

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY  
(d/b/a DECIDE DEKALB DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY)**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**DECEMBER 31, 2021**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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**To the Board of Directors  
Development Authority of DeKalb County  
Decatur, Georgia**

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

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the **Development Authority of DeKalb County, d/b/a Decide DeKalb Development Authority**, (the "Authority"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Authority, as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### ***Basis for Opinions***

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standard*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Authority 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 opinions.

### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government 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 financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

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

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**Required Supplementary Information**

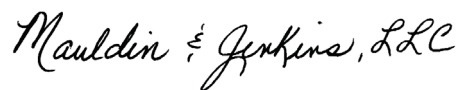
Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

**Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The combining fund statements are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining fund statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 11, 2022 on our consideration of the Authority'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 solely 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 effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Atlanta, Georgia  
July 11, 2022

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY**  
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**BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2021**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Cash	\$ 2,243,705
Investments	136,939
Receivables, net of allowance	977,119
Prepaid items	8,863
Notes receivable	1,375,921
Accrued interest receivable	24,825
Total current assets	4,767,372
<b>NONCURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Depreciable capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	2,208,101
Total assets	6,975,473
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred charges on refunding	44,567
Total deferred outflows of resources	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable	132,549
Accrued liabilities	425,658
Due to other governments	100,000
Bonds payable, due within one year	845,000
Deferred rent	75,242
Total current liabilities	1,578,449
<b>NONCURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
Bonds payable, due in more than one year	885,000
Total liabilities	2,463,449
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	522,668
Unrestricted	4,033,923
Total net position	\$ 4,556,591

**See Notes to Financial Statements.**

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY  
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BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

**OPERATING REVENUES:**

Charges for services:	
Annual administrative fees	\$ 377,028
Application fees	31,481
Issuer fees	60,375
Program income	160,973
DeKalb County intergovernmental operating allocation	2,052,402
Lease income	50,050
Other fees and charges	941,044
Total operating revenues	<u>3,673,353</u>

**OPERATING EXPENSES:**

Salaries, wages, bonuses	996,332
Employee benefits and payroll taxes	158,070
Advertising and public relations	20,620
Business and economic development	407,399
Community initiatives and sponsorships	27,250
Consulting services	766,913
Dues and subscriptions	48,389
Insurance	19,494
Professional services	157,475
Rent and utilities	162,255
Travel and meetings	13,591
Other administrative expenses	216,393
Depreciation	367,683
Total operating expenses	<u>3,361,864</u>

Operating income	311,489
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**NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)**

Interest income	34,360
Interest expense	<u>(90,026)</u>
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>(55,666)</u>

Change in net position	255,823
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<b>Net position, beginning of year</b>	<u>4,300,768</u>
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<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 4,556,591</u>
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See Notes to Financial Statements.

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY**  
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**BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Receipts from customers and users	\$ 3,716,383
Payments to suppliers	(1,831,771)
Payments to employees	(971,140)
Net cash provided by operating activities	913,472

**CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES**

Proceeds from sale of investments	699,762
Interest on investments	26,085
Net cash provided by investing activities	725,847

**CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

Purchase of capital assets	(8,181)
Principal repayments on long-term borrowings	(800,000)
Interest paid on long-term borrowings	(67,743)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	(875,924)

Net increase in cash	763,395
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**Cash:**

Beginning of year	1,480,310
End of year	\$ 2,243,705

**RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Operating income	\$ 311,489
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities	
Depreciation	367,683
Changes in assets, deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities:	
Decrease in accounts receivable	63,617
Increase in notes receivable	(59,615)
Decrease in prepaid items	14,814
Decrease in accounts payable	(6,806)
Increase in accrued liabilities	183,262
Increase in deferred rent	39,028
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 913,472

**See Notes to Financial Statements.**



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**FIDUCIARY ACTIVITIES**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2021**

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<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>Custodial Funds</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 4,938,391</u>
Total assets	<u>4,938,391</u>
 <b>NET POSITION</b>	
Restricted:	
Individuals, organizations, and other governments	<u>4,938,391</u>
Total net position	<u><u>\$ 4,938,391</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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FIDUCIARY ACTIVITIES  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

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	<u>Custodial Funds</u>
<b>ADDITIONS</b>	
Property taxes collected for other governments	\$ 2,888,812
Total additions	<u>2,888,812</u>
Change in fiduciary net position	2,888,812
<b>NET POSITION, beginning of year</b>	<u>2,049,579</u>
<b>NET POSITION, end of year</b>	<u><u>\$ 4,938,391</u></u>

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

**Reporting Entity:**

The Development Authority of DeKalb County, a body politic, was duly created under the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia in 1974. The Development Authority of DeKalb County was created for the purpose of developing and promoting, for the general good and public welfare, trade, commerce, industry and employment opportunities, and possesses the power to issue revenue bonds to assist private entities in developing facilities within DeKalb County, Georgia. The Development Authority of DeKalb County is currently doing business under the name Decide DeKalb Development Authority ("Decide DeKalb"). Decide DeKalb is comprised of a combination of several economic development and financing entities which have been included in Decide DeKalb's financial statements as blended component units in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as set forth in Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, as amended by GASB Statement No. 61, The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus.

The Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Authority of DeKalb County ("RCFA"), is a public body corporate and politic duly created and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Georgia, and activated by a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of DeKalb County. RCFA was organized for the purposes of acquiring, constructing, leasing, equipping, improving, modifying, expanding, modernizing and remodeling new or existing residential care facilities for the elderly located or to be located in the area of operation of RCFA. RCFA's Board of Directors is substantially the same as the Board of Directors of Decide DeKalb and it has a financial benefit and burden relationship with Decide DeKalb. As a result, RCFA is a blended component unit of Decide DeKalb.

The DeKalb Private Hospital Authority ("DPHA") is a public body corporate and politic duly created and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Georgia, including, particularly, the Hospital Authorities Law, Official Code of Georgia Annotated 31-7-70, and activated by a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of DeKalb County adopted on August 28, 1984. DPHA was organized for the purpose of issuing revenue bonds to assist with the development of private health care facilities in DeKalb County, Georgia. All such bond issues represent obligations of the related beneficiaries and are ordinarily collateralized by the facilities constructed by the proceeds of such issue. DPHA's Board of Directors is substantially the same as the Board of Directors of Decide DeKalb and it has a financial benefit and burden relationship with Decide DeKalb. As a result, DPHA is a blended component unit of Decide DeKalb.

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**NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Reporting Entity (Continued):**

**Fiduciary Activities – Custodial Funds**

The Authority has taken over the administration of DeKalb County's (the "County") three (3) Tax Allocation Districts (TADs). The Kensington, Columbia Drive, and Druid Hills Tax Allocation Districts have been established by the County to finance certain redevelopment activities in each of the regional areas. The Authority receives tax increment payments from the County's Tax Commissioner and then carryout the programs administratively and at the discretion of the County. The Tax Allocation Districts are reported as custodial funds in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 84.

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**NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Reporting Entity (Continued):**

**Condensed Statement of Net Position**

	<u>RCFA</u>	<u>DPHA</u>	<u>Total Blended Component Units</u>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Current assets	\$ 21,709	\$ 193,094	\$ 214,803
Total assets	<u>21,709</u>	<u>193,094</u>	<u>214,803</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Current payables	-	-	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net position</b>			
Unrestricted	21,709	193,094	214,803
Total	<u>\$ 21,709</u>	<u>\$ 193,094</u>	<u>\$ 214,803</u>

**Condensed Statement Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position**

	<u>RCFA</u>	<u>DPHA</u>	<u>Total Blended Component Units</u>
<b>Operating revenues:</b>			
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ 95,962	\$ 95,962
Total operating revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>95,962</u>	<u>95,962</u>
Operating expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>503,402</u>	<u>503,402</u>
Operating income (loss)	-	(407,440)	(407,440)
<b>Nonoperating revenues:</b>			
Interest income	59	11	70
Total nonoperating revenues	<u>59</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>70</u>
Change in net position	59	(407,429)	(407,370)
Net position, beginning of year	<u>21,650</u>	<u>600,523</u>	<u>622,173</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 21,709</u>	<u>\$ 193,094</u>	<u>\$ 214,803</u>

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**NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Reporting Entity (Continued):**

<b>Condensed Statement of Cash Flows</b>			
	<b>RCFA</b>	<b>DPHA</b>	<b>Total Blended Component Units</b>
Net cash provided by:			
Operating activities	\$ 59	\$ (466,050)	\$ (465,991)
Investing activities	-	-	-
Total net cash provided (used)	59	(466,050)	(465,991)
Beginning cash and cash equivalent balances	21,650	619,213	640,863
Ending cash and cash equivalent balances	\$ 21,709	\$ 153,163	\$ 174,872

**Fund Accounting:**

Decide DeKalb uses one fund to report on its financial position and the results of its operations and a second fund to account for and provide separate information for the County's Tax Allocation Districts. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions and activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds presented in this report are a Proprietary Fund Type - *Enterprise Fund* and a Fiduciary Fund. Enterprise Funds are used to account for those operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business or where the board has decided that the determination of revenues earned, costs incurred and/or net income is necessary for management accountability. Fiduciary Funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Authority. The accounting used for the fiduciary fund is much like that used for proprietary funds.

**Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:**

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus and basis of accounting. In accounting and reporting for its proprietary operations, Decide DeKalb applies all Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements.

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**NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued):**

Proprietary funds and fiduciary funds are accounted for on the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, all assets, deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included in the statement of net position. Net position is segregated into net investment in capital assets and restricted and unrestricted components. Proprietary fund operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net position. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Custodial funds present additions and deductions to net position.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues for Decide DeKalb are charges to customers for annual administrative, application, closing fees, lease income and operating grants and contributions from DeKalb County. Operating expenses for Decide DeKalb include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is Decide DeKalb's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

**Management Estimates:**

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

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**NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments:**

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by Decide DeKalb.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, Decide DeKalb considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with an original maturity date of three months or less, and customer deposits to be cash equivalents.

Investments made by Decide DeKalb are limited to certificates of deposit. Decide DeKalb's certificates of deposit are nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts and are recorded at cost.

**Customer Accounts Receivable:**

Customer accounts receivable include billed but uncollected amounts. Allowances for doubtful accounts are maintained based on historical results adjusted to reflect current conditions.

**Prepaid Items:**

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items. The cost of prepaid items is recorded as an expense when consumed by Decide DeKalb.

**Capital Assets:**

Capital assets are carried at cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated acquisition value at the date of donation. Capital assets are defined by Decide DeKalb as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of three years. These assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Asset Category</u>	<u>Years</u>
Furniture and equipment	5 - 7
Leased land and building	23



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**NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Notes Receivable:**

Decide DeKalb has four (4) notes receivable at year end. The first note is with Advance DeKalb, a 501c(3) and legally separate entity, to fund the feasibility study, capital campaign, and related costs for the capital campaign for the development programs of the County. These funds were advanced by Decide DeKalb and will be repaid by Advance DeKalb, through the loan agreement.

The second note is a note receivable for the total of the principal payments from SL Covington Place, LLC, under loan agreements between the parties. This loan was made in accordance with all provisions of DeKalb County Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund.

The third note is a note receivable for the total of the principal payments from Atomic Entertainment Development, LLC, under loan agreements between the parties. This loan was made in accordance with all provisions of DeKalb County Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund.

The fourth note is a note receivable for the total of the principal payments from the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) Atlanta, under loan agreements between the parties.

**Deferred Outflows of Resources:**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. The Authority has one type of item that qualifies for reporting in this category. This item is the deferred charge on refunding reported in the statement of net position. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded debt or the refunding debt.

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**NOTE 2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

**Credit Risk – Investments.** State statutes authorize Decide DeKalb to invest in obligations of the State of Georgia or other states; obligations issued by the U.S. Government; obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the U.S. Government or by a government agency of the United States; obligations of any corporation of the U.S. Government; prime banker's acceptances; the local government investment pool established by state law; repurchase agreements; and obligations of other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia.

At December 31, 2021, the Authority had the following investments:

<u>Investment</u>	<u>Maturities/Duration</u>	<u>Reported Value</u>
Certificates of Deposit	6 months	\$ 39,932
Certificates of Deposit	12 months	<u>97,007</u>
Total		<u>\$ 136,939</u>

**Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits.** State statutes require all deposits and investments (other than federal or state government instruments) to be covered by depository insurance or pledged securities. Amounts that exceed standard depository insurance limits are required to be collateralized either (1) individually by the financial institutions through pledged obligations of the U.S. Government, obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government, obligations of the State of Georgia or other states, or obligations of counties, municipalities, or public authorities of the State of Georgia, or (2) participation in the State of Georgia Secure Deposit Program. As of December 31, 2021, the two (2) financial institutions holding all of the Authority's deposits are participants of the State of Georgia Secure Deposit Program, which is administered by the Office of the State Treasurer, requires participating banks holding deposits of public funds to pledge collateral at varying rates depending on tier assigned by the State. As of December 31, 2021, all of the Authority's bank balances were insured and/or collateralized as defined by GASB and required by State Statutes.

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**NOTE 3. RECEIVABLES**

Receivables, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, consisted of the following at December 31, 2021:

Receivables:		
Accounts	\$	1,008,138
Less allowance for uncollectibles		(31,019)
Net total receivables	<u>\$</u>	<u>977,119</u>

**NOTE 4. CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets activity for the year ended December 31, 2021 is as follows:

	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Leased land and building	\$ 8,363,989	\$ 8,181	\$ -	\$ 8,372,170
Total	<u>8,363,989</u>	<u>8,181</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,372,170</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Leased land and building	(5,796,386)	(367,683)	-	(6,164,069)
Total	<u>(5,796,386)</u>	<u>(367,683)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,164,069)</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>2,567,603</u>	<u>(359,502)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,208,101</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 2,567,603</u>	<u>\$ (359,502)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,208,101</u>

Decide DeKalb used the proceeds from the issuance of the Series 2004 Revenue Bonds noted in Note 6 to purchase the remainder of a lease for land and a building. The interest in the leased land and building was recorded as an asset and depreciated over the life of the lease.

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**NOTE 5. RENTAL INCOME**

On October 1, 2017, Decide DeKalb renewed the lease with the emissions operator through September 30, 2023, with a monthly rental amount of \$3,850. Rental income for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$50,050.

**NOTE 6. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

The following is a summary of long-term debt activity for the year ended December 31, 2021:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Bonds payable	\$ 2,530,000	\$ -	\$ (800,000)	\$ 1,730,000	\$ 845,000
Total Bonds payable	<u>\$ 2,530,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 800,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,730,000</u>	<u>\$ 845,000</u>

During fiscal year 2016, Decide DeKalb issued \$5,800,000 of Series 2016 direct placement refunding revenue bonds. The 2016 bonds were issued to refund the Series 2004 revenue bonds in the amount of \$6,500,000 in aggregate principal maturing December 10, 2016 through 2023. The bonds bear an interest rate of 2.75%. The refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price and the carrying amount of the old debt of \$178,268. This difference is reported in the accompanying financial statements as a deferred outflow of resources, and is being charged to operations through year 2023 using the straight-line method.

Decide DeKalb's debt service requirements to maturity on the revenue bonds are as follows:

<u>Year ending December 31,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2022	\$ 845,000	\$ 47,574	\$ 892,574
2023	885,000	24,336	909,336
Total	<u>\$ 1,730,000</u>	<u>\$ 71,910</u>	<u>\$ 1,801,910</u>

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**NOTE 7. CONDUIT DEBT**

The Authority issues tax exempt and taxable revenue bonds to private sector entities for projects located within DeKalb County. The bonds are secured by the obligations of the private sector entity and are payable solely from payments received on the underlying promissory notes or leases when leases are utilized. Upon repayment of the bonds, ownership of the acquired facilities transfers to the private sector entity served by the bond issuance. The Authority is not obligated in any manner for repayment of the bonds and does not report these as liabilities in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

At December 31, 2021, the aggregate principal amounts of bonds issued as conduit debt were \$305,786,485.

**NOTE 8. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

On January 22, 2022, a new Intergovernmental Agreement between DeKalb County and Decide DeKalb was approved and executed by both entities which obligates Decide DeKalb to provide expanded and new economic development services and activities for DeKalb County in exchange for funding. As part of this agreement, DeKalb County will provide \$1,250,000 annually to Decide DeKalb beginning with year ended December 31, 2021.

This Intergovernmental Agreement continues the single economic development entity that facilitates business attraction and business development, along with the implementation of a centralized entity for the development of work programs in DeKalb County.

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**NOTE 9. RETIREMENT PLANS**

The Authority's defined contribution plan is a single employer defined contribution plan established and administered by the Authority for all full-time employees who opt to participate. The retirement plan was established by resolution of the Board of Directors and the Plan, including contribution requirements, may also be amended by resolution of the same.

Employees can contribute any percentage of their base salary not to exceed \$13,500 for the year ended December 31, 2021 and the Authority matches the first 3% of the employee's salary contribution. Full-time employees are eligible upon date of hire and are fully vested upon making contributions to the deferred compensation plan. At December 31, 2021, there were six (6) Plan members.

For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Authority's contributions to the Plan were \$18,031 and employee contributions to the Plan totaled \$20,845.

**NOTE 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

The Authority has legal proceedings arising from the normal course of business. The Authority believes the ultimate outcome of the proceedings will not have a material adverse impact on the Authority's financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

Decide DeKalb has an operating lease for office space with a third party, which expires in March 2028, and the Authority will be paying monthly to lease the space. Additionally, the Authority has a three year copier lease which expired in March 2021. Lease expenses for the year ended December 31, 2021 were \$163,960. Future minimum lease payments under the terms of these leases are summarized as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>		
2022	\$	144,984
2023		149,338
2024		153,797
2025		158,396
2026		164,135
2027-2028		210,950
	<u>\$</u>	<u>981,600</u>
<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>		
2022	\$	56,400
2023		47,000
	<u>\$</u>	<u>103,400</u>

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY**  
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**COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**CUSTODIAL FUNDS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2021**

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<b>ASSETS</b>	<u>Kensington TAD</u>	<u>Columbia Drive TAD</u>	<u>Druid Hills TAD</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 965,999	\$ 794,197	\$ 3,178,195	\$ 4,938,391
Total assets	<u>965,999</u>	<u>794,197</u>	<u>3,178,195</u>	<u>4,938,391</u>
 <b>NET POSITION</b>				
Restricted:				
Individuals, organizations, and other governments	<u>965,999</u>	<u>794,197</u>	<u>3,178,195</u>	<u>4,938,391</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 965,999</u>	<u>\$ 794,197</u>	<u>\$ 3,178,195</u>	<u>\$ 4,938,391</u>



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**CUSTODIAL FUNDS**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<u>Kensington TAD</u>	<u>Columbia Drive TAD</u>	<u>Druid Hills TAD</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>ADDITIONS</b>				
Property taxes collected for other governments	\$ 695,833	\$ 458,435	\$ 1,734,544	\$ 2,888,812
Total additions	<u>695,833</u>	<u>458,435</u>	<u>1,734,544</u>	<u>2,888,812</u>
Net increase in custodial net position	695,833	458,435	1,734,544	2,888,812
<b>Net position, beginning of year</b>	<u>270,166</u>	<u>335,762</u>	<u>1,443,651</u>	<u>2,049,579</u>
<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 965,999</u>	<u>\$ 794,197</u>	<u>\$ 3,178,195</u>	<u>\$ 4,938,391</u>

## **COMPLIANCE SECTION**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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*

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**To the Members of the Board of the  
Development Authority of DeKalb County  
Decatur, Georgia**

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities and aggregate remaining fund information of the Development Authority of DeKalb County, d/b/a Decide DeKalb Development Authority (the "Authority"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated July 11, 2022.

### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control.

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

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

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### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

### **Purpose of this Report**

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

*Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC*

Atlanta, Georgia  
July 11, 2022

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY**  
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**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

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**SECTION I**  
**SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS**

**Financial Statements**

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:  
Material weaknesses identified?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes  X  no

Significant deficiencies identified?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes  X  none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes  X  no

**Federal Awards**

There was not an audit of major federal award programs as of December 31, 2021 due to the total amount of federal awards expended being less than \$750,000.