

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY
REPORT OF AUDIT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2015

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY**

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**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY**
Roster of Officials and Surety Bonds

Board of Commissioners

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount of Surety Bond</u>
George L. Brown	Chairman	(A)
Joseph C. Chew	Vice-Chairman	(A)
George W. Flinn	Secretary	(A)
Richard W. Annacone, Jr.	Treasurer	(B)
Steven M. Funkhouser	Commissioner	(A)

Other Officials

Jeannette M. Cottone	Administrative Clerk	(A)
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(A) All Commissioners and Officials were covered by the VFIS Public Employee Blanket Bond in the amount of \$50,000.00.

(B) The Treasurer position is covered by the VFIS Position Coverage Bond in the amount of \$50,000.00.

FINANCIAL SECTION

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No. 6
Township of Gloucester
Erial, New Jersey 08081

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Fire District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and in compliance with audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of December 31, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter*Adoption of New Accounting Principles*

As discussed in note 1 to the financial statements, during the year ended December 31, 2015, the Fire District adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Prior Period Restatement

Because of the implementation of GASB Statements No. 68 and No. 71, net position as of December 31, 2014 on the statement of activities has been restated, as discussed in note 16 to the financial statements. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters*Required Supplementary Information*

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 14, 2016 on our consideration of the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,



BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP
 Certified Public Accountants
 & Consultants

Voorhees, New Jersey
 June 14, 2016

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No. 6
Township of Gloucester
Erial, New Jersey 08081

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial statement audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and in compliance with audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Fire District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 14, 2016. Our report on the financial statements included an emphasis of matter paragraph describing the restatement of the prior period financial statements resulting from the adoption of new accounting principles.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fire District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6's internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

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* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, in considering the Fire District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bowman & Company LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP
Certified Public Accountants
& Consultants

Voorhees, New Jersey
June 14, 2016

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
PART I

GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014
(UNAUDITED)

As management of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6, we offer readers of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6 financial performance as a whole. Readers should also review the information furnished in the notes to the basic financial statements along with the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 financial performance.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 exceeded its liabilities at the close of 2015 by \$1,060,404.01 (Net Position). By comparison, the assets of Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 exceeded its liabilities at the close of 2014 by \$790,933.55 (Net Position). This reflects an increase in Net Position as of December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$262,327.00 and an increase in Net Position as of December 31, 2015 in the amount of \$269,470.46.
- As of December 31, 2014, the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,300,049.29. As of the close of December 31, 2015, the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 governmental funds reported combined ending Fund balances of \$1,795,229.55. This reflects an increase of \$321,615.34 during 2014. Governmental fund balance increased \$495,180.26 during 2015.
- At the end of 2015, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$1,795,229.55, an approximate increase of 111% from 2014. At the end of 2014, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$836,538.29, approximately a 38% increase from December 31, 2013.
- Compensated Absences decreased in the amount of \$18,691.28 during 2014 and increased \$3,774.53 during 2015.

Overview of Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 basic financial statements. The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 basic financial statements comprise three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the basic financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 finances, in a manner similar to a private sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 net position changed during the most recent year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods (e.g., earned but unused sick leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The activities of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 include firefighting and emergency medical services that are provided to the citizens of and travelers within the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6.

Fund Financial Statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 constitute one fund type, governmental funds.

Governmental Funds. All of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in the future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 general government operations and the basic services it provides. Government fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance firefighting services.

The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 maintains four individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the general fund, special revenue fund, capital projects fund, and the debt service fund.

The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the statement of net position and the statement of activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

Also, Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 adopts an annual budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14:78-3. Budgetary comparison schedules have been provided to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

Notes to the Financial Statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the district-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to financial statements are an integral part of the financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, the net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6, assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,060,404.01 as of December 31, 2015 and \$2,010,245.55 at the close of December 31, 2014.

A significant portion of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6's total assets, (28% as of December 31, 2015, and 37% as of December 31, 2014) reflects its investment in capital assets (i.e. buildings, land improvements and equipment less corresponding debt). The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 uses these assets to provide firefighting services to the citizens of Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6, consequently these assets are not available for future spending.

GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

	2015	2014
CURRENT AND OTHER ASSETS	\$ 1,880,777.93	\$ 1,386,158.50
CAPITAL ASSETS	<u>717,403.23</u>	<u>796,837.99</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>2,598,181.16</u>	<u>2,182,996.49</u>
Deferred Outflow of Resources Related to Pensions	<u>446,257.00</u>	
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
OUTSTANDING	1,749,990.34	90,450.80
OTHER LIABILITIES	<u>195,418.81</u>	<u>82,300.14</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>1,945,409.15</u>	<u>172,750.94</u>
Deferred Inflow of Resources Related to Pensions	<u>38,625.00</u>	
NET POSITION	<u>652,772.01</u>	<u>2,010,245.55</u>
ANALYSIS OF NET POSITION		
NET INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	717,403.23	796,837.99
RESTRICTED	103,511.00	463,511.00
UNRESTRICTED (Deficit)	<u>239,489.78</u>	<u>749,896.56</u>
Restatement to Record the Fire District's Net Pension Liability and Pension Related Deferred Outflows of Resources Per GASB 68		<u>(1,219,312.00)</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 1,060,404.01</u>	<u>\$ 790,933.55</u>

Deferred outflows increased \$446,257.00 as a result of the Fire District's implementation of GASB 68 for its participation in various pension plans.

Overall liabilities increased by \$1,772,658.21. The main contributor to the increase was the establishment of net pension liability from the implementation of GASB 68 for the pension plans.

Deferred inflows of resources increased by \$38,625.00 as a result of the Fire District's implementation of GASB 68 for its participation in various pension plans.

Governmental Activities. The statement of activities shows the cost of the governmental activities program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Key elements of the increase in governmental activities are as follows:

	2015	2014
EXPENSES		
OPERATING EXPENSES		
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 308,489.37	\$ 255,903.36
COST OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE	859,796.76	838,816.43
OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS OFFSET WITH REVENUE	19,606.01	18,238.65
UNALLOCATED DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION	43,117.50	42,885.27
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TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$ 1,231,009.64	\$ 1,155,843.71
REVENUES		
CHARGES FOR SERVICE	24,985.30	25,159.30
OPERATING GRANTS	16,812.25	3,618.25
UNRESTRICTED INVESTMENT EARNINGS	1,098.59	2,820.19
PROPERTY TAXES, LEVIED FOR GENERAL PURPOSES	1,416,450.00	1,375,994.00
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	41,133.96	8,578.97
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TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES	1,500,480.10	1,416,170.71
INCREASE(DECREASE) IN NET POSITION	269,470.46	260,327.00
NET POSITION, JANUARY 1	790,933.55	1,749,918.55
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ENDING NET POSITION, PRIOR TO RESTATEMENT	1,060,404.01	2,010,245.55
Restatement to Record the Fire District's Net Pension Liability and Pensions Related Deferred Outflows of Resources per GASB 68	<hr/>	<hr/>
		(1,219,312.00)
NET POSITION, DECEMBER 31	\$ 1,060,404.01	\$ 790,933.55
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During 2014 property taxes constituted 97% of revenues for government activities for the Fire District. During 2015 property taxes constituted 94% of revenues for government activities.

Cost of Operations and maintenance comprises 70% of fire district expenditures for 2015 and 73% for 2014, with administration comprising 25% for 2015 and 19% for 2014.

Financial Analysis of the Government Funds

As stated earlier, the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Fund. The focus of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of a year and as a useful measure of permitting a governmental unit to maintain cash flow in anticipation of tax collections.

Of the combined ending fund balances of \$1,300,049.29 as of December 31, 2014 unassigned fund balance constituted \$491,038.29. \$345,000.00 constituted assigned Fund Balance for use in 2015. Additional Fund Balance was restricted as of December 31, 2014. Restricted for Future Capital Outlays was set in the amount of \$463,511.00. Of the combined ending fund balance of \$1,795,229.55 as of December 31, 2015 unassigned balance constituted \$627,691.86. \$763,526.69 constituted assigned fund balance for encumbrances. Additional fund balance was restricted as of December 31, 2015. Restricted for future capital outlays was set at \$103,511.00 and dedicated penalties in the amount of \$500.00. \$750,000.00 was committed for the purchase of a fire truck.

The general fund is the main operating fund of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6. At the end of 2014 and 2015, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$491,038.29 and \$627,691.86 respectively.

The fund balance of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 general fund increased by \$221,615.34 for 2014 and increased by \$958,691.26 during 2015.

Key factors are as follows:

2015

- Other Revenue was anticipated in the budget for 2015 in the amount of \$3,140.00 and \$175.00 was received.
- Less was expended for Other Assets Non-Bondable than originally anticipated.
- The cost of professional fees was less than anticipated.
- The cost of maintenance and repair was less than anticipated.
- Less was spent for uniforms than originally anticipated.
- The fire truck has not been purchased.

2014

- Total Revenue was anticipated in the budget for 2014 in the amount of \$1,405,003.00 and \$1,416,170.71 was received.
- The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 spent less than anticipated in the year 2014 for Professional Services.
- The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 spent less than anticipated in the year 2014 for Maintenance and Repair.
- The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 spent less than anticipated for Operations Fringe Benefits during 2014.
- The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 spent less than anticipated during 2014 for Operations Overtime.
- The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 spent less than anticipated for Other Assets Non-Bondable during the year 2014.

The capital projects fund had fund balance as of December 31, 2005 in the amount of \$42,484.00. The \$42,484.00 resulted from a lesser expenditure for fire apparatus than anticipated during 2005. For 2006 the district reserved for future capital outlay an additional

\$30,000.00 resulting in a Capital Projects fund balance as of December 31, 2006 in the amount of \$72,484.00. During 2007 \$30,000.00 was utilized in the budget for that year. This reduced the Reserve for Future Capital Outlays as of December 31, 2007 and 2008 to \$42,484.00. During 2009 \$15,000.00 was added to the reserve resulting in a balance as of December 31, 2009 in the amount of \$57,484.00. During 2010 \$50,000.00 was added to the fund resulting in a balance as of December 31, 2010 in the amount of \$107,484.00. During 2011 \$50,000.00 was added to the fund resulting in a balance as of December 31, 2011 in the amount of \$157,484.00. During 2012 \$90,000.00 was added to the fund resulting in a balance as of December 31, 2012 in the amount of \$247,484.00. During 2013 the Fund increased \$116,027.00 for a balance as of December 31, 2013 in the amount of \$363,511.00. During 2014 the Fund increased \$100,000.00 for a balance as of December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$463,511.00. After transfer to fund the purchase of a fire truck the future capital outlays was reduced to \$103,511.00 as of December 31, 2015.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

During the course of the 2015 and 2014 years the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 modified its general fund budget in conformance with statute.

The key items of variance from the original budget are indicated above.

The final budgetary basis revenue estimates were \$1,405,003.00 for 2014 and \$1,447,084.00 for 2015. The original budgetary estimates were the same. No Fund Balance was anticipated as revenue for 2014. \$805,000.00 of fund balances were anticipated as revenue in 2015.

During the year 2015, the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 budgeted \$1,416,480.00 for property taxes (local tax levy) and \$3,620.00 for state aid revenues (supplemental fire services grant). Fire Safety Act Revenue was budgeted for \$23,274.00. The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 received Fire Safety Act revenues in the amount of \$24,985.30.

During the year 2014, the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 budgeted \$1,375,994.00 for property taxes (local tax levy) and \$3,500.00 for state aid revenues (supplemental fire services grant). Fire Safety Act Revenue was budgeted for \$19,369.00. Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 received fire safety act revenues in the amount of \$25,159.30.

The final budgetary basis expenditures appropriation estimate for 2014 was \$1,405,003.00 and for 2015 was \$2,252,084.00. The original budgetary estimates were the same.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration.

Capital Assets. The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2014 amounts to \$796,837.99 and as of December 31, 2015 amounts to \$717,403.23 (net of Accumulated Depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land improvements, building improvements, vehicles, firefighting equipment, office equipment and furniture. Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 acquired \$8,800.00 of assets during 2014 .

At the end of 2014 the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 had \$2,529,868.14 invested in capital assets. The accumulated depreciation on these items was \$1,733,030.15.

At the end of 2015 the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 had \$2,529,868.14 invested in capital assets. The accumulated depreciation on these items was \$1,812,464.91.

GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
 CAPITAL ASSETS
 (NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION)
 DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

	2015	2014
LAND IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 76,412.00	\$ 78,804.00
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS	504,783.12	545,508.62
FIRE EQUIPMENT	3,638.00	3,638.00
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	1,620.00	1,620.00
FURNITURE	1,000.00	1,000.00
VEHICLES	129,950.11	166,267.37
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS	\$ 717,403.23	\$ 796,837.99

Additional information on the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 capital assets can be found in Note 5 in the notes to Financial Statements.

Long-Term Obligations

The Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 was obligated for compensated absences pertaining to unused sick time in the amount of \$90,450.80 as of December 31, 2014 and \$94,225.33 as of December 31, 2015. Of these amounts, \$13,273.82 and \$12,926.42 were due within one year. The policies of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 pertaining to sick and vacation time are highlighted in note to Financial Statements, number 12, entitled Compensated Absences. The net pension liability is the Fire District's annual required contribution to the pension systems are budgeted and paid on an annual basis. For additional details on the net pension liability, see the notes to the financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Years Budget

For the years 2014 and 2015 the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 was able to sustain its budget through the district tax levy and other sources of revenue. For 2014, 97% of total revenues were from the local tax levy and the remaining 3% was from other sources. For 2015, approximately 94% of total revenue was from the local tax levy, while the remaining 6% was from other sources.

The Board of Fire Commissioners adopted the 2016 budget January 19, 2016, and the voters subsequently approved the budget at the annual fire district election held on February 20, 2016.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 finances for all of those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Jeanette Cottone, Administrative Clerk at Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6, 1946 Williamstown Road, Erial, New Jersey 08081.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6

Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2015

ASSETS:

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,770,582.74
Accounts Receivable, Net (Note 4)	2,432.62
Prepaid Expenses	4,251.57
Restricted Assets:	
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	103,511.00
Capital Assets, net (Note 5)	<u>717,403.23</u>
Total Assets	<u>2,598,181.16</u>

DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:

Related to Pensions (Note 8)	<u>446,257.00</u>
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LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable:	
Other	81,296.81
Pensions	76,081.00
Accrued Liabilities:	
Pensions	38,041.00
Noncurrent Liabilities (Note 6):	
Due within One Year	12,926.42
Due beyond One Year	<u>1,737,063.92</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,945,409.15</u>

DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:

Related to Pensions (Note 8)	<u>38,625.00</u>
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NET POSITION:

Net Investment in Capital Assets	717,403.23
Restricted for:	
Future Capital Outlays	103,511.00
Unrestricted	<u>239,489.78</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 1,060,404.01</u>

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6

Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Expenses:	
Operating Appropriations:	
Administration	\$ 308,489.37
Cost of Operations and Maintenance	859,796.76
Operating Appropriations Offset with Revenues	19,606.01
Unallocated Depreciation and Amortization	<u>43,117.50</u>
Total Program Expenses	<u>1,231,009.64</u>
Program Revenues:	
Charges for Services	24,985.30
Operating Grants and Contributions	<u>16,812.25</u>
Net Program Expenses	<u>1,189,212.09</u>
General Revenues:	
Taxes:	
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes	1,416,450.00
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	1,098.59
Miscellaneous Income	<u>41,133.96</u>
Total General Revenues	<u>1,458,682.55</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>269,470.46</u>
Net Position, January 1	2,010,245.55
Prior Period Adjustment (Note 16)	<u>(1,219,312.00)</u>
Net Position, January 1 (Restated)	<u>790,933.55</u>
Net Position, December 31	<u><u>\$ 1,060,404.01</u></u>

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FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6

Balance Sheet
 Governmental Funds
 December 31, 2015

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,874,093.74				\$ 1,874,093.74
Intergovernmental Accounts Receivable					
Other	2,432.62				2,432.62
Total Assets	\$ 1,876,526.36	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,876,526.36
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:					
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ 64,989.53				\$ 64,989.53
Payroll Liabilities Payable	16,307.28				16,307.28
Total Liabilities	81,296.81				81,296.81
Fund Balances:					
Restricted:					
Dedicated Penalties	500.00				500.00
Future Capital Outlay	103,511.00				103,511.00
Committed:					
Other Purposes	750,000.00				750,000.00
Assigned:					
Other Purposes	13,526.69				13,526.69
For Subsequent Year's Expenditures	300,000.00				300,000.00
Unassigned:					
General Fund	627,691.86				627,691.86
Total Fund Balances	1,795,229.55				1,795,229.55
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 1,876,526.36	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(Continued)

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6

Balance Sheet
 Governmental Funds
 December 31, 2015

Amounts reported for *governmental activities* in the statement of net position (A-1) are different because:

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond year end that are recorded as expenditures at the time of payment in the governmental funds.	\$ 4,251.57
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. The cost of the assets is \$2,529,868.14, and the accumulated depreciation is \$1,812,464.91.	717,403.23
Long-term liabilities, including compensated absences, and pension liability are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds.	(1,749,990.34)
Deferred outflows and deferred inflows related to pensions represent the consumption and acquisition, respectively, of resources that relate to future periods; therefore, such amounts are not reported in the fund financial statements.	407,632.00
Accounts payable and accrued expenses related to pensions are not liquidated with current financial resources; therefore, such amounts are not recorded in the fund financial statements.	<u>(114,122.00)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	<u><u>\$ 1,060,404.01</u></u>

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
REVENUES:					
Miscellaneous Anticipated Revenues	\$ 1,273.59				\$ 1,273.59
Operating Grant Revenue	3,618.25				3,618.25
Miscellaneous Revenues Offset with Appropriations	24,985.30				24,985.30
Amount to be Raised by Taxation to Support the District Budget	1,416,450.00				1,416,450.00
Non-Budgetary Revenues	40,958.96				40,958.96
Total Revenues	1,487,286.10				1,487,286.10
EXPENDITURES:					
Operating Appropriations:					
Administration	275,243.77				275,243.77
Cost of Operations and Maintenance	697,256.06				697,256.06
Operating Appropriations Offset with Revenues	19,606.01				19,606.01
Total Expenditures	992,105.84				992,105.84
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	495,180.26				495,180.26
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Operating Transfer In (Out)	463,511.00		\$ (463,511.00)		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	463,511.00		(463,511.00)		
Net Change in Fund Balances	958,691.26		(463,511.00)		495,180.26
Fund Balance, January 1	836,538.29		463,511.00		1,300,049.29
Fund Balance, December 31	\$ 1,795,229.55	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,795,229.55

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TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
 Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
 and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
 to the Statement of Activities
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 495,180.26
<p>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A-2) are different because:</p>	
<p>Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the period.</p>	
Depreciation Expense	(79,434.76)
<p>In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses, (e.g., compensated absences, pension), are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are reported in the amount of financial resources used (paid). When the earned amount exceeds the paid amount, the difference is reduction in the reconciliation (-); when the paid amount exceeds the earned amount the difference is an addition to the reconciliation (+).</p>	
	(159,469.04)
<p>Revenue recognized from non-employer special funding situations with pension plans (long-term liability) is not recognized as revenue in the fund financial statements but is recognized as revenue from contributions in the statement of activities.</p>	
	<u>13,194.00</u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$269,470.46</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Township of Gloucester Fire District No. 6 (the "Fire District") have been prepared to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the more significant of these policies.

Description of the Financial Reporting Entity

The Fire District is a political subdivision of the Township of Gloucester (the "Township"), Camden County, New Jersey. The Township is comprised of an area of approximately 23.26 square miles. It is bounded by Gloucester County to the west, the Township of Winslow to the south, the Boroughs of Runnemede and Magnolia to the north and the Boroughs Somerdale, Stratford, Hi-Nella, Lindenwold, Pine Hill and Clementon on the east. As of the 2010 United States Census, the Township's population was 64,634. The Fire District was formed in December of 1977 through the adoption of a Township ordinance. A board of five commissioners oversees all operations of the Fire District. The length of each commissioner's term is three years with the annual election held the third Saturday of every February.

Fire Districts are governed by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-70 et al. and are organized as a taxing authority charged with the responsibility of providing the resources necessary to provide firefighting services to the residents within its territorial location. The Fire District is served by independent contracted firefighters.

The primary criterion for including activities within the Fire District's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, is the degree of oversight responsibility maintained by the Fire District. Oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. The combined financial statements include all funds of the Fire District over which the Board of Commissioners exercises operating control.

Component Units

In evaluating how to define the Fire District for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include any potential component units in the financial reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*, and GASB Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34*. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are in-substance part of the government's operations. Each discretely presented component unit is reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the government.

The basic-but not the only-criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the government and / or its citizens.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Component Units (Cont'd)**

A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the government is able to exercise oversight responsibilities. Finally, the nature and significance of a potential component unit to the primary government could warrant its inclusion within the reporting entity.

Based upon the application of these criteria, the Fire District has no component units, and is not a component unit of another governmental agency.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The Fire District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. The Fire District's operations consist of governmental activities, which normally are supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues. The Fire District has no business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. If the Fire District had business-type activities, such activities would be reported separately from governmental activities.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and, therefore, clearly identifiable to a particular function. It is the policy of the Fire District to not allocate indirect expenses to functions in the statement of activities. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Property taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

In regards to the fund financial statements, the Fire District segregates transactions related to certain functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Fire District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a single column.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Property taxes (ad valorem) are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied, as under New Jersey State Statute, a municipality is required to remit to its fire district the entire balance of taxes in the amount voted upon or certified, prior to the end of the fire district year. The Fire District records the entire approved tax levy as revenue (accrued) at the start of the year since the revenue is both measurable and available. The Fire District is entitled to receive moneys under the following established payment schedule: on or before April 1, an amount equaling 21.25% of all moneys assessed; on or before July 1, an amount equaling 22.5% of all moneys assessed; on or before October 1, an amount equaling 25% of all moneys assessed; and on or before December 31, an amount equaling the difference between the total of all moneys so assessed and the total amount of moneys previously paid over.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (Cont'd)**

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when they are deemed both available and measurable. Available means when revenues are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Fire District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty (60) days of the end of the current year. Measurable means that the amount of revenue can be determined. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

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

The Fire District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - The general fund is the primary operating fund of the Fire District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The acquisition of certain capital assets, such as firefighting apparatus and equipment, is accounted for in the general fund when it is responsible for the financing of such expenditures.

Special Revenue Fund - The special revenue fund is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Capital Projects Fund - The capital projects fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The financial resources are derived from temporary notes and serial bonds which are specifically authorized by the voters as a separate question on the ballot either during the annual election or at a special election.

Debt Service Fund - The debt service fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all property taxes.

Budgets / Budgetary Control

The Fire District must adopt an annual budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.1 et al. The fire commissioners must introduce and approve the annual budget not later than sixty days prior to the annual election. At introduction, the commissioners shall fix the time and place for a public hearing on the budget and must advertise the time and place at least ten days prior to the hearing in a newspaper having substantial circulation in the Fire District. The public hearing must not be held less than twenty-eight days after the date the budget was introduced. After the hearing has been held, the fire commissioners may, by majority vote, adopt the budget.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Budgets / Budgetary Control (Cont'd)**

Amendments may be made to the Fire District budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.3. The budget may not be amended subsequent to its final adoption and approval, except for provisions allowed by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.5.

Subsequent to the adoption of the Fire District budget, the amount of money to be raised by taxation in support of the Fire District budget must appear on the ballot for the annual election for approval of the legal voters.

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For governmental funds, there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

The accounting records of the special revenue fund are maintained on the budgetary basis. The budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that the budgetary basis recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. Sufficient supplemental records are maintained to allow for the presentation of GAAP basis financial reports.

The budget, as detailed on exhibit C-1, includes all amendments and modifications to the adopted budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

Exhibit C-3 presents a reconciliation of the general fund revenues and special revenue fund revenues and expenditures from the budgetary basis of accounting as presented in the general fund budgetary comparison schedule and the special revenue fund budgetary comparison schedule, to the GAAP basis of accounting as presented in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds. Note that the Fire District does not report encumbrances outstanding at year end as expenditures in the general fund since the general fund budget follows modified accrual basis of accounting.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded to assign a portion of the applicable appropriation, is utilized for budgetary control purposes. Encumbrances are a component of fund balance at year-end as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities, but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services. Open encumbrances in the governmental funds, other than the special revenue fund, which have not been previously restricted, committed, or assigned, should be included within committed or assigned fund balance, as appropriate.

Open encumbrances in the special revenue fund, however, for which the Fire District has received advances of grant awards, are reflected on the balance sheet as unearned revenues at year-end.

The encumbered appropriation authority carries over into the next year. An entry will be made at the beginning of the next year to increase the appropriation reflected in the certified budget by the outstanding encumbrance amount as of the current year end.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments**

Cash and cash equivalents, for all funds, include petty cash, change funds, cash in banks and all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase and are stated at cost plus accrued interest. U.S. treasury and agency obligations and certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

New Jersey fire districts are limited as to the types of investments and types of financial institutions they may invest in. N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 provides a list of permissible investments that may be purchased by New Jersey fire districts.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"), a multiple financial institutional collateral pool, which was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. Public depositories include State or federally chartered banks, savings banks or associations located in or having a branch office in the State of New Jersey, the deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of governmental units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the amount of their deposits to the governmental units.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market. The costs are determined on a first-in, first-out method.

The cost of inventories in the governmental fund financial statements is recorded as expenditures when purchased rather than when consumed.

Inventories recorded on the government-wide financial statements are recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased. At December 31, 2015, no material amount of inventories existed.

Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid expenses recorded on the government-wide financial statements represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 2015. At December 31, 2015 \$4,251.57 prepaid expenses existed.

In the governmental fund financial statements, however, payments for prepaid items are fully recognized as expenditures in the year of payment. No asset for the prepayment is created, and no expenditure allocation to future accounting periods is required (*non-allocation method*). This is consistent with the basic governmental concept that only expendable financial resources are reported by a specific fund.

Short-Term Interfund Receivables / Payables

Short-term interfund receivables / payables (internal balances) represent amounts that are owed, other than charges for goods or services rendered to / from a particular fund within the Fire District, and that are due within one year. Such balances are eliminated in the statement of net position to minimize the grossing up of internal balances.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Capital Assets**

Capital assets represent the cumulative amount of capital assets owned by the Fire District. Purchased capital assets are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund financial statements and are capitalized at cost on the government-wide statement of net position. In the case of gifts or contributions, such capital assets are recorded at fair market value at the time received.

The Fire District's capitalization threshold is \$5,000.00. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance is expensed as incurred. All reported capital assets, except land and construction in progress, are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Land Improvements	10 - 20 Years
Buildings and Improvements	10 - 50 Years
Fire Equipment	5 - 20 Years
Office Equipment	5 - 20 Years
Furniture	5 - 20 Years
Vehicles	5 - 10 Years

The Fire District does not possess any infrastructure assets.

Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources

The statement of net position reports separate sections for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, reported after total assets, represents a reduction of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) at that time. Deferred inflows of resources, reported after total liabilities, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) at that time.

Transactions are classified as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources only when specifically prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) standards. The Fire District is required to report the following as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources:

Defined Benefit Pension Plans - The difference between expected (actuarial) and actual experience, changes in actuarial assumptions, net difference between projected (actuarial) and actual earnings on pension plan investments, changes in the Fire District's proportion of expenses and liabilities to the pension as a whole, differences between the Fire District's pension contribution and its proportionate share of contributions, and the Fire District's pension contributions subsequent to the pension valuation measurement date.

Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied and is recorded as a liability until the revenue is both measurable and the Fire District is eligible to realize the revenue.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Compensated Absences**

Compensated absences are payments to employees for accumulated time such as paid vacation, paid holidays, sick pay, and sabbatical leave. A liability for compensated absences that is attributable to services already rendered, and that are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Fire District and its employees, is accrued as the employees earn the rights to the benefits. Compensated absences that relate to future services, or that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Fire District and its employees, are accounted for in the period in which such services are rendered or in which such events take place.

The Fire District uses the vesting method to calculate the compensated absences amount. The entire compensated absence liability, including the employer's share of applicable taxes, is reported on the government-wide financial statements. The current portion is the amount estimated to be used in the following year. Expenditures are recognized in the governmental funds as payments come due each period, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements. Compensated absences not recorded at the fund level represent a reconciling item between the fund level and government-wide presentations.

Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements. In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner, and in full from current financial resources, are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments, compensated absences, special termination benefits, and contractually required pension contributions that will be paid from governmental funds, are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are normally expected to be paid with expendable available financial resources. Bonds are recognized as a liability on the governmental fund financial statements when due.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS") and Police and Firemen's Retirement System ("PFRS") and additions to/deductions from PERS's and PFRS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plans. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Net Position

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

Net Investment in Capital Assets - This component represents capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, net of outstanding balances of borrowings used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted - Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Fire District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Net Position (Cont'd)**

Unrestricted - Net position is reported as unrestricted when it does not meet the criteria of the other two components of net position.

The Fire District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

Fund Balance

The Fire District reports fund balance in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the Fire District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. The Fire District's classifications, and policies for determining such classifications, are as follows:

Nonspendable - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash, such as inventories and prepaid amounts.

Restricted - The restricted fund balance classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes. Such restrictions, or constraints, are placed on the use of resources either by being (1) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Fire District's highest level of decision-making authority, which, for the Fire District, is the Board of Fire Commissioners. Such formal action consists of an affirmative vote by the Board of Fire Commissioners, memorialized by the adoption of a resolution. Once committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Fire Commissioners removes, or changes, the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts.

Assigned - The assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are constrained by the Fire District's *intent* to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. *Intent* is expressed by either the Board of Fire Commissioners or by the accountant, to which the Board of Fire Commissioners has delegated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. Such authority of the accountant is established by way of a formal job description for the position, approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners

Unassigned - The unassigned fund balance classification is the residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund is the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceed the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available, it is the policy of the Fire District to spend restricted fund balances first. Moreover, when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used, it is the policy of the Fire District to spend fund balances, if appropriate, in the following order: committed, assigned, then unassigned.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Interfund Activity**

Interfund receivables and payables that arise from transactions between funds are recorded by all funds affected by such transactions in the period in which the transaction is executed. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources / uses in governmental funds. Reimbursements from funds responsible for particular expenditures / expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles**Recently Issued and Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Fire District adopted GASB 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, and GASB 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*. As a result of adopting such Statements, the Fire District was required to measure and recognize liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures related to their defined benefit pensions. The cumulative effect of adopting GASB Statements No. 68 and No. 71 totaled \$1,219,312.00, and was recognized as a restatement of the Fire District's December 31, 2014 net position on the statement of activities (see note 16).

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles (Cont'd)**Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

The GASB has issued the following Statements which will become effective in future years as shown below:

Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. This Statement addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements. The definition of fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. This Statement provides guidance for determining a fair value measurement for financial reporting purposes. This Statement also provides guidance for applying fair value to certain investments and disclosures related to all fair value measurements. The Statement will become effective for the Fire District for the year ending December 31, 2016. Management has not yet determined the impact of this Statement on the financial statements.

Statement No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*. The objective of this Statement is to improve the usefulness of information about pensions included in the general purpose external financial reports of state and local governments for making decisions and assessing accountability. The Statement will become effective for the Fire District for the year ending December 31, 2016. Management does not expect this Statement will have an impact on the financial statements.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles (Cont'd)****Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements (Cont'd)**

Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*. The objective of this Statement is to improve the usefulness of information about postemployment benefits other than pensions (other postemployment benefits or OPEB) included in the general purpose external financial reports of state and local governmental OPEB plans for making decisions and assessing accountability. The Statement will become effective for the Fire District for the year ending December 31, 2017. Management does not expect this Statement will have an impact on the financial statements.

Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for postemployment benefits other than pensions (other postemployment benefits or OPEB). It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for OPEB that is provided by other entities. The Statement will become effective for the Fire District for the year ending December 31, 2018. Management has not yet determined the impact of this Statement on the financial statements.

Statement No. 76, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments*. The objective of this Statement is to identify, in the context of the current governmental financial reporting environment, the hierarchy of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The "GAAP hierarchy" consists of the sources of accounting principles used to prepare financial statements of state and local governmental entities in conformity with GAAP and the framework for selecting those principles. This Statement reduces the GAAP hierarchy to two categories of authoritative GAAP and addresses the use of authoritative and nonauthoritative literature in the event that the accounting treatment for a transaction or other event is not specified within a source of authoritative GAAP. The Statement will become effective for the Fire District for the year ending December 31, 2016. Management does not expect this Statement will have an impact on the financial statements.

Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*. This Statement requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose certain information about the agreements. The Statement will become effective for the Fire District for the year ending December 31, 2017. Management does not expect this Statement will have an impact on the notes to the financial statements.

Note 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Fire District's deposits might not be recovered. Although the Fire District does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. requires that governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). Under the Act, the first \$250,000.00 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). Public funds owned by the Fire District in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA. However, GUDPA does not protect intermingled agency funds such as salary withholdings or funds that may pass to the Fire District relative to the happening of a future condition. Such funds are classified as uninsured and uncollateralized. Of the Fire District's amount on deposit of \$1,878,023.65 as of December 31, 2015, \$250,000.00 was insured under FDIC, \$1,628,023.65 was insured under GUDPA.

Note 3: PROPERTY TAX LEVIES

Following is a tabulation of Fire District assessed valuations, tax levies, and property tax rates per \$100.00 of assessed valuations for the current and preceding four years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>Total Tax Levy</u>	<u>Tax Rate</u>
2015	\$ 1,039,810,200.00	\$ 1,416,450.00	\$.137
2014	1,045,492,700.00	1,375,994.00	.132
2013	1,062,565,100.00	1,278,602.00	.121
2012	1,076,651,600.00	1,264,383.00	.118
2011	1,061,522,611.00	1,183,143.00	.112

Note 4: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts Receivable as of year-end for the Fire District's individual major funds, in the aggregate, are as follows:

	<u>Government- Wide</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>
Intergovernmental:					
Other	\$ 2,432.62	\$ 2,432.62			
Total	\$ 2,432.62	\$ 2,432.62	\$ -	-	-

Note 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2015 is as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>Jan. 1, 2015</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>Dec. 31, 2015</u>
Capital Assets that are being Depreciated:				
Land Improvements	\$ 108,800.00			\$ 108,800.00
Building and Improvements	1,274,101.85			1,274,101.85
Fire Equipment	36,473.00			36,473.00
Office Equipment	16,183.00			16,183.00
Furniture	10,570.12			10,570.12
Vehicles	1,083,740.17			1,083,740.17
Total Capital Assets being Depreciated	<u>2,529,868.14</u>			<u>2,529,868.14</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Land Improvements	(29,996.00)	\$ (2,392.00)		(32,388.00)
Buildings and Improvements	(728,593.23)	(40,725.50)		(769,318.73)
Fire Equipment	(32,835.00)			(32,835.00)
Office Equipment	(14,563.00)			(14,563.00)
Furniture	(9,570.12)			(9,570.12)
Vehicles	(917,472.80)	(36,317.26)		(953,790.06)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(1,733,030.15)</u>	<u>(79,434.76)</u>		<u>(1,812,464.91)</u>
Total Capital Assets being Depreciated, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>796,837.99</u>	<u>(79,434.76)</u>		<u>717,403.23</u>
Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 796,837.99</u>	<u>\$ (79,434.76)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 717,403.23</u>

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

Cost of Operations and Maintenance	\$ 36,317.26
Unallocated	<u>43,117.50</u>
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$ 79,434.76</u>

Note 6: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

During the year ended December 31, 2015 the following changes occurred in long-term obligations for governmental activities:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>Jan. 1, 2015</u> <u>(Restated)</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>Dec. 31, 2015</u>	<u>Due within</u> <u>One Year</u>
Compensated Absences	\$ 90,450.80	\$ 6,301.14	\$ (2,526.61)	\$ 94,225.33	\$ 12,926.42
Net Pension Liability (Note 8)	1,200,445.00	678,011.00	(222,691.00)	1,655,765.00	
Governmental Activity Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,290,895.80</u>	<u>\$ 684,312.14</u>	<u>\$ (225,217.61)</u>	<u>\$ 1,749,990.33</u>	<u>\$ 12,926.42</u>

Compensated Absences - Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries are paid. Refer to note 12 for a description of the Fire District's policy.

Net Pension Liability - For details on the net pension liability, refer to note 8. The Fire District's annual required contribution to the Public Employees' Retirement System and the Police and Firemen's Retirement System are budgeted and paid from the general fund on an annual basis.

Note 7: OPERATING LEASES

At December 31, 2015, the Fire District did not have any operating leases.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS

A substantial number of the Fire District's employees participate in one of the following defined benefit pension plans: the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS") and the Police and Firemen's Retirement System ("PFRS"), which are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. In addition, the Defined Contribution Retirement Program ("DCRP"), which is a defined contribution pension plan, is available for certain employees. This plan is administered by Prudential Financial for the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. Each plan has a Board of Trustees that is primarily responsible for its administration. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to:

State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295
<http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions>

General Information about the Pension Plans**Plan Descriptions**

Public Employees' Retirement System - The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A. The PERS's designated purpose is to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the PERS is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the Fire District, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state pensions fund or local jurisdiction's pension fund. The PERS's Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PERS.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The Police and Firemen's Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which was established as of July 1, 1944, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:16A. The PFRS's designated purpose is to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the PFRS is mandatory for substantially all full-time firemen of the Fire District. The PFRS's Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PFRS.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program is a multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund established on July 1, 2007 under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007, and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 (N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et seq.). The DCRP is a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) § 401(a) et seq., and is a "governmental plan" within the meaning of IRC § 414(d). The DCRP provides retirement benefits for eligible employees and their beneficiaries. Individuals covered under DCRP are employees enrolled in PERS on or after July 1, 2007, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees enrolled in PFRS after May 21, 2010, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PERS on or after November 2, 2008, who do not earn the minimum annual salary for tier 3 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually; and employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PERS after May 21, 2010 who do not work the minimum number of hours per week required for tiers 4 or 5 enrollment, but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)****Vesting and Benefit Provisions**

Public Employees' Retirement System - The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and 43:3B. The PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of the PERS.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 21, 2010
- 4 Members who were eligible to enroll after May 21, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 5 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. The PFRS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after 10 years of service, except disability benefits, which vest after 4 years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to May 22, 2010
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2.0% of final compensation for each year of creditable service, as defined, up to 30 years plus 1.0% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65.0% (tiers 1 and 2 members) and 60.0% (tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1.0% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2.0% of final compensation for each year of service.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)****Vesting and Benefit Provisions (Cont'd)**

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - Eligible members are provided with a defined contribution retirement plan intended to qualify for favorable Federal income tax treatment under IRC Section 401(a), a noncontributory group life insurance plan and a noncontributory group disability benefit plan. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employee contributions shall immediately become and shall at all times remain fully vested and nonforfeitable. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employer contributions shall be vested and nonforfeitable on the date the participant commences the second year of employment or upon his or her attainment of age 65, while employed by an employer, whichever occurs first.

Contributions

Public Employees' Retirement System - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Members contribute at a uniform rate. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, the active member contribution rate increased from 5.5% of annual compensation to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased-in over 7 years beginning in July 2012. The member contribution rate was 6.78% in State fiscal year 2014. The phase-in of the additional incremental member contribution rate takes place in July of each subsequent State fiscal year. The rate for members who are eligible for the Prosecutors Part of PERS (Chapter 366, P.L. 2001) increased from 8.5% of base salary to 10%. Employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate. The Fire District's contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which included the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability.

The Fire District's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended December 31, 2015 was 26.96% of the Fire District's covered-employee payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, including an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PERS measurement date as of June 30, 2015, the Fire District's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2015 is, \$17,219.00 which is payable by April 1, 2016. Based on the PERS measurement date of June 30, 2014, the Fire District's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$15,508.00, which was paid on April 1, 2015. Employee contributions to the Plan during the year ended December 31, 2015 were \$4,463.82.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate. The annual employer contributions include funding for basic retirement allowances and noncontributory death benefits. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, the active member contribution rate increased from 8.5% to 10.0% in October 2011.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)****Contributions (Cont'd)**

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (Cont'd) - Special Funding Situation Component - Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the State is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a *special funding situation* as defined by GASB Statement No. 68, and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to record on the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation.

The Fire District's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended December 31, 2015 was 25.67% of the Fire District's covered-employee payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PFRS measurement date of June 30, 2015, the Fire District's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$58,862.00, which is payable by April 1, 2016. The Fire District's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$3,793.00, which was paid on April 1, 2015. Employee contributions to the plan during the year ended December 31, 2015 were \$22,932.40.

The amount of contractually required contribution for the State of New Jersey's proportionate share, associated with the Fire District, for the year ended December 31, 2015 was 2.40% of the Fire District's covered-employee payroll.

Based on the most recent PFRS measurement date as of June 30, 2015, the State's contractually required contribution on-behalf of the Fire District, to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2015 is \$5,506.00, and is payable by April 1, 2016. Based on the PFRS measurement date of June 30, 2014, the State's contractually required contribution, on-behalf of the Fire District, to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$3,793.00. This amount was paid on April 1, 2015.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-3 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. In addition to the employee contributions, the Fire District contributes 3% of the employees' base salary, for each pay period, to Prudential Financial not later than the fifth business day after the date on which the employee is paid for that pay period.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Fire District had no employees enrolled in DCRP.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

Public Employees' Retirement System - At December 31, 2015, the Fire District's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability was \$449,596.00. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2014. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2015. The Fire District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Fire District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. For June 30, 2015 measurement date, the Fire District's proportion was 0.0020028339%, which was a decrease of .0018811586% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Fire District's proportionate share of the PERS pension expense, calculated by the Plan as of the June 30, 2015 measurement date was \$34,951.00.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - At December 31, 2015, the Fire District's and State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability was as follows:

Districts's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,206,169.00
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Associated with the District	<u>105,777.00</u>
	<u><u>\$ 1,311,946.00</u></u>

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2014. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2015. The Fire District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Fire District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers and the State of New Jersey, actuarially determined. For the June 30, 2015 measurement date, the Fire District's proportion was .0072414269%, which was an increase of .0004981531% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014. Likewise, at June 30, 2015, the State of New Jersey's proportion on-behalf of the Fire District was .0072414269%, which was an increase of .0004981531% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014.

At December 31, 2015, the Fire District's proportionate share of the PFRS pension expense, calculated by the plan as of June 30, 2015 measurement date is \$ 127,291.00.

At December 31, 2015, the State's proportionate share of the PFRS pension expense, associated with the Fire District, calculated by the Plan as of June 30, 2015 measurement date is \$13,194.00. This on-behalf expense has been recognized by the Fire District in the government-wide financial statements.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)**

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources - At December 31, 2015, the Fire District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources			Deferred Inflows of Resources		
	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 10,726.00		\$ 10,726.00		\$ 10,404.00	\$ 10,404.00
Changes of Assumptions	48,283.00	\$ 222,689.00	270,972.00			
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments				\$ 7,229.00	20,992.00	28,221.00
Changes in Proportion and Differences between District Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	25,379.00	101,139.00	126,518.00			
District Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	8,610.00	29,431.00	38,041.00			
	<u>\$ 92,998.00</u>	<u>\$ 353,259.00</u>	<u>\$ 446,257.00</u>	<u>\$ 7,229.00</u>	<u>\$ 31,396.00</u>	<u>\$ 38,625.00</u>

\$8,610.00 and \$29,431.00 for PERS and PFRS, respectively, included in deferred outflows of resources, will be included as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2016. These amounts were based on an estimated April 1, 2017 contractually required contribution, prorated from the pension plans measurement date as of June 30, 2015 to the Fire District's year end of December 31, 2015.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)**

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd) - Other amounts included as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in future periods as follows:

	<u>PERS</u>		<u>PFRS</u>	
	<u>Deferred Outflow of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflow of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Outflow of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflow of Resources</u>
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience				
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:				
June 30, 2014				
June 30, 2015	5.72			5.53
Changes of Assumptions				
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:				
June 30, 2014	6.44		6.17	
June 30, 2015	5.72		5.53	
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments				
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:				
June 30, 2014		5.00		5.00
June 30, 2015		5.00		5.00
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Township Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions				
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:				
June 30, 2014	6.44	6.44	6.17	6.17
June 30, 2015	5.72	5.72	5.53	5.53

Other amounts included as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in future periods as follows:

<u>Year Ending</u>		<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Dec 31,</u>				
2016	\$	14,836.00	\$ 59,488.00	\$ 74,324.00
2017		14,836.00	59,488.00	74,324.00
2018		14,834.00	59,488.00	74,322.00
2019		20,085.00	81,128.00	101,213.00
2020		12,568.00	32,840.00	45,408.00
		<u>\$ 77,159.00</u>	<u>\$ 292,432.00</u>	<u>\$ 369,591.00</u>

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Actuarial Assumptions**

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2014. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2015. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>
Inflation	3.04%	3.04%
Salary Increases:		
2012-2021	2.15% - 4.40% Based on Age	2.60% - 9.48% Based on Age
Thereafter	3.15% - 5.40% Based on Age	3.60% - 10.48% Based on Age
Investment Rate of Return	7.90%	7.90%
Mortality Rate Table	RP-2000	RP-2000
Period of Actuarial Experience		
Study upon which Actuarial Assumptions were Based	July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2011	July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2013

For PERS, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Male and Female Mortality Tables (setback 1 year for males and females) for service retirement and beneficiaries of former members with adjustments for mortality improvements from the base year of 2012 based on Projection Scale AA. The RP – Disabled Mortality Tables (setback 3 years for males and setback 1 year for females) are used to value disabled retirees.

For PFRS, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Male and Female Mortality Tables projected on year using Projection Scale AA and one year using Projection Scale BB for male service retirements with adjustments for mortality improvements from the base year based on Projection Scale BB. Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Tables projected fourteen years using Projection Scale BB for female service retirements and beneficiaries with adjustments for mortality improvements from the base year of 2014 based on Projection Scale BB.

For PERS and PFRS, in accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.90% at June 30, 2015) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net pension plan investment expenses and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)**

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of returns for each major asset class included in PERS's and PFRS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2015 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	5.00%	1.04%
U.S. Treasuries	1.75%	1.64%
Investment Grade Credit	10.00%	1.79%
Mortgages	2.10%	1.62%
High Yield Bonds	2.00%	4.03%
Inflation-Indexed Bonds	1.50%	3.25%
Broad U.S. Equities	27.25%	8.52%
Developed Foreign Equities	12.00%	6.88%
Emerging Market Equities	6.40%	10.00%
Private Equity	9.25%	12.41%
Hedge Funds / Absolute Return	12.00%	4.72%
Real Estate (Property)	2.00%	6.83%
Commodities	1.00%	5.32%
Global Debt ex U.S.	3.50%	-0.40%
REIT	4.25%	5.12%
	<u>100.00%</u>	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability at June 30, 2015 was 4.90% for PERS and 5.79% for PFRS. For both PERS and PFRS, the respective single blended discount rates were based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.90%, and a municipal bond rate of 3.80% as of June 30, 2015, based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/ Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rates assumed that contributions from Plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and for PFRS, the non-employer contributing entity, will be made based on the average of the last five years of contributions. Based on those assumptions, the Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2033 for PERS and 2045 for PFRS. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2033 for PERS and 2045 for PFRS, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Sensitivity of Fire District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - The following presents the Fire District's proportionate share of the net pension liability at June 30, 2015, the Plan's measurement date, calculated using a discount rate of 4.90%, as well as what the Fire District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used:

	PERS		
	1% Decrease (3.90%)	Current Discount Rate (4.90%)	1% Increase (5.90%)
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 558,793.00	\$ 449,596.00	\$ 358,046.00

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) - As previously mentioned, PFRS has a special funding situation where the State of New Jersey pays a portion of the Fire District's annual required contribution. As such, the net pension liability as of June 30, 2015, the Plan's measurement date, for the Fire District and the State of New Jersey, calculated using a discount rate of 5.79%, as well as using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used is as follows:

	PFRS		
	1% Decrease (4.79%)	Current Discount Rate (5.79%)	1% Increase (6.79%)
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,590,114.00	\$ 1,206,169.00	\$ 893,096.00
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability associated with the District	139,448.00	105,777.00	78,322.00
	<u>\$ 1,729,562.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,311,946.00</u>	<u>\$ 971,418.00</u>

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits financial report. Information on where to obtain the report is indicated at the beginning of this note.

Note 9: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS

Plan Description - The Fire District contributes to the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan, administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. SHBP was established in 1961 under N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq., to provide health benefits to State employees, retirees, and their dependents. Rules governing the operation and administration of the program are found in Title 17, Chapter 9 of the New Jersey Administrative Code. SHBP provides medical, prescription drugs, mental health/substance abuse, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents.

The SHBP was extended to employees, retirees, and dependents of participating local public employers in 1964. Local employers must adopt a resolution to participate in the SHBP. In 1999, the Fire District authorized participation in the SHBP's post-retirement benefit program through the approval of the employment contracts through resolution number R-14-99. The Fire District provides postemployment health care benefits, at its cost, to all Fire District retirees who at the date of retirement have not less than twenty-five (25) years of service credit in a state locally administered retirement system. Benefits provided include health insurance and prescription coverage for retirees and their dependents only during the retired employees' life.

The State Health Benefits Commission is the executive body established by statute to be responsible for the operation of the SHBP. The State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the SHBP. That report may be obtained by writing to: State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, NJ 08625-0295 or by visiting their website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/.

Funding Policy - Participating employers are contractually required to contribute based on the amount of premiums attributable to their retirees. Post-retirement medical benefits under the plan have been funded on a pay-as-you-go basis since 1994. Prior to 1994, medical benefits were funded on an actuarial basis.

Contributions to pay for the health premiums of participating retirees in the SHBP are billed to the Fire District on a monthly basis. The Fire District funds these benefits on a pay-as-you-go basis and, therefore, does not record accrued expenses related to these benefits.

At December 31, 2015, there are no Fire District retirees receiving these benefits.

Note 10: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Fire District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

Property and Liability Insurance - The Fire District maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability, and surety bonds.

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance - The Fire District has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Contribution Method". Under this method, a contribution rate is established annually for the Fire District's share of unemployment tax. The rate is based on cost experience for all government employers.

Note 10: RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

Joint Insurance Fund - The Fire District is a member of the First Responder Joint Insurance Fund. The Fund provides its members with the following coverage:

Workers' Compensation
Property
Management Liability
Employment Practices Liability
Environmental Impairment Liability
Commercial General Liability
Crime
Business Automobile
Emergency Apparatus
Portable Equipment
Excess Liability

Contributions to the Fund, including a reserve for contingencies, are payable in three installments and are based on actuarial assumptions determined by the Fund's actuary. The Commissioner of Insurance may order additional assessments to supplement the Fund's claim, loss retention, or administrative accounts to assure the payment of the Fund's obligations. The Fund also participates in the Municipal Excess Liability Fund which provides excess insurance coverage.

The Fund provides the Fire District with the following coverage:

Property
Boiler & Machinery
Crime
General Liability
Automobile
Workers' Compensation
Environmental Impairment Liability
Management Liability
Excess Liability – Auto & General Liability

Contributions to the Fund, are payable in three installment premiums and is based on actuarial assumptions determined by the Fund's actuary. The Fire District's agreement with the pool provides that the pool will be self-sustaining through member premiums.

The Fund publishes its own financial report for the year ended December 31, 2015, which can be obtained from:

First Responder Joint Insurance Fund
51 Everett Drive, Suite 40-B
West Windsor, NJ 08550

Note 11: DEFERRED COMPENSATION

The Fire District offers its employees a Deferred Compensation Plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services. The Plan, available to all full time employees at their option, permits employees to defer a portion of their salary to future years. The deferred compensation is not available to participants until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency.

Amounts deferred under Section 457 plans must be held in trust for the exclusive benefit of participating employees and not be accessible by the Fire District or its creditors. Since the Fire District does not have a fiduciary relationship with the Plan, the balances and activities of the Plan are not reported in the Fire District's financial statements.

Note 12: COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The Fire District accounts for compensated absences (e.g., unused vacation, sick leave) as directed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 16 (GASB 16), "Accounting for Compensated Absences". A liability for compensated absences attributable to services already rendered and not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee is accrued as employees earn the rights to the benefits.

Full-time employees are entitled to one paid sick day for each month during the first year of employment, and fifteen paid sick leave days thereafter. Unused sick leave may be accumulated and carried forward to subsequent years. Employees earn from 12 to 30 vacation days per year depending on the number of years of service. Vacation days not used during the year may be carried forward to the subsequent year. Employees may choose to be reimbursed for up to one week of unused vacation days. Benefits paid in any future year will be calculated according to formulas outlined in each employee's contract and included in the current year's budget.

The Fire District compensates employees for unused sick leave upon termination or retirement. The current policy for payment of unused sick leave varies in accordance with collective bargaining agreements the Fire District has with its employees. All accumulated holidays, vacation, sick, or other leave will be paid upon retiring after 25 years of service or having attained the age of 55 or as a result of a disability pension. Under the agreement with the Camden County Uniformed Fire Fighters Association Local 3249 accumulated sick leave is paid at \$50 per eight (8) hours to a maximum of four hundred (400) hours (\$2,500.00 cap). Under the agreement with the administrative employees, the accumulated sick leave is paid at the rate of pay at the time of retirement based upon the base annual compensation, except that unused sick leave compensation shall be paid to a maximum of \$15,000.00 established by the NJ Public Employees Retirement System.

The liability for vested compensated absences is recorded within those funds as the benefits accrue to employees. As of December 31, 2015, the liability for compensated absences reported on the government-wide statement of net position was \$94,225.33

Note 13: INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS

At December 31, 2015 there are no interfund receivables or payables.

Interfund Transfers:

<u>Transfer Out:</u>	<u>Transfers In:</u>			
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>
General Fund				
Special Revenue Fund				
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 463,511.00			
Debt Service Fund				
Total Transfers	<u>\$ 463,511.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Note 14: FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED - GENERAL FUND

The 2016 annual budget of the Fire District was adopted on January 19, 2016, and subsequently approved by the voters at the annual election held on February 20, 2016. The adopted budget utilized \$300,000.00 of fund balance in the general fund.

The following presents the total fund balance of the general fund as of the end of the last five years and the amount utilized in the subsequent year's budget:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31</u>	<u>Utilization in Subsequent Budget</u>
2015	\$ 1,795,229.55	\$ 300,000.00
2014	491,038.29	345,000.00
2013	604,312.67	None
2012	462,816.56	50,000.00
2011	464,394.93	58,000.00

Note 15: FUND BALANCES**RESTRICTED**

As stated in note 1, the restricted fund balance classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes. Such restrictions, or constraints, are placed on the use of resources by either of the following: (1) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Specific restrictions of the Fire District's fund balance are summarized as follows:

General Fund -

For Dedicated Penalties - Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.12A, certain monies collected by the Fire District for violations by property owners must be placed in the general treasury of the Fire District and be subject to separate accounting. These monies are required to fund the cost of firefighter training and / or new firefighting equipment. As of December 31, 2015 such funds collected by the Fire District amount to \$500.00.

Note 15: FUND BALANCES (CONT'D)**RESTRICTED (CONT'D)****General Fund (Cont'd) -**

Future Capital Outlays - These funds are restricted for future capital expenditures to be made in future years. When the Fire District desires to utilize these funds in their annual budget, a capital resolution must be passed by the Board of Fire Commissioners prior to any expenditure against a capital appropriation. As of December 31, 2015, the balance is \$103,511.00.

COMMITTED

As stated in note 1, the committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Fire District's highest level of decision-making authority, which is the Board of Fire Commissioners. Specific commitments of the Fire District's fund balance are summarized as follows:

General Fund - On December 04, 2014 the Board of Fire Commissioners held a special election to commit a portion of fund balance for the future payment of the 2015 Spartan Rescue Pumper. This purchase was budgeted for in the 2015 Approved Budget, but due to the timing of the order it will not be completed and received until 2016. As of December 31, 2015, \$750,000.00 has been committed for this purpose.

ASSIGNED

As stated in note 1, the assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are constrained by the Fire District's *intent* to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Specific assignments of the Fire District's fund balance are summarized as follows:

General Fund -

For Subsequent Year's Expenditures - The Fire District has appropriated and included as an anticipated revenue for the year ending December 31, 2016, \$300,000.00 of general fund balance at December 31, 2015.

Other Purposes - As of December 31, 2015, the Fire District had \$13,526.69 of encumbrances outstanding for purchase orders and contracts signed by the Fire District, but not completed, as of the close of the year.

UNASSIGNED

As stated in note 1, the unassigned fund balance classification represents fund balance that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes. The Fire District's unassigned fund balance is summarized as follows:

General Fund - As of December 31, 2015, \$627,691.86 of general fund balance was unassigned.

Note 16: RESTATEMENT OF PRIOR PERIOD NET POSITION

As indicated in note 1 to the financial statements, the Fire District adopted GASB Statement 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*, for the year ended December 31, 2015. As a result of implementing these two Statements, a restatement of unrestricted net position on the government-wide statement of activities was required to record the Fire District's proportionate share of its net pension liability. The cumulative effect on the financial statements as reported for December 31, 2014 is as follows:

Beginning Net Position as Previously Reported at December 31, 2014		\$ 2,010,245.55
Prior Period Adjustment - Implementation of GASBS No. 68 and No. 71:		
Net Pension Liability at June 30, 2014 Measurement Date	\$ (1,200,445.00)	
Deferred Outflows of Resources per June 30, 2014 Pension Plan Reports	107,983.00	
Deferred Outflows of Resources resulting from Fire District Contribution Subsequent to June 30, 2014 Pension Plan Measurement Date	38,040.50	
Accounts Payable resulting from Fire District Contributions Recorded by Pension Plans as Accounts Receivable as June 30, 2014	(19,301.00)	
Accrued Expense resulting from Fire District Contribution Subsequent to June 30, 2014 Pension Plan Measurement Date	(38,040.50)	
Deferred Inflows of Resources per June 30, 2014 Pension Plan Reports	<u>(107,549.00)</u>	
Total Prior Period Adjustment		<u>(1,219,312.00)</u>
Net Position as Restated, December 31, 2014		<u>\$ 790,933.55</u>

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
PART II**

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES

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	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Modifications / Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative) Final to Actual</u>
REVENUES:					
Miscellaneous Anticipated Revenues:					
Interest on Investments and Deposits	\$ 600.00		\$ 600.00	\$ 1,098.59	\$ 498.59
Other Revenue	3,140.00		3,140.00	175.00	(2,965.00)
Total Miscellaneous Anticipated Revenues	3,740.00		3,740.00	1,273.59	(2,466.41)
Operating Grant Revenue:					
Supplemental Fire Services Grant (P.L. 1985, Ch. 295)	3,620.00		3,620.00	3,618.25	(1.75)
Miscellaneous Revenues Offset with Appropriations					
Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.L. 1983, Ch. 383):					
Annual Registration Fees	9,101.00		9,101.00	9,803.30	702.30
Penalties and Fines	500.00		500.00		(500.00)
Other Revenue	13,673.00		13,673.00	15,182.00	1,509.00
Total Miscellaneous Revenues Offset with Appropriations	23,274.00		23,274.00	24,985.30	1,711.30
Amount to be Raised by Taxation to Support the District Budget	1,416,450.00		1,416,450.00	1,416,450.00	
Total Anticipated Revenues	1,447,084.00		1,447,084.00	1,446,327.14	(756.86)
Non-Budgetary Revenues:					
Miscellaneous				40,958.96	40,958.96
Total Non-Budgetary Revenues				40,958.96	40,958.96
Total Revenues	\$ 1,447,084.00	\$ -	\$ 1,447,084.00	\$ 1,487,286.10	\$ 40,202.10

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EXPENDITURES:					
Operating Appropriations:					
Administration:					
Salary and Wages:					
Commissioners	\$ 21,000.00		\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	
Administrative Clerk	62,582.00		62,582.00	61,847.20	\$ 734.80
Deputy Clerk	2,040.00		2,040.00	531.68	1,508.32
Chief	86,335.00		86,335.00	84,816.30	1,518.70
Overtime and Substitutes	3,040.00		3,040.00	1,450.58	1,589.42
Vacation and Sick	3,227.00		3,227.00	3,162.80	64.20
Fringe Benefits	88,707.00		88,707.00	77,439.45	11,267.55
Other Expenses:					
Election	5,000.00		5,000.00	557.48	4,442.52
Membership and Dues	1,000.00		1,000.00	574.00	426.00
Office Expenses	2,400.00		2,400.00	1,310.21	1,089.79
Professional Services	41,300.00		41,300.00	22,487.31	18,812.69
Miscellaneous	1,000.00		1,000.00	66.76	933.24
Total Administration	317,631.00		317,631.00	275,243.77	42,387.23
Cost of Operations and Maintenance:					
Salary and Wages:					
Firefighter	77,016.00		77,016.00	75,545.60	1,470.40
Firefighter	75,766.00	\$ (22,000.00)	53,766.00	53,766.00	53,766.00
Firefighter	58,353.00		58,353.00	53,185.60	5,167.40
New Firefighter #1	20,925.00		20,925.00	20,925.00	20,925.00
Operations Subs	55,276.00	22,000.00	77,276.00	76,345.75	930.25
Overtime	23,389.00		23,389.00	7,908.82	15,480.18
Vacation and Sick	4,458.00		4,458.00	1,452.80	3,005.20
Fringe Benefits	206,258.00		206,258.00	117,314.53	88,943.47

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EXPENDITURES (Cont'd):					
Operating Appropriations (Cont'd):					
Cost of Operations and Maintenance (Cont'd):					
Other Expenses:					
Life Hazard Registration Fee	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	\$ 148.00	\$ 152.00
Advertising	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,125.08	1,374.92
Insurance	38,160.00		38,160.00	36,976.40	1,183.60
Maintenance and Repair	109,100.00		109,100.00	44,987.96	64,112.04
Rental Charges	181,328.00		181,328.00	176,128.32	5,199.68
Recruitment and Retention	9,500.00		9,500.00	8,448.59	1,051.41
Supplies Expense	13,350.00		13,350.00	6,385.72	6,964.28
Training and Education	10,000.00		10,000.00	6,647.23	3,352.77
Travel Expense	1,000.00		1,000.00	536.90	463.10
Uniforms	17,000.00		17,000.00	4,027.00	12,973.00
Utilities	45,220.00		45,220.00	44,480.35	739.65
Promotions	10,200.00		10,200.00	7,988.41	2,211.59
Reimbursements	14,000.00		14,000.00	14,000.00	
Supplemental Fire Services Grant	3,620.00		3,620.00	3,030.58	589.42
Other Assets Non-Bondable	84,460.00		84,460.00	10,592.42	73,867.58
Total Cost of Operations and Maintenance	<u>1,061,179.00</u>		<u>1,061,179.00</u>	<u>697,256.06</u>	<u>363,922.94</u>
Operating Appropriations Offset with Revenues:					
Salary and Wages	18,777.00		18,777.00	18,777.00	
Fringe Benefits	1,297.00		1,297.00		1,297.00
Other Expenses	3,200.00		3,200.00	829.01	2,370.99
Total Operating Appropriations Offset with Revenues	<u>23,274.00</u>		<u>23,274.00</u>	<u>19,606.01</u>	<u>3,667.99</u>

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EXPENDITURES (Cont'd):					
Capital Appropriations:					
Capital Improvement #1 - Truck	\$ 750,000.00		\$ 750,000.00		\$ 750,000.00
Reserve for Future Capital Outlays	100,000.00		100,000.00		100,000.00
Total Capital Appropriations	<u>850,000.00</u>		<u>850,000.00</u>		<u>850,000.00</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>2,252,084.00</u>		<u>2,252,084.00</u>	\$ 992,105.84	<u>1,259,978.16</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>(805,000.00)</u>		<u>(805,000.00)</u>	495,180.26	<u>1,300,180.26</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating Transfer In				463,511.00	463,511.00
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	<u>\$ (805,000.00)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (805,000.00)</u>	958,691.26	<u>\$ 1,763,691.26</u>
Fund Balance, Beginning				<u>836,538.29</u>	
Fund Balance, Ending				<u>\$ 1,795,229.55</u>	
Recapitulation:					
Restricted:					
Dedicated Penalties				\$ 500.00	
Future Capital Outlays				103,511.00	
Committed:					
Capital Improvement #1 - Truck				750,000.00	
Assigned:					
Encumbrances				13,526.69	
For Subsequent Year's Expenditures				300,000.00	
Unassigned				<u>627,691.86</u>	
				<u>\$ 1,795,229.55</u>	

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
 Required Supplementary Information - Part II
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Note to RSI
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Note A - Explanation of Differences between Budgetary Inflows and Outflows and GAAP Revenues and Expenditures.

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>
Sources / Inflows of Resources:		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "revenue" from the budgetary comparison schedule.	\$ 1,487,286.10	
Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures, and the related revenue is recognized.		
Total revenues as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - governmental funds. (B-2)	\$ 1,487,286.10	\$ -
Uses / Outflows of Resources:		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total expenditures" from the budgetary comparison schedule.	\$ 992,105.84	
Encumbrances for supplies and equipment ordered but not received is reported in the year the order is placed for budgetary purposes, but in the year the supplies are received for financial reporting purposes.		
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - governmental funds (B-2)	\$ 992,105.84	\$ -

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
PART III**

**SCHEDULES RELATED TO ACCOUNTING
AND REPORTING FOR PENSIONS**

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
 Required Supplementary Information - Part III
 Schedule of the Fire District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
 Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)
Last Three Years

	<u>Measurement Date Ended June 30,</u>		
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0020028339%	0.0018811586%	0.0018352190%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 449,596.00	\$ 352,204.00	\$ 350,747.00
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 138,156.00	\$ 130,092.00	\$ 126,604.00
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll	325.43%	270.73%	277.04%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	47.93%	52.08%	48.72%

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TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
 Required Supplementary Information - Part III
 Schedule of the Fire District's Contributions
 Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)
Last Three Years

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
District's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 17,219.00	\$ 15,508.00	\$ 13,828.00
District's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(17,219.00)</u>	<u>(15,508.00)</u>	<u>(13,828.00)</u>
District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 63,860.00	\$ 138,156.00	\$ 132,798.00
District's Contributions as a Percentage of it's Covered-Employee Payroll	26.96%	11.22%	10.41%

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TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
 Required Supplementary Information - Part III
 Schedule of the Fire District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
 Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)
Last Three Years

	<u>Measurement Date Ended June 30,</u>		
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0072414269%	0.0067432738%	0.0062257930%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,206,169.00	\$ 848,241.00	\$ 827,663.00
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability associated with the District	<u>105,777.00</u>	<u>91,341.00</u>	<u>77,148.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,311,946.00</u>	<u>\$ 939,582.00</u>	<u>\$ 904,811.00</u>
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 229,324.00	\$ 212,988.00	\$ 195,388.00
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of it's Covered-Employee Payroll	525.97%	398.26%	423.60%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	56.31%	62.41%	58.70%

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TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
 Required Supplementary Information - Part III
 Schedule of the Fire District's Contributions
 Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)
Last Three Years

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
District's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 58,862.00	\$ 3,793.00	\$ 3,038.00
District's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(58,862.00)</u>	<u>(3,793.00)</u>	<u>(3,038.00)</u>
District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 229,324.00	\$ 229,324.00	\$ 215,700.00
District's Contributions as a Percentage of it's Covered-Employee Payroll	25.67%	1.65%	1.41%

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TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
 Required Supplementary Information - Part III
 Notes to Required Supplementary Information - Part III
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Changes in Benefit Terms - None

Changes in Assumptions - The discount rate changed from 5.39% as of June 30, 2014, to 4.90% as of June 30, 2015, in accordance with Paragraph 44 of GASB Statement No. 67.

Other Changes in Assumptions - New assumptions related to future increases on Social Security Wage Base and the 401(a)(17) compensation limit have been added as follows:

401(a)(17) Pay Limit – 3.00 per annum
 Social Security Wage Base – 4.00 per annum

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Changes in Benefit Terms - None

Changes in Assumptions - The discount rate changed from 6.32% as of June 30, 2014, to 5.79% as of June 30, 2015, in accordance with Paragraph 44 of GASB Statement No. 67.

Other Changes in Assumptions - Demographic assumptions with respect to no-vested withdrawal, disability, service retirement, active death, salary increases rates and inactive mortality were revised in accordance with the results of the July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2013 experience study and approved by the Board of Trustees of the PERS Pension Plan at its February 9, 2015 Board Meeting.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
Schedule of Findings and Recommendations
For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Schedule of Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance related to the financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and with audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

None.

TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 6
Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings
and Recommendations as Prepared by Management

This section identifies the status of prior year findings related to the financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

None.

APPRECIATION

We express our appreciation for the assistance and courtesies rendered by the Fire District officials during the course of the audit.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bowman & Company LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Certified Public Accountants
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