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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Financial Planning and Allocation Commission of The Town of Columbia, CT

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Columbia, CT, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Columbia, CT's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Columbia, CT, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the Town of Columbia, CT's 2016 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated January 10, 2017. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information from which it has been derived.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and schedule of funding progress on pages 4–11 and 42 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Columbia, CT's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, and statistical section, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the State Single Audit Act, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance 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, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 18, 2017, on our consideration of the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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December 28, 2017

Management's Discussion and Analysis June 30, 2017

As management of the Town of Columbia, CT, we offer readers of the Town of Columbia, CT's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Columbia, CT for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the Town of Columbia, CT exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$20,350,903 (net position). Of this amount, \$4,784,505 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. Restricted Net Position is \$490,630. \$198,115 is restricted for the Brand Memorial Trust, \$204,898 is restricted for Town Aid Road, \$4,081 is restricted for D.A.R.E. Education, \$1,542 is restricted for Historic Document Preservation, \$26,011 is restricted for Land Protection, \$1,038 is restricted for Education Grants, \$8,348 is restricted for Social Service's Needs, and \$46,597 is restricted for Small Cities Housing Rehabilitation. The remainder of the government's net position is invested in capital assets.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town of Columbia, CT's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$5,204,218, a decrease of \$219,111 in comparison with the prior year. The decrease is primarily attributable to the underspending of the budgeted operating expenditures as well as the higher than budgeted revenue received by the town in property tax collection, state grant revenues and town fees. Of this amount, \$3,322,169 is available in the Town's General Fund for spending at the government's discretion (unassigned fund balance).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, assigned and unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$3,794,169 or 22% percent of total General Fund expenditures. This fund balance represents the Town's reserve for future capital projects, as all assets of the capital projects fund have been obligated to finance current projects.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town of Columbia, CT's basic financial statements. The Town of Columbia, CT's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. The report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town of Columbia, CT's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the Town of Columbia, CT's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town of Columbia, CT is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net position has changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in future cash inflows (revenues) and outflows (expenditures.)

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Both of the government-wide financial statements present functions of the Town of Columbia, CT that are principally supported by tax revenues, grants and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*). The governmental activities of the Town of Columbia, CT include general government, public safety, highways, sanitation, health and welfare, recreation, and education. The town does not report any funds that carry-on business-type activities.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 12-13 of this report.

Fund financial statements. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town of Columbia, CT, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town of Columbia, CT can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Town of Columbia, CT maintains twenty-one (21) individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund. The town also reports the Capital Improvement Fund as a major fund.

The Town of Columbia, CT adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 14-18 of this report.

Fiduciary Funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town of Columbia, CT's own programs.

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 19-20 of this report.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 21-39 of this report.

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Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the Town of Columbia, CT, assets exceeded liabilities by \$20,350,903 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

	2017	2016
Current and Other Assets	\$ 6,418,376	\$ 6,904,803
Capital Assets	15,690,066	15,709,370
Total Assets	\$ 22,108,442	\$ 22,614,173
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Other Liabilities	\$ 903,368	\$ 1,317,173
Long-Term Liabilities Outstanding	854,171	1,013,526
Total Liabilities	1,757,539	2,330,699
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Net Position:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	15,075,768	14,910,193
Restricted	490,630	455,930
Unrestricted	4,784,505	4,917,351
Total Net Position	\$ 20,350,903	\$ 20,283,474

74% of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets, less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

2% of the Town's net position is subject to external restrictions on how it may be used and is therefore presented as restricted net position.

The remainder of the Town's net position (24%) is considered unrestricted and may be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town of Columbia, CT is able to report that all categories of net position increased by \$67,429 during this fiscal year. This increase is primarily attributable to the under spending of the operating budget expenditures, additional unbudgeted revenue and a higher-than-budgeted property tax collection rate.

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Revenues:	2017	 2016
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	\$ 13,268,538	\$ 12,867,585
Unrestricted Investment Income	42,487	20,242
Grants and Contributions	69,655	69,905
Other Income	66,483	35,047
Loss on Disposal	(2,743)	-
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services	399,312	451,700
Operating Grants and Contributions	5,012,694	4,504,920
Capital Grants and Contributions	209,495	670,125
Total Revenues	19,065,921	18,619,524
Expenses:		
Governmental Activities:		
General Government	1,624,953	1,504,305
Health and Human Services	178,673	171,438
Public Safety	556,427	519,640
Public Works	1,162,576	1,236,451
Building and Development Services	188,769	201,351
Recreation	539,263	527,830
Education	14,711,581	14,076,606
Interest on Long-term Debt	36,250	43,500
Total Expenses	18,998,492	18,281,121
Change in Net Position	67,429	338,403
Beginning Net Position	20,283,474	19,945,071
Ending Net Position	\$ 20,350,903	\$ 20,283,474

Governmental activities. Governmental activities increased the Town of Columbia, CT's net position by \$67,429.

Key elements of the activities are as follows:

• Sixty-nine percent (69%) of the revenues of the Town were derived from property taxes, followed by less than one percent (1%) from investment and other income, followed by less than one percent (1%) from grants and contributions, and then Thirty percent (30%) from program revenues.

Major revenue factors included:

• The Town received the following grant funds, which were an unbudgeted source of revenue for FY 2016-2017:

STEAP Library Expansion Phase II Reimbursement\$ 31,695 STEAP Grant-Pucker St Bridge \$ 9,083 State Library Grant \$ 125,966

- The Town collected a surplus in the following budgeted revenue lines:
 - \$ 445 in Zoning Permit Fees

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- \$ 2,470 in Pistol Permit Fees
- \$ 6,125 in Real Estate Conveyance Fees
- \$ 14,292 in Bldg. Mech. Septic Permit Fees
- \$ 895 in Court Fines
- \$ 11,509 in Beach Use and Concession Fees
- \$ 694 in Photocopy Fees
- \$ 16,640 in Transfer Station Sticker Fees
- \$ 30,963 in Interest on Investments
- \$ 4,732 in Miscellaneous Revenue
- The Town collected a surplus of \$238,379 in property taxes (current, outstanding, delinquent, interest, etc.).
- The State of Connecticut granted the Town \$11,230 less in the Education Equalization Grant (ECS aid to towns) and \$33,285 less in school transportation expenses than what was locally budgeted.

For Governmental Activities, 77% of the Town's expenses relate to education, 6% relates to public works, 4% relate to public safety and health and human services, and the remaining 13% relates to government, building and development services, recreation and other areas.

Major expense factors include:

• The following capital projects:

Town Land Acquisition -- \$86,605

Road Resurfacing -- \$190,099

DPW Capital Equipment -- \$79,507

DPW Capital Improvements to Town Buildings -- \$43,966

Szedga Farm Development Rights -- \$39,879

CVFD Equipment -- \$23,828

Replace Playscape -- \$100,000

Library Phase 3 -- \$309,099

HWP Café Bleacher/Storage -- \$23,632

HWP Potable water Booster Pump-- \$18,074

- Decrease in the Town's 2016-2017 debt service payments by \$7,250 from 2015-2016. Debt service payments will continue to reduce each year until final payment in June 2021.
- Increase in the Town's allocation to the 2016-2017 Board of Education by \$243,331 from the final 2015-2016 Town's allocation where the town allocated an additional \$400,000 in that year to cover a projected deficit in the Board of Education budget.
- As of June 30, 2017, the Columbia Board of Education has excess funds in its budget totaling \$51,271. Those funds were returned to the Town's General fund and were not added to the Board of Education's Non-lapsing Account that was established in the 2015-2016 year.
- The Columbia Board of Education looked within the 2016-2017 budget and used funds from other expenditures lines to cover the under-budgeting in other lines: Non-Certified Salaries (\$80,423), Substitute salaries (\$91,319), Repairs and Maintenance (\$26,829), Regular Education Tuition (\$66,554) and Equipment (\$20,403). The savings shown in various lines were used to cover the projected budget deficit due to unanticipated staff leaves, unanticipated building projects and increases in the tuition line due to additional students who entered the district at the high school level. Also, with a projected excess in various lines, the Board of Education was also able to purchase needed equipment for the classrooms and for technology.

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Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, the Town of Columbia, CT uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds. The focus of the Town of Columbia, CT's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town of Columbia, CT's financing requirements. In particular, *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Town of Columbia, CT's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$5,204,218, a decrease of \$219,111 in comparison with the prior year. Sixty-four (64%) of this total amount constitutes *unassigned fund balance*, which is available for spending at the government's discretion.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the Town of Columbia, CT. At the end of the current fiscal year, assigned and unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$3,794,169. This represents an increase of \$221,370. The increase is due to the collection of revenue at a higher than budgeted rate on the Municipal Government side as well as a lower than anticipated spending by both the Municipal Government and the Columbia Board of Education.

.As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 19% percent of total General Fund expenditures.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

- The Operating Budget of the Municipal Government was under spent by \$210,011 excluding Contingency and Debt Service. In addition, the Municipal Government ending the year with \$5,146 in year end encumbrances for open expenditures to the 2016-2017 fiscal year.
- The Operating Budget of the Board of Education was spent in accordance with the adopted budget and was under spent by \$51,271. The excess funds were returned to the Town's General Fund and were not added to the Board of Education's Non-Lapsing Account. In addition to the funds returned to the Town, there were also \$34,990 in encumbrances at year end for any open projects and expenditures for Horace W. Porter School that applied to the 2016-2017 fiscal year.
- During the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year, \$41,848 was approved and transferred from Contingency
 to fund various lines in the Town's operating budget that needed additional funding that was
 brought to the Town's attention during the Fiscal Year including but not limited to \$28,093 for
 staff 2016-2017 salaries, \$5,917 for additional costs above budget for the Library Expansion
 Project, and \$7,838 for Public Works and Facilities Repair and Maintenance items at the
 library.
- With Town Meeting approvals in 2016-2017, the Town transferred \$90,000 from the General Fund to cover the cost of a town land acquisition next to the Transfer Station as well as to transfer \$15,000 to the Capital Reserves Fund to cover the cost to repair the Columbia Volunteer Fire Department driveway and also purchase a new dishwasher at the Beckish Senior Center. An additional \$5,917 was approved in 2016-2017 to be transferred to the Capital Reserves Fund to cover additional cost above budget for the Library Expansion Project. In addition, Town Meetings approved a transfer within the Capital Reserve Fund to

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cover the cost of a potable water booster pump replacement at Horace Porter School as well as fund a new Capital Project account named Preliminary Design & Cost Estimates.

• The Town collected taxes at a higher-than-budgeted collection rate.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets. The Town of Columbia, CT's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2017, amounts to \$15,690,066 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land and buildings, vehicles, machinery and equipment.

	2017	2016
Land and Infrastructure	\$ 3,214,328	\$ 3,123,749
Construction in Progress	221,833	1,074,297
Buildings and Improvements	11,128,782	10,384,564
Vehicles	673,418	773,260
Machinery and equipment	451,705	353,500
Total	\$ 15,690,066	\$ 15,709,370

Additional information on the Town of Columbia, CT's capital assets can be found in Note 4 on page 30 of this report.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

- Funding for Road Resurfacing \$190,099
- Funding for Town Land Acquisition \$86,605
- Preliminary Design & Cost Estimates for Future Capital Projects \$21,400
- Preliminary Work for Beach Improvements \$5,997
- Funding for Revaluation \$32,368
- Funding for new equipment for Public Works \$79,507.
- Funding for capital improvements to Town Buildings \$43,966.
- Funding for the continuing payments for the Szegda Property Development Rights \$39,879.
- Funding for Replacement of Playscapes at Recreation Park and Horace W. Porter School -\$100,000
- Funding for the Horace W. Porter Storage Project \$23,632
- Funding for Horace W. Porter School Water Potable Booster Pump \$18,074
- Funding for CVFD SCBA Replacement \$23,828.
- Funding for the Library Expansion Project \$309,099.

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Long-term debt.

At the end of the current fiscal year the Town had a total outstanding note payable and bonded debt of \$614,298. Of this amount, 91% comprises debt backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

The Town's total debt decreased \$159,591 or 13% during the current fiscal year. This decrease is attributable to the payment of the annual bond principal.

State statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt the Town may issue to seven times its annual receipts from taxation, as defined by the statutes. The current debt limitation for the Town is \$89,968,417, which is significantly in excess of the Town's outstanding general obligation debt.

The Town of Columbia, CT has the following obligations:

	2017		 2016
General Obligation Bonds	\$	580,000	\$ 725,000
Note Payable		34,298	74,177
Other Post-Employment Benefits		285,400	260,900
Other Obligations		154,819	 154,031
Total	\$	1,054,517	\$ 1,214,108

Additional information on the Town of Columbia, CT's long-term debt can be found in Note 6 on pages 32-33 of this report.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The Town receives intergovernmental revenues from the State of Connecticut. Connecticut's economy moves in the same general cycle as the national economy, and has been the case in previous cycles, the State and the nation are in the midst of an economic uncertainty which has affected the amount of intergovernmental revenues that the Town will receive in fiscal year 2016-2017 and beyond. It is expected that revenues for fiscal year 2016-2017 will remain fairly static or decrease nominally.

- State and federal funding is expected to decrease or remain stable.
- There remains considerable uncertainty with respect to petroleum-based fuel costs.

These factors were considered in preparing the Town of Columbia, CT's budget for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Columbia, CT's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Finance Department, Town of Columbia, 323 Route 87, Columbia, CT 06237.

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017 and 2016

	Primary Government			
	Governmental Activities			
Assets	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>		
Current assets:		<u> </u>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,816,290	\$ 5,207,563		
State and federal grants receivable	25,447	1,271,856		
Property taxes receivable	401,862	257,656		
Interest receivable	89,301	49,743		
Other receivables	10,459	6,853		
Prepaid expenses	18,154	37,306		
Inventories	7,249	7,674		
Total current assets	6,368,762	6,838,651		
Noncurrent assets:				
State and federal grants receivable	49,614	66,152		
Capital assets:				
Nondepreciable	2,047,186	2,813,045		
Depreciable assets, net of depreciation	13,642,880	12,896,325		
Total assets	\$ 22,108,442	\$ 22,614,173		
Deferred Outflows of Resources	_			
Liabilities				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 93,174	\$ 457,726		
Accrued expenses	585,153	628,460		
Other payables	3,147	3,402		
Deferred revenue	21,548	27,003		
Notes and bonds payable	-	164,879		
Long-term obligations	200,346	35,703		
Total current liabilities	903,368	1,317,173		
Non-current liabilities:				
Notes and bonds payable	449,419	634,298		
Other long-term obligations	404,752	379,228		
Total liabilities	1,757,539	2,330,699		
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Net position				
Net investment in capital assets	15,075,768	14,910,193		
Restricted for Brand memorial trust	198,115	218,244		
Restricted for town aid road	204,898	204,945		
Restricted	87,617	32,741		
Unrestricted	4,784,505	4,917,351		
Total net position	\$ 20,350,903	\$ 20,283,474		

Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2017 (With Comparative Totals for June 30, 2016)

Net (expense) revenue and changes in net position

									cnanges in	net position
			Program revenues					Primary go	overnment	
				Charges Operating Grants Capital Grants		Government	tal Activities			
		<u>Expenses</u>	<u>fo</u>	r Services	<u>and</u>	Contributions	and (Contributions	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Functions/programs										
Primary government:										
Governmental activities										
General government	\$	1,624,953	\$	80,664	\$	115,761	\$	-	\$ (1,428,528)	\$ (1,406,453)
Health and human services		178,673		1,732		6,816		-	(170,125)	(164,599)
Public safety		556,427		6,797		1,533		-	(548,097)	(508,397)
Public works		1,162,576		76,022		232,226		40,778	(813,550)	(736,083)
Building and development services		188,769		79,752		-		-	(109,017)	(111,368)
Recreation		539,263		78,049		5,547		-	(455,667)	(448,588)
Education		14,711,581		76,296		4,650,811		168,717	(9,815,757)	(9,235,388)
Interest on long-term debt		36,250				_		_	(36,250)	(43,500)
Total governmental activities		18,998,492		399,312		5,012,694		209,495	(13,376,991)	(12,654,376)
Total primary government	\$	18,998,492	\$	399,312	\$	5,012,694	\$	209,495	(13,376,991)	(12,654,376)
	Gene	eral revenues:								
	Pr	operty taxes le	evie	d for gener	al pur	poses			13,268,538	12,867,585
	Gr	ants not restri	cte	d to specific	purp	ose			69,655	69,905
	Ur	restricted Inv	estn	nent incom	е				42,487	20,242
	Ot	her Income							66,483	35,047
	Lo	ss on Disposa	al						(2,743)	-
		Total genera	ıl re	venues					13,444,420	12,992,779
		Change in	net	position					67,429	338,403
	Ne	et position - be		•					20,283,474	19,945,071
	Ne	et position - e	ndin	g					\$20,350,903	\$20,283,474

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2017

(With Comparative Totals for June 30, 2016)

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			apital and		lonmajor			
	General		-Recurring	Go	vernmental		Total	
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Ex</u> p	<u>penditures</u>		<u>Funds</u>	<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>
Assets:		•		_		^		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,815,391	\$	718,021	\$	282,878	\$ 5,816,29		
State and federal grants receivable	1,659		-		7,250	8,90		1,255,318
Other receivables	10,454		-		5	10,45		6,853
Interfund receivables	5		-		396,223	396,22		381,141
Property taxes receivable, net	401,862		-		-	401,86		257,656
Prepaid expenses	17,898		-		256	18,15		37,306
Inventories		_	<u>-</u>	_	7,249	7,24		7,674
Total assets	\$ 5,247,269	<u>\$</u>	718,021	\$	693,861	\$ 6,659,15	<u>1</u> \$	7,153,511
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable	\$ 92,249	\$	_	\$	925	\$ 93,17	4 \$	457,726
Accrued expenses	576,452	Ψ	_	Ψ	8,701	585,15		628,460
Deferred revenue	14,595		_		6,953	21,54		27,003
Interfund payables	396,223		_		5	396,22		381,141
Due to State of CT	-		=		3,147	3,14		3,402
Total liabilities	1,079,519		_		19,731	1,099,25		1,497,732
					,			
Deferred Inflows of Resources:								
Deferred Taxes	355,683		-		-	355,68	3_	232,450
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	355,683					355,68	<u>3</u>	232,450
Fund Balances:								
Nonspendable:								
Inventories	_		_		7,249	7,24	a	7,674
Board of Selectman-Prepaid expenses	11,931		_		- 7,210	11,93		16,570
Board of Education-Prepaid expenses	5,967		_		_	5,96		20,586
D.A.R.E Education	-		_		50	5		50
Recreation Activities Fund	_		_		41	4	_	100
Restricted:						-	-	
D.A.R.E Education	_		_		4,081	4,08	1	4,081
Town Aid Road	_		_		204,898	204,89		204,945
Historic Document Preservation Fund	-		-		1,542	1,54		827
Land Protection Fund	-		=		26,011	26,01		16,213
Education Grants Fund	-		=		1,038	1,03		2,056
Social Services Needs Fund	-		-		8,348	8,34	3	7,005
Brand Memorial Trust	-		-		198,115	198,11	5	218,244
STIF-Nutmeg Network	-		-		-		-	528
Small Cities Housing Rehabilitation	-		=		46,597	46,59	7	2,031
Committed (See Note 9)	-		711,990		176,160	888,15	Э	1,342,745
Assigned:								
Subsequent Year's Budget	472,000		-		-	472,00)	400,000
Reserve for Capital	-		6,031		-	6,03	1	6,875
Unassigned:	3,322,169					3,322,16	<u> </u>	3,172,799
Total fund balances	3,812,067		718,021		674,130	5,204,21	<u> 3</u>	5,423,329
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resor	urces,							
and fund balances	\$ 5,247,269	\$	718,021	\$	693,861	\$ 6,659,15	<u>1</u> \$	7,153,511

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017

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355,683
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Net position of governmental activities.

\$20,350,903

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

(With Comparative Totals for June 30, 2016)

		Reserve for			
		Capital and	Nonmajor		
	General	Non-Recurring Governmental_		Tot	tals
	<u>Fund</u>	Expenditures	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Revenues					
Taxes	\$ 13,105,747	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,105,747	\$ 12,871,153
Licenses, fees, and permits	296,766	-	102,546	399,312	451,700
Intergovernmental revenue	4,206,672	-	465,339	4,672,011	5,311,834
Contributions	-	-	9,972	9,972	5,480
Other revenues	20,277	-	46,206	66,483	35,047
Investment earnings	33,963	7,216	1,308	42,487	20,242
Total revenues	17,663,425	7,216	625,371	18,296,012	18,695,456
Expenditures					
Current:					
General government	1,405,639	-	30,650	1,436,289	1,340,676
Health and human services	167,805	-	4,674	172,479	171,438
Public safety	401,632	-	11,494	413,126	393,921
Public works	839,788	-	-	839,788	819,950
Building and development services	188,769	-	-	188,769	201,351
Recreation	485,734	-	33,622	519,356	508,674
Education	13,464,827	-	298,317	13,763,144	13,753,733
Debt service	181,250	-	-	181,250	188,500
Capital expenditures		1,000,922		1,000,922	1,724,415
Total expenditures	17,135,444	1,000,922	378,757	18,515,123	19,102,658
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues					
over expenditures	527,981	(993,706)	246,614	(219,111)	(407,202)
Other Financing sources/(Uses)					
Transfers in	11,044	532,423	10,000	553,467	1,358,690
Transfers out	(336,913)		(216,554)	(553,467)	(1,358,690)
Total other financing sources/(uses)	(325,869)	532,423	(206,554)		
Net change in fund balances	202,112	(461,283)	40,060	(219,111)	(407,202)
Fund balances - beginning	3,609,955	1,179,304	634,070	5,423,329	5,830,531
Fund balances - ending	\$ 3,812,067	\$ 718,021	\$ 674,130	\$ 5,204,218	\$ 5,423,329

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds.	\$	(219,111)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. Capital expenditures Depreciation expense		733,703 (750,264)
In the statement of activities, only the loss on the disposal of capital assets Is reported. Thus the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by this loss		(2,743)
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are reported as deferred revenues in the funds. Accordingly, an adjustment is necessary to reconcile amounts reported as interest receivable in the government-wide Statement of Net Position and as deferred revenue in the fund Balance Sheet.		162,791
Bond and note proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental fund but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Repayments:	s,	
General obligation bond principal payments Notes payable Post-closure landfill costs		145,000 39,879 1,717
Some grants provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but reduce grant receivables in the Statement of Net Position. This is the amount of current economic resources reclassified as a balance		
sheet adjustment. Certain benefits are expended in the funds when resources are used, but are expensed in the Statement of Activities when the liability is incurred.		(16,538)
Accumulated Sick Time		(1,434)
Compensated Absences Other Postemployment Benefits		(1,071) (24,500)
Change in net position of governmental activities.	\$	67,429

Budgetary Comparison Statement General Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	E	Budgeted amounts			Actual Amounts		Over
	<u>Ori</u> ç	<u>jinal</u>		<u>Final</u>	Bud	<u>lgetary Basis</u>	(Under)
Revenues							
Taxes	\$ 12,8	67,368	\$	12,867,368	\$	13,105,747	\$ 238,379
Licenses, fees, and permits	1	24,200		124,200		143,383	19,183
Intergovernmental revenue	3,1	69,648		3,169,648		3,208,127	38,479
Charges for services		15,800		15,800		19,388	3,588
Other revenues	1	42,750		142,750		201,491	58,741
Transfers in		31,256		31,256		11,044	(20,212)
Appropriated from Surplus		-00,000		490,000			(490,000)
Total revenues	16,7	51,022	_	16,841,022		16,689,180	 (151,842)
Expenditures Current:							
General government	1.5	02,115		1,506,546		1,402,233	(104,313)
Health and human services	-	93,708		178,615		170,165	(8,450)
Public safety		15,396		424,775		401,632	(23,143)
Public works		63,404		877,602		842,364	(35,238)
Building and development services		05,087		213,577		188,769	(24,808)
Recreation	5	00,269		499,795		485,734	(14,061)
Education	12,5	65,797		12,565,797		12,514,528	(51,269)
Contingency		98,000		56,152		-	(56,152)
Fund Transfers	2	25,996		336,913		336,913	-
Debt service	1	81,250		181,250		181,250	-
Total expenditures	16,7	51,022		16,841,022		16,523,588	(317,434)
Surplus/(deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$	_	\$	-	<u>\$</u>	165,592	\$ (469,276)

Fiduciary Funds Statement of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2017

(With Comparative Totals for June 30, 2016)

	Pensio			te-Purpose		gency		tals
A	Trust Fu	iu	<u>11u</u>	st Funds	•	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$ 1,349	- 490	\$	14,110 <u>-</u>	\$	68,208 <u>-</u>	\$ 82,318 1,349,490	\$ 129,281 1,210,169
Total assets	\$ 1,349	490	\$	14,110	\$	68,208	\$1,431,808	\$1,339,450
Deferred Outflows of Resources				-		-		
Liabilities								
Accounts Payable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
Fiduciary deposits		-		<u>-</u>		68,208	68,208	72,292
Total liabilities						68,208	68,208	72,292
Deferred Inflows of Resources				<u>-</u>				
Net position								
Restricted for Pension Benefits Held in trust for scholarships	1,349	490		-		-	1,349,490	1,210,169
and other purposes		-		14,110		_	14,110	56,989
Total net position	\$ 1,349	490	\$	14,110	\$		\$1,363,600	\$1,267,158

Fiduciary Funds
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
For the Years Ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

	Pension Private-Purpose		Totals			i		
	Trust Fu	<u>nd</u>	<u>Tru</u>	ıst Funds		<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	
Additions								
Contributions	\$ 92	,819	\$	725	\$	93,544	\$	88,489
Investment earnings	66	,879		447		67,326		17,780
	159	,698		1,172		160,870		106,269
Deductions								
Pension Distributions	20	,243		-		20,243		72,178
Other expenses		134		42,817		42,951		1,951
Scholarships				1,234		1,234		1,155
	20	,377		44,051	_	64,428		75,284
Change in net position	139	,321		(42,879)		96,442		30,985
Net position - beginning	1,210	,169		56,989		1,267,158		1,236,173
Net position - ending	\$ 1,349	,490	\$	14,110	\$	1,363,600	\$	1,267,158

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The Town of Columbia, CT is a municipal corporation organized under state statutes in 1804. The Town operates under an elected Board of Selectmen, Financial Planning and Allocation Commission, and Town Meeting form of government. The Town provides the following services: general government administration, health and human services, public safety, public works, building and development, recreation, and education. Primary educational services are provided by the Horace W. Porter School, whose operations are presented in the Town's financial statements. Secondary educational services are provided by the Windham, Windham Technical, Bolton, EO Smith, and Lyman Memorial High Schools which are part of the Towns of Windham, Bolton, Mansfield, and Lebanon, respectively. The Town of Columbia, CT is charged for services based on a per-pupil rate determined by Towns of Windham, Bolton, Mansfield, and Lebanon. Students also have the option to attend magnet schools.

The Legislative authority of the Town is vested in the Town Meeting. The First Selectman is the chief executive officer and the Town Administrator is the chief administrative officer. Budget-making authority resides with the Financial Planning and Allocation Commission. The Financial Planning and Allocation Commission is responsible for revising the proposed budget and submitting the final budget to the Town Meeting. The Financial Planning and Allocation Commission is also responsible for establishing the annual tax rate. The Town has the power to incur indebtedness by issuing bonds or notes as provided by the Connecticut General Statutes.

The accounting and reporting policies of the Town relating to the funds included in the accompanying financial statements conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to state and local governments. The more significant accounting policies of the Town are described below.

The Town's combined financial statements include the accounts of all Town controlled operations. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the Town of Columbia, CT (the primary government) and its component units. The basic criteria for inclusion of a component unit in a governmental unit's reporting entity for basic financial reporting is the exercise of oversight responsibility. Oversight responsibility is determined on the basis of financial interdependence, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, accountability for fiscal matters and scope of public service. Currently, there are no entities considered component units of the Town. The Town includes all funds, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities that are controlled by or dependent on the Town's executive and legislative branches.

The financial statements presented herein do not include agencies which have been formed under applicable State laws or separate and distinct units of government apart from the Town of Columbia, CT. Based upon the foregoing criteria, the following organizations are not considered part of the Town and are excluded from the accompanying financial statements:

Columbia Library Association - The Columbia Library Association is a legally incorporated, separate and distinct entity from the Town. The Town provides a portion of the operating and capital budgets to the Library; however, the Town is not required to fund deficits nor does the Town participate in program budgets or managing operations. The Columbia Library Association Board of Directors determines how their funding is spent.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Columbia Volunteer Fire Department – The Columbia Volunteer Fire Department is a legally incorporated, separate and distinct entity from the Town. The Town provides a portion of the operating and capital budgets to the Department; however, the Town is not required to fund deficits nor does the Town participate in program budgets or managing operations. The Columbia Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors determines how their funding is spent.

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Town. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

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

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statements Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement* focus and the accrual basis of accounting as are the fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Town considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Exceptions to this general rule include: voluntary non-exchange transactions when all eligibility requirements have been met. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include: compensated absences, debt service, and claims and judgments that are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes when levied, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government, or specifically identified.

Major funds are determined exclusive of interfund transactions and balances. The government reports the following major governmental funds:

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

Notes to the Financial Statements

The Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures is used to account for capital acquisition and improvements. This is a perpetual fund financed through annual budget appropriations and capital grants.

Additionally, the government reports the following fiduciary fund types:

Private-Purpose Trust Funds are used to account for resources legally held in trust for the benefit of individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Agency Funds account for monies held as a custodian for outside groups and agencies.

Estimates

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

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

Cash and Cash Equivalents - The deposit of public funds is controlled by the Connecticut General Statutes. The Town maintains separate accounts with depositories where necessary. Cash applicable to a particular fund is readily identifiable. Cash in excess of current requirements is invested in various interest-bearing accounts, certificates of deposit, and pooled investment funds that may be deemed to be cash equivalents based on maturity date or availability of conversion to cash. Cash and cash equivalents are stated at cost, which approximates market value and have maturities of three months or less.

Receivables and Payables - All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible. The Town's property taxes are levied each July 1, on the assessed value listed on the prior October 1 Grant List for all taxable property located in the Town. Taxes are due and payable in two installments on July 1 and January 1 for real property and personal property and on July 1 for motor vehicles. Additional property taxes are assessed for motor vehicles registered subsequent to the Grand List date through September 30 and are payable in one installment due January 1. The Town files liens against property if taxes, which are due July 1, remain unpaid on the following February 1.

Property tax revenues are recognized when they become available. Available includes those property tax receivables expected to be collected within sixty days after year-end. There was no allowance for uncollectible accounts reported as of June 30, 2017 as all uncollectible taxes were moved to suspense.

Investments - In general, State of Connecticut Statutes allow the Town to invest in obligations of the United States of America or United States government sponsored corporations, in shares or other interests in any custodial arrangement, pool, or no-load, open-end management type investment company or investment trust, in obligations of any state or political subdivision rated within the top two rating categories of any nationally recognized rating service, or in obligations of the State of Connecticut or political subdivision rated within the top three rating categories of any nationally recognized rating service. Other trust funds may also invest in stocks, bonds, or other securities selected by the Trustee.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

In accordance with ASC 820-10, the Town is required to measure the fair value of its assets and liabilities under a three-level hierarchy, as follows:

Level 1: Quoted market prices for identical assets or liabilities to which an entity has access to at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs and information other than quoted market indices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include:

- a. Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets.
- b. Quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active;
- c. Observable inputs other than quoted prices for the assets or liability;
- d. Inputs derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data by correlation or by other means.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs should be used to measure the fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available.

Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed from sources independent of the reporting entity; and *unobservable inputs* reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances.

Investments are carried at fair value based on Level 1 observable inputs and are presented in Note 3.

Inventories - All materials and supplies are recorded as expenditures in the year purchased, except for the School Cafeteria which records ending food supplies at cost.

Advances to and from other funds - Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either interfund receivables and payables. Interfund payables and receivables arise from interfund transactions and are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed.

Capital Assets - Capital assets, which include equipment, fixtures, and other long-lived assets, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 (\$20,000 for land, infrastructure, buildings, and improvements) and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. 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.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized when projects are constructed.

Property, plant, and equipment are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Notes to the Financial Statements

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings & Improvements	10-50
Vehicles	5-15
Equipment	3-25
Infrastructure	20

Deferred outflows/inflows of resources - In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Town does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The government has only one type of item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, Deferred Taxes, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenue from property taxes. This amount is deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amount becomes available.

Long-term obligations - In the government-wide financial statements long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when it is due or when resources have been accumulated in the debt service fund for payment early in the following year. For other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund.

Fund equity and net position – In the government-wide financial statements, net position is classified in the following categories:

Net Investment in Capital Assets – This category groups all capital assets, including infrastructure, into one component of net position. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of these assets reduces this category.

Restricted Net Position – This category presents external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations or other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted Net Position – This category represents the net position of the Town, which is not restricted for any project or other purpose.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for certain expenses, the town expends restricted resources first and uses unrestricted resources when the restricted funds are depleted.

Notes to the Financial Statements

In the fund financial statements, fund balances of governmental funds are classified in the following five separate categories:

Nonspendable Fund Balance – Indicates amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form, or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Examples are items that are not expected to be converted to cash including prepaid expenditures and permanent fund principal.

Restricted Fund Balance – Indicates amounts that are restricted to specific purposes. The spending constraints placed on the use of fund balance amounts are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance – Indicates amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal budgetary action of the Board of Finance and Town Meeting in accordance with provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Assigned Fund Balance – Indicates amounts that are constrained by the Town's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by formal action of the Board of Selectman or Board of Finance.

Unassigned Fund Balance – Represents the remaining fund balance after amounts are set aside for all other classifications.

The Town has not established a formal policy for its use of restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, unassigned) fund balance; however, the Town generally used restricted fund balance first if the expenditure meets the restricted purpose, followed by committed, assigned and unassigned amounts.

Comparative data/reclassifications - Comparative total data for the prior year has been presented in the financial statements in order to provide an understanding of the changes in the financial position and operations of these funds.

Review for Subsequent Events

In preparing these financial statements, management has evaluated subsequent events through December 28, 2017, which represents the date that these statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Information and Accounting

The Town of Columbia, CT follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- A proposed operating budget is submitted for the fiscal year.
- Public hearings are conducted in the Town to obtain taxpayer comments.
- The budget is legally enacted through a town meeting. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- The Board of Selectmen may transfer funds between accounts within a given agency limited to a maximum of \$500. The Board may also make transfers within an agency up to \$10,000 with the approval of FIPAC

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- A maximum of \$20,000 for the current fiscal year (not including the Board of Education) for any agency may be transferred with the approval of FIPAC. In the event that these amounts are to be exceeded or that approval cannot be obtained from FIPAC, the transfer must be approved by a Town Meeting.
- The Town may establish a contingency account of no more than 2 percent of the total budget. The Board of Selectmen, upon FIPAC approval, is authorized to transfer from the contingency account up to \$20,000 to any agency (excluding Board of Education). Additional appropriations and transfers in excess of \$20,000 must be approved at a Town meeting.
- Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund.
- All noncontinuing appropriations lapse at year-end. Capital appropriations in the Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures fund do not lapse until completion of the applicable projects.
- Encumbrance accounting is used as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the General Fund.

Encumbrances

Encumbrances for goods or purchased services are documented by purchase orders or contracts. For budget basis reporting, encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reported as expenditures. For Government-wide and governmental fund statements, encumbered expenditures outstanding at year-end do not constitute expenditures or liabilities.

Budgetary/GAAP Reconciliation

The Town of Columbia, CT prepares its annual budget on a basis (budget basis), which differs in some respects from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP basis). The budget and all transactions are presented in accordance with the Town's method (budget basis) in the *Budgetary Comparison Statement - General Fund* to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between budget and GAAP basis are that property taxes are recorded as revenues when received (budget) rather than available (GAAP), certain interfund transfers are recorded as expenditures (budget) rather than operating transfers (GAAP) and that encumbered expenses are recorded in the year they are incurred for GAAP purposes and in the year they are appropriated for budget purposes. The budget as presented has been amended by the Financial Planning and Allocation Commission throughout the year. Adjustments necessary to reconcile the budget basis to GAAP basis are presented below:

Revenues	<u>Expenditures</u>	Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	<u>Change</u>
\$ 16,689,180	\$ (16,523,588)	\$ -	\$ 165,592
985,289	-	-	985,289
(11,044)	-	11,044	-
-	(985,289)	-	(985,289)
-	36,520	-	36,520
	336,913	(336,913)	<u> </u>
\$ 17,663,425	\$ (17,135,444)	\$ (325,869)	\$ 202,112
	\$ 16,689,180 985,289 (11,044)	\$ 16,689,180 \$ (16,523,588) 985,289 - (11,044) - - (985,289) - 36,520 - 336,913	\$ 16,689,180 \$ (16,523,588) \$ - 985,289

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On the budgetary basis, the expenditures include \$40,136 of encumbrances.

Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations

No departments exceeded budget appropriations for the year ended June 30, 2017.

Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees, or acts of God. The Town purchases commercial insurance to cover most potential risks of loss. Neither the Town nor its insurers have settled any claim within the past year, which have exceeded the Town's insurance coverage. There were no significant changes in coverage from the prior year, and no settlements have exceeded insurance coverage in the last three years.

The Town belongs to the Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for a comprehensive workers' compensation insurance program through its workers' compensation pool. The Town pays an annual premium to the pool for its coverage. The agreement for the formation of CIRMA provides that the pool will be self-sustaining through member premiums and will reinsure through commercial companies for claims in excess of \$1,000,000 for each insured event to an unlimited excess limit. The pooling agreement allows CIRMA to make additional assessments to make the pool self-sustaining. The Town cannot estimate the amount of such additional assessments and has not been notified that any assessments are forthcoming. CIRMA publishes its own financial report, which can be obtained from: CIRMA, 900 Chapel Street, New Haven, CT.

NOTE 3 - CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The deposits of public funds are controlled by the Connecticut General Statutes. The following is a summary of cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2017 and 2016:

	To	otal
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Demand Accounts	\$ 1,220,817	\$1,142,801
Total Deposits	1,220,817	1,142,801
Short Term Investment Fund	4,672,365	4,194,043
Total Cash Equivalents	4,672,365	4,194,043
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,893,182	\$5,336,844

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits: Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned to it. The Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At year-end, the Town's carrying amount of deposits was \$1,220,817 and the bank balance was \$1,450,362. Of the bank balance, Federal Depository Insurance Corporation insured \$490,316.

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As of June 30, 2017, \$960,046 of the Town's bank balance of \$1,450,362 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$	839,041
Uninsured and collateral held by		
pledging bank's Trust department		
not in the Town's name		121,005
	Total \$	960,046

Interest Rate Risk. The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Below is a summary of the interest rate risk of investments:

				Investment Maturities				
			Less	Less Than 1 yr.		1-5 yrs.		
Cash Equivalents		\$ 969,439	\$	969,439	\$		-	
Bond Funds		1,356		N/A		N/A		
Mutual Funds		127,257		N/A		N/A		
Equities		251,438		N/A		N/A		
	Total Investments	\$ 1,349,490	\$	969,439	\$		_	

Credit Risk. The Town has no investment policy that limits the investment choices further than the State Statutes listed above. The STIF Funds are Standard & Poor's AAAm rated investment pools of high-quality, short term money market instruments.

Custodial Credit Risk. This is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The Town's investments are held in various trustee accounts in the Town's name. The Town's mutual funds are not subject to custodial credit risk, as the Town's investment is not directly exposed to custodial credit risk.

The following is a schedule of assets measured at Fair Value.

			Fair Value Measurements Using						
			Qι	uoted Prices	Signi	ficant			
				in Active	Otl	her	Sign	ificant	
			Markets for		Obse	rvable	Unobs	servable	
		June 30,	lde	ntical Assets	Inp	uts	In	puts	
		<u>2017</u>		(Level 1)	(Lev	<u>rel 2)</u>	(Le	<u>vel 3)</u>	
<u>Description</u>									
Cash Equivalents		\$ 969,439	\$	969,439	\$	-	\$	-	
Bond Funds		1,356		1,356		-		-	
Mutual Funds		127,257		127,257		-		-	
Equities		 251,438		251,438		_		_	
	Total	\$ 1,349,490	\$	1,349,490	\$		\$		

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NOTE 4 – **CAPITAL ASSETS**

The following is a summary of net changes in fixed assets at year-end:

	Beginning <u>Balances</u>	Increases	<u>Decreases</u>	Ending <u>Balances</u>
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Construction in Progress	\$ 1,074,297	\$ 56,654	\$ 909,118	\$ 221,833
Land	1,834,083	86,605		1,920,688
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	2,908,380	143,259	909,118	2,142,521
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings & Improvements	19,333,608	1,267,867	-	20,601,475
Land Improvements	635,188	79,133	15,000	699,321
Infrastructure	1,404,641	-	_	1,404,641
Furniture & Fixtures	18,700	-	-	18,700
Vehicles	2,332,228	-	-	2,332,228
Machinery	1,019,696	152,563	29,922	1,142,337
Total capital assets being depreciated	24,744,061	1,499,563	44,922	26,198,702
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings & Improvements	8,949,044	523,649	-	9,472,693
Land Improvements	324,208	22,227	12,257	334,178
Infrastructure	425,955	50,189	-	476,144
Furniture & Fixtures	18,700	-	-	18,700
Vehicles	1,558,968	99,842	-	1,658,810
Machinery	666,196	54,358	29,922	690,632
Total accumulated depreciation	11,943,071	750,265	42,179	12,651,157
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	12,800,990	749,298	2,743	13,547,545
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 15,709,370	\$ 892,557	\$ 911,861	\$ 15,690,066

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Governmental Activities:		
General Government	\$ 122,133	\$ 98,954
Public Works	121,310	117,216
Public Safety	119,473	125,719
Recreation	19,907	19,156
Education	367,442	 355,076
Total Depreciation Expense -		
Governmental Activites	\$ 750,265	\$ 716,121

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Construction Commitments

The Town has active construction projects as of June 30, 2017. The projects include bridge repairs, parking lot configuration, building storage project and building upgrades and/or improvements. At year-end, the Town's commitments are as follows:

		Remaining
	Spent to Date	Commitment
Hop River Road Bridge	7,184	220,000
Beach Area Improvements	13,630	111,369
Pucker Street Bridge	155,106	4,894
Latham Hill Bridge	881	75,000
Porter Parking Lot	5,400	-
HWP Café Bleacher/Storage Project	23,632	46,368
Public Works Facility Upgrade	10,400	-
Old CVFD Firehouse	 5,600	 87,100
	\$ 221,833	\$ 544,731

NOTE 5 – INTERFUND ACCOUNTS

At June 30, 2017, interfund balances were as follows:

	Due from:					_					
		Reserve for Capital									
		General	an	d Nonrecurring	١	Nonmajor			Tot	al	
Due to:		<u>Fund</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Expenditures</u>		<u>Funds</u>		2017			<u>2016</u>
General Fund Reserve for Capital and	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5	\$		5	\$	-
Nonrecurring Expenditures		-		-		-			-		-
Nonmajor Funds		396,223		_		-		396,2	223		381,141
	\$	396,223	\$		\$	5	\$	396,2	228	\$	381,141

Interfund balances are typically short-term balances in anticipation of cash transfers, except the Town Aid Road fund, whose assets are wholly invested in the General Fund until needed.

Interfund Transfers for the year are summarized below:

·		F	Reser	ve for Capita	al					
Transfers From	General			Non-Recurring Nonm		onmajor	Tot		tal	
and Purpose	<u>Fund</u>		Expenditures		<u>Funds</u>		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>	
General Fund										
Budgeted expenditure to fund										
future projects	\$	-	\$	326,913	\$	10,000	\$	336,913	\$ 1,109,346	
Nonmajor Funds										
Transfer of Contributed Funds &										
Grant Funds	1	1,044		205,510		-		216,554	249,344	
	<u>\$ 1</u>	1,044	\$	532,423	\$	10,000	\$	553,467	\$ 1,358,690	

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NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Long-Term Obligation Activity

An amount of \$190,384 from the General Fund was utilized to finance current year debt service requirements. Of this amount, \$36,250 was related to interest expense.

General Obligation Bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the town. The funds were used for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. Notes payable are written promises to pay stated sums of money at future dates. The Town has entered into a note payable for the purchase of land. The General Fund has historically been used to liquidate other long-term liabilities.

As of June 30, 2017, the outstanding note payable and long-term bond obligations of the Town were as follows:

General obligation bond issue of \$2,950,000, dated 6/15/01,
due 6/15/21; annual principal payments plus semi-annual
interest payments at 4.0%-6.0% \$580,000

Note Payable stated at \$198,790, approved in 2013,
due 1/15/22; annual principal payments with no interest 34,298

Total Long-Term Note and Bond Obligations \$614,298

Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended June 30, 2017, are as follows:

	В	eginning				Ending	(Current
		<u>Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	1	<u>Balance</u>		Portion Portion
Governmental Activities:								
General Obligation Bonds	\$	725,000	\$ -	\$ 145,000	\$	580,000	\$	145,000
Note Payable		74,177	-	39,879		34,298		19,879
Post Closure Landfill Costs		3,945	-	1,717		2,228		1,717
OPEB Obligation		260,900	24,500	-		285,400		-
Compensated Absences		81,177	1,071	-		82,248		19,041
Accumulated Sick Time		68,909	1,434			70,343		14,709
	\$	1,214,108	\$ 27,005	\$ 186,596	\$	1,054,517	\$	200,346

Debt Service Requirements

Debt service requirements on long-term debt at June 30, 2017 are as follows:

Year Ending	<u> </u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>lı</u>	<u>nterest</u>
2018		164,879		29,000
2019		159,419		21,750
2020		145,000		14,500
2021		145,000		7,250
	\$	614,298	\$	72,500

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Landfill Closure

State and federal laws and regulations require the Town to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill site for thirty years after the closure date. The Town has recognized the remaining estimated postclosure care costs of \$2,467 in the Government-Wide financial statements. Current year expenditures of \$1,717 were recognized in the General Fund. Changes in the estimated total current cost of postclosure care may occur and should be reported in the periods in which the change is probable and reasonably estimable. Actual cost may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

Compensated Absences

Vested or accumulated vacation leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and a fund liability of the governmental fund that will pay it. Amounts of vested or accumulated vacation leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported as an expenditure and long-term liability for the government-wide statements.

No liability is recorded for non-vesting rights to receive sick pay benefits. However, a liability is recognized for that portion of accumulating sick leave benefits that is estimated to be taken as "terminal leave" prior to retirement.

Special Termination Benefits

Periodically, the Board of Education offers temporary retirement incentive packages to teachers that meet specific requirements. A teacher that meets the criterion must apply to the Superintendent for consideration. The Board of Education reserves the rights to limit the number of applications accepted and to reject applications.

Starting with the current certified staff contract effective July 1, 2011, certified teachers who notify the superintendent of their retirement by February 1 of last year of service shall receive \$50 for every accrued unused sick leave day as long as the teacher has maintained a minimum of 150 days accrued sick leave days and has not drawn from the sick leave bank in the last year of service. The maximum payout is limited to 173 school days. The liability is not accrued as the number of retirements are not known.

NOTE 7 - POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE BENEFITS

Description

The Town has established and administers the Town of Columbia Post-Retirement Medical Insurance Program. The program provides post-employment health care benefits for retired employees who were full-time employees. The benefit is available to Town Hall departments, teachers, administrators and certain other board of education retirees. Upon retirement, BOE, AFSME and Town retirees pay 100% of the cost of insurance. Under the Connecticut Teachers Retirement Board system, teachers and administrators are eligible at age 50 with 30 years of experience; age 55 with 25 years of experience; or 60 with 10 years of experience. Depending upon the plan selected these retirees would pay 100% of the cost. Town retirees on or after the age of 55 with 10 years of service can also pay 100% of the cost of insurance and be eligible on the plan until the Medicare age eligibility is met. Benefit provisions and funding requirements may be amended by the Board of Selectman. The Town is applying the requirements of GASB No.45 prospectively. The plan currently includes 101 active employees, 4 retirees, and 2 spouses of a retirees as of June 30, 2017.

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Funding Policy

The Town appropriates funds annually for the costs associated with this retirement benefit and provides funding for the expenditures on a pay-as-you-go basis through the General Fund. Expenditures for premiums for post-employment health care benefits are recognized on the budgetary basis.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The Town's annual OPEB (other post employment benefit) cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities over a period of not to exceed thirty years. The following table presents the components of the Town's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount contributed to the plan (an implicit contribution), and changes in the Town's net OPEB obligation.

	<u>July 1, 2016</u>
Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$ 54,300
Interest on Net OPEB obligation	9,800
Adjustment to ARC	(14,100)
Annual OPEB cost (expenses)	50,000
Contributions made	25,500
Increase in net OPEB obligation	24,500
Net OPEB obligation-beginning of year	260,900
Net OPEB obligation-end of year	\$ 285,400

The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for the past three fiscal years is as follows:

		Percentage of	
Fiscal Year	Annual	Annual OPEB	Net OPEB
<u>Ended</u>	OPEB Cost	Cost Contributed	Obligation
2015	57,700	40.0%	237,400
2016	49,900	53.0%	260,900
2017	50,000	51.0%	285,400

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. The valuation includes, for example, assumptions about future employment, mortality and the healthcare cost trends. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with the past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statement, will present, in time, multi-year trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan and include the types of benefits provided at the time of valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and the plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in

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actuarial accrued liabilities and actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations

In the July 1, 2015 actuarial valuation, the Entry Age Normal Actuarial Cost Method as a level percentage of pay was applied. The actuarial assumptions included a 3.75 percent discount rate. The valuation assumed an annual healthcare cost trend rate of eight percent for 2015, decreasing .05% per year, to an ultimate rate of 5% for 2021. The valuation followed generally accepted actuarial methods and included tests as considered necessary to assure the accuracy of the results. The UAAL is being amortized each year over a constant 30-year period, as a level dollar amount.

NOTE 8 - PENSION PLANS

Connecticut State Teacher's Retirement System

Plan Description - Teachers, principals, superintendents, and supervisors engaged in service of public schools are provided with pensions through the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System- a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Connecticut State Teachers Retirement Board (CTRB). Chapter 167a of the State Statutes grants authority to establish and amend the benefited terms to the TRB Board. CTRB issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.ct.gov, or by writing to the State of Connecticut, Office of the State Comptroller, 55 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106.

Benefit Provisions - The plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Employees are eligible to retire at age 60 with 20 years of credited service in Connecticut, or 35 years of credited service including at least 25 years of service in Connecticut.

Normal Retirement -: Retirement benefits for the employees are calculated as 2% of the average annual salary times during the years credited service (maximum benefit is 75% of average annual salary during the 3 years of highest salary).

Early Retirement - Employees are eligible after 25 years of credited service including 20 years of Connecticut service, or age 55 with 20 years of credited service including 15 years of Connecticut service with reduced benefit amounts.

Disability Retirement -: Employees are eligible for service-related disability benefits regardless of length of service. Five years of credited service is required for non service-related disability eligibility. Disability benefits are calculated as 2% of average annual salary times credited service to date of disability, but not less than 15% of average annual salary, nor more than 50% of average annual salary.

Contributions - Per Connecticut General Studies Section 10-183z (which reflects Public Act 79-436 as amended), contribution requirements of active employees and the State of Connecticut are approved and amended and certified by the State Teachers Retirement Board and appropriated by the General Assembly.

Employer (School Districts)

School District employers are not required to make contributions to the plan.

The statutes require the State of Connecticut to contribute 100% of each school districts' required contributions, which are actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of the benefits earned by employees during the year, with any additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability

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Employees:

Each teacher is required to contribute 6.00% of salary for the pension benefit.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions - At June 30, 2016, the Town reports no amounts for its proportionate share of the net pension liability, and related deferred outflows and inflows due to the statutory requirement that the State pay 100% of the required contribution. The amount recognized by the Town as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related state support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the Town were as follows:

Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability

State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Town

Total

\$ 14,386,846

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. At June 30, 2017 the Town has no proportionate share of the net pension liability. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the Town recognized benefits expense and contribution revenue of \$985,289 in the governmental funds for on-behalf amounts for the benefits provided by the state. In the Government-wide financial statements, the town recognized \$1,568,937 for pension expense related to actuarial liabilities for on-behalf amounts for the benefits provided by the State.

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2016, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Inflation 2.75%

Salary increase 3.25-6.50%, including inflation

Investment rate of return 8.00%, net of pension plan investment

expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected 19 years using scale AA, with a two year setback for males and females for the period after service retirement and for dependent beneficiaries.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010.

Future Cost-of-Living increases for members who retire prior to September 1, 1992 are assumed to receive an annual cost-of-living adjustment of 2%.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a lognormal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major class are summarized in the following table

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Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Large cap U.S. Equities	21.00%	5.8%
Developed non-U.S. Equities	18.00%	6.6%
Emerging Markets (non-U.S.)	9.00%	8.3%
Core Fixed Income	7.00%	1.3%
Inflation linked Bond Funds	3.00%	1.0%
Emerging Market Bond	5.00%	3.7%
High-yield Bonds	5.00%	3.9%
Real Estate	7.00%	5.1%
Private Equity	11.00%	7.6%
Alternative Investments	8.00%	4.1%
Liquidity Fund	6.00%	0.4%
Total	100%	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that State contributions will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rates in the future years. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. 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.

Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate - The Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability is \$0, and therefore the change in the discount rate would only impact the amount recorded by the State of Connecticut.

Board of Education Non-Certified Retirement

All non-certified Board of Education employees who have completed one year of service are eligible to participate in an employer matching contribution 403(b) tax sheltered annuity plan. During the fiscal year ended 2013 the plan was amended to also include Administrative employees. The Board of Education makes a 6% contribution for non-certified and administrative employees, based on the employee's date of eligibility. Employer contributions for the current year totaled \$33,412.

Town Employees

Money Purchase Plan

The Town maintains a single-employer defined-contribution money purchase plan that covers part and full-time employees of the Town who fulfill specified requirements. The plan is administered and amended by the Town of Columbia. Current participants total 22 employees.

The plan covers all employees, nonunion and union, who have completed one month of service and work 1,000 hours or more per year. Normal retirement age is at 65. The Town contributes 7% of an eligible employee's pay. All employees become 100% vested immediately after entering.

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Employer contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 totaled \$79,921. The contribution is calculated on compensation paid for the calendar year, as reportable on Form W-2. The 2017 covered payroll is \$1,141,722. The plan allows for amendment by the Town as employer. Assets of the fund are invested as directed by plan participants in mutual funds. The employer pays the costs of plan administration. Employees are not required to make contributions to this plan.

Section 457 Plan

The Town adopted and administers a deferred compensation pension plan (Town of Columbia 457(b) Plan) to provide benefits at retirement to employees of the Town. The plan is eligible to employees that are permanent, non-seasonal, non-temporary, non-interim, and scheduled to work 1,000 hours per Fiscal Year or more. An exception exists for those employees that are allowed to participate in the Plan pursuant to terms of a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Columbia and an employee union. An exception also exists for all non-union employees actively enrolled in the Plan prior to July 1, 2011. At June 30, 2017, there were 35 plan members. A provision has been included to allow pre-tax employee contributions up to 100% of compensation, subject to IRS dollar limits of \$18,000 for 2016-2017. Any participant who is age 50 or older could be eligible for a "catch-up" contribution of \$6,000 in 2016-2017. Income accumulates tax-free until distribution from the plan. The Town's required 3% contribution was \$33,438. Employee contributions for 2016-2017 totaled \$81,583. Contributions are placed into individual participant accounts, where the funds are invested in mutual funds at the employees' discretion. Each participant has ownership of his or her respective accounts. Plan provisions and contribution requirements are established and may be amended by the Town.

NOTE 9 - FUND BALANCE ASSIGNMENTS

The components of committed fund balance for the governmental funds at June 30, 2017 are as follows:

	Re	eserve for				
	C	apital and	Ν	lonmajor		
	Nor	n-Recurring	Go۱	/ernmental		
Fund balances:	Ex	penditures		Funds	Total	2016
Committed to:						
Reserve for Capital	\$	711,990	\$	-	\$ 711,990	\$ 1,172,429
Dog Fund		-		7,217	7,217	6,771
Cafeteria Fund		-		1,976	1,976	337
Land Acquisition Fund		-		2,792	2,792	2,775
Szegda Farm		-		1,697	1,697	1,651
Senior Center Fund		-		2,856	2,856	3,484
Compensated Absences Reserve		-		19,079	19,079	19,079
Memorial Fund		-		792	792	792
Recreation Fields Rental Fund		-		7,136	7,136	5,438
Recreation Activities Fund		-		31,912	31,912	29,281
Agricultural Fund		-		708	708	708
Education Non Lapsing Fund		_	_	100,000	 100,000	100,000
Total Committed	\$	711,990	\$	176,165	\$ 888,155	\$ 1,342,745

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 10 - GASB PRONOUNCEMENTS ISSUED, BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the standard setting board for governmental entities. The following are statements which have been approved by GASB, but are not yet effective:

- GASB Statement 75 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)
 Other than Pensions This Statement establishes standards of accounting and financial reporting
 for defined benefit OPEB and defined contribution OPEB that are provided to the employees of
 state and local governmental employers through OPEB plans that are administered through trusts
 or equivalent arrangements (thereby jointly referred to as trusts) and applies to all governments
 whose employees are provided with OPEB. The requirements of this Statement are effective for
 fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017.
- GASB No. Statement 82 Pension Issues an amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68, and No. 73 This statement addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of Payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements. The pronouncement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016.
- GASB Statement No. 83 Certain Asset Retirement Obligations this Statement establishes
 criteria for determining the timing and pattern of recognition of a liability and a corresponding
 deferred outflows of resources for asset retirement obligations. The pronouncement is effective for
 fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2018.
- GASB Statement No. 84 *Fiduciary Activities* establishes criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of all state and local governments. The focus of the criteria generally is on (1) whether a government is controlling the assets of the fiduciary activity and (2) the beneficiaries with whom a fiduciary relationship exists. Separate criteria are included to identify fiduciary component units and postemployment benefit arrangements that are fiduciary activities. The pronouncement is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018.
- GASB Statement No. 85 Omnibus 2017 This Statement addresses practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. This Statement addresses a variety of topics including issues related to blending component units, goodwill, fair value measurement an application, and postemployment benefits (pensions and other postemployment benefits other than pensions - OPEB. The pronouncement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017.

State Teacher's Retirement System
Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Contributions
June 30, 2017

Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability

Town's proportion of the net pension liability	<u>201</u>	<u>7</u> 0.00%	<u>2016</u> 0.00%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	-	\$ -
State of Connecticut's proportionate share of the net pension associated with Town	14,38	36,846	11,682,199
Total	\$14,38	6,846	\$ 11,682,199
Town's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,07	7,981	\$ 4,059,834
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered -employee payroll.		0.00%	0.00%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	(0.00%	0.00%

State Teacher's Retirement System
Note to Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Year-ended June 30, 2017

Change of benefit terms	None
Changes of assumptions	In 2011, rates of withdrawal, retirement and assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted more closely to reflect actual and anticipated experience. These assumptions were recommended as part of the Experience Study for the System for the five year period ended June 30, 2010.
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age
Amortization Period	Level percent of salary, closed
Remaining Amortization Period	22.4 years
Asset Valuation Method	4 year smoothed market
Inflation	3.00%
Salary Increases	3.75%-7.00% average, including inflation
Investment Rate of Return	8.50%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Schedule of Funding Progress June 30, 2017

TOWN OF COLUMBIA POST-EMPLOYMENT HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS

										(6)
		((1)		(2)			(4)		Unfunded Actuarial
		Act	uarial	Α	ctuarial Accrued	(3)	ι	Jnfunded		Accrued Liability
	Actuarial	Val	ue of		Liability-	Funded	Actu	arial Accrued	(5)	as a Percentage
	Valuation	Assets	Availabl	le Ag	gregate Actuarial	Ratio	Liability Co		Covered	of Covered Payroll
	<u>Date</u>	For B	enefits		Cost Method	(1) / (2)	_	(2) - (1)	<u>Payroll</u>	(4) / (5)
	July 1, 2015	\$		- \$	568,600	0.0%	\$	568,600	\$5,911,700	9.6%
	July 1, 2012	\$		- \$	615,600	0.0%	\$	615,600	\$5,925,600	10.4%
*	July 1, 2009	\$		- \$	682,500	0.0%	\$	682,500	\$6,310,300	10.8%

^{*} Implementation of GASB 45

_		Original <u>Budget</u>		Amended Budget	<u>Actual</u>		Over <u>(Under)</u>
Revenues							
Taxes	•		•	10 = 10 000		•	
Property Taxes	\$	12,740,268	\$	12,740,268	\$ 12,964,997	\$	224,729
Property Taxes - Prior Years		76,000		76,000	83,432		7,432
Interest and Lien Fees		51,100		51,100	 57,318		6,218
Total Taxes		12,867,368	_	12,867,368	 13,105,747		238,379
Licenses, Fees, and Permits							
Real Estate Conveyance Fees		40,000		40,000	46,125		6,125
Building, Machine, and Septic Fees		55,000		55,000	69,292		14,292
Zoning Permit Fees		1,700		1,700	2,145		445
Recording Fees		25,000		25,000	20,851		(4,149)
Pistol Permit Fees		2,500		2,500	4,970		2,470
Total Licenses, Fees, and Permits		124,200		124,200	143,383		19,183
Intergovernmental Revenue							
Homeland Security Grant		2,500		2,500	1,533		(967)
Education Equalization Grant		2,563,727		2,563,727	2,552,497		(11,230)
Special Education Grant		300,000		300,000	285,716		(14,284)
School Transportation Grant		33,285		33,285	-		(33,285)
School Construction Bond Payment		7,200		7,200	7,199		(1)
Circuit Breaker Elderly Tax Relief		32,000		32,000	33,500		1,500
Disabled Persons Tax Grant		800		800	603		(197)
Veterans Relief		2,700		2,700	2,368		(332)
PILOT - State Property		168		168	167		(1)
PILOT - Pequot		19,813		19,813	19,761		(52)
State Shared Revenue		26,763		26,763	26,763		-
Library Expansion Phase II Reimbursment		-		-	125,966		125,966
Municipal Revenue Sharing		140,999		140,999	111,276		(29,723)
STEAP		-		-	40,778		40,778
LOCIP		39,693		39,693	 		(39,693)
Total Intergovernmental Revenues		3,169,648		3,169,648	 3,208,127		38,479
Charges for Services							
Notary Fees		300		300	269		(31)
Photocopy Fees		5,300		5,300	5,994		694
Planning and Zoning Commission Fees		2,500		2,500	925		(1,575)
Zoning Board of Appeals Fees		1,500		1,500	3,875		2,375
Inland/Wetland Fees		3,000		3,000	3,515		515
Town Clerk Fees		3,200		3,200	 4,810		1,610
Total Charges for Services	\$	15,800	\$	15,800	\$ 19,388	\$	3,588

		Original <u>Budget</u>		Amended Budget	<u>Actual</u>		Over (Under)
Other Revenues		<u>Duuget</u>		<u>Duuget</u>	Actual		(Onder)
Interest on Investments	\$	3,000	\$	3,000	\$ 33,963	\$	30,963
Passport Fees		1,200		1,200	1,900		700
Facilities Rental		2,000		2,000	2,650		650
Boat Mooring Fees		500		500	1,000		500
Beach Use and Concession Fees		22,000		22,000	33,509		11,509
Transfer Station Fees		25,000		25,000	24,584		(416)
Transfer Station Sticker Fees		25,000		25,000	41,640		16,640
Preschool		38,000		38,000	31,176		(6,824)
State Fees- Land Use Dept		200		200	186		(14)
Bid and Spec. Fees		700		700	-		(700)
Senior Center Van Services		1,150		1,150	-		(1,150)
Telephone Access Grant		12,000		12,000	13,256		1,256
Miscellaneous		10,000		10,000	14,732		4,732
Court Fines		2,000	_	2,000	 2,895		895
Total Other Revenues		142,750	_	142,750	201,491		58,741
Other Sources							
Transfers In:							
Mary B Yeomans Trust		21,256		21,256	_		(21,256)
Recreation		10,000		10,000	11,044		1,044
Appropriated from Surplus		400,000		490,000	<u> </u>		(490,000)
Total Other Sources		431,256	_	521,256	 11,044	_	(510,212)
Total Revenues		16,751,022		16,841,022	16,689,180		(151,842)
Expenditures							
General Government							
Town Meeting		2,225		2,833	2,833		-
Executive and Administrative		806,072		799,880	756,671		(43,209)
Information Technology		25,077		28,077	26,025		(2,052)
Old Firehouse Building		1,915		3,265	2,387		(878)
Chapel on The Green		1,350		2,550	2,340		(210)
Meeting House		3,090		3,465	2,740		(725)
Judicial and Legal		65,000		65,000	55,324		(9,676)
Registration and Election		34,764		35,202	23,888		(11,314)
Assessment		136,807		138,516	122,523		(15,993)
Tax Collection		90,704		91,965	88,412		(3,553)
Public Records		105,233		106,771	98,600		(8,171)
Financial and Planning Allocation		20,325		20,325	19,723		(602)
Finance Department		208,853		207,997	200,529		(7,468)
Tax Review Services		700	_	700	 238		(462)
Total General Government	<u>\$</u>	1,502,115	<u>\$</u>	1,506,546	\$ 1,402,233	\$	(104,313)

	Original <u>Budget</u>		Amended <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>		Over <u>(Under)</u>
Health and Human Services						
Health Care and Inspection	\$ 28,440	\$	28,450	\$ 28,450	\$	-
Social Services	9,150		9,450	9,192		(258)
Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention	1,372		1,372	1,372		-
Elderly Services	36,555		20,180	14,917		(5,263)
Senior Center	76,551		77,523	76,571		(952)
Youth Services	41,640		41,640	39,663		(1,977)
Total Health and Human Services	 193,708		178,615	 170,165		(8,450)
Public Safety						
Police Protection	151,000		151,000	135,225		(15,775)
	•		•			
Fire Fighting and Emergency Services	225,341		225,341	221,813		(3,528)
Fire Prevention Services	25,587		25,702	23,950		(1,752)
Emergency Director	3,303		3,357	3,115		(242)
Lake Management Services	 10,165		19,375	 17,529		(1,846)
Total Public Safety	 415,396		424,775	 401,632		(23,143)
Public Works						
Public Works	670,253		685,573	668,331		(17,242)
Waste Disposal	180,151		179,304	162,803		(16,501)
Street Lighting	13,000		12,725	11,230		(10,301)
					-	
Total Public Works	 863,404		877,602	 842,364		(35,238)
Building and Development Services						
Planning and Zoning Commission	73,551		80,027	66,081		(13,946)
Inland/Wetland Commission	20,284		20,214	18,482		(1,732)
Building Services	38,285		38,285	37,309		(976)
Conservation Commission	1,630		1,630	185		(1,445)
Zoning Appeals Services	2,130		4,055	3,650		(405)
Building Appeal Services	140		140	-		(140)
Land Use Department	69,067		69,226	63,062		(6,164)
Total Buildings and Development	 205,087		213,577	188,769		(24,808)
Poorcation						
Recreation Public Celebrations	5,700		5,700	5,122		(578)
	=		•			
Library Services	381,690		383,671	383,670		(1)
Lake Management Advisory	5,250		5,250	3,078		(2,172)
Beach Services	39,496		40,438	34,185		(6,253)
Recreation Area Operations	5,496		5,496	3,587		(1,909)
Recreation	 62,637	_	59,240	 56,092		(3,148)
Total Recreation	 500,269	_	499,795	 485,734	_	(14,061)
Total General Government Expenditures	\$ 3,679,979	\$	3,700,910	\$ 3,490,897	\$	(210,013)

		Original		Amended		Actual		Over
Education		<u>Budget</u>		<u>Budget</u>		<u>Actual</u>		(Under)
	.	4 204 222	φ	4 407 400	.	4 4CE 022	φ	(24.275)
Certified Salaries Non-Certified Salaries	Þ	4,294,223	\$	4,187,108	\$	4,165,833	\$	(21,275)
		782,490		912,148		912,148		- (6.242)
Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield		1,067,644		991,267		985,024		(6,243)
Life Insurance		6,925		6,925		6,184		(741)
Social Security		48,000		62,165		62,165		-
Medicare		63,000		68,707		68,707		(0.475)
Unemployment		26,600		26,600		23,425		(3,175)
Workers' Compensation		61,425		62,500		62,500		- (4 000)
Other Benefit Fund		46,927		40,134		38,445		(1,689)
Professional Services		8,000		4,573		-		(4,573)
Board of Education Services		20,000		24,868		24,868		-
Instructional Improvement/Pupil Services		5,913		11,264		11,264		-
Professional/Technical Services		158,617		121,293		121,293		-
Technical Services		94,723		104,986		104,986		-
Water/Sewage		6,422		7,104		7,104		-
Sanitary Refuse		8,980		7,329		7,190		(139)
Snow Plowing		24,000		21,600		21,600		-
Repairs/Maintenance		36,095		62,924		62,924		-
Rentals		24,475		25,450		25,351		(99)
Student Transportation		858,756		803,470		793,697		(9,773)
Property Insurance		40,795		40,224		40,224		-
Telephone		8,300		9,555		9,555		-
Postage		4,300		3,925		3,925		-
Advertising		300		251		-		(251)
Tuition		4,541,401		4,604,803		4,604,803		-
Travel		5,395		4,675		4,342		(333)
Supplies		73,958		80,569		80,569		-
Maintenance and Custodial Supplies		16,480		16,502		16,502		-
Electricity		79,510		83,616		83,616		-
Propane Gas		5,000		5,000		4,643		(357)
Heating Oil		44,520		44,520		41,942		(2,578)
Diesel		28,800		25,025		25,025		-
Software		30,570		34,275		34,256		(19)
Textbooks/Ancillary Materials		10,955		11,024		11,024		` -
Library Books		3,200		3,131		3,107		(24)
Periodicals/Magazines		4,260		6,577		6,577		
Equipment		6,065		26,468		26,468		_
Dues/Fees		18,773		13,242		13,242		-
Total Board of Education Expenditures §	\$	12,565,797	\$	12,565,797	\$	12,514,528		(51,269)

	Original <u>Budget</u>		Amended Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Over (Under)
Miscellaneous					,
Debt Service	\$ 181,250	\$	181,250	\$ 181,250	\$ -
Contingency	98,000		56,152	-	(56,152)
Reserve for Capital Projects	215,996		326,913	326,913	-
Dog Fund	 10,000		10,000	 10,000	
Total Miscellaneous	 505,246	_	574,315	 518,163	 (56,152)
Total Expenditures	 16,751,022	_	16,841,022	 16,523,588	 (317,434)
Surplus/(Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	\$ _	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ 165,592	\$ 165,592

Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Balance Sheet June 30, 2017

Special Revenue Funds

 				Spec	,idi	Revenue	run	us				
									H	Historic		
					٦	Town Aid		Open	Do	ocument		
Dog	С	afeteria	D	A.R.E.		Road		Space	Pre	eservation	5	Szegda
<u>Fund</u>		<u>Fund</u>		Education		<u>Fund</u>		quisition		<u>Fund</u>		<u>Farm</u>
\$ 10,531	\$	3,530	\$	4,081	\$	-	\$	2,792	\$	-	\$	-
-		7,250		-		-		-		-		-
-		5		-		-		-		-		-
-		-		-		204,898		-		1,542		1,697
-		-		50		-		-		-		-
 		7,249		_								
\$ 10,531	\$	18,034	\$	4,131	\$	204,898	\$	2,792	\$	1,542	\$	1,697
\$ 167	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
-		8,701		-		-		-		-		-
-		-		-		-		-		-		-
-		5		-		-		-		-		-
 				-				-				-
 3,314		8,814		<u>-</u>	_							<u>-</u>
-		7,249		50		-		-		-		-
-		-		4,081		204,898		-		1,542		-
7,217		1,971		-		-		2,792		-		1,697
-		-		-		-		-		-		-
 				_								
 7,217		9,220		4,131		204,898		2,792		1,542		1,697
\$ 10,531	\$	18,034	\$	4,131	\$	204,898	\$	2,792	\$	1,542	\$	1,697
\$	\$ 10,531	Fund \$ 10,531 \$	Fund Fund \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 - 7,250 - - - - - 7,249 \$ 10,531 \$ 18,034 \$ 167 \$ 108 - 8,701 - - 3,147 - 3,314 8,814 - 7,249 - - 7,217 1,971 - - 7,217 9,220	Fund Fund Ed \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 7,250 - - - - -<	Dog Fund Cafeteria Fund D.A.R.E. Education \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 4,081 - 7,250 - - 5 - - - 50 - 7,249 - \$ 10,531 \$ 108 \$ 4,131 \$ 10,531 \$ 108 \$ - - 8,701 - - 5 - 3,147 - - 3,314 8,814 - - 7,249 50 - 4,081 - 7,217 1,971 - - - - 7,217 9,220 4,131	Dog Fund Cafeteria Fund D.A.R.E. Education \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 4,081 \$ - 7,250 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - \$ 10,531 \$ 18,034 \$ 4,131 \$ \$ 10,531 \$ 10,531 \$ 4,131 \$ \$ 10,531 \$ 10,531 \$ 4,131 \$ \$ 10,531 \$ 10,531 \$ 4,131 \$	Dog Fund Cafeteria Fund D.A.R.E. Education Town Aid Road Fund \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 4,081 \$ - - 7,250 - - 5 204,898 - 7,249 - - 7,249 - - 8,701 - - 8,701 - - 3,147 - 3,314 8,814 - 7,249 50 - - 3,314 8,814 - 7,217 1,971 - 7,217 9,220 4,131 204,898	Dog Fund Cafeteria Fund D.A.R.E. Education Town Aid Fund Acc \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 4,081 \$ - \$ - - 7,250 -	Dog Fund Cafeteria Fund D.A.R.E. Education Road Fund Space Acquisition \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 4,081 \$ - \$ 2,792 - 7,250	Dog Fund Cafeteria Fund D.A.R.E. Education Road Fund Space Acquisition Presentation \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 4,081 \$ - \$ 2,792 \$ - 7,250	Dog Fund Cafeteria Fund D.A.R.E. Education Town Aid Road Fund Open Acquisition Historic Document Preservation Fund \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 4,081 \$ - \$ 2,792 \$ - - 7,250 204,898 1,542	Dog Fund Cafeteria Fund D.A.R.E. Education Town Aid Fund Open Space Acquisition Historic Document Preservation Fund Secondary \$ 10,531 \$ 3,530 \$ 4,081 \$ - \$ 2,792 \$ - \$ - - 7,250

Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Balance Sheet June 30, 2017

	Special Revenue Funds													
	Senior Center <u>Fund</u>			Land otection <u>Fund</u>		ducation Grants Fund	A	mpensated Absences Reserve <u>Fund</u>	Memoria <u>Fund</u>	l	Recreation Fields Rental <u>Fund</u>			
Assets Cash and cash equivalents State and federal grants receivable Other receivables Interfund receivables Prepaid Expense Inventories	\$	2,691 165	\$	- - 26,011 - -	\$	1,038 - - - - -	\$	- - 19,079 - -	\$ 79	- - 92 -	\$	7,786 - - - - -		
Total assets	\$	2,856	\$	26,011	\$	1,038	\$	19,079	\$ 79	92	\$	7,786		
Liabilities and fund balances Liabilities: Accounts Payable Accrued expenses Unearned revenue Interfund payables Due to State of CT Total liabilities	\$	- - - - - -	\$	- - - - - -	\$	- - - - - -	\$	- - - - - -	\$	- - - - -	\$	650 - - - - - - 650		
Fund balances: Nonspendable Restricted Commited Assigned Unassigned	_	2,856 - -	_	26,011		1,038 - - -		19,079 - -	79	<u>-</u>	_	7,136 - -		
Total fund balances Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	2,856 2,856	\$	26,011 \$ 26,011		1,038 1,038		19,079 19,079	792 \$ 792					
	<u> </u>	_,	<u> </u>	,	<u> </u>	.,	\$, 0	<u> </u>	_	<u> </u>	. ,		

Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Balance Sheet June 30, 2017

Special Revenue Funds Social **Small Cities** Recreation Services **Brand** Education Agricultural Non Lapsing Activities Needs Memorial Housing Fund Fund Fund Trust Fund Rehabilitation Total **Assets** Cash and cash equivalents \$ 60 \$ 8.348 \$ 198.115 \$ 46,597 282,878 State and federal grants receivable 7,250 Other receivables 5 Interfund receivables 38,805 100,000 396,223 708 Prepaid Expense 256 41 Inventories 7,249 38,906 8,348 Total assets \$ 708 198,115 100,000 46,597 693,861 Liabilities and fund balances Liabilities: \$ \$ \$ 925 Accounts Payable Accrued expenses 8,701 Unearned revenue 6,953 6,953 Interfund payables 5 Due to State of CT 3,147 6,953 Total liabilities 19,731 **Fund balances:** Nonspendable 7,340 41 Restricted 8,348 198,115 46,597 490,630 Commited 31,912 708 100,000 176,160 Assigned Unassigned 31,953 8,348 46,597 674,130 Total fund balances 708 198,115 100,000 Total liabilities and fund balances 198,115 38,906 8,348 708 100,000 46,597 693,861

Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Special Revenue Funds

	 				Spec	<u>cı</u> aı	Revenue i	<u>-un</u>	as				
					·					H	listoric		
						٦	Town Aid		Open	Do	cument		
	Dog	С	afeteria		D.A.R.E.		Road		Space	Pre	servation	,	Szedga
	Fund		<u>Fund</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>ducation</u>		<u>Fund</u>	Ac	cquisition		<u>Fund</u>		<u>Farm</u>
Revenues													
Licenses, fees, and permits	\$ 1,827	\$	45,120	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	715	\$	-
Intergovernmental	-		77,145		2,876		205,463		-		4,000		-
Contributions	-		-		-		-		-		-		485
Other revenues	50		388		-		-		-		-		1,202
Investment earnings	 63								17				<u> </u>
Total revenues	 1,940		122,653		2,876	_	205,463		17		4,715		1,687
Expenditures													
Current													
General government	-		-		-		-		-		4,000		1,641
Health and human services	-		-		2,876		-		-		-		-
Public safety	11,494		-		-		-		-		-		-
Recreation	-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Education	-		121,444		-		-		-		-		-
Capital expenditures	 								_				<u> </u>
Total expenditures	 11,494		121,444		2,876						4,000		1,641
Excess (deficiency) of revenues													
over expenditures	(9,554)		1,209		-		205,463		17		715		46
Other financing sources (Uses)													
Transfers in	10,000		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers out	 				-		(205,510)		_				<u> </u>
Total other financing sources	 10,000						(205,510)		_				
Net change in fund balances	446		1,209		-		(47)		17		715		46
Fund balances - beginning	 6,771		8,011		4,131		204,945		2,775		827		1,651
Fund balances - ending	\$ 7,217	\$	9,220	\$	4,131	\$	204,898	\$	2,792	\$	1,542	\$	1,697

Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Special Revenue Funds Compensated Senior Land Education Absences Recreation Center Protection Grants Reserve Fields Rental Memorial Fund Fund Fund Fund Fund Fund Revenues Licenses, fees, and permits 9,798 \$ 1,732 \$ \$ \$ \$ 1,800 Intergovernmental 175,855 Contributions 800 Other revenues Investment earnings 35 Total revenues 2,532 175,855 1,835 9,798 **Expenditures** Current General government 3,160 Health and human services Public safety Recreation 137 Education 176,873 Capital expenditures 3,160 176,873 Total expenditures 137 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures (628)9,798 (1,018)1,698 Other financing sources (Uses) Transfers in Transfers out Total other financing sources (628)9,798 (1,018)1,698 Net change in fund balances Fund balances - beginning 3,484 16,213 2,056 19,079 792 5,438 Fund balances - ending 2,856 26,011 \$ 1,038 19,079 792 7,136

Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Special Revenue Funds

						Spe	Ciai	Revenue i	runas	i				
		ecreation activities Fund	S	Social Services Needs Funds	Agricultu <u>Fund</u>		N	Brand Iemorial <u>Trust</u>	Nu	TIF- itmeg twork	ducation n Lapsing <u>Fund</u>	Н	all Cities ousing abilitation	<u>Total</u>
Revenues														
Licenses, fees, and permits Intergovernmental	\$	41,554	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 102,546 465,339
Contributions		- E E 17		2 4 4 0		-		-		-	-		-	
Other revenues		5,547		3,140		-		-		-	-		- 44,566	9,972 46,206
Investment earnings		-		1		-		- 1,191		- 1	-		44,566	1,308
-	_	47.404		0.444							 		- 44.500	
Total revenues		47,101		3,141				1,191		1	 		44,566	 625,371
Expenditures														
Current														
General government		-		-		-		21,320		529	-		-	30,650
Health and human services		-		1,798		-		-		-	-		-	4,674
Public safety		-		-		-		-		-	-		-	11,494
Recreation		33,485		-		-		-		-	-		-	33,622
Education		-		-		-		-		-	-		-	298,317
Capital expenditures		-									 		<u>-</u>	
Total expenditures		33,485		1,798				21,320		529	 -			 378,757
Excess (deficiency) of revenues														
over expenditures		13,616		1,343		-		(20,129)		(528)	-		44,566	246,614
Other financing sources (Uses)														
Transfers in		-		-		-		-		-	-		-	10,000
Transfers out		(11,044)				-				_	 <u>-</u>			 (216,554)
Total other financing sources		(11,044)						_		_	 _		<u>-</u>	 (206,554)
Net change in fund balances		2,572		1,343		-		(20,129)		(528)	-		44,566	40,060
Fund balances - beginning		29,381		7,005		708		218,244		528	 100,000		2,031	 634,070
Fund balances - ending	\$	31,953	\$	8,348	\$	708	\$	198,115	\$		\$ 100,000	\$	46,597	\$ 674,130

Fiduciary Funds Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2017

		Private-	Purp	ose Tru	st Fu	unds				Agency F	_	
	Kathy	Dennis										_
	Mattesich	Harvey					S	chool			Student	
	Memorial	Memorial	Sch	olarship	Cer	metery	Т	rust	Per	formance	Activity	
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>F</u>	unds	F	<u>unds</u>	<u>F</u>	und		Bonds	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets												
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,497	\$ 1,971	\$	7,316	\$	930	\$	396	\$	59,483	\$ 8,725	\$ 82,318
Total assets	\$ 3,497	\$ 1,971	\$	7,316	\$	930	\$	396	\$	59,483	\$ 8,725	\$ 82,318
Deferred Outflows of Resources												
Liabilities												
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
Fiduciary deposits	-	-		-		-		-		59,483	8,725	68,208
Due to General Fund				<u>-</u>		_		<u> </u>		_		
Total liabilities										59,483	8,725	68,208
Deferred Inflows of Resources									_			
Net position												
Held in trust for scholarships	2.407	4 074		7 040		020		200				44440
and other purposes	3,497	1,971		7,316	_	930	_	396				14,110
Total net position	\$ 3,497	<u>\$ 1,971</u>	\$	7,316	<u>\$</u>	930	\$	396	<u>\$</u>	-	\$ -	<u>\$ 14,110</u>

Fiduciary Funds - Private-Purpose Trust Funds Combining Statement of Change in Fiduciary Net Position For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Private-Purpose Trust Funds Kathy Margaret **Dennis** School Danehy Mattesich Harvey Bell Memorial Memorial Memorial Scholarship Mem. Cemeterv Trust Fund Fund Fund **Funds** Funds Fund Trust Total Additions 225 500 \$ \$ Contributions \$ \$ \$ 725 Investment earnings 393 49 447 393 Total additions 225 501 49 1,172 **Deductions** Other Expenses 42,817 42,817 **Scholarships** 200 200 834 1,234 200 200 834 42,817 Total deductions 44,051 Other financing sources (Uses) 2,508 Transfers in 2,508 (2,508)Transfers out (2,508)(2,508)2,508 Total other financing sources Change in net position (2,115)25 301 1,678 (42,768)(42,879)Net position - beginning as restated 2,115 3,472 1,670 5,638 396 42,768 56,989 930 **Net position - ending** \$ 3,497 \$ 1,971 7,316 930 396 \$ \$ \$ 14,110

Fiduciary Funds - Agency Funds
Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Performar	nce honds	Balance July 1, 2016	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	Balance <u>June 30, 2017</u>
	ioc bonds				
<i>Assets</i> Cash		\$ 59,386	\$ 27,419	¢ 27.222	¢ 50.400
Casn			<u>· </u>	\$ 27,322	\$ 59,483
	Total assets	59,386	27,419	27,322	59,483
Liabilities					
Fiduciary	y deposits	59,386	27,419	27,322	59,483
	Total liabilities	\$ 59,386	\$ 27,419	\$ 27,322	\$ 59,483
Student a	ctivity fund				
Assets					
Cash		\$ 12,906	\$ 63,714	\$ 67,895	\$ 8,725
	Total assets	12,906	63,714	67,895	8,725
Liabilities	Total accord	12,000		07,000	0,120
	deposits	12,906	63,714	67,895	8,725
riduciary	•		•	·	
	Total liabilities	<u>\$ 12,906</u>	\$ 63,714	<u>\$ 67,895</u>	<u>\$ 8,725</u>
_					
Total ager	ncy funds				
Assets		•			
Cash		\$ 72,292	<u>\$ 91,133</u>	<u>\$ 95,217</u>	\$ 68,208
	Total assets	72,292	91,133	95,217	68,208
Liabilities					
Fiduciary	deposits	72,292	91,133	95,217	68,208
·	Total liabilities	\$ 72,292	\$ 91,133	\$ 95,217	\$ 68,208
		· ,	,	/	<u>. </u>

Schedule of Property Taxes Levied, Collected, and Outstanding For The Year Ended June 30, 2017

									Receipt	F	Receipt of		T	Fransfers		
	Outstanding	Current		Lawful C	orre	ctions		Collectible	of	ı	Interest	Total	•	to	0	utstanding
	July 1, 2016	<u>Levy</u>	_	dditions		eductions		<u>Taxes</u>	Taxes		nd Liens	Receipts	S	<u>Suspense</u>		ne 30, 2017
List of		 -	_							_		 -				
<u> 10/1:</u>																
2015		\$13,191,021	\$	30,302	\$	40,727	\$	13,180,596	\$ 12,964,997	\$	38,606	\$ 13,003,603	\$	-	\$	215,599
2014	159,058	-		4,095		3,411		159,742	45,672		10,375	56,047		-		114,070
2013	49,512	-		3,965		2,089		51,388	10,750		4,622	15,372		-		40,638
2012	24,679	-		-		2		24,677	2,661		1,252	3,913		12,202		9,814
2011	5,942	-		-		-		5,942	844		772	1,616		-		5,098
2010	2,675	-		-		-		2,675	-		-	-		-		2,675
2009	3,000	-		-		-		3,000	-		-	-		-		3,000
2008	4,012	-		-		-		4,012	1,012		314	1,326		-		3,000
2007	3,119	-		-		-		3,119	811		284	1,095		-		2,308
2006	5,659					_		5,659								5,659
	\$ 257,656	<u>\$13,191,021</u>	\$	38,362	\$	46,229	\$	13,440,810	13,026,747		56,225	13,082,972	\$	12,202	\$	401,861
Net Gra	nd List- Octobei	r 1, 2015: \$482,	,918	,949		Sus	pen	se collections	709		1,095	1,804				
Tax Rate	e: 27.44 mills					•	Tota	al collections	\$ 13,027,456	\$	57,320	\$ 13,084,776				

Ten Largest Taxpayers For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

		Assessed	Net Taxable
<u>Name</u>		<u>Value</u>	Grand List*
Connecticut Light and Power Co	\$	12,976,830	2.69%
DNB LLC	·	2,412,500	0.50%
Columbia Manugacturing Inc		2,269,030	0.47%
Angelides, Michael J & Susan H		1,828,100	0.38%
Tourgate Realty Inc		1,456,800	0.30%
Albany Road Columbia Storage LLC		1,215,280	0.25%
OSWA LLC		1,147,800	0.24%
Englert, Alice M Trustee		1,033,400	0.21%
Kasica, Gene		995,930	0.21%
Wile, Andrew S		982,500	0.20%

^{* -} Based on Net Taxable Grand List 10/1/15: \$482,918,949

Source: Assessor's Office, Town of Columbia

Schedule of Debt Limitation June 30, 2017

Total Tax Collections (Prior Year) - including interest and lien fee	2 S
Received by Treasurer	

\$12,819,997

Reimbursem	ent for	revenue	loss on:
I Veli libul Selli		1 C V C I I U C	1033 011.

Tax relief for elderly (Prior Year)	32,634
Base	\$12,852,631

	General			Urban
Debt limitation:	<u>Purposes</u>	<u>Schools</u>	<u>Sewers</u>	<u>Renewal</u>
2 1/4 times base	\$28,918,420	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4 1/2 times base	-	57,836,840	-	-
3 3/4 times base	-	-	48,197,366	-
3 1/4 times base	<u> </u>	<u>-</u> _	<u> </u>	41,771,051
Total debt limitation	28,918,420	57,836,840	48,197,366	41,771,051
Indebtedness:				
Bonds payable:	452,203	127,797	-	-
Less: State Grants Receivable		(66,152)		
Total Indebtedness	452,203	61,645		
Debt limitation in excess of				
outstanding and authorized debt	\$28,466,217	\$57,775,195	\$48,197,366	\$41,771,051

NOTE:

In no case should this total indebtedness exceed seven times the base \$12,852,631 or \$89,968,417

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Schedule of Debt Disclosures For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Ratio of debt to the equalized net grand list

Equalized

		Net Grand List		<u>Ratio</u>
Direct debt	\$ 580,000	\$706,382,478	(1)	0.082%
Direct debt, net	513,848	706,382,478	(1)	0.073%

Amount of debt to per capita

		2015			Per
		Population		(<u>Capita</u>
Direct debt	\$ 580,000	5,434	(1)	\$	107
Direct debt, net	513,848	5,434	(1)		95

Note on bond principal and interest payments

There were no payment delinquencies or defaults during the current year

(1) Obtained from State of Connecticut Office of Policy & Management 2011-2015 Municipal Fiscal Indicators

TOWN OF COLUMBIABudgetary Comparison Schedule Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budget Appropriations July 1, 2016	16/17 Adopted <u>Appropriations</u>	16/17 Adopted <u>Cancellations</u>	Mid-Year Appropriations, and Transfers	Adjusted Appropriations		Balance Appropriated June 30, 2017
Reserved for active projects:			_				
Road Resurfacing	\$ 3,128	\$ 230,400	\$ -	\$ 9,000	\$ 242,528	\$ 190,100	
Hennequin Road Drainage	19,207	25,000	-	-	44,207	1,326	42,881
Erdoni Road Drainage	38,000	-	-	-	38,000	-	38,000
Town Land Acquisition	-	-	-	90,000	90,000	86,605	3,395
Preliminary Design & Cost Estimates	-	-	-	25,000	25,000	21,400	3,600
Rec Area Improvement Fund	2,367	25,000	=	=	27,367	5,997	21,370
Four Year Revaluation	46,412	=	=	=	46,412	32,368	14,044
Town-wide Network/IT	3,589	10,000	-	=	13,589	3,899	9,690
DPW Capital Equipment	36,098	72,000	-	-	108,098	79,507	28,591
DPW Transfer Station Equipment	8,422	3,500	-	-	11,922	5,550	6,372
DPW Cap Improvements - Bldg	9,691	115,000	-	-	124,691	43,966	80,725
HWP Roof Replacement	13,559	(13,559)	-	=	=	-	=
R. Szedga Development Rights	74,177	-	-	-	74,177	39,879	34,298
Bridge On Hop River Road	20,816	-	-	-	20,816	-	20,816
Bridge On Baker Hill Road	198,418	(198,418)	-	-	-	-	-
HWP Floor Replacement/Repair	22,085	-	-	(20,000)	2,085	1,374	711
HWP Window Replacement/Repair	9,000	20,000	-	-	29,000	· <u>-</u>	29,000
HWP Portable Water Storage Tank	2,270	(2,270)	_	=	-	-	, -
HWP HVACV Improvements	, 1	(1)	_	=	-	-	=
Bridge on Latham Hill	14,119	-	_	_	14,119	_	14,119
HWP Ceiling Tile Replacement	-	12,500	_	_	12,500	_	12,500
HWP Heating System	3,661	(3,661)	_	_	-,	_	-,
HWP Sewage Pump Replacement	7,580	(7,580)	_	_	_	_	_
HWP Waste Area	25,000	(7,000)	_	(25,000)	_	_	_
HWP Café Bleacher/Storage	20,000	30,000	_	(20,000)	30,000	23,632	6,368
HWP Portable Water Booster Pump	_	-	_	20,000	20,000	18,074	1,926
Pucker St Bidge / Rose Bridge Road	10,519	_	_	20,000	10,519	5,625	4,894
Senior Center Furnishings	10,519	1,283	_	6,000	7,283	6,194	1,089
Senior Transporation Van	_	20,000	_	0,000	20,000	0,194	20,000
Senior Transporation van Senior Center Kitchen	1,283		-	-	20,000	-	20,000
	1,203	(1,283)	-	-	100.000	100.000	-
Replace Playscape	-	100,000	-	-	100,000	100,000	4 470
CVFD Capital Projects	-	25,000	-	-	25,000	23,828	1,172
Beach House Renov/Murphy House	59	(59)	-	-	-	-	-
HWP Architectural Fees	4,966	(4,966)	-	-			-
Dam Hazard Mitigation	5,821	(3,321)	-		2,500	2,500	-
Library Expansion-Phase III	353,182	(50,000)		5,917	309,099	309,099	
Total Reserve for Active Projects	933,430	404,565		110,917	1,448,912	1,000,923	447,989
Designated for Future Projects:							
Land Acquisition	264,001	-	-	-	264,001	-	264,001
Cap Proj Reserve-Future Projects	- ,	-	-	-	- ,	-	- ,
Total Designated for Future Projects	264,001				264,001		264,001
Total Designated for Future Flojects	204,001				204,001		204,001
Transfer Out							
Total Capital and Non-Recurring	\$ 1,197,431	\$ 404,565	\$ -	<u>\$ 110,917</u>	\$ 1,712,913	\$1,000,923	\$ 711,990

Compliance Reports and Supplementary Schedules

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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

To the Financial Planning and Allocation Commission of The Town of Columbia. CT

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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Columbia, CT, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Columbia, CT's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 19, 2017.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Columbia, CT's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

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

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December 28, 2017

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR STATE PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED BY THE STATE SINGLE AUDIT ACT

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Financial Planning and Allocation Commission of The Town of Columbia, CT

Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program

We have audited the Town of Columbia, CT's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the Office of Policy and Management's *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of Columbia, CT's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2017. The Town of Columbia, CT's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its state programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Town of Columbia, CT's major state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. 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 State Single Audit Act (C.G.S. Sections 4-230 to 4-236). Those standards and the State Single Audit Act require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town of Columbia, CT's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Columbia, CT's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major State Program

In our opinion, the Town of Columbia, CT, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2017.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Town of Columbia, CT, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major state program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for each major state program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the State Single Audit Act, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Columbia, CT's 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 state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or 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 state 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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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 State Single Audit Act. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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December 28, 2017

Town of Columbia

Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

State Grantor/Pass Through Grantor/Program Title	State Grant Program Identification Number	<u>Expenditures</u>					
Department of Economic and Community Development Small Town Economic Assistance Program 12052-ECD46000-42411 \$ 31,695							
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State Dept. of Education	44000 ODE04070 47000		0.074				
Adult Education	11000-SDE64370-17030		2,274				
Child Nutrition Program - State Match	11000-SDE64370-16211		1,381				
Healthy Foods Initiative	11000-SDE64370-16212		2,799				
Youth Service Bureau	11000-SDE64370-17052		14,000				
Youth Service Bureau Enhancement	11000-SDE64370-16201		3,300				
Judicial Department							
Public Acts	34001-JUD95162-40001		2,945				
Connecticut State Library							
Historic Preservation	12060-CSL66094-35150		4,000				
Construction Grants to Public Libraries	12502-CSL66051-43299		124,808				
Office of Policy and Management							
State Owned Property	11000-OPM20600-17004		167				
Veteran's Exemptions	11000-OPM20600-17024		2,368				
Elderly Exemptions	11000-OPM20600-17018		33,500				
Tax Relief for Disabled	11000-OPM20600-17011		603				
Municipal Grants-in-aid	12052-OPM20600-43587		26,763				
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Department of Transportation							
Small Town Economic Assistance Program	12052-DOT57191-40532		9,083				
Town Aid Road	12502-DOT57131-43455		205,510				
Total State Financial Assistance before exempt prog	\$	465,196					
EXEMPT PRO	OGRAMS						
Office of Policy and Management							
Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund Grant	12009-OPM20600-17005	\$	19,761				
Municipal Revenue Sharing	12009-OPM20600-17005 12002-OPM20600-17102	Φ	111,276				
Municipal Nevenue Shanng	12002-01 10120000-17 102		111,270				
Department of Education							
Education Cost Sharing	11000-SDE64000-17041		2,552,497				
School Construction Grants - Principal	13010-DAS27636-40901		6,549				
School Construction Grants - Interest	13009-DAS27636-40896		650				
Excess Cost Student Based and Equity	11000-SDE64000-17047		285,716				
Total Exempt Programs			2,976,449				
Total State Financial Assistance		\$	3,441,645				

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Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance includes state grant activity of the Town of Columbia, CT under programs of the State of Connecticut for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. Various departments and agencies of the State of Connecticut have provided financial assistance through grants and other authorizations in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. These financial assistance programs fund several programs including education, historic preservation, construction, and maintenance of public roads.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Town of Columbia, CT conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governments.

The information in the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance is presented based upon regulations established by the State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management.

Basis of Accounting

The fund financial statements contained in the Town of Columbia, CT's annual audit report are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available while expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method revenues are recorded when earned while expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred.

The expenditures reported on the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. In accordance with Section 4-236-22 of the Regulations of the State Single Audit Act, certain grants are not dependent on expenditure activity, and accordingly, are considered to be expended in the fiscal year of receipt. These grant program receipts are reflected in the expenditures column of the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

I. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

Internal control over financial reporting:

Financial Statements

We audited the financial statements of the Town of Columbia, CT as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017 and issued our unmodified report thereon dated December 28, 2017.

____Yes __✓ No ___Yes _✓ None Reported Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiency(ies) identified? Noncompliance material to financial statements ____Yes __**✓**_ No noted? State Financial Assistance Internal control over major programs: Material weakness(es) identified? Yes ✓ None Reported Significant deficiency(ies) identified? We have issued an unmodified opinion relating to compliance for major State programs. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 4-236-24 of the Regulations to the State Single Audit Act? Yes ✓ No

State Grantor and Program	State Core - CT <u>Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	
Office of Policy and Management Elderly Exemptions	11000-OPM20600-17018	\$	33,500
Department of Transportation Town Aid Road	12052-DOT57131-43455		205,510
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between	n type A and type B programs \$	100,0	00

The following schedule reflects the major programs included in the audit:

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

- We issued reports, dated December 28, 2017, on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters based on our audit of financial statements performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards.
- Our report on compliance indicated no reportable instances of noncompliance.
- Our report on internal control over financial reporting indicated no significant deficiencies.

III. STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No findings or questioned costs are reported relating to State Financial Assistance Programs.