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Office of the State Auditor

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**Minnesota Prairie County Alliance
Mantorville, Minnesota**

Year Ended December 31, 2021

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Through financial, compliance, and special audits, the State Auditor oversees and ensures that local government funds are used for the purposes intended by law and that local governments hold themselves to the highest standards of financial accountability.

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**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

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**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

ORGANIZATION
DECEMBER 31, 2021

		Member County
Board Members		
Member County Commissioners		
Member	Rick Gnemi	Steele
Member	Doug Christopherson	Waseca
Member	Rodney Peterson	Dodge
Chair	James Brady	Steele
Member	DeAnne Malterer	Waseca
Member	Tim Tjosaas	Dodge
Alternate Member	Jim Abbe	Steele
Alternate Member	Brian Harguth	Waseca
Alternate Member	Rhonda Toquam	Dodge
Executive Director	Jane Hardwick	
Management Team		
Income and Health Care Assistance		
Manager	Michael Pegg	
Adult and Disability Social Services		
Manager	Tara Reich	
Child and Family Social Services		
Manager	Patricia Harrelson	
Finance Manager	Kevin Venenga	



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Joint Powers Board
Minnesota Prairie County Alliance
Mantorville, Minnesota

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the General Fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Minnesota Prairie County Alliance (MNPrairie) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise MNPrairie's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the General Fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of MNPrairie, as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in and *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of MNPrairie, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit;
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements;
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of MNPrairie's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed;
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements; and
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the MNPrairie's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund, Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios – Other Postemployment Benefits, PERA

General Employees Retirement Plan Schedules, and Notes to the Required Supplementary Information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise MNPrairie's basic financial statements. The Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position, Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position, Schedule of Intergovernmental Revenue, and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and related notes, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Supplementary Information as identified above is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 10, 2022 on our consideration of MNPrairie's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of MNPrairie's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering MNPrairie's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

/s/Julie Blaha

JULIE BLAHA
STATE AUDITOR

June 10, 2022

/s/Dianne Syverson

DIANNE SYVERSON, CPA
DEPUTY STATE AUDITOR

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
DECEMBER 31, 2021
(Unaudited)**

Minnesota Prairie County Alliance's (MNPrarie) Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) provides an overview of MNPrarie's financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021. Since this information is designed to focus on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts, it should be read in conjunction with MNPrarie's financial statements (beginning with Exhibit 1).

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Governmental activities' total net position is \$3,646,357, of which \$196,693 is the net investment in capital assets.
- MNPrarie's net position increased by \$2,296,754 for the year ended December 31, 2021.
- Overall fund level revenues totaled \$28,615,851, while total expenditures were \$26,234,069.
- For the year ended December 31, 2021, the unrestricted fund balance of the General Fund was \$12,237,277, or 47 percent of the 2021 expenditures.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This MD&A is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. MNPrarie's basic financial statements consist of two statements that combine government-wide financial statements and governmental fund financial statements, fiduciary fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements. The MD&A (this section), the budgetary comparison schedule, and certain information related to MNPrarie's other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability and net pension liability are required to accompany the basic financial statements and, therefore, are included as required supplementary information.

The first column of each of the first two statements presents governmental fund data. These columns focus on how money flows in and out and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. They are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting. This method measures cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash. These columns provide a detailed short-term view of the operations and the basic services provided. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the programs. We reconcile the relationship (or differences) between governmental funds and governmental activities (reported in the third column) in the center column of each statement.

The third column in each of the first two statements presents the governmental activities' Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, which provide information about the activities of MNPrairie as a whole and present a longer-term view of the finances. These columns include all assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. Over time, increases or decreases in net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.

Notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information is provided as supplementary information regarding MNPrairie's intergovernmental revenues and federal award programs.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Over time, net position serves as a useful indicator of financial position. MNPrairie's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$3,646,357 at the close of 2021.

	Net Position	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Assets		
Current and other assets	\$ 14,374,698	\$ 12,047,295
Capital assets	<u>308,843</u>	<u>415,456</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>\$ 14,683,541</u>	<u>\$ 12,462,751</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 4,438,603</u>	<u>\$ 1,098,255</u>
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	\$ 2,713,089	\$ 2,435,593
Noncurrent liabilities	<u>7,232,466</u>	<u>9,429,482</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 9,945,555</u>	<u>\$ 11,865,075</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 5,530,232</u>	<u>\$ 346,328</u>
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 196,693	\$ 255,425
Unrestricted	<u>3,449,664</u>	<u>1,094,178</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 3,646,357</u>	<u>\$ 1,349,603</u>

Governmental Activities

The following table summarizes the change in net position for 2021.

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Revenues		
Intergovernmental	\$ 26,917,273	\$ 26,932,594
Charges for services	1,167,992	1,141,287
Investment earnings	15,593	33,138
Miscellaneous	<u>198,433</u>	<u>643,327</u>
Total Revenues	\$ 28,299,291	\$ 28,750,346
Expenses		
Human services	<u>26,002,537</u>	<u>25,685,685</u>
Change in Net Position	\$ 2,296,754	\$ 3,064,661
Net Position – January 1	<u>1,349,603</u>	<u>(1,715,058)</u>
Net Position – December 31	<u>\$ 3,646,357</u>	<u>\$ 1,349,603</u>

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GENERAL FUND

As shown in the General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance on Exhibit 2, the amount that was received through intergovernmental revenue in 2021 was 94 percent of the total revenue received, or \$26,992,797, which is MNPrairie's major source of revenue.

For 2022 and going forward, MNPrairie expects to continue to receive a large portion of intergovernmental revenue, as the services that we provide are funded either through federal and state revenue sources or with member county tax levies.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the original to final budget totals did not change. Actual revenues were greater than budgeted revenues by \$625,342. Actual expenditures were less than the budgeted expenditures by \$1,756,440. The variance in revenues is a combination of an increase in the opportunity for added recoveries collections, an increase in the ability to bill clients for services and Medical Assistance service use exceeding expectations. Lower than expected expenditures were primarily impacted by savings as a result of the continuation of holding positions open during the COVID-19 pandemic, staff turnover as positions were open for a portion of the year and the change in the level of activity in some program areas with the ongoing pandemic.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

MNPrairie's depreciable capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) at December 31, 2021, totaled \$308,843. This investment in capital assets consists of equipment, vehicles and software owned and leased by MNPrairie. The total decrease in MNPrairie's investment in capital assets, net of depreciation, for the current fiscal year was \$106,613.

Long-Term Debt

At the end of fiscal year 2021, MNPrairie had no bonded debt outstanding.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

MNPrairie adopted the 2022 budget based on trends from recent years of operation, anticipated changes to administrative and program areas, and any changes from the 2021 Legislature and current COVID-19 related emergency orders that would impact our operations. This included factors such as:

- Stabilization of caseload for income and health care assistance after several years of significant growth
- Relatively stable child support caseload
- Several years of a high number of out-of-home placements, with a number of children requiring residential mental health treatment
- Fluctuations in the cost of adult mental health treatment
- Aging of the population, including people with disabilities and chronic medical needs
- The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and what the anticipated expiration of existing state waivers could have on workforce needs and demands for services

In addition, there are a number of demographic and economic externalities that can have a significant impact on our budget from year to year. Some of those factors are:

- State billing errors
- State or federal policy changes
- Availability of affordable employer-based insurance

- Unemployment rate
- School attendance and graduation rates
- Rates of drug and alcohol use and ease of access to substance use disorder treatment
- Child abuse and neglect
- Mental health status and ease of access to mental health treatment
- Teen pregnancy rates
- Access to technology to improve client access to supports and/or increase agency efficiency

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of MNPrairie's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report, or requests for additional financial information, should be addressed to Jane Hardwick, Executive Director, 22 East 6th Street, Mantorville, Minnesota 55955.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT 1

**GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET AND
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES – STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
WITH ADJUSTMENTS TO CONVERT MODIFIED TO FULL ACCRUAL
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	General Fund	Adjustments	Governmental Activities
<u>Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>			
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 11,428,883	\$ -	\$ 11,428,883
Accounts receivable – net	377,816	-	377,816
Due from other governments	2,567,999	-	2,567,999
Capital assets			
Depreciable – net	-	308,843	308,843
Total Assets	\$ 14,374,698	\$ 308,843	\$ 14,683,541
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Deferred other postemployment benefits outflows	-	59,318	59,318
Deferred pension outflows	-	4,379,285	4,379,285
Total Deferred Outflows	\$ -	\$ 4,438,603	\$ 4,438,603
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 14,374,698	\$ 4,747,446	\$ 19,122,144
 <u>Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance/Net Position</u>			
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 665,979	\$ -	\$ 665,979
Salaries payable	436,372	-	436,372
Due to other governments	628,716	-	628,716
Compensated absences payable	-	935,332	935,332
Capital leases payable	-	46,690	46,690
Noncurrent liabilities			
Compensated absences payable	-	355,090	355,090
Capital leases payable	-	65,460	65,460
Other postemployment benefits liability	-	794,855	794,855
Net pension liability	-	6,017,061	6,017,061
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,731,067	\$ 8,214,488	\$ 9,945,555
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Unavailable revenue	\$ 406,354	\$ (406,354)	\$ -
Deferred other postemployment benefits inflows	-	11,482	11,482
Deferred pension inflows	-	5,518,750	5,518,750
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 406,354	\$ 5,123,878	\$ 5,530,232

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

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**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**EXHIBIT 1
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**GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET AND
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES – STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
WITH ADJUSTMENTS TO CONVERT MODIFIED TO FULL ACCRUAL
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	General Fund	Adjustments	Governmental Activities
<u>Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance/Net Position</u> (Continued)			
Fund Balance/Net Position			
Fund Balance			
Unassigned	<u>\$ 12,237,277</u>	<u>\$ (12,237,277)</u>	
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets		\$ 196,693	\$ 196,693
Unrestricted		<u>3,449,664</u>	<u>3,449,664</u>
Total Net Position		<u>\$ 3,646,357</u>	<u>\$ 3,646,357</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance/Net Position	<u>\$ 14,374,698</u>	<u>\$ 4,747,446</u>	<u>\$ 19,122,144</u>
Reconciliation of the General Fund Balance to Net Position			
Fund Balance – General Fund			\$ 12,237,277
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the General Fund.			308,843
Deferred outflows resulting from pension and other postemployment benefits liabilities are not available resources and, therefore, are not reported in the General Fund.			4,438,603
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the General Fund.			
Compensated absences payable		\$ (1,290,422)	
Capital leases payable		(112,150)	
Other postemployment benefits liability		(794,855)	
Net pension liability		<u>(6,017,061)</u>	(8,214,488)
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are reported as deferred inflows of resources in the General Fund.			406,354
Deferred inflows resulting from pension and other postemployment benefits liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the General Fund.			<u>(5,530,232)</u>
Net Position – Governmental Activities			<u>\$ 3,646,357</u>

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT 2

**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
AND GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES – STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
WITH ADJUSTMENTS TO CONVERT MODIFIED TO FULL ACCRUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	General Fund	Adjustments	Governmental Activities
Revenues			
Intergovernmental	\$ 26,992,797	\$ (75,524)	\$ 26,917,273
Charges for services	1,252,010	(84,018)	1,167,992
Investment earnings	15,593	-	15,593
Miscellaneous	355,451	(157,018)	198,433
Total Revenues	\$ 28,615,851	\$ (316,560)	\$ 28,299,291
Expenditures/Expenses			
Current			
Human services	\$ 26,179,699	\$ (183,651)	\$ 25,996,048
Debt service			
Principal	47,881	(47,881)	-
Interest	6,489	-	6,489
Total Expenditures/Expenses	\$ 26,234,069	\$ (231,532)	\$ 26,002,537
Net Change in Fund Balance/Net Position	\$ 2,381,782	\$ (85,028)	\$ 2,296,754
Fund Balance/Net Position – January 1	9,855,495	(8,505,892)	1,349,603
Fund Balance/Net Position – December 31	\$ 12,237,277	\$ (8,590,920)	\$ 3,646,357

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**EXHIBIT 2
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**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
AND GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES – STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
WITH ADJUSTMENTS TO CONVERT MODIFIED TO FULL ACCRUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

**Reconciliation of the Statement of General Fund Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balance to the Statement of Activities of Governmental
Activities**

Net Change in Fund Balance		\$ 2,381,782
<p>The General Fund reports capital outlay as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.</p>		
		(106,613)
<p>In the General Fund, under the modified accrual basis, receivables not available for expenditure are deferred. In the Statement of Activities, those revenues are recognized when earned. The adjustment to revenues is the increase or decrease in revenues deferred as unavailable.</p>		
Unavailable revenue – December 31	\$ 406,354	
Unavailable revenue – January 1	<u>(717,117)</u>	(310,763)
<p>Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the General Fund, but the repayment reduces noncurrent liabilities in the statement of net position.</p>		
		47,881
<p>Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the General Fund.</p>		
Change in deferred other postemployment benefits outflows	\$ (1,423)	
Change in deferred pension outflows	3,341,771	
Change in compensated absences payable	(125,542)	
Change in deferred other postemployment benefits inflows	2,872	
Change in deferred pension inflows	(5,186,776)	
Change in other postemployment benefits liability	(81,046)	
Change in net pension liability	<u>2,334,611</u>	<u>284,467</u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities		<u>\$ 2,296,754</u>

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT 3

**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	Social Welfare Private-Purpose Trust Fund	Custodial Funds
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 168,731	\$ 865,398
Due from other governments	-	97,348
Accounts receivable	-	89,825
Total Assets	\$ 168,731	\$ 1,052,571
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Due to other governments	\$ -	\$ 116,109
<u>Net Position</u>		
Restricted for individuals, organizations, and other governments	\$ 168,731	\$ 936,462

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT 4

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<u>Social Welfare Private-Purpose Trust Fund</u>	<u>Custodial Funds</u>
<u>Additions</u>		
Contributions from individuals	\$ 912,323	\$ 905,659
Interest earnings	-	891
Payments from other entities	-	438,078
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Total Additions	\$ 912,323	\$ 1,344,628
<u>Deductions</u>		
Beneficiary payments to individuals	\$ 918,742	\$ -
Payments to state	-	906,064
Administrative expense	-	752
Payments to other entities	-	467,965
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Total Deductions	\$ 918,742	\$ 1,374,781
Change in Net Position	\$ (6,419)	\$ (30,153)
Net Position – January 1	<hr/> 175,150	<hr/> 966,615
Net Position – December 31	<hr/> \$ 168,731	<hr/> \$ 936,462

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Minnesota Prairie County Alliance's (MNPrarie) financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (statements and interpretations). The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by MNPrarie are discussed below.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

MNPrarie was formed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 471.59, by Dodge, Steele, and Waseca Counties. MNPrarie began official operations on January 1, 2015, and performs the human services function in the counties that are signatories to the joint powers agreement.

The purpose of MNPrarie is to improve outcomes of safety and wellness for residents by taking advantage of efficiencies that can be garnered from a larger organization; aligning and merging policies and processes; and applying technology to offer services of a consistent, high quality, with an emphasis on prevention and early intervention, continuous improvement, partnering, and accountability.

MNPrarie is governed by a Joint Powers Board made up of two County Commissioners from each of the participating counties who are chosen by their respective County Boards. Each participating county also designates one additional representative to serve as an alternate.

MNPrarie is an independent joint venture and not a component unit of any of the member counties.

Joint Ventures and Jointly-Governed Organization

MNPrarie participates in joint ventures described in Note 3.C. MNPrarie also participates in a jointly-governed organization, which is described in Note 3.D.

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

B. Basic Financial Statements

Basic financial statements include information on MNPrairie’s activities as a whole and information on the individual funds. Separate statements for each category – governmental and fiduciary – are presented.

The General Fund and governmental activities are reported in different columns on Exhibits 1 and 2. Each of the exhibits starts with a column of information based on activities of the General Fund and reconciles it to a column that reports the governmental activities of MNPrairie as a whole.

The governmental activities columns are reported on the full accrual, economic resources basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables, long-term debt and obligations, as well as any related deferred inflows and outflows of resources. MNPrairie’s net position is reported in two parts: net investment in capital assets and unrestricted net position. The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the expenses of MNPrairie are offset by revenues.

The Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance for the General Fund are presented on the modified accrual basis and report current financial resources.

Additionally, MNPrairie reports the following fiduciary fund types:

The Private-Purpose Trust Fund accounts for funds held in trust that MNPrairie acts on behalf of individuals as representative payee.

Custodial funds are safekeeping in nature. These funds account for activity that MNPrairie holds for others in an agent capacity.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The governmental activities and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the full 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.

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. MNPrairie considers all revenues as available if collected within 60 days after the end of the current period. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met and are available. Charges for services and interest are all considered susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, compensated absences, and claims and judgments, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent that they have matured. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is MNPrairie's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as needed.

D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Equity

1. Deposits and Investments

Investments are reported at their fair value at December 31, 2021, using a market approach. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 385.07, investment earnings on cash and investments are credited to the General Fund. Pooled investment earnings for 2021 were \$15,593.

MNPrairie invests in an external investment pool, the Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties (MAGIC) Fund, which is created under a joint powers agreement pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 471.59. The investment in the pool is measured at the net asset value per share provided by the pool.

2. Receivables and Payables

Accounts receivable is shown net of an allowance for uncollectible balances.

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Equity
(Continued)

3. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include furniture, equipment, and vehicles and software, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by MNPrairie as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value (entry price) on the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

Furniture, equipment, and vehicles and software of MNPrairie are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Furniture, equipment, and vehicles	5 - 10
Software	5

4. Compensated Absences

The liability for compensated absences reported in the financial statements consists of unpaid, accumulated annual vacation, compensatory, sick leave, and paid time off balances. The liability has been calculated using the termination method. Amounts are accrued as they are earned by employees if it is probable that the employer will compensate the employee at termination. The sick leave amount is based on MNPrairie's past experience of making termination payments for sick leave adjusted for current factors. A liability for these amounts is reported in the General Fund only if it has matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements. Compensated absences are accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. The current portion is based on the compensatory balance at year-end and the average use of accrued paid time off and vacation balances of the current and prior year. The noncurrent portion consists of the remaining amount of vacation, sick leave, and paid time off balances. Compensated absences are liquidated by the General Fund.

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Equity
(Continued)

5. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position. The governmental fund financial statements report only liabilities expected to be financed with available, spendable financial resources. Acquisitions under capital leases are reported as an other financing source at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

6. Pension Plan

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) and additions to/deductions from PERA's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERA, except that PERA's fiscal year-end is June 30. For this purpose, plan contributions are recognized as of employer payroll paid dates, and benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Plan investments are reported at fair value. The pension liability is liquidated through the General Fund.

7. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenditure/expense) until then. MNPrarie reports deferred outflows of resources associated with pension plans and other postemployment benefits (OPEB). These outflows arise only under the full accrual basis of accounting and, accordingly, are reported only in the statement of net position.

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Equity

7. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources (Continued)

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. MNPrairie has two types of deferred inflows. The General Fund reports unavailable revenue from grant monies and miscellaneous revenue receivable for amounts that are not considered available to liquidate liabilities in the current period. Unavailable revenue arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting and, accordingly, is reported only in the General Fund Balance Sheet. Unavailable revenue is deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. MNPrairie also has deferred inflows of resources associated with pension and OPEB benefits. These inflows arise only under the full accrual basis of accounting and, accordingly, are reported only in the statement of net position.

8. Classification of Net Position

Net position in the government-wide financial statements is classified in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets – the amount of net position representing capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding debt attributed to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of the assets.

Restricted net position – the amount of net position for which external restrictions have been imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position – the amount of net position that does not meet the definition of restricted or net investment in capital assets.

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Equity
(Continued)

9. Classification of Fund Balances

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which MNPrairie is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable – amounts that cannot be spent because they are 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.

Restricted – amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of resources either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by formal action (resolution) of the Joint Powers Board. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts.

Assigned – amounts MNPrairie intends to use for specific purposes that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the Joint Powers Board.

Unassigned – all residual classifications for the General Fund; includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other fund balance classifications.

MNPrairie applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Equity
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10. Minimum Fund Balance

MNPrairie adopted a minimum fund balance policy for its General Fund to maintain a minimum unassigned fund balance equal to 35 percent of the General Fund's operating expenditures.

11. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources; and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

Reconciliation of MNPrairie's total cash and investments to the basic financial statements follows:

	<u>Cash and Investments</u>
Government-wide statement of net position	
Governmental activities	\$ 11,428,883
Statement of fiduciary net position	
Social Welfare Private-Purpose Trust Fund	168,731
Custodial funds	<u>865,398</u>
Total	<u>\$ 12,463,012</u>

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments (Continued)

a. Deposits

MNPrairie is authorized by Minn. Stat. § 118A.02 to designate a depository for public funds. MNPrairie is required by Minn. Stat. § 118A.03 to protect deposits with insurance, surety bond, or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged shall be at least ten percent more than the amount on deposit at the close of the financial institution’s banking day, not covered by insurance or bonds.

Authorized collateral includes treasury bills, notes and bonds; issues of U.S. government agencies; general obligations rated “A” or better and revenue obligations rated “AA” or better; irrevocable standby letters of credit issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank; and certificates of deposit. Minnesota statutes require that securities pledged as collateral be held in safekeeping in a restricted account at the Federal Reserve Bank or in an account at a trust department of a commercial bank or other financial institution not owned or controlled by the financial institution furnishing the collateral.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a financial institution failure, MNPrairie’s deposits may not be returned to it. MNPrairie’s policy states all deposits should be fully collateralized. As of December 31, 2021, none of MNPrairie’s deposits were exposed to custodial credit risk.

b. Investments

MNPrairie may invest in the following types of investments as authorized by Minn. Stat. §§ 118A.04 and 118A.05:

- (1) securities which are direct obligations or are guaranteed or insured issues of the United States, its agencies, its instrumentalities, or organizations created by an act of Congress, except mortgage-backed securities defined as “high risk” by Minn. Stat. § 118A.04, subd. 6;

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

b. Investments (Continued)

- (2) mutual funds through shares of registered investment companies provided the mutual fund receives certain ratings depending on its investments;
- (3) general obligations of the State of Minnesota and its municipalities, and in certain state agency and local obligations of Minnesota and other states provided such obligations have certain specified bond ratings by a national bond rating service;
- (4) time deposits fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or bankers' acceptances of United States banks;
- (5) commercial paper issued by United States corporations or their Canadian subsidiaries that is rated in the highest quality category by two nationally recognized rating agencies and matures in 270 days or less; and
- (6) with certain restrictions, in repurchase agreements, securities lending agreements, joint powers investment trusts, and guaranteed investment contracts.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. It is MNPrarie's policy to minimize its exposure to interest rate risk by investing in shorter-term investments to provide the cash flow and liquidity needed for operations.

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

b. Investments (Continued)

Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. It is MNPrairie's policy to invest only in securities that meet the ratings requirements set by state statute.

Custodial Credit Risk

The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities in the possession of an outside party. MNPrairie does not have a policy on custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2021, \$299,583 of MNPrairie's investments were exposed to custodial credit risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss that may be caused by MNPrairie's investment in a single issuer. It is MNPrairie's policy to minimize concentration of credit risk by diversifying the investment portfolio so that the impact of potential losses from any one type of security or issuer will be minimal.

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments (Continued)

At December 31, 2021, MNPrairie had the following deposits and investments.

<u>Investment – Issuer</u>	<u>Credit Risk</u>		<u>Concentration Risk Over 5 Percent of Portfolio</u>	<u>Interest Rate Risk Maturity Date</u>	<u>Carrying (Fair) Value</u>
	<u>Credit Rating</u>	<u>Rating Agency</u>			
Commercial paper U.S. Bank, National Association	P-1	Moody's	<5%	N/A	\$ 299,583
Investment pools MAGIC Fund	N/R	N/A	N/A	N/A	11,770,920
Checking					<u>392,509</u>
Total Cash and Investments					<u>\$ 12,463,012</u>

N/R – Not Rated

N/A – Not Applicable

<5% – Concentration is less than 5% of investments

Fair Value Measurements

MNPrairie invests in commercial paper for the benefit of liquid investments that can be readily re-invested. The commercial paper is quoted at a net asset value (NAV). The investments have a daily liquidity, and funds can be accessed at any time.

MAGIC is a local government investment pool which is quoted at a NAV. MNPrairie invests in this pool for the purpose of the joint investment of MNPrairie's money with those of counties to enhance the investment earnings accruing to each member.

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The MAGIC Portfolio is valued using amortized cost. Shares of the MAGIC Portfolio are available to be redeemed upon proper notice without restrictions under normal operating conditions. There are no limits to the number of redemptions that can be made as long as MNPrairie has a sufficient number of shares to meet their redemption request. The Fund's Board of Trustees can suspend the right of withdrawal or postpone the date of payment if the Trustees determine that there is an emergency that makes the sale of a Portfolio's securities or determination of its NAV not reasonably practical.

2. Receivables

Receivables of governmental activities as of December 31, 2021, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, were as follows:

	Receivable	Less: Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	Net Receivables
Accounts receivable	\$ 2,076,493	\$ (1,698,677)	\$ 377,816
Due from other governments	2,567,999	-	2,567,999

Net receivables are expected to be collected within the subsequent year.

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets (Continued)

3. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Capital assets depreciated				
Furniture, equipment, and vehicles	\$ 359,873	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 359,873
Software	220,581	-	-	220,581
	<u>\$ 580,454</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 580,454</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation for				
Furniture, equipment, and vehicles	\$ 161,322	\$ 62,497	\$ -	\$ 223,819
Software	3,676	44,116	-	47,792
	<u>\$ 164,998</u>	<u>\$ 106,613</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 271,611</u>
Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 415,456</u>	<u>\$ (106,613)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 308,843</u>

Depreciation expense of \$106,613 was charged to the human services function/program for the year ended December 31, 2021.

B. Liabilities

1. Operating Leases

MNPrairie entered into leases for office space with each participating county as follows:

- Dodge County, for office space in the Dodge County Courthouse Annex in Mantorville, Minnesota. The lease began in 2015 and is renewed annually. The lease calls for quarterly payments of \$42,879. Lease payments to Dodge County totaled \$171,516 in 2021.
- Steele County, for office space in the Steele County Administration Center in Owatonna, Minnesota. The lease began in 2015 and is renewed annually. The lease calls for quarterly payments of \$41,394. Lease payments to Steele County totaled \$165,576 in 2021.

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

B. Liabilities

1. Operating Leases (Continued)

- Waseca County, for office space in the MNPrairie and Public Health Building in Waseca, Minnesota. The lease began in 2019 and is renewed annually. The lease calls for quarterly payments of \$59,787, which includes maintenance costs. Lease payments to Waseca County totaled \$239,148 in 2021.

2. Capital Leases

MNPrairie has entered into lease agreements as a lessee for financing copy machines, vehicles, and a server. These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date. Capital lease payments are paid from the General Fund.

Capital leases consist of the following at December 31, 2021:

<u>Lease</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Installments</u>	<u>Payment Amount</u>	<u>Original Issue Amount</u>	<u>Outstanding Balance December 31, 2021</u>
2017 copy machines	2022	Monthly	\$ 191	\$ 11,461	\$ 765
2019 copy machines	2024	Monthly	760	37,114	19,262
2017 Ford Taurus	2022	Monthly	368	21,366	2,927
2018 Dodge Grand Caravan	2023	Monthly	287	17,227	4,307
2018 Dodge Grand Caravan	2023	Monthly	289	17,333	4,333
2018 Dodge Grand Caravan	2023	Monthly	275	16,515	4,129
2019 Subaru Crosstrek	2024	Monthly	319	19,163	10,539
2019 Subaru Crosstrek	2024	Monthly	319	19,163	10,539
2019 Dodge Grand Caravan	2024	Monthly	441	26,450	15,429
2019 Dell server	2024	Monthly	923	41,514	26,501
2020 Subaru Crosstrek	2025	Monthly	358	18,870	13,419
Total Capital Leases					<u>\$ 112,150</u>

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

B. Liabilities

2. Capital Leases (Continued)

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2021, were as follows:

Year Ending December 31	Governmental Activities
2022	\$ 51,372
2023	40,008
2024	27,165
2025	1,790
Total minimum lease payments	\$ 120,335
Less: amount representing interest	(8,185)
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 112,150

3. Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Compensated absences	\$ 1,164,880	\$ 1,205,646	\$ 1,080,104	\$ 1,290,422	\$ 935,332
Capital leases	160,031	-	47,881	112,150	46,690
Total	\$ 1,324,911	\$ 1,205,646	\$ 1,127,985	\$ 1,402,572	\$ 982,022

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

C. Deferred Inflows of Resources – Unavailable Revenue

Deferred inflows of resources – unavailable revenue as of December 31, 2021, for the General Fund are as follows:

	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Unavailable revenue	
Intergovernmental	\$ 302,381
Miscellaneous revenue	103,973
Total	\$ 406,354

D. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

1. Plan Description and Funding Policy

MNPrairie provides health insurance benefits for eligible retired employees and their dependents as required by Minn. Stat. § 471.61, subd. 2b. Retirees are required to pay 100 percent of the total premium cost. Since the premium is determined on the entire active and retiree population, the retirees are receiving an implicit rate subsidy. This postemployment benefit is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis. As of January 1, 2020, there was one retiree receiving health benefits from MNPrairie’s health plan. A separate, audited GAAP-basis postemployment plan report is not issued.

No assets have been accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph four of GASB 75. The OPEB plan does not issue a stand-alone financial report.

As of the January 1, 2020, actuarial valuation, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	2
Active plan participants	164
Total	166

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

D. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

2. Total OPEB Liability

MNPrairie's total OPEB liability of \$794,855 was measured as of January 1, 2021, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2020. The OPEB liability is liquidated through the General Fund.

The total OPEB liability in the fiscal year-end December 31, 2021, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Actuarial cost method	Entry Age, level percentage of pay
Inflation	2.50 percent
Salary increases	Service graded ranging from 11.25 percent for 1 year of service to 3.25 percent for 26 or more years of service
Health care cost trend	6.25 percent, decreasing to 5.00 percent over 6 years and then 4.00 percent over the next 48 years

The current year discount rate is 2.90 percent, which is based on the estimated yield of 20-year AA-rated municipal bonds.

Mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans General Headcount-Weighted Mortality Tables with MP-2019 Generational Improvement Scale.

Economic assumptions are based on input from a variety of published sources of historical and projected future financial data.

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

D. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

3. Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB Liability
Balance at December 31, 2020	\$ 713,809
Changes for the year	
Service cost	\$ 76,982
Interest	22,665
Benefit payments	(18,601)
Net change	\$ 81,046
Balance at December 31, 2021	\$ 794,855

4. OPEB Liability Sensitivity

The following presents the total OPEB liability of MNPrairie, calculated using the discount rate previously disclosed, as well as what MNPrairie's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

	Discount Rate	Total OPEB Liability
1% Decrease	1.90%	\$ 855,908
Current	2.90	794,855
1% Increase	3.90	737,260

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2. Detailed Notes on All Funds

D. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

4. OPEB Liability Sensitivity (Continued)

The following presents the total OPEB liability of MNPrairie, calculated using the health care cost trend previously disclosed, as well as what MNPrairie's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rate:

	Health Care Trend Rate	Total OPEB Liability
1% Decrease	5.25% Decreasing to 4.00%	\$ 699,136
Current	6.25% Decreasing to 5.00%	794,855
1% Increase	7.25% Decreasing to 6.00%	909,192

5. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended December 31, 2021, MNPrairie recognized OPEB expense of \$103,799. MNPrairie reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in actuarial assumptions	\$ 12,026	\$ 11,482
Differences between expected and actual experience	23,090	-
Contributions made subsequent to the measurement date	24,202	-
Total	\$ 59,318	\$ 11,482

The \$24,202 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the OPEB liability in the year ended December 31, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

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D. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

5. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Year Ended December 31	OPEB Expense Amount
2022	\$ 4,152
2023	4,152
2024	4,152
2025	4,158
2026	7,020

6. Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

There were no actuarial assumption changes in 2021.

E. Pension Plan

Defined Benefit Pension Plan

1. Plan Description

All full-time and certain part-time employees of MNPrairie are covered by defined benefit pension plans administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota (PERA). PERA administers the General Employees Retirement Plan (the General Employees Plan), which is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plan. The plan is established and administered in accordance with Minn. Stat. chs. 353 and 356. PERA's defined benefit pension plans are tax qualified plans under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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E. Pension Plan

Defined Benefit Pension Plan

1. Plan Description (Continued)

The General Employees Plan (accounted for in the General Employees Fund) has multiple benefit structures with members belonging to the Coordinated Plan, the Basic Plan, or the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund. Coordinated Plan members are covered by Social Security, and the Basic Plan and Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund members are not. The Basic Plan was closed to new members in 1967. The Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund was closed to new members during 1978 and merged into the General Employees Plan in 2015. All new members must participate in the Coordinated Plan, for which benefits vest after five years of credited service. No MNPrairie employees belong to either the Basic Plan or the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund.

2. Benefits Provided

PERA provides retirement benefits as well as disability benefits to members and benefits to survivors upon death of eligible members. Benefit provisions are established by state statute and can be modified only by the state legislature. Benefit increases are provided to benefit recipients each January.

General Employees Plan benefit recipients will receive a post-retirement increase equal to 50 percent of the cost of living adjustment announced by the Social Security Administration, with a minimum increase of at least 1.00 percent and maximum of 1.50 percent. Recipients that have been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive the full increase. Recipients receiving the annuity or benefit for at least one month but less than a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive a reduced prorated increase. For members retiring on January 1, 2024, or later, the increase will be delayed until normal retirement age (age 65 if hired prior to July 1, 1989, or age 66 for individuals hired on or after July 1, 1989). Members retiring under the Rule of 90 are exempt from the delay to normal retirement.

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E. Pension Plan

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2. Benefits Provided (Continued)

The benefit provisions stated in the following paragraph of this section are current provisions and apply to active plan participants. Vested, terminated employees who are entitled to benefits, but are not yet receiving them, are bound by the provisions in effect at the time they last terminated their public service.

Benefits are based on a member's highest average salary for any 60 consecutive months of allowable service, age, and years of credit at termination of service. In the General Employees Plan, two methods are used to compute benefits for Coordinated Plan members. Members hired prior to July 1, 1989, receive the higher of a step-rate benefit accrual formula (Method 1) or a level accrual formula (Method 2). Under Method 1, the annuity accrual rate for a Coordinated Plan member is 1.20 percent of average salary for each of the first ten years of service and 1.70 percent of average salary for each remaining year. Under Method 2, the annuity accrual rate is 1.70 percent for Coordinated Plan members for each year of service. Only Method 2 is used for members hired after June 30, 1989.

For General Employees Plan members hired prior to July 1, 1989, a full annuity is available when age plus years of service equal 90, and normal retirement age is 65. For members hired on or after July 1, 1989, normal retirement age is the age for unreduced Social Security benefits capped at 66. Disability benefits are available for vested members and are based on years of service and average high-five salary.

3. Contributions

Pension benefits are funded from member and employer contributions and income from the investment of fund assets. Rates for employer and employee contributions are set by Minn. Stat. ch. 353. These statutes are established and amended by the state legislature. General Employees Plan members were required to contribute 6.50 percent of their annual covered salary in 2021.

In 2021, MNPrairie was required to contribute 7.50 percent of annual covered salary. The employee and employer rates did not change from the previous year.

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E. Pension Plan

Defined Benefit Pension Plan

3. Contributions (Continued)

MNPrairie's contributions for the General Employees Plan for the year ended December 31 2021, were \$789,883. The contributions are equal to the statutorily required contributions as set by state statute.

4. Pension Costs

At December 31, 2021, MNPrairie reported a liability of \$6,017,061 for its proportionate share of the General Employees Plan's net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. MNPrairie's proportion of the net pension liability was based on MNPrairie's contributions received by PERA during the measurement period for employer payroll paid dates from July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, relative to the total employer contributions received from all of PERA's participating employers. At June 30, 2021, MNPrairie's proportion was 0.1409 percent. It was 0.1393 percent measured as of June 30, 2020. MNPrairie recognized pension expense of \$315,102 for its proportionate share of the General Employees Plan's pension expense.

MNPrairie also recognized \$14,825 as revenue, which results in a reduction of the net pension liability, for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's expense related to its contribution to the General Employees Plan, which qualifies as a special funding situation. Legislation requires the State of Minnesota to contribute \$16 million to the General Employees Plan annually until September 15, 2031.

MNPrairie's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 6,017,061
State of Minnesota's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with MNPrairie	<u>183,745</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,200,806</u>

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E. Pension Plan

Defined Benefit Pension Plan

4. Pension Costs (Continued)

MNPrairie reported its proportionate share of the General Employees Plan's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 35,655	\$ 183,897
Changes in actuarial assumptions	3,673,893	130,569
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	-	5,204,284
Changes in proportion	271,339	-
Contributions paid to PERA subsequent to the measurement date	398,398	-
Total	\$ 4,379,285	\$ 5,518,750

The \$398,398 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended December 31	Pension Expense Amount
2022	\$ (69,831)
2023	(21,507)
2024	(25,205)
2025	(1,421,320)

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E. Pension Plan

Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

5. Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2021, actuarial valuation was determined using the individual entry-age normal actuarial cost method and the following additional actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.25 percent per year
Active member payroll growth	3.00 percent per year
Investment rate of return	6.50 percent

Salary increases were based on a service-related table. Mortality rates for active members, retirees, survivors, and disabilitants were based on the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality table, with slight adjustments. Cost of living benefit increases for retirees are assumed to be 1.25 percent.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021, valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies. The experience study for the General Employees Plan was dated June 27, 2019. A review of inflation and investment assumptions dated June 24, 2021, was utilized.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 6.50 percent. The State Board of Investment, which manages the investments of PERA, prepares an analysis of the reasonableness of the long-term expected rate of return on a regular basis using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce an expected long-term rate of return by weighting the expected future rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

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5. Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Domestic equities	33.50%	5.10%
International equities	16.50	5.30
Fixed income	25.00	0.75
Private markets	25.00	5.90

6. Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.50 percent in 2021, which is a decrease of one percent from 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee and employer contributions will be made at the rate specified in statute. Based on that assumption, the fiduciary net position of the General Employees Plan was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

7. Changes in Actuarial Assumptions and Plan Provisions

The following changes in actuarial assumptions occurred in 2021:

- The investment return and single discount rates were changed from 7.50 percent to 6.50 percent.
- The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2019 to Scale MP-2020.

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E. Pension Plan

Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

8. Pension Liability Sensitivity

The following presents MNPrairie’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate previously disclosed, as well as what MNPrairie’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

	Proportionate Share of the General Employees Plan	
	Discount Rate	Net Pension Liability
1% Decrease	5.50%	\$ 12,271,733
Current	6.50	6,017,061
1% Increase	7.50	884,721

9. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued PERA financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the internet at www.mnpera.org.

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3. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

A. Risk Management

MNPrairie is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or natural disasters. To manage these risks, MNPrairie has entered into a joint powers agreement with other Minnesota counties to form the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT).

MCIT is a public entity risk pool currently operated as a common risk management and insurance program for its members. MNPrairie is a member of both the MCIT Workers' Compensation and Property and Casualty Divisions.

The Workers' Compensation Division of MCIT is self-sustaining based on the contributions charged, so that total contributions plus compounded earnings on these contributions will equal the amount needed to satisfy claims liabilities and other expenses. MCIT participates in the Workers' Compensation Reinsurance Association with coverage at \$500,000 per claim in 2021 and 2022. Should the MCIT Workers' Compensation Division liabilities exceed assets, MCIT may assess MNPrairie in a method and amount to be determined by MCIT.

The Property and Casualty Division of MCIT is self-sustaining, and MNPrairie pays an annual premium to cover current and future losses. MCIT carries reinsurance for its property lines to protect against catastrophic losses. Should the MCIT Property and Casualty Division liabilities exceed assets, MCIT may assess MNPrairie in a method and amount to be determined by MCIT.

B. Contingent Liabilities

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of the expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although MNPrairie expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

MNPrairie is a defendant in various lawsuits. Although the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable, in the opinion of MNPrairie's attorney, the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of MNPrairie.

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3. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items (Continued)

C. Joint Ventures

Dodge County Family Services Collaborative

The Dodge County Family Services Collaborative was established in 1999 under the authority of Minn. Stat. §§ 471.59 and 124D.23. The Collaborative includes Dodge County and approximately seven other human services-related agencies serving Dodge County residents. The governing board consists of seven members, of which four represent the legally required participants of a collaborative (a school district, the County, public health, and a community action agency). The purpose of the Collaborative is to provide a coordinated approach to support and nurture individuals and families through prevention and intervention so as to ensure success of every child. Control of the Collaborative is vested in a Board of Directors. MNPrairie acts as fiscal agent for the Collaborative and reports the fiscal transactions of the Collaborative as a custodial fund.

The Collaborative is financed by state grants and appropriations from participating members. During the year, MNPrairie did not contribute to the Collaborative.

Steele County Children's Mental Health Collaborative

The Steele County Children's Mental Health Collaborative was established in 2009 under the authority of Minn. Stat. § 245.491. The governing board consists of five members, two members of the County Board of Commissioners and one school board member from each participating school district. The purpose of this Collaborative is to improve the mental health and educational outcomes of children in Steele County by creating an integrated service delivery system for children who have, or are at risk of having, emotional or behavioral problems and their families. MNPrairie acts as fiscal agent for the Steele County Children's Mental Health Collaborative and reports the fiscal transactions of the Collaborative as a custodial fund. During the year, MNPrairie did not contribute to the Collaborative.

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3. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

C. Joint Ventures (Continued)

Waseca County Collaborative for Families

The Waseca County Collaborative for Families was established in 2001 to improve the well-being of the children and families of Waseca County. The members include Waseca County; Independent School District Nos. 829, 2835, and 2168; and Waseca Medical Center-Mayo Health System. The governing board consists of five members, one from each participating entity. MNPrairie acts as fiscal agent for the Waseca County Collaborative for Families and reports the fiscal transactions of the Collaborative as a custodial fund. During the year, MNPrairie did not contribute to the Collaborative.

D. Jointly-Governed Organization

MNPrairie, in conjunction with other governmental entities and various private organizations, formed the jointly-governed organization as listed below:

The Southeast Service Cooperative delivers numerous services to support administrative and instructional functions to its members and to improve learning opportunities. During the year, MNPrairie made payments of \$250 to the Cooperative.

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EXHIBIT A-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ 26,708,744	\$ 26,708,744	\$ 26,992,797	\$ 284,053
Charges for services	923,765	923,765	1,252,010	328,245
Investment earnings	40,000	40,000	15,593	(24,407)
Miscellaneous	318,000	318,000	355,451	37,451
Total Revenues	\$ 27,990,509	\$ 27,990,509	\$ 28,615,851	\$ 625,342
Expenditures				
Current				
Human services				
Income maintenance	\$ 9,276,334	\$ 9,276,334	\$ 8,460,367	\$ 815,967
Social services	18,714,175	18,714,175	17,719,332	994,843
Total human services	\$ 27,990,509	\$ 27,990,509	\$ 26,179,699	\$ 1,810,810
Debt service				
Principal	-	-	47,881	(47,881)
Interest	-	-	6,489	(6,489)
Total Expenditures	\$ 27,990,509	\$ 27,990,509	\$ 26,234,069	\$ 1,756,440
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,381,782	\$ 2,381,782
Fund Balance – January 1	9,855,495	9,855,495	9,855,495	-
Fund Balance – December 31	\$ 9,855,495	\$ 9,855,495	\$ 12,237,277	\$ 2,381,782

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EXHIBIT A-2

**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total OPEB Liability				
Service cost	\$ 76,982	\$ 74,559	\$ 59,344	\$ 62,183
Interest	22,665	24,794	19,778	17,807
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	32,326	-	-
Changes in assumptions	-	16,838	(20,098)	-
Benefit payments	(18,601)	(25,036)	(17,229)	(17,595)
Net change in total OPEB liability	\$ 81,046	\$ 123,481	\$ 41,795	\$ 62,395
Total OPEB Liability – Beginning	713,809	590,328	548,533	486,138
Total OPEB Liability – Ending	\$ 794,855	\$ 713,809	\$ 590,328	\$ 548,533
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 10,133,880	\$ 9,814,896	\$ 9,035,648	\$ 8,772,474
Total OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	7.84%	7.27%	6.53%	6.25%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

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EXHIBIT A-3

**SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY
PERA GENERAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT PLAN
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Measurement Date	Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)	State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with MNPrairie (b)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and the State's Related Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a + b)	Covered Payroll (c)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (a/c)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2021	0.1409 %	\$ 6,017,061	\$ 183,745	\$ 6,200,806	\$ 10,148,465	59.29 %	87.00 %
2020	0.1393	8,351,672	257,544	8,609,216	9,931,019	84.10	79.06
2019	0.1359	7,513,607	233,490	7,747,097	9,616,857	78.13	80.23
2018	0.1283	7,117,558	233,454	7,351,012	8,621,094	82.56	79.53
2017	0.1260	8,043,757	101,172	8,144,929	8,091,495	99.41	75.90
2016	0.1100	8,931,454	116,610	9,048,064	6,819,948	130.96	68.91
2015	0.0493	2,554,982	N/A	2,554,982	2,848,574	89.69	78.19

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.
The measurement date for each year is June 30.

N/A – Not Applicable

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EXHIBIT A-4

**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS
PERA GENERAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT PLAN
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Year Ending	Statutorily Required Contributions (a)	Actual Contributions in Relation to Statutorily Required Contributions (b)	Contribution (Deficiency) Excess (b - a)	Covered Payroll (c)	Actual Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (b/c)
2021	\$ 789,883	\$ 789,883	\$ -	\$ 10,533,724	7.50 %
2020	741,493	741,493	-	9,886,569	7.50
2019	739,771	739,771	-	9,863,626	7.50
2018	687,421	687,421	-	9,165,613	7.50
2017	615,501	615,501	-	8,204,350	7.50
2016	551,584	551,584	-	7,354,449	7.50
2015	478,511	478,511	-	6,380,147	7.50

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. MNPrairie's year-end is December 31.

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**NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

1. Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the General Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund and department. The legal level of budgetary control (that is, the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level. The budgets may be amended or modified at any time by MNPrairie. There were no budget amendments during 2021.

2. Other Postemployment Benefits Funded Status

Assets have not been accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph four of GASB Statement 75 to pay related benefits.

3. Other Postemployment Benefits – Changes in Significant Plan Provisions, Actuarial Methods, and Assumptions

The following changes in actuarial assumptions occurred:

2021

- There were no actuarial assumption changes in 2021.

2020

- The health care trend rates, mortality tables, and salary increase rates were updated.
- The discount rate used changed from 3.80 percent to 2.90 percent.

2019

- The discount rate used changed from 3.30 percent to 3.80 percent.

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3. Other Postemployment Benefits – Changes in Significant Plan Provisions, Actuarial Methods, and Assumptions (Continued)

2018

- The discount rate used changed from 3.50 percent to 3.30 percent.
- The mortality tables were updated from the RP-2014 White Collar Mortality Tables with MP-2016 Generational Improvement Scale to the RP-2014 White Collar Mortality Tables with MP-2017 Generational Improvement Scale.
- The retirement and withdrawal tables were updated.
- The health care trend rates were changed to better anticipate short-term and long-term medical increases.

4. Defined Benefit Pension Plan – Changes in Significant Plan Provisions, Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

The following changes were reflected in the valuation performed on behalf of the Public Employees Retirement Association for the General Employees Retirement Plan for the fiscal year June 30:

2021

- The investment return and single discount rates were changed from 7.50 percent to 6.50 percent.
- The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2019 to Scale MP-2020.

2020

- The price inflation assumption was decreased from 2.50 percent to 2.25 percent.
- The payroll growth assumption was decreased from 3.25 percent to 3.00 percent.
- Assumed salary increase rates were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019, experience study. The net effect is assumed rates that average 0.25 percent less than previous rates.

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4. Defined Benefit Pension Plan – Changes in Significant Plan Provisions, Actuarial Methods, and Assumptions

2020 (Continued)

- Assumed rates of retirement were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019, experience study. The changes result in more unreduced (normal) retirements and slightly fewer Rule of 90 and early retirements.
- Assumed rates of termination were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019, experience study. The new rates are based on service and are generally lower than the previous rates for years two to five and slightly higher thereafter.
- Assumed rates of disability were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019, experience study. The change results in fewer predicted disability retirements for males and females.
- The base mortality table for healthy annuitants and employees was changed from the RP-2014 table to the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality table, with adjustments. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2014 Disabled Annuitant Mortality table to the Pub-2010 General/Teacher Disabled Retiree Mortality table, with adjustments.
- The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2018 to Scale MP-2019.
- The assumed spouse age difference was changed from two years older for females to one year older.
- The assumed number of married male new retirees electing the 100 percent Joint and Survivor option changed from 35 percent to 45 percent. The assumed number of married female new retirees electing the 100 percent Joint and Survivor option changed from 15 percent to 30 percent. The corresponding number of married new retirees electing the Life annuity option was adjusted accordingly.
- Augmentation for current privatized members was reduced to 2.00 percent for the period July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2023, and 0.00 percent thereafter. Augmentation was eliminated for privatizations occurring after June 30, 2020.

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4. Defined Benefit Pension Plan – Changes in Significant Plan Provisions, Actuarial Methods, and Assumptions (Continued)

2019

- The mortality projection scale was changed from Scale MP-2017 to Scale MP-2018.

2018

- The mortality projection scale was changed from Scale MP-2015 to Scale MP-2017.
- The assumed benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2044 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter, to 1.25 percent per year.
- The augmentation adjustment in early retirement factors is eliminated over a five-year period starting July 1, 2019, resulting in actuarial equivalence after June 30, 2024.
- Interest credited on member contributions decreased from 4.00 percent to 3.00 percent, beginning July 1, 2018.
- Deferred augmentation was changed to 0.00 percent, effective January 1, 2019. Augmentation that has already accrued for deferred members will still apply.
- Contribution stabilizer provisions were repealed.
- Post-retirement benefit increases were changed from 1.00 percent per year with a provision to increase to 2.50 percent upon attainment of 90 percent funding to 50 percent of the Social Security cost of living adjustment, not less than 1.00 percent and not more than 1.50 percent, beginning January 1, 2019.
- For retirements on or after January 1, 2024, the first benefit increase is delayed until the retiree reaches normal retirement age; does not apply to the Rule of 90 retirees, disability benefit recipients, or survivors.
- Actuarial equivalent factors were updated to reflect revised mortality and interest assumptions.

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4. Defined Benefit Pension Plan – Changes in Significant Plan Provisions, Actuarial Methods, and Assumptions (Continued)

2017

- The Combined Service Annuity (CSA) loads were changed from 0.80 percent for active members and 60 percent for vested and non-vested deferred members (30 percent for deferred Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund members). The revised CSA loads are now 0.00 percent for active member liability, 15 percent for vested deferred member liability, and 3.00 percent for non-vested deferred member liability.
- The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year for all years to 1.00 percent per year through 2044 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter.
- Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund plan provisions change the employer supplemental contribution to \$21 million in calendar years 2017 and 2018 and returns to \$31 million through calendar year 2031. The state's required contribution is \$16 million in PERA's fiscal years 2018 and 2019 and returns to \$6 million annually through calendar year 2031.

2016

- The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2035 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter, to 1.00 percent for all future years.
- The assumed investment rate was changed from 7.90 percent to 7.50 percent. The single discount rate was also changed from 7.90 percent to 7.50 percent.
- Other assumptions were changed pursuant to the experience study dated June 30, 2015. The assumed payroll growth and inflation were decreased by 0.25 percent. Payroll growth was reduced from 3.50 percent to 3.25 percent. Inflation was reduced from 2.75 percent to 2.50 percent.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

CUSTODIAL FUNDS

Dodge County Family Services Collaborative – to account for the collection and disbursement of funds for the Dodge County Family Services Collaborative.

Steele County Children’s Mental Health Collaborative – to account for the collection and disbursement of funds for the Steele County Children’s Mental Health Collaborative.

Waseca County Collaborative for Families – to account for the collection and disbursement of funds for the Waseca County Collaborative for Families.

Estate Recoveries – to account for the State of Minnesota’s share of estate recoveries associated with the Medical Assistance Program.

Child Support Collections – to account for the collection and disbursement of child support payments to the State of Minnesota.

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT B-1

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS – CUSTODIAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<u>Custodial Funds</u>				<u>Total Custodial Funds</u>
	<u>Dodge County Family Services Collaborative</u>	<u>Steele County Children's Mental Health Collaborative</u>	<u>Waseca County Collaborative for Families</u>	<u>Estate Recoveries</u>	
<u>Assets</u>					
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 448,590	\$ 416,808	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 865,398
Due from other governments	28,231	42,833	26,284	-	97,348
Accounts receivable	-	-	-	89,825	89,825
Total Assets	<u>\$ 476,821</u>	<u>\$ 459,641</u>	<u>\$ 26,284</u>	<u>\$ 89,825</u>	<u>\$ 1,052,571</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Due to other governments	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,284</u>	<u>\$ 89,825</u>	<u>\$ 116,109</u>
<u>Net Position</u>					
Restricted for individuals, organizations, and other governments	<u>\$ 476,821</u>	<u>\$ 459,641</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 936,462</u>

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT B-2

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS – CUSTODIAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<u>Custodial Funds</u>					<u>Total Custodial Funds</u>
	<u>Dodge County Family Services Collaborative</u>	<u>Steele County Children's Mental Health Collaborative</u>	<u>Waseca County Collaborative for Families</u>	<u>Estate Recoveries</u>	<u>Child Support Collections</u>	
<u>Additions</u>						
Contributions from individuals	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 882,269	\$ 23,390	\$ 905,659
Interest earnings	287	604	-	-	-	891
Payments from other entities	120,377	193,525	124,176	-	-	438,078
Total Additions	\$ 120,664	\$ 194,129	\$ 124,176	\$ 882,269	\$ 23,390	\$ 1,344,628
<u>Deductions</u>						
Payments to state	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 405	\$ 882,269	\$ 23,390	\$ 906,064
Administrative expense	370	382	-	-	-	752
Payments to other entities	126,096	218,098	123,771	-	-	467,965
Total Deductions	\$ 126,466	\$ 218,480	\$ 124,176	\$ 882,269	\$ 23,390	\$ 1,374,781
Change in Net Position	\$ (5,802)	\$ (24,351)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (30,153)
Net Position – January 1	482,623	483,992	-	-	-	966,615
Net Position – December 31	\$ 476,821	\$ 459,641	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 936,462

OTHER SCHEDULES

MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA

EXHIBIT C-1

SCHEDULE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

Appropriations	
Local	
PERA aid	\$ 22,544
Contributions from counties	<u>12,369,508</u>
Total local appropriations	<u>\$ 12,392,052</u>
Reimbursement for Services	
State	
Minnesota Department of Human Services	<u>\$ 2,843,293</u>
Grants	
State	
Minnesota Department of Human Services	<u>\$ 4,613,654</u>
Federal	
Department of Agriculture	\$ 714,147
Health and Human Services	<u>6,429,651</u>
Total federal	<u>\$ 7,143,798</u>
Total state and federal grants	<u>\$ 11,757,452</u>
Total Intergovernmental Revenue	<u><u>\$ 26,992,797</u></u>

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT C-2

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Grant Numbers	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Agriculture			
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services			
SNAP Cluster			
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.561	212MN101S2514	\$ 691,041
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.561	212MN127Q7503	22,746
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.561	212MN101S2520	360
(Total State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program 10.561 \$714,147)			<u>714,147</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			\$ 714,147
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services			
Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances (SED)	93.104	H79SM080155	\$ 75,200
Promoting Safe and Stable Families	93.556	2101MNFPS	23,674
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	2101MNTANF	829,654
Child Support Enforcement	93.563	2101MNCEST	1,056,525
Child Support Enforcement	93.563	2101MNCSES	297,974
(Total Child Support Enforcement 93.563 \$1,354,499)			
Refugee and Entrant Assistance – State Administered Programs	93.566	2101MNRCA	427
CCDF Cluster			
Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	2101MNCCDF	59,211
Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants	93.590	1901MNBCAP	11,385
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program	93.645	2001MNCWSS	14,444
Foster Care – Title IV-E	93.658	2101MNFOST	523,053
Social Services Block Grant	93.667	2101MNSOSR	430,874
Child Abuse and Neglect State Grants	93.669	2101MNNCAN	195,008
John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood	93.674	2101MNCILP	36,495
COVID-19 – John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood	93.674	2101MNCILC	39,148
(Total John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood 93.674 \$75,643)			
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767	2105MN5021	997

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**EXHIBIT C-2
(Continued)**

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Grant Numbers	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services (Continued)			
Medicaid Cluster			
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	2105MN5ADM	2,692,360
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	2105MN5MAP	37,493
(Total Medical Assistance Program 93.778 \$2,729,853)			
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959	B08TI010027/B087I083047	<u>3,316</u>
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			<u>\$ 6,327,238</u>
Total Federal Awards			<u><u>\$ 7,041,385</u></u>
Totals by Cluster			
Total expenditures for SNAP Cluster			\$ 714,147
Total expenditures for CCDF Cluster			59,211
Total expenditures for Medicaid Cluster			2,729,853

MNPrairie did not pass any federal awards through to subrecipients during the year ended December 31, 2021.

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activities of federal award programs expended by Minnesota Prairie County Alliance (MNPrairie). MNPrairie's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

B. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of MNPrairie under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2021. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of MNPrairie, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of MNPrairie.

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

2. De Minimis Cost Rate

MNPrairie has elected not to use the ten percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

3. Reconciliation to Schedule of Intergovernmental Revenue

Federal grant revenue per Schedule of Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 7,143,798
Grants received more than 60 days after year-end, unavailable in 2021	
Promoting Safe and Stable Families (ALN No. 93.556)	1,066
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (ALN No. 93.558)	159,880
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program (ALN No. 93.645)	971
Child Abuse and Neglect State Grants (ALN No. 93.669)	4,284
Unavailable in 2020, recognized as revenue in 2021	
Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances (SED) (ALN No. 93.104)	(7,592)
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (ALN No. 93.558)	<u>(261,022)</u>
 Expenditures Per Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	 <u>\$ 7,041,385</u>



**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

Joint Powers Board
Minnesota Prairie County Alliance
Mantorville, Minnesota

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the General Fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Minnesota Prairie County Alliance (MNPrarie) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise MNPrarie's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 10, 2022.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies.

Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether MNPrairie'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 financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Minnesota Legal Compliance

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that MNPrairie failed to comply with the provisions of the contracting - bid laws, depositories of public funds and public investments, conflicts of interest, claims and disbursements, and miscellaneous provisions sections of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Other Political Subdivisions*, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 6.65, insofar as they relate to accounting matters. However, our audit was not directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of such noncompliance. Accordingly, had we performed additional procedures, other matters may have come to our attention regarding MNPrairie's noncompliance with the above referenced provisions, insofar as they relate to accounting matters.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting, compliance, and the provisions of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Other Political Subdivisions* and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of MNPrairie's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering MNPrairie's internal control over financial reporting and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

/s/Julie Blaha

JULIE BLAHA
STATE AUDITOR

/s/Dianne Syverson

DIANNE SYVERSON, CPA
DEPUTY STATE AUDITOR

June 10, 2022



**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM
AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE**

Independent Auditor's Report

Joint Powers Board
Minnesota Prairie County Alliance
Mantorville, Minnesota

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We have audited Minnesota Prairie County Alliance's (MNPrairie) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on MNPrairie's major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2021. MNPrairie's major federal program is identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, MNPrairie complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

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

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

/s/Julie Blaha

JULIE BLAHA
STATE AUDITOR

/s/Dianne Syverson

DIANNE SYVERSON, CPA
DEPUTY STATE AUDITOR

June 10, 2022

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

I. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP: **Unmodified**

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses identified? **No**
- Significant deficiencies identified? **None reported**

Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted? **No**

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weaknesses identified? **No**
- Significant deficiencies identified? **None reported**

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for the major federal program: **Unmodified**

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? **No**

The major federal program is:

Assistance Listing

Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
93.778	Medicaid Cluster

The threshold for distinguishing between Types A and B programs was \$750,000.

MNPrairie qualified as a low-risk auditee? **Yes**

**MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

**II. FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDITED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS***

None.

III. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS

None.



**REPRESENTATION OF MINNESOTA PRAIRIE COUNTY ALLIANCE
MANTORVILLE, MINNESOTA**

**SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Finding Number: 2017-002

Year of Finding Origination: 2017

Finding Title: Uniform Guidance Written Procurement Policies and Procedures

Program: Medical Assistance Program (ALN 93.778)

Summary of Condition: MNPrairie's written procurement policies did not have the required components of a procurement policy in accordance with Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* § 200.318.

Summary of Corrective Action Previously Reported: The Procurement Policy will be reviewed and updated to incorporate necessary language and procedures will be established to ensure compliance with the procurement standards.

Status: Not Corrected. The Procurement Policy was not updated as a result of the pandemic that impacted our work. The policy will be corrected in 2022.

Was corrective action taken significantly different than the action previously reported?

Yes _____ No X

Finding Number: 2017-003

Year of Finding Origination: 2017

Finding Title: Procurement, Suspension, and Debarment

Program: Medical Assistance Program (ALN 93.778)

Summary of Condition: For one covered transaction, procedures were not performed to determine whether the vendor was suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded from participation in federal assistance programs or activities.

Summary of Corrective Action Previously Reported: The Procurement Policy will be reviewed and updated to incorporate necessary language and procedures will be established to ensure compliance with the procurement standards.

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Status: Fully Corrected. Corrective action was taken.
Was corrective action taken significantly different than the action previously reported?
Yes _____ No X

Finding Number: 2020-001
Year of Finding Origination: 2015
Finding Title: Investment Safekeeping

Summary of Condition: Investment documentation obtained by MNPrairie did not disclose items such as maturity dates, CUSIP numbers, or other distinguishing marks.

Summary of Corrective Action Previously Reported: With MNPrairie's establishment of an account with the MAGIC fund, we anticipated that we would be able to place excess funds from US Bank in this investment account, which provides the necessary documentation for investment safekeeping and satisfies the necessary requirements to be in compliance with the Statute. However, in working with US Bank, we realized that changing our current use of the sweep account would have a negative financial impact on our operations in the form of additional fees. Therefore, we were not able to completely mitigate the exposure at year end. MNPrairie will continue to work with US Bank to solve this situation.

Status: Fully Corrected. Corrective action was taken.
Was corrective action taken significantly different than the action previously reported?
Yes _____ No X