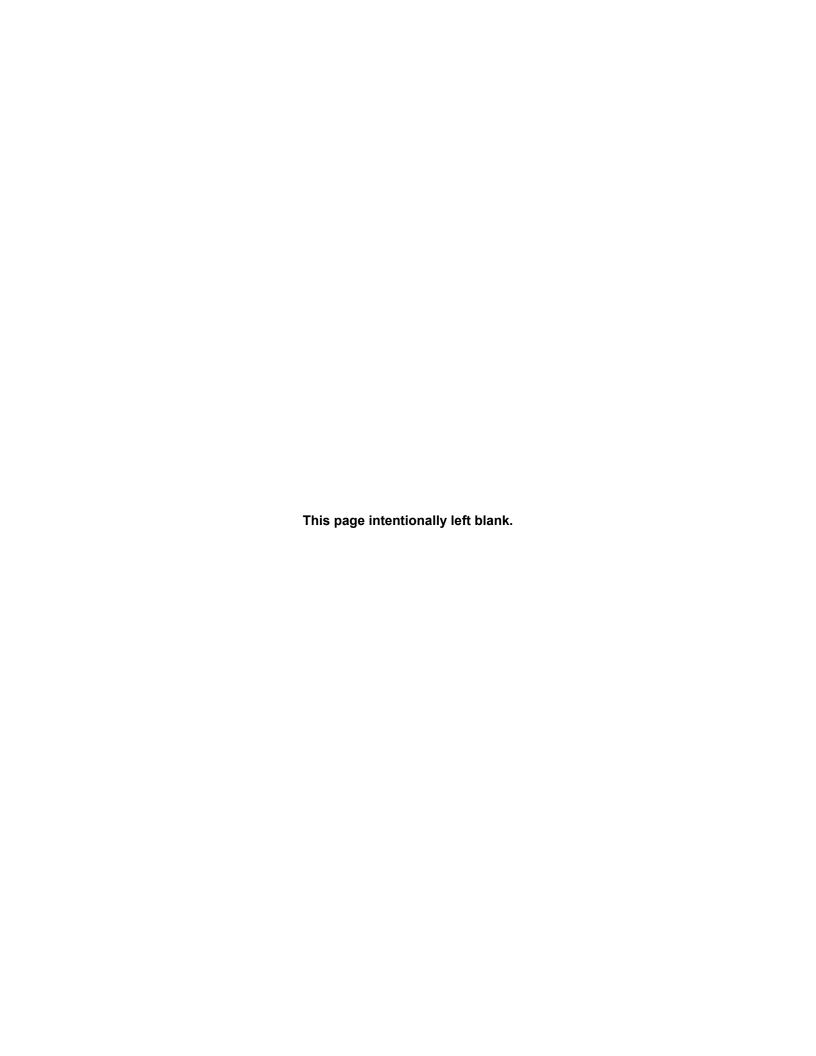




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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

New Madison Public Library Darke County P.O. Box 32 New Madison, Ohio 45346

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the New Madison Public Library, Darke County, (the Library), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

The Library's financial transactions were processed using the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN). Government Auditing Standards considers this service to impair the independence of the Auditor of State to conduct the audit of the Library because the Auditor of State designed, developed, implemented and as requested, operates the UAN. However, Government Auditing Standards permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the Library prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Library as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 24, 2004, on our consideration of the Library's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, Board of Trustees, and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

February 24, 2004

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Library and Local Government Support	\$334,012		\$334,012
Patron Fines and Fees	5,421		5,421
Earnings on Investments	1,959		1,959
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	4,915		4,915
Miscellaneous Receipts	2,205		2,205
Total Cash Receipts	348,512		348,512
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
Salaries and Benefits	255,975		255,975
Purchased and Contracted Services	52,220	\$2,973	55,193
Library Materials and Information	38,445		38,445
Supplies	5,597		5,597
Other Objects	1,020		1,020
Capital Outlay	3,566		3,566
Total Cash Disbursements	356,823	2,973	359,796
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(8,311)	(2,973)	(11,284)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	43,119	62,563	105,682
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$34,808	\$59,590	\$94,398
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$5,797	\$2,408	\$8,205

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

Governmental Fund Types		
General	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
\$338,839		\$338,839
4,400		4,400
4,388		4,388
1,853		1,853
2,588		2,588
352,068		352,068
247,913		247,913
59,335		59,335
55,600		55,600
8,633		8,633
1,311		1,311
9,088		9,088
381,880		381,880
(29,812)		(29,812)
72,931	62,563	135,494
\$43,119	\$62,563	\$105,682
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

New Madison Public Library, Darke County, (the Library) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of Ohio. The Library is a School District Library as defined by Section 3375.14. The Library is directed by a seven-member Board of Trustees appointed by Tri-Village School District Board of Education. The Library provides the community with various educational and literary resources.

The Library's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Library is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

Certificates of deposit, are valued at cost.

D. Fund Accounting

The Library uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Library classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Capital Project Funds

These funds are used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects (except those financed through enterprise or trust funds). The Library had the following significant capital project funds

Building and Repair Fund - Used for construction, repair, and maintenance of Library facilities.

Automation Fund – Used for acquisition of library equipment.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process

The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end. Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function, and object level of control.

A summary of 2003 and 2002 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as capital outlay disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Library maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 follows:

	2003	2002
Demand deposits	\$41,878	\$53,162
Certificates of deposit	52,520	52,520
Total deposits and investments	\$94,398	\$105,682

Deposits: Deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, (2) collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Library.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002 follows:

2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$406,309	\$362,620	\$43,689
Capital Projects	62,563	5,381	57,182
Total	\$468,872	\$368,001	\$100,871

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	_
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$433,904	\$391,366	\$42,538
Capital Projects	62,563	0	62,563
Total	\$496,467	\$391,366	\$105,101

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

4. GRANTS-IN-AID

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the State Library and Local Government Support Fund (LLGSF). The LLGSF is allocated to each county based on the county's prior intangibles tax of LLGSF revenues, and its population. The County Budget Commission allocates these funds to the Library based on its needs such as for the construction of new library buildings, improvements, operation, maintenance, or other expenses. The Budget Commission cannot reduce its allocation of these funds to the Library based on of any additional revenues the Library receives.

5. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio (PERS) is a state operated, cost-sharing, multiple employer public employee retirement system. PERS provides retirement benefits to vested employees who are eligible to retire based upon years of service. PERS also provides survivor and disability benefits to vested employees.

Contribution rates are prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. The Library's PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Library contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Library has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2003.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Commercial Insurance

The New Madison Public Library has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Data Processing Equipment and
- Errors and omissions.

The Library also provides health insurance to full time employees through a private carrier.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

New Madison Public Library Darke County P.O. Box 32 New Madison, Ohio 45346

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the New Madison Public Library, Darke County, (the Library), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated February 24, 2004, wherein we noted that the Library's financial transactions were processed using the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN). *Government Auditing* Standards considers this service to impair the independence of the Auditor of State to conduct the audit of the Library because the Auditor of State designed, developed, implemented, and, as requested, operates UAN. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Library's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, 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 that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted a matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that does not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Library in a separate letter dated February 24, 2004.

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February 24, 2004



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED APRIL 15, 2004