEM	AMOUNT
C. Receipts from State Government		D. Receipts from Federal Government	
1. Highway-user taxes	4,572,805	1. FHWA (from Item I.D.5.)	
2. State general funds		2. Other Federal agencies:	
3. Other State funds:		a. Forest Service	0
a. State bond proceeds		b. FEMA	
b. Project Match		c. HUD	
c. Motor Vehicle Registrations	18,226	d. Federal Transit Admin	
d. Other (Specify) - Other State	58,128	e. U.S. Corps of Engineers	
e. Other (Specify)	0	f. Other Federal	0
f. Total (a. through e.)	76,354	g. Total (a. through f.)	0
4. Total (1. + 2. + 3.f)	4,649,159	3. Total (1. + 2.g)	
			(Carry forward to page 1)

III. DISBURSEMENTS FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES - DETAIL

	ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM (a)	OFF NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM (b)	TOTAL (c)
A.1. Capital outlay:			
a. Right-Of-Way Costs			0
b. Engineering Costs			0
c. Construction:			
(1). New Facilities			0
(2). Capacity Improvements		0	0
(3). System Preservation		78,235	78,235
(4). System Enhancement & Operation		81,210	81,210
(5). Total Construction (1) + (2) + (3) + (4)	0	159,445	159,445
d. Total Capital Outlay (Lines 1.a. + 1.b. + 1.c.5)	0	159,445	159,445
			(Carry forward to page 1)

Notes and Comments: