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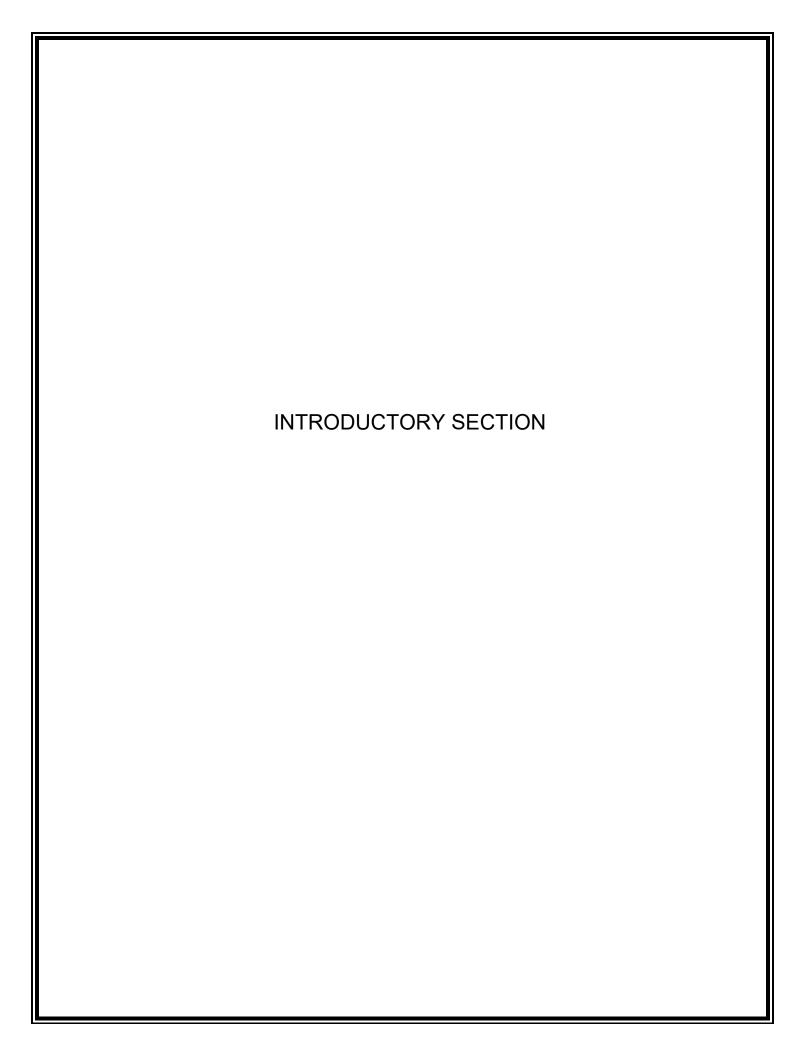
Basic Financial Statements, Management's Discussion and Analysis, Required Supplementary Information and Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance

June 30, 2021 and 2020 (With Independent Auditor's Reports Thereon)



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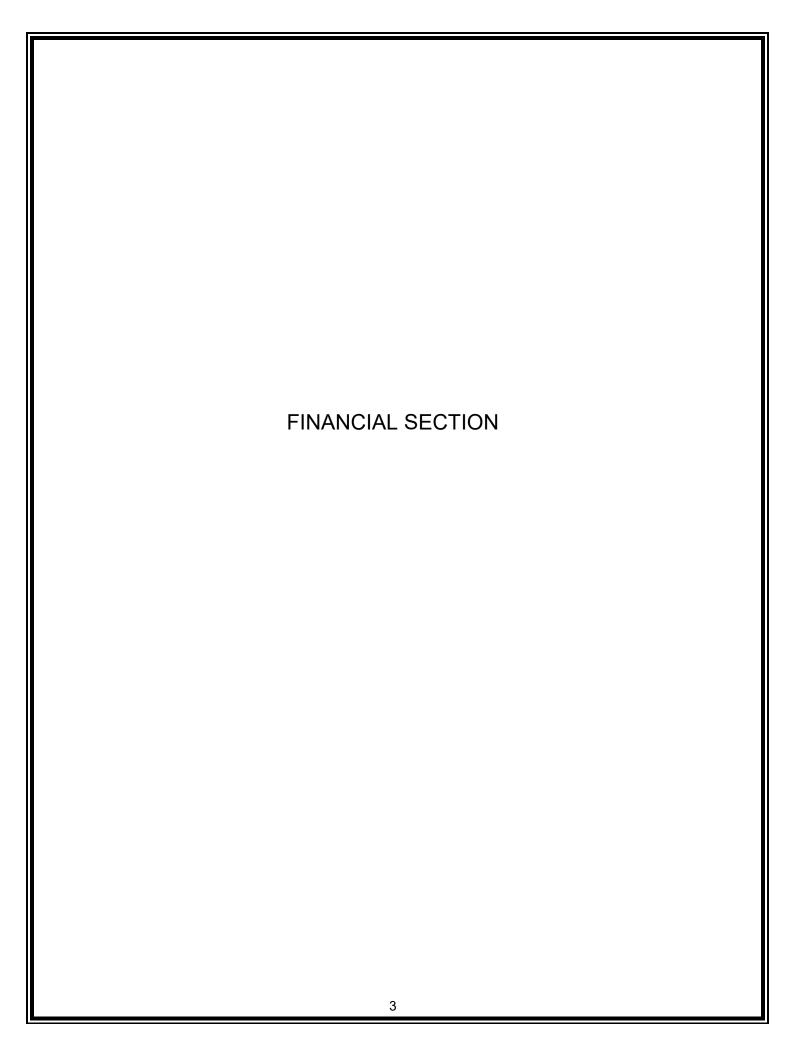
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# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Trustees Mercer County Community College West Windsor, New Jersey 08550

# Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of *Mercer County Community College* (the "College"), a component unit of the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, and its discretely presented component unit (Mercer County Community College Foundation), as of and for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

# Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

# Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit, as of and for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports thereon have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the discretely presented component unit, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We conducted our audits 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. The financial statements of the College's discretely presented component unit were audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, but were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

# **Opinions**

In our opinion, based on our audits and the reports of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of *Mercer County Community College* and the College's discretely presented component unit, as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows, for the fiscal years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

# Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, schedule of the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability, schedule of the College's pension contributions, and schedule of changes in the College's total OPEB liability and related ratios, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a 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.

#### Other Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid, respectively, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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 accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance 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 April 14, 2022, on our consideration of Mercer County Community College's internal control over financial reporting and 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 Mercer County Community College'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 College's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Bowner & Conjoany CLP

BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

Voorhees, New Jersey April 14, 2022



# 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

# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Trustees Mercer County Community College West Windsor, New Jersey 08550

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial statement audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of *Mercer County Community College* (the "College"), a component unit of the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, and its discretely presented component unit (Mercer County Community College Foundation), as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 14, 2022. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the College's discretely presented component unit (Mercer County Community College Foundation), as described in our report on the College's financial statements. The financial statements of the College's discretely presented component unit were audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, but were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered **Mercer County Community College'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 opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of **Mercer County Community College'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 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs* as Findings 2021-001 and 2021-003, that we consider to be material weaknesses.

# **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether *Mercer County Community College'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 an instance of noncompliance or other matter that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs* as Finding 2021-002.

# Mercer County Community College's Response to Findings

The College's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs*. The College's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

# **Purpose of this Report**

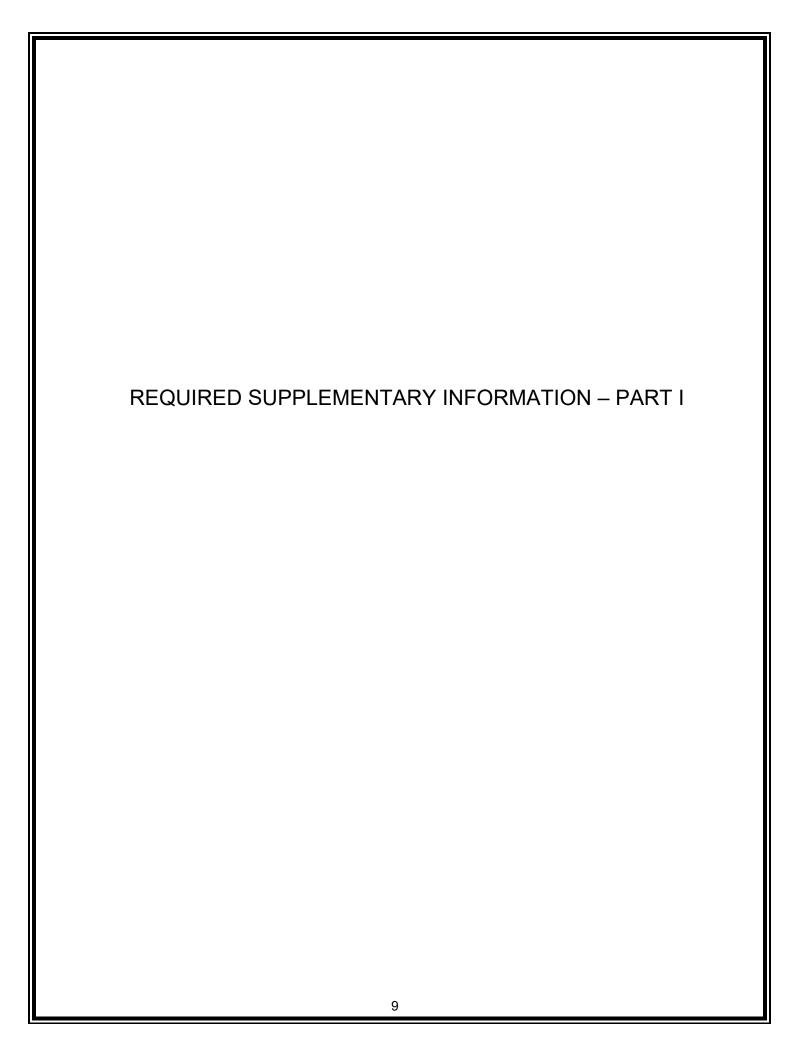
The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in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

Respectfully submitted,

Bowman & Conjoany CLP

BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

Voorhees, New Jersey April 14, 2022



Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 (Unaudited)

The discussion and analysis section of Mercer County Community College's financial statements presents management's analysis of the College's financial performance during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019. As this discussion and analysis focuses on current activities, resulting changes and current known facts, it must be read in conjunction with the College's basic financial statements and the footnotes. Visit <a href="https://www.mccc.edu">www.mccc.edu</a> for the College's contact information.

# Using this Annual Report

This report consists of three basic financial statements and focuses on the College as a whole. The College's basic financial statements are designed to emulate corporate presentation models whereby all College activities are consolidated into one total. The Statement of Net Position presents the financial position of the College, which combines and consolidates current financial resources with capital assets. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position focuses on both the gross costs and the net costs of College activities which are supported mainly by tuition, state and local appropriations, and other revenues. The Statement of Cash Flows shows the sources and uses of the College's cash from operations, noncapital financing, capital and related financing, and investment activities. This approach is intended to summarize and simplify the user's analysis of the cost to provide various College services to students and the public.

In accordance with GASB Statements No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units, and GASB Statement No. 61, The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34, and GASB Statement No. 80, Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14, these statements also include the most recent audited financial statements of Mercer County Community College Foundation, which per the above noted GASB Statements, is considered to be a discretely presented component unit of the College. The analysis below will focus on the College only.

# **Enrollment**

The College enrollment is comprised of both credit and non-credit full time equated students. Only credit classes are considered eligible for support under the State of New Jersey funding formula. In light of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the demographic trends within Mercer County and surrounding New Jersey counties, the College experienced a decrease in credit hour enrollment in FY2021. The College anticipates a continued decline in credit hours in FY2022.

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	Change 2021-2020	% Change 2021-2020
Credit Hours	118,310	139,079	144,291	(20,769)	-14.93%

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# Impact of GASB 68, GASB 71 and GASB 75 Implementation

GASB Statement No.68 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, GASB Statement No. 71 – Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date and GASB Statement No. 75 - Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-Employment Benefits other than Pensions have all been implemented. These statements deal with benefits provided to employees of state and local governmental employers. GASB Statement No.68 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, GASB Statement No. 71 – Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date requires that the College recognize its share of the net pension liability, and deferred inflows and outflows-related to pensions. The notes to the financial statements will provide thorough discussion of the implementation of these GASB statements and its impact on unrestricted net position.

# **Financial Highlights**

This schedule is prepared from the College's statement of net position that is presented on an accrual basis of accounting where assets are capitalized and depreciated.

#### Condensed Schedule of Net Position

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	Change 2021-2020	Change <u>2020-2019</u>
Current Assets	\$ 30,033,740	\$ 24,988,569	\$ 18,432,064	\$ 5,045,171	\$ 6,556,505
Capital Assets, net of Depreciation	81,965,950	81,507,095	74,078,845	458,855	7,428,250
Total Assets	111,999,690	106,495,664	92,510,909	5,504,026	13,984,755
Deferred Outflows of Resources	3,534,350	4,457,862	6,694,768	(923,512)	(2,236,906)
Current Liabilities	11,888,225	13,634,417	11,777,772	(1,746,192)	1,856,645
Non-Current Liabilities	24,058,512	26,634,527	30,578,020	(2,576,015)	(3,943,493)
Total Liabilities	35,946,737	40,268,944	42,355,792	(4,322,207)	(2,086,848)
Deferred Inflows of Resources	12,332,949	13,566,665	13,899,663	(1,233,716)	(332,998)
Net Position					
Net Investment in Capital Assets	81,965,950	81,507,095	74,078,845	458,855	7,428,250
Restricted	801,018	900,642	499,183	(99,624)	401,459
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(15,512,615)	(25,289,819)	(31,627,806)	9,777,204	6,337,987
Total Net Position	\$ 67,254,353	\$ 57,117,918	\$ 42,950,222	\$ 10,136,435	\$ 14,167,696

Current assets increased from FY2020 to FY2021 due to an increase in cash, of approximately \$1,142,000, as a result of receiving federal funding from COVID-19 grants in advance and an increase in the capital appropriation receivable from the County of approximately \$3,117,000 for capital projects billed at the end of FY2021. The impact of COVID-19 is also reflected in the changes in net position. The timing of receipt of COVID-19 CARES Act funds and reduction in liabilities strengthened the overall net position. Capital asset changes reflect the completion of several construction projects.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 (Unaudited)

# **Capital Assets**

Capital activity for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019 is as follows:

	Balance				Balance	Balance
	June 30, 2020	<u>Additions</u>	<b>Deletions</b>	<u>Transfers</u>	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2019
Land	\$ 1,599,769	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,599,769	\$ 1,599,769
Construction in Progress	12,196,417	3,144,841	-	(26,095)	15,315,163	2,103,432
Land Improvements	3,965,834	38,517	-	-	4,004,351	3,691,872
Buildings and Improvements	101,982,952	-	-	26,095	102,009,047	101,423,082
Equipment	12,099,138	1,142,818	(37,128)		13,204,828	11,524,057
	131,844,110	4,326,175	(37,128)	-	136,133,157	120,342,212
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(50,337,015)	(3,867,320)	37,128		(54,167,207)	(46,263,367)
Capital Assets, net	\$ 81,507,095	\$ 458,855	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81,965,950	\$ 74,078,845

Capital assets in total increased in FY2021 when compared to FY2020 due to an increase in construction in progress, resulting from the ongoing construction of the University Center during FY2021.

The College, through support from the state and county, continues to reinvest in its infrastructure and physical assets. With financial support from Chapter 12 and the County of Mercer specifically, the following projects were underway and/or substantially completed during FY2021:

- Construction was substantially completed on the building known as the University Center, which houses the College's partner institutions.
- Upgrade to the Student Center with the new One-Stop Center was also substantially completed during FY2021.

# **Outstanding Debt**

The College satisfied its outstanding debt as of June 30, 2021, as a result of a loan received from the Mercer County Community College Foundation for the enhancements to the College ballfields. The payment of \$150,000 completed the payment of the loan payable of \$150,000.

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# Summary of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

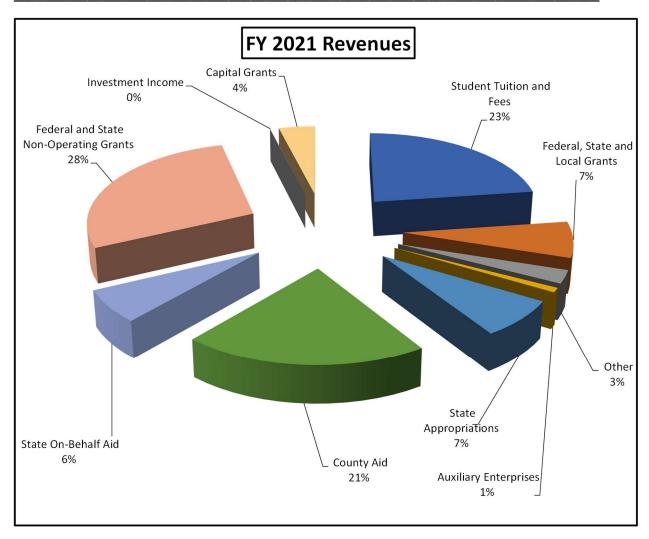
The College received its operating revenue from three primary sources; tuition and fees, grants and auxiliary enterprises.

# Condensed Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

	2021	2020	2019	Change <u>2021-2020</u>	Change <u>2020-2019</u>
Operating Revenues:					
Student Tuition and Fees, net	\$ 20,167,184	\$ 26,326,831	\$ 27,202,213	\$ (6,159,647)	\$ (875,382)
Federal, State, and Local Grants and Student Aid	6,343,110	5,119,354	4,346,377	1,223,756	772,977
Other	2,309,749	4,298,792	3,610,204	(1,989,043)	688,588
Auxiliary Expenses	782,721	1,661,738	1,873,937	(879,017)	(212,199)
_	29,602,764	37,406,715	37,032,731	(7,803,951)	373,984
Operating Expenses:					
Educational and General:					
Instructional	29,151,981	28,453,737	29,154,530	698,244	(700,793)
Public Service	2,337,679	3,114,277	3,577,585	(776,598)	(463,308)
Academic Support	3,461,439	3,955,444	3,918,600	(494,005)	36,844
Student Services	4,159,909	4,677,796	5,115,500	(517,887)	(437,704)
Institutional Support	24,269,943	19,835,190	22,814,251	4,434,753	(2,979,061)
Operations and Maintenance of Plant	6,386,924	7,713,934	7,798,887	(1,327,010)	(84,953)
Scholarship and Other Student Aid	4,491,145	4,278,128	3,663,473	213,017	614,655
Depreciation	3,867,320	4,073,648	4,137,697	(206,328)	(64,049)
Auxiliary Enterprises	174,596	341,110	460,320	(166,514)	(119,210)
	78,300,936	76,443,264	80,640,843	1,857,672	(4,197,579)
Operating Loss	(48,698,172)	(39,036,549)	(43,608,112)	(9,661,623)	4,571,563
Non-Operating revenues, net	55,345,585	41,521,274	41,641,397	13,824,311	(120,123)
Income (Loss) Before Other Revenue	6,647,413	2,484,725	(1,966,715)	4,162,688	4,451,440
Other Revenues:					
Capital Grants	3,489,022	11,682,971	3,206,530	(8,193,949)	8,476,441
Increase in Net Position	10,136,435	14,167,696	1,239,815	(4,031,261)	12,927,881
Net Position - Beginning of Year	57,117,918	42,950,222	41,710,407	14,167,696	1,239,815
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 67,254,353	\$ 57,117,918	\$ 42,950,222	\$ 10,136,435	\$ 14,167,696

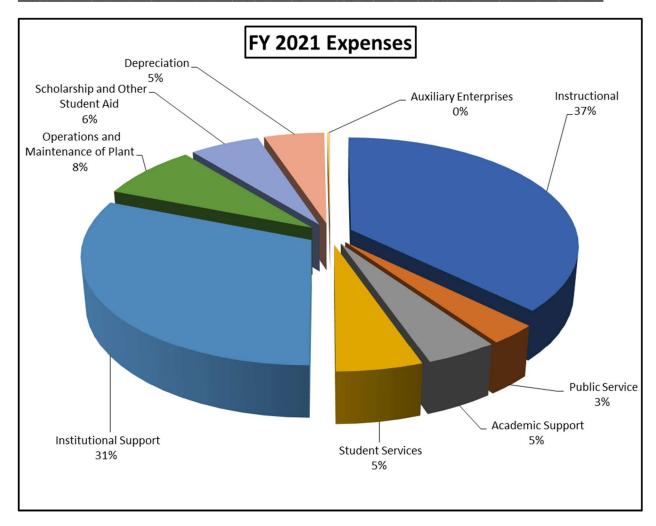
Certain prior year account balances have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.

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The impact of COVID-19 and remote operations during FY2021 had a mixed effect on revenues. Overall revenues increased by \$6.0 million. Operating revenues decreased by \$7.8 million in FY2021 compared to FY2020. The primary driver for this decrease was a decrease in enrollment and the resulting decrease in tuition and fees. Non-operating revenues increased as a result of an increase in federal and state Coronavirus Relief Funding.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 (Unaudited)



Operating expenses increased approximately \$1,857,000 due to the impact of COVID-19 and remote operations.

Although most expense categories decreased due to remote operations, support of remote work caused Instructional and Institutional Support costs to increase.

Instructional related expenses increased by \$698,000 as an increase in lab and course supplies were realized as a result of COVID-19.

Institutional support increased by \$4,434,000 as the College improved our remote access for students, WiFi upgrades and the addition of Smart Classrooms for hybrid learning. These include IT and daily operations related materials, CARES Act reimbursement of expenses, and service fees.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 (Unaudited)

#### **Economic and Other Factors that will Affect the Future**

There are the following significant events that will impact the College's future financial statements.

- The COVID-19 Pandemic had an impact on the operations and financial operations of the College. Business operations were greatly affected during FY2021, while the College continued remote learning and resumed in person classes in the Fall semester.
- Additionally, management has strategically reduced certain expenses for operating the College and
  plans to utilize the anticipated revenues from federal and state funding to offset revenue losses or
  expenses incurred to continue COVID-19 required operations. Management believes that the funds
  available as of June 30, 2021 and the anticipated revenues from tuition and fees, federal, state and
  county sources will be adequate to meet the College's financial needs through one year after the date
  of this report. The College remains financially stable.
- The College was awarded the following federal and state grants related to the COVID-19 pandemic:
  - HEERF I CARES Institutional Aid (fully spent by June 30, 2020) \$1,925,557
  - HEERF I CARES Student Aid (fully spent by April 5, 2021) \$1,925,558
  - Fy2021 State funds (fully spent by March 31, 2022 deadline) and used to reduce salary costs and purchase needed items for COVID-19

CRF I \$1,144,478
 CRF II \$1,138,300
 GEERF \$668.335

- HEERF II CRRSAA Federal funds total award \$8,358,417
   Minimum amount for student aid portion \$1,925,558
   Maximum amount for institutional portion \$6,432,859 (Note, the institutional funds were fully expended by June 30, 2021 to recoup lost revenue)
- HEERF III ARP Federal funds total award under section 2003(a)(1) \$14,718,101
   Minimum amount for student aid portion \$7,429,823
   Maximum amount for institutional portion \$7,288,278
- In addition to the CARES Act funds awarded and spent by the College in FY2020, the College received additional Federal and State COVID-19 funding in FY2021. The additional Federal funds received and expected include approximately \$9,300,000 for aid to students and \$13,700,000 for institutional needs. The State of New Jersey awarded \$2,300,000 for COVID-19 related expenses.

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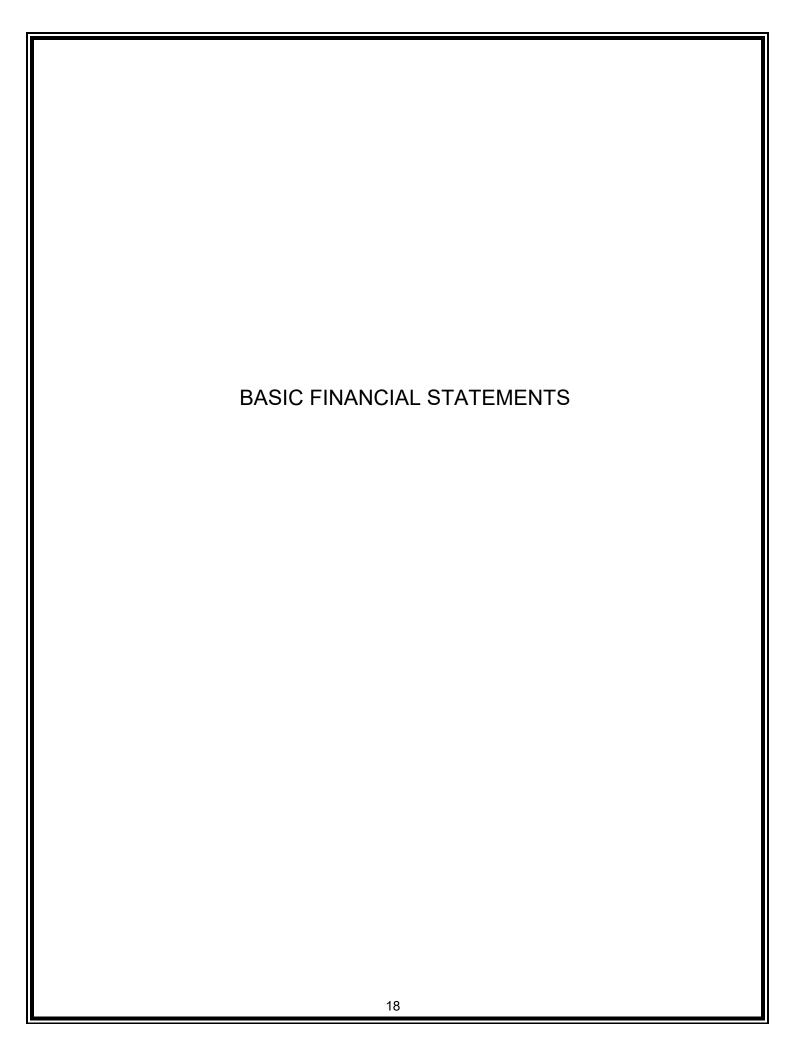
# **Economic and Other Factors that will Affect the Future (Cont'd)**

- Like most other community colleges in New Jersey, the College continues to experience declining enrollment. Continued development and expansion of several initiatives is expected to assist in mitigating the decline. These include continued focus on unique programs such as Funeral Services, Culinary, Hotel & Restaurant Services, and the Aviation Program. In addition, strengthening of student support services and the regionally and nationally known Athletics programs.
- The ongoing 5 year Title III grant will continue to provide assistance for student enrollment and retention.
- The College's continuing partnership with 4-year colleges and universities provides enrollment for the College and opportunities for students to efficiently completed advanced degrees.
- The uncertainty surrounding the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic continues to provide challenges
  for the College, its staff and students. Mercer will continue to search for additional revenue
  opportunities. Expenditures will be carefully reviewed, only essential positions will be filled, costs
  savings and operational efficiency and effectiveness will remain a priority.

### **Requests for Information**

Requests for information concerning any facts provided in this report can be addressed to:

Executive Director of Finance Mercer County Community College 1200 Old Trenton Road West Windsor, NJ 08550



Statements of Net Position
As of June 30, 2021 and 2020

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	<u>College</u>	Component Unit MCCC Foundation	<u>College</u>	Component Unit MCCC Foundation	
ASSETS					
Current Assets:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 16,600,287	\$ 740,998	\$ 15,457,817	\$ 607,755	
Investments	550,043	14,946,445	562,225	11,853,640	
Accounts Receivable, net	1,969,742	6,000	2,560,906		
Intergovermental Accounts Receivable:					
Federal	1,821,631		298,213		
State of New Jersey	583,959		368,015		
County of Mercer:	552,525		,		
Operating Appropriation Receivables	1,485,284		1,463,489		
Capital Appropriation Receivables	5,972,569		2,854,932		
Contributions Receivable	3,372,303	3,055	2,004,002	50,403	
Inventories	4,854	3,033	7,262	30,403	
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Prepaid Expenses	1,045,371		1,415,711	6,000	
Loan Receivable, current portion				50,000	
Total Current Assets	30,033,740	15,696,498	24,988,570	12,567,798	
Non-Current Assets:					
Capital Assets, net	81,965,950		81,507,095		
Loan Receivable, noncurrent portion	01,000,000		01,007,000	100,000	
Total Non-Current Assets	81,965,950		81,507,095	100,000	
Total Assets	111,999,690	15,696,498	106,495,665	12,667,798	
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES					
Related to Pensions	3,534,350		4,457,862	-	
LIABULITIES					
LIABILITIES					
Current Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable:					
Related to Pensions	1,623,130		1,511,378		
Other	3,298,691	17,956	5,402,814	16,350	
Due to Mercer County Community College		299,988		80,074	
Accrued Expenses	2,085,539		1,341,317		
Accrued Compensated Absences	354,277		314,196		
Loan Payable, current portion			50,000		
Unearned Revenue:					
Student Tuition and Fees	3,941,457		3,102,207		
Federal and State Grants	363,119		1,734,247		
Other	222,013		178,258		
Total Current Liabilities	11,888,226	317,944	13,634,417	96,424	
Noncurrent Liabilities:					
Accrued Compensated Absences	1,528,583		1,522,430		
Loan Payable, noncurrent portion			100,000		
Net Pension Liability	22,529,929		25,012,097		
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	24.059.512		26,634,527		
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Total Liabilities	35,946,738	317,944	40,268,944	96,424	
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES					
Related to Pensions	12,332,949	-	13,566,665	-	
NET POSITION					
Net Investment in Capital Assets	81,965,950		81,507,095		
Restricted for:	21,223,000		,,		
Nonexpendable:					
Scholarships	179,878	2,996,486	179,878	2,927,739	
Expendable:	173,070	2,330,400	173,070	2,021,100	
Scholarships and Grants		E E36 166		5,307,732	
	604 440	5,536,466	700 764		
Programs Conital Improvements	621,140	812,137	720,764	710,658	
Capital Improvements	(15.510.515)	161,936	(05.000.0:5)	201,204	
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(15,512,615)	5,871,529	(25,289,819)	3,424,041	
Total Not Position	¢ 67.0E4.0E0	¢ 15 270 554	¢ 57 117 040	¢ 40.674.074	
Total Net Position	\$ 67,254,353	\$ 15,378,554	\$ 57,117,918	\$ 12,571,374	

The Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

		2021	2020		
	<u>College</u>	Component Unit MCCC Foundation	<u>College</u>	Component Unit MCCC Foundation	
REVENUES					
Operating Revenues:					
Student Tuition and Fees, net	\$ 20,167,184		\$ 26,326,831		
Federal, State and Local Grants	6,343,110		5,119,354		
Gifts and Contributions		\$ 856,742		\$ 803,084	
Other	2,309,749	139,318	4,298,792	149,200	
Auxiliary Enterprises	782,721		1,661,738	-	
Total Operating Revenue	29,602,764	996,060	37,406,715	952,284	
EXPENSES					
Operating Expenses:					
Educational and General:					
Instructional	29,151,981		28,453,737		
Public Service	2,337,679		3,114,277		
Academic Support	3,461,439		3,955,444		
Student Services	4,159,909		4,677,796		
Institutional Support	24,269,943		19,835,190		
Operations and Maintenance of Plant	6,386,924		7,713,934		
Scholarships and Other Student Aid	4,491,145	598,503	4,278,128	576,785	
Depreciation	3,867,320		4,073,648		
Other Expenditures	5,551,525	651,322	1,010,010	502,563	
Auxiliary Enterprises	174,596		341,110		
Total Operating Expenses	78,300,936	1,249,825	76,443,264	1,079,348	
Operating Loss	(48,698,172)	(253,765)	(39,036,549)	(127,064)	
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NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)					
State Appropriations:					
State Aid	6,504,929		6,291,379		
On-Behalf Fringe Benefits:					
Alternate Benefit Program	1,084,028		1,162,416		
Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund			24,090		
Other Post Employment Benefits	4,661,978		1,070,816		
County Operating Appropriations:					
County Aid	18,228,000		17,870,000		
Education, Stabilization Fund (ESF) (COVID-19)	11,368,556				
Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) (COVID-19)	2,312,778		2,612,756		
Federal Student Financial Aid:					
Pell Grants	7,787,889		9,363,614		
Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant Program	309,602		239,373		
State Student Financial Aid	3,067,674		2,797,235		
Investment Income	20,151	3,060,945	89,595	703,738	
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	55,345,585	3,060,945	41,521,274	703,738	
Income Before Capital Grants					
and Contributions	6,647,413	2,807,180	2,484,725	576,674	
CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	3,489,022		11,682,971		
Increase in Net Position	10,136,435	2,807,180	14,167,696	576,674	
Net Position - Beginning of Year	57,117,918	12,571,374	42,950,222	11,994,700	
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 67,254,353	\$ 15,378,554	\$ 57,117,918	\$ 12,571,374	

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Statements of Cash Flows
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021 <u>College</u>	2020 <u>College</u>	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from Tuition and Fees	\$ 20,270,225	\$ 25,972,864	
Receipts from Grants and Contracts	6,343,110	5,119,354	
Other Receipts	3,092,470	5,960,530	
Payments to Employees and Fringe Benefits	(50,643,925)	(46,430,771)	
Payments to Vendors and Suppliers	(17,234,895)	(19,904,728)	
Payments for Scholarships and Student Aid	(4,396,239)	(4,045,284)	
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	(42,569,254)	(33,328,035)	
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
State Appropriations	6,504,929	6,291,379	
County Appropriations	18,206,205	18,016,452	
Receipts from Grants and Contracts	23,107,137	15,458,364	
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	47,818,271	39,766,195	
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets	(4,326,175)	(11,501,898)	
Principal Paid on Capital Debt	(150,000)	(50,000)	
Capital Grants Received	371,385	10,875,731	
Net Cash Used in Capital and Related Financing Activities	(4,104,790)	(676,167)	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of Investments	(21,908)	(34,668)	
Interest and Dividends on Investments	20,151	89,595	
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities	(1,757)	54,927	
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,142,470	5,816,920	
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	15,457,817	9,640,897	
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$ 16,600,287	\$ 15,457,817	

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Statements of Cash Flows
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

		2021 <u>College</u>		2020 College
RECONCILIATION OF NET OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES) TO NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Operating Loss	\$	(48,698,172)	\$	(39,036,549)
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Adjustment to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used in Operating Activities:				
Depreciation Expense		3,867,320		4,073,648
Bad Debt Expense		163,149		585,665
Pension Expense		(1,135,152)		(642,019)
State Appropriations - On-Behalf Fringe Benefits:		(1,133,132)		(042,019)
Alternate Benefit Program		1,084,028		1,162,416
Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund		1,004,020		24,090
Other Post Employment Benefits		4,661,978		1,070,816
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		4,001,370		1,070,010
Receivables, net		428,015		(746,988)
Inventories		2,408		3,415
Prepaid Items		370,340		(331,608)
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses		(1,248,149)		2,002,208
Compensated Absences		46,234		210,893
Unearned Revenue		(488,123)		(192,644)
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Related to Pensions:		(400,123)		(132,044)
Contributions Made After the Measurement Date		(1,623,130)		(1,511,378)
23		(1,020,100)		(1,011,010)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	\$	(42,569,254)	\$	(33,328,035)

The Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

Notes to Financial Statements For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

# Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Description of Financial Reporting Entity</u> - Mercer County Community College (the "College") is a comprehensive, coeducational, community college, founded in 1966. Mercer County Community College is an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey, established to function as a two-year community college. The College is an accredited member of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. The College operates one main campus in West Windsor, New Jersey. In addition, the College operates a campus in the City of Trenton.

The College is a collegiate institution that is dedicated to the intellectual development of students and instilling in them the skills, habits and inclinations with which they will continue to educate themselves. The College is also a community institution that is entrusted with the responsibility of preparing a well-educated and informed citizenry able to undertake the responsibilities of good citizenship. Additionally, the College is a community forum and a source of programs and services that addresses the current and emerging human resource needs of area employers, meets the continuing education needs of a variety of community residents, and enriches the cultural and artistic life of the Mercer County community.

Mercer County Community College is a component unit of the County of Mercer as described in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended. The financial statements of the College would be either blended or discreetly presented as part of the County of Mercer's financial statements if the County of Mercer prepared its financial statements in accordance with GASB Statement No. 34 – *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*. The County of Mercer currently follows a basis of accounting and reporting model that is prescribed by the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, State of New Jersey. Therefore, the financial statements of the College are not presented with the County of Mercer.

<u>Component Units</u> - In evaluating how to define the College for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include any potential component units in the College was made by applying the criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity,* as amended. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, would in-substance be part of the College's operations, however, each discretely presented component unit would be reported in a separate column in the College's financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the College.

The basic-but not the only-criterion for including a potential component unit within the College is the College's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the College and / or its students. A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the College is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the College is able to exercise oversight responsibilities. Finally, the nature and significance of a potential component unit to the College could warrant its inclusion within the College's financial statements.

Based upon the application of these criteria, the College has determined that Mercer County Community College Foundation (the "Foundation") meets the requirement for discrete presentation in the financial statements of the College. In accordance with GASB Statement 34 and 35, certain presentation adjustments to the financial statements of the Foundation were required to conform to the classification and display requirements in the aforementioned GASB Statements, as applicable to the College.

<u>Component Units (Cont'd)</u> - Mercer County Community College Foundation is a New Jersey non-profit corporation. It is operated exclusively for the purpose of assisting the board of trustees of the College in holding, investing and administering property and making expenditures to or for the benefit of the College, its students and its faculty. The Foundation solicits public and private contributions to carry out its objectives. The Foundation is governed by a board of directors, which includes representation by the College president and several College board members. In addition, College employees and facilities are used to support some activities of the Foundation. The Foundation reports under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Standards. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features.

During the fiscal years June 30, 2021 and 2020, the Foundation distributed \$598,503 and \$576,785, respectively, to the College for scholarships and other support.

A separate report of audit for the Foundation for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 can be obtained at the Foundation's offices at the following address during normal business hours:

Mercer County Community College Foundation 1200 Old Trenton Road West Windsor, New Jersey 08550

<u>Basis of Presentation</u> - The accompanying financial statements include all activities that are directly controlled by the College. In addition, the financial statements include the financial position and activities of the College's discretely presented component unit, Mercer County Community College Foundation. The financial statements are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to governmental colleges and universities engaged in business-type activities as adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 35 – *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for Public Colleges and Universities*. The financial statement presentation required by GASB No. 35 provides a comprehensive, entity-wide perspective of the College's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, net position, revenues, expenses, changes in net position, cash flows and replaces the fund-group perspective previously required.

<u>Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus</u> - For financial reporting purposes, the College is considered a special-purpose government engaged in only business-type activities. Accordingly, the College's financial statements have been presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments</u> - For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, the College considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash and cash equivalents. U.S. treasury and agency obligations and certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

The College accounts for its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools. Changes in unrealized gain (loss) on the carrying value of investments are reported as a component of investment income in the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments - N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"), a multiple financial institutional collateral pool, which was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. Public depositories include State or federally chartered banks, savings banks or associations located in or having a branch office in the State of New Jersey, the deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of governmental units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the amount of their deposits to the governmental units.

The College has adopted a cash management plan which requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act.

Accounts Receivable / Allowance for Doubtful Accounts - Accounts receivable consists of tuition and fees charged to students and various other receivables. Accounts receivable are recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts. In accordance with the current policy, most recently amended in fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the College reserves 100% of all student tuition receivables over 180 days old and 10% of tuition receivables less than 180 days old. During the year ended June 30, 2018, the College amended the policy adopted during the prior year. In addition to the College reserving 100% of all student tuition receivables over two years old and 75% of tuition receivables over one year old, this policy included reserving 39% of the current year student tuition receivables. In years prior to June 30, 2017, the College's adopted policy was to reserve 100% of all student tuition receivables over two years old and 75% of tuition receivables over two years old and 75% of tuition receivables over one year old. The allowances for June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$7,605,608 and \$7,442,459, respectively.

<u>Tuition</u> - Each year the Board of Trustees sets tuition rates based on a per credit hour rate. Rates vary based upon residence within Mercer County, out of county, out of state, international students and whether instruction is provided face-to-face or via an on-line learning platform. Tuition revenue is earned in the fiscal year the classes are taken.

<u>State Aid</u> - The New Jersey Department of Treasury, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) allocates the annual appropriation for community college operating aid according to credit hour enrollments as prescribed by N.J.S.A.18A:64A-22. Aid is based upon audited enrollments.

<u>County Aid</u> - N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-22 States that each county which operates a county college shall continue to provide moneys for the support of the college in an amount no less than those moneys provided in the year in which this act is enacted or 25% of the operational expense in the base State fiscal year, whichever is greater.

<u>Unearned Revenue</u> - Unearned revenue represents tuition revenue that has been received before June 30<sup>th</sup> for classes that are scheduled to begin the next fiscal year. It also includes cash, which has been received for grants, but not yet earned.

<u>Prepaid Expenses</u> - Prepaid expenses represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Compensated Absences</u> - Compensated absences are those absences for which employees will be paid for vacation and sick leave when used. A liability is accrued for compensated absences that are earned and unused in accordance with College policy at June 30<sup>th</sup> of each fiscal year. Eligible employees earn a right to vacation benefits and some sick leave benefits in accordance with relative bargaining unit agreements and the employee handbook.

<u>Capital Assets</u> - Capital assets include land, land improvements, buildings and building improvements, equipment and furnishing. Assets acquired or constructed during the year are recorded at actual cost. The College defines capital assets as assets with an initial unit cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date of donation. Expenditures that enhance the asset or significantly extend the useful life of the asset are considered improvements and are added to the capital asset's currently capitalized cost. The cost of normal repairs and maintenance are not capitalized.

Capital assets of the College are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

	<u>Useful Lives</u>
Land Improvements Buildings and Building Improvements Equipment and Furnishing	20 20-45 5-20

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

Scholarship Discounts and Allowances - Student tuition and fees revenue, and certain other revenues from students, are reported net of scholarship discounts and allowances in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. Scholarship discounts and allowance are the difference between the stated charge for goods and services provided by the College and the amount paid by students and/or third parties making payments on the students' behalf. Certain governmental grants, such as Pell grants, and other federal, state or nongovernmental programs are recorded as either operating or non-operating revenues in the College's financial statements. To the extent that revenues from such programs are used to satisfy tuition and fees and other student charges, the College has recorded a scholarship discount and allowance. The amount of scholarship discount and allowance for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$10,502,228 and \$7,020,972, respectively.

Reclassifications - Certain 2020 amounts have been reclassified to conform to 2021 presentation.

**Non-Current Liabilities** - Non-current liabilities include principal amounts of loans with maturities greater than one year and estimated amounts for accrued compensated absences and other liabilities that will not be paid within the next fiscal year.

<u>Financial Dependency</u> - Among the College's largest revenue sources include appropriations from the State of New Jersey and County of Mercer, including contributions made by the State on behalf of the College for the Alternate Benefit Program. The College is economically dependent on these appropriations to carry out its operations.

<u>State of New Jersey On-Behalf Payments for Fringe Benefits</u> - The State of New Jersey, through separate appropriations, pays certain fringe benefits on-behalf of College employees. These benefits include Alternate Benefit Program pension contributions, TPAF employee FICA taxes, and certain retiree health benefits. These amounts are included in both the State of New Jersey appropriations revenues and operating expenses in the accompanying financial statements.

<u>Income Taxes</u> - The College is a political subdivision of the State of New Jersey and is excluded from Federal income taxes under Section 115 (1) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

<u>Classification of Revenues</u> - The College has classified its revenues as either operating or non-operating revenues in accordance with GASB Statement No. 33 – *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-exchange Transactions*.

<u>Operating Revenues</u> - Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as (1) student tuition and fees, net of scholarship discounts and allowances, (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises and (3) certain federal, state and local government grants and contracts.

Non-Operating Revenues - Non-operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of non-exchange transactions, such as gifts and contributions, and other revenue sources that are defined as non-operating revenues by GASB No. 9 – Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Non-expendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting and GASB Statement No. 35, such as state appropriations, county appropriations, certain federal and state student financial aid, federal grants, investment income, and amounts paid by the State of New Jersey on behalf of the College for the employer contribution to the Alternate Benefit Program (ABP), TPAF and certain retiree health benefits.

<u>Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources</u> - The statement of net position reports separate sections for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, reported after total assets, represents a reduction of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) at that time. Deferred inflows of resources, reported after total liabilities, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) at that time.

Transactions are classified as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources only when specifically prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) standards. The College is required to report the following as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources: defined benefit pension plans.

**Net Position** - The College's net position is classified as follows:

<u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> - This represents the College's total investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of Net Investment in Capital Assets.

<u>Restricted Net Position - Non-Expendable</u> - Restricted non-expendable is comprised of donor-restricted endowment funds. Endowments are subject to restrictions of gift instruments requiring that the principal be invested in perpetuity.

<u>Restricted Net Position - Expendable</u> - Restricted expendable net position includes resources in which the College is legally or contractually obligated to spend resources in accordance with the restrictions imposed by external third parties.

<u>Unrestricted Net Position</u> - Unrestricted net position represent resources derived from student tuition and fees, state and county appropriations and sales and services of educational departments and auxiliary enterprises. These resources are used for the transactions related to the educational and general operations of the College, and may be used at the discretion of the Board of Trustees to meet current expenses for any purpose. These resources also include auxiliary enterprises, which are substantially self-supporting activities that provide services for students, faculty and staff.

The College's policy is to first utilize available restricted expendable, and then unrestricted, resources in the conduct of its operations.

# Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles

### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

The GASB has issued the following Statements that will become effective for the College for fiscal years ending after June 30, 2021:

Statement No. 87, Leases. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. The Statement will become effective for the College in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Management is currently evaluating whether or not this Statement will have an impact on the basic financial statements of the College.

### Note 2: CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u> - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the College's deposits might not be recovered. Although the College does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. requires that governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). Under the Act, the first \$250,000 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Public funds owned by the College in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA. However, GUDPA does not protect intermingled trust funds such as salary withholdings, athletic and student activity funds, or funds that may pass to the College relative to the happening of a future condition. Such funds are classified as uninsured and uncollateralized.

As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, College's bank balances were insured, collateralized and uninsured as follows:

	<u>2021</u>			<u>2020</u>
Insured Collateralized under GUDPA	\$	838,282 17,157,542	\$	846,019 17,378,003
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	17,995,824	\$	18,224,021

#### Investments

# Custodial Credit Risk Related to Investments

For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the College will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the College, and are held by either the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the College's name. All of the College's investments are in United States Treasury Obligations and are held in the name of the College.

#### Interest Rate Risk

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

# Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The credit risk of a debt instrument is measured by nationally recognized statistical rating agencies such as Moody's Investors Services, Inc. New Jersey Statutes do not limit the investment types that County Colleges may purchase and the College has no investment policy that would limit its investment choices. All of the College's investments are in United States Treasury Obligations with AAA Moody's rating.

# Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a college's investment in a single issuer. The College does not place a limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The College's investments are in United States Treasury Obligations.

# Note 2: CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)

Fair Value Measurements of Investments

Fair value measurements and disclosures provide the framework for measuring fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or the price that would be paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The framework established for measuring fair value includes a hierarchy used to classify the inputs used in measuring fair value. The hierarchy prioritizes the inputs used in determining valuations into three levels. The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). Valuation techniques require maximization of observable inputs and minimization of unobservable inputs. The levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. A quoted price for an identical asset or liability in an active market provides the most reliable fair value measurement because it is directly observable to the market.
- Level 2 Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable. The nature of these securities includes investments for which quoted prices are available but traded less frequently and investments that are fair valued using other securities, the parameters of which can be directly observed.
- Level 3 Securities that have little to no pricing observability. These securities are measured using management's best estimate of fair value, where the inputs into the determination of fair value are not observable and require significant management judgment or estimation.

As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the College had the following investments which are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

	Moody's Fair V				
Investment	Credit Rating		2021		2020
United States Treasury Obligations	AAA	\$	550,043	\$	562,225

# Note 3: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consists of the following at the end of fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020:

		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Student Accounts Receivable Federal, State and Local Grants Receival	ble	\$ 7,034,297 9,863,443	\$ 7,978,759 4,984,649
Other Accounts Receivable		2,541,052	 2,024,606
		19,438,792	14,988,014
Less: Allowance for Doubtful Accounts		7,605,608	 7,442,459
Net Accounts Receivable		\$ 11,833,184	\$ 7,545,555
Student Accounts Receivable, Net Other Receivables	_	\$ 349,318 11,483,866	\$ 536,300 7,009,255
	30	\$ 11,833,184	\$ 7,545,555

# Note 4: CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in the various capital asset categories for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 are presented as follows:

	Balance <u>June 30, 2020</u>	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	Balance June 30, 2021		
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets:		<del></del>					
Land	\$ 1,599,769	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,599,769		
Construction in Progress	12,196,417	3,144,841		(26,095)	15,315,163		
Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	13,796,186	3,144,841		(26,095)	16,914,932		
Depreciable Capital Assets:							
Land Improvements	3,965,834	38,517			4,004,351		
Buildings and Improvements	101,982,952			26,095	102,009,047		
Furniture, Machinery and Equipment	12,099,138	1,142,818	(37,128)		13,204,828		
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	118,047,924	1,181,335	(37,128)	26,095	119,218,226		
Less Accumulated Depreciation For:							
Land Improvements	(5,092,265)	(402,459)			(5,494,724)		
Buildings and Improvements	(36,762,807)	(2,712,248)			(39,475,055)		
Furniture, Machinery and Equipment	(8,481,943)	(752,613)	37,128		(9,197,428)		
Total Accumulated Deprecation	(50,337,015)	(3,867,320)	37,128		(54,167,207)		
Depreciable Capital Assets	67,710,909	(2,685,986)		26,095	65,051,018		
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$ 81,507,095	\$ 458,855	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81,965,950		
	Balance June 30, 2019	Additions	Deletions	<u>Transfers</u>	Balance June 30, 2020		
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets: Land		Additions \$ -	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Transfers</u>			
	June 30, 2019				June 30, 2020		
Land	June 30, 2019 \$ 1,599,769	\$ -		\$ -	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	June 30, 2019 \$ 1,599,769 2,103,432	\$ - 11,155,528		\$ - (1,062,543)	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417		
Land Construction in Progress	June 30, 2019 \$ 1,599,769 2,103,432	\$ - 11,155,528		\$ - (1,062,543)	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets:	\$ 1,599,769 2,103,432 3,703,201	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543)	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417 13,796,186		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets: Land Improvements	\$ 1,599,769 2,103,432 3,703,201 3,691,872	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543)	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417 13,796,186 3,965,834		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements	\$ 1,599,769 2,103,432 3,703,201 3,691,872 101,423,082	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528 90,841 31,748		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543) 183,121 528,122	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417 13,796,186 3,965,834 101,982,952		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Furniture, Machinery and Equipment  Total Depreciable Capital Assets	\$ 1,599,769 2,103,432 3,703,201 3,691,872 101,423,082 11,524,057	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528 90,841 31,748 223,781		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543) 183,121 528,122 351,300	3,965,834 10,1982,952 12,099,138		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Furniture, Machinery and Equipment  Total Depreciable Capital Assets  Less Accumulated Depreciation For:	\$ 1,599,769 2,103,432 3,703,201 3,691,872 101,423,082 11,524,057 116,639,011	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528 90,841 31,748 223,781 346,370		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543) 183,121 528,122 351,300	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417  13,796,186  3,965,834 101,982,952 12,099,138  118,047,924		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Furniture, Machinery and Equipment  Total Depreciable Capital Assets	\$ 1,599,769 2,103,432 3,703,201 3,691,872 101,423,082 11,524,057	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528 90,841 31,748 223,781		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543) 183,121 528,122 351,300	3,965,834 10,1982,952 12,099,138		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Furniture, Machinery and Equipment  Total Depreciable Capital Assets  Less Accumulated Depreciation For: Land Improvements	3,691,872 101,423,082 116,639,011 10,4554,129)	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528 90,841 31,748 223,781 346,370 (538,136)		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543) 183,121 528,122 351,300	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417  13,796,186  3,965,834 101,982,952 12,099,138  118,047,924  (5,092,265)		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Furniture, Machinery and Equipment  Total Depreciable Capital Assets  Less Accumulated Depreciation For: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements	3,691,872 1,524,057 116,639,011 (4,554,129) (34,065,208)	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528 90,841 31,748 223,781 346,370 (538,136) (2,697,599)		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543) 183,121 528,122 351,300	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417 13,796,186 3,965,834 101,982,952 12,099,138 118,047,924 (5,092,265) (36,762,807)		
Land Construction in Progress  Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets  Depreciable Capital Assets: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Furniture, Machinery and Equipment  Total Depreciable Capital Assets  Less Accumulated Depreciation For: Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Furniture, Machinery and Equipment	3,691,872 101,423,082 11,524,057 116,639,011 (4,554,129) (34,065,208) (7,644,030)	\$ - 11,155,528 11,155,528 90,841 31,748 223,781 346,370 (538,136) (2,697,599) (837,913)		\$ - (1,062,543) (1,062,543) 183,121 528,122 351,300	June 30, 2020 \$ 1,599,769 12,196,417  13,796,186  3,965,834 101,982,952 12,099,138  118,047,924  (5,092,265) (36,762,807) (8,481,943)		

Depreciation expense for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 was \$3,867,320 and \$4,073,648, respectively. The amounts in the transfer column represent projects being completed and reclassified from construction in progress.

### Note 5: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, the following changes occurred in long-term obligations:

,	<u>Ju</u>	Balance ine 30, 2020	Increase	Decrease	<u>Ju</u>	Balance ne 30, 2021	Due Within One Year	
Compensated Absences Loan Payable Net Pension Liability	\$	1,836,626 150,000 25,012,097	\$ 523,579 14,308,643	\$ (477,345) (150,000) (16,790,811)	\$	1,882,859 22,529,929	\$	354,277
rect official Education	\$	26,998,723	\$ 14,832,222	\$ (17,418,156)	\$	24,412,788	\$	354,277
	<u>Ju</u>	Balance ine 30, 2019	Increase	<u>Decrease</u>	Balance June 30, 2020		Due Within One Year	
Compensated Absences Loan Payable Net Pension Liability	\$	1,625,733 200,000 29,069,402	\$ 642,044 16,204,123	\$ (431,151) (50,000) (20,261,428)	\$	1,836,626 150,000 25,012,097	\$	314,196 50,000
	\$	30,895,135	\$ 16,846,167	\$ (20,742,579)	\$	26,998,723	\$	364,196

<u>Compensated Absences</u> - As stated in note 10, compensated absences will be paid in accordance with the College's policy.

**Loan Payable** – During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the College entered into a \$200,000 loan arrangement with the Mercer County Community College Foundation for the installation of an artificial turf infield on the College's baseball field. The loan is payable to the foundation over four years at an annual interest rate of 3%. The loan was paid in full during fiscal year 2021.

**Net Pension Liability** - For details on the net pension liability, refer to note 6.

# Note 6: PENSION PLANS

The College participates in several retirement plans, administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the "Division"), covering its employees – the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"), the New Jersey Alternate Benefit Program ("ABP") and the Defined Contribution Retirement Program ("DCRP"). PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit retirement plan, while ABP and DCRP are defined contribution pension plans. Generally, all employees, except certain part-time employees, participate in one of these plans.

The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about the PERS plan's fiduciary net position which can be obtained by writing to or at the following website:

State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295
https://www.state.ni.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml

# Note 6: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

# **General Information About the Pension Plans**

# **Plan Descriptions**

**Public Employees' Retirement System -** The PERS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A. The PERS' designated purpose is to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the PERS is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the College, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state pensions fund or local jurisdiction's pension fund. The PERS' Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PERS.

**Alternate Benefit Program -** The ABP is a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement program for certain higher education faculty, instructors and administrators which was established pursuant to P.L.1969, c. 242 (N.J.S.A. 52:18A-107 et seq., specifically, 18A:66-192). The ABP is an agency fund overseen by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits.

**Defined Contribution Retirement Program** - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program is a multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund established on July 1, 2007 under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007, and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 (N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et. seq.). The DCRP is a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) § 401(a) et seq., and is a "governmental plan" within the meaning of IRC § 414(d). The DCRP provides retirement benefits for eligible employees and their beneficiaries. Individuals covered under DCRP are employees enrolled in TPAF or PERS on or after July 1, 2007, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees enrolled in New Jersey State Police Retirement System (SPRS) or the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) after May 21, 2010, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees otherwise eligible to enroll in TPAF or PERS on or after November 2, 2008, who do not earn the minimum annual salary for tier 3 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually; and employees otherwise eligible to enroll in TPAF or PERS after May 21, 2010 who do not work the minimum number of hours per week required for tiers 4 or 5 enrollment, but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually.

# **Vesting and Benefits Provisions**

**Public Employees' Retirement System -** The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. The PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of the PERS.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

# **Tier Definition**

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 21, 2010
- 4 Members who were eligible to enroll after May 21, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 5 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55<sup>th</sup> of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60<sup>th</sup> of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 with 25 years or more service credit before age 62 and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier.

# Note 6: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

# **General Information About the Pension Plans (Cont'd)**

# **Vesting and Benefits Provisions (Cont'd)**

**Public Employees' Retirement System (Cont'd) -** Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

**Alternate Benefit Program -** ABP provides retirement benefits, life insurance and disability coverage to qualified members. Benefits are determined by the amount of individual accumulations and the retirement income option selected. All benefits vest after the completion of one year of service.

**Defined Contribution Retirement Program -** Eligible members are provided with a defined contribution retirement plan intended to qualify for favorable Federal income tax treatment under IRC Section 401(a), a noncontributory group life insurance plan and a noncontributory group disability benefit plan. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employee contributions shall immediately become and shall at all times remain fully vested and nonforfeitable. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employer contributions shall be vested and nonforfeitable on the date the participant commences the second year of employment or upon his or her attainment of age 65, while employed by an employer, whichever occurs first.

# **Contributions**

**Public Employees' Retirement System -** The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2011, C. 78, the member contribution rate was 7.50% in State fiscal year 2020. Employers' contributions are based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability.

The College's contractually required contribution rates were 17.27% and 15.63% of the College's covered payroll for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. These amounts were actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, including an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PERS measurement date of June 30, 2020, the College's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 was \$1,511,377 and was paid by April 1, 2021. College employee contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 were \$708,892.

Based on the PERS measurement date of June 30, 2019, the College's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 was \$1,350,247 and was paid by April 1, 2020. College employee contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 were \$735,395.

#### General Information About the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

#### **Contributions (Cont'd)**

**Alternate Benefit Program -** The contributions requirements of plan members are determined by State statute. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:66-173, required contributions, calculated on the employee's base pay, are 5% for plan members, and 8% for employers. Plan members may make additional voluntary contributions subject to section 403(b) of the internal revenue code.

Under N.J.S.A 18A:66-174, most employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey onbehalf of the College. The College is responsible for the employer contributions for non-academic employees.

Plan members direct the investment of contributions to insurance companies and mutual fund companies selected by the New Jersey Division of Pensions' Pension Provider Selector Board. These companies administer plan funds based on alternate benefit contracts with the New Jersey Division of Pensions.

Amounts deferred under the plan are not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency. The plan carriers are as follows:

Teacher's Insurance and Annuity Association/TIAA
ING Life Insurance and Annuity Company
AXA Financial (Equitable)
The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company (VALIC)
The Hartford Group
MetLife
Prudential

During the fiscal year end June 30, 2021, the College's share of the employer contributions for participants not eligible for State reimbursement was \$382,356, employee contributions to the plan were \$797,250, and the State of New Jersey made on-behalf payments for the College contributions of \$1,084,028.

During the fiscal year end June 30, 2020, the College's share of the employer contributions for participants not eligible for State reimbursement was \$183,136, employee contributions to the plan were \$841,546, and the State of New Jersey made on-behalf payments for the College contributions of \$1,162,416.

**Defined Contribution Retirement Program -** The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-3 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. In addition to the employee contributions, the College contributes 3% of the employees' base salary, for each pay period, to Prudential Financial not later than the fifth business day after the date on which the employee is paid for that pay period.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, employee contributions totaled \$46,803, the College recognized pension expense of \$25,529. There were no forfeitures during the fiscal year.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, employee contributions totaled \$86,775, the College recognized pension expense of \$47,333. There were no forfeitures during the fiscal year.

# <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>

The following information relates only to the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan.

The College reported a liability of \$22,529,929 and \$25,012,097 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

The net pension liability reported at June 30, 2021 was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2020. The College's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the College's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

For the June 30, 2020 measurement date, the College's proportion was .1381578321%, which was a decrease of .0006557234% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

The net pension liability reported at June 30, 2020 was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2019. The College's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the College's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

For the June 30, 2019 measurement date, the College's proportion was .1388135555%, which was a decrease of .0088255394% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2018.

The College recognized (\$1,135,152) and (\$637,932), in its financial statements for pension (benefit) expense for PERS, for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. These amounts were based on the Plans June 30, 2020 and 2019 measurement dates, respectively.

# <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)</u>

At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

	Measurement Date <u>June 30, 2020</u>				Measurement Date <u>June 30, 2019</u>			
		Deferred Outflows Resources	<u>o1</u>	Deferred Inflows f Resources		Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows Resources
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	410,233	\$	79,676	\$	448,934	\$	110,492
Changes of Assumptions		730,896		9,433,495		2,497,550		8,681,620
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments		770,091		-		-		394,826
Changes in Proportion and Differences between College Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions		-		2,819,778		-		4,379,727
College Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date		1,623,130		<u>-</u>		1,511,377		
	\$	3,534,350	\$	12,332,949	\$	4,457,861	\$	13,566,665

\$1,623,130 and \$1,511,377 included in deferred outflows of resources, for the June 30, 2020 and 2019 measurement dates, respectively, will be included as a reduction of the net pension liability in fiscal years ending June 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year

Ending June 30,	
2022	\$ (4,109,095)
2023	(3,424,079)
2024	(2,050,329)
2025	(704,822)
2026	(133,404)
	\$ (10,421,729)

# <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)</u>

The amortization of the above other deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be over the following number of years:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between Expected		
and Actual Experience		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2015	5.72	-
June 30, 2016	5.57	-
June 30, 2017	5.48	-
June 30, 2018	-	5.63
June 30, 2019	5.21	-
June 30, 2020	5.16	-
Changes of Assumptions		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2014	6.44	-
June 30, 2015	5.72	-
June 30, 2016	5.57	-
June 30, 2017	-	5.48
June 30, 2018	-	5.63
June 30, 2019	-	5.21
June 30, 2020	-	5.16
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension		
Plan Investments		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2016	5.00	-
June 30, 2017	5.00	-
June 30, 2018	5.00	-
June 30, 2019	5.00	-
June 30, 2020	5.00	-
Changes in Proportion and Differences		
between College Contributions		
and Proportionate Share of Contributions		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2014	6.44	6.44
June 30, 2015	5.72	5.72
June 30, 2016	5.57	5.57
June 30, 2017	5.48	5.48
June 30, 2018	5.63	5.63
June 30, 2019 June 30, 2020	5.21 5.16	5.21 5.16
Julie 30, 2020	5.10	5.10

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The net pension liability at June 30, 2021 was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2020.

The net pension liability at June 30, 2020 was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2019.

These actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	Measurement Date <u>June 30, 2020</u>	Measurement Date <u>June 30, 2019</u>
Inflation Rate:		
Price	2.75%	2.75%
Wage	3.25%	3.25%
Salary Increases: (1)		
Through 2026	2.00% - 6.00%	2.00% - 6.00%
Thereafter	3.00% - 7.00%	3.00% - 7.00%
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Period of Actuarial Experience Study upon which Actuarial Assumptions were Based	July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2018	July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2018

<sup>(1)</sup> based on years of service

For the June 30, 2020 measurement date, pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2020.

June 30, 2019 Measurement Date

100.00%

#### Note 6: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)

#### **Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)**

June 30, 2020 Measurement Date

100.00%

For the June 30, 2019 measurement date, pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2019.

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% for the June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019 measurement dates) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension Plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in target asset allocation for the June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019 measurement dates are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target <u>Allocation</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	Asset Class	Target <u>Allocation</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	27.00%	7.71%	Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.67%
Non-US Developed Markets Equity	13.50%	8.57%	Cash Equivalents	5.00%	2.00%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.23%	U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	2.68%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%	Investment Grade Credit	10.00%	4.25%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%	High Yield	2.00%	5.37%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%	Private Credit	6.00%	7.92%
High Yield	2.00%	5.95%	Real Assets	2.50%	9.31%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%	Real Estate	7.50%	8.33%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%	U.S. Equity	28.00%	8.26%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%	Non-U.S. Developed Markets Equity	12.50%	9.00%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%	Emerging Markets Equity	6.50%	11.37%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.40%	Private Equity	12.00%	10.85%

#### **Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)**

**Discount Rate June 30, 2020 Measurement Date** - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2020. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 2.21% as of the June 30, 2020 measurement date based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from Plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers would be based on 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. Based on those assumptions, the Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2062. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2062 and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

**Discount Rate June 30, 2019 Measurement Date -** The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.28% as of June 30, 2019. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 3.50% as of the June 30, 2019 measurement date based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers would be based on 70% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2057. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2057 and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

# <u>Sensitivity of College's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount</u> Rate

The following presents the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability at the June 30, 2020 and 2019 measurement dates, respectively. These amounts were calculated using a discount rate of 7.00% for June 30, 2020 and 6.28% for June 30, 2019, as well as what the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used:

	June 30, 2020 Measurement Date								
		1% Decrease (6.00%)	Di	Current scount Rate (7.00%)		1% Increase (8.00%)			
College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$	28,584,440	\$	22,529,929	\$	17,720,000			

# <u>Sensitivity of College's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate (Cont'd)</u>

	June 30, 2019 Measurement Date								
		1% Decrease <u>(5.28%)</u>	Di	Current scount Rate (6.28%)		1% Increase (7.28%)			
College's Proportionate Share of the									
Net Pension Liability	\$	31,814,135	\$	25,012,097	\$	19,601,039			

#### **Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension (benefit) expense, information about the respective fiduciary net position of the PERS and additions to/deductions from PERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. Accordingly, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value. For additional information about PERS, please refer to the Plan's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which can be found at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml.

#### Note 7: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB)

#### STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN

#### General Information about the OPEB Plan

**Plan Description and Benefits Provided** - The State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan (the "OPEB Plan") is a multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan, with a special funding situation, that is administered on a pay-as-you-go basis. Accordingly, no assets are accumulated in a qualifying trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75 - Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. The OPEB Plan is administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (the "Division") and is part of the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information which can be obtained by writing to or at the following website:

State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295
<a href="https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml">https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml</a>

The OPEB Plan provides medical, prescription drug, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents of local education employers.

#### STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

## **General Information about the OPEB Plan (Cont'd)**

**Contributions** - The employer contributions for the participating local education employers are legally required to be funded by the State of New Jersey (the "State") in accordance with N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32f. According to N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32f, the State provides employer-paid coverage to employees who retire from a board of education or county college with 25 years or more of service credit in, or retires on a disability pension from, one or more of the following plans: the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), the Police and Firemen Retirement System (PFRS), or the Alternate Benefit Program (ABP). Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L., 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

**Employees Covered by Benefit Terms -** At June 30, 2020, the OPEB Plan's measurement date, the entire State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees OPEB Plan consisted of the following members.

Active Plan Members	216,804
Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	149,304
Inactive Plan Members Entitled to but Not Yet Receiving Benefit Payments	
	366.108

# **Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability**

The State of New Jersey, a non-employer contributing entity, is the only entity that has a legal obligation to make employer contributions to the OPEB Plan for qualified retired TPAF, PERS, PFRS and ABP pension participants. The College's proportionate share percentage determined under paragraphs 193 and 203 through 205 of GASBS No. 75 is zero percent. Accordingly, the College did not recognize any portion of the collective net OPEB liability on the statement of net position.

The State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the College as of June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020 was \$112,131,441 and \$70,626,394, respectively. Since the OPEB liability associated with the College is 100% attributable to the State, the OPEB liability will be referred to as the total non-employer OPEB liability.

The total non-employer OPEB liability reported at June 30, 2021 was measured as of June 30, 2020, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. For the June 30, 2020 measurement date, the State's proportionate share of the non-employer OPEB Plan liability associated with the College was .1653613078%, which was a decrease of .0038885108% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

The total non-employer OPEB liability reported at June 30, 2020 was measured as of June 30, 2019, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2018, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2019. For the June 30, 2019 measurement date, the State's proportionate share of the non-employer OPEB Plan liability associated with the College was .1692498187%, which was an increase of .0043371028% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2018.

#### STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

#### **Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability (Cont'd)**

**Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs -** The actuarial assumptions and other inputs vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan in which the member is enrolled. The actuarial valuations at June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018 used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to the June 30, 2020 measurement date and the June 30, 2019 measurement date, respectively:

#### Salary Increases (June 30, 2020 Measurement Date):

		<u> </u>
1.55 - 4.45%	2.00 - 6.00%	3.25 - 15.25% *
1.55 - 4.45%	3.00 - 7.00%	Applied to all Future Years

<sup>\*</sup> based on service years

#### Salary Increases (June 30, 2019 Measurement Date):

	TPAF/ABP	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>
Through 2026	1.55 - 3.05%	2.00 - 6.00%	3.25 - 15.25%
Thereafter	1.55 - 3.05%	3.00 - 7.00%	3.25 - 15.25%
Based on years of	service		

Inflation Rate (June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019 Measurement Dates) - 2.50%.

**Mortality Rates (June 30, 2020 Measurement Date) -** Current and future retiree healthy mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 Healthy classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2020.

Disabled mortality was based on the PUB-2010 headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2020.

**Mortality Rates (June 30, 2019 Measurement Date) -** Current and future retiree healthy mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 Healthy classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality was based on the PUB-2010 headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019.

**Experience Studies (June 30, 2020 Measurement Date) -** The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies for the periods July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2018, July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2018, and July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2018 for TPAF, PERS, and PFRS, respectively.

#### STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

#### **Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability (Cont'd)**

**Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs (Cont'd)** 

**Experience Studies (June 30, 2019 Measurement Date) -** The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2018 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies for the periods July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2018, July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2018, and July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2018 for TPAF, PERS, and PFRS, respectively.

**Health Care Trend Assumptions (June 30, 2020 Measurement Date) -** For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 5.6% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after seven years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rates for fiscal year 2021 through 2022 are reflected. The assumed post-65 medical trend is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.0% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after seven years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.0%.

**Health Care Trend Assumptions (June 30, 2019 Measurement Date)** - For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 5.7% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rate for fiscal year 2020 are reflected. The assumed post-65 medical trend is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.5% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.0%.

**Discount Rate -** The discount rates for June 30, 2020 and the June 30, 2019 measurement dates were 2.21% and 3.50%, respectively. These represent the municipal bond return rates as chosen by the Division. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

#### **Changes in the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability**

The below tables summarize the State's proportionate share of the change in the total non-employer OPEB liability associated with the College:

Balance at June 30, 2020		\$ 70,626,394
Changes for the Year:		
Service Cost	\$ 2,767,547	
Interest Cost	2,535,946	
Difference between Expected and Actual Experience	17,611,940	
Changes in Assumptions	20,482,561	
Member Contributions	59,169	
Gross Benefit Payments	(1,952,116)	
Net Changes		41,505,047
Balance at June 30, 2021		\$ 112,131,441

#### STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

### **Changes in the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability (Cont'd)**

Balance at June 30, 2019		\$ 76,042,627
Changes for the Year:		
Service Cost	\$ 2,696,577	
Interest Cost	3,006,886	
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	(10,068,988)	
Changes in Assumptions	1,053,045	
Gross Benefit Payments	(2,168,019)	
Member Contributions	64,266	
Net Changes		(5,416,233)
Balance at June 30, 2020		\$ 70,626,394

There were no changes in benefit terms between the June 30, 2019 measurement date and the June 30, 2020 measurement date.

Differences between expected and actual experience reflect an increase in liability from June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2020 due to changes in the census, claims, and premiums experience.

Differences between expected and actual experience reflect a decrease in liability from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2019 due to changes in the census, claims, and premiums experience.

Changes in assumptions reflect an increase in the liability from June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2020 is due to the combined effect of the decrease in the assumed discount rate from 3.50% as of June 30, 2019 to 2.21% as of June 30, 2020; and changes in the trend, repeal of the excise tax, and updated mortality improvement assumptions.

Changes of assumptions reflect an increase in the liability from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2019 is due to the combined effect of the decrease in the assumed discount rate from 3.87% as of June 30, 2018 to 3.50% as of June 30, 2019; and changes in the trend, excise tax, updated decrements, future spouse election, PPO/HMO future retiree elections, salary scale, and mortality assumptions.

Sensitivity of the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The State's proportionate share of the total non-employer OPEB liability, associated with the College, as of the June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019 measurement dates, using a discount rate of 2.21% and 3.50% respectively, as well as using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rate used are as follows:

	 June 3	nt Da	ite		
	1% Decrease <u>(1.21%)</u>	D	Current iscount Rate (2.21%)		1% Increase (3.21%)
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability					
Associated with the College	\$ 135,180,240	\$	112,131,441	\$	94,109,500

# STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

#### Changes in the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability (Cont'd)

Sensitivity of the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate (Cont'd) -

	June 30, 2019 Measurement Date							
		1% Decrease (2.50%)	Di	Current scount Rate (3.50%)		1% Increase (4.50%)		
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability Associated with the College	\$	83,437,681	\$	70,626,394	\$	60,449,810		

Sensitivity of the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates - The State's proportionate share of the total non-employer OPEB liability, associated with the College, as of the June 30, 2020 and the June 30, 2019 measurement dates, using the healthcare cost trend rates that are 1% lower or 1% higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate used are as follows:

	June 30, 2020 Measurement Date								
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share		1% <u>Decrease</u>		althcare Cost rend Rates		1% Increase			
of the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability Associated with the College	\$	90,516,281	\$	112,131,441	\$	137,870,293			
	June 3		30, 20	19 Measureme	nt Da	nte			
		1% <u>Decrease</u>		althcare Cost <u>Frend Rates</u>		1% <u>Increase</u>			
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability Associated with the College	\$	58,193,001	\$	70,626,394	\$	87,085,654			

# OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability

**OPEB Expense** - For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020, the College recognized \$4,661,978 and \$1,070,816, respectively, in OPEB expense and revenue, for the State's proportionate share of the OPEB Plan's OPEB expense, associated with the College. These expenses and revenues were based on the OPEB Plan's June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019 measurement dates.

# STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

# OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability (Cont'd)

**Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources** - In accordance with GASBS No. 75, the College's proportionate share of the OPEB liability is zero. As such, there is no recognition of the allocation of proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources by the College; however, at June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020, the State's proportionate share of the total non-employer OPEB liability's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, associated with College, from the following sources are as follows:

-	June 30, 2020 Measurement Date					June 30, 2019 Measurement				
	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows <u>of Resources</u>		Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows <u>of Resources</u>			
Difference between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	17,024,474	\$	15,164,795	\$	-	\$	17,745,785		
Changes of Assumptions		19,073,189		12,794,833		-		14,354,973		
Changes in Proportion		3,225,325		7,936,504		3,707,960		6,722,334		
_	\$	39,322,988	\$	35,896,132	\$	3,707,960	\$	38,823,092		

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the State's proportionate share of the total non-employer OPEB liability, associated with the College, will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	
2022	\$ (593,055)
2023	(593,055)
2024	(593,055)
2025	(593,055)
2026	(593,055)
Thereafter	 6,392,131
	\$ 3,426,856

# STATE HEALTH BENEFIT LOCAL EDUCATION RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

# OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability (Cont'd)

The amortization of the above deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the State's proportionate share of the total non-employer OPEB liability, associated with the College, will be over the following number of years:

	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows	Inflows
	of Resources	of Resources
Changes in Proportion		
Year of OPEB Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2017	9.54	9.54
June 30, 2018	9.51	9.51
June 30, 2019	9.29	9.29
June 30, 2020	9.24	9.24
Difference Between Expected		
and Actual Experience		
Year of OPEB Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2017	-	-
June 30, 2018	-	9.51
June 30, 2019	-	9.29
June 30, 2020	9.24	9.24
Changes of Assumptions		
Year of OPEB Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2017	-	9.54
June 30, 2018	-	9.51
June 30, 2019	-	9.29
June 30, 2020	9.24	9.24

#### **Note 8: OPERATING LEASES**

At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the College had operating lease agreements in effect for copy machines, mail machines, computers and a building. The present value of the future minimum rental payments under the operating lease agreements are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,		<u>Amount</u>
2022	\$	504,115
2023		377,505
2024		257,168
2025		257,168
2026		257,168
2027-2031		1,285,840
2032-2036		1,285,840
2037-2039		578,628
	\$	4.803.433
	Ψ	1,000,100

Rental payments under operating leases for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$577,203 and \$577,203, respectively.

#### Note 9: RISK MANAGEMENT

The College is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts' theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

<u>Property and Liability Insurance</u> - The College maintains commercial insurance coverage for property (including crime and physical damage, liability (general and automobile), boiler and machinery, and surety bonds.)

<u>Joint Insurance Pool</u> - The College is a member of the New Jersey County College Insurance Pool ("Fund") for the purpose of obtaining workers' compensation insurance coverage. Contributions to the Fund are payable in an annual premium and are based on actuarial assumptions determined by the Fund's actuary. Contributions to the Fund for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$185,604 and \$206,420, respectively.

Annual contributions to the Fund are determined by the Fund's Board of Trustees. The College is jointly and personally liable for claims insured by the Fund and its members during the period of its membership, including liability for supplemental assessments, if necessary. The Fund's Board of Trustees may authorize refunds to its members in any fund year for which contributions exceed the amount necessary to fund all obligations for that year.

The audit report for the Pool can be obtained from:

New Jersey County College Workers' Compensation Pool 1200 Old Trenton Road Trenton, New Jersey 08690

#### **Note 10: COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

Accrued vacation represents the College's liability for the cost of unused employee vacation time payable in the event of employee termination. College employees are granted vacation time in varying amounts under the College's personnel policies and labor negotiated contracts. Regular sick leave benefits provide for ordinary sick pay and begin vesting after a predetermined number of years of service, with a maximum payout of \$15,000. As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the liabilities for accrued compensated absences are included in accrued expenses and consist of the following:

	Balance June 30, 2021	Balance June 30, 2020
Vacation Sick	\$ 1,528,582 354,277	\$ 1,446,238 390,388
Total	\$ 1,882,859	\$ 1,836,626

### Note 11: <u>DEFERRED COMPENSATION SALARY ACCOUNT</u>

The College offers its employees a choice of deferred compensation plans created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Sections 403(b) and 457(b). The plans, which are administered by the entities listed below, permit participants to defer a portion of their salary until future years. Amounts deferred under the plans are not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. The plan administrators are as follows:

Teachers' Insurance and Annuity Association ING Life Insurance and Annuity Company Equitable Life
The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company The Hartford Group MetLife
Prudential

#### Note 12: EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL EXPENSES BY NATURAL CLASSIFICATION

2.532.929

\$ 46,710,299

232 843

2.125.489

\$ 9,878,158

The College's operating expenses by natural classification for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 are presented as follows:

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

\$ 29,151,981 2,337,679 3,461,439 4,159,909 24,269,943 6,386,925 4,491,145 3,867,320
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Total
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Total Functional Expenses \$ 76,443,264

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341,110

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#### Note 13: BOOKSTORE

Depreciation

Auxiliary Expenses

Subtotal

Operation and Maintenance of Plant

Scholarship and Other Student Aid

The College has an agreement with Follett, Inc., a private contractor, for the operation of the official Campus Bookstore at both the Trenton and the West Windsor campuses. The agreement is for a period of five years commencing July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2016, with an option to renew the contract for an additional five years. On March 18, 2016, the option to renew the contract was exercised and extended through June 30, 2021.

Net commissions paid to the College for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, were \$135,273 and \$256,504, respectively.

#### **Note 14: CONTINGENCIES**

<u>Grantor Agencies</u> - Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies could be subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the College expects such amount, if any, to be immaterial.

<u>Litigation</u> - The College is a defendant in several legal proceedings that are in various stages of litigation. It is believed that the outcome, or exposure to the College, from such litigation is either unknown or potential losses, if any, have either been recorded as an accrued expense or would not be material to the financial statements.

#### Note 15: CONCENTRATIONS

The College depends on financial resources flowing from, or associated with, both the federal government and the State of New Jersey. As a result of this dependency, the College is subject to changes in specific flows of intergovernmental revenues based on modifications to federal and State laws and federal and State appropriations.

# Note 16: NET POSITION

The following is a summary of the College's designations of unrestricted net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020:

	<u>2021</u>			<u>2020</u>	
Designated for:					
Unemployment	\$	500,000	\$	500,000	
Technology		3,500,000		100,000	
Educational Broadcast Service		300,000		150,000	
Insurance		300,000		100,000	
WWFM Radio		500,000		250,000	
Operating Revenue		7,839,043		8,242,459	
Capital Projects		4,500,000		1,000,000	
Undesignated Before GASB 68 and 71 Pension Related Items		17,439,043		10,342,459	
Effect of GASB 68 Pension Related Items		(32,951,658)		(35,632,278)	
Total Components of Net Position	\$	(15,512,615)	\$	(25,289,819)	

#### Note 17: IMPACT OF COVID-19

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, the College was awarded the following by the Federal Government in response to the COVID-19 pandemic:

	Amount <u>Awarded</u>				nount Amount pended Expended		Total Amount Expended Through 1 June 30, 2021		Balance emaining
Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF): Passed Through N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE): CRF Grant - Round I (COVID-19) CRF Grant - Round II (COVID-19)	\$	1,144,478 1,138,300	\$	-	\$	1,144,478 1,138,300	\$	1,144,478 1,138,300	\$ -
Passed Through State of N.J. Department of Labor and Workforce Development: Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) - Workforce Training & Reskilling		30,000				30,000		30,000	 <u>-</u>
Total Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)		2,312,778				2,312,778		2,312,778	 
Education Stabilization Fund (ESF): Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act): ESF Section 1 - Elementary and Secondary Education: Passed Through N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE): Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER I) Fund (COVID-19)		668,335		<u>.</u>		668,335		668,335	-
ESF Section 2 - Higher Education: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF I): Student Aid Portion (COVID-19) Institutional Award (COVID-19) Strengthening Institutional Programs (COVID-19)		1,925,558 1,925,558 191,752		687,199 1,925,558		1,238,359		1,925,558 1,925,558 -	- - 191,752
Total CARES Act (HEERF I)		4,042,868		2,612,757		1,238,359		3,851,116	 191,752
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemtal Appropriation Act (CRRSAA): ESF Section 1 - Elementary and Secondary Education: Passed Through N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE): Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEERF II) Fund (COVID-19)		1,000,000							1,000,000
ESF Section 2 - Higher Education: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II): Student Aid Portion Supplemental (COVID-19) Institutional Award Supplemental (COVID-19) Strengthening Institutional Programs Supplemental (COVID-19)		1,925,558 6,432,859 352,052				1,925,558 6,432,859		1,925,558 6,432,859 -	 - - 352,052
Total CRRSSA (HEERF II)		8,710,469				8,358,417		8,358,417	 352,052
American Rescue Plan Act (ARP): ESF Section 2 - Higher Education: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III):									
Student Aid Portion Supplemental (COVID-19) Institutional Award Supplemental (COVID-19) Strengthening Institutional Programs Supplemental (COVID-19)		7,429,823 7,288,278 647,714				658,409 445,036		658,409 445,036	 6,771,414 6,843,242 647,714
Total ARP (HEERF III)		15,365,815				1,103,445	_	1,103,445	 14,262,370
Total Education Stabilization Fund		28,787,487		2,612,757		11,368,556		13,981,313	 14,806,174
Grand Total	\$	31,100,265	\$	2,612,757	\$	13,681,334	\$	16,294,091	\$ 14,806,174

The College expects to expend the remainder of these funds during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

Keeping the health and safety of its community a top priority, the College decided to conduct the majority of its fall 2020 semester courses and spring 2021 semester courses via virtual learning, with very little course conducted via live instruction. Starting in the fall 2021 semester, the College started conducting in person courses in addition to virtual learning.

The significant disclosures of the discretely presented component unit, Mercer County Community College Foundation, are as follows.

# **A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

<u>Organization</u> - The Mercer County Community College Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") is a not-for-profit foundation organized in the State of NJ and exempt from income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). It is operated exclusively for the purpose of assisting the board of directors of the College in holding, investing and administering property and making expenditures to or for the benefit of the College, its students and its faculty.

<u>Basis of Accounting and Presentation</u> - The financial statements of the Foundation have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("US GAAP"). Net assets and revenues, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

The Foundation is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets:

- Net assets without donor restrictions net assets not subject to donor-imposed stipulations, and therefore, are expendable for operating purposes. Net assets without donor restrictions include both designated and undesignated funds. At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the Foundation had net assets without donor restrictions of \$5,871,529 and \$3,424,041, respectively.
- Net assets with donor restrictions net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that will be met by actions of the Foundation and/or by the passage of time. Net assets with donor restrictions include donor-restricted endowment funds requiring investment of a gift in perpetuity or for a specified term as well as the investment return thereon until the returns are appropriated for expenditure. This includes the funds passed through the College to the Foundation in 2018 for Title III monies, where corpus as well as earnings on the corpus are treated as an endowment for 20 years. At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the Organization had net assets with donor restrictions of \$9,507,025 and \$9,147,333, respectively.

<u>Use of Estimates</u> - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> - For purposes of the statements of financial position and statements of cash flows, the Foundation considers all unrestricted, highly liquid investments with an initial maturity date of 90 days or less to be cash equivalents.

The Foundation maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts, which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Foundation monitors the health of these banking institutions and has not experienced any losses in such accounts.

<u>Investments</u> – The Foundation reports investments at fair value. Investment return, including interest, dividends and realized and unrealized gains and losses, net of investment expenses, are reported as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restriction unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulations or by law.

Contributions and Loan Receivable - The Foundation considers all contributions and loan receivable to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowances for doubtful amount is required. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be charged to the change in net assets when that determination is made. Contributions receivables with expected collection terms of greater than two years are presented at their net present value.

#### A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

<u>Income Taxes</u> - The Foundation is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and applicable state law. Income generated by activities that would be considered unrelated to the Foundation's mission would be subject to tax, which, if incurred, would be recognized as a current expense. No such tax has been recognized for the years ended June 30, 2021 or 2020.

US GAAP requires management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Foundation and recognize a tax liability if the Foundation has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. Management evaluated the Foundation's tax positions and concluded that the Foundation had taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements to comply with the provisions of this guidance.

The Foundation did not record any interest or penalties on uncertain tax positions in its financial statements as of or for the year ended June 30, 2021 or 2020. If the Foundation were to incur any income tax liability in the future, interest on any income tax liability would be reported as interest expense and penalties on any income tax liability would be reported as income taxes.

#### **B. INVESTMENTS**

Investments, carried at fair value, at June 30, 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

,	2021								
			Unrealized						
					Appreciation				
		Cost		Fair Value	(De	epreciation)			
	_		_		_				
Corporate Fixed Income	\$	4,692,453	\$	4,750,046	\$	57,593			
Mutual Funds		6,940,727		10,196,399		3,255,672			
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	\$	11,633,180	\$	14,946,445	\$	3,313,265			
				2020					
					Ĺ	Inrealized			
					Appreciation				
		Cost		Fair Value	(De	epreciation)			
Corporate Fixed Income	\$	5,033,592	\$	5,167,170	\$	133,578			
Mutual Funds		5,641,927		6,686,470		1,044,543			
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	\$	10,675,519	\$	11,853,640	\$	1,178,121			

# **B. INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)**

The following schedule summarizes the investment return and its classification:

		Without Donor Restrictions		ith Donor estrictions		Total
Interest and dividend income Realized gain Unrealized Gain (Loss) Investment Fees	\$	136,542 286,712 2,141,247 (62,017)	\$	159,596 336,848 (5,337)	\$	296,138 623,560 2,141,247 (67,354)
Total investment return	\$	2,502,484	\$	491,107	\$	2,993,591
				2020		
		Without Donor Restrictions		With Donor Restrictions		Total
Interest and dividend income Realized gain Unrealized Gain Investment Fees	\$	130,522 226,534 (90,976) (47,197)	\$	143,256 294,401 (4,227)	\$	273,778 520,935 (90,976) (51,424)
Total investment return	\$	218,883	\$	433,430	\$	652,313

#### **C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. In determining fair value, the Foundation uses various methods including market, income and cost approaches. Based on these approaches, the Foundation often utilizes certain assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk and/or the risks inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. These inputs can be readily observable, market corroborated, or generally unobservable inputs. The Foundation utilizes valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Based on the observability of the inputs used in the valuation techniques the Foundation is required to provide the following information according to the fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy ranks the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values. Financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

Level 1 - Quoted prices for identical assets and liabilities traded in active exchange markets.

Level 2 - Observable inputs other than Level 1 including quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in less active markets, or other observable inputs that can be corroborated by observable market data.:

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs supported by little or no market activity for financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation; also includes observable inputs for nonbinding single dealer quotes not corroborated by observable market data.

While the Foundation believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different estimate of fair value at the reporting date.

During the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, there were no changes to the Foundation's valuation techniques that had, or are expected to have, a material impact on its financial position or changes in net assets.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for instruments measured at fair value: Corporate fixed income and Mutual funds - The fair value is the market value based on quoted market prices, when available, or market prices provided by recognized broker-dealers. If listed prices or quotes are not available, fair value is based upon externally developed models that use unobservable inputs due to the limited market activity of the instrument.

The Foundation considers all investments to be Level 1.

The primary objective of the Foundation's investments is capital appreciation and return without undue exposure to risk. Investment funds are selected to support long term goals, and provide growth of endowment assets at a rate that that will provide available funds for expenses and scholarships and growth to endowment assets.

# **D. NET ASSETS**

#### **Without Donor Restrictions**

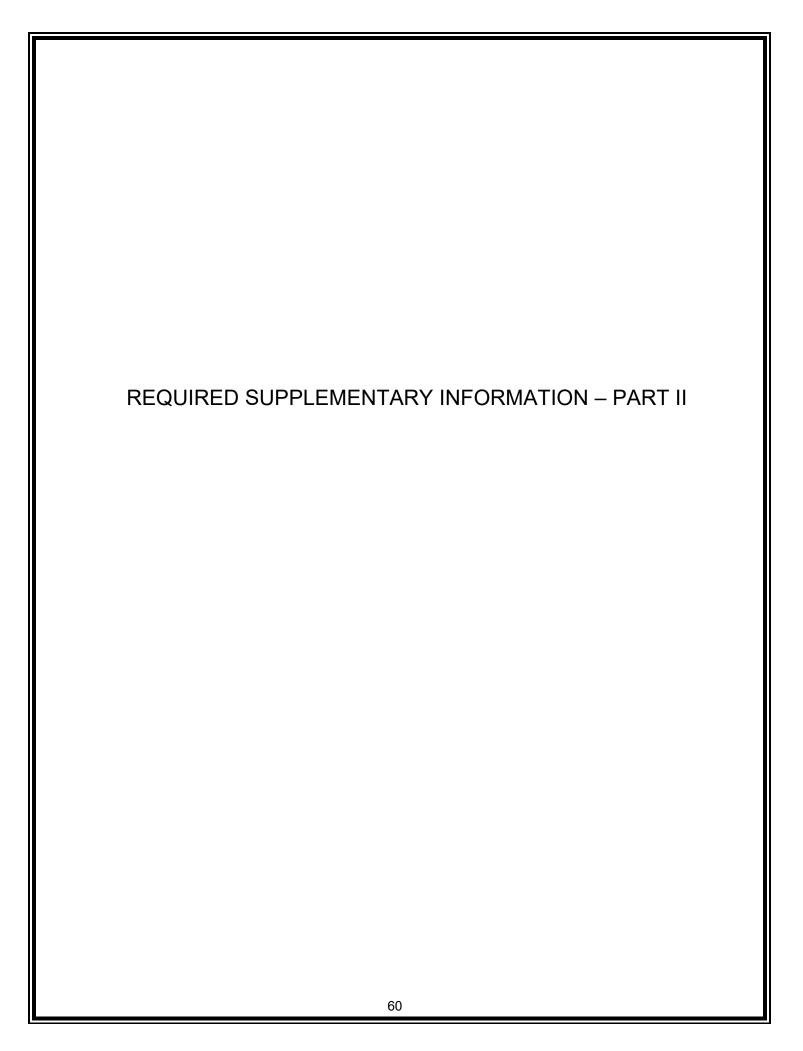
The Foundation's board of directors has chosen to place the following limitations on unrestricted net assets:

	June 30,					
		<u>2021</u>		2020		
Designated for scholarships and programs	\$	122,638	\$	107,444		
Designated for student assistance		1,740,319		1,391,125		
Designated for major gifts campaign		438,163		440,182		
Undesignated		3,570,409		1,485,290		
Total	\$	5,871,529	\$	3,424,041		

#### With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions are comprised of the following at June 30, 2021 and 2020:

	June 30,				
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>			
Purpose Restricted:					
Scholarships	\$ 5,536,466	\$	5,307,732		
Programs	812,137		710,658		
Capital Improvements	161,936		201,204		
Endowments given in perpetuity:					
Original gifts	 2,996,486		2,927,739		
Total	\$ 9,507,025	\$	9,147,333		



Required Supplementary Information - Part II
Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)
Last Eight Plan Years

	Plan Measurement Date Ending June 30,							
	2020		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>			<u>2017</u>
College's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.1	1381578321%	0.1	388135555%	0.1	476390949%	0.1	541793483%
College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$	22,529,929	\$	25,012,097	\$	29,069,402	\$	35,890,488
College's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Date)	\$	9,930,776	\$	9,993,860	\$	10,601,160	\$	10,840,436
College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		226.87%		250.27%		274.21%		331.08%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		58.32%		52.67%		53.60%		48.10%
		Plan Measurement Date Ending June 30,						
		<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u> <u>2014</u>				<u>2013</u>	
College's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.1	1632019710%	0.1	754379672%	0.1	838515911%	0.1	864619887%
College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$	48,335,743	\$	39,382,308	\$	34,422,046	\$	35,636,591
College's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Date)	\$	11,428,960	\$	12,307,496	\$	13,219,828	\$	13,295,564
College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		422.92%		240.000/		260.38%		268.03%
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Note: This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will only include information for those years for which information is available.

Required Supplementary Information - Part II Schedule of the College's Contributions Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Last Eight Fiscal Years

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,							
		<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>
Contractually Required Contribution	\$	1,623,130	\$	1,511,378	\$	1,350,247	\$	1,468,532
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		(1,623,130)		(1,511,378)		(1,350,247)		(1,468,532)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$		\$		\$		\$	
College's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	\$	9,397,063	\$	9,672,676	\$	9,745,282	\$	9,997,972
Contributions as a Percentage of College's Covered Payroll		17.27%		15.63%		13.86%		14.69%
				Fiscal Year Eı	nded	l June 30,		
		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>
Contractually Required Contribution	\$	1,428,307	\$	1,449,863	\$	1,508,296	\$	1,515,646
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		(1,428,307)		(1,449,863)		(1,508,296)		(1,515,646)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$		\$		\$	_	\$	_
College's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	\$	10,370,749	\$	10,986,418	\$	11,723,492	\$	12,380,006
Contributions as a Percentage of College's Covered Payroll		13.77%		13.20%		12.87%		12.24%

Note: This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will only include information for those years for which information is available.

Required Supplementary Information - Part II Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

# Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

#### Changes in Benefit Terms

The June 30, 2020 measurement date included two changes to the plan provisions. Chapter 157, P.L. 2019 expanded the definition of regular or assigned duties for purposes of accidental disability. The Division of Pension and Benefits (DPB) also adopted a new policy regarding the crediting of interest on member contributions for the purpose of refund of accumulated deductions.

#### Changes in Assumptions

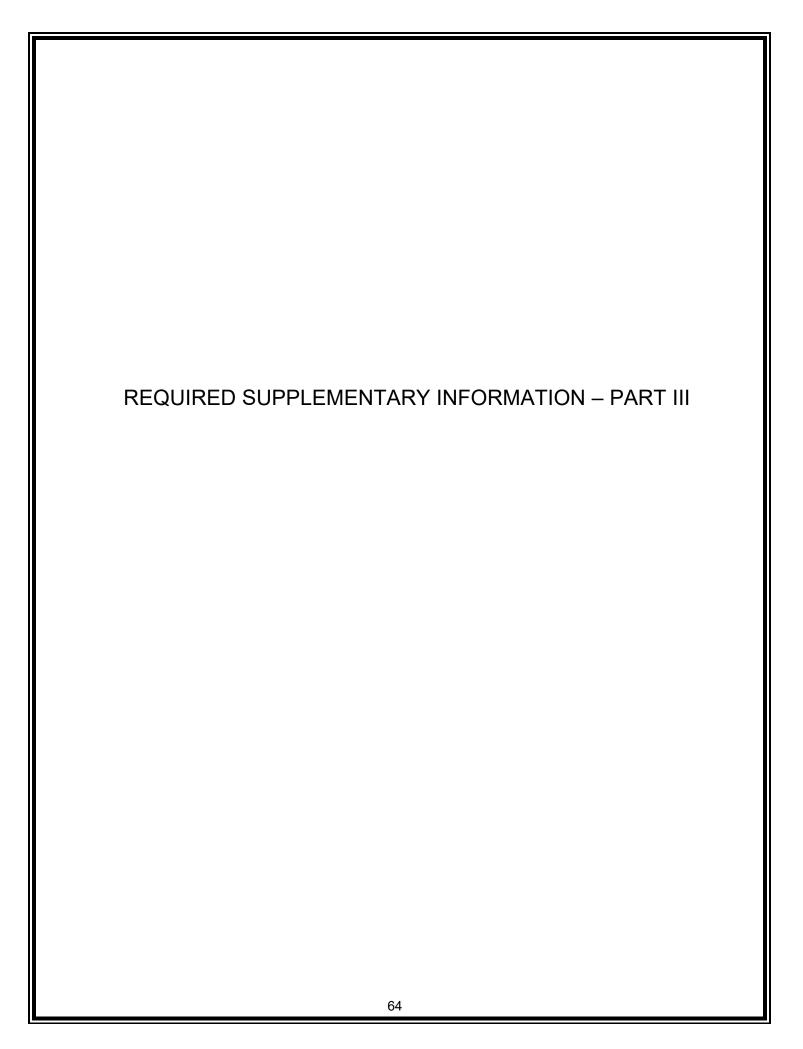
The discount rate used as of June 30 measurement date is as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2020	7.00%	2016	3.98%
2019	6.28%	2015	4.90%
2018	5.66%	2014	5.39%
2017	5.00%		

The long-term expected rate of return used as of June 30 measurement date is as follows:

Year Rate		<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2020	7.00%	2016	7.65%
2019	7.00%	2015	7.90%
2018	7.00%	2014	7.90%
2017	7.00%		

The mortality assumption was updated upon direction from the DPB.



Required Supplementary Information - Part III
Schedule of Changes in the School District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios
Last Four Plan Years

	Measurement Date Ending June 30,							
Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability - State's Proportionate Share of the Total OPEB Liability Associated with the College		<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>		<u>2017</u>
Changes for the Year: Service Cost Interest Cost Difference between Expected and Actual Experience Changes in Assumptions Member Contributions Gross Benefit Payments	\$	2,767,547 2,535,946 17,611,940 20,482,561 59,169 (1,952,116)	\$	2,696,577 3,006,886 (10,068,988) 1,053,045 64,266 (2,168,019)	\$	5,190,033 3,579,985 (17,820,490) (8,726,272) 70,276 (2,033,352)	\$	6,165,926 3,037,050 (12,741,829) 81,692 (2,218,525)
Net Change in Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability		41,505,047		(5,416,233)		(19,739,820)		(5,675,686)
Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability - July 1		70,626,394		76,042,627		95,782,447		101,458,133
Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability - June 30	\$	112,131,441	\$	70,626,394	\$	76,042,627	\$	95,782,447
College's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$	22,946,651	\$	21,364,195	\$	21,626,860	\$	22,070,739
State's Proportionate Share of the Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability Associated with the College as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		488.66%		330.58%		351.61%		433.98%

Note: This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years.

However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will only include information for those years for which information is available.

Required Supplementary Information - Part III Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

#### Changes in Benefit Terms:

There were no changes in benefit terms from the previous valuations.

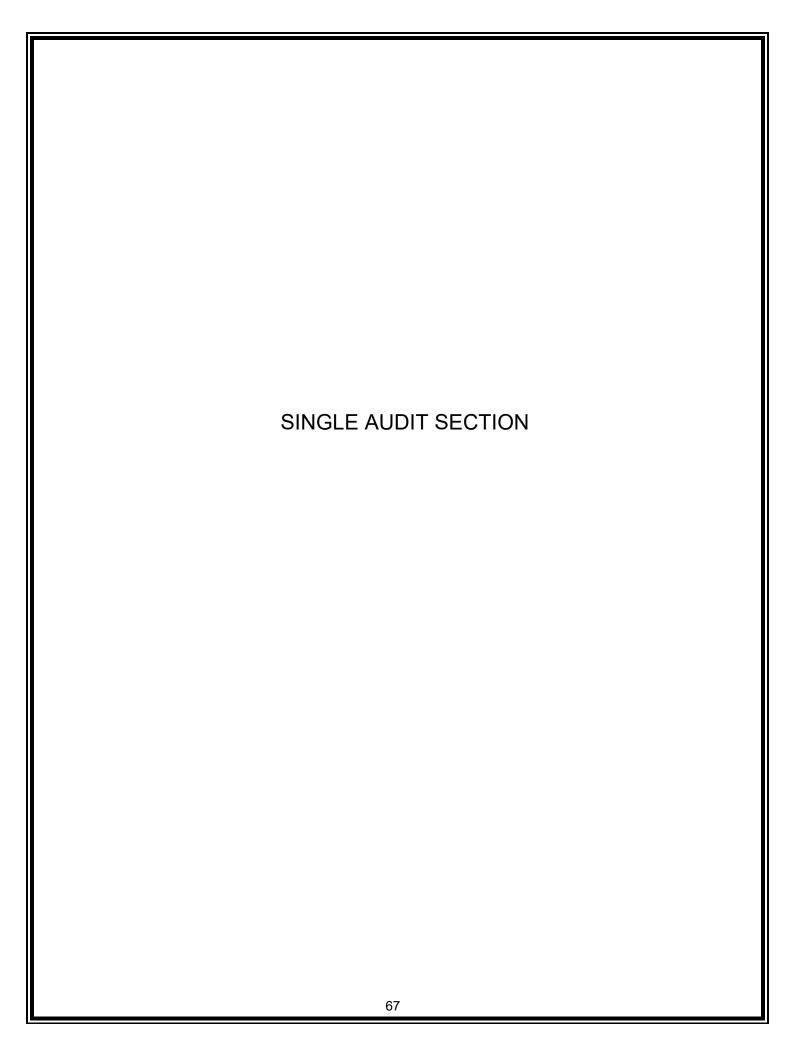
#### Changes in Assumptions:

The discount rate used as of June 30 measurement date is as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2020	2.21%	2018	3.87%
2019	3.50%	2017	3.58%

The mortality assumption was updated upon the direction from the Division of Pension and Benefits (DPB).

The health care trend assumption is used to project the growth of the expected claims over the lifetime of the health care recipients. Medical and prescription drug trend rates are determined by utilizing experience data, industry experience which includes surveys and Aon trend guidance. These rates are adjusted further to be appropriate with respect to the plan provisions. The ultimate trend for medical and prescription drug benefits was lowered from 5.0% to 4.5%. Recent plan experience along with national trend studies indicate a reduction on the expectations of future long-term medical and prescription drug experience. For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend is initially 5.6% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after seven years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage rates for Plan Years 2019 through 2022 are reflected. For Plan Year 2023, the Medicare Advantage trend rate includes an assumed increase in the premiums based on recent experience and discussions with the Medicare Advantage vendor. The assumed post-65 medical trend is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.0% decreasing to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after seven years.





# REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY CIRCULAR 15-08-OMB

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Trustees Mercer County Community College West Windsor, New Jersey 08550

### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

We have audited **Mercer County Community College's** (the "College"), compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* and the *New Jersey State Grant Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the College's major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The College's major federal and state programs are identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs*.

# Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal and state statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal and state awards applicable to its federal and state programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the College's major federal and state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance); and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid.* Those standards, the Uniform Guidance, and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal or state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the College's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the College's compliance.

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

In our opinion, *Mercer County Community College* complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

#### Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, and which are described in the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs* as Findings 2021-004, 2021-005 and 2021-006. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

The College's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs*. The College's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of *Mercer County Community College* is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the College's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal or state program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal or state program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance 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 compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we did identify certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs* as Finding 2021-004, 2021-005 and 2021-006, that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

The College's response to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs*. The College's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title/Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing <u>Number</u>	Additional Award Identification	Pass Through Entity Identifying <u>Number</u>	FY 2021 <u>Expenditures</u>	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Labor:					
H-1B Job Training Grants:					
Passed Through Bergen Community College:					
NJ Healthworks Grant	17.268	N/A	N/A	\$ 19,997	\$ -
Passed Through County College of Morris:					
Scaling Apprenticeship Through Sector Based Stategies Project					
(Careeradvance USA)	17.268	N/A	N/A	13,921	
				33,918	
WIOA Cluster:					
Passed Through N.J. Department of Labor and Workforce Development:	47.050	<b>N</b> 1/A	NI/A	00.400	
WIOA Youth Activities - ABE Literacy New Jersey Youth Corps - WIOA State Set Aside	17.259	N/A COVID-19	N/A N/A	22,483	
WIOA State Set Aside - Bridges to Employing Youth	17.258 17.258	N/A	Bridges-2002	249,477 90,767	-
WIOA State Set Aside - Bridges to Employing Youth	17.200	IN/A	Bridges-2002	90,767	
				362,727	
Total U.S. Department of Labor				396,645	
U.S. Department of the Treasury:					
Coronavirus Relief Fund:					
Passed Through State of N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education:					
Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) - Round I	21.019	COVID-19	MCCC CRF I	1,144,478	
Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) - Round II	21.019	COVID-19	MCCC CRF II	1,138,300	
Passed Through State of N.J. Department of Labor and Workforce Development:					
Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) - Workforce Training & Reskilling	21.019	COVID-19	N/A	30,000	
Total U.S. Department of Treasury/Total Coronavirus Relief Fund				2,312,778	
U.S. Department of Education:					
Student Financial Aid Cluster ( <u>Direct Funding</u> ):	04.007	<b>1</b> 1/4	A1//A	074 -00	
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	84.007	N/A	N/A	274,538	
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	84.007	N/A	N/A	35,064	
Federal Work-Study Program	84.033	N/A	N/A	99,652	
Federal Pell Grant Program	84.063	N/A	N/A	7,787,889	
Federal Direct Student Loans - Subsidized Federal Direct Student Loans - Unsubsidized	84.268	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	929,150	
rederal Direct Student Loans - Onsubsidized	84.268	IN/A	IN/A	1,256,861	·
Total Student Financial Aid Cluster				10,383,154	

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title/Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing <u>Number</u>	Additional Award <u>Identification</u>	Pass Through Entity Identifying <u>Number</u>	FY 2021 <u>Expenditures</u>	Passed Through to <u>Subrecipients</u>
U.S. Department of Education (Continued): Higher Education Instutitutional Aid (Direct Funding)	84.031	84.031A	N/A	\$ 497,713	\$ -
nigher Education historical Ald (Direct Funding)	64.031	64.03 TA	IN/A	φ 497,713	Φ -
Education Stabilization Fund (ESF): Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act): ESF Section 1 - Elementary and Secondary Education:					
Passed Through N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE): Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund	84.425	COVID-19, 84.425C	N/A	668,335	
ESF Section 2 - Higher Education:					
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF I) ( <u>Direct Funding</u> ): Student Aid Portion	84.425	COVID-19, 84.425E	N/A	1,238,359	
Total CARES Act (HEERF I)				1,238,359	
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act (CRRSAA): ESF Section 2 - Higher Education:					
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II) ( <u>Direct Funding)</u> : Student Aid Portion Institutional Award	84.425 84.425	COVID-19, 84.425E COVID-19, 84.425F	N/A N/A	1,925,558 6,432,859	
Total CRRSAA (HEERF II)		.,.		8,358,417	-
American Rescue Plan Act (ARP): ESF Section 2 - Higher Education:					
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) ( <u>Direct Funding):</u> Student Aid Portion Institutional Award	84.425 84.425	COVID-19, 84.425E COVID-19, 84.425F	N/A N/A	658,409 445,036	
Total ARP (HEERF III)	04.425	00415-19, 04.4231	N/A	1,103,445	
Total ARF (HEERF III)				1,103,443	-
Education Stabilization Fund				11,368,556	<del>-</del>
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants:  Passed Through State of N.J. Department of Education:					
Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act	84.048	N/A	05-7116-035	457,015	
Total Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants				457,015	
					(Continued)

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title/Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing <u>Number</u>	Additional Award <u>Identification</u>	Pass Through Entity Identifying <u>Number</u>	FY 2021 Expenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Education (Continued):  Adult Education - Basic Grants to States:  Passed Through State of N.J. Department of Labor and Workforce Development:					
Adult Education and Family Literacy: Adult Basic Skills	84.002	N/A	ABS-FY2021-003	\$ 589,482	\$ -
Total Adult Education - Basic Grants to States				589,482	
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers: 21st Century Learning	84.287	N/A	EK28	220,982	
Total Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers				220,982	
TRIO Cluster ( <u>Direct Funding</u> ):					
TRIO - Talent Search TRIO - Talent Search	84.044 84.044	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	323,399 60,512	
THE TURNING COLLEGE	01.011	14/1	14// (	383,911	
TRIO - Upward Bound	84.047	N/A	N/A	322,449	
TRIO - Upward Bound	84.047	N/A	N/A	114,941	-
				437,390	
Total TRIO Cluster				821,301	
Total U.S. Department of Education				24,338,203	<del>_</del>
National Science Foundation:  Passed Through New Jersey Department of Education:  Passed Through William Patterson University:  Education and Human Resources - NSF NOYCE	47.076	N/A	N/A	27,958	
Total National Science Foundation				27,958	
					•
Total Federal Awards				\$ 27,075,584	<u> </u>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements and notes to the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

State Grantor/Program Title	State GMIS Number	Program or Award <u>Amount</u>	Matching Contribution	Program Funds <u>Received</u>	Grai <u>From</u>	nt Period <u>To</u>	FY 2021 <u>Expenditures</u>	Passed Through to <u>Subrecipients</u>	Cumulative Expenditures
Student Financial Aid:									
N.J. Commission of Higher Education:	100 071 0101 001		•	A 450,000	07/04/00	00/00/04	450,000	•	A 450,000
Educational Opportunities Fund - Article III Educational Opportunities Fund - Article III Summer	100-074-2401-001 100-074-2401-001	\$ 232,648 153,374	\$ -	\$ 156,662 153,371	07/01/20 07/01/20	06/30/21 06/30/21	\$ 156,662 153,371	\$ -	\$ 156,662 153,371
Educational Opportunities Fund - Article in Summer	100-074-2401-001	155,574	-	155,571	07/01/20	00/30/21	100,071		155,571
N.J. Higher Education Student Assistance Authority:									
New Jersey Stars Program	100-074-2405-313	151,315	-	151,315	07/01/20	06/30/21	151,315		151,315
Tuition Aid Grants	100-074-2405-007	1,583,371	-	1,583,371	07/01/20	06/30/21	1,583,371		1,583,371
Community College Opportunity Grant	100-074-2405-332	1,067,440	-	1,067,440	07/01/20	06/30/21	1,067,440		1,067,440
NJ Best Grants	100-074-2405-316	-	-	8,250	07/01/20	06/30/21	8,250		8,250
Garden State Scholars							2,000	-	2,000
Total Student Financial Aid							3,122,409		3,122,409
N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education:									
College Readiness Now Grant (V)	100-074-2400-055	_	_	43.249	07/01/20	06/30/21	43,249		43,249
Educational Opportunity Fund - Article IV	100-074-2401-002	219.460	_	219,460	07/01/20	06/30/21	219.460		219.460
Community College Opportunity Grant	100-074-2400-061	262,000	-	219,130	07/01/20	06/30/21	219,130		219,130
Building our Future Bond Act:									
Renovating Labs & Instructional Space to Improve									
Improve Teaching of STEM Discipline	586-074-2400-037	250,000		249,450	07/01/20	06/30/21	249,450		249,450
Total N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education							731,289		731,289
N.J. Department of Community Affairs									
New Jersey Construction Code	100-022-5015-801	-	-	2,075	07/01/20	06/30/21	2,075		2,075
Total N.J. Department of Community Affairs							2,075		2,075
N.J. Department of Treasury - Higher Education Administration:									
Operational Costs - County Colleges	100-082-2155-015	6,504,929	-	6,504,929	07/01/20	06/30/21	6,504,929	-	6,504,929
DL 4074 Observer 40 Dalet Oscarios	100 000 0455 040	0.740.005		0.004.500	07/04/00	00/00/04	0.004.500		0.004.500
P.L. 1971 Chapter 12 Debt Service	100-082-2155-016	2,746,395	-	2,634,520	07/01/20	06/30/21	2,634,520		2,634,520
Employer Contributions - Alternate Benefit Program - FT Faculty	100-082-2155-017	900,916	-	900,916	07/01/20	06/30/21	900,916		900,916
Employer Contributions - Alternate Benefit Program - Adjunct	100-082-2155-017	183,113	-	183,113	07/01/20	06/30/21	183,113		183,113
Total Employer Contributions - Alternate Benefit Program							1,084,028		1,084,028
Total N.J. Department of the Treasury - Higher Education Administra	tion						10,223,477		10,223,477
Total State Financial Assistance							\$ 14,079,250	\$ -	\$ 14,079,250

The accompanying notes to the financial statements and notes to the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

#### Note 1: BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance ("the schedules") include federal and state award activity of Mercer County Community College (hereafter referred to as the "College"). The College is defined in note 1 to the College's basic financial statements. The information in these schedules is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid.* All federal and state awards received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal awards and state financial assistance passed through other government agencies, are included on the schedules. Because these schedules present only a selected portion of the operations of the College, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position and changes in operations of the College. Accordingly, some amounts presented in the respective schedules may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the College's June 30, 2021 financial statements.

#### Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are presented using the accrual basis of accounting as described in note 1 to the College's basic financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowed or are limited as to reimbursement.

#### Note 3: INDIRECT COST RATE

The College has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under Uniform Guidance.

#### Note 4: OTHER STUDENT LOAN PROGRAMS

The College is responsible only for the performance of certain administrative duties with respect to Federal Direct Student Loans and New Jersey Class Loans; accordingly, these loans balances are not included in the College's basic financial statements. It is not practical to determine the balance of loans outstanding to students of the College under these programs as of June 30, 2021.

## Note 5: DONATED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

The College has not received any donations of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) related to COVID-19.

#### Note 6: MAJOR PROGRAMS

Major programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

# Section 1- Summary of Auditor's Results

<u>Financial Statements</u>						
Type of auditor's report issued		Unmodified				
Internal control over financial reporting:						
Material weakness(es) identified?		X yes no				
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		yes X none reported				
Noncompliance material to financial statements no	x yes no					
Federal Awards						
Internal control over major programs:						
Material weakness(es) identified?		yes X_no				
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	X yes none reported					
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for m	najor programs	Unmodified				
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be with Section 516 of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federa Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Pr. Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guldentification of major programs:	al Regulations Part 200, inciples, and Audit	Xyesno				
, , ,	Name of Endoral Broarem or Clu	tou				
Assistance Listing Number(s)	Name of Federal Program or Clu Student Financial Aid Cluster:	<u>ister</u>				
84.007	Federal Supplemental Educa	ational Opportunity Grant				
84.033	Federal Work Study Program	1				
84.063	Federal Pell Program					
84.268	Federal Direct Student Loans					
21.019	Coronavirus Relief Fund: Coronavirus Relief Fund (CF	RF)(COVID-19) - Round I				
21.019	Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)(COVID-19) - Round II					
21.019	Coronavirus Relief Fund (CF	RF)(COVID-19) - Workforce Training and Reskilling				
84.031	Higher Education Institutional A	sid .				
84.425C		conomic Security Act (CARES Act): cation Relief (GEER) Fund (COVID-19)				
84.425E	Student Aid Portion (C	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				
84.425E	Coronavirus Response and Re Higher Education Emerger Student Aid Portion (C					
84.425F	Institutional Portion (COVID-19)					
84.425E	American Rescue Plan Act (AF Higher Education Emerger Student Aid Portion (C	ncy Relief Fund (HEERF III):				
84.425F	Institutional Portion (COVID-19)					
Dollar threshold used to determine Type A program	ns	\$	812,267.52			
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		yes X_no				
			(Continued)			

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Se	ection 1- Summary of Auditor's Re	esults (Co	nt'd	)	
State Financial Assistance					
Internal control over major programs:					
Material weakness(es) identified?	_	yes	Χ	no	
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	_	yes	Χ	none reported	
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for ma	ajor programs			Unmodified	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be r accordance with New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMI	•	yes _	Х	no	
Identification of major programs:					
GMIS Number(s)	Name of State Program				
100-082-2155-015	Operational Costs - County Colle	ege			
100-082-2155-016	Chapter 12 Debt Service				
586-074-2400-037	Building Our Future Bond Act				
Dollar threshold used to determine Type A programs	s	\$			750,000.00
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	<u>-</u>	X yes		_no	

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Section 2- Schedule of Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, fraud, noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements related to financial statements for which *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, requires.

## Finding No. 2021-001

# Criteria or Specific Requirement

Internal controls should be in place that provide reasonable assurance that the various financial system processes function appropriately in order to ensure the proper reconciliation of accounts and account balances so that the College's financial statements are accurately prepared and presented in accordance with all the applicable requirements.

#### Condition

Several issues were identified with respect to the controls and procedures over financial system processes; including the timely reconciliation of accounts, the accuracy of the posting of transactions and proper preparation of the financial statements.

#### Context

Reconciliations of account balances were not performed in a timely manner subsequent to the close-out of the general ledger at year-end. During the audit, it was noted that several financial statement account balances were not supported by subsidiary records and required material adjusting journal entries to reflect the proper balances on the financial statements.

#### **Effect or Potential Effect**

As a result of the deficiencies noted in the reconciliation of process, a number of financial posting errors were noted requiring reclassifications; and the lack of timely reconciliation of accounts exposes the College to errors that may not be identified in a timely manner possibly resulting in the material misstatement of financial statement balances.

#### Cause

There was a significant turnover of personnel within the various finance office functions related to the processes identified.

#### Recommendation

Controls and procedures should be implemented to ensure the proper review and analysis of account balances as well as the proper recording of certain transactions to avoid the necessity of reclassification and adjustments after year end. These procedures and reporting of balances should be performed throughout the fiscal year and during the close-out process to reduce the risk that errors may not be identified in a timely manner.

# View of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Section 2- Schedule of Financial Statement Findings (Cont'd)

## Finding No. 2021-002

#### Criteria or Specific Requirement

N.J.S.A. 52:15C-10 states "In furtherance of the duty of the State Comptroller to audit and monitor the process of soliciting proposals for, and the process of awarding, contracts by contracting units which contracts involve a significant consideration or expenditure of funds, a contracting unit shall provide notice to the State Comptroller no later than 20 business days after the award of a contract involving consideration or an expenditure of more than \$2,500,000 but less than \$12,500,000".

## Condition

The College did not comply with N.J.S.A. 52:15C-10.

#### Context

During our test of bids and contracts we noted the College did not comply with N.J.S.A. 52:15C-10 and submit a completed Office of State Comptroller Form A post-award notice for contracts valued at more than \$2,500,000 but less than \$12,500,000 no later than 20 business days after the award. In this instance, the award date of the contract was 7/16/20 and the notice was submitted 12/2/21.

#### **Effect or Potential Effect**

The College was not in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:15C-10.

#### Cause

There was turnover of personnel in the purchasing department.

#### Recommendation

Controls and procedures should be implemented to ensure purchases made by the College are in compliance with the applicable statutes.

## View of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Section 2- Schedule of Financial Statement Findings (Cont'd)

#### Finding No. 2021-003

# Criteria or Specific Requirement

As a function of effective internal controls, supporting documentation should be maintained for the billings and timely analysis and reconciliations should be prepared for the accounts receivable balance for sponsored credit courses.

#### Condition

Supporting documentation was not readily available to substantiate the accounts receivable balance for sponsored credit courses.

#### Context

Reconciliations of the accounts receivable balance for sponsored credit courses were not prepared in a timely manner subsequent to the close-out of the general ledger at year-end.

# **Effect or Potential Effect**

The lack of timely reconciliation of accounts exposes the College to errors that may not be identified in a timely manner possibly resulting in the material misstatement of financial statement balances.

#### Cause

There was a significant turnover of personnel within the various finance office functions related to the processes identified.

#### Recommendation

Controls and procedures should be implemented to ensure the proper review and analysis of the accounts receivable balance for sponsored credit courses as well as the proper recording of certain transactions to avoid the necessity of reclassification and adjustments after year end. These procedures and reporting of balances should be performed throughout the fiscal year and during the close-out process to reduce the risk that errors may not be identified in a timely manner.

## **View of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action**

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

### Section 3- Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, material instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, and significant instances of abuse related to the audit of major Federal programs, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance).

## Finding No. 2021-004

## Information on the Federal Program

U.S. Department of Education - Student Financial Aid Cluster (Federal Award Year 7/1/20 to 6/30/21): Federal Direct Student Loans:

(Assistance Listing Number 84.268) (Federal Grant Number P268K210476) (FAIN – not applicable) Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunities Grants:

(Assistance Listing Number 84.007) (Federal Grant Number P007A202582) (FAIN – not applicable) Federal Pell Grant Program:

(Assistance Listing Number 84.063) (Federal Grant Number P063P200476) (FAIN – not applicable)

#### Criteria or Specific Requirement

34 CFR section 668.173(b) – Timing of Return of Title IV Funds:

Returns of Title IV funds are required to be deposited or transferred into the SFA account or electronic fund transfers initiated to ED or the appropriate FFEL lender as soon as possible, but no later than 45 days after the date the institution determines that the student withdrew.

#### 34 CFR sections 668.22(a)(1) through (a)(5):

When a recipient of Title IV grant or loan assistance withdraws from an institution during a payment period or period of enrollment in which the recipient began attendance, the institution must determine the amount of Title IV aid earned by the student as of the student's withdrawal date. If the total amount of Title IV assistance earned by the student is less than the amount that was disbursed to the student or on his or her behalf as of the date of the institution's determination that the student withdrew, the difference must be returned to the Title IV programs as outlined in this section and no additional disbursements may be made to the student for the payment period or period of enrollment. If the amount the student earned is greater than the amount disbursed, the difference between the amounts must be treated as a post-withdrawal disbursement.

#### Section 3508 of the CARES Act:

Section 3508 of the CARES Act waives Return of Title IV Funds (R2T4) requirements for students whose withdrawals were related to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19). These waivers apply to payment periods that include March 13, 2020, through the last date of the COVID-19 national emergency. The CARES Act requires schools to report to ED information specific to each student for whom it was not required to return Title IV funds under the waiver exception. The law also requires schools to report to ED the total amount of Title IV grant or loan assistance that was not returned as a result of the CARES Act provisions.

#### Condition

- A. For 4 sampled students who officially withdrew during the payment period in which they began attendance, the College did not perform the Return of Title IV Funds Calculations ("return calculation") in a timely manner and funds were not returned to the Federal Department of Education ("DOE") within the required 45 days.
- B. For 1 sampled student who unofficially withdrew from the 2020 Fall Reporting Term payment period, the College did not properly perform the Return of Title IV Funds Calculation ("return calculation") and improper post-withdrawal disbursement in the amount of \$525 Pell award was made to the student.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Section 3- Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs (Cont'd)

## Finding No. 2021-004 (Cont'd)

## **Condition (Cont'd)**

C. The College did not comply with Section 3508 of the CARES Act in reporting information specific to each student for whom it was not required to return Title IV funds under the waiver exception the total amount of Title IV grant or loan assistance that was not returned as a result of the CARES Act provisions. For 12 sampled students to whom the College determined such waiver applied, the Coronavirus Indicator checkbox in the COD System was completed in March 2022. No other supporting document was provided by the College to evidence that all reporting was completed. In addition, it did not appear that the College retained documentation indicating that these students' withdrawals were related to COVID-19.

#### **Questioned Costs**

- A. There are no questioned costs related to this item.
- B. The known amount is \$524.50 and represents improper post-withdrawal disbursement of Pell award. The likely amount is unknown.
- C. There were no questioned costs related to the 12 sampled student after the COVID Indicator was checked in COD System in March 2022; however, likely questioned costs is unknown.

#### Context

In our sample of 40 students who were awarded federal student financial aid, 9 students were required to have a return calculation performed and we noted 1 error as related to Condition A and 2 errors as related to Condition C. We expanded our sample to include another 40 items, therefore, total R2T4 sample size was 49. We noted 1 error as related to Condition B in the expanded sample, and additional 3 errors and 10 errors as related to Conditions A and C, respectively.

There were a total of 629 R2T4 calculations performed for the award year. Out of the 49 samples, 39 students received Pell awards and 9 students received Direct Loans. Pell and Direct Loan disbursed for the sample were \$96,455 and \$31,815, respectively. The population of R2T4 calculations included 583 Pell students and 75 Direct Loan students. Pell and Direct Loan disbursed for the population were \$1,422,091 and \$195,402, respectively.

The sample was not intended to be, and was not, a statically valid sample.

### **Effect or Potential Effect**

Noncompliance with the Return of Title IV requirements.

### Cause

Turnover in the College's Financial Aid Department during the award year.

### Recommendation

That the College establish procedures to timely and correctly perform all Return of Title IV calculations and ensure all required reporting was completed.

# View of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Section 3- Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs (Cont'd)

#### Finding No. 2021-005

## Information on the Federal Program

U.S. Department of the Treasury – Passed Through State of N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education: **Coronavirus Relief Fund**: (Federal Award Year 7/1/20 to 6/30/21):

Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) – Round I:

(Assistance Listing Number 21.019) (FAIN – not applicable)

Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) - Round II:

(Assistance Listing Number 21.019) (FAIN – not applicable)

U.S. Department of the Treasury – Passed Through State of N.J. Department of Labor and Workforce Development: Coronavirus Relief Fund (Federal Award Year 7/1/20 to 6/30/21):

Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) – Workforce Training & Reskilling:

(Assistance Listing Number 21.019) (FAIN – not applicable)

U.S. Department of Education – Passed Through State of N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education: **Education Stabilization Fund**: (Federal Award Year 7/1/20 to 6/30/21):

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)

Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund (COVID-19):

(Assistance Listing Number 84.425C) (FAIN – not applicable)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF I): Student Aid Portion (COVID-19)

(Assistance Listing Number 84.425E) (FAIN – not applicable)

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act (CRRSAA):

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II): Student Aid Portion (COVID-19)

(Assistance Listing Number 84.425E) (FAIN – not applicable)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II): Institutional Portion (COVID-19)

(Assistance Listing Number 84.425F) (FAIN – not applicable)

American Rescue Plan Act (ARP):

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III): Student Aid Portion (COVID-19)

(Assistance Listing Number 84.425E) (FAIN – not applicable)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III): Institutional Portion (COVID-19)

(Assistance Listing Number 84.425F) (FAIN – not applicable)

# Criteria or Specific Requirement

Federal CFR 2 200.303 states that a non-Federal entity must establish and maintain effective internal controls over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award.

College policy indicates that certain management personnel in the finance department are responsible for determining if an expense is allowable to a federal award and for submitting the required budget and expenditure reports to the state. As evidence of that determination, all grant expenditures and reports submitted to the state must be approved by management personnel in the finance department.

# **Condition**

Several grant expenditures were deemed to be unallowable costs, per the grant compliance requirements and the amounts reported on the federal financial reports were not in agreement with the financial records at the College.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Section 3- Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs (Cont'd)

## Finding No. 2021-005 (Cont'd)

#### **Questioned Costs**

#### **Coronavirus Relief Fund:**

The known amount is \$3,637 and represents the salary of an employee charged to the grant who had retired in May 2020, prior to the reporting period. The likely amount is \$42,612, based on projection of the error in the sample to the entire population.

#### **Education Stabilization Fund:**

Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund (COVID-19):

The known amount is \$5,013 and represents the salary of two employees charged to the grant who had retired in May 2020, prior to the reporting period. The likely amount is \$38,781 based on projection of the error in the sample to the entire population.

An additional amount of questioned costs is \$9,651 related to the difference between the budget reports and the supporting detail.

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III): Institutional Portion (COVID-19):

The known amount is \$56,847 and represents the amount of a voucher charged to the grant twice in error. The likely amount is \$56,847 as a result of examination of 100% of the population.

#### Context

#### Coronavirus Relief Fund:

1 out of 27 employees selected for testing was charged to the grant for the period 7/1/20-9/30/20, however, the employee retired in May 2020.

## **Education Stabilization Fund:**

Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund (COVID-19):

2 out of 16 employees selected for testing were charged to the grant for the period 1/1/21-1/31/21, however, the employees retired in May 2020. Additionally, the salary expense allocated to the GEER grant per the general ledger (\$157,263) does not agree to the salary per the budget reports (\$125,747) or the detailed list of employees charged to the grant (\$134,398).

### **Education Stabilization Fund:**

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III): Institutional Portion (COVID-19):

1 out of 7 expenditures selected for testing was charged to the grant twice.

### **Education Stabilization Fund:**

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF I, II, and III): Institutional Portion (COVID-19):

Quarterly Budget Expenditure Reports for quarters ending 9/30/20, 12/31/20, and 3/31/21 did not agree to supporting documentation provided by the College.

#### **Effect or Potential Effect**

The College did not comply with federal grant requirements and the risk that non-allowable expenses being charged to a federal grant is increased.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Section 3- Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs (Cont'd)

## Finding No. 2021-005 (Cont'd)

#### Cause

Unknown.

# Recommendation

That the College maintain an effective system of internal controls over Federal programs as required by Federal CFR 2 200.303 to ensure that unallowable costs are not charged to the grants and the grant reports are in agreement with the financial records of the College.

### **View of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action**

The responsible officials agree with the finding and will address the matter as part of their corrective action plan.

#### Finding No. 2021-006

#### Information on the Federal Program

U.S. Department of Education - Passed Through State of N.J. Office of the Secretary of Higher Education: Education Stabilization Fund: (Federal Award Year 7/1/20 to 6/30/21):

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act (ARP):

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III): Student Aid Portion (COVID-19) (Assistance Listing Number 84.425E) (FAIN – not applicable)

#### Criteria or Specific Requirement

A – Activities Allowed or Unallowed, B – Allowable Costs/Cost Principles

The College set in place Standard Operating Procedures related to the distribution of funds to students for the Student Aid Portion of HEERF III.

# Condition

The College awarded HEERF III Student Aid to one student who did not meet the eligibility requirements per the Standard Operating Procedures set in place by the College.

## **Questioned Costs**

The known amount is \$1,457 and represents the amount awarded to 1 student out of 40 who was not eligible to receive aid per the SOP. The likely amount is \$113,988, based on projection of the error in the sample to the entire population.

#### Context

1 out of 40 students selected for student aid testing did not meet the eligibility requirements per the client Standard Operating Procedures to receive student aid, however, they received \$1,457 in HEERF III Student Aid.

## **Effect or Potential Effect**

The College did not comply with the Standard Operating Procedures in place over the distribution of HEERF III Student Aid and the risk that non-allowable expenses being charged to a federal grant is increased.

Turnover in the College's Financial Aid Department during the award year.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

# Section 3- Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs (Cont'd)

# Finding No. 2021-006 (Cont'd)

<u>Recommendation</u>
That the College comply with the Standard Operating Procedures in place over the distribution of HEERF III Student Aid.

# View of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

# Section 4- Schedule of State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, material instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, and significant instances of abuse related to the audit of major State programs, as required by State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB.

There are no current year findings.

Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings and Questioned Costs as Prepared by Management

This section identifies the status of prior year findings related to the financial statements and federal awards and state financial assistance that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

## Finding No. 2020-001

# Condition

Several issues were identified with respect to the controls and procedures over financial system processes; including the timely reconciliation of accounts, the accuracy of the posting of transactions and proper preparation of the financial statements.

#### **Current Status**

This finding has not been resolved. See audit finding no. 2021-001.

#### Planned Corrective Action

The responsible officials agree with the finding and will address the matter as part of their corrective action plan.

## FEDERAL AWARDS

There were no prior year findings.

## STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

There were no prior year findings.

# **APPRECIATION**

We express our appreciation for the assistance and courtesies rendered by the Mercer County Community College officials during the course of the audit.

Respectfully submitted,

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