

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

Annual Audit & Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Supervisors of Franklin Township  
Franklin Township, Pennsylvania, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying Pennsylvania Annual Audit and Financial Report (DCED-CLGS-30) of Franklin Township, Pennsylvania, which comprises the balance sheet as of December 31, 2022, and the related statements of revenues and expenditures, debt, and capital expenditures for the year then ended.

In our opinion, the DCED-CLGS-30 referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the balance sheet of Franklin Township, Pennsylvania, as of December 31, 2022, the revenues it received and expenditures it paid, debt, and capital expenditures for the year then ended, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the DCED-CLGS-30 section of our report. We are required to be independent of Franklin Township, Pennsylvania, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Emphasis of Matter—Basis of Accounting**

The DCED-CLGS-30 is prepared by Franklin Township, Pennsylvania, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. As a result, the DCED-CLGS-30 may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### **Responsibilities of Management for the DCED-CLGS-30**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the DCED-CLGS-30 in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the DCED-CLGS-30 that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the DCED-CLGS-30**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the DCED-CLGS-30 as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the DCED-CLGS-30.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the DCED-CLGS-30, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the DCED-CLGS-30.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Franklin Township, Pennsylvania's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the DCED-CLGS-30.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Franklin Township, Pennsylvania's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

### **Restriction on Use**

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Supervisors, others within Franklin Township, Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Buseck, Barger, Bleil & Co. Inc.*

Certified Public Accountants  
Erie, Pennsylvania

January 28, 2023

**2022 MUNICIPAL ANNUAL AUDIT  
AND  
FINANCIAL REPORT**

**250425 FRANKLIN TWP, ERIE COUNTY**

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY  
BALANCE SHEET  
12/31/2022

	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS			PROPRIETARY FUNDS			FID. FUND	ACCOUNT GROUPS		TOTAL
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE (INCLUDING STATE LIQUID FUELS)	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	ENTERPRISE	INTERNAL SERVICE		TRUST AND AGENCY	GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	
<b>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</b>										
100-120 CASH & INVESTMENTS	1,164,749	138,666	486,040							1,789,455
140-144 TAX RECEIVABLE										-
121-129, 145-149 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE										-
130-000 DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS										-
131-139, 150-159 OTHER CURRENT ASSETS										-
160-169 FIXED ASSETS								1,265,438		1,265,438
180-189 OTHER DEBITS										-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</b>	<b>1,164,749</b>	<b>138,666</b>	<b>486,040</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,265,438</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,054,893</b>

<b>LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS</b>										
210-229 PAYROLL TAXES AND OTHER PAYROLL WITHHOLDINGS										-
200-209, 231-239 ALL OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	9,235									9,235
230-000 DUE TO OTHER FUNDS										-
260-269 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES										-
240-259 CURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM DEBT AND OTHER CREDITS										-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS</b>	<b>9,235</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,235</b>							

<b>FUND AND ACCOUNT GROUP EQUITY</b>										
281-284 CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL										-
290-000 INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS								1,265,438		1,265,438
270-289 FUND BALANCE/RE ON 12/31	1,155,514	138,666	486,040	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,780,220
291-299 OTHER EQUITY										-
<b>TOTAL FUND AND ACCOUNT GROUP EQUITY</b>	<b>1,155,514</b>	<b>138,666</b>	<b>486,040</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,265,438</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,045,658</b>

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND AND ACCOUNT EQUITY</b>	<b>3,054,893</b>
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**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**  
**12/31/2022**

	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS					FID. FUND	TOTAL
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE (INCLUDING STATE LIQUID FUELS)	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	ENTERPRISE		
<b>REVENUES</b>							
<b>TAXES</b>							
301-000	REAL ESTATE TAXES	89,819	40,532	153,008			289,359
305-000	OCCUPATION TAXES (LEVIED)						-
308-000	RESIDENCE TAXES (LEVIED)						-
309-000	REGIONAL ASSET DISTRICT SALES TAX						-
310-000	PER CAPITA TAXES						-
310-010	REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAXES	35,271					35,271
310-020	EARNED INCOME TAXES/WAGE TAX	236,101					236,101
310-030	BUSINESS GROSS RECEIPTS TAXES						-
310-040	OCCUPATION TAXES (ACT 511)						-
310-050	LOCAL SERVICES TAX	8,366					8,366
310-060	AMUSEMENT/ADMISSION TAXES						-
310-070	MECHANICAL DEVICE TAX						-
310-090	OTHER:						-
	OTHER:						-
	<b>TOTAL TAXES</b>	369,557	40,532	153,008	-	-	563,097

<b>LICENSES AND PERMITS</b>							
320-322	ALL OTHER LICENSES & PERMITS	225					225
321-080	CABLE TV FRANCHISE FEES	11,436					11,436
	<b>TOTAL LICENSES AND PERMITS</b>	11,661	-	-	-	-	11,661

<b>FINES AND FORFEITS</b>							
330-332	FINES AND FORFEITS	1,748					1,748
	<b>TOTAL FINES AND FORFEITS</b>	1,748	-	-	-	-	1,748

	REVENUES							TOTAL
	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS			PROPRIETARY FUNDS		FID. FUND	MEMORANDUM ONLY	
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE (INCLUDING STATE LIQUID)	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	ENTERPRISE			
<b>INTEREST, RENTS, &amp; ROYALTIES</b>								
341-000	INTEREST EARNINGS	16,714	3,266	8,324				28,304
342-000	RENTS AND ROYALTIES							-
	<b>TOTAL INTEREST, RENTS &amp; ROYALTIES</b>	16,714	3,266	8,324	-	-	-	28,304

FEDERAL								
351-003	HIGHWAYS AND STREETS							-
351-009	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT							-
351-000	ALL OTHER FEDERAL CAPITAL & OP.	85,002						85,002
352-001	NATIONAL FOREST							-
352-000	ALL OTHER FED SHARED REVENUE							-
353-000	FEDERAL PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAX							-
	<b>TOTAL FEDERAL</b>	85,002	-	-	-	-	-	85,002

STATE								
354-003	HIGHWAYS AND STREETS							-
354-009	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT							-
354-015	RECYCLING / ACT 101							-
354-000	ALL OTHER FEDERAL CAPITAL & OP.							-
355-001	PUBLIC UTILITY REALTY TAX (PURTA)	518						518
355-002-355-003	MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL TAX (LIQUID FUELS TAX) AND STATE ROAD TURNBACK		124,313					124,313
355-004	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES							-
355-005	GENERAL MUNICIPAL PENSION SYS.							-
355-007	FOREIGN FIRE INSURANCE TAX DIST.	10,082						10,082
355-008	LOCAL SHARE ASSESS/GAMING							-
355-009	MARCELLUS SHALE IMPACT FREE DIS							-
355-000	ALL OTHER STATE SHARED REVENUE							-
356-000	STATE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES							-
	<b>TOTAL STATE</b>	10,600	124,313	-	-	-	-	134,913



REVENUES	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS						FID. FUND	TOTAL
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE (INCLUDING STATE LIQUID)	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	PROPRIETARY FUNDS			
					ENTERPRISE	INTERNAL SERVICE		
<b>UNCLASSIFIED OPERATING REVENUES</b>								
383-000 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS							-	
386-000 ESCHEATS (SALE OF PERSONAL PROP)							-	
387-000 CONTR. & DONATIONS - PRIVATE	1,000						1,000	
388-000 FID. FUND PENSION CONTRIB.							-	
389-000 ALL OTHER UNCLASSIFIED OP. REV.	154						154	
<b>TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED OP. REVENUES</b>	1,154	-	-	-	-	-	1,154	

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
391-000 PROCEEDS OF GEN. FIXED ASSET DISP			23,300				23,300
392-000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS	6,300	1,680					7,980
393-000 PROCEEDS OF GENERAL LTD							-
394-000 PROCEEDS OF SHORT TERM DEBT							-
395-000 REFLUNDS OF PRIOR YEAR EXP.							-
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	6,300	1,680	23,300	-	-	-	31,280

<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	549,738	169,791	184,632	-	-	-	874,161
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**EXPENDITURES**

GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
400-000 LEGISLATIVE (GOVERNING) BODY	200,465						200,465
401-000 EXECUTIVE (MANAGER OR MAYOR)							-
402-000 AUDITING SERVICES/FINANCIAL	2,268						2,268
403-000 TAX COLLECTION	4,888						4,888
404-000 SOLICITOR/LEGAL SERVICES	5,592						5,592
405-000 SECRETARY/CLERK	1,522						1,522
406-000 OTHER GENERAL GOV'T ADMIN							-
407-000 IT-NETWORKING SERVICES							-
408-000 ENGINEERING SERVICES	3,500						3,500
409-000 GENERAL GOV'T BUILDINGS & PLANT	9,040						9,040
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	227,275	-	-	-	-	-	227,275

	EXPENDITURES							TOTAL
	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS			PROPRIETARY FUNDS		FID. FUND	MEMORANDUM ONLY	
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE (INCLUDING STATE LIQUID)	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	ENTERPRISE			
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>								
410-000	POLICE						-	
411-000	FIRE	19,239	15,000				34,239	
412-000	AMBULANCE/RESCUE		20,400				20,400	
413-000	UCC AND CODE FORCE						-	
414-000	PLANNING AND ZONING						-	
415-000	EMERGENCY MGMT & COMM.	2,140					2,140	
416-000	MILITIA AND AMMO						-	
417-000	EXAMINATION OF LIC. OCCUPAT.						-	
418-000	PUBLIC SCALES (WEIGHTS/MEAS)						-	
419-000	OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY						-	
	<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	21,379	15,000	20,400	-	-	56,779	

<b>HEALTH &amp; HUMAN SERVICES</b>							
420-000,	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES						-
425-000							-
	<b>TOTAL HEALTH &amp; HUMAN SERVICES</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

<b>PUBLIC WORKS - SANITATION</b>							
426-000	RECYCLING COLLECTION & DISPOSAL						-
427-000	SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISP						-
428-000	WEED CONTROL						-
429-000	WASTEWATER/SEWAGE TREATMENT						-
	<b>TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS - SANITATION</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-



	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS						TOTAL	
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE (INCLUDING STATE LIQUID)	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	PROPRIETARY FUNDS			
					ENTERPRISE	INTERNAL SERVICE		
EXPENDITURES								
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>								
451-000							-	
	CULTURE - REC. ADMINISTRATION							
452-000							-	
	PARTICIPANT RECREATION							
453-000							-	
	SPECTATOR RECREATION							
454-000							-	
	PARKS							
455-000							-	
	SHADE TREES							
456-000							-	
	LIBRARIES							
457-000							-	
	CIVIL AND MILITARY CELEBRATIONS							
458-000							-	
	SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTERS							
459-000							-	
	ALL OTHER CULTURE AND RECREATION							
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<b>TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>							-

<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>								
461-000							-	
	CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES							
462-000							-	
	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING							
463-000							-	
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
464-000							-	
	ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY							
465-469							-	
	ALL OTHER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT							
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<b>TOTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>							-

		GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS		PROPRIETARY FUNDS		TOTAL
		SPECIAL REVENUE (INCLUDING STATE LIQUID)	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	ENTERPRISE	
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>						
471-000			39,945			39,945
	DEBT PRINCIPAL (SHORT & LONG TERM)					
472-000			4,682			4,682
	DEBT INTEREST (SHORT & LONG TERM)					
475-000						-
	FISCAL AGENT FEES					
	-	-	44,627	-	-	44,627
	<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>					

EXPENDITURES	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS					PROPRIETARY FUNDS		TOTAL
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE (INCLUDING STATE LIQUID)	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	INTERNAL SERVICE	ENTERPRISE	TRUST AND AGENCY	
<b>EMPLOYER PAID BENEFITS &amp; WITHHOLDING</b>								
481-000 EMPLOYER PAID W/H TAXES & UNEMP COMP	16,057							16,057
482-000 JUDGEMENTS AND LOSSES								-
483-000 PENSION/RETIREMENT FUND CONTRIB.								-
484-000 WORKER COMPENSATION INSURANCE	5,779							5,779
487-000 OTHER GROUP INSURANCE BENEFITS	607							607
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYER PAID BENE. &amp; WITHHOLDING</b>	22,443	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,443

INSURANCE	
484-000 INSURANCE, CASUALTY, AND SURETY	325
<b>TOTAL INSURANCE</b>	325

UNCLASSIFIED OPERATING EXPENDITURES	
488-000 FID. FUND BENEFITS/REFUNDS PAID	-
489-000 ALL OTHER UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES	-
<b>TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED OP. EXPENDITURES</b>	-

OTHER FINANCING USES	
491-000 REFUND OF PRIOR YEAR REVENUES	-
492-000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS	7,980
493-000 ALL OTHER FINANCING USES	-
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	7,980

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	344,905	224,415	71,327	-	-	-	640,647
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<b>EXCESS/DEFICIT OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	174,833	(54,624)	113,305	-	-	-	233,514
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**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**DEBT STATEMENT**

**OUTSTANDING BONDS AND NOTES**

Listed below are all currently outstanding bond and note issues according to our files, excluding bond issues redeemed or refunded and defeased. Please show the principal payments and make any other necessary corrections and additions.

Purpose	Bond (B) Capital Lease (C), Lease Rental (L), Note (N)	Issue Year (YYYY)	Maturity Year (YYYY)	Original Amount of Issue	Outstanding Beginning of Year (1)	Principal Incurred this Year	Principal Paid this Year	Current Year Accretion on Compound Int. Bond	Outstanding at Year End (1)	Plus (less) Unamortized Premium (Discount)	Total Balance
<b>GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES</b>											
	John Deere Credit Note	2020	2025	\$ 200,000	124,403	-	39,945	-	84,458	-	84,458
<b>REVENUE BONDS AND NOTES</b>											
<b>LEASE RENTAL DEBT</b>											
<b>OTHER</b>											

(1) excludes unamortized premium/discount

84,458

Total bonds and notes outstanding

Capitalized lease obligations

Net debt

\$ 84,458

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY  
STATEMENT OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURES  
DECEMBER 31, 2022

Category	Capital Purchases	Capital Construction	Total
Community Development			-
Electric			-
Fire			-
Gas System			-
General Government			-
Health			-
Housing			-
Libraries			-
Mass Transit			-
Parks			-
Police			-
Recreation			-
Sewer			-
Solid Waste			-
Streets/Highways	36,300		36,300
Water			-
Other:			-
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>36,300</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,300</b>

**EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION**

Total salaries, wages, commissions, etc. paid this year (including all employees and elected officials)

179,848