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To the County Commission
and
Officeholders of Butler County, Missouri

The Office of the State Auditor, in cooperation with Butler County, has contracted for an audit of the county's financial statements for the 2 years ended December 31, 2008, through the state Office of Administration, Division of Purchasing and Materials Management. A copy of this audit, performed by Daniel Jones & Associates, P.C., Certified Public Accountants, is attached.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Montee".

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THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
(the Primary Government)
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007

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POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
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FINANCIAL SECTION



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
(The Primary Government)

To the County Commission
The County of Butler, Missouri

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County of Butler (the Primary Government), State of Missouri, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, which collectively comprise the Primary Government's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Primary Government's management. 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 the *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

The financial statements referred to above include only the Primary Government which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that comprise the County's legal entity. The financial statements do not include financial data for the Primary Government's legally separate component unit, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be reported with the financial data of the primary government. As a result, the Primary Government financial statements do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the reporting entity of the Primary Government, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the changes in its financial position for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Health Department of Butler County has issued separate reporting entity financial statements. For information on this component unit, please contact the Butler County Health Department at 573-785-8478.

As described in Note I, the basic financial statements of the Primary Government were prepared on the Cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position – Cash basis of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information for the Primary Government, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 for the years then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note I.

Primary Government has not presented the management’s discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as applicable to the Cash basis of accounting, has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of the basic financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated July 13, 2009 on our consideration for the Primary Government’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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Cash Basis – Non-GAAP Budget Basis and Actual and related notes on pages 27 through 32 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as applicable to the Cash basis of accounting. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted primarily of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Primary Government’s basic financial statements. The combining and individual non-major funds financial statements on pages 33 through 40 have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The state and federal compliance sections on pages 43 through 47 have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Daniel Jones & Associates

DANIEL JONES & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

July 13, 2009

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED

	December 31, 2008 Total Governmental Activities	December 31, 2007 Total Governmental Activities
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,871,182.37	\$ 5,744,426.76
Investments	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	5,871,182.37	5,744,426.76
 NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	1,878,400.85	1,890,760.11
Restricted for Specific Purpose	3,992,781.52	3,853,666.65
TOTAL NET ASSETS	5,871,182.37	5,744,426.76
 TOTAL FUND BALANCE	 \$ 5,871,182.37	 \$ 5,744,426.76

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

FUNCTIONS / PROGRAMS GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	EXPENSES	PROGRAM REVENUES			NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
		CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
General County Government	\$ 8,666,904.49	\$ 1,581,719.07	\$ 1,446,567.33	\$ -	\$ (5,638,618.09)
Road and Bridge	2,584,581.98	-	-	-	(2,584,581.98)
Financial Administration	249,946.85	-	-	-	(249,946.85)
Other Offices and Grants	692,445.92	-	-	-	(692,445.92)
Administration of Justice and Law Enforcement	1,272,354.51	-	-	-	(1,272,354.51)
Consulting	192,425.09	-	-	-	(192,425.09)
Fees, Licenses and Permits	6,000.00	-	-	-	(6,000.00)
Surveyor	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance of Roads	-	-	673,789.06	-	673,789.06
Park Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:					
Principal	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay:					
Construction of Hospital	99,006.90	-	-	-	(99,006.90)
Property, Equipment and Buildings	41,755.36	-	-	307,918.44	266,163.08
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ 13,805,421.10	\$ 1,581,719.07	\$ 2,120,356.39	\$ 307,918.44	(9,795,427.20)

GENERAL REVENUES

Taxes:	
Property Taxes, Levied	1,321,222.08
Sales Tax	6,966,911.41
Investment Income	114,071.45
Miscellaneous	1,519,977.87
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES	9,922,182.81
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	126,755.61
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	5,744,426.76
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 5,871,182.37

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

FUNCTIONS / PROGRAMS GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	EXPENSES	PROGRAM REVENUES			NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
		CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
General County Government	\$ 7,674,138.13	\$ 1,550,048.77	\$ 7,541.00	\$ 1,041,840.94	\$ (5,074,707.42)
Road and Bridge	3,171,788.07	-	-	-	(3,171,788.07)
Financial Administration	239,057.06	-	-	-	(239,057.06)
Other Offices and Grants	371,597.76	-	-	-	(371,597.76)
Administration of Justice and Law Enforcement	1,192,673.78	-	-	-	(1,192,673.78)
Consulting	183,016.11	-	-	-	(183,016.11)
Fees, Licenses and Permits	2,000.00	-	-	-	(2,000.00)
Surveyor	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance of Roads	-	-	948,971.55	-	948,971.55
Park Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:					
Principal	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay:					
Construction of Hospital	-	-	-	-	-
Property, Equipment and Buildings	7,340.21	-	-	352,941.25	345,601.04
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ 12,841,611.12	\$ 1,550,048.77	\$ 956,512.55	\$ 1,394,782.19	(8,940,267.61)

GENERAL REVENUES

Taxes:	
Property Taxes, Levied	1,309,757.82
Sales Tax	7,187,736.61
Investment Income	230,583.90
Miscellaneous	1,447,066.54
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES	10,175,144.87
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	1,234,877.26
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	4,509,549.50
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 5,744,426.76

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 BALANCE SHEET - CASH BASIS
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

	DECEMBER 31, 2008					DECEMBER 31, 2007				
	General	Special Road and Bridge	Law Enforcement Complex Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	General	Special Road and Bridge	Law Enforcement Complex Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS										
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,878,400.85	\$ 551,155.24	\$ 836,440.21	\$ 2,605,186.07	\$ 5,871,182.37	\$ 1,890,760.11	\$ 336,039.45	\$ 1,081,425.84	\$ 2,436,201.36	\$ 5,744,426.76
Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	1,878,400.85	551,155.24	836,440.21	2,605,186.07	5,871,182.37	1,890,760.11	336,039.45	1,081,425.84	2,436,201.36	5,744,426.76
FUND BALANCES										
Unreserved:										
General Fund	1,878,400.85	-	-	-	1,878,400.85	1,890,760.11	-	-	-	1,890,760.11
Special Revenue Funds	-	551,155.24	836,440.21	2,605,186.07	3,992,781.52	-	336,039.45	1,081,425.84	2,436,201.36	3,853,666.65
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,878,400.85	551,155.24	836,440.21	2,605,186.07	5,871,182.37	1,890,760.11	336,039.45	1,081,425.84	2,436,201.36	5,744,426.76
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,878,400.85	\$ 551,155.24	\$ 836,440.21	\$ 2,605,186.07	\$ 5,871,182.37	\$ 1,890,760.11	\$ 336,039.45	\$ 1,081,425.84	\$ 2,436,201.36	\$ 5,744,426.76

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THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
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 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
 AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEARS ENDED

	DECEMBER 31, 2008					DECEMBER 31, 2007				
	General	Special Road and Bridge	Law Enforcement Complex Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	General	Special Road and Bridge	Law Enforcement Complex Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES										
Property Tax	\$ 497,315.61	\$ 165,189.07	\$ -	\$ 658,717.40	\$ 1,321,222.08	\$ 488,921.08	\$ 164,410.47	\$ -	\$ 656,426.27	\$ 1,309,757.82
Sales Tax	1,971,030.59	2,031,094.09	1,407,525.20	1,557,261.53	6,966,911.41	1,997,784.77	2,190,870.98	1,426,080.00	1,573,000.86	7,187,736.61
Inter-Governmental Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for Services	1,058,773.52	-	306,555.11	216,390.44	1,581,719.07	1,039,075.21	-	285,454.48	225,519.08	1,550,048.77
Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants, Distributions and Reimbursements	498,453.02	673,789.06	307,918.44	939,430.78	2,419,591.30	485,635.78	948,971.55	352,941.25	556,205.16	2,343,753.74
Fees, Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	8,683.53	8,683.53	-	-	-	7,541.00	7,541.00
Interest	42,297.43	7,603.74	17,381.08	46,789.20	114,071.45	93,511.93	7,131.75	33,990.15	95,950.07	230,583.90
Contributions	-	-	-	2,750.00	2,750.00	-	-	-	4,500.98	4,500.98
Other	143,572.66	21,028.71	59,563.99	1,293,062.51	1,517,227.87	72,760.50	71,898.42	40,376.85	1,257,529.79	1,442,565.56
TOTAL REVENUES	4,211,442.83	2,898,704.67	2,098,943.82	4,723,085.39	13,932,176.71	4,177,689.27	3,383,283.17	2,138,842.73	4,376,673.21	14,076,488.38
EXPENDITURES										
Current:										
General County Government	1,385,629.72	-	2,949,929.45	4,331,345.32	8,666,904.49	1,244,248.91	-	2,755,076.41	3,674,812.81	7,674,138.13
Road and Bridge	-	2,584,581.98	-	-	2,584,581.98	-	3,171,788.07	-	-	3,171,788.07
Financial Administration	249,946.85	-	-	-	249,946.85	239,057.06	-	-	-	239,057.06
Other Offices and Grants	692,445.92	-	-	-	692,445.92	371,597.76	-	-	-	371,597.76
Property Valuation and Recording	192,425.09	-	-	-	192,425.09	183,016.11	-	-	-	183,016.11
Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Permits and Fees	6,000.00	-	-	-	6,000.00	2,000.00	-	-	-	2,000.00
Administration of Justice and Law	1,272,354.51	-	-	-	1,272,354.51	1,192,673.78	-	-	-	1,192,673.78
Continued Progress	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay:										
Construction	-	99,006.90	-	-	99,006.90	-	-	-	-	-
Property, Equipment and Buildings	-	-	-	41,755.36	41,755.36	-	-	-	7,340.21	7,340.21
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,798,802.09	2,683,588.88	2,949,929.45	4,373,100.68	13,805,421.10	3,232,593.62	3,171,788.07	2,755,076.41	3,682,153.02	12,841,611.12
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	412,640.74	215,115.79	(850,985.63)	349,984.71	126,755.61	945,095.65	211,495.10	(616,233.68)	694,520.19	1,234,877.26
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										
Transfers In	-	-	606,000.00	12,000.00	618,000.00	-	-	805,968.80	-	805,968.80
Transfers Out	(425,000.00)	-	-	(193,000.00)	(618,000.00)	(700,968.80)	-	-	(105,000.00)	(805,968.80)
Debt Service:										
Principal Payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(425,000.00)	-	606,000.00	(181,000.00)	-	(700,968.80)	-	805,968.80	(105,000.00)	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(12,359.26)	215,115.79	(244,985.63)	168,984.71	126,755.61	244,126.85	211,495.10	189,735.12	589,520.19	1,234,877.26
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,890,760.11	336,039.45	1,081,425.84	2,436,201.36	5,744,426.76	1,646,633.26	124,544.35	891,690.72	1,846,681.17	4,509,549.50
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 1,878,400.85	\$ 551,155.24	\$ 836,440.21	\$ 2,605,186.07	\$ 5,871,182.37	\$ 1,890,760.11	\$ 336,039.45	\$ 1,081,425.84	\$ 2,436,201.36	\$ 5,744,426.76

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
(the Primary Government)
RECONCILIATION OF THE COUNTY FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
WITH THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS – CASH BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

**Amounts reported for governmental activities in the
statement of activities are different because...**

Total Fund Balance – Governmental Funds \$ 5,871,182.37

There are no items of reconciliation.

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Total Net Assets – Governmental Activities

\$ 5,871,182.37

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
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RECONCILIATION OF THE COUNTY FUNDS STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
WITH THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES – CASH BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

Total Net Change in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds	\$ 126,755.61
There are no items of reconciliation.	<u>-</u>
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities	<u><u>\$ 126,755.61</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
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STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
CASH BASIS - AGENCY FUNDS

	<u>DECEMBER 31, 2008</u> <u>AGENCY FUNDS</u>	<u>DECEMBER 31, 2007</u> <u>AGENCY FUNDS</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 14,313,192.46	\$ 13,766,953.99
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>14,313,192.46</u>	<u>13,766,953.99</u>
LIABILITIES		
Due to Other Funds	14,313,192.46	13,766,953.99
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 14,313,192.46</u>	<u>\$ 13,766,953.99</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
(the Primary Government)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The County of Butler, Missouri (“the Primary Government”), which is governed by a three-member board of commissioners, was established in 1849 by an Act of the Missouri Territory. In addition to the three board members, there are eight elected Constitutional Officers: County Clerk, Collector, Treasurer, Circuit Clerk and ex officio Recorder of Deeds, Sheriff, Assessor, Coroner, Public Administrator and Prosecuting Attorney.

As discussed further in Note I, these financial statements are presented on the Cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principle Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied, to the extent they are applicable to the Cash basis of accounting, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails.

A. Reporting Entity

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, as applicable to the Cash basis of accounting, these financial statements present financial accountability of the Primary Government.

The Primary Government’s operations include tax assessments and collections, state/county courts, county recorder, police protection, transportation, economic development, social and human services, and cultural and recreation services.

The financial statements referred to above include only the primary government of Butler County, Missouri, which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that comprise the Primary Government’s legal entity. The financial statements do not include financial data for the Primary Government’s legally separate component unit, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be reported with the financial data of the Primary Government. As a result, the primary government financial statements do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the reporting entity of the Primary Government as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Health Department of Butler County, Missouri has issued separate reporting entity financial statements. For information on this component unit, please contact the Butler County Health Department at (573) 785-8478 or write to, 1619 North Main Poplar Bluff, MO 63901.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities present financial information about the primary government only and not any of its component units. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government and distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charges to external parties for goods or services. The Primary Government does not have any such activities.

The Statement of Net Assets presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the primary government at year-end. The statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Primary Government's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with and are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Amounts reported as *program revenues* (a) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Taxes, unrestricted interest earnings, gains, and other miscellaneous revenue not properly included among *program revenues* are presented instead as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Primary Government.

Fund Financial Statements:

Following the government-wide financial statements are separate financial statements for governmental funds and fiduciary funds. Presently, the Primary Government has no proprietary funds. Fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. The Primary Government has determined that the General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund and the Law Enforcement Complex Fund are major governmental funds. All other governmental funds are reported in one column labeled "Non-Major Governmental Funds". If applicable, the total fund balances for all governmental funds is reconciled to total net assets. The net change in fund balance for all governmental funds, if applicable, is reconciled to the total change in net assets as shown on the statement of activities in the government-wide financial statements.

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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B. Basis of Presentation (concluded)

The fund financial statements of the Primary Government are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity with self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balances/net assets, revenues and expenditures.

Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are summarized by type are in the basic financial statements. The following fund types are used by the Primary Government:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The Primary Government's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus is upon determination of and changes in financial position rather than upon net income.

The following are the Primary Government's governmental major funds:

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

Road and Bridge Fund – The Road and Bridge Fund is a Special Revenue Fund used to account for receipts of the Primary Government property tax levy and related expenditures for road maintenance and improvement projects.

Law Enforcement Complex – The Law Enforcement Complex Fund is a Special Revenue Fund used to account for receipts of the county property tax levy and related expenditures for the law enforcement complex.

The other governmental funds of the Primary Government are considered non-major funds. They include special revenue funds, which account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that generally are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

Fiduciary Fund Types

Agency – Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the Primary Government in a trustee capacity as an agent of individuals, private organizations, other funds or other governmental units. Agency funds are accounted for and reported similar to the governmental funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve the measurement of results of operations. These funds account for activities of collections for other taxing units by the Collector of Revenue and other agency operations.

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C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements and fund financial statements are prepared using the Cash basis of accounting. The basis of accounting recognizes assets, liabilities, net assets/fund equity, revenues, and expenditures when they result from cash transactions except that the purchase of investments are recorded as assets; funds collected through the agency funds, not yet remitted, are recorded as liabilities and as receivables and revenue in the fund statements as applicable; and receipts of proceeds of tax anticipation notes are recorded as liabilities. This basis is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As a result of the use of this Cash basis of accounting, certain assets (such as accounts receivable and capital assets), certain revenues (such as revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected), certain liabilities (such as accounts payable, certificates of participation bonds and obligations under capital leases) and certain expenditures (such as expenditures for goods or services received but not yet paid) are not recorded in these financial statements.

If the Primary Government utilized the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted, the fund financial statements for governmental funds would use the modified accrual basis of accounting, while the fund financial statements for proprietary fund types, if applicable, would use the accrual basis of accounting. All government-wide financials would be presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

D. Property Taxes

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are levied on October 1 and tax bills are mailed to taxpayers in November, at which time they are payable. All unpaid property taxes become delinquent as of January 1, of the following year.

The assessed valuation of the tangible taxable property, included within the Primary Government's boundaries for the calendar year 2008 and 2007, for purposes of taxation was:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Real Estate	\$ 353,169,763	\$ 360,367,131
Personal Property	116,719,918	120,660,831
Railroad and Utilities	28,670,391	24,058,711
	<u>\$ 498,560,072</u>	<u>\$ 505,086,673</u>

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D. Property Taxes (concluded)

During 2008 and 2007, the County Commission approved a \$.1337 and \$.1337, respectively, tax levy per \$100 of assessed valuation of tangible taxable property for the calendar year 2008 and 2007, for purposes of County taxation, as follows:

	2008	2007
General Revenue Fund	\$.0995	\$.0995
Special Road and Bridge Fund	.0342	.0342
	\$.1337	\$.1337

E. Cash Deposits and Investments

Deposits and investments are stated at cost, which approximates market. Cash balances for all the County Treasurer Funds are pooled and invested to the extent possible. Interest earned from such investments is allocated to each of the funds based on the funds' average daily cash balance. Cash equivalents include repurchase agreements and any other instruments with an original maturity of ninety days or less. State law authorizes the deposit of funds in banks and trust companies or the investment of funds in bonds or treasury certificates of the United States, other interest bearing obligations guaranteed as to both principal and interest by the United States, bonds of the State of Missouri or other government bonds, or time certificates of deposit, provided, however, that no such investment shall be purchased at a price in excess of par. Funds in the form of cash on deposit or time certificates of deposit are required to be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or collateralized by authorized investments held in the Primary Government's name at third-party banking institutions. Details of these cash balances are presented in Note II.

F. Interfund Transactions

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables, if applicable, are classified as "Due from other funds" or "Due to other funds" on the Balance Sheet – Cash Basis – Governmental Fund.

Legally required transfers are reported as "transfers in" by the recipient fund and as "transfers out" by the disbursing fund.

Elimination of interfund activity has been made for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

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G. Reserved Fund Balance

Reserved fund balance represents the portion of fund balance that is not available for appropriation or is legally restricted for a specific purpose. Fund balance is unrestricted at December 31, 2008 and 2007.

H. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Primary Government or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. All other net assets are reported as unrestricted. The Primary Government applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

I. Use of Estimates in Financial Statements

Preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

II. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Primary Government maintains a cash and temporary investment pool that is available for use by all funds. Deposits with maturities greater than three months are considered investments. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the Balance Sheet Governmental Funds arising from cash transactions as "Cash and Equivalents" under each fund's caption.

Deposits - Missouri statutes require that all deposits with financial institutions be collateralized in an amount at least equal to uninsured deposits. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the carrying amount of the Primary Government's deposits was \$5,871,182.37 and \$5,744,426.76, the bank balance was \$6,542,642.47 and \$6,154,552.04 respectively. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, 100% of the Primary Government's investments were guaranteed by the U. S. Government.

SUMMARY OF CARRYING VALUES

The carrying values of deposits and investments shown above are included in the financial statements at December 31, 2008, as follows:

Included in the following fund financial statement captions:

<u>Balance Sheet – Government Funds</u>	
Deposits	\$ 5,871,182.37
Investments	-
Total Governmental Funds	5,871,182.37
 <u>Balance Sheet – Agency Funds</u>	
Deposits	14,313,192.46
Total Deposits & Investments as of December 31, 2008	\$ 20,184,374.83

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II. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (concluded)

The carrying values of deposits and investments at December 31, 2007, are as follows:

Included in the following fund financial statement captions:

<u>Balance Sheet – Government Funds</u>	
Deposits	\$ 5,744,426.76
Investments	-
Total Governmental Funds	<u>5,744,426.76</u>
<u>Balance Sheet – Agency Funds</u>	
Deposits	<u>13,766,953.99</u>
Total Deposits & Investments as of December 31, 2007	\$ <u>19,511,380.75</u>

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

For a deposit, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Primary Government's investment policy does not include custodial credit risk requirements. The Primary Government's deposits were not exposed to custodial credit risk for the year end December 31, 2008 & 2007.

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments

Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by the party who sold the security to the Primary Government or its agent but not in the government's name. The Primary Government does not have a policy for custodial credit risk relating to investments.

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments

All investments, evidenced by individual securities, are registered in the name of the Primary Government or of a type that are not exposed to custodial credit risk.

Investment Interest Rate Risk

Investment interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Primary Government does not have a formal investment policy that limits investments maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Investment Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is required to be disclosed by the Primary Government for any single investment that represents 5% or more of total investments (excluding investments issued by or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government, investments in mutual funds, investments in external investment pools and investments in other pooled investments). The Primary Government has no policy in place to minimize the risk of loss resulting from over concentration of assets in specific maturity, specific issuer or specific class of securities. The Primary Government's deposits were not exposed to concentration of investment credit risk for the year end December 31, 2008 & 2007.

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III. LONG-TERM DEBT

On 12/1/1998 Butler County Issued Leasehold revenue refunding bonds for \$6,095,000 for the Butler County Jail project. Interest rate ranges from 3.25% to 4.50% payable in annual installments ranging from \$350,000 to \$540,000 and maturing on 12/1/2013.

DEBT	BALANCE AT 12/31/2007	2008		BALANCE AT 12/31/2008	INTEREST PAID DURING YEAR
		AMOUNT BORROWED	AMOUNT REPAID		
1999 BOND	2,880,000.00	-	(425,000.00)	2,455,000.00	125,125.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,880,000.00	\$ -	\$ (425,000.00)	\$ 2,455,000.00	\$ 125,125.00

DEBT	BALANCE AT 12/31/2006	2007		BALANCE AT 12/31/2007	INTEREST PAID DURING YEAR
		AMOUNT BORROWED	AMOUNT REPAID		
1999 BOND	3,280,000.00	-	(400,000.00)	2,880,000.00	141,525.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,280,000.00	\$ -	\$ (400,000.00)	\$ 2,880,000.00	\$ 141,525.00

2008 AMORTIZATIONS

YEARS ENDING 31-Dec	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2009	450,000.00	107,700.00	557,700.00
2010	475,000.00	88,800.00	563,800.00
2011	475,000.00	68,375.00	543,375.00
2012	515,000.00	47,475.00	562,475.00
2013	540,000.00	24,300.00	564,300.00
	<u>2,455,000.00</u>	<u>336,650.00</u>	<u>2,791,650.00</u>

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III. LONG-TERM DEBT (concluded)

2007 AMORTIZATIONS

YEARS ENDING <u>31-Dec</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2008	425,000.00	125,125.00	550,125.00
2009	450,000.00	107,700.00	557,700.00
2010	475,000.00	88,800.00	563,800.00
2011	475,000.00	68,375.00	543,375.00
2012	515,000.00	47,475.00	562,475.00
2013	540,000.00	24,300.00	564,300.00
	<u>2,880,000.00</u>	<u>461,775.00</u>	<u>3,341,775.00</u>

IV. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Transfers between funds for the year ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

	2008		2007	
	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
MAJOR FUNDS				
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 425,000.00	\$ -	\$ 700,968.80
Special Road and Bridge Fund	-	-	-	-
Law Enforcement Complex Fund	606,000.00	-	805,968.80	-
NON-MAJOR FUNDS	<u>12,000.00</u>	<u>193,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 618,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 618,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 805,968.80</u>	<u>\$ 805,968.80</u>

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V. COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND (CERF)

The County Employees' Retirement Fund was established by the State of Missouri to provide pension benefits for County officials and employees.

A. Plan Description

The Retirement Fund is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan covering any county elective or appointed officer or employee whose performance requires the actual performance of duties during not less than (1,000) one thousand hours per calendar year in each county of the state, except for any city not within a county and any county of the first classification having a charter form of government. It does not include county prosecuting attorneys covered under Sections 56.800 to 56.840, RSMo, circuit clerks and deputy circuit clerks covered under the Missouri State Retirement System, county sheriffs covered under Sections 57.949 to 57.997, RSMo and certain personnel not defined as an employee per Section 50.1000(8), RSMo. The Fund was created by an act of the legislature and was effective August 28, 1994. The general administration and the responsibility for the proper operation of the fund and the investment of the fund are vested in a board of directors of nine persons.

B. Pension Benefits

Beginning January 1, 1997, employees attaining the age of sixty-two years may retire with full benefits with eight or more years of creditable service. The monthly benefit for County Employees is determined by selecting the highest benefit calculated using three different prescribed formulas (flat-dollar formula, targeted replacement ratio formula, and prior plan's formula). A death benefit of \$10,000 will be paid to the designated beneficiary of every active member upon his or her death.

Upon termination of employment, any member who is vested is entitled to a deferred annuity, payable at age sixty-two. Early retirement at age fifty-five with reduced benefit is allowed for the law enforcement, all other departments in the county the age is sixty.

Any member with less than eight years of creditable service forfeits all rights in the fund but will be paid his or her accumulated contributions.

The County Employees' Retirement Fund issues audited financial statements. Copies of these statements may be obtained from the Board of Directors of CERF by writing to CERF, P.O. Box 2271, 2121 Schotthill Road, Jefferson City, MO 65101, or by calling 1-573-632-9203.

C. Funding Policy

In accordance with State Statutes, the Plan is funded through various fees collected by counties and remitted to the CERF. Eligible employees hired before February 2002 have an option to contribute 2% of their annual salary, while employees hired after February 2002 are required to contribute 4% of their annual salary in order to participate in the CERF. During 2008 and 2007, the Primary Government collected and remitted to CERF, employee contributions of approximately \$59,310.53 and \$54,203.46, respectively, for the years then ended.

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VI. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS)

A. Plan Description

Butler County participates in the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS) an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for local government entities in Missouri. LAGERS is a defined benefit pension plan which provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. LAGERS was created and is governed by statute, section RSMO. 70.600 - 70.755. As such, it is the system's responsibility to administer the law in accordance with the expressed intent of the General Assembly.

The plan is qualified under the Internal Revenue Code Section 401a and it is tax exempt. The Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to LAGERS, P.O. Box 1665, Jefferson City, MO 65102 or by calling 1-800-447-4334.

B. Funding Policy

Butler County's full time employees do not contribute to the pension plan. The political subdivision is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate; the current rates for 2008 are 18.9% (general), 12.7% (police), and 17.2% (road), for 2007 they are 18.0% (general), 12.5% (police), and 16.5% (road) of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members are determined by the governing body of the political subdivision. The contribution provisions of the political subdivision are established by state statute.

C. Annual Pension Cost

For 2008, the political subdivision's annual pension cost of \$145,059 was equal to the required and actual contributions. The required contribution was determined as part of the February 28, 2006 and /or February 28, 2007 annual actuarial valuation using the entry age actuarial cost method. The actuarial valuation using the entry age actuarial cost method. For 2007, the political subdivision's annual pension cost of \$516,462 was equal to the required and actual contributions. The required contribution was determined as part of February 28, 2005 and/or February 29, 2006 annual valuation using the entry age actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions included (a) a rate of return on the investment of present and future assets of 7.5 percent per year, compounded annually, (b) projected salary increases of 4.0 percent per year, compounded annually, attributable to inflation, (c) additional projected salary increases ranging from 0.0 percent to 6.0 percent per year, depending on age, attributable to seniority/merit, (d) pre-retirement mortality based on RP 2000 Combined Healthy Table set back 0 years for men and 0 years for women and (e) post-retirement mortality based on the 1971 Group Annuity Mortality Table projected to 2000 set back 1 year for men and 7 years for women. The actuarial value of assets was determined using the techniques that smooth the effects of short-term volatility in the market value of the investments over a five year period. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll on an open basis for 2007 and a closed basis for 2008. The amortization period at February 28, 2007 was 15 year and at February 29, 2008 was 25 years.

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VI. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS) (concluded)

Three Year Trend Information

Fiscal Year Ending	Annual Pension Cost (APC)	Percentage Of APC Contributed	Net Pension Obligation
6/30/2006	\$ 171,320	100%	\$ 0
6/30/2007	162,528	100%	0
6/30/2008	145,059	100%	0

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
 Schedule of Funding Progress

Actuarial Valuation Date	(a) Actuarial Value of Assets	(b) Entry Age Actuarial Liability	(b-a) Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL)	(a/b) Funded Ratio	(c) Annual Covered Payroll	[(b-a)/c] UAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2/28/2006	\$2,093,783	\$ 2,141,661	\$ 47,878	98%	\$ 1,574,194	3%
2/28/2007	2,448,057	2,354,429	(93,628)	104%	1,639,634	0%
2/29/2008	2,708,151	2,469,030	(239,121)	110%	1,539,403	0%

Note: The above assets and actuarial accrued liability do not include the assets and present value of benefits associated with the Benefit Reserve Fund and Casualty Reserve Fund. The actuarial assumptions were changed in conjunction with the February 28, 2007 annual actuarial valuations. For a complete description of the actuarial assumptions used in the annual valuations, please contact the LAGERS office in Jefferson City.

VII. PROSECUTING ATTORNEY RETIREMENT FUND

In accordance with state statute Chapter 56.807 RSMo, the Primary Government contributes monthly to the Missouri Office of Prosecution Services for deposit to the credit of the Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys and Circuit Attorney Retirement System Fund. Once remitted, the State of Missouri is responsible for administration of this plan. The Primary Government has contributed \$7,752 and \$7,752, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007.

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VIII. POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Primary Government does not provide post-employment benefits except as mandated by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA). The requirements established by COBRA are fully funded by employees who elect coverage under the Act, and no direct costs are incurred by the Primary Government.

IX. CLAIMS COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

A. Litigation

The Primary Government is not involved in any pending litigation at December 31, 2008.

B. Compensated Absences

The County provides employees with up to four weeks of paid vacation based upon the number of years of continuous service. Employees who have completed twenty (20) years of service shall be granted one (1) day of vacation for each year after the twentieth (20th) year of service up to the twenty fifth (25th) year. Capped at five (5) additional days of paid vacation. Employee earn 12 sick days per year. Sick leave may be accumulated to a maximum of six hundred forty hours (640). Upon retirement the County will buy back all unused sick leave at the rate of forty percent (40%), or this buy back will be paid to the employee's survivors upon employee's death. Upon termination from county employment, an employee is not reimbursed for unused vacation and overtime or sick leave. If an employee does not incur a sick day for six months, they are awarded an additional day off.

C. Federal and State Assisted Programs

The Primary Government has received proceeds from several federal and state grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned as not appropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds, if determined necessary, will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the potential refund of grant monies.

X. RISK MANAGEMENT

The County is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters, and has established a risk management strategy that attempts to minimize losses and the carrying costs of insurance. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from the prior year and settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past three years.

The County is a member participant in a public entity risk pool which is a corporate and political body created pursuant to state statute (Chapter 537.70 RSMo. 1986). The purpose of the risk pool is to provide liability protection to participating public entities, their officials, and employees. Annual contributions are collected based on actuarial projections to produce sufficient funds to pay losses and expenses. Should contributions not produce sufficient funds to meet its obligations, the risk pool is empowered with the ability to make special assessments. Members are jointly and severally liable for all claims against the risk pool.

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X. RISK MANAGEMENT (concluded)

The County is also a member of the Missouri Association of Counties Self-Insured Workers' Compensation and Insurance Fund. The County purchases workers' compensation insurance through this Fund, a non-profit corporation established for the purpose of providing insurance coverage for Missouri counties. The Fund is self-insured up to \$2,000,000 per occurrence and is reinsured up to the statutory limit through excess insurance.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
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 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
 IN FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS - BUDGET AND ACTUAL -
 GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED - FOR THE YEARS ENDED

	DECEMBER 31, 2008				DECEMBER 31, 2007			
	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) FINAL BUDGET	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) FINAL BUDGET
	ORIGINAL	FINAL			ORIGINAL	FINAL		
REVENUES								
Property Tax	\$ 470,000.00	\$ 470,000.00	\$ 497,315.61	\$ 27,315.61	\$ 449,000.00	\$ 449,000.00	\$ 488,921.08	\$ 39,921.08
Sales Tax	1,900,000.00	1,900,000.00	1,971,030.59	71,030.59	1,900,000.00	1,900,000.00	1,997,784.77	97,784.77
Inter-Governmental Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for Services	972,200.00	972,200.00	1,058,773.52	86,573.52	524,600.00	524,600.00	1,039,075.21	514,475.21
Grants, Distributions and Reimbursements	780,893.29	780,893.29	498,453.02	(282,440.27)	550,310.00	550,310.00	485,635.78	(64,674.22)
Fees, Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interests	60,000.00	60,000.00	42,297.43	(17,702.57)	50,000.00	50,000.00	93,511.93	43,511.93
Other	79,576.52	79,576.52	143,572.66	63,996.14	153,300.00	153,300.00	72,760.50	(80,539.50)
TOTAL REVENUES	4,262,669.81	4,262,669.81	4,211,442.83	(51,226.98)	3,627,210.00	3,627,210.00	4,177,689.27	550,479.27
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General County Government	1,665,855.76	1,665,855.76	1,385,629.72	(280,226.04)	1,397,119.88	1,397,119.88	1,244,248.91	(152,870.97)
Financial Administration	283,506.36	283,506.36	249,946.85	(33,559.51)	271,868.30	271,868.30	239,057.06	(32,811.24)
Other Offices and Grants	1,070,472.00	1,070,472.00	692,445.92	(378,026.08)	475,761.49	475,761.49	371,597.76	(104,163.73)
Health and Welfare	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	-	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	(1,000.00)
Property Valuation and Recording	199,864.86	199,864.86	192,425.09	(7,439.77)	194,600.72	194,600.72	183,016.11	(11,584.61)
Administration of Justice and Law	1,511,614.81	1,511,614.81	1,272,354.51	(239,260.30)	1,276,776.69	1,276,776.69	1,192,673.78	(84,102.91)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,737,313.79	4,737,313.79	3,798,802.09	(938,511.70)	3,619,127.08	3,619,127.08	3,232,593.62	(386,533.46)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(474,643.98)	(474,643.98)	412,640.74	887,284.72	8,082.92	8,082.92	945,095.65	937,012.73
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	(425,000.00)	(425,000.00)	(425,000.00)	-	(800,000.00)	(800,000.00)	(700,968.80)	99,031.20
Emergency Fund	(400,000.00)	(400,000.00)	-	400,000.00	(390,000.00)	(390,000.00)	-	390,000.00
Debt Service:								
Principal Payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(825,000.00)	(825,000.00)	(425,000.00)	400,000.00	(1,190,000.00)	(1,190,000.00)	(700,968.80)	489,031.20
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(1,299,643.98)	(1,299,643.98)	(12,359.26)	1,287,284.72	(1,181,917.08)	(1,181,917.08)	244,126.85	1,426,043.93
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,890,760.11	1,890,760.11	1,890,760.11	-	1,646,633.26	1,646,633.26	1,646,633.26	-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 591,116.13	\$ 591,116.13	\$ 1,878,400.85	\$ 1,287,284.72	\$ 464,716.18	\$ 464,716.18	\$ 1,890,760.11	\$ 1,426,043.93

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THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 DEPARTMENTAL SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES CASH BASIS - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED

EXPENDITURES	DECEMBER 31, 2008				DECEMBER 31, 2007			
	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) FINAL BUDGET	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) FINAL BUDGET
	ORIGINAL	FINAL			ORIGINAL	FINAL		
Current:								
General County Government:								
County Commission	\$ 129,021.89	129,021.89	132,892.22	\$ 3,870.33	\$ 125,700.86	125,700.86	123,598.87	\$ (2,101.99)
County Clerk	168,200.05	168,200.05	158,429.90	(9,770.15)	164,407.82	164,407.82	153,960.94	(10,446.88)
Elections	196,883.82	196,883.82	188,307.57	(8,576.25)	61,400.00	61,400.00	57,647.12	(3,752.88)
Buildings and Grounds	448,500.00	448,500.00	308,450.20	(140,049.80)	419,411.20	419,411.20	329,178.63	(90,232.57)
Employee Fringe Benefits	723,250.00	723,250.00	597,549.83	(125,700.17)	626,200.00	626,200.00	579,863.35	(46,336.65)
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,665,855.76</u>	<u>1,665,855.76</u>	<u>1,385,629.72</u>	<u>(280,226.04)</u>	<u>1,397,119.88</u>	<u>1,397,119.88</u>	<u>1,244,248.91</u>	<u>(152,870.97)</u>
Financial Administration:								
Collector	186,979.27	186,979.27	159,514.10	(27,465.17)	177,832.29	177,832.29	153,672.45	(24,159.84)
Treasurer	96,527.09	96,527.09	90,432.75	(6,094.34)	94,036.01	94,036.01	85,384.61	(8,651.40)
	<u>283,506.36</u>	<u>283,506.36</u>	<u>249,946.85</u>	<u>(33,559.51)</u>	<u>271,868.30</u>	<u>271,868.30</u>	<u>239,057.06</u>	<u>(32,811.24)</u>
Other Offices & Grants:								
Other Offices & Grants	<u>1,070,472.00</u>	<u>1,070,472.00</u>	<u>692,445.92</u>	<u>(378,026.08)</u>	<u>475,761.49</u>	<u>475,761.49</u>	<u>371,597.76</u>	<u>(104,163.73)</u>
	<u>1,070,472.00</u>	<u>1,070,472.00</u>	<u>692,445.92</u>	<u>(378,026.08)</u>	<u>475,761.49</u>	<u>475,761.49</u>	<u>371,597.76</u>	<u>(104,163.73)</u>
Health and Welfare:								
Non-Institutional Care	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>(1,000.00)</u>
	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>(1,000.00)</u>

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THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 DEPARTMENTAL SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES
 CASH BASIS - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 GENERAL FUND (CONTINUED)
 UNAUDITED - FOR THE YEARS ENDED

	DECEMBER 31, 2008				DECEMBER 31, 2007			
	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) FINAL BUDGET	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) FINAL BUDGET
	ORIGINAL	FINAL			ORIGINAL	FINAL		
Property Valuation and Recording:								
Recorder of Deeds	199,864.86	199,864.86	192,425.09	(7,439.77)	194,600.72	194,600.72	183,016.11	(11,584.61)
Administration of Justice and Law Enforcement:								
Associate Circuit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Circuit Clerk	87,000.00	87,000.00	48,385.89	(38,614.11)	91,000.00	91,000.00	59,583.51	(31,416.49)
Children's Detention Home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Associate Circuit - (Probate)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Court Administrator	9,700.00	9,700.00	4,809.24	(4,890.76)	9,200.00	9,200.00	6,138.82	(3,061.18)
Dispatch	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Circuit Judges and Court Reporters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jury Script	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Justice Center	-	-	-	-	40,500.00	40,500.00	33,301.24	(7,198.76)
Juvenile Office	586,683.55	586,683.55	433,088.53	(153,595.02)	392,742.08	392,742.08	363,626.22	(29,115.86)
Medical Examiner	99,713.90	99,713.90	86,190.06	(13,523.84)	75,674.90	75,674.90	54,097.25	(21,577.65)
Sheriffs Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug Task Force	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Patrol Cars	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prosecuting Attorney	592,554.36	592,554.36	580,692.12	(11,862.24)	548,962.62	548,962.62	561,052.10	12,089.48
Prosecuting Attorney Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Administrator	135,963.00	135,963.00	119,188.67	(16,774.33)	118,697.09	118,697.09	114,874.64	(3,822.45)
	<u>1,511,614.81</u>	<u>1,511,614.81</u>	<u>1,272,354.51</u>	<u>(239,260.30)</u>	<u>1,276,776.69</u>	<u>1,276,776.69</u>	<u>1,192,673.78</u>	<u>(84,102.91)</u>
Debt Service:								
Principal Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Capital Outlay:								
Property, Equipment & Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 4,731,313.79</u>	<u>\$ 4,731,313.79</u>	<u>\$ 3,792,802.09</u>	<u>\$ (938,511.70)</u>	<u>\$ 3,619,127.08</u>	<u>\$ 3,619,127.08</u>	<u>\$ 3,232,593.62</u>	<u>\$ (386,533.46)</u>

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THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
 IN FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS - SPECIAL REVENUE MAJOR FUND
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND
 UNAUDITED - FOR THE YEARS ENDED

	DECEMBER 31, 2008				DECEMBER 31, 2007			
	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER
	ORIGINAL	FINAL		(UNDER)	ORIGINAL	FINAL		(UNDER)
			FINAL BUDGET				FINAL BUDGET	
REVENUES								
Property Tax	\$ 155,000.00	\$ 155,000.00	\$ 165,189.07	\$ 10,189.07	\$ 155,000.00	\$ 155,000.00	\$ 164,410.47	\$ 9,410.47
Sales Tax	2,050,250.00	2,050,250.00	2,031,094.09	(19,155.91)	1,520,250.00	1,520,250.00	2,190,870.98	670,620.98
Inter-Governmental Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants, Distributions and Reimbursements	625,000.00	625,000.00	673,789.06	48,789.06	950,000.00	950,000.00	948,971.55	(1,028.45)
Fees, Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interests	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,603.74	603.74	11,000.00	11,000.00	7,131.75	(3,868.25)
Other	4,500.00	4,500.00	21,028.71	16,528.71	20,000.00	20,000.00	71,898.42	51,898.42
TOTAL REVENUES	2,841,750.00	2,841,750.00	2,898,704.67	56,954.67	2,656,250.00	2,656,250.00	3,383,283.17	727,033.17
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
Salaries	1,280,000.00	1,280,000.00	1,252,411.54	(27,588.46)	1,200,000.00	1,200,000.00	1,148,685.28	(51,314.72)
Employee Fringe Benefits	679,000.00	679,000.00	559,699.72	(119,300.28)	651,000.00	651,000.00	571,773.83	(79,226.17)
Supplies	685,000.00	685,000.00	647,412.52	(37,587.48)	485,000.00	485,000.00	488,483.77	3,483.77
Property and Equipment Insurance	75,000.00	75,000.00	60,020.06	(14,979.94)	75,000.00	75,000.00	57,307.54	(17,692.46)
Equipment Repairs	30,000.00	30,000.00	10,393.32	(19,606.68)	30,000.00	30,000.00	7,117.81	(22,882.19)
Rentals	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,630.95	130.95	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,582.60	82.60
Maintenance of Roads:								
Highway and Roads	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	59,500.00	59,500.00	53,013.87	(6,486.13)	46,500.00	46,500.00	36,372.39	(10,127.61)
Capital Outlay:								
Construction of Roads and Bridges	310,000.00	310,000.00	99,006.90	(210,993.10)	285,000.00	285,000.00	860,464.85	575,464.85
Property, Equipment and Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,120,000.00	3,120,000.00	2,683,588.88	(436,411.12)	2,774,000.00	2,774,000.00	3,171,788.07	397,788.07
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(278,250.00)	(278,250.00)	215,115.79	493,365.79	(117,750.00)	(117,750.00)	211,495.10	329,245.10
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(278,250.00)	(278,250.00)	215,115.79	493,365.79	(117,750.00)	(117,750.00)	211,495.10	329,245.10
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	336,039.45	336,039.45	336,039.45	-	124,544.35	124,544.35	124,544.35	-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 57,789.45	\$ 57,789.45	\$ 551,155.24	\$ 493,365.79	\$ 6,794.35	\$ 6,794.35	\$ 336,039.45	\$ 329,245.10

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THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
 FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS - SPECIAL REVENUE MAJOR FUND
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - LAW ENFORCEMENT COMPLEX FUND
 UNAUDITED - FOR THE YEARS ENDED

	DECEMBER 31, 2008				DECEMBER 31, 2007			
	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) FINAL BUDGET	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) FINAL BUDGET
	ORIGINAL	FINAL			ORIGINAL	FINAL		
REVENUES								
Property Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sales Tax	1,375,000.00	1,375,000.00	1,407,525.20	32,525.20	1,350,000.00	1,350,000.00	1,426,080.00	76,080.00
Inter-Governmental Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for Services	266,000.00	266,000.00	306,555.11	40,555.11	90,000.00	90,000.00	285,454.48	195,454.48
Grants, Distributions and Reimbursements	333,538.93	333,538.93	307,918.44	(25,620.49)	222,070.00	222,070.00	352,941.25	130,871.25
Fees, Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	32,000.00	32,000.00	17,381.08	(14,618.92)	126,000.00	126,000.00	33,990.15	(92,009.85)
Other	29,000.00	29,000.00	59,563.99	30,563.99	-	-	40,376.85	40,376.85
TOTAL REVENUES	2,035,538.93	2,035,538.93	2,098,943.82	63,404.89	1,788,070.00	1,788,070.00	2,138,842.73	350,772.73
EXPENDITURES								
Continued Progress Fund	3,075,565.16	3,075,565.16	2,949,929.45	(125,635.71)	2,771,783.93	2,771,783.93	2,755,076.41	(16,707.52)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,075,565.16	3,075,565.16	2,949,929.45	(125,635.71)	2,771,783.93	2,771,783.93	2,755,076.41	(16,707.52)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(1,040,026.23)	(1,040,026.23)	(850,985.63)	189,040.60	(983,713.93)	(983,713.93)	(616,233.68)	367,480.25
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers In	606,000.00	606,000.00	606,000.00	-	800,000.00	800,000.00	805,968.80	5,968.80
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:								
Principle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	606,000.00	606,000.00	606,000.00	-	800,000.00	800,000.00	805,968.80	5,968.80
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(434,026.23)	(434,026.23)	(244,985.63)	189,040.60	(183,713.93)	(183,713.93)	189,735.12	373,449.05
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	408,357.39	408,357.39	1,081,425.84	673,068.45	891,690.72	891,690.72	891,690.72	-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAF	\$ (25,668.84)	\$ (25,668.84)	\$ 836,440.21	\$ 862,109.05	\$ 707,976.79	\$ 707,976.79	\$ 1,081,425.84	\$ 373,449.05

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THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
(the Primary Government)
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007

BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The Primary Government follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. In accordance with Chapter 50 RSMo, the Primary Government adopts a budget for each governmental fund.
2. On or before January 15th, each elected officer and department director will transmit to the County Clerk, who serves as budget officer, the budget request and revenue estimates for their office or department for the budget year.
3. The County Clerk submits to the County Commission a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning the following January 1. The proposed budget included estimated revenues and proposed expenditures for all budgeted funds. Budgeted expenditures cannot exceed beginning available monies plus estimated revenues for the year. Budgeting of appropriations is based upon an estimated unencumbered fund balance at the beginning of the year as well as estimated revenues to be received. The budget to actual comparisons in these financial statements, however, do not present encumbered fund balances, but only compare budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures.

During our audit we noted that the County was not in compliance with Missouri budgetary state statute Chapter 50 RSMo. During the year December 31, 2007, there was an instance of non-compliance because the actual expenditures exceeded the budgeted expenditures in the Road and Bridge Fund.

4. A public hearing is conducted to obtain public comment. Prior to its approval by the County Commission, the budget document is available for public inspection.
5. Prior to February 1, the budget is legally enacted by a vote of the County Commission.
6. Subsequent to its formal approval of the budget, the County Commission has the authority to make necessary adjustments to the budget by formal vote of the Commission. Adjustments made during the year are reflected in the budget information in the financial statements.

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the County Commission throughout the year. Individual amendments were not material in relation to the original appropriations which were adopted.

7. Budgets are prepared and adopted on the cash basis of accounting.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - CASH BASIS
 NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS)
 DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Assessment Fund	Law Enforcement Training Fund	PAT Fund	Bad Check Fund	PAD Fund	Eastern Capital Improvement Fund	Western Capital Improvement Fund	Care of the Handicapped Fund	Drainage District #12	Domestic Violence Fund	36th JJC Escrow Fund	Special Elections Fund/HAVA Fund	Recorder User Fee Fund
ASSETS													
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 245,766.61	\$ 11,292.52	\$ 4,036.53	\$ 140,741.91	\$ 2,493.35	\$ 455,543.88	\$ 514,972.54	\$ 442,081.98	\$ 17,313.38	\$ 252.64	\$ -	\$ 23,078.63	\$ 216,492.57
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>245,766.61</u>	<u>11,292.52</u>	<u>4,036.53</u>	<u>140,741.91</u>	<u>2,493.35</u>	<u>455,543.88</u>	<u>514,972.54</u>	<u>442,081.98</u>	<u>17,313.38</u>	<u>252.64</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,078.63</u>	<u>216,492.57</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES													
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCES	<u>245,766.61</u>	<u>11,292.52</u>	<u>4,036.53</u>	<u>140,741.91</u>	<u>2,493.35</u>	<u>455,543.88</u>	<u>514,972.54</u>	<u>442,081.98</u>	<u>17,313.38</u>	<u>252.64</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,078.63</u>	<u>216,492.57</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 245,766.61</u>	<u>\$ 11,292.52</u>	<u>\$ 4,036.53</u>	<u>\$ 140,741.91</u>	<u>\$ 2,493.35</u>	<u>\$ 455,543.88</u>	<u>\$ 514,972.54</u>	<u>\$ 442,081.98</u>	<u>\$ 17,313.38</u>	<u>\$ 252.64</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 23,078.63</u>	<u>\$ 216,492.57</u>

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - CASH BASIS
 NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS)
 DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Butler County 911 Fund	Health & Dental Escrow Fund	Law Library Fund	Senior Citizens Fund	Circuit JIS Fund	Sheriff Revolving Fund	Commissary Fund	Sheriff Civil Fund	Community Policing Fund	Sheriff Drug Fund	Collector's TMF Fund	Law Enforcement Restitution Fund	Total
ASSETS													
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 111,587.86	\$ 19,260.73	\$ 24,674.23	\$ 82,140.75	\$ 41,027.69	\$ 13,494.50	\$ 1,299.98	\$ 48,345.43	\$ 2,013.61	\$ 535.62	\$ 184,558.51	\$ 2,180.62	\$ 2,605,186.07
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>111,587.86</u>	<u>19,260.73</u>	<u>24,674.23</u>	<u>82,140.75</u>	<u>41,027.69</u>	<u>13,494.50</u>	<u>1,299.98</u>	<u>48,345.43</u>	<u>2,013.61</u>	<u>535.62</u>	<u>184,558.51</u>	<u>2,180.62</u>	<u>2,605,186.07</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES													
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCES	111,587.86	19,260.73	24,674.23	82,140.75	41,027.69	13,494.50	1,299.98	48,345.43	2,013.61	535.62	184,558.51	2,180.62	2,605,186.07
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 111,587.86</u>	<u>\$ 19,260.73</u>	<u>\$ 24,674.23</u>	<u>\$ 82,140.75</u>	<u>\$ 41,027.69</u>	<u>\$ 13,494.50</u>	<u>\$ 1,299.98</u>	<u>\$ 48,345.43</u>	<u>\$ 2,013.61</u>	<u>\$ 535.62</u>	<u>\$ 184,558.51</u>	<u>\$ 2,180.62</u>	<u>\$ 2,605,186.07</u>

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 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Assessment Fund	Law Enforcement Training Fund	PAT Fund	Bad Check Fund	PAD Fund	Eastern Capital Improvement Fund	Western Capital Improvement Fund	Care of the Handicapped Fund	Drainage District #12	Domestic Violence Fund	36th JJC Escrow Fund	Special Elections Fund/HAVA Fund
REVENUES												
Property Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 439,893.97	\$ 2,280.90	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sales Tax	-	-	-	-	1,880.33	703,764.47	703,764.45	2,142.66	-	-	-	-
Inter-Governmental Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for Services	29,533.40	2,034.16	258.07	111,620.94	-	-	-	-	-	6,153.00	-	-
Grants, Distributions and Reimbursements	438,063.08	1,674.90	-	-	-	90,434.43	90,434.43	-	-	7,768.40	-	251,355.06
Fees, Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,927.66	-	-
Interest	7,172.74	148.81	-	2,531.96	-	7,767.72	7,767.72	11,435.69	358.29	-	-	-
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	1,134.00	564.55	-	-	123,377.82	118,377.82	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	474,769.22	4,991.87	822.62	114,152.90	1,880.33	925,344.44	920,344.42	453,472.32	2,639.19	16,849.06	-	251,355.06
EXPENDITURES												
General Government	496,522.34	6,872.80	1,595.65	93,691.12	3,489.28	755,145.79	796,587.68	541,923.04	3,145.29	16,847.62	48,276.52	235,152.96
Administration of Justice and Law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Permits, Licenses and Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highways and Roads	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Health and Welfare	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal, Interest and Fiscal Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay:												
Construction of Roads and Bridges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Future Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Property, Equipment and Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:												
Principal Payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	496,522.34	6,872.80	1,595.65	93,691.12	3,489.28	755,145.79	796,587.68	541,923.04	3,145.29	16,847.62	48,276.52	235,152.96
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(21,753.12)	(1,880.93)	(773.03)	20,461.78	(1,608.95)	170,198.65	123,756.74	(88,450.72)	(506.10)	1.44	(48,276.52)	16,202.10
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)												
Transfers In	-	12,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	12,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(21,753.12)	10,119.07	(773.03)	20,461.78	(1,608.95)	170,198.65	123,756.74	(88,450.72)	(506.10)	1.44	(48,276.52)	16,202.10
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	267,519.73	1,173.45	4,809.56	120,280.13	4,102.30	285,345.23	391,215.80	530,532.70	17,819.48	251.20	48,276.52	6,876.53
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 245,766.61	\$ 11,292.52	\$ 4,036.53	\$ 140,741.91	\$ 2,493.35	\$455,543.88	\$514,972.54	\$ 442,081.98	\$ 17,313.38	\$ 252.64	\$ -	\$ 23,078.63

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	Recorder User Fee Fund	Butler County 911 Fund	Health & Dental Escrow Fund	Law Library Fund	Senior Citizens Fund	Circuit JIS Fund	Sheriff Revolving Fund	Commissary Fund	Sheriff Civil Fund	Community Policing Fund	Sheriff Drug Fund	Collector's TMF Fund	Law Enforcement Restitution Fund	Total
REVENUES														
Property Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 216,542.53	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 658,717.40
Sales Tax	-	144,713.50	-	-	996.12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,557,261.53
Inter-Governmental Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for Services	24,461.25	-	-	42,329.62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	216,390.44
Grants, Distributions and Reimbursements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	59,700.48	-	939,430.78
Fees, Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,755.87	8,683.53
Interest	3,365.66	2,587.93	-	-	2,059.30	202.12	238.19	-	1,088.03	-	-	-	65.04	46,789.20
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,750.00	-	-	-	2,750.00
Other	-	-	925,952.38	-	-	19,075.62	14,450.00	40,293.18	49,837.14	-	-	-	-	1,293,062.51
TOTAL REVENUES	27,826.91	147,301.43	925,952.38	42,329.62	219,597.95	19,277.74	14,688.19	40,293.18	50,925.17	2,750.00	-	59,700.48	5,820.91	4,723,085.39
EXPENDITURES														
General Government	8,827.26	42,458.59	964,457.19	31,458.89	220,622.31	2,631.08	7,615.08	35,919.77	9,854.46	6,580.57	1,670.03	-	-	4,331,345.32
Administration of Justice and Law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Permits, Licenses and Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highways and Roads	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Health and Welfare	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal, Interest and Fiscal Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay:														
Construction of Roads and Bridges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Future Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Property, Equipment and Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,916.15	13,839.21	41,755.36
Debt Service:														
Principal Payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,827.26	42,458.59	964,457.19	31,458.89	220,622.31	2,631.08	7,615.08	35,919.77	9,854.46	6,580.57	1,670.03	27,916.15	13,839.21	4,373,100.68
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	18,999.65	104,842.84	(38,504.81)	10,870.73	(1,024.36)	16,646.66	7,073.11	4,373.41	41,070.71	(3,830.57)	(1,670.03)	31,784.33	(8,018.30)	349,984.71
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)														
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,000.00
Transfers Out	-	(100,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(12,000.00)	(15,000.00)	(66,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(193,000.00)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	(100,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(12,000.00)	(15,000.00)	(66,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(181,000.00)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	18,999.65	4,842.84	(38,504.81)	10,870.73	(1,024.36)	16,646.66	(4,926.89)	(10,626.59)	(24,929.29)	(3,830.57)	(1,670.03)	31,784.33	(8,018.30)	168,984.71
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	197,492.92	106,745.02	57,765.54	13,803.50	83,165.11	24,381.03	18,421.39	11,926.57	73,274.72	5,844.18	2,205.65	152,774.18	10,198.92	2,436,201.36
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 216,492.57	\$ 111,587.86	\$ 19,260.73	\$ 24,674.23	\$ 82,140.75	\$ 41,027.69	\$ 13,494.50	\$ 1,299.98	\$ 48,345.43	\$ 2,013.61	\$ 535.62	\$ 184,558.51	\$ 2,180.62	\$ 2,605,186.07

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	Assessment Fund	Law Enforcement Training Fund	PAT Fund	Bad Check Fund	PAD Fund	Eastern Capital Improvement Fund	Western Capital Improvement Fund	Care of the Handicapped Fund	Drainage District #12	Domestic Violence Fund	36th JJC Escrow Fund	Special Elections Fund/HAVA Fund	Recorder User Fee Fund	Butler County 911 Fund	Health & Dental Escrow Fund	Law Library Fund
ASSETS																
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 267,519.73	\$ 1,173.45	\$ 4,809.56	\$ 120,280.13	\$ 4,102.30	\$ 285,345.23	\$ 391,215.80	\$ 530,532.70	\$ 17,819.48	\$ 251.20	\$ 48,276.52	\$ 6,876.53	\$ 197,492.92	\$ 106,745.02	\$ 57,765.54	\$ 13,803.50
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>267,519.73</u>	<u>1,173.45</u>	<u>4,809.56</u>	<u>120,280.13</u>	<u>4,102.30</u>	<u>285,345.23</u>	<u>391,215.80</u>	<u>530,532.70</u>	<u>17,819.48</u>	<u>251.20</u>	<u>48,276.52</u>	<u>6,876.53</u>	<u>197,492.92</u>	<u>106,745.02</u>	<u>57,765.54</u>	<u>13,803.50</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES																
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCES	<u>267,519.73</u>	<u>1,173.45</u>	<u>4,809.56</u>	<u>120,280.13</u>	<u>4,102.30</u>	<u>285,345.23</u>	<u>391,215.80</u>	<u>530,532.70</u>	<u>17,819.48</u>	<u>251.20</u>	<u>48,276.52</u>	<u>6,876.53</u>	<u>197,492.92</u>	<u>106,745.02</u>	<u>57,765.54</u>	<u>13,803.50</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 267,519.73</u>	<u>\$ 1,173.45</u>	<u>\$ 4,809.56</u>	<u>\$ 120,280.13</u>	<u>\$ 4,102.30</u>	<u>\$ 285,345.23</u>	<u>\$ 391,215.80</u>	<u>\$ 530,532.70</u>	<u>\$ 17,819.48</u>	<u>\$ 251.20</u>	<u>\$ 48,276.52</u>	<u>\$ 6,876.53</u>	<u>\$ 197,492.92</u>	<u>\$ 106,745.02</u>	<u>\$ 57,765.54</u>	<u>\$ 13,803.50</u>

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	Senior Citizens Fund	Circuit JIS Fund	Sheriff Revolving Fund	Commissary Fund	Sheriff Civil Fund	Community Policing Fund	Sheriff Drug Fund	Collector's TMF Fund	Law Enforcement Restitution Fund	Total
ASSETS										
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 83,165.11	\$ 24,381.03	\$ 18,421.39	\$ 11,926.57	\$ 73,274.72	\$ 5,844.18	\$ 2,205.65	\$ 152,774.18	\$ 10,198.92	\$ 2,436,201.36
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>83,165.11</u>	<u>24,381.03</u>	<u>18,421.39</u>	<u>11,926.57</u>	<u>73,274.72</u>	<u>5,844.18</u>	<u>2,205.65</u>	<u>152,774.18</u>	<u>10,198.92</u>	<u>2,436,201.36</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES										
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCES	<u>83,165.11</u>	<u>24,381.03</u>	<u>18,421.39</u>	<u>11,926.57</u>	<u>73,274.72</u>	<u>5,844.18</u>	<u>2,205.65</u>	<u>152,774.18</u>	<u>10,198.92</u>	<u>2,436,201.36</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 83,165.11</u>	<u>\$ 24,381.03</u>	<u>\$ 18,421.39</u>	<u>\$ 11,926.57</u>	<u>\$ 73,274.72</u>	<u>\$ 5,844.18</u>	<u>\$ 2,205.65</u>	<u>\$ 152,774.18</u>	<u>\$ 10,198.92</u>	<u>\$ 2,436,201.36</u>

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	Assessment Fund	Law Enforcement Training Fund	PAT Fund	Bad Check Fund	PAD Fund	Eastern Capital Improvement Fund	Western Capital Improvement Fund	Care of the Handicapped Fund	Drainage District #12	Domestic Violence Fund	36th JJC Escrow Fund	Special Elections Fund/HAVA Fund
REVENUES												
Property Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 437,894.76	\$ 2,757.53	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sales Tax	-	-	-	-	1,213.23	713,033.74	713,033.72	1,581.21	-	-	-	-
Inter-Governmental Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for Services	27,453.56	2,002.50	515.74	121,859.54	-	-	-	-	-	7,344.50	-	-
Grants, Distributions and Reimbursements	421,191.11	1,725.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,573.65	-	69,370.20
Fees, Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,594.00	-	-
Interest	15,191.00	-	-	4,748.23	-	9,830.78	9,830.78	26,951.81	733.88	-	3,008.77	-
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	330.10	6,558.83	388.36	-	-	101,800.00	101,800.00	-	-	-	148,000.00	-
TOTAL REVENUES	464,165.77	10,286.97	904.10	126,607.77	1,213.23	824,664.52	824,664.50	466,427.78	3,491.41	20,512.15	151,008.77	69,370.20
EXPENDITURES												
General Government	419,490.60	10,919.32	-	103,126.71	562.25	678,559.65	706,577.13	362,533.54	420.00	20,516.20	175,761.78	64,584.77
Administration of Justice and Law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highways and Roads	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Health and Welfare	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal, Interest and Fiscal Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay:												
Construction of Roads and Bridges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Future Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Property, Equipment and Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:												
Principal Payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	419,490.60	10,919.32	-	103,126.71	562.25	678,559.65	706,577.13	362,533.54	420.00	20,516.20	175,761.78	64,584.77
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	44,675.17	(632.35)	904.10	23,481.06	650.98	146,104.87	118,087.37	103,894.24	3,071.41	(4.05)	(24,753.01)	4,785.43
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)												
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	44,675.17	(632.35)	904.10	23,481.06	650.98	146,104.87	118,087.37	103,894.24	3,071.41	(4.05)	(24,753.01)	4,785.43
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	222,844.56	1,805.80	3,905.46	96,799.07	3,451.32	139,240.36	273,128.43	426,638.46	14,748.07	255.25	73,029.53	2,091.10
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 267,519.73	\$ 1,173.45	\$ 4,809.56	\$ 120,280.13	\$ 4,102.30	\$ 285,345.23	\$ 391,215.80	\$ 530,532.70	\$ 17,819.48	\$ 251.20	\$ 48,276.52	\$ 6,876.53

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	Recorder User Fee Fund	Butler County 911 Fund	Health & Dental Escrow Fund	Law Library Fund	Senior Citizens Fund	Circuit JIS Fund	Sheriff Revolving Fund	Commissary Fund	Sheriff Civil Fund	Community Policing Fund	Sheriff Drug Fund	Collector's TMF Fund	Law Enforcement Restitution Fund	Total
REVENUES														
Property Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 215,773.98	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 656,426.27
Sales Tax	-	143,422.67	-	-	716.29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,573,000.86
Inter-Governmental Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for Services	27,563.75	-	-	38,779.49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	225,519.08
Grants, Distributions and Reimbursements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,067.86	50,276.70	-	556,205.16
Fees, Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,947.00	7,541.00
Interest	6,502.13	6,292.50	-	15.98	4,772.19	468.61	591.38	-	2,572.81	-	-	4,439.22	-	95,950.07
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,500.98	-	-	-	4,500.98
Other	-	-	762,003.65	-	-	17,862.20	17,040.00	34,102.24	67,644.41	-	-	-	-	1,257,529.79
TOTAL REVENUES	34,065.88	149,715.17	762,003.65	38,795.47	221,262.46	18,330.81	17,631.38	34,102.24	70,217.22	4,500.98	2,067.86	54,715.92	5,947.00	4,376,673.21
EXPENDITURES														
General Government	4,232.38	45,228.06	739,271.74	33,806.75	209,898.45	9,705.60	17,054.52	27,742.55	38,929.96	3,912.59	1,978.26	-	-	3,674,812.81
Administration of Justice and Law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highways and Roads	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Health and Welfare	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal, Interest and Fiscal Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay:														
Construction of Roads and Bridges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Future Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Property, Equipment and Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,205.21	135.00	7,340.21
Debt Service:														
Principal Payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,232.38	45,228.06	739,271.74	33,806.75	209,898.45	9,705.60	17,054.52	27,742.55	38,929.96	3,912.59	1,978.26	7,205.21	135.00	3,682,153.02
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	29,833.50	104,487.11	22,731.91	4,988.72	11,364.01	8,625.21	576.86	6,359.69	31,287.26	588.39	89.60	47,510.71	5,812.00	694,520.19
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)														
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	(100,000.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(5,000.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(105,000.00)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	(100,000.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(5,000.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(105,000.00)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	29,833.50	4,487.11	22,731.91	4,988.72	11,364.01	8,625.21	576.86	1,359.69	31,287.26	588.39	89.60	47,510.71	5,812.00	589,520.19
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	167,659.42	102,257.91	35,033.63	8,814.78	71,801.10	15,755.82	17,844.53	10,566.88	41,987.46	5,255.79	2,116.05	105,263.47	4,386.92	1,846,681.17
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 197,492.92	\$ 106,745.02	\$ 57,765.54	\$ 13,803.50	\$ 83,165.11	\$ 24,381.03	\$ 18,421.39	\$ 11,926.57	\$ 73,274.72	\$ 5,844.18	\$ 2,205.65	\$ 152,774.18	\$ 10,198.92	\$ 2,436,201.36

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF
 FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS
 DECEMBER 31, 2008

	School Account	Surplus land Tax	Fee Account	CERF	Payroll Account	Recorder of Deeds	Prosecuting Attorney	Prosecuting Attorney Bad Check	Sheriffs Department	Bond Account	Inmate Account	CDBG Account	Collectors Funds	Total
ASSETS														
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 56,892.55	\$ 25,613.02	\$ 65.65	\$ 0.33	\$ 1,144.91	\$23,936.50	\$ 1,016.15	\$ 5,866.92	\$ 529.15	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61.62	\$ 14,198,065.66	\$14,313,192.46
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>56,892.55</u>	<u>25,613.02</u>	<u>65.65</u>	<u>0.33</u>	<u>1,144.91</u>	<u>23,936.50</u>	<u>1,016.15</u>	<u>5,866.92</u>	<u>529.15</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>61.62</u>	<u>14,198,065.66</u>	<u>14,313,192.46</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES														
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCES	<u>56,892.55</u>	<u>25,613.02</u>	<u>65.65</u>	<u>0.33</u>	<u>1,144.91</u>	<u>23,936.50</u>	<u>1,016.15</u>	<u>5,866.92</u>	<u>529.15</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>61.62</u>	<u>14,198,065.66</u>	<u>14,313,192.46</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 56,892.55</u>	<u>\$ 25,613.02</u>	<u>\$ 65.65</u>	<u>\$ 0.33</u>	<u>\$ 1,144.91</u>	<u>\$23,936.50</u>	<u>\$ 1,016.15</u>	<u>\$ 5,866.92</u>	<u>\$ 529.15</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 61.62</u>	<u>\$ 14,198,065.66</u>	<u>\$14,313,192.46</u>

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS
 DECEMBER 31, 2007

	School Account	Surplus land Tax	Fee Account	CERF	Payroll Account	Recorder of Deeds	Prosecuting Attorney	Prosecuting Attorney Bad Check	Sheriffs Department	Bond Account	Inmate Account	CDBG Account	Collectors Funds	Total
ASSETS														
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 69,705.62	\$ 22,812.93	\$ 65.65	\$ 4,514.65	\$ 1,144.91	\$27,162.50	\$ 1,209.68	\$ 5,761.00	\$ 575.21	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 581.86	\$ 13,633,419.98	\$13,766,953.99
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>69,705.62</u>	<u>22,812.93</u>	<u>65.65</u>	<u>4,514.65</u>	<u>1,144.91</u>	<u>27,162.50</u>	<u>1,209.68</u>	<u>5,761.00</u>	<u>575.21</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>581.86</u>	<u>13,633,419.98</u>	<u>13,766,953.99</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES														
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 69,705.62</u>	<u>\$ 22,812.93</u>	<u>\$ 65.65</u>	<u>\$ 4,514.65</u>	<u>\$ 1,144.91</u>	<u>\$27,162.50</u>	<u>\$ 1,209.68</u>	<u>\$ 5,761.00</u>	<u>\$ 575.21</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 581.86</u>	<u>\$ 13,633,419.98</u>	<u>\$13,766,953.99</u>

STATE COMPLIANCE SECTION

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
(the Primary Government)
SCHEDULE OF STATE FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007

SCHEDULE OF STATE FINDINGS

- A. For the year December 31, 2007, the actual expenditures exceeded the budgeted expenditures in the Road and Bridge Fund.

FEDERAL COMPLIANCE SECTION



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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*

To the County Commission
The County of Butler, Missouri

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of The County of Butler (the Primary Government), Missouri, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Primary Government's basic financial statements, and have issued our Cash basis report thereon dated July 13, 2009. Our report which was modified because the Primary Government prepares its financial statements on the Cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies. A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting (concluded)

A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, as applicable to the cash basis of accounting, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We consider the deficiencies 07/08-01, 07/08-02, and 07/08-03 described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies, and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe that none of the significant deficiencies described above is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the Primary Government in a separate letter Dated July 13, 2009.

The Primary Government's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. We did not audit the Primary Government's responses, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended for the information and use of the County Commission, County Officeholders, Missouri State Auditor, the Federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

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July 13, 2009

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
(the Primary Government)
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

I. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

- 07/08-01 Criteria: Auditors may continue to assist clients with the preparation of the financial statements now and in the future. However, under Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) No. 112, *Communicating Internal Control Related Matters in an Audit*, which is effective for periods ending on or after December 15, 2007, conditions necessitating the entity's auditor to provide such assistance is at least indicative of a significant deficiency.
- Condition: During the current year, auditors of the County assisted with the preparation of the financial statements and the notes to financial statements.
- Effect: Auditors may continue to assist clients with the preparation of the financial statements now and in the future. However, SAS 112 indicates that conditions necessitate the entity's auditor to provide such assistance is at least indicative of a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting.
- Cause: Due to the short time frame for the implementation of the new SAS requirements, management did not prepare the financial statements or the notes to financial statements.
- Recommendation: Due to the changing standards, the County may wish to consider alternatives available that would eliminate this situation.
- Management's Response: The County is currently complying with all state statutes relating to the preparation of the financial statements with the preparation of the county's annual budget document and annual financial statement. The county was not aware of new SAS requirements and questions if county governments of our size are required to comply with SAS standards.
- 07/08-02 Criteria: Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) No. 112, *Communicating Internal Control Related Matters in an Audit*, which is effective for period ending on or after December 15, 2007, considers inadequate documentation of the components of internal control to be at least a significant deficiency.
- Condition: Documentation of the County's internal controls has not been prepared.
- Effect: The new SAS 112 considers inadequate documentation of the components of internal control to be at least a significant deficiency. Without documented internal controls, the County may not be able to ensure that controls are in place, communicated and operating effectively.

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
(the Primary Government)
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

I. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS (continued)

07/08-02 Cause: Due to the short time frame for the implementation of the new SAS requirements, the County did not prepare the required documentation.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County develop the required internal control documentation. In addition, we recommend studying the COSO internal control guidance and tools as a means to begin the process. Once this documentation is complete, those charged with governance have a responsibility to understand the controls and ensure they are operating effectively.

Management's Response: The County is willing to review this recommendation with the state auditor and the contract auditor to further understand the COSO internal controls. The county was not aware of new SAS requirements and questions if county governments of our size are required to comply with SAS standards.

07/08-03 Criteria: Antifraud programs and controls are the policies and procedures put in place by an organization to help ensure that management directives are carried out. They are part of the overall system of internal control established to achieve reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Condition: During our audit, we noted there is no formal fraud risk assessment in place.

Effect: Lack of an appropriate risk assessment process may result in certain risks not being identified by County's management. Opportunities to commit and conceal a fraud or irregularity may go undetected by management without proper assessment procedures.

Cause: Management has not prepared documentation of risk assessments, including identified risks and mitigating controls.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County address various risks in the environment, including risk of fraud occurring by performing assessments to identify, analyze and manage these risks.

Management Response: The County is willing to review this recommendation with the state auditor and the contract auditor to determine various risk assessments.

II. FOLLOW-UP PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

There were no prior year findings related to Government Auditing Standards for an audit of financial statements.

**THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
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COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the County Commission
The County of Butler, Missouri

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County of Butler, Missouri, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Primary Government's basic financial statements, and have issued our cash basis report thereon dated July 13, 2009. Our report was modified because the Primary Government prepares its financial statements on the cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We did not express an opinion on supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A *control deficiency* 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, as applicable to the cash basis of accounting, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We consider the deficiencies *FS 07/08-01*, *FS 07/08-02* and *FS 07/08-03*, described in the accompanying Schedule of findings and questioned costs to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A *material weakness* is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe that none of the significant deficiencies described above is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Primary Government's financial statements are free of 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*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the Primary Government in a separate letter dated July 13, 2009.

The Primary Government's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. We did not audit the Primary Government's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the County Commission, County Officeholders, Missouri State Auditor, others within the entity, other auditing agencies, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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July 13, 2009



REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR
PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH
OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the County Commission
The County of Butler
Poplar Bluff, Missouri

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Butler County, (the Primary Government) with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Circular A-133 *Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007. The Primary Government's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Primary Government's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Primary Government's compliance based on our audit.

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 OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 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 federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Primary Government'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. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Primary Government's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Primary Government complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007. However, the results of our auditing procedures disclosed an instance of noncompliance with those requirements, which is required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item SA-07-08-01.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Primary Government is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs.

Internal Control Over Compliance (concluded)

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Primary Government's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, 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 Primary Government's internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the Primary Government's internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses as defined below. However, as discussed below, we identified a deficiency in internal control over compliance that we considered to be a significant deficiency.

A *control deficiency* in an entity's internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item SA-07-08-01, to be a significant deficiency.

A *material weakness* is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We did not consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs to be a material weakness.

The Primary Government's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. We did not audit the Primary Government's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the County Commission, County Officeholders, Missouri State Auditor, others within the entity, other auditing agencies, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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July 13, 2009

THE COUNTY OF BUTLER
 POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
 (the Primary Government)
 SINGLE AUDIT REPORT
 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007

FEDERAL GRANTOR / PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR PROGRAM TITLE	FEDERAL CFDA NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH ENTITY NUMBER	FEDERAL SHARE OF EXPENDITURES DECEMBER 31, 2008	FEDERAL SHARE OF EXPENDITURES DECEMBER 31, 2007
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE				
Passed Through State:				
Office of Administration:				
Schools and Roads - Grants to States	10.665	N. Forest	\$ 253,152.06	\$ 164,291.73
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT				
Passed Through State:				
Department of Economic Development:				
Community Development Block Grants / State's Program	14.228	07-EM-07 05-PF-01 17-EM-08	108,025.97 64,984.56 16,525.00	
Department of Social Services:				
Emergency Shelter Grants Program	14.231	Haven House	7,768.40	11,573.65
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE				
Passed Through:				
State Department of Public Safety:				
Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants	16.523			
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention - Allocation to States	16.540	36th JJC DYSG	8,557.09 71,287.44	5,406.71 74,900.86
Cape Girardeau County:				
Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	16.523 16.580	2007DJBX0779 2006DJBX0845	9,938.93 5,626.59	1,215.53
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION				
Passed Through State:				
Highway and Transportation Commission:				
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	BRO-012(24) BRO-012(25) BRO-012(26) BRO-012(27)	71,743.84 18,893.03	320,743.00 21,917.09 253,292.60 35,490.97
ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION				
Passed Through the Office of Secretary of State:				
Help America Vote Act Requirements Payments	90.401			
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES				
Passed Through State:				
Department of Health and Senior Services:				
Department of Social Services:				
Child Support Enforcement	93.563		359,228.95	333,162.87
Community Services Block Grant	93.569			
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY				
Passed Through State Department of Public Safety:				
State Domestic Preparedness Equipment Support Program	97.004	Siren		10,365.00
Public Assistance Grants (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	08 Flood HMPG	733,652.88 1,875.71	1,875.71
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	EMPG	22,780.45	33,762.27
Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067	CEPF	2,874.58	3,562.09
<i>Total Expenditures of Federal Awards</i>			<u>\$ 1,756,915.48</u>	<u>\$ 1,271,560.08</u>

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NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented on the cash basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

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I. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

A. Financial Statements

1. Type of auditor's report issued: Unqualified Cash Basis
2. Internal control over financial reporting:
 - a. Any material weakness(es) identified?

	2008	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	2007	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
 - b. Any significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?

	2008	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> None Reported
	2007	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> None Reported
3. Any noncompliance material to financial statements noted?

	2008	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	2007	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

B. Federal Awards

1. Internal control over major programs:

Any material weakness(es) identified?	2008	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	2007	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
2. Any significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?

	2008	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	2007	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3. Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:

	2008	- Unqualified	
	2007	- Unqualified	
4. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with section 510 (a) of *Circular A-133*?

	2008	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	2007	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

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II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS (continued)

FS 07-08-02 Criteria: Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) No. 112, *Communicating Internal Control Related Matters in an Audit*, which is effective for period ending on or after December 15, 2006, considers inadequate documentation of the components of internal control to be at least a significant deficiency.

Condition: Documentation of the County's internal controls has not been prepared.

Effect: The new SAS 112 considers inadequate documentation of the components of internal control to be at least a significant deficiency. Without documented internal controls, the County may not be able to ensure that controls are in place, communicated and operating effectively.

Cause: Due to the short time frame for the implementation of the new SAS requirements, the County did not prepare the required documentation.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County develop the required internal control documentation. In addition, we recommend studying the COSO internal control guidance and tools as a means to begin the process. Once this documentation is complete, those charged with governance have a responsibility to understand the controls and ensure they are operating effectively.

Management's Response: The County will consider the auditor's recommendation.

FS 07/08-03 Criteria: Anti-fraud programs and controls are the policies and procedures put in place by an organization to help ensure that management directives are carried out. They are part of the overall system of internal control established to achieve reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Condition: During our audit, we noted there is no formal fraud risk assessment in place.

Effect: Lack of an appropriate risk assessment process may result in certain risks not being identified by County's management. Opportunities to commit and conceal a fraud or irregularity may go undetected by management without proper assessment procedures.

Cause: Management has not prepared documentation of risk assessments, including identified risks and mitigating controls.

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II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS (concluded)

FS 07/08-03 (concluded) Recommendation: We recommend that the County address various risks in the environment, including risk of fraud occurring by performing assessments to identify, analyze and manage these risks.

Management's Response: The County will consider the auditor's recommendation.

III. FOLLOW-UP PRIOR YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

There were no prior year findings and questioned costs related to *Government Auditing Standards* for an audit of financial statements.

IV. FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007

The following findings, recommendations, and questioned costs are the results of the single audit of Butler County, Missouri for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. Each finding is referenced with a two-digit number representing the fiscal years audited, an "SA" to indicate that it is a single audit finding, and a sequential number. The findings are presented by federal program and are classified according to federal and state department, type of compliance requirement, category of internal control weakness, and category of noncompliance.

A. Category of Internal Control Weakness

If the finding represents a weakness in internal control, one of the following designations will appear:

1. Significant Deficiency: A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affect the entity's ability to administer a federal programs such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.
2. Material Weakness: A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a significant deficiency or combination of significant deficiencies that result in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

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IV. FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007 (continued)

B. Category of Noncompliance Findings

If the finding represents an instance of noncompliance, one of the following designations will appear:

1. Material Noncompliance: A material noncompliance finding is a finding related to a major federal program which discusses conditions representing noncompliance with federal laws, regulations, contracts, or grants, the effects of which have a material effect in relation to a type of compliance requirement or audit objective identified in OMB Circular A-133 *Compliance Supplement*.
2. Questioned Cost Finding: A questioned cost finding is a finding which discusses known or likely questioned costs that are greater than \$10,000 for a type of compliance requirement, unless the conditions giving rise to the questioned costs are otherwise reported as a material noncompliance finding.

C. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

FINDING NUMBER	TYPE OF FINDING / QUESTIONED COSTS	FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
SA 07/08-1	Other Information: Significant Deficiency	<p>Findings: The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards contained errors.</p> <p>Controls were not in place to ensure that the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) was prepared in accordance with federal requirements. The OMB Circular A-133 requires that the SEFA provide total federal awards expended for each individual federal program. It states that the determination of when an award is expended should be based on when the activity related to the award occurs, such as when the expenditure takes place.</p> <p>The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) was prepared with various errors. These errors are described below:</p>

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IV. FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 & 2007 (concluded)

C. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs (concluded)

FINDING NUMBER	TYPE OF FINDING / QUESTIONED COSTS	FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
SA 07/08-1 (concluded)	Other Information: Significant Deficiency	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The SEFA schedule contained several incorrect CFDA numbers for federal programs. 2. Expenditures listed on the SEFA schedule submitted to the State Auditor's Office were incorrect. Revenue was used to prepare the SEFA instead of expenditures. Actual expenditures were not agreed to the general ledger.

A revised SEFA was submitted to the State Auditor's Office, containing corrections for all errors described.

Recommendation: The County should implement procedures to ensure that the SEFA is prepared in accordance with federal requirements. The County should continue in its efforts to establish an accounting system that will capture grant transactions in a manner sufficient to readily report the necessary information required on the SEFA. The cost center listing that identifies federal expenditures should be defined and cross matched in a table that is updated monthly by a designee of the County Clerk's Office.

Agency Response: The County agrees with this finding.

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V. FOLLOW-UP PRIOR YEAR FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
 IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Follow-up Prior Year Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

FINDING NUMBER	TYPE OF FINDING / QUESTIONED COSTS	FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
SA 05/06-1	Other Information: Significant Deficiency	Resolved – Distribution of federal BRO Funds within two days.
SA 05/06-2	Other Information: Significant Deficiency	Resolved – Clerk reviewing for suspension and debarment of vendors for federal programs.
SA 05/06-3	Other Information: Significant Deficiency	Unresolved – The County does not have adequate procedures in place to track Federal Awards for the preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA).



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To the County Commissioners
Butler County, Missouri

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Butler County as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined below.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or a combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our comments concerning internal control and other significant matters are presented as follows:

- I. Deficiencies Considered to be Significant
- II. Changes Impacting Governmental Organizations
- III. Information Required by Professional Standards

Butler County's management has provided written responses to the comments in this report that were identified in our audit. These responses have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, County Commissioners, and others within the County, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Daniel Jones & Associates

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Certified Public Accountants
July 13, 2009

I. DEFICIENCIES CONSIDERED TO BE SIGNIFICANT

07/08-01

Criteria: Auditors may continue to assist clients with the preparation of the financial statements now and in the future. However, under Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) No. 112, *Communicating Internal Control Related Matters in an Audit*, which is effective for periods ending on or after December 15, 2006, conditions necessitating the entity's auditor to provide such assistance is at least indicative of a significant deficiency.

Condition: During the current year, auditors of the County assisted with the preparation of the financial statements and the notes to financial statements.

Effect: Auditors may continue to assist clients with the preparation of the financial statements now and in the future. However, SAS 112 indicates that conditions necessitate the entity's auditor to provide such assistance is at least indicative of a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting.

Cause: Due to the short time frame for the implementation of the new SAS requirements, management did not prepare the financial statements or the notes to financial statements.

Recommendation: Due to the changing standards, the County may wish to consider alternatives available that would eliminate this situation.

Management's Response: The County is currently complying with all state statutes relating to the preparation of the financial statements with the preparation of the county's annual budget document and annual financial statement. The county was not aware of new SAS requirements and questions if county governments of our size are required to comply with SAS standards.

07/08-02

Criteria: Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) No. 112, *Communicating Internal Control Related Matters in an Audit*, which is effective for period ending on or after December 15, 2006, considers inadequate documentation of the components of internal control to be at least a significant deficiency.

Condition: Documentation of the County's internal controls has not been prepared.

Effect: The new SAS 112 considers inadequate documentation of the components of internal control to be at least a significant deficiency. Without documented internal controls, the County may not be able to ensure that controls are in place, communicated and operating effectively.

Cause: Due to the short time frame for the implementation of the new SAS requirements, the County did not prepare the required documentation.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County develop the required internal control documentation. In addition, we recommend studying the COSO internal control guidance and tools as a means to begin the process. Once this documentation is complete, those charged with governance have a responsibility to understand the controls and ensure they are operating effectively.

I. DEFICIENCIES CONSIDERED TO BE SIGNIFICANT(Concluded)

Management's Response: The County is willing to review this recommendation with the state auditor and the contract auditor to further understand the COSO internal controls. The county was not aware of new SAS requirements and questions if county governments of our size are required to comply with SAS standards.

07/08-03

Criteria: Antifraud programs and controls are the policies and procedures put in place by an organization to help ensure that management directives are carried out. They are part of the overall system of internal control established to achieve reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Condition: During our audit, we noted there is no formal fraud risk assessment in place.

Effect: Lack of an appropriate risk assessment process may result in certain risks not being identified by County's management. Opportunities to commit and conceal a fraud or irregularity may go undetected by management without proper assessment procedures.

Cause: Management has not prepared documentation of risk assessments, including identified risks and mitigating controls.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County address various risks in the environment, including risk of fraud occurring by performing assessments to identify, analyze and manage these risks.

Management Response: The County is willing to review this recommendation with the state auditor and the contract auditor to determine various risk assessments.

II. CHANGES IMPACTING GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

- a. SAS 104 through 111, *Risk Assessment Standards*, are effective for fiscal periods beginning on or after December 15, 2006. These standards increase the auditors' responsibility and requirements, including a more extensive understanding of the organization and documentation of audit procedures.
- b. SAS 112, *Communication of Internal Control Matters*, is effective for fiscal periods ending on or after December 15, 2006. These standards change the definition of internal control deficiencies.
- c. SAS 114, *The Auditor's Communication with Those Charged with Governance*, is effective for fiscal periods beginning on or after December 15, 2006. This standard increases the auditors' responsibility to communicate information about audit planning, the client's accounting practices, and other significant matters.

III. INFORMATION REQUIRED BY PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Our Responsibilities under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and OMB Circular A-133

As stated in our engagement letter dated April 23, 2009, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to express opinions about whether the financial statements prepared by management with your oversight are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the

modified cash basis of accounting. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your responsibilities.

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Butler County's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. We also considered internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit. Also in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, we examined, on a test basis, evidence about Butler County's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* applicable to each of its major federal programs for the purpose of expressing an opinion on Butler County's compliance with those requirements. While our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion, it does not provide a legal determination on Butler County's compliance with those requirements.

Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We performed the audit according to the planned scope and timing previously communicated to you in our meeting about planning matters on March 23, 2009.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Butler County are described in Note I to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. We noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the years for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. There are no significant transactions that have been recognized in the financial statements in a different period than when the transaction occurred.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

The disclosures in the financial statements are neutral, consistent and clear. Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

III. INFORMATION REQUIRED BY PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS (Concluded)

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated July 13, 2009.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.