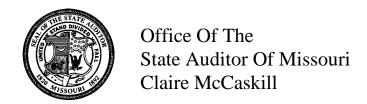


TWO YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

From The Office Of State Auditor Claire McCaskill

Report No. 99-61 August 24, 1999



IMPORTANT: The Missouri State Auditor is required by Missouri law to conduct audits only once every four years in counties, like Howell, which do not have a county auditor. However, to assist such counties in meeting federal audit requirements, the State Auditor will also perform a financial and compliance audit of various county operating funds every two years. This voluntary service to Missouri counties can only be provided when state auditing resources are available and does not interfere with the State Auditor's constitutional responsibility of auditing state government.

Once every four years, the State Auditor's statutory audit will cover additional areas of county operations, as well as the elected county officials, as required by Missouri's Constitution.

This audit of Howell County was a financial and compliance audit of various county operating funds.

There were no new findings or additional comments made during this audit.

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FINANCIAL SECTION

State Auditor's Reports



CLAIRE C. McCASKILL

Missouri State Auditor

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

To the County Commission and Officeholders of Howell County, Missouri

We have audited the accompanying special-purpose financial statements of various funds of Howell County, Missouri, as of and for the years ended December 31, 1998 and 1997, as identified in the table of contents. These special-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the county's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these special-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the special-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the special-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The accompanying special-purpose financial statements were prepared for the purpose of presenting the receipts, disbursements, and changes in cash of various funds of Howell County, Missouri, and comparisons of such information with the corresponding budgeted information for various funds of the county and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the financial position and results of operations of those funds or of Howell County.

In our opinion, the special-purpose financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and changes in cash of various funds of Howell County, Missouri, and comparisons of such information with the corresponding budgeted information for various funds of the county as of and for the years ended December 31, 1998 and 1997, in conformity with the comprehensive basis of accounting discussed in Note 1, which is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

Howell County, Missouri, has not presented the disclosures required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Technical Bulletin 98-1, *Disclosures about Year 2000 Issues*,

as amended by GASB Technical Bulletin 99-1, that the GASB has determined are necessary to supplement, although not be a part of, the basic financial statements. In addition, we do not provide assurance that the county is or will become year 2000-compliant, that the county's year 2000 remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part, or that parties with which the county does business are or will become year 2000-compliant.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we also have issued our report dated April 20, 1999, on our consideration of the county's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants.

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the special-purpose financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the special-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the special-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Claire McCaskill State Auditor

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April 20, 1999 (fieldwork completion date)



CLAIRE C. McCASKILL Missouri State Auditor

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the County Commission and Officeholders of Howell County, Missouri

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of various funds of Howell County, Missouri, as of and for the years ended December 31, 1998 and 1997, and have issued our report thereon dated April 20, 1999. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

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

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the special-purpose financial statements of various funds of Howell County, Missouri, we considered the county's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements

in amounts that would be material in relation to the special-purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of the management of Howell County, Missouri; federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities; and other applicable government officials. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Claire McCaskill State Auditor

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April 20, 1999 (fieldwork completion date)

Financial Statements

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - VARIOUS FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

Exhibit A-1

	Cash,			Cash,
Fund	 January 1	Receipts	Disbursements	December 31
General Revenue	\$ 271,498	2,498,775	2,511,365	258,908
Special Road and Bridge	172,568	1,375,469	1,333,937	214,100
Assessment	835	280,030	269,007	11,858
School Resource Officer	23,865	40,316	35,991	28,190
Law Enforcement Training	8,797	11,544	11,549	8,792
Prosecuting Attorney Bad Check	33,641	41,100	55,265	19,476
Recorder's Special	96,995	21,156	56,910	61,241
Prosecuting Attorney Training	4,223	2,435	3,212	3,446
911 Emergency Telephone	317,164	330,246	322,990	324,420
Criminal Pleas	13,066	21,214	25,073	9,207
Children's Trust	1,567	6,529	8,096	0
Sheriff's Equipment	3,611	2,157	1,928	3,840
Prosecuting Attorney Special	3,870	1,410	2,561	2,719
Drug Enforcement	14,686	766	3,650	11,802
Sheriff Special	13,792	29,600	42,984	408
911 Special Equipment	38,445	0	38,445	0
EDA Grant - Phase 1	947	245,482	246,429	0
EDA Grant - Phase 2	0	315,941	315,941	0
CDBG Project #96-ED-09	0	284,746	284,746	0
CDBG Project #96-ED-13	0	462,203	462,203	0
CDBG Project #97-PF-11	0	161,648	161,648	0
Sheriff Emergency Response Team	0	4,060	1,482	2,578
Senate Bill 40 Board	10,509	119,680	108,823	21,366
Circuit Clerk Interest	24,712	5,540	3,218	27,034
Associate Circuit Division Interest	1,993	4,154	322	5,825
Law Library	3,253	2,884	3,746	2,391
Total	\$ 1,060,037	6,269,085	6,311,521	1,017,601

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - VARIOUS FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

Exhibit A-2

	Cash,			Cash,
Fund	 January 1	Receipts	Disbursements	December 31
General Revenue	\$ 300,877	2,229,214	2,258,593	271,498
Special Road and Bridge	148,174	1,300,361	1,275,967	172,568
Assessment	1,231	266,157	266,553	835
School Resource Officer	19,594	37,884	33,613	23,865
Law Enforcement Training	4,926	9,213	5,342	8,797
Prosecuting Attorney Bad Check	10,223	41,444	18,026	33,641
Recorder's Special	94,814	20,290	18,109	96,995
Prosecuting Attorney Training	7,014	3,590	6,381	4,223
911 Emergency Telephone	303,842	328,091	314,769	317,164
Criminal Pleas	7,838	22,061	16,833	13,066
Children's Trust	2,150	7,219	7,802	1,567
Sheriff's Equipment	7,898	2,301	6,588	3,611
Prosecuting Attorney Special	3,370	1,978	1,478	3,870
Drug Enforcement	6,824	9,362	1,500	14,686
EDA Grant - Phase 1	0	173,115	172,168	947
EDA Grant - Phase 2	0	56,006	56,006	0
CDBG Project #96-ED-09	0	212,931	212,931	0
CDBG Project #96-ED-13	0	37,697	37,697	0
CDBG Project #97-PF-11	0	2,820	2,820	0
Senate Bill 40 Board	9,053	100,456	99,000	10,509
Sheriff Special	0	13,792	0	13,792
911 Special Equipment	0	70,776	32,331	38,445
Circuit Clerk Interest	27,585	5,447	8,320	24,712
Associate Circuit Division Interest	2,185	2,598	2,790	1,993
Law Library	3,130	3,522	3,399	3,253
Total	\$ 960,728	4,958,325	4,859,016	1,060,037

Exhibit B

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL REVENUE FUND

	Year Ended December 31,							
	-	1998		,	1997			
			Variance	-		Variance		
			Favorable			Favorable		
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)		
RECEIPTS								
Property taxes \$	28,000	29,072	1,072	26,200	28,020	1,820		
Sales taxes	1,332,000	1,352,718	20,718	1,240,000	1,306,231	66,231		
Intergovernmental	528,211	606,926	78,715	438,151	446,286	8,135		
Charges for services	404,082	425,822	21,740	410,889	396,536	-14,353		
Interest	25,000	30,076	5,076	30,000	23,510	-6,490		
Other	17,145	50,221	33,076	28,308	24,987	-3,321		
Transfers in	3,600	3,940	340	4,500	3,644	-856		
Total Receipts	2,338,038	2,498,775	#VALUE!	2,178,048	2,229,214	#VALUE!		
DISBURSEMENTS								
County Commission	75,420	75,175	245	72,420	73,221	-801		
County Clerk	78,025	77,411	614	76,325	76,647	-322		
Elections	83,200	83,253	-53	48,500	48,001	499		
Buildings and grounds	81,750	61,494	20,256	78,250	72,051	6,199		
Employee fringe benefits	270,000	284,292	-14,292	240,000	261,780	-21,780		
County Treasurer	36,386	35,568	818	35,616	35,033	583		
County Collector	107,679	102,993	4,686	103,628	103,420	208		
Ex Officio Recorder of Deeds	72,050	61,799	10,251	58,450	52,743	5,707		
Circuit Clerk	34,700	24,269	10,431	21,100	24,002	-2,902		
Associate Circuit Court	15,982	16,017	-35	16,815	20,092	-3,277		
Court administration	8,150	7,361	789	17,464	14,248	3,216		
Public Administrator	20,015	20,486	-471	9,365	18,425	-9,060		
Sheriff	426,767	436,552	-9,785	450,300	448,719	1,581		
Jail	132,380	129,697	2,683	132,350	111,541	20,809		
Prosecuting Attorney	124,733	124,561	172	121,427	123,309	-1,882		
Juvenile Officer	173,441	168,550	4,891	161,761	149,310	12,451		
County Coroner	16,700	19,585	-2,885	16,700	14,926	1,774		
Grants	178,506	205,794	-27,288	130,667	123,017	7,650		
Public health and welfare services	27,500	29,624	-2,124	32,800	14,494	18,306		
Debt service	132,835	134,087	-1,252	132,835	130,963	1,872		
Other	301,578	335,297	-33,719	283,406	279,036	4,370		
Transfers out	77,500	77,500	0	63,615	63,615	0		
Emergency Fund	70,000	0	70,000	66,000	0	66,000		
Total Disbursements	2,545,297	2,511,365	33,932	2,369,794	2,258,593	111,201		
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	-207,259	-12,590	#VALUE!	-191,746	-29,379	#VALUE!		
CASH, JANUARY 1	271,498	271,498	0	300,877	300,877	0		
CASH, DECEMBER 31 \$		258,908	#VALUE!	109,131	271,498	#VALUE!		

Exhibit C

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

Year Ended December 31,							
	1998			1997			
		Variance			Variance		
		Favorable			Favorable		
Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)		
19,800	20,577	777	18,400	19,833	1,433		
265,000	265,000	0	360,000	265,000	-95,000		
1,011,205	1,071,044	59,839	975,360	999,033	23,673		
800	665	-135	800	520	-280		
11,000	11,576	576	7,500	11,165	3,665		
0	6,589	6,589	0	4,810	4,810		
0	18	18	0	0	0		
1,307,805	1,375,469	67,664	1,362,060	1,300,361	-61,699		
440,840	415,500	25,340	428,000	405,668	22,332		
145,125	115,156	29,969	123,200	133,812	-10,612		
146,000	114,598	31,402	125,800	125,511	289		
25,000	21,977	3,023	18,000	22,171	-4,171		
419,700	378,582	41,118	406,200	358,826	47,374		
90,000	60,112	29,888	90,000	69,549	20,451		
19,000	19,580	-580	1,200	17,994	-16,794		
160,000	179,630	-19,630	200,000	118,274	81,726		
6,100	2,910	3,190	84,000	2,994	81,006		
26,750	25,892	858	28,000	21,168	6,832		
1,478,515	1,333,937	144,578	1,504,400	1,275,967	228,433		
-170,710	41,532	212,242	-142,340	24,394	166,734		
172,568	172,568	0	148,174	148,174	0		
1,858	214,100	212,242	5,834	172,568	166,734		
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Exhibit D

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL ASSESSMENT FUND

		Year Ended December 31,								
		1998			1997					
			V	ariance			Varian	ce		
			Fa	avorable			Favora	ible		
	Budget	Actual	J)	Infavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfav	vorable)		
RECEIPTS										
Intergovernmental	\$	217,062	196,908	-20,154		190,679	197,262	6,583		
Charges for services		8,000	8,018	18		7,400	7,447	47		
Interest		2,000	2,104	104		2,600	1,950	-650		
Other		0	0	0		0	383	383		
Transfers in		73,000	73,000	0		59,115	59,115	0		
Total Receipts		300,062	280,030	-20,032		259,794	266,157	6,363		
DISBURSEMENTS										
Assessor		300,000	269,007	30,993		261,025	266,553	-5,528		
Total Disbursements		300,000	269,007	30,993		261,025	266,553	-5,528		
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		62	11,023	10,961		-1,231	-396	835		
CASH, JANUARY 1		835	835	0		1,231	1,231	0		
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	897	11,858	10,961		0	835	835		

Exhibit E

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FUND

		Year Ended December 31,						
			1998			1997		
	· · · · ·			Variance			Variance	
				Favorable			Favorable	
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS								
Other	\$	37,884	40,316	2,432	36,163	37,884	1,721	
Total Receipts		37,884	40,316	2,432	36,163	37,884	1,721	
DISBURSEMENTS								
Salaries		30,706	31,818	-1,112	28,959	29,148	-189	
Office expenditures		600	469	131	667	664	3	
Equipment		466	0	466	625	326	299	
Mileage and training		6,112	3,704	2,408	5,080	3,475	1,605	
Other		0	0	0	832	0	832	
Total Disbursements		37,884	35,991	1,893	36,163	33,613	2,550	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		0	4,325	4,325	0	4,271	4,271	
CASH, JANUARY 1		23,865	23,865	0	19,594	19,594	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	23,865	28,190	4,325	19,594	23,865	4,271	

Exhibit F

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING FUND

		Year Ended December 31,							
			1998			1997	_		
	·			Variance			Variance		
				Favorable			Favorable		
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)		
RECEIPTS									
Charges for services	\$	7,650	8,423	773	3,100	7,823	4,723		
Interest		300	420	120	400	224	-176		
Other		1,150	2,701	1,551	100	1,166	1,066		
Total Receipts		9,100	11,544	2,444	3,600	9,213	5,613		
DISBURSEMENTS									
Sheriff		17,896	11,549	6,347	8,500	5,342	3,158		
Total Disbursements		17,896	11,549	6,347	8,500	5,342	3,158		
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		-8,796	-5	8,791	-4,900	3,871	8,771		
CASH, JANUARY 1		8,797	8,797	0	4,926	4,926	0		
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	1	8,792	8,791	26	8,797	8,771		

Exhibit G

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL PROSECUTING ATTORNEY BAD CHECK FUND

			Year Ended Decer	mber 31,			
		1998		1997			
			Variance			Variance	
			Favorable			Favorable	
	 Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS							
Charges for services	\$ 40,500	39,630	-870	30,970	40,455	9,485	
Interest	1,000	1,470	470	842	979	137	
Transfers In	 0	0	0	0	10	10	
Total Receipts	41,500	41,100	-400	31,812	41,444	9,632	
DISBURSEMENTS							
Prosecuting Attorney	72,548	55,265	17,283	36,828	18,026	18,802	
Total Disbursements	72,548	55,265	17,283	36,828	18,026	18,802	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	 -31,048	-14,165	16,883	-5,016	23,418	28,434	
CASH, JANUARY 1	 33,641	33,641	0	10,223	10,223	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$ 2,593	19,476	16,883	5,207	33,641	28,434	

Exhibit H

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
RECORDER'S SPECIAL FUND

			Year Ended De	ecember 31,				
		1998			1997			
			Variance			Variance		
			Favorable			Favorable		
	 Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)		
RECEIPTS								
Charges for services	\$ 20,000	17,606	-2,394	17,000	15,518	-1,482		
Interest	 5,000	3,550	-1,450	5,000	4,772	-228		
Total Receipts	 25,000	21,156	-3,844	22,000	20,290	-1,710		
DISBURSEMENTS								
Ex Officio Recorder of Deeds	 65,000	56,910	8,090	56,500	18,109	38,391		
Total Disbursements	 65,000	56,910	8,090	56,500	18,109	38,391		
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	-40,000	-35,754	4,246	-34,500	2,181	36,681		
CASH, JANUARY 1	 96,995	96,995	0	94,814	94,814	0		
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$ 56,995	61,241	4,246	60,314	96,995	36,681		

Exhibit I
HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL PROSECUTING ATTORNEY TRAINING FUND

				Year Ended Dec	ember 31,			
			1998		1997			
				Variance			Variance	
				Favorable			Favorable	
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS								
Charges for services	\$	3,265	2,111	-1,154	3,892	3,326	-566	
Interest		250	195	-55	479	264	-215	
Other	_	0	129	129	0	0	0	
Total Receipts	_	3,515	2,435	-1,080	4,371	3,590	-781	
DISBURSEMENTS								
Prosecuting Attorney	_	7,700	3,212	4,488	10,611	6,381	4,230	
Total Disbursements	_	7,700	3,212	4,488	10,611	6,381	4,230	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		-4,185	-777	3,408	-6,240	-2,791	3,449	
CASH, JANUARY 1		4,223	4,223	0	7,014	7,014	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	38	3,446	3,408	774	4,223	3,449	

Exhibit J

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE

	 Year Ended December 31,								
		1998			1997				
			Variance			Variance			
			Favorable			Favorable			
	 Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)			
RECEIPTS									
Charges for services	\$ 300,000	312,280	12,280	272,500	310,303	37,803			
Interest	17,000	17,714	714	15,000	17,743	2,743			
Other	0	252	252	0	15	15			
Transfers in	 0	0	0	0	30	30			
Total Receipts	317,000	330,246	13,246	287,500	328,091	40,591			
DISBURSEMENTS									
Salaries	214,700	209,963	4,737	194,000	193,346	654			
Office expenditures	73,300	68,828	4,472	73,264	69,520	3,744			
Equipment	35,500	13,045	22,455	25,500	2,669	22,831			
Mileage and training	4,200	1,186	3,014	3,200	3,972	-772			
Contractual services	0	15,000	-15,000	0	0	0			
Other	7,930	11,368	-3,438	1,630	5,386	-3,756			
Transfers out	 3,600	3,600	0	3,600	39,876	-36,276			
Total Disbursements	339,230	322,990	16,240	301,194	314,769	-13,575			
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	-22,230	7,256	29,486	-13,694	13,322	27,016			
CASH, JANUARY 1	 317,164	317,164	0	303,842	303,842	0			
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$ 294,934	324,420	29,486	290,148	317,164	27,016			

Exhibit K

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL CRIMINAL PLEAS FUND

				Year Ended Dece	ember 31,			
			1998		1997			
	·			Variance			Variance	
				Favorable			Favorable	
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS								
Interest	\$	600	963	363	379	507	128	
Other		23,500	20,251	-3,249	8,997	21,554	12,557	
Total Receipts		24,100	21,214	-2,886	9,376	22,061	12,685	
DISBURSEMENTS								
Equipment		19,000	22,961	-3,961	15,000	14,557	443	
Salaries		10,000	0	10,000	0	0	0	
Other		7,000	2,112	4,888	2,000	2,276	-276	
Total Disbursements		36,000	25,073	10,927	17,000	16,833	167	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		-11,900	-3,859	8,041	-7,624	5,228	12,852	
CASH, JANUARY 1		13,066	13,066	0	7,838	7,838	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	1,166	9,207	8,041	214	13,066	12,852	

Exhibit L

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND

				Year Ended Dece	ember 31,			
			1998		1997			
				Variance			Variance	
				Favorable			Favorable	
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS				<u>.</u>				
Charges for services	\$	8,300	6,529	-1,771	9,500	7,219	-2,281	
Total Receipts	_	8,300	6,529	-1,771	9,500	7,219	-2,281	
DISBURSEMENTS								
Payments to shelters		9,867	8,096	1,771	11,650	7,802	3,848	
Total Disbursements		9,867	8,096	1,771	11,650	7,802	3,848	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		-1,567	-1,567	0	-2,150	-583	1,567	
CASH, JANUARY 1		1,567	1,567	0	2,150	2,150	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	0	0	0	0	1,567	1,567	

Exhibit M

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL SHERIFFS EQUIPMENT FUND

			Year Ended Dec	ember 31,				
		1998			1997			
			Variance			Variance		
			Favorable			Favorable		
	 Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)		
RECEIPTS								
Other	\$ 1,850	1,953	103	1,600	1,982	382		
Interest	 270	204	-66	300	319	19		
Total Receipts	 2,120	2,157	37	1,900	2,301	401		
DISBURSEMENTS								
Sheriff	 5,461	1,928	3,533	9,798	6,588	3,210		
Total Disbursements	5,461	1,928	3,533	9,798	6,588	3,210		
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	-3,341	229	3,570	-7,898	-4,287	3,611		
CASH, JANUARY 1	 3,611	3,611	0	7,898	7,898	0		
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$ 270	3,840	3,570	0	3,611	3,611		

Exhibit N

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SPECIAL FUND

			Year Ended D	ecember 31,				
		1998			1997			
			Variance			Variance		
			Favorable			Favorable		
	 Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)		
RECEIPTS								
Intergovernmental	\$ 1,700	1,217	-483	2,037	1,681	-356		
Interest	200	193	-7	183	192	9		
Other	 0	0	0	0	105	105		
Total Receipts	 1,900	1,410	-490	2,220	1,978	-242		
DISBURSEMENTS								
Prosecuting Attorney	 5,500	2,561	2,939	5,500	1,478	4,022		
Total Disbursements	 5,500	2,561	2,939	5,500	1,478	4,022		
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	-3,600	-1,151	2,449	-3,280	500	3,780		
CASH, JANUARY 1	 3,870	3,870	0	3,370	3,370	0		
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$ 270	2,719	2,449	90	3,870	3,780		

Exhibit O

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL DRUG ENFORCEMENT FUND

				Year Ended I	December 31,				
			1998			1997			
				Variance			Variance		
				Favorable			Favorable		
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)		
RECEIPTS	· <u></u>								
Intergovernmental	\$	0	0	0	8,700	8,770	70		
Interest	_	592	766	174	300	592	292		
Total Receipts		592	766	174	9,000	9,362	362		
DISBURSEMENTS									
Equipment		4,000	650	3,350	4,000	0	4,000		
Other		11,278	3,000	8,278	11,800	1,500	10,300		
Total Disbursements		15,278	3,650	11,628	15,800	1,500	14,300		
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		-14,686	-2,884	11,802	-6,800	7,862	14,662		
CASH, JANUARY 1		14,686	14,686	0	6,824	6,824	0		
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	0	11,802	11,802	24	14,686	14,662		

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL SHERIFF SPECIAL FUND

Exhibit P

		Year E	Ended December	er 31,
		19	998	
			Variance	
		Favorable		
	Budget	A	ctual	(Unfavorable)
RECEIPTS				
Charges for services	\$	50,000	29,600	-20,400
Total Receipts		50,000	29,600	-20,400
DISBURSEMENTS				
Sheriff		51,844	42,984	8,860
Total Disbursements		51,844	42,984	8,860
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		-1,844	-13,384	-11,540
CASH, JANUARY 1		13,792	13,792	0
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	11,948	408	#VALUE!

Exhibit Q

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
911 SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FUND

		Year Ended December 31,							
			1998						
				Variance					
				Favorable					
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)					
RECEIPTS									
Intergovernmental	\$	0	0	0					
Total Receipts		0	0	0					
DISBURSEMENTS									
Equipment		38,445	38,445	0					
Total Disbursements		38,445	38,445	0					
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEM	ENTS	-38,445	-38,445	0					
CASH, JANUARY 1		38,445	38,445	0					
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	0	0	0					

Exhibit R

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

EDA GRANT - PHASE 1 FUND

			Year Ended	December 31,			
		1998			1997		
			Variance			Variance	
			Favorable			Favorable	
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS							
Intergovernmental	282,885	245,482	-37,403	456,000	173,115	-282,885	
Total Receipts	282,885	245,482	-37,403	456,000	173,115	-282,885	
DISBURSEMENTS							
Grant expenditures	283,832	246,429	37,403	456,000	172,168	283,832	
Total Disbursements	283,832	246,429	37,403	456,000	172,168	283,832	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	-947	-947	0	0	947	947	
CASH, JANUARY 1	947	947	0	0	0	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	0	0	0	0	947	947	

Exhibit S $HOWELL\ COUNTY, MISSOURI$ $COMPARATIVE\ STATEMENT\ OF\ RECEIPTS,\ DISBURSEMENTS,\ AND\ CHANGES\ IN\ CASH\ -\ BUDGET\ AND\ ACTUAL\ EDA\ GRANT\ -\ PHASE\ 2\ FUND$

	_	Year Ended December 31,						
		1998				1997		
				Variance			Variance	
				Favorable			Favorable	
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS	_							
Intergovernmental	\$	437,994	315,941	-122,053	494,000	56,006	-437,994	
Total Receipts	_	437,994	315,941	-122,053	494,000	56,006	-437,994	
DISBURSEMENTS	_							
Grant expenditures		437,994	315,941	122,053	494,000	56,006	437,994	
Total Disbursements	_	437,994	315,941	122,053	494,000	56,006	437,994	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		0	0	0	0	0	0	
CASH, JANUARY 1		0	0	0	0	0	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Exhibit T

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

CDBG PROJECT #96-ED-09 FUND

		Year Ended December 31,					
		1998			1997		
				Variance			Variance
				Favorable			Favorable
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
RECEIPTS							
Intergovernmental	\$	287,069	284,746	-2,323	500,000	212,931	-287,069
Total Receipts		287,069	284,746	-2,323	500,000	212,931	-287,069
DISBURSEMENTS							
Grant expenditures		287,069	284,746	2,323	500,000	212,931	287,069
Total Disbursements		287,069	284,746	2,323	500,000	212,931	287,069
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSE	MENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0
CASH, JANUARY 1		0	0	0	0	0	0
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL CDBG PROJECT #96-ED-13 FUND

	_	Year Ended December 31,						
		1998				1997		
				Variance			Variance	
				Favorable			Favorable	
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS	_							
Intergovernmental	\$	462,203	462,203	0	499,900	37,697	-462,203	
Total Receipts	_	462,203	462,203	0	499,900	37,697	-462,203	
DISBURSEMENTS	_							
Grant expenditures		462,203	462,203	0	499,900	37,697	462,203	
Total Disbursements	_	462,203	462,203	0	499,900	37,697	462,203	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMEN	NTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CASH, JANUARY 1		0	0	0	0	0	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Exhibit U

Exhibit V $HOWELL\ COUNTY, MISSOURI$ $COMPARATIVE\ STATEMENT\ OF\ RECEIPTS,\ DISBURSEMENTS,\ AND\ CHANGES\ IN\ CASH\ -\ BUDGET\ AND\ ACTUAL$ $CDBG\ PROJECT\ \#97-PF-11\ FUND$

		Year Ended December 31,						
		1998			1997			
			Variance			Variance		
			Favorable			Favorable		
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)		
RECEIPTS								
Intergovernmental \$	213,880	161,648	-52,232	216,700	2,820	-213,880		
Total Receipts	213,880	161,648	-52,232	216,700	2,820	-213,880		
DISBURSEMENTS								
Grant expenditures	213,880	161,648	52,232	216,700	2,820	213,880		
Total Disbursements	213,880	161,648	52,232	216,700	2,820	213,880		
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0		
CASH, JANUARY 1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
CASH, DECEMBER 31 \$	0	0	0	0	0	0		

The accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL SHERIFF EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM FUND

Exhibit W

	Year Ended December 31,				
		1998			
			7	Variance	
			F	avorable	
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
RECEIPTS					
Donations	\$	5,000	4,060	-940	
Total Receipts		5,000	4,060	-940	
DISBURSEMENTS					
Sheriff		1,800	1,482	318	
Total Disbursements		1,800	1,482	318	
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		3,200	2,578	-622	
CASH, JANUARY 1		0	0	0	
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	3,200	2,578	#VALUE!	

The accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Exhibit X

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL SENATE BILL 40 BOARD FUND

				Year Ended Decem	ber 31,		
			1998			1997	
				Variance			Variance
				Favorable			Favorable
		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
RECEIPTS	· · · · ·						
Property taxes	\$	110,000	115,888	5,888	89,800	99,570	9,770
Interest		0	2,179	2,179	300	886	586
Other		0	1,613	1,613	900	0	-900
Total Receipts	· · · · ·	110,000	119,680	9,680	91,000	100,456	9,456
DISBURSEMENTS							
Office expenditures		300	143	157	300	119	181
Contractual services		120,000	108,680	11,320	98,700	98,881	-181
Total Disbursements		120,300	108,823	11,477	99,000	99,000	0
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		-10,300	10,857	21,157	-8,000	1,456	9,456
CASH, JANUARY 1		10,509	10,509	0	9,053	9,053	0
CASH, DECEMBER 31	\$	209	21,366	21,157	1,053	10,509	9,456

The accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Notes to the Financial Statements

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

A. Reporting Entity and Basis of Presentation

The accompanying special-purpose financial statements present the receipts, disbursements, and changes in cash of various funds of Howell County, Missouri, and comparisons of such information with the corresponding budgeted information for various funds of the county. The funds presented are established under statutory or administrative authority, and their operations are under the control of the County Commission, an elected county official, or the Senate Bill 40 Board. The General Revenue Fund is the county's general operating fund, accounting for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The other funds presented account for financial resources whose use is restricted for specified purposes.

B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting; accordingly, amounts are recognized when received or disbursed in cash. This basis of accounting differs from generally accepted accounting principles, which require revenues to be recognized when they become available and measurable or when they are earned and expenditures or expenses to be recognized when the related liabilities are incurred.

C. Budgets and Budgetary Practices

The County Commission and other applicable boards are responsible for the preparation and approval of budgets for various county funds in accordance with Sections 50.525 through 50.745, RSMo 1994 and RSMo Cumulative Supp. 1998, the county budget law. These budgets are adopted on the cash basis of accounting.

Although adoption of a formal budget is required by law, the county did not adopt formal budgets for the following funds:

<u>Fund</u>	Years Ended December 31,			
Circuit Clerk Interest Fund	1998 and 1997			
Associate Circuit Division Interest Fund	1998 and 1997			
Law Library Fund	1998 and 1997			
911 Special Equipment Fund	1997			
Sheriff Special Fund	1997			

Warrants issued were in excess of budgeted amounts for the Assessment Fund and 911 Emergency Telephone Fund in 1997. Section 50.740, RSMo 1994, prohibits expenditures in excess of the approved budgets.

D. Published Financial Statements

Under Sections 50.800 and 50.810, RSMo 1994, the County Commission is responsible for preparing and publishing in a local newspaper a detailed annual financial statement for the county. The financial statement is required to show receipts or revenues, disbursements or expenditures, and beginning and ending balances for each fund.

However, the county's published financial statements for the years ended December 31, 1998 and 1997, did not include the Senate Bill 40 Board Fund, Circuit Clerk Interest Fund, Associate Circuit Division Interest Fund, and Law Library Fund.

2. Cash

Section 110.270, RSMo 1994, based on Article IV, Section 15, Missouri Constitution, authorizes counties to place their funds, either outright or by repurchase agreement, in U.S. Treasury and agency obligations. In addition, Section 30.950, RSMo Cumulative Supp. 1998, effective August 28, 1997, requires political subdivisions with existing authority to invest in instruments other than depositary accounts at financial institutions to adopt a written investment policy. Among other things, the policy is to commit a political subdivision to the principles of safety, liquidity, and yield (in that order) when managing public funds and to prohibit purchase of derivatives (either directly or through repurchase agreements), use of leveraging (through either reverse repurchase agreements or other methods), and use of public funds for speculation. The county has not adopted such a policy.

In accordance with Statement No. 3 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments (Including Repurchase Agreements), and Reverse Repurchase Agreements, disclosures are provided below regarding the risk of potential loss of cash deposits. For the purposes of these disclosures, deposits with financial institutions are demand, time, and savings accounts, including certificates of deposit and negotiable order of withdrawal accounts, in banks, savings institutions, and credit unions.

The county's deposits at December 31, 1998 and 1997, were entirely covered by federal depositary insurance or by collateral securities held by the county's custodial bank in the county's name.

However, because of significantly higher bank balances at certain times during the year, uninsured and uncollateralized balances existed at those times although not at year-end.

To protect the safety of county deposits, Section 110.020, RSMo 1994, requires depositaries to pledge collateral securities to secure county deposits not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

3. Use Tax Liability

The local use tax under Section 144.748, RSMo 1994, was struck down in its entirety by the Missouri Supreme Court in *Associated Industries of Missouri v. Director of Revenue*, 918 S.W.2d 780 (Mo. banc 1996). In *St. Charles County v. Director of Revenue*, 961 S.W.2d 44 (Mo. banc 1998), the Missouri Supreme Court ruled that local use taxes paid prior to the repeal of Section 144.748, RSMo 1994, must be refunded to taxpayers and authorized the Department of Revenue (DOR) to withhold amounts otherwise due to political subdivisions to the extent such withholding is necessary to cover the refund expense. On March 24, 1998, the Cole County Circuit Court entered final judgment in accordance with the Supreme Court's opinion and ordered the DOR to process refund claims filed.

The county has received \$295,276 in local use tax since its inception. The DOR has estimated the county's share of the total refund liability to be \$156,335. As of December 31, 1998, \$69,487 remains to be paid.

Supplementary Schedule

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

			Pass-Through	Federal Exp	Federal Expenditures		
Federal			Entity	Year Ended D	ecember 31,		
CFDA			Identifying				
Number		Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Number	1998	1997		
	ī	J. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
		Direct Program - Community Facilities Loans and					
	10.8	Grants	2.90446E+11	\$ 34,500	0		
	10.8	Passed through state Office of Administration -	2.90440E+11	54,500	U		
	10.7	Schools and Roads - Grants to States	N/A	65 990	92 451		
	10.7	Schools and Roads - Grants to States	IV/A	65,880	83,451		
	τ	J.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE					
		Direct Program - Grants for Public Works and					
	11.3	Economic Development	05-01-02896	246,429	172,168		
			05-01-02925	315,941	56,006		
		Program Total		562,370	228,174		
	ι	J.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE					
		Passed through state Office of Administration -					
	12.1	Payments to States in Lieu of Real Estate Taxes	N/A	1,946	1,946		
	τ	J.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN					
		DEVELOPMENT					
		Passed through state:					
		Department of Economic Development -					
	14.2	Community Development Block Grants/State's					
		Program	96-ED-09	284,746	212,931		
		č	96-ED-13	462,203	37,697		
			97-PF-11	161,648	2,820		
		Program Total		908,597	253,448		
		Department of Social Services -					
	14.2	Emergency Shelter Grants Program	ERO1640282	24,320	16,976		
	τ	J.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE					
		Direct programs:					
	16.7	Public Safety Partnership and					
		Community Policing ("Cops") Grants	N/A	20,958	8,101		
16.unk	known	Equitable Sharing of Seized and Forfeited Property	N/A	3,650	1,500		
- 0.0111		Passed through state Department of Public Safety -		2,000	2,500		
1	16.554	Missouri State Highway Patrol - National Criminal					
•		History Improvement Program	N/A	2,707	0		
1	16.579	Byrne Formula Grant Program	98-NCD2-036	64,046	0		
•		Passed through Missouri Sheriffs' Association - Domestic	,	0.,0.0	· ·		
16.unk	known	Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program	N/A	1,090	2,707		
10.0111				1,070	2,. 37		

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Passed through state Department of Public Safety -

	83.5	Emergency Management - State and Local			
		Assistance	N/A	3,343	6,848
	U.	S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES			
		Passed through state Department of Social Services:			
	93.6	Child Support Enforcement	N/A	48,237	44,373
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	93.7	Social Services Block Grant	ERO172078	118	4,680
			ERO172079	36,147	33,179
			ERO172080	32,923	32,641
		Program Total		69,188	70,500

1,810,832

718,024

N/A - Not applicable

The accompanying Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are an integral part of this schedule.

Total Expenditures of Federal Awards

Notes to the Supplementary Schedule

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI NOTES TO THE SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

A. Purpose of Schedule and Reporting Entity

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards has been prepared to comply with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. This circular requires a schedule that provides total federal awards expended for each federal program and the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number or other identifying number when the CFDA information is not available.

The schedule includes all federal awards administered by Howell County, Missouri, except for the programs accounted for in the Howell County Public Housing Agency Fund. Federal awards for that fund have been audited and separately reported on by other independent auditors for its years ended June 30, 1998 and 1997.

B. Basis of Presentation

OMB Circular A-133 includes these definitions, which govern the contents of the schedule:

Federal financial assistance means assistance that non-Federal entities receive or administer in the form of grants, loans, loan guarantees, property (including donated surplus property), cooperative agreements, interest subsidies, insurance, food commodities, direct appropriations, and other assistance, but does not include amounts received as reimbursement for services rendered to individuals

Federal award means Federal financial assistance and Federal costreimbursement contracts that non-Federal entities receive directly from Federal awarding agencies or indirectly from pass-through entities. It does not include procurement contracts, under grants or contracts, used to buy goods or services from vendors.

Because Howell County expended no noncash awards for the years ended December 31, 1998 and 1997, the schedule includes expenditures of cash awards only.

C. Basis of Accounting

The schedule is presented on the cash basis of accounting, which recognizes amounts only when disbursed in cash.

2. Subrecipients

Of the federal expenditures presented in the schedule, the county provided federal awards to

subrecipients as follows:

Federal CFDA Number	Year End			Provided December 31, 1997	
14.231	Emergency Shelter	Φ.	24.220	1 < 0 = <	
16.579	Grants Program Byrne Formula Grant	\$	24,320	16,976	
	Program		64,046	0	

FEDERAL AWARDS - SINGLE AUDIT SECTION

State Auditor's Report



CLAIRE C. McCASKILL

Missouri State Auditor

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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 and Officeholders of Howell County, Missouri

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Howell County, Missouri, with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the years ended December 31, 1998 and 1997. The county'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 county's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the county's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; 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 county'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 county's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Howell County, Missouri, complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the years ended December 31, 1998 and 1997.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Howell County, Missouri, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the county's 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 the internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with the applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of the management of Howell County, Missouri; federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities; and other applicable government officials. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Claire McCaskill State Auditor

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April 20, 1999 (fieldwork completion date)

Schedule

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (INCLUDING MANAGEMENT'S PLAN FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION) YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998 AND 1997

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

<u>Financial Statements</u>		
Type of auditor's report issued:	Unqualified	
Internal control over financial reporting:		
Material weaknesses identified?	yes	X no
Reportable conditions identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?	yes	X none reported
Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted?	yes	X no
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major programs:		
Material weaknesses identified?	yes	X no
Reportable conditions identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?	yes	X none reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	<u>Unqualified</u>	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section .510(a) of OMB Circular A-133?	yes	X no
Identification of major programs:		
CFDA or Other Identifying Number Program Title 11 200 Cross for Public Works and Infrastructure	ura Davialarima sut	
11.300 Grants for Public Works and Infrastructu 14.228 Community Development Block Grants/S	-	

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type	A		
and Type B programs:	\$300,000		
Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?	yes	Xno	

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

This section includes no audit findings that *Government Auditing Standards* requires to be reported for an audit of financial statements.

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

This section includes no audit findings that Section .510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 requires to be reported for an audit of federal awards.

Follow-Up on Prior Audit Findings for an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI FOLLOW-UP ON PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Our prior audit report issued for the two years ended December 31, 1996, included no audit findings that *Government Auditing Standards* requires to be reported for an audit of financial statements.

Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings in Accordance With OMB Circular A-133

HOWELL COUNTY, MISSOURI SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Section .315 of OMB Circular A-133 requires the auditee to prepare a Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings to report the status of all findings that are relative to federal awards and included in the prior audit report's Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The summary schedule also must include findings reported in the prior audit's Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings, except those listed as corrected, no longer valid, or not warranting further action.

Section .500(e) of OMB Circular A-133 requires the auditor to follow up on these prior audit findings; to perform procedures to assess the reasonableness of the Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings; and to report, as a current year finding, when the auditor concludes that the schedule materially misrepresents the status of any prior findings.

Our prior audit report issued for the two years ended December 31, 1996, included no audit findings that Section .510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 requires to be reported for an audit of federal awards.