

Sonoma County Library
Basic Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2011

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Independent Auditors' Report

Library Commission
Sonoma County Library
Santa Rosa, California

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the **Sonoma County Library** (the "Library"), a component unit of the County of Sonoma, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Library's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the **Sonoma County Library** as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 9, 2012, on our consideration of **Sonoma County Library's** internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and important in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Management of the **Sonoma County Library** has elected to omit this information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the budgetary comparison information on pages 26 and 27 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

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Petaluma, California
January 9, 2012

Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2011

Assets

Cash and investments in County Treasury	\$ 10,228,503
Other cash	29,253
Accounts receivable	28,553
Other assets	10,000
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation, where applicable)	
Land	207,000
Building and improvements	1,672,913
Furnishings and equipment	218,627
Equipment held under capital leases	42,740
Vehicles	96,200
Total capital assets, net	2,237,480
Total assets	12,533,789

Liabilities

Amounts payable within one year:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 806,574
Current portion of obligations under capital lease	25,179
Amounts payable after one year:	
Compensated absences	814,089
Obligations under capital lease	18,118
Net obligation for post-employment benefits	4,004,853
Total liabilities	5,668,813

Net assets

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	2,194,183
Unrestricted	4,670,793
Total net assets	\$ 6,864,976

Statement of Activities

Year Ended June 30, 2011

Program expenses

Library:

Personnel	\$ 11,912,969
Materials	1,562,883
Depreciation	272,199
Other program expenses	2,639,302

Total program expenses	16,387,353
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Program revenues

Operating grants and contributions	406,893
Charges for fines, fees and services	556,108

Total program revenues	963,001
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Net program expenses	15,424,352
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General revenues

Property taxes	13,944,403
Investment earnings	43,258
Intergovernmental	700,160
Other	95,458

Total general revenues	14,783,279
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Decrease in net assets	(641,073)
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Net assets at beginning of year	7,506,049
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Net assets at end of year	\$ 6,864,976
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Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds

June 30, 2011

	Special Revenue Funds					Total Governmental Funds
	General Fund	G. E. Cromwell Fund	Leoleon Hopkins Fund	Gifts & Donations Fund	Other Funds	
Assets						
Cash and investments in County Treasury	\$ 6,538,090	\$ 729,266	\$ 1,014,896	\$ 976,898	\$ 969,353	\$ 10,228,503
Other cash	29,253	-	-	-	-	29,253
Accounts receivable	28,553	-	-	-	-	28,553
Other assets	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
Total assets	\$ 6,595,896	\$ 729,266	\$ 1,014,896	\$ 976,898	\$ 979,353	\$ 10,296,309
Liabilities and fund balances						
Liabilities						
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 799,336	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 828	\$ 6,410	\$ 806,574
Fund balances						
Committed:						
Capital improvement	3,287,330	-	-	-	-	3,287,330
Stabilization fund	1,908,178	-	-	-	-	1,908,178
Assigned	394,762	729,266	1,014,896	976,070	972,943	4,087,937
Unassigned	206,290	-	-	-	-	206,290
Total fund balances	5,796,560	729,266	1,014,896	976,070	972,943	9,489,735
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 6,595,896	\$ 729,266	\$ 1,014,896	\$ 976,898	\$ 979,353	

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Capital assets, net of related obligations under capital lease in the amount of \$43,297, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds	2,194,183
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds:	
Compensated absences	(814,089)
Obligation for post-employment benefits	(4,004,853)

Net assets of governmental activities \$ 6,864,976

Sonoma County Library
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -
Governmental Funds

Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Special Revenue Funds					Total Governmental Funds
	General Fund	G. E. Cromwell Fund	Leoleon Hopkins Fund	Gifts & Donations Fund	Other Funds	
Revenues						
Property taxes	\$ 13,944,403	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,944,403
Library fines, fees and services	556,108	-	-	-	-	556,108
Intergovernmental	635,160	-	-	-	65,000	700,160
Investment earnings	24,058	3,773	5,360	4,832	5,235	43,258
Grants and contributions	66,377	-	2,723	148,378	189,415	406,893
Other	95,458	-	-	-	-	95,458
Total revenues	15,321,564	3,773	8,083	153,210	259,650	15,746,280
Expenditures						
Current						
Salaries and benefits	11,214,392	-	-	-	-	11,214,392
Operating	3,922,768	-	-	70,164	232,935	4,225,867
Capital outlay	431,701	-	-	-	-	431,701
Total expenditures	15,568,861	-	-	70,164	232,935	15,871,960
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(247,297)	3,773	8,083	83,046	26,715	(125,680)
Other financing sources (uses)						
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Excess (deficiency) of revenue and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	(247,297)	3,773	8,083	83,046	26,715	(125,680)
Fund balance at beginning of year	6,043,857	725,493	1,006,813	893,024	946,228	9,615,415
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 5,796,560	\$ 729,266	\$ 1,014,896	\$ 976,070	\$ 972,943	\$ 9,489,735

See accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

Sonoma County Library
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -
 Governmental Funds (continued)**

Year Ended June 30, 2011

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities
 (page 4) are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (page 6)	\$ (125,680)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay (\$431,701) exceeded depreciation (\$272,199) in the current period.	159,502
Governmental funds report principal payments and obligations as expenditures in the period incurred; however, no expense is recognized in the statement of activities as the capital leases are recorded as assets with a corresponding liability in the statement of net assets.	23,683
The change in compensated absences reported in the statement of activities does not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, is not reported as an expenditure in governmental funds.	2,252
The change in the net obligation for post-employment benefits in the statement of activities does not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, is not reported as an expenditure in governmental funds.	(700,830)

Decrease in net assets of governmental activities (page 4)	\$ (641,073)
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The notes to the basic financial statements include a summary of significant accounting policies and other notes considered essential to fully disclose and fairly present the transactions and financial position of the Sonoma County Library as follows:

- Note A. Defining the Financial Reporting Entity
- Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies
- Note C. Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability
- Note D. Cash and Investments
- Note E. Capital Assets
- Note F. Obligations Under Capital Lease
- Note G. Employees' Retirement Plan
- Note H. Other Post Employment Benefits
- Note I. Deferred Compensation Plan
- Note J. Commitments
- Note K. Long-Term Obligations
- Note L. Insurance
- Note M. Related Party Transactions
- Note N. Subsequent Events

Note A. Defining the Financial Reporting Entity

The Sonoma County Library (the "Library") is a joint powers agency established between the County of Sonoma (the "County") and cities in 1975 to provide library service on an equal basis throughout the County. The Library Joint Powers Authority (JPA) is governed by a seven-member Library Commission (the "Commission") which includes five appointees of the Board of Supervisors, and one appointee each from the cities of Petaluma and Santa Rosa. There are currently ten regional libraries, two rural library stations, and the Santa Rosa central library.

The Library is a component unit of the County. The Library is a separate legal entity/agency and presents basic financial statements. The County exercises financial oversight over the Library, in accordance with the terms of the JPA. In accordance therewith, the financial data of this component unit will be combined with the County's annual financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. There are no other organizations or agencies whose basic financial statements should be combined and presented with the basic financial statements of the Library.

Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54*

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, the Library implemented Government Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 54 ("GASB 54"), *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. The requirements of this statement are effective for financial statement periods beginning after June 30, 2010.

GASB 54 enhances the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied, and it clarifies the existing governmental fund type definitions. It establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in the governmental funds. These classifications are described in the fund balances footnote below.

GASB 54 also provides guidance for classifying stabilization amounts on the face of the balance sheet and requires disclosure of certain information about stabilization arrangements in the notes to the financial statements. The definitions of the general fund, special revenue fund type, capital projects fund type, debt service fund type, and permanent fund type are also clarified by the provisions in this statement.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) display information on the Library as a whole. These financial statements include the financial activities of the Library's nonfiduciary activities. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. The Library does not have any activities that are considered business-type activities.

Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)*Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements* (continued)

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

During the year, the Library segregates transactions in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Library at a more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. The major funds are presented in separate columns. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide basic financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the Library are included on the statement of net assets. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Revenues from grants and donations are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider are met.

Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. Taxes other than property taxes, interest, certain state and federal grants and charges for services are accrued when their receipt occurs within three hundred sixty five days of the end of the accounting period so as to be both measurable and available. Fines and other revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Property taxes are accrued when their receipt occurs within sixty days of the end of the accounting period. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

The Library reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund

The General Fund is the principal fund of the Library. General tax revenues and other sources of revenue used to finance the fundamental operations of the Library are accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund.

Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)*Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)*

G. E. Cromwell Fund

The G. E. Cromwell Fund is a major fund and was established in 1987. The funds are to be used for substantial enrichment and/or enhancement of the Petaluma Library in the areas of facilities, collections and services.

Leoleon Hopkins Fund

The Leoleon Hopkins Fund is a major fund and was established in 2004. The funds are to be used for the substantial enrichment and/or enhancement of the Petaluma Library in the areas of facilities, collections and services.

Gifts & Donations Fund

The Gifts and Donations Fund is a major fund and includes donations and various other gifts. The funds are used for various Library projects, programs, collections and services.

The Other Special Revenue Funds of the Library are all considered non-major funds. Other Special Revenue Funds are used to account for specific revenues that are assigned to expenditure for particular purposes.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is employed as an extension of the budgetary process. Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed in the governmental fund types. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reported as reservations of the fund balances and do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be honored during subsequent years.

Cash and Investments

The Library's operating cash is pooled with the Sonoma County Treasurer except for other cash which consists of petty cash and a payroll clearing account. The County Treasurer also acts as disbursing agent for the Library.

Investments are stated at fair value in the statement of net assets and the corresponding changes in fair value of investments are recognized in the year in which the change occurred. The fair value of investments is determined quarterly. Realized and unrealized gains or losses and interest earned on pooled investments are allocated quarterly to the appropriate funds based on their respective average daily balance for that quarter.

Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)*Capital Assets*

Capital assets, which include land, buildings, improvements, vehicles, furnishings and equipment, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Library as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the assets' life are not capitalized.

Capital assets of the Library, except land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	50 years
Building improvements	30 years
Vehicles	5 years
Furnishings and equipment	5 years
Equipment under capital lease	5 years

The Library's collection of library books is not capitalized. This collection is unencumbered, held for public exhibition and education, protected, cared for and preserved, and subject to the Library's policy that requires proceeds from the sale of these items to be used to acquire other collection items.

Compensated Absences

Library employees are entitled to certain compensated absences based on their length of employment. Employees may accumulate earned vacation benefits that can be accrued up to a maximum of 240 to 280 hours per employee based on years of service. Accumulation of vacation time in excess of this limit may be granted upon recommendation of the Director with confirmation by the Commission. Terminated employees are entitled to full payment of unused vacation benefits.

Employees may also accumulate unused sick leave benefits without limit. Accumulated sick leave benefits may convert to compensatory time for up to a maximum of four days determined by a sliding scale based on actual sick days used during the previous year. Employees separated from library service, for reasons other than disability, may receive payment of 25% of the monetary equivalent of their accumulated unused sick leave benefit, not to exceed 500 hours. Employees separated from library service due to disability may receive full payment for all unused sick leave. Employees retiring from the library may choose to receive payment as described above or to have unused sick leave converted to additional service credit as provided by the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS").

A liability is calculated for all of the costs of compensated absences based upon benefits earned by employees in the current period for which there is a probability of payment at termination. The salary and related payroll costs used to calculate the liability are those in effect as of June 30, 2011. Because vacation and sick leave balances do not require the use of current financial resources, no liability is recorded within the governmental funds. However, this liability is reflected in the government-wide statement of net assets.

Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)*Net Assets – Government-wide Financial Statements*

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. “*Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt*”, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. “*Restricted net assets*” are reported as restricted if their use is constrained to a particular purpose. Restrictions are imposed by external organizations such as federal or state laws. “*Unrestricted net assets*” consists of all other net assets that do not meet the definition of the above two components and are available for general use by the Library.

Fund Balances – Governmental Funds

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund balance as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the Library is bound to honor constraints on how specific amounts can be spent.

Nonspendable fund balance – amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not spendable in form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted fund balance – amounts with constraints placed on their use that are either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance – amounts that can only be used for specific purposes determined by formal action of the Library’s highest level of decision making authority (the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors) and that remain binding unless removed in the same manner. The underlying action that imposed the limitation needs to occur no later than the close of the reporting period.

Assigned fund balance – amounts that are constrained by the Library’s intent to be used for specific purposes. The intent can be established at either the highest level of decision making, or by a body or an official designated for that purpose. This is also the classification for residual funds in the Library’s special revenue funds.

Unassigned fund balance – the residual classification for the Library’s General Fund that includes amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other funds, the unassigned classification is used only if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceed the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

The Library Commission establishes, modifies or rescinds fund balance commitments and assignments by passage of an ordinance or resolution. This is done through adoption of the budget and subsequent budget amendments that occur throughout the year. All such occurrences within the committed fund balance must then be approved by the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Library’s policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)*Fund Balance Policy*

The Library believes that sound financial management principles require that sufficient funds be retained by the Library to provide a stable financial base at all times. To retain this stable financial base, the Library needs to maintain unrestricted fund balance in its general fund sufficient to fund cash flows of the Library and to provide financial reserves for unanticipated expenditures and/or revenue shortfalls of an emergency nature. Committed, assigned and unassigned fund balances are considered unrestricted.

The purpose of the Library's fund balance policy is to maintain a prudent level of financial resources to protect against temporary revenue shortfalls or unpredicted one-time expenditures.

The Library's committed fund balances are comprised of the following:

Capital improvement fund – The Library has adopted a policy to pay for priority projects to expand and/or improve the Library's services through the creation of new buildings/facilities, the addition of major new technology, or renovation of existing facilities. The funds in this category are determined using the Library's budget process and are based on its capital improvement plan.

Stabilization fund - The Library has adopted a policy and established a committed fund balance known as the stabilization fund. The stabilization fund is to be no less than 12.5% of the Library's annual operating expenditures in the current year's budget. The purpose of the Library's stabilization fund is (1) to insulate the Library programs and service levels from large unanticipated one-time expenditures due to unforeseen circumstance and (2) to temporarily insulate the Library's programs and service levels from slower revenue growth that typically occurs during an economic recession. The allowable uses of the stabilization fund are as follows:

Emergency reserves – Half of the stabilization fund, or 6.25% of the Library's approved operating expenditures for the current fiscal year, will be used in the case of unforeseen emergencies, including natural and man-made disasters, unanticipated major repairs or replacement of capital assets, or other cases in which the Library is faced with funding a large, unanticipated expenditure. Emergency reserves must begin to be restored during the next budgeted year, and the Library Director shall present a plan for the restoration within three months of its use.

Counter cyclical reserves – The balance of the stabilization fund, or 6.25% of the Library's approved operating expenditures for the current fiscal year, may be used if the property tax projections fall below the level of the previous year. The reserves may only be used to maintain current expenditure levels and provide bridge financing during the first eighteen months of an economic downturn. Counter cyclical reserves must begin to be restored within twenty-four months of their first use, and the Library Director shall present a plan for restoration within eighteen months of its use.

Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)*Interfund Transactions*

The following is a description of the basic types of interfund transactions and the related accounting policies:

- 1) Quasi-external (charges for current services) - Transactions for services rendered or facilities provided. These transactions are recorded as revenue in the receiving fund and expenditures in the disbursing fund.
- 2) Non-operating transfers - Transactions to allocate resources from one fund to another fund not contingent on the incurrence of specific expenditures in the receiving fund. These transactions are recorded as transfers in and out in the same accounting period.

These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activity columns of the governmental funds balance sheet.

Property Taxes

Property taxes, including tax rates, are regulated by the State and are administered locally by the County. The County is responsible for assessing, collecting and distributing property taxes in accordance with state law. The County is also responsible for the allocation of property taxes to the Library. Article XIII of the California Constitution (more commonly known as Proposition 13) limits ad valorem taxes on real property to 1% of value plus taxes necessary to pay indebtedness approved by voters prior to July 1, 1978. The Article also established the 1975/76 assessed valuation as the basis and limits annual increases to the cost of living, not to exceed 2%, for each year thereafter. Property may also be reassessed to full market value after a sale, transfer of ownership, or completion of new construction. The State is prohibited under the Article from imposing new ad valorem, sales, or transactions taxes on real property. Local government may impose special taxes (except on real property) with the approval of two-thirds of the qualified electors.

The County has adopted the Teeter Alternative Method of Property Tax Allocation known as the "Teeter Plan". The State Revenue and Taxation Code allows counties to distribute secured real property and supplemental property taxes on an accrual basis resulting in full payment to the Library each fiscal year. Any subsequent delinquent payments and related penalties and interest will revert to the County.

Property taxes are recognized as revenue when they are levied because they are considered to be both measurable and available. Liens on real property are established January 1 for the ensuing fiscal year. The property tax is levied as of July 1 on all taxable property located in the County. Secured property taxes are due in two equal installments on November 1 and February 1, and are delinquent after December 10 and April 10, respectively. Additionally, supplemental property taxes are levied on a pro rata basis when changes in assessed valuation occur due to sales transactions or the completion of construction. Property tax collection and valuation information is also disclosed in the County of Sonoma Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Rent Expense

Rent expense for the year ended June 30, 2011 amounted to \$18,314.

Note B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)*Estimates*

The preparation of the basic financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note C. Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability*Budget and Budgetary Accounting*

The Library Commission approves an annual appropriated budget for the General Fund to be effective July 1st for the ensuing fiscal year. The County Board of Supervisors then adopts the budget. The Library Director is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts within any character (group of accounts); however, any revisions that alter the total appropriations of any fund must be approved by the Library Commission and the Board of Supervisors. Annual appropriations that have not been encumbered lapse at year-end. Budgetary data is presented as required supplementary information in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund on page 26.

Note D. Cash and Investments

The Library follows the practice of pooling cash and investments of all funds with the Sonoma County Treasurer except for petty cash and a payroll clearing account.

Investment earnings on pooled cash and investments are allocated quarterly to the various funds based on the average daily balances by fund during the quarter.

Investment Guidelines

The Library's pooled cash and investments are invested pursuant to investment policy guidelines established by the Sonoma County Treasurer and approved by the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. The objectives of the policy are, in order of priority: safety of capital, liquidity, and maximum rate of return. The policy addresses the soundness of financial institutions in which the County will deposit funds, types of investment instruments as permitted by the California Government Code, and the percentage of the portfolio that may be invested in certain instruments with longer terms to maturity.

Note D. Cash and Investments (continued)

Investment Guidelines (continued)

Permitted investments include the following:

- U.S. Treasury and Federal agency securities
- Bonds issued by local agencies
- Registered State warrants and municipal notes
- Negotiable certificates of deposit
- Bankers' acceptances
- Commercial paper
- Medium-term corporate notes
- Local Agency Investment Fund (State Pool) demand deposits
- Repurchase agreements
- Reverse repurchase agreements
- Shares of a mutual fund average life
- Collateralized mortgage obligations

A copy of the County Investment Policy is available upon request from the Treasurer at 585 Fiscal Drive, Room 100F, Santa Rosa, California, 95403.

Cash and investments as of June 30, 2011, are classified in the accompanying statement of net assets as follows:

Cash and investments in County Treasury	\$ 10,228,503
Other cash	29,253
	\$ 10,257,756

Investment in County Treasurer's Pooled Cash

As of June 30, 2011, the Library's investments consisted of \$10,228,503 in the Treasury Pool managed by the County Treasurer, which carry a weighted average maturity of approximately two years. The credit rating and other information regarding the Treasury Pool for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011 will be disclosed in the County of Sonoma's June 30, 2011, Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The net decrease in the fair value of the Library's investments in the Treasury Pool during fiscal year June 30, 2011, was \$11,861 and is included in investment earnings. This amount takes into account all changes in fair value (including purchases and sales) that occurred during the year. The unrealized gain on investments held at year end amounted to \$8,512. The realized gain and loss from securities matured during the current fiscal year are recognized through the net change in the fair value of the investments held in the Treasury Pool.

Note D. Cash and Investments (continued)*Investment in County Treasurer's Pooled Cash (continued)*

The net decrease in fair value of investments by fund, and included in revenue – investment earnings for the year ended June 30, 2011, are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 7,574
G.E. Cromwell Fund	843
Leoleon Hopkins Fund	1,175
Gifts & Donations Fund	1,136
Other Funds	1,133
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	\$ 11,861

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value is to changes in market interest rates. As of June 30, 2011, the Library had no investments other than the cash and investments pooled with the County Treasury. Other cash consists of petty cash and a payroll checking account neither of which constitute investments that carry interest rate risk.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party.

The California Government Code and the County's investment policy do not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for deposits or investments. The California Government Code requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by state or local governmental units by pledging securities in an undivided collateral pool held by a depository regulated under state law. The market value of the pledged securities in the collateral pool must equal at least 110% of the total amount deposited by the state or local governmental unit. The California Government Code also limits the total of all securities lending transactions to 20% of the fair value of the investment portfolio.

Concentration of Credit Risk

At various times during the year, the Library had on deposit with financial institutions amounts in excess of the \$250,000 federally insured deposit limit. At June 30, 2011, the bank balance of cash held by a financial institution did not exceed the federal deposit insurance limit.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

Year Ended June 30, 2011

Note E. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2011, was as follows:

	July 1, 2010	Increase	Decrease	June 30, 2011
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 207,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 207,000
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	1,801,541	334,817	-	2,136,358
Vehicles	210,601	70,256	-	280,857
Furnishings and equipment	3,574,304	26,628	-	3,600,932
Equipment held under capital leases	108,511	-	-	108,511
Total capital assets being depreciated	5,694,957	431,701	-	6,126,658
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	373,209	90,236	-	463,445
Vehicles	163,433	21,224	-	184,657
Furnishings and equipment	3,243,933	138,372	-	3,382,305
Equipment under capital leases	43,404	22,367	-	65,771
Total accumulated depreciation	3,823,979	272,199	-	4,096,178
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	1,870,978	159,502	-	2,030,480
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 2,077,978	\$ 159,502	\$ -	\$ 2,237,480

Depreciation expense relating to governmental activities amounted to \$272,199 for the year ended June 30, 2011, and was charged to program expenses.

Note F. Obligations Under Capital Lease

The Library has entered into certain capital lease agreements for equipment that expire on various dates through July 2013. The equipment and related liability under the capital leases are recorded at the present value of the minimum payments due under the leases. The assets are amortized using the straight-line method over the lesser of their related lease terms or their estimated useful lives. Amortization expense associated with the capital leases amounted to \$22,367 for the year ended June 30, 2011, and is included in depreciation expense. Future minimum lease payments under the capital leases together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2011:

Year ending June 30,	
2012	\$ 27,173
2013	16,490
2014	2,257
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Total minimum lease payments	45,920
Less: amount representing interest	(2,623)
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Present value of net minimum lease payments	43,297
Current portion	(25,179)
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	\$ 18,118

Interest expense associated with the leases amounted to \$3,626 for the year ended June 30, 2011.

Note G. Employees' Retirement Plan*Plan Description*

The Library contributes to the California Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"), an agent multiple-employer public employee defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. PERS acts as a common investment and administrative agent for participating public entities within the State of California. Benefit provisions and all other requirements are established by state statute and county ordinance. Copies of PERS' annual financial report may be obtained from its executive office: 400 Q Street, Sacramento, California 95814.

Funding Policy

Participants are required to contribute 7.5% of their annual covered salary. However, as per the Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") entered on July 8, 2007 between the Library and the employee's union, the Library agreed to pay 2% of the employee's contribution to PERS from July 8, 2007 to July 3, 2010. In September 2009, the Library and the employee's union entered into agreement to amend the MOU dated July 8, 2007, thereby reducing the Library's agreement to pay a portion of the employee's contribution from 2% to 1%. The Library is also required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The rate for the year ended June 30, 2011, was 14.235% for the annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Library are established and may be amended by PERS.

Note G. Employees' Retirement Plan (continued)*Annual Pension Cost*

The Library's annual pension cost of \$1,053,557 for the year ended June 30, 2011, for PERS was equal to the Library's required and actual contributions. The required contribution was determined as part of the June 30, 2008, actuarial valuation using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. The assumptions included in the June 30, 2008, actuarial valuation were: (a) 7.75% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), (b) projected annual salary increases ranging from 3.25% to 14.45% depending on age, service and type of employment, and (c) 3.25% payroll growth. Both (a) and (b) included an inflation component of 3.00%. The actuarial value of PERS assets was determined using techniques that smooth the effects of short-term volatility in the market value of investments over a 15 year period (smoothed market value). PERS' unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll on a closed basis. The remaining amortization period at June 30, 2008, was 20 years for prior unfunded service.

Three Year Trend Information (in thousands):

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual Pension Cost (APC)	Percentage of APC Contributed	Net Pension Obligation
June 30, 2009	\$ 1,180	100%	-
June 30, 2010	1,077	100	-
June 30, 2011	1,054	100	-

Funded Status and Funding Progress

As of June 30, 2010, the most recent actuarial valuation, the plan was 89.5% funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$47,029,717, and the actuarial value of assets was \$42,081,499, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability ("UAAL") of \$4,948,218. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$7,338,922, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 67.4%.

Schedule of Funding Progress (in thousands):

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Asset Value	Entry Age Actuarial Accrued Liability	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	Underfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as Percentage of Covered Payroll
6/30/08	37,649	40,845	3,196	92.2	7,591	42.1%
6/30/09	39,918	45,204	5,286	88.3	8,065	65.5
6/30/10	42,081	47,030	4,949	89.5	7,339	67.4

PERS Employer Contribution Rate

PERS estimates that employer contributions of 16.261% and 16.582% will be required for the years ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013, respectively.

Note H. Other Post Employment Benefits

In addition to the pension benefits described in Note G, the Library provides other post employment benefits ("OPEB") for retired employees.

Plan Description

The Library provides health insurance benefits to all career employees who have retired as of July 1, 1983, and thereafter at the same level of benefits as those being provided for current career employees and in accordance with the schedule of payments for the same. Any Library employee newly hired or rehired by the Library after July 1, 1997, will receive this benefit after employment with the Library for at least 10 years. When an employee has been with the Library at least 20 years the Library will contribute to the cost of one dependent. The Library contributes 82% of the cost towards the retiree's health insurance benefit. This benefit is provided by Library Commission approval of the employee labor union MOU.

Funding Policy

The contribution requirements of OPEB plan members and the Library are established and may be amended by agreement of the Library Commission and employee labor union. The required contribution is based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements, with an additional amount to prefund benefits as determined annually by the Library Commission. For the year ended June 30, 2011, the Library contributed only the current pay-as-you-go portion of the current premium which amounted to \$558,909. By decision of management and the Library Commission, no amounts were contributed to prefund benefits. OPEB plan members receiving benefits are currently not required to contribute.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The Library's annual OPEB cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution (the "ARC") of the Library, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal costs each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The following table shows the components of the Library's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the Library's net OPEB obligation to the Plan:

Annual required contribution	\$ 1,204,672
Interest on net OPEB obligation	165,201
Adjustment to annual required contribution	(110,134)
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Annual OPEB cost	1,259,739
Contributions made	558,909
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Increase in net OPEB obligation	700,830
Net OPEB obligation – beginning of year	3,304,023
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Net OPEB obligation – end of year	\$ 4,004,853

Note H. Other Post Employment Benefits (continued)

The Library's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for the year ended June 30, 2011, and the two preceding years were as follows (in thousands):

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
June 30, 2009	\$ 1,409	30.7%	\$ 1,958
June 30, 2010	\$ 1,839	26.8%	\$ 3,304
June 30, 2011	\$ 1,260	44.4%	\$ 4,005

Funded Status and Funding Progress

As of November 1, 2010, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was not funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$13,128,109, and the actuarial value of assets was zero, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability ("UAAL") of \$13,128,109. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$7,209,997, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was approximately 182%.

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the November 1, 2010 actuarial valuation, the entry age actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 5% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), which is a blended rate of the expected long-term investment returns on plan assets on the employer's own investments calculated based on the funded level of the plan at the valuation date, projected salary increases of 3%, and an annual healthcare cost trend rate of 4% per year. All rates included a 3% inflation assumption. The actuarial value of assets was determined using techniques that spread the effects of short-term volatility in the market value of investments over a five-year period. The UAAL is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll on an open basis. The remaining amortization period at June 30, 2011, was 30 years.

Note I. Deferred Compensation Plan

The Library has established two deferred compensation plans (the "Plans") created in accordance with California Government Code Section 53212 and Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The Plans permit employees to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or an unforeseeable emergency. Under a MOU with the labor union, the Library agrees to make matching contributions to the Plan of up to 1% of regular compensation for all full and part time participating employees.

The Plans' assets are held by independent investment managers in a trust for the exclusive benefit of the employees and their beneficiaries and therefore, are not recorded as assets of the Library. Each employee directs the investment of the assets in his or her account.

Note J. Commitments*Line of Credit*

The Library has an open line of credit from the County of Sonoma which was approved by resolution of the Library Commission and the County Board of Supervisors. Article XVI, Section 6 of the California State Constitution authorizes this type of temporary transfer of funds upon such approval. The line of credit is granted on an as needed basis, not to exceed the greater of \$1,500,000 or 85% of the Library's revenue during the fiscal year. The line of credit is primarily used by the Library when its cash balances are depleted prior to receiving property tax revenue from the County. As of June 30, 2011, there were no funds advanced to the Library.

Note K. Long-Term Obligations*Compensated Absences*

Vested vacation and an accrual for vested sick leave for Library employees amount to \$814,089 at June 30, 2011 and is recorded as a long-term liability within the statement of net assets. Compensated absences are generally liquidated by the General Fund.

Changes in Long-Term Obligations

A summary of changes in long-term obligations for the governmental activities is as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2010	Increase	Decrease	Balance June 30, 2011	Amounts Due Within One Year
Compensated absences	\$ 816,341	\$ -	\$ 2,252	\$ 814,089	\$ -
Obligations under capital lease	\$ 66,980	\$ -	\$ 23,683	\$ 43,297	\$ 25,179

Note L. Insurance

The Library carries commercial insurance for all significant risks of loss which include public official liability, general liability, property and workers' compensation insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Note M. Related Party Transactions

During 2011, the Library contracted with the County of Sonoma for services related to maintaining the Library's general ledger and for access to service yards and fuel. Total expenditures for such services amounted to \$129,954 for the year.

Note N. Subsequent Events

The Library has evaluated all events subsequent to June 30, 2011 and through January 9, 2012, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued, and have determined that there are no subsequent events that require disclosure under ASC 855, *Subsequent Events*.

Required Supplementary Information

Sonoma County Library
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -
Budget and Actual - General Fund

Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts (Budgetary Basis) See Note A	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ 13,776,109	\$ 13,776,109	\$ 13,944,403	\$ 168,294
Library fines, fees and services	521,633	521,633	556,108	34,475
Intergovernmental	652,436	652,436	635,160	(17,276)
Investment earnings	49,550	49,550	24,058	(25,492)
Grants and contributions	55,000	55,000	66,377	11,377
Other	97,822	97,822	95,458	(2,364)
Total revenues	15,152,550	15,152,550	15,321,564	169,014
Expenditures				
Current				
Salaries and benefits	11,039,544	11,214,544	11,214,392	152
Operating	4,241,006	4,141,006	3,922,768	218,238
Retirement - long-term debt	25,000	25,000	-	25,000
Capital outlay	515,000	440,000	431,701	8,299
Contingency	25,000	25,000	-	25,000
Total expenditures	15,845,550	15,845,550	15,568,861	276,689
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ (693,000)	\$ (693,000)	(247,297)	\$ 445,703
Fund balance at beginning of year			6,043,857	
Adjustments from budgetary basis to GAAP			-	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 5,796,560	

See accompanying Notes to Required Supplementary Information

Note A. Budgetary Accounting

Budgets are adopted on a non-GAAP basis. For the purpose of a budgetary presentation, actual GAAP expenditures have been adjusted to include current year encumbrances, to exclude expenditures against prior year encumbrances and to exclude other financing sources and off-setting expenditures related to capital lease additions. In addition, the budgetary presentation reflects the effect of reimbursements which are negative expenditures used to transfer costs between departments within the governmental funds. For GAAP purposes, reimbursements are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of the expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. Reimbursements primarily consist of charges initially incurred by departments responsible for communications, vehicles and data processing and eventually applied to other funds. Reimbursements are not reflected on the budgetary basis.

Although individually there were excess expenditures over appropriations in the General Fund, total operating expenditures were not in excess of appropriations.

Compliance



**Independent Auditors' 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***

Library Commission
Sonoma County Library
Santa Rosa, California

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the **Sonoma County Library** (the "Library"), a component unit of the County of Sonoma, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Library's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 9, 2012. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A deficiency in 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 misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of control 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.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

**Independent Auditors' 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* (continued)**

This report is intended for the information and use of the Library's management, Library Commissioners, County of Sonoma, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BEGLS SOER LLP

Petaluma, California
January 9, 2012