# REPORT OF THE AUDIT OF THE TRIGG COUNTY FISCAL COURT

For The Year Ended June 30, 2022



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### ALLISON BALL AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the People of Kentucky
The Honorable Andy Beshear, Governor
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#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statement

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances – Regulatory Basis of the Trigg County Fiscal Court, for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statement, which collectively comprise the Trigg County Fiscal Court's financial statement as listed in the table of contents.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

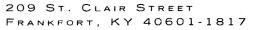
In our opinion, the accompany financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and changes in fund balances – regulatory basis of the Trigg County Fiscal Court, for the year ended June 30, 2022, in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note 1.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statements do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of each fund of the Trigg County Fiscal Court, for the year ended June 30, 2022, or the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

#### Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Fiscal Court Audit Guide* issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement section of our report. We are required to be independent of Trigg County Fiscal Court 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.







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#### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Trigg County Fiscal Court on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statement

Trigg County Fiscal Court's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. This includes determining that the regulatory basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statement in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS 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 statement, 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 statement.
- 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 Trigg County Fiscal Court'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 statement.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Trigg County Fiscal Court's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement (Continued)

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

#### **Other Matters**

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statement taken as a whole of the Trigg County Fiscal Court. The Budgetary Comparison Schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statement; however, they are required to be presented in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws.

The accompanying Budgetary Comparison Schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statement. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statement or to the financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Budgetary Comparison Schedules are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statement as a whole.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in this report. The other information is comprised of the schedule of capital assets but does not include the financial statement and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the financial statement do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial statement, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statement, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 7, 2025, on our consideration of the Trigg County Fiscal Court'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 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 Trigg County Fiscal Court's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards (Continued)

Based on the results of our audit, we present the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses included herein, which discusses the following report findings:

2022-001	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Internal Controls To Ensure
	Complete And Accurate Accounting Records Were Maintained
2022-002	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Materially Misstated Outstanding Debt Obligations
2022-003	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Prepare A Financial Statement For The Public Justice
	Center Corporation Fund
2022-004	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Have Adequate Controls Over Disbursements
2022-005	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Maintain A Complete And Accurate Schedule Of Leases
2022-006	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Controls Over Reconciliations And
	Off-Site Collections
2022-007	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Have Adequate Controls Over Payroll Processing
2022-008	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Properly Reconcile The Payroll Revolving Account
2022-009	The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Controls Over The Health
	Reimbursement Account (HRA) Program

Respectfully submitted,

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Auditor of Public Accounts

Frankfort, Ky

March 7, 2025

#### TRIGG COUNTY OFFICIALS

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### **Fiscal Court Members:**

Hollis Alexander County Judge/Executive

Mike Wright Magistrate

Barry Littlejohn Magistrate

Cameron Sumner Magistrate

Jeff Broadbent Magistrate

Alana Baker Dunn Magistrate

Larry Lawrence Magistrate

Mike Lane Magistrate

#### **Other Elected Officials:**

Randy Braboy County Attorney

James Hughes Jailer

Carmen Finley County Clerk

Pam Perry Circuit Court Clerk (July - August 2021)
Stephen Washer Circuit Court Clerk (August - June 2022)

Aaron Acree Sheriff

Lauren Fowler Property Valuation Administrator

John Mark Vinson Coroner

#### **Appointed Personnel:**

Lucy Kyler County Treasurer
Karen Oakley Finance Officer



## TRIGG COUNTY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS

For The Year Ended June 30, 2022

### TRIGG COUNTY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2022

**Budgeted Funds** 

General Road		Jail -
Fund Fund		Fund
RECEIPTS		
Taxes \$ 4,364,889 \$	\$	
In Lieu Tax Payments 376,950 86,780		
Excess Fees 336,022		
Licenses and Permits 6,329		
Intergovernmental 653,274 1,929,126		75,898
Charges for Services 182,830		5,136
Miscellaneous 336,475 67,036		2,711
Interest <u>6,680</u> 8,502		277
Total Receipts 6,263,449 2,091,444		84,022
DISBURSEMENTS		
General Government 1,220,104		
Protection to Persons and Property 2,070,025		500,274
General Health and Sanitation 504,034		
Social Services 91,528		
Recreation and Culture 354,832		
Roads 2,246,239		
Debt Service 254,718		
Administration 1,159,284 377,417		52,708
Total Disbursements <u>5,654,525</u> <u>2,623,656</u>		552,982
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over		
Disbursements Before Other		
Adjustments to Cash (Uses) 608,924 (532,212)		(468,960)
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)		
Payroll Revolving Account 17,629		
Transfers From Other Funds 226,429		495,300
Transfers To Other Funds (981,885) (226,429)		
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses) (737,827) (226,429)		495,300
Net Change in Fund Balance (128,903) (758,641)		26,340
Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated) 1,812,944 1,226,908		176,614
Fund Balance - Ending <u>\$ 1,684,041</u> <u>\$ 468,267</u>	\$	202,954
Composition of Fund Balance		
Bank Balance \$ 1,689,925 \$ 468,892	\$	203,337
Payroll Revolving Account Reconciled Balance 17,629	~	,
Less: Outstanding Checks (23,513) (625)		(383)
Fund Balance - Ending \$ 1,684,041 \$ 468,267	\$	202,954

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

#### TRIGG COUNTY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS For The Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Continued)

			Buc	dgeted Funds	5			
Go E	Local vernment conomic ssistance Fund	Community Development Block Grant Fund		Sheriff Fund	Esc	row - ABC Fund		American Rescue Plan Act Fund
\$		\$	\$		\$		\$	
	81,972	79,410		674,602		9,320		
				200		131,204		
	283			78		146		590
	82,255	79,410		674,880		140,670		590
	37,000 18,000 30,523	79,410		902,674		169,150		
				173,459				
	85,523	79,410		1,076,133		169,150		
	(3,268)			(401,253)		(28,480)		590
				486,585				
				486,585			_	
	(3,268) 93,607		-	85,332 139,959		(28,480) 355,715		590 1,422,893
\$	90,339	\$ 0	\$	225,291	\$		\$	1,423,483
\$	92,925	\$	\$	225,740	\$	327,235	\$	1,423,483
	(2,586)			(449)				
\$	90,339	\$ 0	\$	225,291	\$	327,235	\$	1,423,483

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#### TRIGG COUNTY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS For The Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Continued)

	<b>Unbudgeted Funds</b>					
	Pub					
	Just	ice				
	Cen	ter				
	Corpoi	ation	Seni	ior Citizens		Total
	Fu			Fund		Funds
RECEIPTS						
Taxes	\$		\$		\$	4,364,889
In Lieu Tax Payments						463,730
Excess Fees						336,022
Licenses and Permits						15,649
Intergovernmental	9	07,026				4,401,308
Charges for Services						187,966
Miscellaneous						537,626
Interest		6		449		17,011
Total Receipts	9	07,032		449		10,324,201
DISBURSEMENTS						
General Government						2,328,928
Protection to Persons and Property						2,588,299
General Health and Sanitation						534,557
Social Services				13,794		184,732
Recreation and Culture						354,832
Roads						2,246,239
Debt Service	9	07,526				1,162,244
Administration						1,762,868
Total Disbursements	9	07,526		13,794		11,162,699
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over						
Disbursements Before Other						
Adjustments to Cash (Uses)		(494)		(13,345)		(838,498)
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)						
Payroll Revolving Account						17,629
Transfers From Other Funds						1,208,314
Transfers To Other Funds						(1,208,314)
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)						17,629
Net Change in Fund Balance		(494)		(13,345)		(820,869)
Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated)		3,391		194,620		5,426,651
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	2,897	\$	181,275	\$	4,605,782
Composition of Fund Balance						
Bank Balance	\$	2,897	\$	181,275	\$	4,615,709
Plus: Deposits In Transit	*	,	*	- )	-	17,629
Less: Outstanding Checks						(27,556)
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	2,897	\$	181,275	\$	4,605,782
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statement.

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#### TRIGG COUNTY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT

June 30, 2022

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Reporting Entity

The financial statement of Trigg County includes all budgeted and unbudgeted funds under the control of the Trigg County Fiscal Court. Budgeted funds included within the reporting entity are those funds presented in the county's approved annual budget and reported on the quarterly reports submitted to the Department for Local Government. Unbudgeted funds may include non-fiduciary financial activities, private purpose trust funds, and internal service funds that are within the county's control. Unbudgeted funds may also include any corporation to act for and on behalf of, and as the agency and instrumentality of the fiscal court in the acquisition and financing of any public project which may be undertaken by the fiscal court pursuant to the provisions of Kentucky law and thus accomplish a public purpose of the fiscal court. The unbudgeted funds are not presented in the annual approved budget or in the quarterly reports submitted to the Department for Local Government.

The Trigg County Hospital would have been included in the reporting entity under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. However, under the regulatory basis, they no longer are required components of the reporting entity. An audit of the entity listed above can be obtained from the Trigg County Fiscal Court at 38 Main Street, Cadiz, KY 42211.

#### B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statement is presented on a regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. This basis of accounting involves the reporting of fund balances and the changes therein resulting from cash inflows (cash receipts) and cash outflows (cash disbursements) to meet the financial reporting requirements of the Department for Local Government and the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

This regulatory basis of accounting differs from GAAP primarily because the financial statement format does not include the GAAP presentations of government-wide and fund financial statements, cash receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned and susceptible to accrual, and cash disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when incurred or subject to accrual.

Generally, except as otherwise provided by law, property taxes are assessed as of January 1, levied (mailed) November 1, due at discount November 30, due at face value December 31, delinquent January 1 following the assessment, and subject to sale ninety days following April 15.

#### C. Basis of Presentation

#### **Budgeted Funds**

The fiscal court reports the following budgeted funds:

General Fund - This is the primary operating fund of the fiscal court. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except where the Department for Local Government requires a separate fund or where management requires that a separate fund be used for some function.

Road Fund - This fund is for road and bridge construction and repair. The primary sources of receipts for this fund are state payments for truck license distribution, municipal road aid, and transportation grants. The Department for Local Government requires the fiscal court to maintain these receipts and disbursements separately from the general fund.

#### **Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

#### C. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

#### **Budgeted Funds (Continued)**

Jail Fund - The primary purpose of this fund is to account for the jail expenses of the county. The primary sources of receipts for this fund are reimbursements from the state and federal governments, payments from other counties for housing prisoners, and transfers from the general fund. The Department for Local Government requires the fiscal court to maintain these receipts and disbursements separately from the general fund.

Local Government Economic Assistance Fund - The primary purpose of this fund is to account for grants and related disbursements. The primary sources of receipts for this fund are grants from the state and federal governments.

Community Development Block Grant Fund - The primary purpose of this fund is to account for grants and related disbursements. The primary sources of receipts for this fund are grants from the state and federal government.

Sheriff Fund - The primary purpose of this fund is to account for the expenses of the county sheriff's office. The primary sources of receipts for this fund are fines and tax commissions.

Escrow ABC Fund - The primary purpose of this fund is to account for the expenses for alcohol beverage control for the county. The primary sources of receipts for this fund are alcohol vendor licenses and local alcohol regulatory fees.

American Rescue Plan Act Fund - The primary purpose of this fund is to account for federal grant funds received and expensed for the purpose of health care due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **Unbudgeted Funds**

The fiscal court reports the following unbudgeted funds:

Public Justice Center Corporation Fund - The primary purpose of this fund is to account for the proceeds and debt service of revenue bonds that were issued to fund construction of public buildings.

Senior Citizens Fund - The primary purpose of this fund is to account for the revenue and expenses for the senior citizens center located in the county. The primary sources of receipts for this fund are from local donor funding. This fund should have been budgeted in order to comply with the Department of Local Government's guidance.

#### **D.** Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a regulatory basis of accounting according to the laws of Kentucky as required by the state local finance officer, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

The county judge/executive is required to submit estimated receipts and proposed disbursements to the fiscal court by May 1 of each year. The budget is prepared by fund, function, and activity and is required to be adopted by the fiscal court by July 1.

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### D. Budgetary Information (Continued)

The fiscal court may change the original budget by transferring appropriations at the activity level; however, the fiscal court may not increase the total budget without approval by the state local finance officer. Disbursements may not exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level.

The state local finance officer does not require the public justice center corporation fund to be budgeted. Bond indentures and other relevant contractual provisions require specific payments to and from this fund annually.

#### E. Trigg County Elected Officials

Kentucky law provides for election of the officials listed below from the geographic area constituting Trigg County. Pursuant to state statute, these officials perform various services for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, its judicial courts, the fiscal court, various cities and special districts within the county, and the board of education. In exercising these responsibilities, however, they are required to comply with state laws. Audits of their financial statements are issued separately and individually and can be obtained from their respective administrative offices. These financial statements are not required to be included in the financial statement of the Trigg County Fiscal Court.

- Circuit Court Clerk
- County Attorney
- Property Valuation Administrator
- County Clerk
- County Sheriff

#### F. Deposits and Investments

The government's fund balance is considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, certificates of deposit, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. The government's fund balance includes cash and cash equivalents and investments.

KRS 66.480 authorizes the county to invest in obligations of the United States and of its agencies and instrumentalities, obligations and contracts for future delivery or purchase of obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, obligations of any corporation of the United States government, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state, and certificates of deposit issued by or other interest-bearing accounts of any bank or savings and loan institution which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or which are collateralized, to the extent uninsured, by any obligation permitted by KRS 41.240(4).

#### G. Long-term Obligations

The fund financial statement recognizes bond interest, as well as bond issuance costs when received or when paid, during the current period. The principal amount of the debt and interest are reported as disbursements. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as disbursements. Debt proceeds are reported as other adjustments to cash.

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### H. Joint Ventures

A legal entity or other organization that results from a contractual agreement and that is owned, operated, or governed by two or more participants as a separate activity subject to joint control, in which the participants retain (a) an ongoing financial interest or (b) an ongoing financial responsibility is a joint venture. The Trigg County Fiscal Court entered an interlocal agreement with City of Cadiz for operation of the following entities: Cadiz-Trigg County Tourist & Convention Commission, Cadiz-Trigg County Economic Development Commission, Cadiz-Trigg County Parks & Recreation Department, and the Cadiz-Trigg County Planning Commission. Joint control and financial interest/responsibility exists between entities within each of these agreements, thus creating joint ventures.

#### Note 2. Deposits

The fiscal court maintained deposits of public funds with federally insured banking institutions as required by the Department for Local Government's (DLG's) *County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual*. The DLG manual strongly recommends perfected pledges of securities covering all public funds except direct federal obligations and funds protected by federal insurance. In order to be perfected in the event of failure or insolvency of the depository institution, this pledge or provision of collateral should be evidenced by an agreement between the fiscal court and the depository institution, signed by both parties, that is (a) in writing, (b) approved by the board of directors of the depository institution or its loan committee, which approval must be reflected in the minutes of the board or committee, and (c) an official record of the depository institution. These requirements were met.

#### Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a depository institution failure, the government's deposits may not be returned. The government does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk, but rather follows the requirements of the DLG's County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual. As of June 30, 2022, all deposits were covered by FDIC insurance or a properly executed collateral security agreement.

#### Note 3. Transfers

The table below shows the interfund operating transfers for fiscal year 2022.

	(	General	Jail Sheriff		Total			
		Fund		Fund		Fund		insfers Out
General Fund Road Fund	\$	226,429	\$	495,300	\$	486,585	\$	981,885 226,429
Koad Fulld		220,429						220,429
Total Transfers In	\$	226,429	\$	495,300	\$	486,585	\$	1,208,314

#### Reason for transfers:

To move resources from and to the general fund and other funds, for budgetary purposes, to the funds that will expend them.

#### Note 4. Leases

#### A. Pennyrile Area Development District

During fiscal year 2019, the Trigg County Fiscal Court made a sublease agreement with the Pennyrile Area Development District (PADD). A loan was taken out by the Trigg County Fiscal Court to build an office space for PADD. PADD in return signed a sublease agreement to transfer responsibility for all principal and interest payments for the loan to PADD. The lease has fourteen and a half years remaining. The Trigg County Fiscal Court will receive monthly payments of \$1,667 for the principal plus the interest amount. The Trigg County Fiscal Court recognized \$40,079 in lease revenue during the current fiscal year related to this lease. As of June 30, 2022, the Trigg County Fiscal Court's receivable for lease payments was \$583,273.

#### **B.** Administrative Office of the Courts

During fiscal year 2015, the Trigg County Public Justice Center Corporation made a sublease agreement with the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). Bonds were issued by the Trigg County Public Justice Center Corporation to refund 2007 bonds that were issued to fund the Judicial Center project. AOC in return entered into an agreement where AOC will lease the property and pay the annual principal and interest. The lease has six years remaining. The Trigg County Public Justice Center Corporation will receive annual payments for the principal plus the interest amount. The Trigg County Public Justice Center Corporation recognized \$907,025 in lease revenue during the current fiscal year related to this lease. As of June 30, 2022, the Trigg County Fiscal Court's receivable for lease payments was \$5,462,675.

#### Note 5. Long-term Debt

#### A. Lease Refunding Revenue Bonds

#### 1. Trigg County Public Justice Center Corporation Lease Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2015

On April 23, 2015, the Trigg County Public Justice Center Corporation issued \$7,175,000 of Lease Refunding Revenue Bonds (Judicial Center Project), Series 2015. The bonds were issued by the corporation for the purpose of financing (i) the partial advance refunding of certain maturities of the \$12,280,000 Trigg County Pubic Justice Center Corporation Lease Revenue Bonds (Judicial Center Project), Series 2007; (ii) the payment of accrued interest, if any; (iii) the payment of the cost of issuance incurred with respect to the issuance of the bonds. The refunding plan is being undertaken to provide interest cost savings to the county and AOC. Interest is payable semi-annually on March 1 and September 1 at a rate of 3 percent. Principal is payable annually on September 1, beginning on September 1, 2019.

The corporation, the county, and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) have entered into a lease rental agreement (lease) dated April 23, 2015, under which AOC will lease from the corporation the Judicial Center, including the real property upon which the courthouse improvements are constructed, for an agreed rent. The rental payments will be assigned by the corporation to the trustee and are anticipated to be adequate to pay approximately 100% of the principal and interest on the bonds. The lease does not require the county to make any rental payments under the lease; however, the county is obligated to provide for the operation, maintenance, insurance, and repair of the Judicial Center.

The bonds are secured by a foreclosable mortgage lien on the project and by the assignment by the corporation of all its right, title, and interest in the lease by and among the corporation, AOC, and the county.

#### Note 5. Long-term Debt (Continued)

#### A. Lease Refunding Revenue Bonds (Continued)

### 1. Trigg County Public Justice Center Corporation Lease Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2015 (Continued)

Should AOC fail to pay the stipulated rentals due under the lease, or during any year for which it is renewed, and the county fails to cure such default by AOC within 30 days, at the times stipulated in the lease, all rights of AOC and all future options granted in the lease to the AOC or county in respect of payments in whole of the bonds shall in any event remain in full force and effect; provided that the trustee under the mortgage shall, upon the occurrence of an event of default, be entitled to take certain actions for the benefit of the owners of the bonds, including foreclosure of the mortgage lien on the Judicial Center and sale thereof, but no such sale shall result or give rise to a deficiency judgment of any type or in any amount against AOC or the county or the corporation, and, until such sale, AOC or the county may at any time discharge the bonds and the interest thereon, in which event the county shall receive unencumbered fee simple title to the project.

Total principal balance outstanding as of June 30, 2022, was \$4,995,000. Future principal and interest requirements are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Principal		Scheduled Interest		
2023 2024 2025	\$	770,000 795,000 820,000	\$	139,300 115,825 91,600	
2026 2027 2028		845,000 870,000 895,000		66,625 40,900 13,425	
Totals	\$	4,995,000	\$	467,675	

#### **B.** Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements

#### 1. Trigg County Hospital

On February 26, 2016, the Trigg County Fiscal Court entered into a financing agreement for \$2,025,000 with the Kentucky Association of Counties Finance Corporation for the purpose of (i) providing a grant to Trigg County Hospital, Inc. to make healthcare and healthcare related facilities available for use by the citizens of the county. Interest is payable semi-annually on June 20 and December 20 at a rate of 3 percent. Principal is payable annually on December 20.

This agreement is continually secured by the faith, credit, and revenue of the county. If an event of default occurs and continues beyond a period of 30 days following notice of default given in writing to such defaulting party by any other party, the non-defaulting party may enforce the obligations of the defaulting party to the agreement; provided, however, the sole remedy available is any proceeding to enforce agreement shall be an action in mandamus, for specific performance or similar remedy to compel performance.

#### Note 5. Long-term Debt (Continued)

#### **B.** Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements (Continued)

#### 1. Trigg County Hospital (Continued)

Total principal balance outstanding as of June 30, 2022, was \$1,310,000. Future principal and interest requirements are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending	Scheduled			
June 30	Principal			Interest
2023	\$	130,000	\$	40,425
2024		130,000		36,850
2025		135,000		32,550
2026		140,000		28,088
2027		145,000		23,463
2028-2031		630,000		44,350
Totals	\$	1,310,000	\$	205,726

#### 2. Trigg County Senior Citizens Center

On September 19, 2017, the Trigg County Fiscal Court entered into a financing agreement for \$610,000 with the Kentucky Association of Counties Finance Corporation to refund a portion of the outstanding lease agreement by and between the Kentucky Association of Counties Finance Corporation and the County of Trigg, Kentucky, dated December 16, 2010 (the "Prior Lease"), the proceeds of which were used to refinance a lease dated July 20, 2009 the proceeds of which were used to finance the construction of a new senior citizens center. Interest and principal are payable monthly on the first day of the month at an interest rate of 3.53 percent.

Whenever any event of default has occurred and is continuing, the lessor may, without any further demand or notice, take one or any combination of the following remedial steps: (a) by appropriate court action, enforce the pledge set forth in section 2 of the ordinance and section 11 of this lease so that during the remaining lease term there is levied on all the taxable property in the lessee, in addition to all other taxes, without limitation as to the rate or amount, a direct tax annually in an amount sufficient to pay the lease rental payments when and as due; (b) take legal title to, and sell or re-lease the project or any portion thereof; (c) take whatever action at law or in equity may appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights in and to the project under this lease (including, without limitation, the right to possession of the project and the right to sell or re-lease or otherwise dispose of the project in accordance with applicable law); and/or take whatever action at law or in equity may appear necessary or desirable to enforce performance by the lessee of the applicable covenants and agreements of the lessee under this lease (subject, however, to the limitations thereon contained in this lease) and to recover damages for the breach thereof.

Total principal balance outstanding as of June 30, 2022, was \$515,833. Future principal and interest requirements are as follows:

#### **Note 5.** Long-term Debt (Continued)

#### **B.** Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements (Continued)

#### 2. Trigg County Senior Citizens Center (Continued)

Fiscal Year Ending			S	cheduled
June 30	F	Principal		Interest
2023	\$	20,833	\$	16,047
2024		25,000		18,053
2025		25,000		16,741
2026		27,083		15,428
2027		30,000		14,006
2028-2032		155,000		55,114
2033-2037		169,167		29,948
2038-2039		63,750		3,342
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Totals	\$	515,833	\$	168,679

#### 3. Pennyrile Area Development District Office

On July 5, 2018, the Trigg County Fiscal Court entered into a financing agreement for \$500,000 with the Kentucky Association of Counties Finance Corporation to refinance a lease agreement by and between Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust and Pennyrile Area Development District dated March 17, 2008, originally issued to finance the renovation and construction of an office building for Pennyrile Area Development District. Interest and principal are payable monthly on the 20th day of the month with final payment due December 20, 2036, at an interest rate of 3.567 percent.

Total principal balance outstanding as of June 30, 2022, was \$425,000. Future principal and interest requirements are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending			S	cheduled
June 30	F	Principal		Interest
2023	\$	20,000	\$	19,029
2024		22,500		17,979
2025		25,000		16,798
2026		25,000		15,485
2027		25,000		14,172
2028-2032		145,000		54,109
2033-2037		162,500		20,701
Totals	\$	425,000	\$	158,273

#### Note 5. Long-term Debt (Continued)

#### C. Changes In Long-term Debt

Long-term Debt activity for the year ended June 30, 2022, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Due Within One Year	
Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements Other Debt	\$ 2,420,000 5,740,000	\$	\$ 169,167 745,000	\$ 2,250,833 4,995,000	\$ 170,833 770,000
Total Long-term Debt	\$ 8,160,000	\$ 0	\$ 914,167	\$ 7,245,833	\$ 940,833

#### D. Aggregate Debt Schedule

The amount of required principal and interest payments on long-term obligations at June 30, 2022, were as follows:

						Direct Bor	rowi	ngs and	
		Other	t	Direct Placements					
Fiscal Year Ended									
June 30	I	Principal	cipal Interest		P	rincipal	Interest		
2023	\$	770,000	\$	139,300	\$	170,833	\$	75,501	
2024	Ψ	795,000	Ψ	115,825	Ψ	177,500	Ψ	72,882	
2025		820,000		91,600		185,000		66,089	
2026		845,000		66,625		192,083		59,001	
2027		870,000		40,900		200,000		51,641	
2028-2032		895,000		13,425		930,000		153,573	
2033-2037						331,667		50,649	
2038-2039						63,750		3,342	
Totals	\$	4,995,000	\$	467,675	\$ 2	,250,833	\$	532,678	

#### Note 6. Employee Retirement System

The fiscal court has elected to participate, pursuant to KRS 78.530, in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS), which is administered by the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement Systems (Ky. Ret. Sys.). This is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plan, which covers all eligible full-time employees and provides for retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members. Benefit contributions and provisions are established by statute. Effective April 1, 2021, the Kentucky Public Pension Authority (KPPA) was created by KRS 61.505 to provide staffing and daily administrative needs for CERS and Ky. Ret. Sys. .The CERS nine (9) member board of trustees is responsible for the governance of the CERS pension and insurance plans.

The county's contribution for FY 2020 was \$551,774, FY 2021 was \$541,342, and FY 2022 was \$640,624.

#### **Note 6.** Employee Retirement System (Continued)

#### Nonhazardous

Nonhazardous covered employees are required to contribute 5 percent of their salary to the plan. Nonhazardous covered employees who begin participation on or after September 1, 2008, are required to contribute 6 percent of their salary to be allocated as follows: 5 percent will go to the member's account and 1 percent will go to the Ky. Ret. Sys. insurance fund.

In accordance with Senate Bill 2, signed by the Governor on April 4, 2013, plan members who began participating on or after January 1, 2014, were required to contribute to the Cash Balance Plan. The Cash Balance Plan is known as a hybrid plan because it has characteristics of both a defined benefit plan and a defined contribution plan. Members in the plan contribute a set percentage of their salary each month to their own accounts. Nonhazardous covered employees contribute 5 percent of their annual creditable compensation. Nonhazardous members also contribute 1 percent to the health insurance fund which is not credited to the member's account and is not refundable. The employer contribution rate is set annually by the Ky. Ret. Sys. Board of Directors based on an actuarial valuation. The employer contributes a set percentage of the member's salary. Each month, when employer contributions are received, an employer pay credit is deposited to the member's account. A member's account is credited with a 4 percent employer pay credit. The employer pay credit represents a portion of the employer contribution.

Benefits fully vest on reaching five years of service for nonhazardous employees. Aspects of benefits for nonhazardous employees include retirement after 27 years of service or age 65. Nonhazardous employees who begin participation on or after September 1, 2008, must meet the rule of 87 (member's age plus years of service credit must equal 87, and the member must be a minimum of 57 years of age) or the member is age 65, with a minimum of 60 months service credit.

The county's contribution rate for nonhazardous employees was 26.95 percent.

#### Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)

#### A. Health Insurance Coverage - Tier 1

CERS provides post-retirement health care coverage as follows:

For members participating prior to July 1, 2003, years of service and respective percentages of the maximum contribution are as follows:

Years of Service	% Paid by Insurance Fund	% Paid by Member through Payroll Deduction
20 or more	100%	0%
15-19	75%	25%
10-14	50%	50%
4-9	25%	75%
Less than 4	0%	100%

#### **Note 6.** Employee Retirement System (Continued)

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

#### A. <u>Health Insurance Coverage - Tier 1</u> (Continued)

As a result of House Bill 290 (2004 General Assembly), medical insurance benefits are calculated differently for members who began participation on or after July 1, 2003. Once members reach a minimum vesting period of ten years, non-hazardous employees whose participation began on or after July 1, 2003, earn ten dollars per month for insurance benefits at retirement for every year of earned service without regard to a maximum dollar amount. This dollar amount is subject to adjustment annually based on the retiree cost of living adjustment, which is updated annually due to changes in the Consumer Price Index.

Benefits are covered under KRS 78.5536.

#### B. Health Insurance Coverage - Tier 2 and Tier 3 - Nonhazardous

Once members reach a minimum vesting period of 15 years, they earn ten dollars per month for insurance benefits at retirement for every year of earned service without regard to a maximum dollar amount. This dollar amount is subject to adjustment annually by 1.5 percent. This was established for Tier 2 members during the 2008 Special Legislative Session by House Bill 1. During the 2013 Legislative Session, Senate Bill 2 was enacted, creating Tier 3 benefits for members.

The monthly insurance benefit has been increased annually as a 1.5 percent cost of living adjustment (COLA) since July 2003 when the law changed. The annual increase is cumulative and continues to accrue after the member's retirement.

Tier 2 member benefits are covered by KRS 78.5536. Tier 3 members are not covered by the same provisions.

#### C. Cost of Living Adjustments - Tier 1

The 1996 General Assembly enacted an automatic cost of living adjustment (COLA) provision for all recipients of Ky. Ret. Sys. benefits. During the 2008 Special Session, the General Assembly determined that each July beginning in 2009, retirees who have been receiving a retirement allowance for at least 12 months will receive an automatic COLA of 1.5 percent. The COLA is not a guaranteed benefit. If a retiree has been receiving a benefit for less than 12 months, and a COLA is provided, it will be prorated based on the number of months the recipient has been receiving a benefit.

#### D. Cost of Living Adjustments - Tier 2 and Tier 3

No COLA is given unless authorized by the legislature with specific criteria. To this point, no COLA has been authorized by the legislature for Tier 2 or Tier 3 members.

#### E. Death Benefit

If a retired member is receiving a monthly benefit based on at least 48 months of service credit, KPPA will pay a \$5,000 death benefit payment to the beneficiary designated by the member specifically for this benefit. Members with multiple accounts are entitled to only one death benefit.

#### **Note 6.** Employee Retirement System (Continued)

#### Annual Financial Report and Proportionate Share Audit Report

Ky. Ret. Sys. issues a publicly available annual financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information on CERS. This report may be obtained by writing the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority, 1260 Louisville Road, Frankfort, KY 40601-6124, or by telephone at (502) 564-4646.

KPPA also issues proportionate share audit reports for both total pension liability and other post-employment benefits for CERS determined by actuarial valuation as well as each participating county's proportionate share. Both the Schedules of Employer Allocations and Pension Amounts by Employer and the Schedules of Employer Allocations and OPEB Amounts by Employer reports and the related actuarial tables are available online at https://kyret.ky.gov. The complete actuarial valuation report, including all actuarial assumptions and methods, is also available on the website or can be obtained as described in the paragraph above.

#### Note 7. Deferred Compensation

The Trigg County Fiscal Court voted to allow all eligible employees to participate in deferred compensation plans administered by the Kentucky Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Authority. The Kentucky Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Authority is authorized under KRS 18A.230 to 18A.275 to provide administration of tax-sheltered supplemental retirement plans for all state, public school and university employees, and employees of local political subdivisions that have elected to participate.

These deferred compensation plans permit all full-time 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 emergency. Participation by eligible employees in the deferred compensation plans is voluntary.

Historical trend information showing the Kentucky Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Authority's progress in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due is presented in the Kentucky Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Authority's annual financial report. This report may be obtained by writing the Kentucky Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Authority at 501 High Street, 2nd Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601, or by telephone at (502) 573-7925.

#### Note 8. Health Reimbursement Account/Flexible Spending Account

The Trigg County Fiscal Court established a Flexible Spending Account to provide employees an additional health benefit. The county has contracted with a third-party administrator to administer the plan. The plan provides \$800 to employees that take the lowest insurance plan, and \$1,500 if the employee declines county insurance. Employees may also contribute additional pre-tax funds through payroll deduction. These funds can be used to pay for qualified medical expenses. The balance of the plan as of June 30, 2022, was \$15,220.

#### Note 9. Insurance

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the Trigg County Fiscal Court was a member of the Kentucky Association of Counties' All Lines Fund (KALF). KALF is a self-insurance fund and was organized to obtain lower cost coverage for general liability, property damage, public officials' errors and omissions, public liability, and other damages. The basic nature of a self-insurance program is that of collectively shared risk by its members. If losses incurred for covered claims exceed the resources contributed by the members, the members are responsible for payment of the excess losses.

#### Note 10. Payroll Revolving Account

The reconciled balance of the payroll revolving account as of June 30, 2022, was added to the general fund cash balance for financial reporting purposes.

#### Note 11. Prior Period Adjustments

The following adjustments were made to the prior year ending fund balances:

		Ending sh Balance ne 30, 2021	for	ustment Voided Checks	Restated Cash Balance June 30, 2021		
General Fund	\$	1,809,727	\$	3,217	\$	1,812,944	
Jail Fund Community Development Block Grant Fund	Ψ	176,389	Ψ	225	Ψ	176,614	
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Totals	\$	1,986,386	\$	3,172	\$_	1,989,558	

# TRIGG COUNTY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES Supplementary Information - Regulatory Basis

For The Year Ended June 30, 2022



## TRIGG COUNTY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES Supplementary Information - Regulatory Basis

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2022

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		Budgeted ginal	ınts Final	Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)		Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
RECEIPTS								
Taxes		994,500	\$	3,994,500	\$	4,364,889	\$	370,389
In Lieu Tax Payments		260,000		260,000		376,950		116,950
Excess Fees	2	200,000		200,000		336,022		136,022
Licenses and Permits		4,750		4,750		6,329		1,579
Intergovernmental		718,535		718,535		653,274		(65,261)
Charges for Services	1	160,000		160,000		182,830		22,830
Miscellaneous	1	160,000		160,000		336,475		176,475
Interest		5,000		5,000		6,680		1,680
Total Receipts	5,5	502,785		5,502,785		6,263,449		760,664
DISBURSEMENTS								
General Government		273,005		1,350,532		1,220,104		130,428
Protection to Persons and Property		777,345		2,166,868		2,070,025		96,843
General Health and Sanitation	(	578,591		521,744		504,034		17,710
Social Services		77,000		110,000		91,528		18,472
Recreation and Culture	4	527,850		408,072		354,832		53,240
Debt Service		45,663		216,951		254,718		(37,767)
Administration	1,5	593,673		1,198,960		1,159,284		39,676
Total Disbursements	5,9	973,127		5,973,127		5,654,525		318,602
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	(4	470,342)		(470,342)		608,924		1,079,266
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)								
Transfers From Other Funds	2	226,429		226,429		226,429		
Transfers To Other Funds		981,885)		(981,885)		(981,885)		
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)		755,456)		(755,456)		(755,456)		
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Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,2)	225,798)	(	1,225,798)		(146,532)		1,079,266
Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated)	1,2	225,798		1,225,798		1,812,944		587,146
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	1,666,412	\$	1,666,412

	ROAD FUND									
		Budgeted Original	ounts Final		Actual Amounts, Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)				
RECEIPTS										
In Lieu Tax Payments	\$	70,000	\$	70,000	\$	86,780	\$	16,780		
Intergovernmental		1,478,674		1,523,670		1,929,126		405,456		
Miscellaneous		5,000		5,000		67,036		62,036		
Interest		12,000		12,000		8,502		(3,498)		
Total Receipts		1,565,674		1,610,670		2,091,444		480,774		
DISBURSEMENTS										
Roads		1,900,905		2,256,217		2,246,239		9,978		
Administration		698,213		387,897		377,417		10,480		
Total Disbursements		2,599,118		2,644,114		2,623,656		20,458		
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other										
Adjustments to Cash (Uses)		(1,033,444)		(1,033,444)		(532,212)		501,232		
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)										
Transfers To Other Funds		(226,429)		(226,429)		(226,429)				
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	_	(226,429)		(226,429)		(226,429)				
Net Change in Fund Balance		(1,259,873)		(1,259,873)		(758,641)		501,232		
Fund Balance - Beginning		1,259,873		1,259,873		1,226,908		(32,965)		
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	468,267	\$	468,267		

	JAIL FUND										
		Budgeted Original	Amo	ounts Final		Actual Amounts, Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)				
RECEIPTS											
Intergovernmental	\$	68,000	\$	68,000	\$	75,898	\$	7,898			
Charges for Services		6,000		6,000		5,136		(864)			
Miscellaneous		1,000		1,000		2,711		1,711			
Interest		100		100		277		177			
Total Receipts		75,100		75,100		84,022		8,922			
DISBURSEMENTS											
Protection to Persons and Property		495,500		514,720		500,274		14,446			
Administration		74,900		55,680		52,708		2,972			
Total Disbursements		570,400		570,400		552,982		17,418			
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)		(495,300)		(495,300)		(468,960)		26,340			
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)											
Transfers From Other Funds		495,300		495,300		495,300					
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)		495,300		495,300		495,300					
Net Change in Fund Balance						26,340		26,340			
Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated)						176,614		176,614			
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	202,954	\$	202,954			

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FUND

	 Budgeted Amounts Original Final			A (B	Actual mounts, udgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
RECEIPTS							
Intergovernmental	\$ 69,900	\$	69,900	\$	81,972	\$	12,072
Interest	 100		100		283		183
Total Receipts	 70,000		70,000		82,255		12,255
DISBURSEMENTS							
General Government	38,000		38,000		37,000		1,000
Protection to Persons and Property			18,000		18,000		
General Health and Sanitation	36,000		34,000		30,523		3,477
Social Services	5,000						
Administration	11,000						
Total Disbursements	90,000		90,000		85,523		4,477
Net Change in Fund Balance	(20,000)		(20,000)		(3,268)		16,732
Fund Balance - Beginning	 20,000		20,000		93,607		73,607
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$	0	\$	90,339	\$	90,339

	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND										
	Budge Original	eted A	Amo	unts Final	A (B	Actual mounts, udgetary Basis)	F	uriance with inal Budget Positive Negative)			
RECEIPTS						<u> </u>		<u> </u>			
Intergovernmental	\$		\$	238,557	\$	79,410	\$	(159,147)			
Total Receipts				238,557		79,410		(159,147)			
DISBURSEMENTS											
Social Services				238,557		79,410		159,147			
Total Disbursements				238,557		79,410		159,147			
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated)											
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0			

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	Budgeted Amounts				Actual Amounts, Budgetary	Variance with Final Budget Positive			
		Original		Final		Basis)		(Negative)	
RECEIPTS									
Intergovernmental	\$	575,000	\$	604,410	\$	674,602	\$	70,192	
Miscellaneous		1,500		1,500		200		(1,300)	
Interest		100		100		78		(22)	
Total Receipts		576,600		606,010		674,880		68,870	
DISBURSEMENTS									
General Government		836,785		918,895		902,674		16,221	
Administration		226,400		173,700		173,459		241	
Total Disbursements		1,063,185		1,092,595		1,076,133		16,462	
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over									
Disbursements Before Other									
Adjustments to Cash (Uses)		(486,585)		(486,585)		(401,253)		85,332	
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)									
Transfers From Other Funds		486,585		486,585		486,585			
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)		486,585		486,585		486,585			
Net Change in Fund Balance						85,332		85,332	
Fund Balance - Beginning						139,959		139,959	
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Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	225,291	\$	225,291	

# TRIGG COUNTY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES Supplementary Information - Regulatory Basis For The Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Continued)

		ESCROW - ABC FUND							
		Budgeted Amounts Original Final				Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)		Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
RECEIPTS	0	10.000	Ф	10.000	Ф	0.220	Φ	((00)	
Licenses and Permits	\$	10,000	\$	10,000	\$	9,320	\$	(680)	
Miscellaneous		135,000		135,000		131,204		(3,796)	
Interest		400		400		146		(254)	
Total Receipts		145,400		145,400		140,670		(4,730)	
DISBURSEMENTS									
General Government		110,000		170,000		169,150		850	
Administration		60,000							
Total Disbursements		170,000		170,000		169,150		850	
Net Change in Fund Balance		(24,600)		(24,600)		(28,480)		(3,880)	
Fund Balance - Beginning		24,600		24,600		355,715		331,115	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	327,235	\$	327,235	

TRIGG COUNTY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES Supplementary Information - Regulatory Basis For The Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Continued)

	AN	AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND						
	Budgeted Original	l Amounts Final	Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)				
RECEIPTS								
Intergovernmental	\$ 1,422,893	\$ 1,422,893	\$	\$ (1,422,893)				
Interest			590	590				
Total Receipts	1,422,893	1,422,893	590	(1,422,303)				
DISBURSEMENTS								
Administration	2,845,786	2,845,786		2,845,786				
Total Disbursements	2,845,786	2,845,786	-	2,845,786				
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,422,893)	(1,422,893)	590	1,423,483				
Fund Balance - Beginning	1,422,893	1,422,893	1,422,893					
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,423,483	\$ 1,423,483				

# TRIGG COUNTY NOTES TO REGULATORY SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES

#### June 30, 2022

#### Note 1. Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a regulatory basis of accounting according to the laws of Kentucky as required by the state local finance officer, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

The county judge/executive is required to submit estimated receipts and proposed disbursements to the fiscal court by May 1 of each year. The budget is prepared by fund, function, and activity and is required to be adopted by the fiscal court by July 1.

The fiscal court may change the original budget by transferring appropriations at the activity level; however, the fiscal court may not increase the total budget without approval by the state local finance officer. Disbursements may not exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level.

#### Note 2. Reconciliation of the General Fund

Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses) - Budgetary Basis To add the payroll revolving account	\$ (755,456) 17,629
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses) - Regulatory Basis	\$ (737,827)
Fund Balance - Ending - Budgetary Basis To add the payroll revolving account	\$ 1,666,412 17,629
Total Fund Balance - Ending - Regulatory Basis	\$ 1,684,041

#### Note 3. Excess of Disbursements Over Appropriations

The general fund, debt service line item, exceeded budgeted appropriations by \$37,767.



# TRIGG COUNTY SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS Other Information - Regulatory Basis

For The Year Ended June 30, 2022



# TRIGG COUNTY SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS Other Information - Regulatory Basis

# For The Year Ended June 30, 2022

The fiscal court reports the following Schedule of Capital Assets:

	(	(Restated*)						
		Beginning						Ending
		Balance	Additions		Deletions		Balance	
Land	\$	458,158	\$		\$		\$	458,158
Buildings *		18,320,471						18,320,471
Machinery and Equipment*		1,936,695		164,327		48,000		2,053,022
Vehicles*		2,144,360		195,356				2,339,716
Infrastructure*		9,310,508		1,065,262				10,375,770
Total Capital Assets	\$	32,170,192	\$	1,424,945	\$	48,000	\$	33,547,137

# TRIGG COUNTY NOTES TO OTHER INFORMATION - REGULATORY BASIS SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

June 30, 2022

#### Note 1. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, buildings, furniture, and office equipment, building improvements, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure assets (roads and bridges) that have a useful life of more than one reporting period based on the government's capitalization policy, are reported as other information. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost when purchased or constructed.

	-	oitalization hreshold	Useful Life (Years)		
Land Improvements	\$	25,000	10-60		
Buildings and Building Improvements	\$	75,000	10-75		
Machinery and Equipment	\$	25,000	3-25		
Vehicles	\$	20,000	3-25		
Infrastructure	\$	60,000	10-50		

# Note 2. Restatement of Capital Assets Beginning Balance

The beginning balance for buildings was restated by \$728,621, the beginning balance for machinery and equipment was restated by \$100,743, the beginning balance for vehicles was restated by \$134,950, and the beginning balance for infrastructure was restated by \$897,439 due to errors and omissions in prior years.

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS





# ALLISON BALL AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting And On Compliance And Other Matters Based On An Audit Of The Financial Statement Performed In Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards* 

Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Stan Humphries, Trigg County Judge/Executive The Honorable Hollis Alexander, Former Trigg County Judge/Executive Members of the Trigg County Fiscal Court

We have audited, 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, the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances - Regulatory Basis of the Trigg County Fiscal Court for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statement which collectively comprise the Trigg County Fiscal Court's financial statement and have issued our report thereon dated March 7, 2025.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statement, we considered the Trigg County Fiscal Court'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 opinion on the financial statement, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trigg County Fiscal Court's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trigg County Fiscal Court's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and other deficiencies that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

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 statement will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses as items 2022-001, 2022-002, 2022-003, 2022-004, and 2022-005 to be material weaknesses.



Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting And On Compliance And Other Matters Based On An Audit Of The Financial Statement Performed In Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards* (Continued)

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting (Continued)**

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. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses as items 2022-006, 2022-007, 2022-008, and 2022-009 to be significant deficiencies.

#### **Compliance And Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Trigg County Fiscal Court's financial statement is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statement. 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 Responses as items 2022-002, 2022-003, 2022-004, and 2022-005.

## Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action

Trigg County's views and planned corrective action for the findings identified in our audit are included in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses. The county's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement, and accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Allisa Ball

Allison Ball

Auditor of Public Accounts

Frankfort, Ky

March 7, 2025

# TRIGG COUNTY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

For The Year Ended June 30, 2022



#### TRIGG COUNTY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS:**

2022-001 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Internal Controls To Ensure Complete And Accurate Accounting Records Were Maintained

This is a repeat finding and was included in the prior year audit report as findings 2021-001 and 2021-002. There were no functioning internal controls in place over the work performed by the county treasurer. The fiscal court failed to provide adequate oversight, allowing the county treasurer complete control over the accounting and reporting functions. The following deficiencies and errors were noted during the performance of the audit:

- Budgeted amounts on the fourth quarter financial report were inaccurate. In comparing the fourth quarter financial report to the approved budget and budget amendments, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) fund's receipts budget was understated by \$38,557, and its expenditures budget was overstated by \$238,557 on the fourth quarter financial report.
- The fiscal court failed to stay within budget for the Senior Citizens Fund. This resulted in the fiscal court overspending the fund's budget by \$13,794.
- The fiscal court failed to account for debt service payments made directly by the Pennyrile Area Development District (PADD). As the debt is in the county's name and subleased by PADD, the payments are required to be recorded as both a receipt and an expenditure of the county. This resulted in the General Fund's miscellaneous revenue and debt service line items being understated by \$40,079. This also resulted in the General Fund debt service line item's budget being overspent by \$37,767.
- Debt service payments, totaling \$168,288, for the hospital financing agreement were recorded under general health and sanitation instead of debt service.
- Encumbrances, totaling \$160,725, existed as evidenced by the outstanding encumbrance report. However, there were no encumbrances listed on the fourth quarter financial report.
- Ordinance 6-1-22 amending the Road Fund's budget by \$44,996 was approved as an emergency amendment when no emergency had been declared.

The Trigg County Fiscal Court failed to implement a strong internal control system or provide proper oversight to ensure complete and accurate accounting records were maintained, and instead relied on a single person without adequate oversight. Due to the lack of oversight of the treasurer's functions by the fiscal court, the deficiencies, noncompliances, and undetected errors noted above pertaining to required record-keeping were allowed to occur. Additionally, the fiscal court was unable to properly budget and plan for the following fiscal year due to inaccurate financial information being presented.

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." Segregation of duties and implementation of compensating controls are basic internal controls necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports.

KRS 68.110(1) forbids expenditures in excess of revenues and states, "[t]he fiscal court shall not in any year expend any money in excess of the amount annually levied and collected for that year or levied, collected or appropriated for any special purpose[.]"

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-001 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Internal Controls To Ensure Complete And Accurate Accounting Records Were Maintained (Continued)

KRS 68.210 gives the State Local Finance Officer (SLFO) the authority to prescribe a uniform system of accounts. Pursuant to KRS 68.210, the SLFO has prescribed minimum accounting and reporting standards in the Department for Local Government's (DLG's) County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual. The manual requires the county treasurer to "[p]repare a quarterly financial report for the State Local Finance Officer." The manual also provides the format to be used when preparing the quarterly financial statement. This format includes reporting original budget estimates, budget amendments, and actual receipts and disbursements and totals available in each line item. The manual goes on to state, "[a] budget amendment is an ordinance and must be approved by the fiscal court in the statutorily prescribed manner including advertising and publishing requirements. All amendments to a county budget must be approved by the SLFO as mandated by KRS 68.280." It further states, "[a]ny amendments to a county budget submitted to the State Local Finance Officer on an emergency basis must strictly adhere to the provisions of KRS 67.078 and a photocopy of the fiscal court order naming and describing the emergency must accompany the budget amendment pursuant to KRS 68.280." Additionally, the manual requires a purchase order system for all counties and each county is responsible for ensuring their purchase order system is executed and working properly. According to a memorandum from the DLG dated August 4, 2016, "[t]he main purpose of this system is to ensure that purchases can be made if there are sufficient appropriations available within the amount of line items in the county's budget. Because of this, it is a requirement by the State Local Finance Officer that all counties have a purchase order system and follow the guidelines prescribed on Page 54 of the County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual." Furthermore, DLG highly recommends that counties accept the practice of issuing purchase orders for payroll and utility claims.

We recommend the Trigg County Fiscal Court strengthen oversight and internal controls to ensure complete and accurate accounting records are maintained and that no one individual has control over the accounting functions without establishing checks and balances to verify that amounts recorded and reported are accurate.

#### Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

County Judge/Executive's Response: The county will maintain more controls.

#### 2022-002 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Materially Misstated Outstanding Debt Obligations

This is a repeat finding and was included in the prior year audit report as finding 2021-003. The fiscal court did not report all outstanding debt bearing the county's name on the Schedule of Outstanding Liabilities as of June 30, 2022. Debt obligations related to the Justice Center Bonds were omitted from the report. The outstanding principal balance of the Justice Center Bonds as of June 30, 2022, was \$4,995,000, and the outstanding interest was \$467,675.

Furthermore, the principal balance reported for the hospital lease was overstated by \$125,000, and the interest balance was overstated by \$18,125. The principal balance for the senior citizens center lease was understated by \$17,083, and interest was overstated by \$87,211. The principal balance for the Pennyrile Area Development District office building financing agreement was overstated by \$20,000, and interest was understated by \$158,273.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-002 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Materially Misstated Outstanding Debt Obligations (Continued)

The fiscal court has not implemented control procedures to ensure that outstanding debt bearing the county's name is reported accurately on the quarterly financial report. Outstanding debt obligations reported to the DLG were materially misstated. Also, due to this omission, the county may not be aware of the future financial obligations necessary to retire debt.

KRS 68.210 gives the SLFO the authority to prescribe a uniform system of accounts. This uniform system of accounts is outlined in the *County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual* issued by the DLG. The *County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual* (page 75) outlines instructions for completing the Section III: Outstanding Liabilities Section of the quarterly financial report. This budget section is to be utilized for reporting all current long-term debt, including public corporation bonds, general obligation bonds, Governmental Leasing Act issues, and bond anticipation notes. The instruction includes reporting:

- Principal Balance Remaining The principal amount outstanding at the time of the report,
- Interest Balance Remaining The amount of scheduled interest outstanding at the time of the report,
- Net Outstanding The sum of principal balance and interest balance (line 10 plus line 11) remaining minus reserve earnings (line 11),
- Total Outstanding Debt The sum of the net outstanding for all liabilities, both long term and short term.

The County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual (page 72) also requires –all county money is to be reported on the financial statement whether it is included in the budget or not. The statement is a cumulative report and is prepared, signed, and dated by the county judge/executive and the county treasurer pursuant to KRS 68.210.

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." Implementing a proper review process for debt schedules is a basic internal control necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports.

We recommend the fiscal court establish control procedures to ensure all outstanding debt obligations bearing the county's name are accurately reported on quarterly financial reports.

Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

County Judge/Executive's Response: We will confirm that the report sent in is accurate.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-003 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Prepare A Financial Statement For The Public Justice Center Corporation Fund

This is a repeat finding and was included in the prior year audit report as finding 2021-006. The fiscal court maintains an unbudgeted fund, the Public Justice Center Corporation Fund, to account for bond issuance and debt payments related to the construction of the Justice Center. During fiscal year 2022, this fund received \$907,032 from the Administrative Office of the Courts and expended \$907,526 on debt payments and administrative fees. The fiscal court maintains ledgers related to the Justice Center Fund but did not prepare an annual financial statement.

The county treasurer was not aware that an official financial statement was required to be prepared on the Public Justice Center Corporation Fund. Due to the omission of the financial activity related to the Public Justice Center Corporation Fund, the county's financial statements as of June 30, 2022, were materially misstated. Audit adjustments have been proposed to account for the fund.

The Public Justice Center Corporation is a component unit of the Trigg County Fiscal Court. As such, the fiscal court is responsible to account for these funds in accordance with the requirements set forth by the SLFO. KRS 68.210 gives the State Local Finance Officer the authority to prescribe a uniform system of accounts. This uniform system of accounts is outlined in the DLG's *County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual*, which requires county government to maintain a receipts and disbursements journal, perform monthly bank reconciliations, and prepare an annual financial statement.

While DLG does not require the Public Justice Center Corporation Fund to be budgeted, the fiscal court is required to maintain a receipts and disbursements journal, perform monthly bank reconciliations, and prepare a year-end financial statement for the Public Justice Center Corporation Fund. Good internal controls dictate that procedures be in place to ensure all financial activity related to operating the county is properly reported.

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." Ensuring all financial activity related to operating the county is properly reported is a basic internal control necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports.

We recommend the fiscal court establish procedures to ensure compliance with DLG's requirements for reporting financial activity related to the Public Justice Center Corporation Fund.

#### Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

County Judge/Executive's Response: A spreadsheet was prepared for the PJCC, however, it was not reported with the year end report.

Auditor's Reply: The treasurer maintained a ledger worksheet for the Public Justice Center Corporation Fund; however, an annual financial statement was not prepared.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-004 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Have Adequate Controls Over Disbursements

During fiscal year 2022, the Trigg County Fiscal Court had material weaknesses in internal control and noncompliances over disbursements. The following findings were noted regarding Trigg County Fiscal Court's disbursements:

- Purchase orders were not properly utilized. Of the 31 invoices tested, 13 purchase orders, totaling \$816,606, were dated after the invoices were received.
- The fiscal court paid \$192 in sales tax.
- Itemized invoices were not maintained for three credit card purchases totaling \$186.
- There was no supporting documentation for two credit card purchases totaling \$97.
- One vehicle purchased in the amount of \$45,475 was not properly bid.

The fiscal court failed to establish appropriate internal controls over disbursements. The fiscal court's failure to establish effective internal controls over disbursements resulted in the instances of noncompliance reflected above. These issues noted above could also result in line items being over budget, claims being paid not related to the fiscal court, inaccurate reporting, and misappropriation of assets.

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." The retention and review of adequate supporting documentation for all disbursements and credit card transactions is a basic internal control necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports. All vendor invoices and receipts should be maintained, including any additional supporting documentation and agreed to the corresponding purchase order and reports.

In addition, KRS 68.210 gives the SLFO the authority to prescribe a uniform system of accounts. The uniform system of accounts is set forth in the DLG's *County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual* which requires a purchase order system for all counties, and each county is responsible for ensuring their purchase order system is executed and working properly.

According to a memorandum from the DLG dated August 4, 2016, "[t]he main purpose of this system is to ensure that purchases can be made if there are sufficient appropriations available within the amount of line items in the county's budget. Because of this, it is a requirement by the State Local Finance Officer that all counties have a purchase order system and follow the guidelines prescribed on Page 54 of the *County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual*." Furthermore, "DLG highly recommends that counties accept that practice of issuing POs for payroll and utility claims."

At the relevant time, KRS 424.260(1) stated, "[e]xcept where a statute specifically fixes a larger sum as the minimum for a requirement of advertisement for bids, no city, county, or district, or board or commission of a city or county, or sheriff or county clerk, may make a contract, lease, or other agreement for:

- (a) Materials;
- (b) Supplies except perishable foods such as meat, poultry, fish, egg products, fresh vegetables, and fresh fruits;
- (c) Equipment; or
- (d) Contractual services other than professional; involving an expenditure of more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) without first making newspaper advertisement for bids."

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-004 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Have Adequate Controls Over Disbursements (Continued)

The Trigg County Administrative Code section 8.2 (C.) states that "[a]ny expenditure or contract for materials, supplies (except perishable meat, fish, and vegetables), equipment, or for contractual services other than professional, involving an expenditure of more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) shall be subject to competitive bidding."

We make the following recommendations to the fiscal court:

- Internal control procedures regarding purchase orders should be strengthened by requiring purchase orders to be issued prior to purchases being made or services rendered in accordance with DLG requirements and KRS 68.210.
- Proper documentation should be maintained for all disbursements to properly support claims.
- Implement internal controls to ensure all purchases of more than \$30,000 have been properly bid.

#### <u>Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:</u>

County Judge/Executive's Response: Purchase Orders will have the account numbers on them going forward.

## 2022-005 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Maintain A Complete And Accurate Schedule Of Leases

The Trigg County Fiscal Court failed to maintain a complete and accurate schedule of leases for the 2022 fiscal year. This schedule is a required part of the financial statement reporting package required by the DLG. While the county maintained a schedule of leases for which it was either lessor or lessee, the schedule was not accurate. It included a lease that began in fiscal year 2023, and did not include the two leases that were in operation during fiscal year 2022. During fiscal year 2022, the fiscal court received \$947,104 for property it leased as a was lessor. This amount was not listed on the lease schedule.

According to the county personnel, errors were made when preparing the lease schedule, as this was the first year this was required. They were also unaware that leases with the Administrative Office of the Courts needed to be included. The Trigg County Fiscal Court was not in compliance with the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 87 because it did not compile or maintain an accurate and complete schedule of leases

Statement No. 87 of the GASB establishes standards of accounting and financial reporting for leases by lessees and lessors. The note disclosure requirements of this statement apply to financial statements of all state and local governments and should include the following:

#### 1) Lessee:

- a) A general description of its leasing arrangements, including (1) the basis, terms, and conditions on which variable payments not included in the measurement of the lease liability are determined and (2) the existence, terms, and conditions of residual value.
- b) The total amount of lease, principal and interest (if disclosed in agreement).

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-005 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Maintain A Complete And Accurate Schedule Of Leases (Continued)

#### 2) Lessor:

- a) A general description of its leasing arrangements, including the basis, terms, and conditions.
- b) The existence, terms, and conditions of options by the lessee to terminate the lease

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." Implementing a proper review process for lease schedules is a basic internal control necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports.

We recommend the Trigg County Fiscal Court maintain a complete schedule of all leases and follow the standards set forth by GASB 87 to ensure note disclosures are complete and accurate.

#### Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

County Judge/Executive's Response: We will maintain information for the Justice Center.

2022-006 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Controls Over Reconciliations And Off-Site Collections

This is a repeat finding and was included in the prior year audit report as finding 2021-004. The fiscal court has not implemented adequate controls over bank reconciliations and receipts collected by off-site locations, namely its sports complex and recycling center. The county treasurer performs monthly bank reconciliations with no documented review by the fiscal court or another individual not involved in processing receipts and disbursements. In addition, the fiscal court does not require off-site locations to submit documentation to ensure amounts received are complete and accurate. The fiscal court receives money from off-site locations for concession sales, complex rentals, and recycling fees.

Concession sales are mostly cash transactions collected by the complex director during sporting events. These transactions are processed through a cash register, however, the cash register tape that details the total amounts received for specified dates is not provided to the county to ensure amounts received are accurate. Customers are not given a receipt. Furthermore, the complex director keeps the cash from concession sales at his house overnight when the office is not open on the day of concession sales.

Recycling fees are collected at the recycling center. Customers are not given a receipt. The recycling center employee takes the cash/check and places it into a lockbox and writes the items on a receipts listing. Money and a receipts listing are turned into the county treasurer's office once a week.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-006 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Controls Over Reconciliations And Off-Site Collections (Continued)

The fiscal court has failed to establish sufficient oversight procedures over monthly bank reconciliations and failed to realize the importance of establishing control procedures over receipts from off-site locations, which are at greater risk of misappropriation. Since control procedures have not been implemented over receipts from off-site locations, the fiscal court cannot ensure that all receipts are accounted for properly. Without requiring adequate documentation, proper collection procedures, and sufficient supervisor oversight, the fiscal court is increasing the risk of misappropriation of county assets or fraud occurring in these areas. In addition, without sufficient oversight procedures over monthly bank reconciliations, this lack of internal controls could also lead to the misappropriation of assets or fraud.

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." Segregation of duties is a basic internal control necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports. Implementation of compensating controls, when needed because of the number of staff is limited, is essential for providing protection to employees in the normal course of performing their duties and can also help prevent inaccurate financial reporting and/or misappropriation of assets. In addition, the issuance of receipts and review of all off-site receipts are basic internal controls necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports.

KRS 64.840(2) states, "[o]ne (1) copy of the receipt shall be given to the person paying the fine, forfeiture, tax, or fee and one (1) copy shall be retained by the official for his own records. One (1) copy of the receipt shall be retained by the official to be placed with the daily bank deposit[.]'

KRS 68.210 gives the SLFO the authority to prescribe a uniform system of accounts. The uniform system of accounts is set forth in the DLG's *County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual*, which requires deposits to be made intact daily into a federally insured banking institution.

We recommend the fiscal court segregate duties related to monthly bank reconciliations. If segregating duties is not feasible, the fiscal court should implement oversight procedures. All review procedures should be signed and dated by the employee performing the review.

We also recommend the fiscal court implement control procedures for receipts collected by off-site locations. At a minimum, the fiscal court should require off-site locations to issue receipts for all monies received and maintain and submit supporting documentation on all amounts collected. This could include cash register tapes, calendar of events log, receipts issued to customers, and daily check out sheets. In addition, all receipts collected at off-site locations should be turned over to the county treasurer daily to be deposited according to the DLG manual.

#### Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

County Judge/Executive's Response: The concessions will be able to hand receipts to all customers. The Recycling center will turn their money to the treasurer more often.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-007 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Did Not Have Adequate Controls Over Payroll Processing

This is a repeat finding and was included in the prior year audit report as finding 2021-005. The Trigg County Fiscal Court lacks adequate controls over payroll and timekeeping processes. During payroll testing, the following issues were noted:

- Auditors tested 26 timesheets and noted the following:
  - o Five employees tested were paid overtime pay or awarded compensatory time at time and a half when it should have been earned at straight time or paid at the normal salary rate.
  - o Two employees used leave, but their leave balances on their timesheets were not updated.
  - o Two employees did not have supervisor approval documented on their timesheets.
- Vision insurance was incorrectly withheld for one employee.
- The fiscal court did not approve the jailer's salary by resolution as required by KRS 441.245 for the audit period.
- No salary schedule could be obtained for the time period under audit. Therefore, it could not be determined that salaries were appropriately approved by the fiscal court.

The fiscal court has not implemented control procedures to ensure approved timesheets agree to payroll summary reports. Furthermore, the fiscal court chose not to create a salary schedule as required by the county's administrative code. The lack of effective internal controls over payroll makes the county vulnerable to fraud related to payroll expenses. There is also a heightened risk that employees could be compensated incorrectly.

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." Review and approval of timesheets and payroll summaries are basic internal controls necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of the payroll process and financial reports.

KRS 441.245 requires, by May 1 of each year, the fiscal court shall pass a resolution detailing: "a. The duties to be performed by the jailer in the upcoming fiscal year; and b. The compensation for the jailer for the upcoming fiscal year, including any cost-of-living adjustments according to the provisions of KRS 64.527[.]"

The Trigg County Administrative Code section 5.16 Selection and Appointment states, "B. The County Judge shall select job candidates to be submitted to Fiscal Court for approval. Fiscal Court shall approve all salaries or appropriate salary schedules."

We recommend the fiscal court approve salaries and hourly wage rates at fixed amounts for all county employees. The fiscal court should also pass a resolution each year detailing the jailer's duties and r compensation. We also recommend the fiscal court strengthen internal controls over the timekeeping function by requiring timesheets to be compared to payroll summary reports to ensure employees receive the accurate wages and leave time.

#### Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

County Judge/Executive's Response: New payroll system should maintain earnings and deductions.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-008 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Properly Reconcile The Payroll Revolving Account

This is a repeat finding and was included in the prior year audit report as finding 2021-007. The Trigg County Fiscal Court's Payroll Revolving Account did not reconcile to zero. For fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the Payroll Revolving Account had an audited reconciled ending balance of \$17,629. In addition, the treasurer presented a reconciliation for the Payroll Revolving Account that had an ending book balance of \$81,301. That reconciliation did not include retirement liabilities when calculating the book balance.

According to the county treasurer, the reason the Payroll Revolving Account do not reconcile to a zero balance is because excess amounts were transferred to the account years ago and have never been returned to the respective operating funds. Since the Payroll Revolving Account is not reconciled to a zero balance, payroll expenses and ending fund balances on the fourth quarter financial statement could be misstated. Also, the surplus balance in the Payroll Revolving Account could be utilized by the fiscal court to operate the county.

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." Ensuring accuracy of bank accounts and reconciling revolving accounts to zero is a basic internal control necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports.

We recommend the fiscal court implement policies and procedures to ensure proper amounts are transferred to the Payroll Revolving Account from the corresponding operating funds. We further recommend the fiscal court ensure the Payroll Revolving Account reconciles to a zero balance.

### Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

County Judge/Executive's Response: The payroll account has had a higher balance as a precaution, however, a smaller amount will be kept in it.

2022-009 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Controls Over The Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) Program

The fiscal court does not have adequate control procedures over the Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) program. The HRA is currently set up so that the fiscal court periodically transfers funds into the insurance account. Throughout the plan year, the fiscal court allows the service organization that handles this program to draw lump sum amounts from the insurance account. The service organization sends an email requesting an amount to be withdrawn. There is no documentation as to which employee the draws are for or the balances in each employee's accounts. There was no documentation that the HRA bank account was reconciled monthly.

The fiscal court did not realize that they should have oversight procedures over the HRA. According to the benefit plan report as of June 30, 2022, the HRA balance was \$15,220. However, the fiscal court's insurance account had a reconciled book balance of \$27,268. This means that the HRA was overfunded by \$12,048.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS: (Continued)

2022-009 The Trigg County Fiscal Court Failed To Implement Adequate Controls Over The Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) Program (Continued)

KRS 46.010(2) requires, "each county treasurer, and each county officer who receives or disburses state funds, to keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, showing a daily balance of receipts and disbursements." KRS 46.010(3) requires, "all county officers handling state funds, other than taxes, to make an annual report to the Department for Local Government showing receipts and disbursements, and to make other financial statements as the Department for Local Government requires." Performing bank reconciliations and comparing them to the HRA balances is a basic internal control necessary to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial reports.

We recommend the fiscal court establish oversight procedures for the HRA and maintain documentation on employees' balances to ensure the appropriate amounts are provided to the HRA. The HRA account should also be reconciled monthly to ensure the balance is accurate.

# Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

County Judge/Executive's Response: The amount in the account is overseen by a third party and contributions are made annually by the Trigg County Fiscal Court.

Auditor's Reply: The Health Reimbursement Account Administrator is not part of the county's system of internal controls. The county should have established monitoring of the administrator to verify accurate record keeping and reporting.



# CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

# TRIGG COUNTY FISCAL COURT

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# CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

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The Trigg County Fiscal Court hereby certifies that assistance received from the Local Government Economic Assistance Program was expended for the purpose intended as dictated by the applicable Kentucky Revised Statutes.

County Judge/Executive

County Treasurer