

**GONZALES COUNTY  
EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2**

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

**FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

District Commissioners  
Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2

**Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

**Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2 as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2 basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2, as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). 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 Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2 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 obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

**Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2's 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 the Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

## **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 GAAS 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 judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2'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 Information, and Schedule of Changes, as listed in the Table of Contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

## Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2's basic financial statements. The comparative statements as listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. These statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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, these statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.



Armstrong, Vaughan & Associates, P.C.

April 30, 2024

## MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2’s annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the District’s financial performance during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023. Please read it in conjunction with the District’s financial statements, which follow this section.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

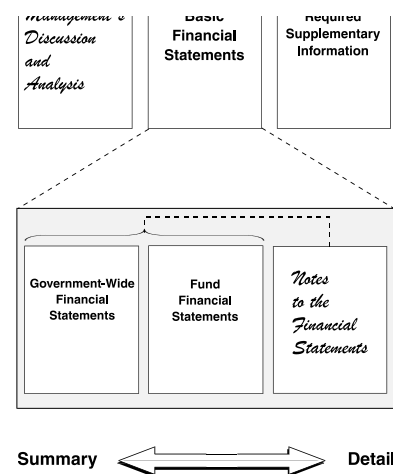
- The District’s total net position was \$1 million at September 30, 2023.
- The total cost of the District’s programs were \$2 million.
- The General Fund reported a fund balance this year of \$926 thousand.

### OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts—*management’s discussion and analysis* (this section), the *basic financial statements*, and *required supplementary information*. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are *government-wide financial statements* that provide both *long-term* and *short-term* information about the District’s overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on *individual parts* of the government, reporting the District’s operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
- *The governmental funds* statements tell how *general government* services were financed in the *short term* as well as what remains for future spending.

**Figure A-1, Required Components of the District’s Annual Financial Report**



The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of *required supplementary information* that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements. Figure A-1 shows how the required parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.

Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the District’s financial statements, including the portion of the District government they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management’s discussion and analysis explains the structure and contents of each of the statements.

<b>Figure A-2. Major Features of the District's Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements</b>		
		<b>Fund Statement</b>
<i>Type of Statements</i>	Government-wide	Governmental Funds
<i>Scope</i>	Entire District's government (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary
<i>Required financial statements</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of Net Position</li> <li>• Statement of Activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balance Sheet</li> <li>• Statement of Revenues, Expenditures &amp; Changes in Fund Balances</li> </ul>
<i>Accounting basis and measurement focus</i>	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus
<i>Type of asset/liability information</i>	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter, no capital assets included
<i>Type of inflow/outflow information</i>	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter

### **Government-Wide Statements**

The government-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the government's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net Position—the difference between the District's assets and liabilities—is one way to measure the District's financial health or *position*.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the District, one needs to consider additional nonfinancial factors such as changes in the District's tax base.

The government-wide financial statements of the District include the *Governmental activities*. All of the District's basic services are included here, such as Emergency Services and general administration. Property taxes will finance most of these activities.



## Fund Financial Statements

The District has the following kinds of funds:

- *Governmental funds*—All of the District’s basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how *cash and other financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed *short-term* view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District’s programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statement, or on the subsequent page, that explain the relationship (or differences) between them.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Net Position. The District’s combined net position was \$1 million at September 30, 2023. (See Table A-1).

**Table A-1**  
Gonzales County Emergency Services District No. 1 Net Position

	Governmental		Total
	Activities		Percentage
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Change</u> <u>2023-2022</u>
<b>Current assets:</b>			
Cash	\$ 673,915	\$ 363,527	85.38%
Property Tax Receivable	74,217	69,021	7.53%
Sales Tax Receivable	252,471	-	100.00%
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>1,000,603</u>	<u>432,548</u>	131.33%
<b>Net Position:</b>			
Unrestricted	<u>1,000,603</u>	<u>432,548</u>	131.33%
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u>\$ 1,000,603</u>	<u>\$ 432,548</u>	131.33%

**Changes in Net Position.** The District’s total revenues were \$2.6 million. The district’s revenue comes from property taxes and sales tax.

The total cost of all programs and services was \$2 million.

## Governmental Activities

- Property tax rates were assessed at \$0.022300 per \$100 valuation.

**Table A-2**  
Changes in District's Net Position

	Governmental Activities		Total Percentage Change
	2023	2022	2023-2022
<b>General Revenues</b>			
Property Taxes	\$ 1,087,490	\$ 1,010,694	7.60%
Grants and Contributions	-	239,581	-100.00%
Sales Tax	1,525,793	-	100.00%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>2,613,283</u>	<u>1,250,275</u>	109.02%
<b>General Expenses</b>			
Emergency Services	1,838,411	865,001	112.53%
General Administration	206,817	68,558	201.67%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>2,045,228</u>	<u>933,559</u>	119.08%
<b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Position</b>	568,055	316,716	79.36%
<b>Net Position at Beginning of year</b>	<u>432,548</u>	<u>115,832</u>	273.43%
<b>Net Position at End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 1,000,603</u>	<u>\$ 432,548</u>	131.33%

- The cost of all governmental activities this year was \$2 million and were financed 100% through taxes.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

Revenues from governmental fund types totaled \$2.6 million, an increase of 110%. The increase in local revenues is a result of an increased tax rate, appraised property values and sales tax.

### General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The District's actual expenditures were \$89 thousand more than budget amounts. Revenues were \$102 thousand more than budgeted amounts.

## ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

- The property tax rate for the fiscal year 2024 remained at \$0.0191 per \$100 valuation. Appraised value used for the 2024 budget provides an anticipated revenue generation of \$1.1 million.
- General operating fund spending for 2024 was estimated at \$2 million or a 46% increase over 2023 actual expenditures.

If the estimates are realized, the District's budgetary general fund balance is expected to increase by \$0 by the close of 2024.

## CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2 citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the District Treasurer by phone at 860-857-3200.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements include integrated sets of financial statements as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The sets of statements include:

- Government – wide financial statements
- Fund financial statements:
  - Governmental funds

In addition, the notes to the financial statements are included to provide information that is essential to a user's understanding of the basic financial statements.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<i>Current Assets:</i>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 673,915
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles)	74,217
Property Taxes	252,471
Sales Taxes	1,000,603
<i>Total Current Assets</i>	1,000,603
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,603</b>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>	
<i>Current Liabilities:</i>	
Accounts Payable	\$ -
<i>Total Current Liabilities</i>	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	-
 <b>NET POSITION</b>	
Unrestricted	1,000,603
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,603</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

<b>Functions and Programs</b>	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expenses), Revenues and Changes in Net Assets
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	
<b>Primary Government:</b>				
Governmental Activities:				
Emergency Services	\$ 1,838,411	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,838,411)
General Administration	<u>206,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(206,817)</u>
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<u>2,045,228</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,045,228)</u>
<b>Total Primary Government</b>	<u>\$ 2,045,228</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(2,045,228)</u>
<b>General Revenues:</b>				
General Property Taxes				1,087,490
Sales Taxes				<u>1,525,793</u>
<b>Total General Revenues</b>				<u>2,613,283</u>
Change in Net Position				568,055
<b>Net Position at Beginning of Year</b>				<u>432,548</u>
<b>Net Position at End of Year</b>				<u>\$ 1,000,603</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
 BALANCE SHEET  
 GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
 SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	<u>General Fund</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 673,915
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance for Uncollectible Property	74,217
Sales	252,471
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,000,603</u></u>
 <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE</b>	
 <i>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</i>	
Unavailable Property Tax Revenue	<u>\$ 74,217</u>
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>74,217</u>
 <i>Fund Balance:</i>	
Unassigned	<u>926,386</u>
<i>Total Fund Balance</i>	<u>926,386</u>
 <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,000,603</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**TOTAL FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUND** \$ 926,386

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of  
Net Position are different because:

Property taxes receivable are not available to pay current period  
expenditures and, therefore, are unavailable in the funds statements. 74,217

**TOTAL NET POSITION - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES** \$ 1,000,603

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
 GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	General Fund
<b>REVENUES</b>	
Property Taxes	\$ 1,082,294
Sales Taxes	1,525,793
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	2,608,087
 <b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Emergency Services	1,838,411
General Administrative	206,817
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	2,045,228
 <b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	562,859
 <b>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year</b>	363,527
 <b>Fund Balance at End of Year</b>	\$ 926,386

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.



GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF THE  
GOVERNMENT FUND TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUND** \$ 562,859

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

Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current  
financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. The  
changes are as follows:

Property Taxes	5,196
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**CHANGE IN NET POSITION - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES** \$ 568,055

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2 is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and was created by the Gonzales County Commissioners' Court after a Public Election on November 15, 1963. The District was created to provide emergency services and promote public safety, welfare, health and convenience of persons residing in the District. The District is governed by a board of five commissioners who serve two-year terms and are appointed by the County.

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below:

A. THE FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY

In evaluating how to define the government for financial purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in GASB Statement 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity." The definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the concept of financial accountability. A primary government is financially accountable for the organizations that make up its legal entity. It is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if its officials appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body and either it is able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. Based on the foregoing criteria, there was no component units identified that would require inclusion in this report.

B. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The **government-wide financial statements** include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. Government-wide statements report information on all of the activities of the District. Governmental activities are supported primarily by property taxes.

The statement of activities reflects the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included in program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Separate **fund financial statements** are provided for governmental funds. The General Fund meets the criteria of a *major governmental fund*. The District has no other governmental funds.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT.)  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)**

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

The **government-wide financial statements** are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Revenue types, which have been accrued, are revenue from the investments, intergovernmental revenue and charges for services. Property taxes are recognized in the year for which they are levied. Grants are recognized as revenue when all applicable eligibility requirements imposed by the provider are met.

Revenues are classified as *program revenues* and *general revenues*. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. General revenues include all taxes, grants not restricted to specific programs and investment earnings.

**Governmental fund level financial statements** are reported using current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Measurable and available revenues include revenues expected to be received within 60 days after the fiscal year ends. Receivables which are measurable but not collectible within 60 days after the end of the fiscal period are reported as deferred revenue. Property taxes which were levied prior to September 30, 2022, and became due October 1, 2022 have been assessed to finance the budget of the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022.

Expenditures generally are recorded when they become due and payable.

The government reports the following major governmental fund:

**The General Fund** is the general operating fund of the District and is always classified as a major fund. The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Major revenue sources include property taxes and investment of idle funds. Primary expenditures are for general administration and emergency services.

The District has no other funds.

D. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include cash deposits and investments with a maturity date within three (3) months of the date acquired by the District.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT.)  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)**

**E. INVESTMENTS**

State statutes authorize the District to invest in (a) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities; (b) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies; (c) other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the State of Texas or the United States; (d) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state having been rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm and having received a rating of not less than A or its equivalent; (e) certificates of deposit by state and national banks domiciled in this state that are (i) guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or its successor; or, (ii) secured by obligations that are described by (a) - (d); or, (e). Statutes also allow investing in local government investment pools organized and rated in accordance with the Interlocal Cooperation Act, whose assets consist exclusively of the obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities and repurchase assessments involving those same obligations. The District has all its monies in interest bearing checking accounts and savings accounts. Earnings from these investments are added to each account monthly or quarterly.

The District reports investments at fair value based on the hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The fair value hierarchy, which has three levels, is based on the valuation inputs used to measure an asset's fair value: Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for similar assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

**F. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Accounts receivable are reported net of allowances for uncollectible accounts. The allowance account represents management's estimate of uncollectible accounts based on historical trends. The District has not established an allowance for uncollectible receivables as of September 30, 2023.

Property taxes are levied based on taxable value at January 1 and become due October 1 and past due after the following January 31. Accordingly, receivables and revenues for property taxes are reflected on the government-wide statement based on the full accrual method of accounting. Property taxes receivable for prior year's levy is shown net of the allowance for uncollectible accounts.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
 NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT.)  
 SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)**

G. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets, which include land; buildings and improvements; and equipment and vehicles, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined as assets with a cost of \$1,000 or more and have a useful live of greater than one year. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Equipment	5-7 Years
Vehicles	10 Years
Buildings	25-50 Years

Land is not depreciated.

Currently, the District has no Capital Assets.

H. UNAVAILABLE REVENUE

Property tax is recognized when they become both measurable and available in the fund statements. Available means when due or past due, and receivable within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Property tax revenue is not expected to be available for the current period are reflected as deferred inflows. Unavailable revenue is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet under a modified accrual basis of accounting. Unavailable revenues from property tax are deferred and recognized as inflow of resource in the period the amount becomes available.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT.)  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)**

I. FUND EQUITY

Fund balances in governmental funds are classified as follows:

Nonspendable – Represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form (such as inventory or prepaid items) or legally required to remain intact.

Restricted – Represents amounts that are constrained by external parties, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – Represents amounts that can only be used for a specific purpose determined by a formal action of the government’s highest level of decision making authority. The District Board of Commissioners is the highest level of decision-making authority for the government that can, by adoption of an ordinance prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the ordinance remains in place until a similar action is taken (the adoption of another ordinance) to remove or revise the limitation.

Assigned – Represents amounts which the District intends to use for a specific purpose but do not meet the criteria of restricted or committed. The District Commissioners may make assignments through formal documentation in the minutes. The District Commissioners are the only entities that may make assignments at this time.

Unassigned – Represents the residual balance that may be spent on any other purpose of the District.

When expenditure is incurred for a purpose in which multiple classifications are available, the District considers restricted balances spent first, committed second, assigned third, and unassigned fourth.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT.)  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)**

J. NET POSITION

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets, and adding back unspent proceeds. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

K. USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities 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.

L. RECLASSIFICATIONS

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior periods presented to conform to the current presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on fund equity.

**NOTE 2 -- CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS**

The District's funds are required to be deposited and invested under the terms of a depository contract. The depository bank deposits for safekeeping and trust with the District's agent bank approved pledge securities in an amount sufficient to protect District funds on a day to day basis during the period of the contract. The pledge of approved securities is waived only to the extent of the depository bank's dollar amount of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance.

1. Cash & Certificates of Deposit

At September 30, 2023, the carrying amount of the District's deposit at one bank exceeded FDIC by \$424,065.



GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT.)  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 2 -- CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS (CONT.)**

2. Investments

The District is required by Government Code Chapter 2256, The Public Funds Investment Act, to adopt, implement, and publicize an investment policy. That policy must address the following areas: (1) safety of principal and liquidity, (2) portfolio diversification, (3) allowable investments, (4) acceptable risk levels, (5) expected rates of return.

The Public Funds Investment Act (“Act”) requires an annual audit of investment practices. Audit procedures in this area conducted as a part of the audit of the basic financial statements disclosed that the District adhered to the requirements of the Act. Additionally, investment practices of the District were in accordance with local policies.

The Act determines the types of investments which are allowable for the District. These include, with certain restrictions, 1) obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. agencies, and the State of Texas, 2) certificates of deposit, 3) certain municipal securities, 4) securities lending program, 5) repurchase agreements, 6) bankers acceptances, 7) mutual funds, 8) investment pools, 9) guaranteed investment contracts, and 10) commercial paper. The District had no investments at September 30, 2023.

3. Analysis of Specific Deposits and Investment Risks

GASB Statement No. 40 requires a determination as to whether the District was exposed to the specific investment risks at year end and if so, the reporting of certain related disclosures:

a. Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The ratings of securities by nationally recognized rating agencies are designed to give an indication of credit risk. At year end, the District was not exposed to credit risk.

b. Custodial Credit Risk

Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are uncollateralized, collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution’s trust department or agent but not in the District’s name. Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by either the counterparty or the counterparty’s trust department or agent but not in the District’s name. At year end, the District was exposed to custodial credit risk.

c. Concentration of Credit Risk

The risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government’s investment in a single issuer. At year end, the District was not exposed to a concentration of credit risk.

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
 NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT.)  
 SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 2 -- CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS (CONT.)**

3. Analysis of Specific Deposits and Investment Risks (Cont.)

d. Interest Rate Risk

This is the risk that the changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the District was not exposed to interest rate risk.

e. Foreign Currency Rate

This is the risk that the exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the District was not exposed to foreign currency risk.

**NOTE 3 -- AD VALOREM (PROPERTY) TAXES**

The District has contracted with the Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector to collect taxes on its behalf. Current year taxes become delinquent February 1. Current year delinquent taxes not paid by July 1 are turned over to attorneys for collection action.

For fiscal year 2023, the assessed tax rate for the District was \$0.022300 per \$100 on an assessed valuation of \$4,642,731,270, net of exemptions. Legally, the District may assess up to \$0.1000 per hundred on assessed valuations. Total tax levy for fiscal year 2023 was \$1,077,121. As of September 30, 2023, the current delinquent taxes for 2023 were \$17,655.

**NOTE 4 -- RECEIVABLES**

The following is a summary of the accounts receivable and the related allowances for uncollectible amounts:

Assets	Amount Receivable	Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	Net Receivable
<i>Taxes:</i>			
Property Taxes	\$ 74,217	\$ -	\$ 74,217
Sales Taxes	252,471	-	252,471
Total	\$ 326,688	\$ -	\$ 326,688

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT.)  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**NOTE 5 -- LITIGATION**

The District is not aware of any pending or threatened litigation.

**NOTE 6 -- RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Gonzales County Emergency Services District #2 is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. To cover the risk the District contracts with Volunteer Firemen's Insurance Services (VFIS) of Texas to provide insurance coverage for Property/Casualty. Contributions are set annually by VFIS. Liability by the District is generally limited to the contributed amounts. Annual contributions for the year ended September 30, 2023 were \$2,210.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Required supplementary information includes financial information and disclosures that are required by the GASB but are not considered a part of the basic financial statements. Such information includes:

- Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
 COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND  
 BALANCES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
 GENERAL FUND  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Budget Amounts		Actual	Variance	2022
	Original	Final		Favorable (Unfavorable)	
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Property Taxes	\$ 1,082,224	\$ 1,082,224	\$ 1,082,294	\$ 70	\$ 1,004,071
Grants and Contributions	150,822	150,822	-	(150,822)	239,581
Sales Tax	1,273,322	1,273,322	1,525,793	252,471	-
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>2,506,368</b>	<b>2,506,368</b>	<b>2,608,087</b>	<b>101,719</b>	<b>1,243,652</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
<i>Current:</i>					
Emergency Services	1,687,590	1,687,590	1,838,411	(150,821)	865,001
Administrative	268,725	268,725	206,817	61,908	68,558
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,956,315</b>	<b>1,956,315</b>	<b>2,045,228</b>	<b>(88,913)</b>	<b>933,559</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>550,053</b>	<b>550,053</b>	<b>562,859</b>	<b>12,806</b>	<b>310,093</b>
<b>Fund Balance - Beginning of Year</b>	<b>363,527</b>	<b>363,527</b>	<b>363,527</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53,434</b>
<b>Fund Balance - End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 913,580</b>	<b>\$ 913,580</b>	<b>\$ 926,386</b>	<b>\$ 12,806</b>	<b>\$ 363,527</b>

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

**Budgetary Information** – The budget is prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The District maintains strict budgetary controls. The objective of these controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the District’s Board and as such is a good management control device.

It is recommended that actual expenditures do not exceed appropriations. Actual expenditures did exceed appropriations for the year ended. September 30, 2023.

The District does not use encumbrances.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Supplementary information includes financial statements and schedules not required by the GASB, nor a part of the basic financial statements, but are presented for purposes of additional analysis.

Such statements and schedule include:

- Comparative Balance Sheet – General Fund

GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2  
 COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS – GENERAL FUND  
 SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AND 2022

	2023	2022
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 673,915	\$ 363,527
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance for Uncollectible		
Property	74,217	69,021
Sales	252,471	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,603</b>	<b>\$ 432,548</b>
 <b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE</b>		
<i>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:</i>		
Unavailable Property Tax Revenue	74,217	69,021
<i>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</i>	<i>74,217</i>	<i>69,021</i>
 <i>FUND BALANCE:</i>		
Commitment for Equipment Purchase	-	239,581
Unassigned	926,386	123,946
<i>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</i>	<i>926,386</i>	<i>363,527</i>
 <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,603</b>	<b>\$ 432,548</b>