

Annual Financial Report
of the
Town of Chester, Connecticut
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

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Introductory Section

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Principal Officials June 30, 2021

Board of Selectmen

Lauren S. Gister, First Selectman
Charlene Janecek, Selectman
Tommy Englert, Selectman

Board of Finance

Virginia Carmany, Chairman
Andrew Gardner
Jon Joslow
Gregory Merola
Richard Nygard
Jennifer Rannestad
Michal Joplin
John O'Hare
Richard Strauss

Town Departments

Animal Control, Caitlyn Sikora
Assessor, Loreta Zdanys
Building Inspector, Richard Leighton
Finance, Peter Evankow
Fire Marshal, Richard Leighton
Human Services Director, Rosemary Bininger
Public Works Foreman, John Divis
Tax Collector, Madaline A. Meyer
Town Clerk, Debra Germini Calamari
Treasurer, Elizabeth Netsch

Auditor

PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP

Financial Section

Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Finance
Town of Chester, Connecticut

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Chester, Connecticut ("Town") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town'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.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free 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 the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position for the year 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 management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information and the pension and other post-employment benefit schedules as listed in the table of contents, respectively, 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 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.

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The introductory section, supplemental schedules and trend information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

The supplemental schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

The introductory and trend information sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

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Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 10, 2022 on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town'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 Town's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP

Wethersfield, Connecticut
February 10, 2022



Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

As management of the Town of Chester, Connecticut ("Town"), we offer readers of the Town's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

Financial highlights

- On a government-wide basis, the assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Town exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year as follows:

Change in net position	\$ 2,510,493
Total net position	20,338,261
Unrestricted net position	5,417,974

- The increase is due to the following:

Governmental fund activity:

The increase is due to the following:

➤ positive operations of the General Fund of	433,237
➤ positive operations of the Town Grants Fund of	642,524

The positive operations were offset by:

➤ deficit operations of the Capital Reserve Fund of	(53,549)
➤ deficit operations of the Library Fund of	(19,130)

Conversion to accrual basis on Exhibit E:

➤ capital outlay net of depreciation expense of	1,338,977
➤ change in property tax and sewer assessment - accrual basis change	(118,182)
➤ net principal debt activity of	76,567
➤ change in pension liability(asset) of	494,895
➤ change in OPEB liability of	20,542
➤ amortization of pension deferred outflows of resources of	(29,569)
➤ amortization of pension deferred inflows of resources of	(319,388)

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$6,254,916, an increase of \$1,059,382 in comparison with the prior year. This increase is a result of the positive operations in the General Fund of \$433,237 due to property taxes collected in excess of budget of \$260,770, charges for services in excess of budget of \$134,490, off set by the use of fund balance of \$325,000 and spending savings of \$207,739.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$3,694,262, an increase of \$658,237 in comparison with the prior year. This unassigned fund balance represents 25.58% of total budgetary General Fund expenditures and transfers out.

Overview of the basic financial statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the basic financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. One of the most important questions asked about the Town's finances is, "Is the Town as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The *statement of net position* and *statement of activities* report information about the Town as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question.

These statements include all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account, regardless of when the cash is received or paid.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the Town's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources with the difference between these accounts reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial health or position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

You will need to consider other nonfinancial factors; however, such as changes in the Town's property tax base and the condition of the Town's roads, to assess the overall health of the Town.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

The government-wide financial statements present the functions of the Town that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the Town include general government, public safety, public works, health and welfare, and education.

Fund financial statements. The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds, not the Town as a whole. The Town establishes funds to help it maintain control and manage money that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Funds are also established to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements for using certain grants. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a Town's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the Town's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, Capital Reserve Fund and Main Street Project Fund, which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these other governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements in Schedules 2 and 3 of this report.

The Town adopts an annual budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Fiduciary funds. The Town is the trustee, or fiduciary, for its pension plans. All of the Town's fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statements of Fiduciary Net Position and Changes in Fiduciary Net Position (Exhibits F and G). We exclude these activities from the Town's other financial statements because the Town cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The Town is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

Notes to financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Required supplementary information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information as follows:

- A budgetary comparison schedule for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.
- Schedules to demonstrate the Town's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits.
- Schedules to demonstrate the Town's progress in funding its obligation to provide other post-employment benefits.

Other information. The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with other governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information.

Government-wide financial analysis

The analysis below focuses on the net position and changes in net position. Unrestricted net position at year-end totaled \$5,417,974. This is an increase of \$1,224,775 from the prior year.

**Summary Statement of Net Position
June 30**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u> <i>(as restated)</i>
Current and other assets	\$ 7,386,279	\$ 8,536,490
Capital assets (net)	<u>15,107,810</u>	<u>13,773,921</u>
Total assets	<u>22,494,089</u>	<u>22,310,411</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>125,802</u>	<u>155,371</u>
Other liabilities outstanding	640,025	2,625,087
Long-term liabilities outstanding	<u>1,047,720</u>	<u>1,488,259</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,687,745</u>	<u>4,113,346</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>593,885</u>	<u>524,668</u>
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	14,472,881	13,178,636
Restricted	447,406	440,826
Unrestricted	<u>5,417,974</u>	<u>4,208,306</u>
Total net position	<u><u>\$ 20,338,261</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,827,768</u></u>

By far the largest portion of net position of the Town reflects its net investment in capital assets (e.g., land, collections, construction in progress, buildings and systems, land improvements, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the Town's net position, \$447,406, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the Town's financial position. The Town's total net position increased by \$2,510,493.

**Statement of Changes in Net Position
For the Years Ended June 30**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 822,610	\$ 783,472
Operating grants and contributions	2,267,247	1,371,875
Capital grants and contributions	2,013,989	1,156,174
General revenues:		
Property taxes	12,835,959	12,826,608
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	170,845	110,911
Income from investments	14,536	82,475
Other	<u>126,568</u>	<u>38,643</u>
Total revenues	<u>18,251,754</u>	<u>16,370,158</u>
Expenses:		
General government	1,584,831	1,698,852
Public works	1,453,469	1,546,141
Public safety	980,115	1,086,418
Health and welfare	1,133,694	270,455
Education	10,579,736	10,298,972
Interest	<u>9,416</u>	<u>13,261</u>
Total expenses	<u>15,741,261</u>	<u>14,914,099</u>
Change in net position	2,510,493	1,456,059
Net position - July 1	17,827,768	16,356,602
Restatement (Note VI)	<u>-</u>	<u>15,107</u>
Net position - June 30	<u><u>\$ 20,338,261</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,827,768</u></u>

Key elements of the increase in net position are as follows:

- Operating grants and contributions increased by \$895,372 due to receipt of the small cities grant of \$784,132.
- Capital grants and contributions increased by \$857,815 primarily due to an increase in the LOTCIP grant for the Main Street project of \$447,848, receipt of the American Rescue Plan Act grant revenue of \$638,927, offset by a decrease in the Highway Planning grant of \$243,549.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

- General government expenses decreased by \$114,021 due to a decrease in non-capitalized capital outlay purchases of \$49,584 and a decrease in employee benefit expense of \$41,088.
- Health and welfare expenses increased by \$863,239 due to an increase in the small cities fund expenses of \$866,712 in relation to the small cities grant received.
- Education expenses increased by \$280,764 primarily due to an increase in the Regional School District No. 4 budget of \$250,506 and an increase in the Chester Elementary School budget of \$152,362 offset by a decrease in the cafeteria fund costs of \$70,145.

Financial analysis of the Town's funds

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a Town's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

Certain components of fund balance were as follows:

Restricted	\$ 447,406
Committed	2,058,307
Assigned	254,941
Unassigned	3,494,262

The total fund balance increased by \$1,059,382 to \$6,254,916. This increase is the result of the following activity:

- Property taxes collected in excess of budget of \$303,918 due to a conservative budget collection rate
- Charges for services in excess of budget of \$134,490 as a result of an increase in police private duty revenue of \$77,507 due to increased construction activity
- Spending savings of \$59,935 for general government, including:
 - a decrease in tax assessor costs of \$12,499 due to reduction in services provided as result of COVID-19
 - a decrease in parks and recreation commission costs of \$11,225 due to reduction in recreation programs provided as a result of COVID-19
 - a decrease in library costs of \$9,286 due to reduction in services provided as a result of COVID-19
- Spending savings of \$102,545 for education due to cost savings related to COVID-19

General Fund. The General Fund is the operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$3,694,262. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it is useful to compare unassigned fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 25.58% of total General Fund budgetary expenditures and transfers out.

Capital Reserve Fund. This fund accounts for financial resources to be used for capital projects. Including \$200,000 of budget transfers and additional appropriations, the Town appropriated \$678,000 for the fiscal year. The Capital Reserve Fund had capital outlay expenditures of \$735,636, which were for road, sidewalk, bridge construction, highway equipment, building repairs, and capital equipment projects. The Capital Reserve Fund fund balance totaled \$1,401,864 at year end.

Main Street Project Fund. This fund accounts for financial resources from the LOTCIP grant being used to fund improvement to Main Street. The Main Street Project Fund had capital outlay expenditures of \$1,140,193. The Main Street Project Fund fund balance totaled \$3,631 at year end.

General Fund budgetary highlights

The significant budget transfers and additional appropriations made during the year were as follows:

- Transfers out to the capital reserve fund budget was increased by \$200,000, which included \$100,000 from additional appropriations and transfers from other departments as detailed below:
 - Board of Finance (contingency)
 - Employee benefits
- Additional details on budget transfers can be found in RSI-1B.

Capital assets and debt administration

Capital assets. The Town's investment in capital assets amounts to \$15,107,810 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, collections buildings and systems, land improvements, machinery and equipment, infrastructure, and construction in progress. The total increase in the Town's investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year was \$1,333,889 (9.68%). This increase is primarily due to the net effect of capital asset additions in excess of depreciation. Only those assets which cost \$5,000 or more with a useful life exceeding two years are capitalized. Assets costing less than \$5,000 are expensed.

Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation) June 30

	2021	2020
Land	\$ 1,021,016	\$ 1,021,016
Collections	118,950	118,950
Construction in progress	2,298,171	964,679
Buildings and systems	4,741,294	4,641,820
Land improvements	39,075	40,180
Machinery and equipment	1,645,334	1,670,074
Infrastructure	5,243,970	5,317,202
Total	<u>\$ 15,107,810</u>	<u>\$ 13,773,921</u>

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note IIID.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

Major capital asset activity during the current fiscal year included the following:

- Construction in progress:
 - Main Street Phase III \$ 1,293,888
- Buildings and systems:
 - Oil tank replacement 152,247

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town had total notes outstanding of \$541,971. This entire amount comprises debt backed by the full faith and credit of the Town.

Outstanding Debt Long-Term Obligations June 30

	2021	2020
Clean water note	\$ 514,064	\$ 571,547
Street light note	8,703	23,253
Equipment financing note	19,204	23,738
Total	<u>\$ 541,971</u>	<u>\$ 618,538</u>

The Town's total debt decreased by \$76,567 (12.38%) during the current fiscal year. The decrease is due to scheduled debt service payments.

The Town maintains an "Aa3" rating from Moody's Investor Service.

State Statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt a governmental entity may issue to seven times total prior year tax collections. The current debt limitation for the Town is \$89,467,840, which is significantly in excess of the Town's outstanding general obligation debt.

Additional information on the Town's long-term debt can be found in Note IIIF.

Economic factors and next year's budgets and rates

- The unemployment rate for the Town at year-end was 5.1% as compared to 8.1% in the prior year. This compares favorably to the state's unemployment rate of 7.7% and the national rate of 5.9%.
- Inflationary trends in the region compare favorably to national indices.
- The potential impact of the pandemic on the local economy, businesses and Town revenues is being continually monitored. For fiscal year 2021, there was a negative impact on income from investments, but other revenues such as building permits and conveyance taxes were positively impacted. The Town did not see any impact on tax collections for the prior fiscal year and there is no indication that there will be an impact on 2022 collections. All of these factors were considered in preparing the Town's budget for the 2021 fiscal year.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all those with an interest in the Town's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Finance Department, Town of Chester, 203 Middlesex Turnpike, Chester, CT 06412.

Basic Financial Statements

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Statement of Net Position
Governmental Activities
June 30, 2021

Assets

Current assets	
Cash	\$ 981,671
Investments	5,698,559
Receivables (net)	
Property taxes	70,429
Accounts	57,078
Intergovernmental	56,376
Loans	90,715
Sewer assessments and user fees	81,373
Other	5,072
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Total current assets	7,041,273
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Noncurrent assets	
Property held for sale	162,791
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Restricted assets	
Temporarily restricted	
Cash	3,750
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Receivables (net)	
Property taxes	33,397
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Net pension asset	145,068
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Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	
Land	1,021,016
Collections	118,950
Construction in progress	2,298,171
Buildings and systems	4,741,294
Land improvements	39,075
Machinery and equipment	1,645,334
Infrastructure	5,243,970
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Total capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	15,107,810
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Total noncurrent assets	15,452,816
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Total assets	22,494,089
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Deferred Outflows of Resources

Deferred outflows related to pension	125,802
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The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Statement of Net Position
Governmental Activities
June 30, 2021

Liabilities

Liabilities

Current liabilities

Accounts payable	\$ 113,557
Retainage payable	92,958
Accrued payroll and related	174,130
Overpayments	19,340
Unearned revenue	133,782
Notes payable	71,984
Compensated absences	22,774
Post closure landfill liability	11,500

Total current liabilities	<u>640,025</u>
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Noncurrent liabilities

Performance bonds	3,750
Notes payable	469,987
Compensated absences	91,095
Post closure landfill liability	23,000
Net pension liability	317,111
OPEB liability	142,777

Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>1,047,720</u>
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Total liabilities	<u>1,687,745</u>
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Deferred Inflows of Resources

Advance property tax collections	100,788
Deferred inflows related to pension	493,097
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>593,885</u>

Net Position

Net investment in capital assets	14,472,881
Restricted for	
General government	
Residential housing rehabilitation	277,419
Historic records preservation	8,165
Town grants	11,530
Public works	65,200
Health and welfare	35,220
Education	49,872
Unrestricted	5,417,974
Total net position	<u>\$ 20,338,261</u>

(Concluded)

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Statement of Activities
Governmental Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
General government	\$ 1,584,831	\$ 403,079	\$ 14,599	\$ -	\$ (1,167,153)
Public works	1,453,469	116,856	-	2,013,989	677,376
Public safety	980,115	293,984	1,001	-	(685,130)
Health and welfare	1,133,694	1,743	891,379	-	(240,572)
Education	10,579,736	6,948	1,360,268	-	(9,212,520)
Interest	9,416	-	-	-	(9,416)
Total	\$ 15,741,261	\$ 822,610	\$ 2,267,247	\$ 2,013,989	(10,637,415)
General revenues					
Property taxes					12,835,959
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					170,845
Income from investments					14,536
Other					126,568
Total general revenues					13,147,908
Change in net position					2,510,493
Net position - July 1, 2020 (as restated)					17,827,768
Net position - June 30, 2021					\$ 20,338,261

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2021

	General Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Main Street Project Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<u>Assets</u>					
Cash	\$ 918,212	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 63,459	\$ 981,671
Restricted cash	3,750	-	-	-	3,750
Investments	3,052,122	1,417,759	221,985	1,006,693	5,698,559
Receivables (net)					
Property taxes	103,826	-	-	-	103,826
Accounts	53,886	-	-	3,192	57,078
Intergovernmental	44,609	-	-	11,767	56,376
Loans	-	-	-	90,715	90,715
Sewer assessments and user fees	81,373	-	-	-	81,373
Due from other funds	9,754	-	-	-	9,754
Other	-	-	-	5,072	5,072
Total assets	<u>\$ 4,267,532</u>	<u>\$ 1,417,759</u>	<u>\$ 221,985</u>	<u>\$ 1,180,898</u>	<u>\$ 7,088,174</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Accounts payable	\$ 90,063	\$ 6,632	\$ 877	\$ 15,985	\$ 113,557
Retainage payable	-	9,263	83,695	-	92,958
Accrued payroll and related	174,130	-	-	-	174,130
Due to other funds	-	-	-	9,754	9,754
Overpayments	19,340	-	-	-	19,340
Performance bonds	3,750	-	-	-	3,750
Unearned revenue	-	-	133,782	-	133,782
Total liabilities	<u>287,283</u>	<u>15,895</u>	<u>218,354</u>	<u>25,739</u>	<u>547,271</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>					
Unavailable revenues					
Property taxes	103,826	-	-	-	103,826
Advance property tax collections	100,788	-	-	-	100,788
Sewer assessments and user fees	81,373	-	-	-	81,373
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>285,987</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>285,987</u>
<u>Fund Balances</u>					
Restricted	-	-	-	447,406	447,406
Committed	-	1,401,864	3,631	652,812	2,058,307
Assigned	200,000	-	-	54,941	254,941
Unassigned	3,494,262	-	-	-	3,494,262
Total fund balances	<u>3,694,262</u>	<u>1,401,864</u>	<u>3,631</u>	<u>1,155,159</u>	<u>6,254,916</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	<u>\$ 4,267,532</u>	<u>\$ 1,417,759</u>	<u>\$ 221,985</u>	<u>\$ 1,180,898</u>	<u>\$ 7,088,174</u>

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Reconciliation of Fund Balance to Net Position
June 30, 2021

Amounts reported in the statement of net position (Exhibit A)
are different from the governmental fund balance sheet due to:

Total fund balance (Exhibit C, Page 1)	<u>\$ 6,254,916</u>
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Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources
and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Beginning capital assets	13,773,921
Current year additions (net of construction in progress)	1,644,209
Depreciation expense	(305,232)
Disposal of assets	<u>(5,088)</u>
Total	<u>15,107,810</u>

Other long-term assets and deferred outflows of resources are not available resources and,
therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Property held for sale	162,791
Net pension asset	145,068
Deferred outflows related to pension	<u>125,802</u>
Total	<u>433,661</u>

Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period
expenditures and, therefore, are unavailable in the funds:

Property taxes - accrual basis change	103,826
Sewer assessments and user fees - accrual basis change	<u>81,373</u>
Total	<u>185,199</u>

Some liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, including bonds and notes payable,
are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Notes payable	(541,971)
Compensated absences	(113,869)
Post-closure landfill liability	(34,500)
Net pension liability	(317,111)
OPEB liability	(142,777)
Deferred inflows related to pension	<u>(493,097)</u>
Total	<u>(1,643,325)</u>

Net position (Exhibit A)	<u><u>\$ 20,338,261</u></u>
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The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Town of Chester, Connecticut

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	General Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Main Street Project Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues					
Property taxes	\$ 12,920,921	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,920,921
Intergovernmental	1,567,284	-	1,140,193	1,626,758	4,334,235
Charges for services	647,090	-	-	208,740	855,830
Income from investments	7,931	4,087	2,030	488	14,536
Contributions	-	-	-	117,846	117,846
Other	126,568	-	-	-	126,568
Total revenues	15,269,794	4,087	1,142,223	1,953,832	18,369,936
Expenditures					
Current:					
General government	975,758	-	-	92,304	1,068,062
Public works	859,757	-	-	102,366	962,123
Public safety	939,895	-	-	-	939,895
Health and welfare	151,549	-	-	889,299	1,040,848
Benefits and insurance	783,346	-	-	-	783,346
Education	10,362,269	-	-	192,199	10,554,468
Debt service	85,983	-	-	-	85,983
Capital outlay	-	735,636	1,140,193	-	1,875,829
Total expenditures	14,158,557	735,636	1,140,193	1,276,168	17,310,554
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	1,111,237	(731,549)	2,030	677,664	1,059,382
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers in	-	678,000	-	-	678,000
Transfers out	(678,000)	-	-	-	(678,000)
Net other financing sources (uses)	(678,000)	678,000	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	433,237	(53,549)	2,030	677,664	1,059,382
Fund balances - July 1, 2020 (as restated)	3,261,025	1,455,413	1,601	477,495	5,195,534
Fund balances - June 30, 2021	\$ 3,694,262	\$1,401,864	\$ 3,631	\$ 1,155,159	\$ 6,254,916

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Town of Chester, Connecticut

**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

Amounts reported in the statement of activities (Exhibit B) are different due to:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit D)	<u>\$ 1,059,382</u>
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Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.

Capital outlay	1,644,209
Depreciation expense	<u>(305,232)</u>
Total	<u>1,338,977</u>

The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins and donations) is to increase/decrease net position. In the statement of activities, only the loss on the sale of capital assets is reported. However, in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increase financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the capital assets sold or donated.

Loss on disposal of assets	<u>(5,088)</u>
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Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds:

Change in property tax and sewer assessment - accrual basis change	<u>(118,182)</u>
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The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, notes) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. The details of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items are as follows:

Principal repayments:	
Notes	<u>76,567</u>

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**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds:

Change in:	
Compensated absences	\$ (19,143)
Post closure landfill liability	11,500
Net pension liability (asset)	494,895
OPEB liability	20,542
Amortization of deferred outflows related to pension	(29,569)
Amortization of deferred inflows related to pension	<u>(319,388)</u>
Total	<u>158,837</u>
Change in net position (Exhibit B)	<u><u>\$ 2,510,493</u></u>
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Town of Chester, Connecticut
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Funds
June 30, 2021

	Pension Trust Funds
<u>Assets</u>	
Investments	
Mutual funds	
Equity	\$ 2,666,213
Money market	157,292
Bonds	527,943
Exchange traded funds	193,893
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Total investments	3,545,341
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<u>Net Position</u>	
Restricted for pensions	\$ 3,545,341
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Town of Chester, Connecticut
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	<u>Pension Trust Funds</u>
Additions	
Contributions	
Employer	\$ 176,973
Plan members	<u>10,746</u>
Total contributions	<u>187,719</u>
Investment income (loss)	
Net change in fair value of investments	546,902
Interest and dividends	<u>90,934</u>
Total investment income (loss)	<u>637,836</u>
Total additions	<u>825,555</u>
Deductions	
Benefits	69,402
Administration	<u>7,111</u>
Total deductions	<u>76,513</u>
Change in net position	749,042
Net position - July 1, 2020	<u>2,796,299</u>
Net position - June 30, 2021	<u><u>\$ 3,545,341</u></u>

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Town of Chester, Connecticut

Notes to Financial Statements
As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2021**History and organization**

The Town of Chester, Connecticut ("Town") is a municipal corporation operating under State Statutes. The Town is governed by a Selectmen-Town Meeting form of government. Under this form of government, the Town Meeting is the legislative body. A Town Meeting is required to make appropriations, levy taxes, and borrow money. The administrative branch is led by an elected three-member Board of Selectmen. The Selectmen oversee most of the activities not assigned specifically to another body. An elected Board of Education oversees the public school system. The elected Board of Finance is the budget making authority and supervises the Town financial matters.

The accompanying financial statements present the Town and its component units, entities for which the Town is considered to be financially accountable. The Town is financially accountable for the pension trust funds and therefore, are considered fiduciary component units. The financial statements of the fiduciary component units they are reported as pension trust funds in the fiduciary fund financial statements. The pension trust funds do not issue separate financial statements.

I. Summary of significant accounting policies

The accounting policies conform to generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") as applicable to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the Town's more significant accounting policies:

A. Government-wide financial statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Town. Governmental activities are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

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

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

B. Measurement focus, basis of accounting and financial statement presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

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Notes to Financial Statements
As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2021

B. Measurement focus, basis of accounting and financial statement presentation (continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Town considers tax revenues to be available if they are collected by the end of the current fiscal period. In addition, the Town considers reimbursement grants to be available if they are collected within one year of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, pension and OPEB benefits, and certain other long-term liabilities, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.

Expenditure reimbursement type grants, certain intergovernmental revenues, certain charges for services, transfers and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items, including property taxes, are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Town.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund	The primary operating fund and is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.
Capital Reserve Fund	Accounts for and reports financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities and other capital assets.
Main Street Project Fund	Accounts for and reports financial resources for the LOTCIP grant for road reconstruction.

Additionally, the Town reports the following fund types:

Special Revenue Funds	Accounts for and reports the proceeds of specific revenue resources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt.
Pension Trust Funds	Accounts for the activities of the Town Employee Retirement Plan and the Chester Hose Company Volunteer Services Award Program, which accumulate resources for pension benefit payments to qualified employees.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions are charges between certain Town functions because the elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

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B. Measurement focus, basis of accounting and financial statement presentation (continued)

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

For purposes of measuring the net pension and OPEB liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB and pension and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from fiduciary net position of the Town's pension and OPEB plans, the Connecticut Municipal Employees' Retirement System ("MERS"), the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System ("TRS"), and the State Teachers Retirement Board Health Insurance Plan ("RHIP") have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Town's pension and OPEB plans, MERS, TRS, and RHIP. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms.

C. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources and equity**1. Cash and investments****a. Cash**

The Town considers cash as cash on hand and demand deposits.

b. Investments

In general, State of Connecticut Statutes allow the Town to invest in obligations of the United States of America or United States government sponsored corporations, in shares or other interests in any custodial arrangement, pool or no-load, open-end management type investment company or investment trust (as defined), in obligations of any State or political subdivision rated within the top two rating categories of any nationally recognized rating service, or in obligations of the State of Connecticut or political subdivision rated within the top three rating categories of any nationally recognized rating service. For the capital nonrecurring fund, not more than 31% can be invested in equity securities. Investment income is recorded in the fund in which it was earned.

State Treasurer's Short-Term Investment Fund is an investment pool managed by the State of Connecticut Office of the State Treasurer. Investments must be made in instruments authorized by Connecticut General Statutes 3-27c - 3-27e. Investment guidelines are adopted by the State Treasurer. The fair value of the position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

The target allocations for the pension fund investments are as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Employee Retirement</u>	<u>Chester Hose Company VSAP</u>
Cash/money market	10.00%	10.00%
Fixed income/bonds	45.00%	45.00%
Equities/stocks	45.00%	45.00%

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C. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources and equity (continued)

Allowable investments under the pension fund's investment policy consist of marketable equity and fixed income securities conforming to investment guidelines that include mutual funds, exchange traded funds or other comingled investment vehicles that invest in such securities. Professional money managers are employed to manage the assets allocated to them. The Town's Retirement and Pension Board are responsible for overall investment policy. Any change in investment manager must have their approval.

c. Method used to value investments

Investments for the Town are reported at fair value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Land held for sale is reported at cost which approximates market.

Fair value of investments

The Town measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

Level 1	Quoted prices for identical investments in active markets
Level 2	Quoted prices for identical investments in markets that are not active
Level 3	Unobservable inputs

d. Risk policies

Interest rate risk	Interest rate risk is the risk that the government will incur losses in fair value caused by changing interest rates. The Town does not have a formal investment 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 other counterparty will not fulfill its specific obligation even without the entity's complete failure. The Town has no investment policy that would limit its investment choices due to credit risk other than State Statutes governing investments in obligations of any State or political subdivision or in obligations of the State of Connecticut or political subdivision.
Concentration of credit risk	Concentration of credit risk is the risk attributed to the magnitude of an entity's investments in a single issuer. The Town follows the limitations specified in the Connecticut General Statutes. Generally, the Town's deposits cannot be 75% or more of the total capital in any one depository.
Custodial credit risk	Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Town does not have a formal policy with respect to custodial credit risk.
Foreign currency risk	Foreign currency risk is the risk that the value of the investment may be affected by changes in the rate of exchange. The Town does not have a formal policy with respect to foreign currency risk.

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**Notes to Financial Statements
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C. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources and equity (continued)**2. Receivables and payables****a. Interfunds**

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans).

b. Property taxes and other receivables

In the fund and government-wide financial statements, all trade and property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. Allowance percentages range from 18% to 49% percent of outstanding receivable balances and are calculated based upon prior collection history.

Property taxes are levied each July 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior October 1 for all real property located in the Town. Assessed values are established at 70% of estimated market value. All property taxes are due and payable on July 1 of the year except for real estate and personal property taxes greater than \$100, which is due and payable in two installments, July 1 and January 1 of each year. Liens are effective on the assessment date and are continued by filing before the end of the fiscal year following the due date.

In the fund financial statements, property tax revenues are recognized when they became available. Only taxes collected during the fiscal year are recorded as revenue.

Loans receivable in the Small Cities Fund represent amounts due from homeowners in the Town. Loans receivable are recorded and revenues recognized as earned. The loans are funded through a federal grant. The loans are due in full when the homeowner dies, refinances, or sells the property. There is no interest on the loans. The loans are secured by a lien on the property.

3. Restricted assets

The restricted assets for the Town are restricted for performance bonds. Performance bonds are restricted until the monies are returned to the vendor after satisfactory completion of the contract or the Town calls the bond for nonperformance.

4. Capital assets

Capital assets, which include construction in progress, property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g. roads, bridges, sidewalks and similar items), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. All buildings are capitalized. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation. The Town has chosen to capitalize collections consisting primarily of art. The collections are not being depreciated as they are considered inexhaustible works of art.

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C. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources and equity (continued)

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Land and collections are considered inexhaustible and, therefore, not depreciated. Property, plant, and equipment of the Town are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years	Capitalization Threshold
Building and systems	20-75	All
Land improvements	50	\$ 20,000
Machinery and equipment	5-40	5,000
Infrastructure:		
Bridges	50	100,000
Roads and drainage	75-100	100,000

5. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

The Town reports deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB in the government-wide statements for differences between expected and actual experience, changes in assumptions, net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments, changes in proportional share and contributions subsequent to the measurement date. The deferred outflow or inflow related to differences between expected and actual experience, changes in assumptions, and changes in proportional share will be amortized over the average remaining service life of all plan members. The deferred outflow or inflow related to the net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments will be amortized over a five-year period. Contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized in the subsequent year.

Advance tax collections represent taxes associated with a future period. This amount is recognized during the period in which the revenue is associated.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

**Notes to Financial Statements
As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2021****C. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources and equity (continued)**

For governmental funds, the Town reports unavailable revenue, which arises only under the modified accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, unavailable revenue is reported only in the governmental funds' balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from several sources: property taxes (including advance collections, if any), sewer assessment and use charges. These amounts are recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

6. Compensated absences

Employees accumulate, by prescribed formula, vacation, sick and personal days for subsequent use or for payment upon termination or retirement. Expenses to be paid in future periods are accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only for amounts expected to be paid with available resources; for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

7. Long-term liabilities

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term liabilities are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities' statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenses.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources, while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Notes to Financial Statements
As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2021

C. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources and equity (continued)**8. Net position and fund balances**

In the government-wide financial statements, net position is classified into the following categories:

Net Investment in Capital Assets	This category presents the net position that reflects capital assets net of depreciation and net of only the debt applicable to the acquisition or construction of these assets. Debt issued for non-capital purposes, and unspent bond proceeds, are excluded.
Restricted Net Position	This category presents the net position restricted by external parties (creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations).
Unrestricted Net Position	This category presents the net position of the Town which is not classified in the preceding two categories.

Sometimes the Town will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g. restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the Town's policy to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

In the fund financial statements, fund balances are classified into the following categories:

Nonspendable	This category presents amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
Restricted	This category presents amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.
Committed	This category presents amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action by the highest level of decision-making authority for the Town. Commitments may be established, modified or rescinded through resolutions approved by Town Meeting, Board of Finance or contractual obligations.
Assigned	This category presents amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. Intent is expressed by the passage of a resolution by the Board of Finance or by a properly approved purchase order.
Unassigned	This category presents amounts that do not meet the criteria above and are available for any purpose. This category is only reported in the general fund for positive amounts and in any other fund that has a fund balance deficit.

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When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the Town considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the Town considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless the Board of Finance has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

Minimum fund balance policy

The Town adopted a minimum fund balance policy for the general fund. The policy requires the Board of Finance to prepare annual budgets that provide for the unassigned fund balance to be 12% of the total operating general fund revenues.

9. Use of estimates

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

10. Reclassifications

Certain amounts presented in the prior year data have been reclassified in order to be consistent with the current year's presentation.

II. Stewardship, compliance and accountability**A. Basis of budgeting**

Only the General Fund has a legally adopted annual budget.

The Town uses the budgetary basis of accounting under which purchase orders for contracts or other commitments are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation.

Encumbrances are recognized as a valid and proper charge against a budget appropriation in the year in which the purchase order, contract or other commitment is issued and, accordingly, encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported in the budgetary statements included as required supplementary information.

Appropriations for capital projects are continued until completion of applicable projects, even when projects extend more than one fiscal year.

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B. Capital projects authorizations

The following is a summary of certain capital projects:

Project Name	Net Project Authorization	Expenditures	Balance
Capital reserve	\$ 2,133,413	\$ 735,635	\$ 1,397,778

III. Detailed notes**A. Cash and investments****1. Deposits – custodial credit risk**

At year end, the Town's bank balance was \$5,942,082 and was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$ 2,516,986
Uninsured and collateral held by the pledging bank's trust department, not in the Town's name	<u>2,246,754</u>
Total amount subject to custodial credit risk	<u>\$ 4,763,740</u>

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Town to significant concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash. From time to time, the Town's cash account balances exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation limit. The Town reduces its credit risk by maintaining its cash deposits with major financial institutions and monitoring their credit ratings.

2. Investments

- a. The Town's investments consisted of the following investment types and maturities. Specific identification was used to determine the maturities.

Type of Investment	Fair Value	Investment Maturities (in years)			
		N/A	Less than One Year	1-5 Years	5-10 Years
Mutual funds					
Equity	\$ 2,666,213	\$ 2,666,213	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Money market	157,292	-	157,292	-	-
Bond	527,943	-	-	203,005	324,938
Bank money market	3,399,655	-	3,399,655	-	-
Certificates of deposit	1,417,793	-	1,417,793	-	-
Pooled fixed income	881,111	-	881,111	-	-
Exchange traded funds	193,893	193,893	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 9,243,900</u>	<u>\$ 2,860,106</u>	<u>\$ 5,855,851</u>	<u>\$ 203,005</u>	<u>\$ 324,938</u>

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A. Cash and investments (continued)

- b. The Town had the following recurring fair value measurements:

<u>Investments by Fair Value Level</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Quoted Market Prices in Active Markets Level 1</u>
Mutual funds:		
Equity	\$ 2,666,213	\$ 2,666,213
Money market	157,292	157,292
Bond	527,943	527,943
Exchange traded funds	<u>193,893</u>	<u>193,893</u>
Total investments by fair value level	<u>3,545,341</u>	<u>\$ 3,545,341</u>
<u>Other investments</u>		
Bank money market	3,399,655	
Certificates of deposit	1,417,793	
Pooled fixed income	<u>881,111</u>	
Total other investments	<u>5,698,559</u>	
Total investments	<u><u>\$9,243,900</u></u>	

Level 1: Quoted prices for identical investments in active markets

- c. The Town's investments subject to credit risk have average ratings by Standard & Poor's as follows:

<u>Average Rating</u>	<u>Money Market Mutual Funds</u>	<u>Bond Mutual Funds</u>	<u>Pooled Fixed Income</u>
AAA	\$ -	\$ 238,057	\$ 881,111
AA	-	37,968	-
A	-	86,786	-
BBB	-	116,509	-
BB	-	27,451	-
B	-	11,019	-
Unrated	<u>157,292</u>	<u>10,153</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 157,292</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 527,943</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 881,111</u></u>

- d. The Town's investments are not subject to custodial credit risk.

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B. Receivables

Receivable balances have been disaggregated by type and presented separately in the financial statements. Only receivables for the Town's government-wide financial statements with allowances for uncollectible accounts, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are presented below:

	Property Taxes		
	Taxes	Interest and Lien Fees	Total
Current portion	<u>\$ 65,849</u>	<u>\$ 4,580</u>	<u>\$ 70,429</u>
Long-term portion	47,683	15,714	63,397
Less allowance for uncollectible	<u>(20,000)</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>(30,000)</u>
Net long-term portion	<u>\$ 27,683</u>	<u>\$ 5,714</u>	<u>\$ 33,397</u>

C. Interfund accounts**1. Interfund payables and receivables**

A summary of interfund balances is as follows:

	Corresponding Fund	Due From	Due To
Major funds:			
General fund:			
Cafeteria fund	N/A	\$ 3,364	\$ -
Small cities fund	N/A	<u>6,390</u>	<u>-</u>
Total general fund		<u>9,754</u>	<u>-</u>
Other governmental funds:			
Cafeteria fund	General fund	-	3,364
Small cities fund	General fund	<u>-</u>	<u>6,390</u>
Total nonmajor funds		<u>-</u>	<u>9,754</u>
Total		<u>\$ 9,754</u>	<u>\$ 9,754</u>

All interfund balances resulted from the time lag between the dates payments occurred between funds for interfund goods, payroll, and services provided.

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2. Interfund transfers

A summary of interfund transfers for the fiscal year is as follows:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
Major funds:		
General fund:		
Capital reserve fund	\$ -	\$ 678,000
Capital reserve fund:		
General fund	678,000	-
Total	<u>\$ 678,000</u>	<u>\$ 678,000</u>

Transfers are used to move budgeted appropriations from the general fund for funding of the capital reserve fund.

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C. Capital assets

Changes in the Town's capital assets are summarized as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2020	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2021
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,021,016	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,021,016
Collections	118,950	-	-	118,950
Construction in progress	964,679	1,367,102	33,610	2,298,171
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	2,104,645	1,367,102	33,610	3,438,137
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and systems	7,757,256	222,247	-	7,979,503
Land improvements	65,000	-	-	65,000
Machinery and equipment	2,846,854	88,470	52,633	2,882,691
Infrastructure	6,137,015	-	-	6,137,015
Total capital assets, being depreciated	16,806,125	310,717	52,633	17,064,209
Total capital assets	18,910,770	1,677,819	86,243	20,502,346
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and systems	3,115,436	122,773	-	3,238,209
Land improvements	24,820	1,105	-	25,925
Machinery and equipment	1,176,780	108,122	47,545	1,237,357
Infrastructure	819,813	73,232	-	893,045
Total accumulated depreciation	5,136,849	305,232	47,545	5,394,536
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	11,669,276	5,485	5,088	11,669,673
Capital assets, net	<u>\$13,773,921</u>	<u>\$1,372,587</u>	<u>\$ 38,698</u>	<u>\$ 15,107,810</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the Town as follows:

General government	\$ 52,747
Public works	89,287
Public safety	73,293
Health and welfare	25,842
Education	64,063
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 305,232</u>

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E. Changes in long-term liabilities**1. Summary of changes**

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities during the fiscal year:

Description	Original amount	Date of issue	Date of maturity	Interest rate	Balance June 30, 2020	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2021	Current portion	Long-term portion
Notes (direct borrowings):										
Clean water note- 577C	\$ 1,125,000	8/14/08	7/31/29	2.00%	\$ 571,547	\$ -	\$ 57,483	\$ 514,064	\$ 58,643	\$ 455,421
Street lights note	56,331	12/15/17	1/15/22	3.30%	23,253	-	14,550	8,703	8,703	-
Equipment financing note	33,251	2/18/19	2/18/25	2.31%	23,738	-	4,534	19,204	4,638	14,566
Total notes	<u>\$ 1,214,582</u>				618,538	-	76,567	541,971	71,984	469,987
Compensated absences					94,726	33,997	14,854	113,869	22,774	91,095
Post closure landfill liability					46,000	-	11,500	34,500	11,500	23,000
Net pension liability					666,938	286,912	636,739	317,111	-	317,111
OPEB liability					163,319	21,641	42,183	142,777	-	142,777
Total long-term liabilities					<u>\$ 1,589,521</u>	<u>\$ 342,550</u>	<u>\$ 781,843</u>	<u>\$ 1,150,228</u>	<u>\$ 106,258</u>	<u>\$ 1,043,970</u>

All long-term liabilities are generally liquidated by the general fund.

2. The following is a summary of principal and interest amounts of note maturities

Year Ending June 30,	Total Principal	Total Interest
2022	\$ 71,984	\$ 10,188
2023	64,573	8,804
2024	65,889	7,487
2025	67,231	6,143
2026	63,523	4,771
2027	64,805	3,489
2028	66,113	2,181
2029	67,448	847
2030	10,405	9
Totals	<u>\$ 541,971</u>	<u>\$ 43,919</u>

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E. Changes in long-term obligations (continued)**3. Assets pledged as collateral**

The Town's outstanding equipment financing notes of \$27,907 are secured with collateral of the equipment purchased.

4. Statutory debt limitation

The Town's indebtedness does not exceed the legal debt limitations as required by Connecticut General Statutes as reflected in the following schedule:

Category	Debit Limit	Net Indebtedness	Balance
General purpose	\$ 28,757,520	\$ -	\$ 28,757,520
Schools	57,515,040	696,083	56,818,957
Sewers	47,929,200	-	47,929,200
Urban renewal	41,538,640	-	41,538,640
Pension deficit	38,343,360	-	38,343,360

The total overall statutory debt limit for the Town is equal to seven times annual receipts from the prior year taxation, \$89,467,840.

The indebtedness reflected above includes bonds outstanding in addition to the amount of bonds authorized and unissued against which bond anticipation notes are issued and outstanding.

Chester is a member of Regional School District No. 4, which provides education facilities for grades seven through twelve for the Towns of Chester, Deep River, and Essex. The outstanding bonded indebtedness of the District was \$2,850,000, of which Chester's pro rata share is 24.42% or \$696,083.

5. Post closure landfill liability

The Town has a closed landfill with no further capacity or estimated useful life. State and Federal laws and regulations require that the Town perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions on its closed landfill site for thirty years after closure. These costs will be paid through the General Fund each year as part of the annual budget. Total estimated costs based on the current actual costs are reported as a long-term liability. The actual costs may vary based on actual events, inflation, changes in technology and applicable laws and regulations. Monitoring costs and estimated repairs and maintenance for the next 3 years at \$11,500 per year are \$34,500.

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F. Fund balances and restricted net position

Fund balances are composed of the following:

Fund Balance Component	General Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Main Street Project Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total
<u>Restricted:</u>					
General government:					
Housing rehabilitation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 277,419	\$ 277,419
Historic records preservation*	-	-	-	8,165	8,165
Town grants	-	-	-	11,530	11,530
Public works:					
Sewer system*	-	-	-	65,200	65,200
Health and welfare:					
Emergency fuel/community	-	-	-	35,220	35,220
Education:					
Cafeteria operations*	-	-	-	49,872	49,872
Total restricted	-	-	-	447,406	447,406
<u>Committed:</u>					
Approved projects	-	1,401,864	3,631	-	1,405,495
Town improvements	-	-	-	638,927	638,927
School activity programs	-	-	-	13,885	13,885
Total committed	-	1,401,864	3,631	652,812	2,058,307
<u>Assigned:</u>					
Subsequent year's budget	200,000	-	-	-	200,000
General government:					
Parks and recreation	-	-	-	24,099	24,099
Harbor	-	-	-	4,013	4,013
Library	-	-	-	26,829	26,829
Total assigned	200,000	-	-	54,941	254,941
<u>Unassigned:</u>	3,494,262	-	-	-	3,494,262
Total	\$ 3,694,262	\$ 1,401,864	\$ 3,631	\$ 1,155,159	\$ 6,254,916

* The amount of restricted net position, which was restricted by enabling legislation, totaled \$123,237.

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The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Town carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or three prior years.

The Town is a member in Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Association ("CIRMA"). CIRMA is a public entity risk pool established under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-479a et. seq. The Town is liable only for contributions to the pool. Members do not retain the risk of loss, as they have transferred the risk by purchasing pool coverage with no deductible retention. A separate agreement limits the member's obligation to pay indemnification obligations and expenses should CIRMA be unable to do so.

The Town is a member of CIRMA's Liability-Automobile-Property Pool, a risk sharing pool. The Town paid CIRMA for provisions of general liability, automobile liability, employee benefit liability, law enforcement liability, public officials, and property coverage. The premium is subject to these coverages and claims and expense payments falling within the deductible amounts are the responsibility of the Town. CIRMA's Liability-Automobile-Property Pool retains \$1,000,000 per occurrence for each line of liability coverage.

The Chester Board of Education participates in an internal service fund, which is maintained by Regional School District No. 4. The Health Insurance Fund accounts for and finances the retained risk of loss for member Town employee medical benefits coverage. A third party administers the plan for which the fund pays a fee. The Health Insurance Fund provides coverage to all eligible, full-time Board of Education employees. The Town pays an annual contribution for its coverage. The fund is to be self-sustaining through members' premiums, but reinsures in excess of \$60,000 for each insured occurrence.

B. Commitments and litigation

Amounts received or receivable from Federal and State grantor agencies are 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 Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

Throughout the year, the Town may be a defendant in litigation. At year end, the Town was not a defendant in any litigation.

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C. Operating lease

The Town leases approximately 21% of the Town Hall to an unrelated tenant. The lease expires on November 30, 2022. The building is being carried at a cost of \$1,915,200 and had accumulated depreciation of \$408,789.

Aggregated future minimum rentals for the next 2 years are as follows:

2022	\$ 67,599
2023	<u>28,166</u>
Total	<u>\$ 95,765</u>

D. Contingencies*Coronavirus*

In March 2020, the United States declared the outbreak of Coronavirus a national emergency. Similarly, the Governor of the State of Connecticut declared a state of emergency. Although the national shut down has ended, the Coronavirus continues to have an impact on the economy including effects on the Town's economically sensitive revenues such as park and recreation program fees, interest earnings and certain other charges for services. This has been offset to varying degrees by increases in building permit fees and conveyance taxes. In addition, the supply chain has been disrupted and prices have increased for various types of items, including construction costs. The pandemic has also resulted in labor shortages.

In response to the pandemic and the economic impact on local governments, the federal government has provided the following funding beginning in April 2020 and April 2021. The Town had received grants from the federal government for the costs and impact of the pandemic as follows:

<u>Grant Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Coronavirus Relief Fund ("CRF")	\$ 112,595
Education Stabilization Fund ("ESF")	23,382
American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA")	<u>638,927</u>
Total	<u>\$ 774,904</u>

The second payment of the ARPA grant of \$638,927 is to be received in fiscal year 2022.

The Town is continuously monitoring its financial condition and will take proactive measures as necessary to maintain operations and meet its obligations. Given this level of uncertainty, management cannot reasonably estimate the complete impact on the Town's future financial position at this time.

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V. Pensions and other post-employment benefit (“OPEB”) plans**A. Town pension plans****1. Plan description****a. Plan administration**

The Town of Chester is the administrator of two single-employer Public Employee Retirement Systems (“Plans”) established and administered by the Town to provide pension benefits for its employees and volunteer firefighters, the Town Employee Retirement Plan and the Chester Hose Company Volunteer Service Award Program (“VSAP”). The Plans are considered to be a part of the Town’s financial reporting entity and are included in the Town’s financial statement as a pension trust fund. A separate stand-alone financial report is not issued.

Management of the plans rests with the 5-member Retirement Board who are appointed by the Selectmen. At least one member of the Board shall also be a member of the Board of Finance.

b. Plan membership

As of the date of the latest actuarial valuation, January 1, 2021 for the Employee Retirement plan and July 1, 2020 for VSAP, membership consisted of:

	Plan Membership	
	Employee Retirement	Chester Hose Company VSAP
Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits	5	9
Terminated employees entitled to benefits	6	30
Active members	21	31
Total	32	70

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A. Town pension plans (continued)**2. Benefit provisions****a. Employee retirement plan**

The plan covers substantially all regularly employed permanent employees of the Town. In order to be eligible for the plan, the employee must complete thirty-six months of service and attain a minimum age of 21 ½. Participants are 100% vested after 5 years.

Normal retirement age	65
Normal retirement benefits	Monthly benefit amount equal to 1/12 of 1.25% of the average compensation multiplied by the years of service
Early retirement service requirement	Age 55 with 15 years of service
Early retirement benefits	Monthly benefit equal to the vested accrued benefit
Deferred retirement benefits	Monthly benefit equal to the greater of continued accruals or the actuarial equivalent of the accrued benefit
Disability retirement benefits	Monthly benefit equal to the vested accrued benefit
Vested deferred benefit	Monthly benefit equal to the vested percentage of the accrued benefit

b. Chester Hose Company VSAP

The plan covers substantially all volunteer firefighters of the Chester Hose Company. In order to be eligible for the plan, the firefighter must complete one year of service and attain a minimum age of eighteen.

Normal retirement age	65 with 5 years of service
Normal retirement benefits	Minimum of \$18.41 in monthly payments over 15 years
Death benefits	Equal to the accrued benefits at the date of death
Vested service	15 years

The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

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A. Town pension plans (continued)**3. Contributions****a. Employee retirement plan**

Contribution requirements of the plan members and the Town are established, and may be amended, by the Board of Selectmen and collectively bargained contracts. Non-union members are required to contribute 2.00% of their earnings to the plan.

The Town is required to contribute amounts necessary to fund benefits. The Town's contributions to the plan are actuarially determined on an annual basis. Administrative costs are financed through investment earnings.

Average active member contribution rate of annual base compensation was 1.12%

Town average contribution rate of covered payroll was 15.22%

b. Chester Hose Company VSAP

Contribution requirements of the plan members and the Town are established, and may be amended, by the Board of Selectmen. Plan members are not required to contribute to the plan. The Town is required to contribute amounts necessary to fund benefits. The Town's contributions to the plan are actuarially determined on an annual basis. Administrative costs are financed through investment earnings.

The Town is required to contribute amounts necessary to fund benefits. The Town's funding policy is based on the actuarially determined employer contribution ("ADEC"). The Town has a policy to pay at least the greater of: (a) 40% of the ADEC; or (b) 80% of the prior year's actual contribution up to 100% of the ADEC.

4. Investments**a. Investment policy**

The pension plans' policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the Retirement Board by a majority vote of its members. It is the policy of the Town's Retirement Board to pursue an investment strategy that reduces risk through the prudent diversification of the portfolio across a broad selection of distinct asset classes. The following was the Board's adopted asset allocation policy for both plans:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>
Cash equivalents	10.00%
Fixed income	45.00%
Equities	45.00%

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A. Town pension plans (continued)

Included, but not limited, in these selections will be: active management and passive index-like funds, and equity funds with a single range (e.g. large capitalization) and style category (e.g. growth, value). These investments may have an international equity exposure (e.g. foreign, global). Income funds will focus on credit quality (e.g. investment grade, high yield) and maturity period (e.g. short, intermediate, long term).

b. Concentrations

There were no investments in any one organization that represents 5% or more of the pension plans' net position.

c. Rate of return

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments 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 real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation (see the discussion of the pension plans' investment policy) are summarized in the following tables for each plan:

Employee Retirement:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Index</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	BAML 3-Mon Tbill	10.00%	-0.07%
Core fixed income	Barclays Aggregate	45.00%	1.36%
Equity market	Russell 3000	45.00%	4.84%
Inflation rate			<u>2.50%</u>
Long-term expected nominal rate of return			<u>6.50%</u>

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A. Town pension plans (continued)Chester Hose Company VSAP:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Index</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	BAML 3-Mon Tbill	10.00%	-0.07%
Core fixed income	Barclays Aggregate	45.00%	1.36%
Equity market	Russell 3000	45.00%	4.84%
Inflation rate			<u>2.50%</u>
Long-term expected nominal rate of return			<u>6.00%</u>

d. Annual money-weighted rate of return

The annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was as follows:

	<u>Employee Retirement</u>	<u>Chester Hose Company VSAP</u>
Rate of return	22.46%	22.95%

The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

5. Net pension liability

The components of the net pension liability (asset) were as follows:

	<u>Employee Retirement</u>	<u>Chester Hose Company VSAP</u>
Total pension liability	\$ 2,828,452	\$ 832,528
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>(2,567,745)</u>	<u>(977,596)</u>
Net pension liability (asset)	<u>\$ 260,707</u>	<u>\$ (145,068)</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability (asset)	<u>90.78%</u>	<u>117.42%</u>

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A. Town pension plans (continued)**6. Actuarial methods and significant assumptions**

The net pension liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	<u>Employee Retirement</u>	<u>Chester Hose Company VSAP</u>
Valuation date	January 1, 2021	July 1, 2020
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal	Entry age normal
Investment rate of return	6.50%	6.00%
Asset valuation method	Fair value	Fair value
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%
Salary increases	3.50%	N/A
Cost of living adjustments	None	None
Mortality rates	GAR 94 Table, Revenue Ruling 2001- 62 for 417(e)	None

7. Changes from prior year**a. Changes in assumptions**

There were no changes in assumptions.

b. Changes in benefit terms

There were no changes in benefit terms.

8. Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was as follows:

	<u>Employee Retirement</u>	<u>Chester Hose Company VSAP</u>
Discount rate	6.50%	6.00%

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that Town contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plans' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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A. Town pension plans (continued)**9. Changes in the net pension liability (asset)**

The Town's net pension liability was measured at June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2021. The changes in net pension liability for the fiscal year were as follows:

	Increase (Decrease)		
Employee Retirement	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a) - (b)
Balance at July 1, 2020	\$ 2,591,502	\$1,997,900	\$ 593,602
Service cost	87,084	-	87,084
Interest	172,908	-	172,908
Differences between expected and actual experience	14,482	-	14,482
Contributions - employer	-	146,394	(146,394)
Contributions - member	-	10,746	(10,746)
Net investment income	-	454,876	(454,876)
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(37,524)	(37,524)	-
Administration	-	(4,647)	4,647
Net change	236,950	569,845	(332,895)
Balance at June 30, 2021	\$ 2,828,452	\$2,567,745	\$ 260,707

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A. Town pension plans (continued)

The Chester Hose Company Plan's net pension liability (asset) was measured at June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020. The changes in net pension liability for the fiscal year, were as follows:

	Increase (Decrease)		
Chester Hose Company VSAP	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a) - (b)
Balance at July 1, 2020	\$ 817,284	\$ 798,399	\$ 18,885
Service cost	13,946	-	13,946
Interest	48,932	-	48,932
Differences between expected and actual experience	(15,756)	-	(15,756)
Contributions - employer	-	30,579	(30,579)
Net investment income	-	182,960	(182,960)
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(31,878)	(31,878)	-
Administration	-	(2,464)	2,464
Net change	15,244	179,197	(163,953)
Balance at June 30, 2021	\$ 832,528	\$ 977,596	\$ (145,068)

10. Sensitivity of the net pension liability (asset) to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the net pension liability (asset), calculated using the current discount rate as well as what the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate of 6.50% for the Employee Retirement Plan and 6.00% for the Chester Hose Company VSAP Plan:

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
Employee Retirement	\$ 370,767	\$ 260,707	\$ 160,257
Chester Hose Company VSAP	\$ (66,598)	\$ (145,068)	\$ (213,720)

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A. Town pension plans (continued)**11. Pension expense and deferred outflows and inflows of resources**

The Town recognized pension expense of \$48,880 for the Employee Retirement Plan and \$(26,581) for the Chester Hose Company VSAP. For both plans, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

<u>Employee Retirement</u>	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	<u>Net</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 73,992	\$ 28,974	\$ 45,018
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	<u>-</u>	<u>257,312</u>	<u>(257,312)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 73,992</u>	<u>\$ 286,286</u>	<u>\$ (212,294)</u>

<u>Chester Hose Company VSAP</u>	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	<u>Net</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 30,669	\$ 81,541	\$ (50,872)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	<u>-</u>	<u>117,208</u>	<u>(117,208)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 30,669</u>	<u>\$ 198,749</u>	<u>\$ (168,080)</u>

Actual investment earnings below (or above) projected earnings are amortized over 5 years. Differences between expected and actual experience and assumption changes or inputs are recognized over the average remaining service life for all active and inactive members of the plans as follows:

<u>Plan</u>	<u>Years</u>
Employee Retirement	6.5
Chester Hose Company VSAP	9.4

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A. Town pension plans (continued)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows (inflows) of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Employee Retirement	Chester Hose Company VSAP
2022	\$ (51,166)	\$ (42,259)
2023	(52,884)	(41,416)
2024	(56,304)	(34,097)
2025	(53,937)	(33,631)
2026	1,997	(7,103)
Thereafter	-	(9,574)
Total	<u>\$ (212,294)</u>	<u>\$ (168,080)</u>

12. Plan statements

Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Pension Trust Funds
June 30, 2021

	Employee Retirement Plan	Chester Hose Company VSAP	Total
<u>Assets</u>			
Investments			
Mutual funds			
Equity	\$ 1,939,943	\$ 726,270	\$ 2,666,213
Money market	119,098	38,194	157,292
Bonds	376,719	151,224	527,943
Exchange traded funds	131,985	61,908	193,893
Total investments	<u>2,567,745</u>	<u>977,596</u>	<u>3,545,341</u>
<u>Net Position</u>			
Restricted for pension benefits	<u>\$ 2,567,745</u>	<u>\$ 977,596</u>	<u>\$ 3,545,341</u>

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A. Town pension plans (continued)

Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Pension Trust Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Employee Retirement Plan	Chester Hose Company VSAP	Total
Additions			
Contributions			
Employer	\$ 146,394	\$ 30,579	\$ 176,973
Plan members	10,746	-	10,746
Total contributions	157,140	30,579	187,719
Investment income (loss)			
Net change in fair value of investments	389,999	156,903	546,902
Interest and dividends	64,877	26,057	90,934
Total investment income (loss)	454,876	182,960	637,836
Total additions	612,016	213,539	825,555
Deductions			
Benefits	37,524	31,878	69,402
Administration	4,647	2,464	7,111
Total deductions	42,171	34,342	76,513
Change in net position	569,845	179,197	749,042
Net position - July 1, 2020	1,997,900	798,399	2,796,299
Net position - June 30, 2021	<u>\$ 2,567,745</u>	<u>\$ 977,596</u>	<u>\$ 3,545,341</u>

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B. Connecticut municipal employees' retirement system**1. Plan description**

The Connecticut Municipal Employees' Retirement System ("MERS") is the public pension plan offered by the State of Connecticut for municipal employees in participating municipalities. MERS is a cost-sharing defined benefit pension plan administered by the Connecticut State Retirement Commission.

Municipalities may designate which departments (including elective officers if so specified) are to be covered under the Connecticut Municipal Employees' Retirement System ("MERS"). This designation may be the result of collective bargaining. Only employees covered under the State Teachers' Retirement System may not be included. There are no minimum age or service requirements. Membership is mandatory for all regular full-time employees of participating departments except Police and Fire hired after age 60.

The plan has 4 sub plans as follows:

- General employees with social security
- General employees without social security
- Policemen and firemen with social security
- Policemen and firemen without social security

2. Benefit provisions

Normal retirement	
General Employees	Age 55 with 5 years of continuous service, or 15 years of active aggregate service or 25 years of aggregate service
Police and Fire	Compulsory retirement age is age 65
Benefit calculation	The maximum benefit is 100% of average final compensation and the minimum benefit is \$1,000 annually. Both the minimum and the maximum include workers' compensation and social security benefits
With social security	1.50% of the average final compensation not in excess of the year's breakpoint plus 2.00% of average final compensation in excess of the year's breakpoint, times years of service. If any member covered by social security retires before age 62, the benefit until age 62 is reached or a social security disability award is received, is computed as if the member is not under social security
Without social security	2.00% of average final compensation, times years of service
Final average compensation	Average of the three highest paid years of service

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B. Connecticut municipal employees' retirement system (continued)

Early retirement	5 years of continuous service or 15 years of active aggregate service
Early retirement amount	Calculated on the basis of average final compensation and service to date of termination. Deferral to normal retirement age, or an actuarially reduced allowance may begin at the time of separation
Service connected disability amount	Calculated based on compensation and service to the date of the disability with a minimum benefit (including workers' compensation benefits) of 50% of compensation at the time of disability
Non-service connected disability service requirement	10 years of service
Non-service connected disability service amount	Calculated based on compensation and service to the date of the disability
Pre-retirement death benefit amount	Lump-sum return of contributions with interest or if vested and married, the surviving spouse will receive a lifetime benefit
Cost of living increases	2.50% - 6.00% depending on retirement date and increase in CPI

3. ContributionsEmployer

Participating municipalities make annual contributions consisting of a normal cost contribution, a contribution for the amortization of the net unfunded accrued liability and a prior service amortization payment which covers the liabilities of the system not met by member contributions.

Employees

For employees not covered by social security, each person is required to contribute 6.00% of compensation.

For employees covered by social security, each person is required to contribute 3.25% of compensation up to the social security taxable wage base plus 6.00% of compensation, if any, in excess of such base.

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B. Connecticut municipal employees' retirement system (continued)**4. Pension liabilities, pension expense, and deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions**

The Town reported \$56,404 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability 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 June 30, 2020. The Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based upon the Town's 2020 actuarial (expected) payroll relative to the payroll of all the participating employers as of that date. The Town's proportional share was 0.014363% for the general employees with social security sub plan. There was a 0.00039% decrease in the Town's proportional share of the general employees with social security sub plan.

Subsequent to the measurement date, there were no changes in benefit terms or any expected changes that will have an impact on the measurement of the net pension liability.

For the fiscal year, the Town recognized pension expense of \$13,860. The Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Description of Outflows/Inflows	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Net Deferred Outflows and Inflows
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 3,737	\$ 7,211	\$ (3,474)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	5,919	-	5,919
Change of assumptions	9,287	-	9,287
Changes in proportional share	1,370	851	519
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	828	-	828
Total	<u>\$ 21,141</u>	<u>\$ 8,062</u>	13,079
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date to be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent year			<u>(828)</u>
Net amortized amount of deferred inflows and outflows			<u>\$ 12,251</u>

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

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B. Connecticut municipal employees' retirement system (continued)

Year Ending June 30,	
2022	\$ 5,528
2023	6,587
2024	(290)
2025	<u>426</u>
Total	<u>\$ 12,251</u>

5. Actuarial assumptions

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Investment rate of return	7.00%
Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	3.50-10.00%, including inflation
Cost of living adjustments	Future cost-of-living adjustments for members who retire on or after January 1, 2002 are 60% of the annual increase in the CPI up to 6.00%. The minimum annual COLA is 2.50%, the maximum is 6.00%
Mortality rates	Mortality rates were based on RP-2014 Combined Mortality Table adjusted to 2006 and projected to 2015 with Scale MP-2017 and projected to 2022 with Scale BB for General Employees and the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table adjusted to 2006 and projected to 2015 with Scale MP-2017 and projected 2022 with Scale BB for Police and Fire. For disabled retirees, the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2020 was used

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 5-year period ended June 30, 2017.

Long-term expected rate of return

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a statistical analysis 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. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major class are summarized in the following table:

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B. Connecticut municipal employees' retirement system (continued)

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Target Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Domestic equity	20.00%	5.30%
Developed market international	11.00%	5.10%
Emerging market international	9.00%	7.40%
Core fixed income	16.00%	1.60%
Inflation linked bond	5.00%	1.30%
Emerging market debt	5.00%	2.90%
High yield bond	6.00%	3.40%
Real estate	10.00%	4.70%
Private equity	10.00%	7.30%
Alternative investments	7.00%	3.20%
Liquidity fund	1.00%	0.90%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

6. Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

7. Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the Town's proportional share of the net pension liability of MERS, calculated using the discount rate, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate of 7.00%:

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	<u>\$ 78,922</u>	<u>\$ 56,404</u>	<u>\$ 37,416</u>

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B. Connecticut municipal employees' retirement system (continued)**8. Plan fiduciary net position**

Detailed information about the MERS plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of Connecticut Annual Comprehensive Financial Report as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020.

C. Connecticut state teachers' retirement system**1. Plan description**

Teachers, principals, superintendents, or supervisors engaged in service of public schools are provided with pensions through the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System ("TRS"), a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Teachers' Retirement Board ("TRB"). Chapter 167a of the State Statutes grants authority to establish and amend the benefit terms to the TRB. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.ct.gov/trb.

2. Benefit provisions

Normal retirement	Age 60 with 20 years of credited service in Connecticut, or 35 years of credited service including at least 25 years of service in Connecticut
Benefit calculation	2.00% of the average annual salary times the years of credited service (maximum benefit is 75% of average annual salary during the 3 years of highest salary)
Early retirement	25 years of credited service including 20 years of Connecticut service, or age 55 with 20 years of credited service including 15 years of Connecticut service
Early retirement amount	Benefit amounts are reduced by 6.00% per year for the first 5 years preceding normal retirement age and 4.00% per year for the next 5 years preceding the normal retirement age. Effective July 1, 1999, the reduction for individuals with 30 or more years of service is 3.00% per year by which retirement precedes normal retirement date.
Service connected disability amount	2.00% of average annual salary times credited service to date of disability, but not less than 15% of average annual salary, nor more than 50% of average annual salary. In addition, disability benefits under this plan (without regard to cost-of-living adjustments) plus any initial award of social security benefits and workers' compensation cannot exceed 75% of annual average salary.

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C. Connecticut state teachers' retirement system (continued)

Non-service connected disability service requirement	Five years of credited service
Vesting - service	10 years of service
Vesting - amount	100%
Pre-retirement death benefit amount	Lump-sum return of contributions with interest or surviving spouse benefit depending on length of service

3. Contributions**State of Connecticut**

Per Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-183z (which reflects Public Act 79-436 as amended), contribution requirements of active employees and the State of Connecticut are amended and certified by the State Teachers' Retirement Board and appropriated by the General Assembly. The contributions are actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions and investment earnings, is expected to finance the costs of the benefits earned by employees during the year, with any additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Employer (school districts)

School district employers are not required to make contributions to the plan.

Employees

Each teacher is required to contribute 7.00% of their salary for the pension benefit.

4. Pension liabilities, pension expense, and deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions

The Town reports no amounts for its proportionate share of the net pension liability, and related deferred outflows and inflows due to the statutory requirement that the State pay 100% of the required contribution. The amounts recognized by the Town as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related state support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the Town were as follows:

Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Town	<u>5,971,761</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 5,971,761</u></u>

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C. Connecticut state teachers' retirement system (continued)

The net pension liability 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 June 30, 2020. The Town has no proportionate share of the net pension liability.

During the year, the Town recognized pension expense and revenue of \$383,034 for on-behalf amounts for contributions to the plan by the State.

5. Actuarial assumptions

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Investment rate of return	6.90%
Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	3.00-6.50%, including inflation
Mortality rates	Mortality rates were based on the PubT-2010 Table, projected generationally with MP-2019

Future cost-of-living increases - For teachers who retired prior to September 1, 1992, pension benefit adjustments are made in accordance with increases in the Consumer Price Index, with a minimum of 3.00% and a maximum of 5.00% per annum. For teachers who were members of the Teachers' Retirement System before July 1, 2007, and retire on or after September 1, 1992, pension benefit adjustments are made that are consistent with those provided for social security benefits on January 1 of the year granted, with a maximum of 6.00% per annum. If the return on assets in the previous year was less than 8.50%, the maximum increase is 1.50%. For teachers who were members of the Teachers' Retirement System after July 1, 2007, pension benefit adjustments are made that are consistent with those provided for social security benefits on January 1 of the year granted, with a maximum of 5.00% per annum. If the return on assets in the previous year was less than 11.50%, the maximum increase is 3.00%, and if the return on the assets in the previous year was less than 8.50%, the maximum increase is 1.00%.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 5-year period ending June 30, 2019.

Changes in assumptions and inputs

- The salary increases assumption was decreased from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- The mortality tables were changed from the RPH-2014 White Collar Table, projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale to the PubT-2010 Table, projected generationally with MP-2019.

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C. Connecticut state teachers' retirement system (continued)**Long-term expected rate of return**

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis 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.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric rates of return for each major class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity fund	20.00%	5.60%
Developed market international stock fund	11.00%	6.00%
Emerging market international stock fund	9.00%	7.90%
Core fixed income fund	16.00%	2.10%
Inflation linked bond fund	5.00%	1.10%
Emerging market debt fund	5.00%	2.70%
High yield bond fund	6.00%	4.00%
Real estate fund	10.00%	4.50%
Private equity	10.00%	7.30%
Alternative investments	7.00%	2.90%
Liquidity fund	1.00%	0.40%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

6. Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.90%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that State contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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C. Connecticut state teachers' retirement system (continued)**7. Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate**

The Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability is \$0 and, therefore, the change in the discount rate would only impact the amount recorded by the State of Connecticut.

8. Plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement Plan fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of Connecticut Annual Comprehensive Financial Report as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020.

D. Total pension plans

	Net Pension Asset	Net Pension Liability	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Pension Expense
Employee Retirement	\$ -	\$ 260,707	\$ 73,992	\$ 286,286	\$ 48,880
Chester Hose Company VSAP	145,068	-	30,669	198,749	(26,581)
MERS	-	56,404	21,141	8,062	13,860
	<u>-</u>	<u>56,404</u>	<u>21,141</u>	<u>8,062</u>	<u>13,860</u>
Total	<u>\$ 145,068</u>	<u>\$ 317,111</u>	<u>\$ 125,802</u>	<u>\$ 493,097</u>	<u>\$ 36,159</u>

E. Other post-employment benefit plans**1. Plan description****a. Plan administration**

The Town administers two single-employer, postretirement healthcare plans for certain Town and Education employees. The plans do not have assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement No. 75.

Management of the plans rests with the 5-member Retirement Board who are appointed by the Selectmen. At least one member of the Board shall also be a member of the Board of Finance.

b. Plan membership

As of the date of the latest actuarial valuation, June 30, 2019 for the Town plan and June 30, 2020 for the Education plan, membership consisted of:

	<u>Employees Covered</u>	
	<u>Town</u>	<u>Education</u>
Active members	6	25
Active members waiving coverage	-	6
	<u>-</u>	<u>6</u>
Total	<u>6</u>	<u>31</u>

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E. Other post-employment benefit plans (continued)**2. Benefit provisions**

The Town and Education plans provide for medical, dental and life insurance benefits for all eligible retirees and their spouses. Benefits and contributions are established by contract and may be amended by union negotiations.

3. Contributions

The Town and Education plans are currently funded on a pay as you go basis. Plan members are not required to contribute to the plan.

Teachers who no longer work for the Education department are allowed by State Statute to participate in the Town's group medical insurance plan until they formally begin receiving benefits from the State Teachers' Retirement Plan. These teachers are required to contribute the cost of the insurance to the Town.

4. Actuarial methods and significant assumptions

The total OPEB liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	Town	Education
Valuation date	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2020
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal	Entry age normal
Discount rate	2.45%	2.45%
Healthcare cost trend rates:		
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%
Initial medical trend rate	6.40%	6.20%
Ultimate medical trend rate	4.00%	4.00%
Year ultimate medical trend rate reached	2076	2076
Mortality rates	RP-2014 White Collar Mortality Table projected to 2020 with Scale BB	Pub-2010 headcount- weighted mortality tables for Teachers

The discount rate was based on the S&P municipal bond 20-year high grade index as of the measurement date.

The valuation results provided in this report reflect a best estimate of the potential impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). Consideration has been made for provisions of the law that are effective as of the valuation date as well as those provisions that will take effect in the future.

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E. Other post-employment benefit plans (continued)**5. Changes from prior year****a. Changes in assumptions**

The Town and Education plans had the following changes in assumptions:

- The discount rate decreased from 3.13% to 2.45%.

b. Changes in benefit terms

There were no changes in benefit terms for the Town and Education plans.

6. Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was as follows:

	<u>Town</u>	<u>Education</u>
Discount rate	2.45%	2.45%

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that Town contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate.

7. Changes in the total OPEB liability

The Town's OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as June 30, 2019. The Education's OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as June 30, 2020.

	<u>Town</u>	<u>Education</u>
Total OPEB liability - July 1, 2020	<u>\$ 17,025</u>	<u>\$ 146,294</u>
Service cost	1,513	13,958
Interest	580	5,016
Differences between expected and actual experience	(2,893)	(33,533)
Changes of assumptions	<u>574</u>	<u>(5,757)</u>
Net change	<u>(226)</u>	<u>(20,316)</u>
Total OPEB liability - June 30, 2021	<u><u>\$ 16,799</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 125,978</u></u>

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E. Other post-employment benefit plans (continued)**8. Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate**

The following presents the total OPEB liability, as well as what the total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current discount rate of 2.45%:

<u>OPEB Liability</u>	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
Town	<u>\$ 17,663</u>	<u>\$ 16,799</u>	<u>\$ 15,959</u>
Education	<u>\$135,737</u>	<u>\$ 125,978</u>	<u>\$116,785</u>

9. Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rate

The following presents the total OPEB liability, as well as what the total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current trend rates of 6.40% of the Town Plan and 6.20% for the Education Plan decreasing to 4.00%:

<u>OPEB Liability</u>	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Trend Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
Town	<u>\$ 15,431</u>	<u>\$ 16,799</u>	<u>\$ 18,281</u>
Education	<u>\$112,431</u>	<u>\$ 125,978</u>	<u>\$141,664</u>

10. OPEB expense and deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB

For the fiscal year, the Town recognized OPEB expense of \$(226) for the Town plan and \$(20,316) for the Education plan. There were no reported deferred outflows or inflows of resources related to OPEB.

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F. Connecticut state teachers' retirement board retiree health insurance plan**1. Plan description**

Teachers, principals, superintendents, or supervisors engaged in service of public schools that are currently receiving a retirement or disability benefit through the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement System are eligible to participate in the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System Retiree Health Insurance Plan ("TRS-RHIP") - a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other post-employment benefit plan administered by the Teachers' Retirement Board ("TRB"). Chapter 167a Section 10-183t of the State Statutes grants authority to establish and amend the benefit terms to the TRB. TRS-RHIP issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.ct.gov/trb.

2. Benefit provisions

The Plan provides for retiree health insurance benefits. Eligibility is as follows:

Normal retirement	Age 60 with 20 years of credited service in Connecticut, or 35 years of credited service including at least 25 years of service in Connecticut
Early retirement	25 years of credited service including 20 years of Connecticut service, or age 55 with 20 years of credited service including 15 years of Connecticut service
Service connected disability service requirement	No service requirement
Non-service connected disability service requirement	Five years of credited service
Vesting - service	10 years of service

Retiree health care coverage

Any member that is currently receiving a retirement or disability benefit is eligible to participate in the Plan. There are two types of the health care benefits offered. Subsidized Local School District Coverage provides a subsidy paid to members still receiving coverage through their former employer and the CTRB Sponsored Medicare Supplemental Plans provide coverage for those participating in Medicare, but not receiving Subsidized Local School District Coverage.

Town of Chester, Connecticut**Notes to Financial Statements
As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2021****F. Connecticut state teachers' retirement board retiree health insurance plan (continued)**

Any member that is not currently participating in Medicare Parts A & B is eligible to continue health care coverage with their former employer. A subsidy of up to \$110 per month for a retired member plus an additional \$110 per month for a spouse enrolled in a local school district plan is provided to the school district to first offset the retiree's share of the cost of coverage, any remaining portion is used to offset the district's cost.

The subsidy amount is set by statute and has not increased since July of 1996. A subsidy amount of \$220 per month may be paid for a retired member, spouse or the surviving spouse of a member who has attained the normal retirement age to participate in Medicare, is not eligible for Part A of Medicare without cost and contributes at least \$220 per month towards coverage under a local school district plan.

Any member that is currently participating in Medicare Parts A & B is eligible to either continue health care coverage with their former employer, if offered, or enroll in the plan sponsored by the System. If they elect to remain in the plan with their former employer, the same subsidies as above will be paid to offset the cost of coverage.

If a member participating in Medicare Parts A & B so elects, they may enroll in one of the CTRB Sponsored Medicare Supplemental Plans. Active members, retirees, and the State pay equally toward the cost of the basic coverage (medical and prescription drug benefits).

Those participants electing vision, hearing, and/or dental are required by the System's funding policy to pay the full cost of coverage for these benefits, and no liability is assumed by the Plan for these benefits.

Survivor health care coverage

Survivors of former employees or retirees remain eligible to participate in the Plan and continue to be eligible to receive either the \$110 monthly subsidy or participate in the TRB-Sponsored Medicare Supplemental Plans, as long as they do not remarry.

3. Contributions**State of Connecticut**

Per Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-183z, contribution requirements of active employees and the State of Connecticut are amended and certified by the State Teachers' Retirement Board and appropriated by the General Assembly. The State contributions are not currently actuarially funded. The State pays for one third of plan costs through an annual appropriation in the General Fund.

Employer (school districts)

School district employers are not required to make contributions to the plan.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

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F. Connecticut state teachers' retirement board retiree health insurance plan (continued)**Employees**

Each member is required to contribute 1.25% of their annual salary.

4. OPEB liabilities, OPEB expense, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB

The Town reports no amounts for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, and related deferred outflows and inflows due to the statutory requirement that the State pay 100% of the required contribution. The amounts recognized by the Town as its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, the related state support, and the total portion of the net OPEB liability that was associated with the Town were as follows:

Town's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the Town	<u>890,688</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 890,688</u></u>

The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020. The Town has no proportionate share of the net OPEB liability.

The Town recognized OPEB expense and revenue of \$9,244 for on-behalf amounts for contributions to the plan by the State.

5. Actuarial assumptions

The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Investment rate of return	3.00%
Inflation	2.50%
Health care cost trend rate (Medicare)	5.125% decreasing to 4.50% by 2023
Salary increases	3.00-6.50%, including inflation
Mortality rates	Mortality rates were based on the PubT-2010 Table, projected generationally with MP-2019
Year fund net position will be depleted	2021

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 5-year period ending June 30, 2019.

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F. Connecticut state teachers' retirement board retiree health insurance plan (continued)**Changes in assumptions and inputs**

- The Medicare health care cost trend rate changed from 5.00% decreasing to 4.75% by 2028 to 5.125% decreasing to 4.50% by 2023.
- The salary increases assumption was decreased from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- The mortality tables were changed from the RPH-2014 White Collar Table, projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale to the PubT-2010 Table, projected generationally with MP-2019.
- The discount rate was decreased from 3.50% to 2.21% to reflect the change in the Municipal Bond Index rate.

Additionally, expected annual per capita claims costs were updated to better reflect anticipated medical and prescription drug claim experience both before and after the plan change that became effective on January 1, 2019. Further, the expected rate of inflation was decreased and the real wage growth assumption was increased.

Long-term expected rate of return

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB 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 weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

All the plan assets are assumed to be invested in cash equivalents due to the need for liquidity. The expected rate of return is 2.00%. Since there have not been any changes to the asset allocation and the recent economic downturn is expected to be temporary, the funding rate of 3.00% continues to be used for the long-term investment rate of return as of June 30, 2020.

6. Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 2.21%. The Municipal Bond Index Rate was used in the determination in the discount rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that annual State contributions will equal the most recent 5-year average of state contributions.

7. Sensitivity of the OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate

The Town's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability is \$0 and, therefore, the change in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate would only impact the amount recorded by the State of Connecticut.

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F. Connecticut state teachers' retirement board retiree health insurance plan (continued)**8. Plan fiduciary net position**

Detailed information about the Connecticut State Teachers' OPEB Plan fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of Connecticut Annual Comprehensive Financial Report as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020.

G. Total OPEB plans

	<u>OPEB Liability</u>	<u>OPEB Expense</u>
Town	\$ 16,799	\$ (226)
Education	<u>125,978</u>	<u>(20,316)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 142,777</u>	<u>\$ (20,542)</u>

VI. Prior period adjustment and fund reclassification

The government-wide and custodial funds net position and special revenue fund balance were restated as a result of the implementation of GASB No. 84 as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Custodial Funds</u>
Net position/fund balance as previously reported at June 30, 2020	\$ 17,812,661	\$ 462,388	\$ 15,107
Reclassification to proper fund type	<u>15,107</u>	<u>15,107</u>	<u>(15,107)</u>
Net position/fund balance as restated at July 1, 2020	<u>\$ 17,827,768</u>	<u>\$ 477,495</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Required Supplementary Information

Type	Description
Budgetary	Schedule of Revenues and Other Financing Sources - Budget and Actual - General Fund
	Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses - Budget and Actual - General Fund
	Notes to Required Supplementary Information - Budgets and Budgetary Accounting
<u>Pension Plans</u>	
Town	Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios and Schedule of Investment Returns
Chester Hose Company	
Municipal Employees' Retirement System	Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
State Teacher's Retirement System	
	Schedule of Contributions
	Notes to Required Supplementary Information
<u>Other Post-Employment Benefits Plans</u>	
Town	Schedule of Changes in OPEB Liability
Education	
State Teacher's Retirement Board Retiree	Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability
Health Insurance Plan	
	Schedule of Contributions
	Notes to Required Supplementary Information

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General Fund
Schedule of Revenues and Other Financing Sources
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Additional Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
Property taxes					
Grand list current year	\$ 12,457,503	\$ -	\$ 12,457,503	\$ 12,718,273	\$ 260,770
Prior years' taxes	100,000	-	100,000	122,293	22,293
Interest and lien fees	50,000	-	50,000	70,435	20,435
Telephone access grant	9,500	-	9,500	9,920	420
Total property taxes	12,617,003	-	12,617,003	12,920,921	303,918
Intergovernmental revenues					
Education: equal (ECS)	768,291	-	768,291	768,291	-
Town aid road	192,080	-	192,080	190,435	(1,645)
Local capital improvement project	44,434	-	44,434	44,434	-
Gas tax refund	2,000	-	2,000	1,959	(41)
State owned property	9,068	-	9,068	9,068	-
Mashantucket Pequot	3,278	-	3,278	3,278	-
DUI grant	15,000	-	15,000	1,001	(13,999)
Judicial fine reimbursement	3,000	-	3,000	1,120	(1,880)
Surplus revenue sharing	89,264	-	89,264	89,264	-
Veterans' tax exemption	2,500	-	2,500	3,177	677
Other grants	5,500	-	5,500	62,979	57,479
Totally disabled exemption	200	-	200	-	(200)
Total intergovernmental revenues	1,134,615	-	1,134,615	1,175,006	40,391
Charges for services					
Building permits	45,000	-	45,000	68,234	23,234
Aircraft registration	12,500	-	12,500	13,380	880
Planning and zoning permits	4,500	-	4,500	8,122	3,622
Inland wetland permits	800	-	800	475	(325)
Zoning board of appeals permits	500	-	500	20	(480)
Pistol permits	1,000	-	1,000	3,640	2,640
Fire marshal permits	250	-	250	50	(200)
Environmental fund	100	-	100	82	(18)
Solicitors license	750	-	750	360	(390)
Raffle permits	100	-	100	20	(80)
Rental - 203 Middlesex Avenue	67,600	-	67,600	67,599	(1)
Conveyance tax	55,000	-	55,000	94,009	39,009
Dog fund	1,400	-	1,400	1,615	215
Town clerk fees	29,000	-	29,000	45,305	16,305
WCPA assessment	15,500	-	15,500	20,316	4,816
Police private duty	17,000	-	17,000	94,507	77,507
Police violations	6,000	-	6,000	4,475	(1,525)
Parks and recreation park passes	14,000	-	14,000	21,490	7,490
Rental - 20 Water Street	7,500	-	7,500	7,575	75
Library fines	1,000	-	1,000	177	(823)
Rental - meeting house - community center	8,000	-	8,000	200	(7,800)
Rental - cedar lake shack	500	-	500	500	-
Copier - assessor	200	-	200	-	(200)
Copier - library	500	-	500	219	(281)
Ambulance billings	222,400	-	222,400	191,312	(31,088)
Community investment account	1,500	-	1,500	1,743	243
Sale obsolete items	-	-	-	1,665	1,665
Total charges for services	512,600	-	512,600	647,090	134,490

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General Fund
Schedule of Revenues and Other Financing Sources
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Additional Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
Income from investments	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 7,931	\$ (22,069)
Other	-	-	-	126,568	126,568
Total revenues	14,294,218	-	14,294,218	14,877,516	583,298
Other financing sources					
Appropriation of fund balance	225,000	100,000	325,000	-	(325,000)
Transfers in	32,800	-	32,800	-	(32,800)
Total other financing sources	257,800	100,000	357,800	-	(357,800)
Total revenues and other financing sources	<u>\$ 14,552,018</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 14,652,018</u>	<u>\$ 14,877,516</u>	<u>\$ 225,498</u>

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General Fund
Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Additional Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
General government					
Selectman	\$ 154,309	\$ 9,000	\$ 163,309	\$ 158,515	\$ 4,794
Finance	114,663	-	114,663	113,587	1,076
Town office operations	64,615	3,017	67,632	67,629	3
Town clerk	105,540	-	105,540	98,662	6,878
Treasurer	24,921	-	24,921	24,866	55
Tax collector	62,761	-	62,761	60,664	2,097
Tax assessor	88,846	(13,017)	75,829	63,330	12,499
Board of assessment appeals	300	-	300	250	50
Board of finance	94,100	(70,000)	24,100	21,393	2,707
Registrar of voters	19,539	3,680	23,219	23,062	157
Building department	35,035	(3,680)	31,355	26,889	4,466
Conservation commission	540	-	540	367	173
Harbor management	200	-	200	-	200
Planning and zoning	47,190	(1,639)	45,551	42,520	3,031
Inland wetland	13,318	-	13,318	12,530	788
Zoning board of appeals	500	1,639	2,139	2,139	-
Economic development commission	800	-	800	350	450
Parks and recreation commission	138,614	(7,806)	130,808	119,583	11,225
Library	160,939	(12,231)	148,708	139,422	9,286
Total general government	1,126,730	(91,037)	1,035,693	975,758	59,935
Public works					
Highways	519,203	31,045	550,248	544,512	5,736
Municipal services	150,900	-	150,900	150,394	506
Building and grounds	155,100	10,819	165,919	164,851	1,068
Total public works	825,203	41,864	867,067	859,757	7,310
Public safety					
Fire protection	397,950	(1,777)	396,173	395,471	702
Police protection	335,650	-	335,650	332,107	3,543
Safety services	223,306	(21,442)	201,864	194,153	7,711
Animal control	18,903	-	18,903	18,164	739
Total public safety	975,809	(23,219)	952,590	939,895	12,695
Health and welfare					
Human services department	93,177	-	93,177	91,641	1,536
Health services	59,908	-	59,908	59,908	-
Total health and welfare	153,085	-	153,085	151,549	1,536

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General Fund
Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Additional Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
Benefits and insurance					
Employee benefits	\$ 520,785	\$ (39,000)	\$ 481,785	\$ 465,005	\$ 16,780
Retirement board	213,173	-	213,173	207,828	5,345
Municipal insurance	79,989	7,344	87,333	87,333	-
Payments to organizations	23,319	-	23,319	23,180	139
Total benefits and insurance	837,266	(31,656)	805,610	783,346	22,264
Education					
Regional School District Number 4	5,108,090	-	5,108,090	5,108,085	5
Chester Elementary School	4,964,446	-	4,964,446	4,861,906	102,540
Total education	10,072,536	-	10,072,536	9,969,991	102,545
Debt service					
Interest	10,812	-	10,812	10,811	1
Principal	72,577	4,048	76,625	75,172	1,453
Total debt service	83,389	4,048	87,437	85,983	1,454
Total expenditures	14,074,018	(100,000)	13,974,018	13,766,279	207,739
Other financing uses					
Transfers out					
Capital reserve fund	478,000	200,000	678,000	678,000	-
Total expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ 14,552,018</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 14,652,018</u>	<u>\$ 14,444,279</u>	<u>\$ 207,739</u>

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

A formal, legally approved, annual budget is adopted for the General Fund. This budget is adopted on a basis consistent with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (modified accrual basis) with the following exceptions:

- The Town does not budget for as revenue or expenditures amounts paid for the State Teachers' Pension and OPEB by the State of Connecticut on the Town's behalf.

Budget to GAAP Reconciliation

<u>Reconciliation to Exhibit D</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
Budgetary Basis - RSI-1 A and B	\$14,877,516	\$13,766,279
State Teachers' pension on behalf amount	383,034	383,034
State Teachers' OPEB on behalf amount	<u>9,244</u>	<u>9,244</u>
GAAP Basis - Exhibit D	<u><u>\$15,269,794</u></u>	<u><u>\$14,158,557</u></u>

The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the department level.

The governing body may amend the annual budget subject to the requirements of the Connecticut General Statutes. The Board of Finance may make a one-time additional appropriation up to \$20,000 to any appropriation. A Town Meeting must be called to make appropriations over \$20,000 or additional changes to a previously adjusted appropriation.

There were additional appropriations from fund balance during the year of \$100,000.

The Board of Education is authorized under state law to make any transfers required within their budget at their discretion.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Required Supplementary Information

Employee Retirement Plan
Last Eight Years (1)**Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios**

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total pension liability								
Service cost	\$ 87,084	\$ 81,261	\$ 70,205	\$ 59,422	\$ 71,670	\$ 63,974	\$ 69,134	\$ 78,964
Interest	172,908	155,328	143,366	141,085	146,569	136,065	127,803	118,706
Difference between expected and actual experience	14,482	64,133	(6,055)	69,666	(51,794)	(23,052)	(23,165)	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(37,524)	(34,696)	(34,438)	(450,718)	(32,926)	(58,971)	(24,782)	(24,782)
Net change in total pension liability	236,950	266,026	173,078	(180,545)	133,519	118,016	148,990	172,888
Total pension liability - July 1	2,591,502	2,325,476	2,152,398	2,332,943	2,199,424	2,081,408	1,932,418	1,759,530
Total pension liability - June 30 (a)	2,828,452	2,591,502	2,325,476	2,152,398	2,332,943	2,199,424	2,081,408	1,932,418
Plan fiduciary net position								
Contributions - employer	146,394	133,832	139,255	137,578	146,669	161,804	155,733	155,733
Contributions - member	10,746	8,466	5,970	4,647	5,915	8,317	8,193	7,416
Net investment income	454,876	123,762	111,781	92,682	176,495	17,651	30,251	141,011
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(37,524)	(34,696)	(34,438)	(450,718)	(32,926)	(58,971)	(24,782)	(24,782)
Administration	(4,647)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	569,845	231,364	222,568	(215,811)	296,153	128,801	169,395	279,378
Plan fiduciary net position - July 1	1,997,900	1,766,536	1,543,968	1,759,779	1,463,626	1,334,825	1,165,430	886,052
Plan fiduciary net position - June 30 (b)	2,567,745	1,997,900	1,766,536	1,543,968	1,759,779	1,463,626	1,334,825	1,165,430
Net pension liability - June 30 (a)-(b)	\$ 260,707	\$ 593,602	\$ 558,940	\$ 608,430	\$ 573,164	\$ 735,798	\$ 746,583	\$ 766,988
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	90.78%	77.09%	75.96%	71.73%	75.43%	66.55%	64.13%	60.31%
Covered payroll	\$ 961,879	\$ 873,568	\$ 937,278	\$ 958,949	\$ 1,005,780	\$ 866,218	\$ 839,376	\$ 736,038
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	27.10%	67.95%	59.63%	63.45%	56.99%	84.94%	88.95%	104.20%

Schedule of Investment Returns

Annual money weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	22.46%	7.03%	7.30%	6.45%	11.29%	1.30%	2.61%	16.05%
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(1) These schedules are intended to present information for 10 years. Additional years will be presented as the information becomes available.

See Notes to Required Supplementary Information.

Town of Chester, Connecticut
Required Supplementary Information

Employee Retirement Plan
Schedule of Contributions
Last Ten Years

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Actuarially determined contributions	\$ 146,394	\$ 133,832	\$ 139,255	\$ 137,578	\$ 146,669	\$ 161,804	\$ 155,733	\$ 139,601	\$ 134,345	\$ 126,055
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	<u>146,394</u>	<u>133,832</u>	<u>139,255</u>	<u>137,578</u>	<u>146,669</u>	<u>161,804</u>	<u>155,733</u>	<u>155,733</u>	<u>134,345</u>	<u>110,000</u>
Contribution excess (deficiency)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 16,132</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (16,055)</u>
Covered payroll	<u>\$ 961,879</u>	<u>\$ 873,568</u>	<u>\$ 937,278</u>	<u>\$ 958,949</u>	<u>\$ 1,005,780</u>	<u>\$ 866,218</u>	<u>\$ 839,376</u>	<u>\$ 736,038</u>	<u>\$ 723,891</u>	<u>\$ 813,548</u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>15.22%</u>	<u>15.32%</u>	<u>14.86%</u>	<u>14.35%</u>	<u>14.58%</u>	<u>18.68%</u>	<u>18.55%</u>	<u>21.16%</u>	<u>18.56%</u>	<u>13.52%</u>

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

Employee Retirement Plan
Schedule of Contributions
Last Eight Years (1)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Changes of Benefit Terms	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
The actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of	January 1, 2021	January 1, 2020	January 1, 2019	January 1, 2018	January 1, 2017	January 1, 2016	January 1, 2015	January 1, 2014
Actuarial methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:								
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Aggregate cost
Amortization Method	Level dollar amount	Level dollar amount	Level dollar amount	Level dollar amount	Level dollar amount	Level dollar amount	Level dollar amount	Level dollar amount
Asset Valuation Method	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%
Salary Increases	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%
Investment Rate of Return (Net)	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%	6.75%
Mortality Rate	GAR 94 Table, Revenue ruling 2001-62 for 417e Mortality Table as basis for determining lump sum distribution.	GAR 94 Table, Revenue ruling 2001-62 for 417e Mortality Table as basis for determining lump sum distribution.	GAR 94 Table, Revenue ruling 2001-62 for 417e Mortality Table as basis for determining lump sum distribution.	GAR 94 Table, Revenue ruling 2001-62 for 417e Mortality Table as basis for determining lump sum distribution.	GAR 94 Table, Revenue ruling 2001-62 for 417e Mortality Table as basis for determining lump sum distribution.	GAR 94 Table, Revenue ruling 2001-62 for 417e Mortality Table as basis for determining lump sum distribution.	GAR 94 Table, Revenue ruling 2001-62 for 417e Mortality Table as basis for determining lump sum distribution.	GAR 94 Table, Revenue ruling 2001-62 for 417e Mortality Table as basis for determining lump sum distribution.

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Town of Chester, Connecticut
Required Supplementary Information
Chester Hose Company VSAP
Last Eight Years (1)

Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Total pension liability								
Service cost	\$ 13,946	\$ 11,780	\$ 11,281	\$ 13,136	\$ 15,705	\$ 13,958	\$ 15,011	\$ 12,829
Interest	48,932	50,656	48,012	48,884	41,998	40,928	39,225	34,902
Difference between expected and actual experience	(15,756)	(47,704)	23,645	-	91,243	-	-	-
Changes in assumptions	-	-	-	(37,134)	18,913	(26,371)	72,217	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(31,878)	(59,017)	(20,282)	(54,340)	(46,846)	(13,097)	(43,956)	(14,130)
Net change in total pension liability	15,244	(44,285)	62,656	(29,454)	121,013	15,418	82,497	33,601
Total pension liability - July 1	817,284	861,569	798,913	828,367	707,354	691,936	609,439	575,838
Total pension liability - June 30 (a)	832,528	817,284	861,569	798,913	828,367	707,354	691,936	609,439
Plan fiduciary net position								
Contributions - employer	30,579	32,000	30,187	35,827	35,827	34,044	28,562	29,344
Net investment income	182,960	36,901	78,740	58,293	67,438	23,582	28,366	76,098
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(31,878)	(59,017)	(20,282)	(54,340)	(46,846)	(13,097)	(43,956)	(14,130)
Administrative expenses	(2,464)	(2,320)	(1,069)	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	179,197	7,564	87,576	39,780	56,419	44,529	12,972	91,312
Plan fiduciary net position - July 1	798,399	790,835	703,259	663,479	607,060	562,531	549,559	458,247
Plan fiduciary net position - June 30 (b)	977,596	798,399	790,835	703,259	663,479	607,060	562,531	549,559
Net pension liability (asset) - June 30 (a)-(b)	<u>\$ (145,068)</u>	<u>\$ 18,885</u>	<u>\$ 70,734</u>	<u>\$ 95,654</u>	<u>\$ 164,888</u>	<u>\$ 100,294</u>	<u>\$ 129,405</u>	<u>\$ 59,880</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	<u>117.42%</u>	<u>97.69%</u>	<u>91.79%</u>	<u>88.03%</u>	<u>80.09%</u>	<u>85.82%</u>	<u>81.30%</u>	<u>90.17%</u>
Covered payroll	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>

Schedule of Investment Returns

Annual money weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	<u>22.95%</u>	<u>4.58%</u>	<u>11.32%</u>	<u>9.25%</u>	<u>10.73%</u>	<u>4.17%</u>	<u>5.36%</u>	<u>16.80%</u>
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N/A - Volunteer Plan

See Notes to Required Supplementary Information.

Town of Chester, Connecticut
Required Supplementary Information

Chester Hose Company VSAP
Schedule of Contributions
Last Ten Years

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Actuarially determined contributions	\$ 20,717	\$ 30,579	\$ 30,187	\$ 40,959	\$ 30,827	\$ 34,044	\$ 28,526	\$ 29,316	\$ 29,344	\$ 27,777
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	<u>30,579</u>	<u>32,000</u>	<u>30,187</u>	<u>35,827</u>	<u>35,827</u>	<u>34,044</u>	<u>28,562</u>	<u>29,344</u>	<u>27,777</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Contribution excess (deficiency)	<u>\$ 9,862</u>	<u>\$ 1,421</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (5,132)</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 36</u>	<u>\$ 28</u>	<u>\$ (1,567)</u>	<u>\$ (7,777)</u>
Covered payroll	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
N/A - Volunteer plan										

Town of Chester, Connecticut
Notes to Required Supplementary Information

Chester Hose Company VSAP
Schedule of Contributions
Last Eight Years (1)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Changes of Benefit Terms	None	None	None	None	2017 - monthly benefit amount at normal retirement increased from \$16.67 per year of service with a maximum of \$250 per month to \$18.41 per year of service with a maximum of \$276.08 per month.	None	None	None
The actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of	July 1, 2020	July 1, 2019	July 1, 2018	July 1, 2017	July 1, 2016	January 1, 2015	January 1, 2014	January 1, 2014
Actuarial methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:								
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Aggregate cost
Amortization Method	Level dollar	Level dollar	Level dollar	Level dollar	Level dollar	Level dollar	Level dollar	Level dollar
Asset Valuation Method	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%
Salary Increases	N/A - Volunteer plan	N/A - Volunteer plan	N/A - Volunteer plan	N/A - Volunteer plan	N/A - Volunteer plan	N/A - Volunteer plan	N/A - Volunteer plan	N/A - Volunteer plan
Investment Rate of Return (Net)	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%
Mortality Rate	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None

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Town of Chester, Connecticut

Required Supplementary Information

Connecticut Municipal Employees' Retirement System
Last Seven Years (1)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
<u>Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</u>							
Town's proportion of the net pension (asset) liability	<u>0.014363%</u>	<u>0.014753%</u>	<u>0.013807%</u>	<u>0.013732%</u>	<u>0.013732%</u>	<u>0.014771%</u>	<u>0.014771%</u>
Town's proportionate share of the net pension (asset) liability	<u>\$ 56,404</u>	<u>\$ 54,451</u>	<u>\$ 52,806</u>	<u>\$ 22,699</u>	<u>\$ 26,953</u>	<u>\$ 20,223</u>	<u>\$ 15,195</u>
Town's covered payroll	<u>\$ 36,784</u>	<u>\$ 37,926</u>	<u>\$ 38,864</u>	<u>\$ 32,689</u>	<u>\$ 32,689</u>	<u>\$ 32,777</u>	<u>\$ 32,777</u>
Town's proportionate share of the net pension (asset) liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	<u>153.34%</u>	<u>143.57%</u>	<u>135.87%</u>	<u>69.44%</u>	<u>82.45%</u>	<u>61.70%</u>	<u>46.36%</u>
Total plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	<u>71.18%</u>	<u>72.69%</u>	<u>73.60%</u>	<u>91.68%</u>	<u>88.29%</u>	<u>92.72%</u>	<u>90.48%</u>
<u>Schedule of Contributions</u>							
Contractually required contribution	<u>\$ 5,633</u>	<u>\$ 5,092</u>	<u>\$ 4,617</u>	<u>\$ 4,148</u>	<u>\$ 4,148</u>	<u>\$ 3,720</u>	<u>\$ 3,720</u>
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>5,633</u>	<u>5,092</u>	<u>4,617</u>	<u>4,148</u>	<u>4,148</u>	<u>3,720</u>	<u>3,720</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Town's covered payroll	<u>\$ 37,679</u>	<u>\$ 35,809</u>	<u>\$ 39,327</u>	<u>\$ 35,332</u>	<u>\$ 36,450</u>	<u>\$ 32,689</u>	<u>\$ 31,052</u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>14.95%</u>	<u>14.22%</u>	<u>11.74%</u>	<u>11.74%</u>	<u>11.38%</u>	<u>11.38%</u>	<u>11.98%</u>

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Town of Chester, Connecticut

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

Connecticut Municipal Employees' Retirement System
Schedule of Contributions
Last Seven Years (1)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Changes of Benefit Terms	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
The actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2014
Actuarial methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:							
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age
Amortization Method	Level dollar, closed	Level dollar, closed	Level dollar, closed	Level dollar, closed	Level dollar, closed	Level dollar, closed	Level dollar, closed
Remaining Amortization Period	19 years	20 years	21 years	23 years	23 years	25 years	25 years
Asset Valuation Method	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing	5 year smoothing
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%
Salary Increases	3.50%-10.00%, average, including inflation	3.50%-10.00%, average, including inflation	3.50%-10.00%, average, including inflation	4.25%-11.00%, average, including inflation	4.25%-11.00%, average, including inflation	4.25%-11.00%, average, including inflation	4.25%-11.00%, average, including inflation
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	After January 1, 2002, 2.5% minimum Prior to January 1, 2002, 2.5% up to age 65. 3.25% afterwards	After January 1, 2002, 2.5% minimum Prior to January 1, 2002, 2.5% up to age 65. 3.25% afterwards	After January 1, 2002, 2.5% minimum Prior to January 1, 2002, 2.5% up to age 65. 3.25% afterwards	After January 1, 2002, 2.5% minimum Prior to January 1, 2002, 2.5% up to age 65. 3.25% afterwards	After January 1, 2002, 2.5% minimum Prior to January 1, 2002, 2.5% up to age 65. 3.25% afterwards	After January 1, 2002, 2.5% minimum Prior to January 1, 2002, 2.5% up to age 65. 3.25% afterwards	After January 1, 2002, 2.5% minimum Prior to January 1, 2002, 2.5% up to age 65. 3.25% afterwards
Social Security Wage Base	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%
Investment Rate of Return (Net)	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	8.00%	8.00%	8.00%	8.00%
Mortality	General Employees: RP-2014 Combined Mortality Table adjusted to 2006 and projected to 2015 with Scale MP-2017 and projected to 2022 with Scale BB Police and Fire: RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table adjusted to 2006 projected to 2015 with Scale MP-2017 and projected to 2022 with Scale BB	General Employees: RP-2014 Combined Mortality Table adjusted to 2006 and projected to 2015 with Scale MP-2017 and projected to 2022 with Scale BB Police and Fire: RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table adjusted to 2006 projected to 2015 with Scale MP-2017 and projected to 2022 with Scale BB	General Employees: RP-2014 Combined Mortality Table adjusted to 2006 and projected to 2015 with Scale MP-2017 and projected to 2022 with Scale BB Police and Fire: RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table adjusted to 2006 projected to 2015 with Scale MP-2017 and projected to 2022 with Scale BB	RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected 19 years using scale AA, with a two year setback for males and females for the period after service retirement and for dependent beneficiaries	RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected 19 years using scale AA, with a two year setback for males and females for the period after service retirement and for dependent beneficiaries	RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected 19 years using scale AA, with a two year setback for males and females for the period after service retirement and for dependent beneficiaries	RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected 19 years using scale AA, with a two year setback for males and females for the period after service retirement and for dependent beneficiaries

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Town of Chester, Connecticut

Required Supplementary Information

Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System
Last Seven Years (3)Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Town's proportion of the net pension liability	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Town	<u>5,971,761</u>	<u>6,293,759</u>	<u>4,852,854</u>	<u>4,221,104</u>	<u>4,456,288</u>	<u>3,698,179</u>	<u>3,418,225</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,971,761</u>	<u>\$ 6,293,759</u>	<u>\$ 4,852,854</u>	<u>\$ 4,221,104</u>	<u>\$ 4,456,288</u>	<u>\$ 3,698,179</u>	<u>\$ 3,418,225</u>
Town's covered payroll	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	<u>49.24%</u>	<u>52.00%</u>	<u>57.69%</u>	<u>55.93%</u>	<u>52.26%</u>	<u>59.50%</u>	<u>61.51%</u>

Schedule of Contributions

Contractually required contribution (1)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Town's covered payroll	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>

(1) Local employees are not required to contribute to the plan.

(2) Not applicable since 0% proportional share of the net pension liability.

(3) These schedules are intended to present information for 10 years. Additional years will be presented as they become available.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System
Schedule of Contributions
Last Seven Years (1)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Changes of Benefit Terms	None	None	Beginning January 1, 2018, member contributions increased from 6.00% to 7.00% of salary	None	None	None	None
The actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2014
Actuarial methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:							
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age
Amortization Method	Level percent of salary, closed, grading to a level dollar	Level percent of salary, closed, grading to a level dollar	Level percent of salary, closed, grading to a level dollar	Level percent of salary, closed	Level percent of salary, closed	Level percent of salary, closed	Level percent of salary, closed
Remaining Amortization Period	27.8 years	30 years	30 years	20.4 years	20.4 years	21.4 years	22.4 years
Asset Valuation Method	4 year smoothing	4 year smoothing	4 year smoothing	4 year smoothing	4 year smoothing	4 year smoothing	4 year smoothing
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%	2.75%	2.75%	2.75%	3.00%	3.00%
Salary Increases	3.00%-6.50%, average, including inflation	3.25%-6.50%, average, including inflation	3.25%-6.50%, average, including inflation	3.25%-6.50%, average, including inflation	3.25%-6.50%, average, including inflation	3.75%-7.00%, average, including inflation	3.75%-7.00%, average, including inflation
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	1.75%-3.00% based on retirement date	1.75%-3.00% based on retirement date	1.75%-3.00% based on retirement date	1.75%-3.00% based on retirement date	1.75%-3.00% based on retirement date	2.00%-3.00% based on retirement date	2.00%-3.00% based on retirement date
Investment Rate of Return (Net)	6.90%	6.90%	8.00%	8.00%	8.00%	8.50%	8.50%
Mortality	PubT-2010 Table projected generationally with MP-2019	RP-2014 White Collar table projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale	RP-2014 White Collar table projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale	RP-2014 White Collar table projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale	RP-2014 White Collar table projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale	RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected 19 years using scale AA	RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected 19 years using scale AA

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Town of Chester, Connecticut

Required Supplementary Information

**Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) Plan
Town and Education Plans
Last Four Years (1)**

Schedule of Changes in OPEB Liability

<u>Town Plan</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
OPEB liability				
Service cost	\$ 1,513	\$ 1,448	\$ 1,399	\$ 1,432
Interest	580	895	802	615
Difference between expected and actual experience	(2,893)	(9,437)	-	-
Changes in assumptions	<u>574</u>	<u>847</u>	<u>(48)</u>	<u>(543)</u>
Net change in total OPEB liability	(226)	(6,247)	2,153	1,504
Total OPEB liability - July 1	<u>17,025</u>	<u>23,272</u>	<u>21,119</u>	<u>19,615</u>
Total OPEB liability - June 30 (2)	<u>\$ 16,799</u>	<u>\$ 17,025</u>	<u>\$ 23,272</u>	<u>\$ 21,119</u>
 <u>Education Plan</u>				
OPEB liability				
Service cost	\$ 13,958	\$ 12,281	\$ 8,896	\$ 9,323
Interest	5,016	4,896	5,292	4,158
Difference between expected and actual experience	(33,533)	-	(3,834)	-
Changes in assumptions	<u>(5,757)</u>	<u>6,140</u>	<u>(27,121)</u>	<u>(6,821)</u>
Net change in total OPEB liability	(20,316)	23,317	(16,767)	6,660
Total OPEB liability - July 1	<u>146,294</u>	<u>122,977</u>	<u>139,744</u>	<u>133,084</u>
Total OPEB liability - June 30 (2)	<u>\$ 125,978</u>	<u>\$ 146,294</u>	<u>\$ 122,977</u>	<u>\$ 139,744</u>

Notes:

(1) This schedule is intended to present information for 10 years. Additional years will be presented as they become available.

(2) There are no assets that are being accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in GASB No. 75 to pay benefits.

Covered employee payroll information is not available.

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Required Supplementary Information

Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement Board Retiree Health Insurance Plan
Last Four Years (3)

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
<u>Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability</u>				
Town's proportion of the net OPEB liability	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Town's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
State of Connecticut's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the Town	<u>890,688</u>	<u>981,547</u>	<u>970,134</u>	<u>1,086,462</u>
Total	<u>\$ 890,688</u>	<u>\$ 981,547</u>	<u>\$ 970,134</u>	<u>\$ 1,086,462</u>
Town's covered payroll	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>
Town's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	<u>2.50%</u>	<u>2.08%</u>	<u>1.49%</u>	<u>1.79%</u>

Schedule of Contributions

Contractually required contribution (1)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Town's covered payroll	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>

(1) Local employers are not required to contribute to the plan

(2) Not applicable since 0% proportional share of the net OPEB liability

(3) These schedules are intended to present information for 10 years. Additional years will be presented as they become available.

See Notes to Required Supplementary Information.

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information

Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement Board Retiree Health Insurance Plan
Schedule of Contributions
Last Four Years (1)

	2021	2020	2019	2018
Changes of Benefit Terms	None	None	None	None
The actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2016
Actuarial methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:				
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age
Amortization Method	Level percentage, closed	Level percentage, open	Level percentage, open	Level percentage, open
Amortization Period	30 years	30 years	30 years	30 years
Asset Valuation Method	Fair Value	Fair Value	Fair Value	Fair Value
Inflation	2.50%	2.75%	2.75%	2.75%
Healthcare Inflation Rate	Initial 5.125% decreasing to 4.50% (ultimate) by 2023	Initial 5.95% decreasing to 4.75% (ultimate) by 2025	Initial 5.95% decreasing to 4.75% (ultimate) by 2025	Initial 7.25% decreasing to 5.00% (ultimate) by 2022
Salary Increases	3.00% to 6.50%, including inflation	3.25% to 6.50%, including inflation	3.25% to 6.50%, including inflation	3.25% to 6.50%, including inflation
Investment Rate of Return (Net)	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	4.25%
Mortality Rate	PubT-2010 Table projected generationally with MP-2019	RP-2014 White Collar table projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale	RP-2014 White Collar table projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale	RP-2014 White Collar table projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale

(1) These schedules are intended to present information for 10 years. Additional years will be presented as they become available.

Supplemental Schedules

General Fund

The general fund is the principal fund of the Town and is used to account for all activities of the Town, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund accounts for the normal recurring activities of the Town (i.e., general government, public works, public safety, health and welfare, benefits and insurance, education, etc.). These activities are funded principally by property taxes, user fees and grants from other governmental units.

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Report of Tax Collector
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Grand List Year	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 2020	Current Year Levy	Lawful Corrections		Transfers to Suspense	Adjusted Taxes Collectible	Collections			Uncollected Taxes June 30, 2021
			Additions	Deductions			Net Taxes Collected	Interest and Liens	Total	
2012	\$ 3,359	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,359	\$ 3,359	\$ 679	\$ 4,038	\$ -
2013	4,164	-	-	-	-	4,164	4,164	4,583	8,747	-
2014	4,248	-	-	-	-	4,248	4,248	3,911	8,159	-
2015	4,290	-	-	-	-	4,290	4,290	3,177	7,467	-
2016	13,002	-	-	-	-	13,002	6,427	2,984	9,411	6,575
2017	45,740	-	-	-	253	45,487	31,323	9,585	40,908	14,164
2018	<u>112,836</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>748</u>	<u>18,923</u>	<u>1,742</u>	<u>92,919</u>	<u>65,628</u>	<u>17,424</u>	<u>83,052</u>	<u>27,291</u>
Subtotal	187,639	-	748	18,923	1,995	167,469	119,439	42,343	161,782	48,030
2019	<u>-</u>	<u>12,815,560</u>	<u>173,793</u>	<u>203,743</u>	<u>1,256</u>	<u>12,784,354</u>	<u>12,718,852</u>	<u>26,005</u>	<u>12,744,857</u>	<u>65,502</u>
Total	<u>\$ 187,639</u>	<u>\$ 12,815,560</u>	<u>\$ 174,541</u>	<u>\$ 222,666</u>	<u>\$ 3,251</u>	<u>\$ 12,951,823</u>	<u>\$ 12,838,291</u>	<u>\$ 68,348</u>	<u>\$ 12,906,639</u>	113,532
Interest and liens receivable										20,294
Allowance for doubtful accounts										<u>(30,000)</u>
Taxes, interest and liens receivable (net)										<u>\$ 103,826</u>

Other Governmental Funds

Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are used to account for specific revenues that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for particular purposes.

Fund	Funding Source	Function
Emergency Fuel/Community Fund	Contributions	Emergency assistance programs
Parks and Recreation Fund	Charges for services	Parks and recreation programs
Small Cities Fund	Grants and loan repayments	Residential rehabilitation loan program and renovation project
Historic Records Preservation Fund	Grants and charges for services	Historic documents preservation
Library Fund	Contributions	Library related programs
Harbor Fund	Charges for services	Harbor maintenance
Town Grants Fund	Grants, charges for services, and contributions	Various Town programs
Sewer System Fund	Charges for services	Sewer operations
Cafeteria Fund	Grants and charges for services	School lunch and breakfast program
Education Grants Fund	Grants	Education programs
School Activity Fund	Fees	Student activity funds and school scholarships

Town of Chester, Connecticut
Combining Balance Sheet
Other Governmental Funds
June 30, 2021

		Special Revenue Funds					
		Emergency Fuel/ Community Fund	Parks and Recreation Fund	Small Cities Fund	Historic Records Preservation Fund	Library Fund	Harbor Fund
<u>Assets</u>							
Cash		\$ -	\$ 870	\$ 134	\$ 8,165	\$ 6,915	\$ -
Investments		35,567	23,229	195,148	-	21,191	4,328
Receivables							
Accounts		-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental		-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans		-	-	90,715	-	-	-
Other		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets		<u>\$ 35,567</u>	<u>\$ 24,099</u>	<u>\$ 285,997</u>	<u>\$ 8,165</u>	<u>\$ 28,106</u>	<u>\$ 4,328</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>							
Accounts payable		\$ 347	\$ -	\$ 2,188	\$ -	\$ 1,277	\$ 315
Due to other funds		-	-	6,390	-	-	-
Total liabilities		<u>347</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,578</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,277</u>	<u>315</u>
<u>Fund Balances</u>							
Restricted		35,220	-	277,419	8,165	-	-
Committed		-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned		-	24,099	-	-	26,829	4,013
Total fund balances		<u>35,220</u>	<u>24,099</u>	<u>277,419</u>	<u>8,165</u>	<u>26,829</u>	<u>4,013</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances		<u>\$ 35,567</u>	<u>\$ 24,099</u>	<u>\$ 285,997</u>	<u>\$ 8,165</u>	<u>\$ 28,106</u>	<u>\$ 4,328</u>

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Combining Balance Sheet
Other Governmental Funds
June 30, 2021

		Special Revenue Funds				
		Town Grants Fund	Sewer System Fund	Cafeteria Fund	School Activity Fund	Total Other Governmental Funds
<u>Assets</u>						
Cash		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,490	\$ 13,885	\$ 63,459
Investments		650,457	76,773	-	-	1,006,693
Receivables						
Accounts		-	-	3,192	-	3,192
Intergovernmental		-	-	11,767	-	11,767
Loans		-	-	-	-	90,715
Other		-	-	5,072	-	5,072
Total assets		<u>\$ 650,457</u>	<u>\$ 76,773</u>	<u>\$ 53,521</u>	<u>\$ 13,885</u>	<u>\$ 1,180,898</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Accounts payable		\$ -	\$ 11,573	\$ 285	\$ -	\$ 15,985
Due to other funds		-	-	3,364	-	9,754
Total liabilities		<u>-</u>	<u>11,573</u>	<u>3,649</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,739</u>
<u>Fund Balances</u>						
Restricted		11,530	65,200	49,872	-	447,406
Committed		638,927	-	-	13,885	652,812
Assigned		-	-	-	-	54,941
Total fund balances		<u>650,457</u>	<u>65,200</u>	<u>49,872</u>	<u>13,885</u>	<u>1,155,159</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances		<u>\$ 650,457</u>	<u>\$ 76,773</u>	<u>\$ 53,521</u>	<u>\$ 13,885</u>	<u>\$ 1,180,898</u>

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Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Other Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds					
	Emergency Fuel/ Community Fund	Parks and Recreation Fund	Small Cities Fund	Historic Records Preservation Fund	Library Fund	Harbor Fund
Revenues						
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 784,132	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Charges for services	-	6,430	1,200	59,893	38	1,900
Income from investments	37	-	292	-	53	-
Contributions	20,878	-	86,369	-	10,599	-
Total revenues	20,915	6,430	871,993	59,893	10,690	1,900
Expenditures						
Current:						
General government	-	1,465	-	57,701	29,820	315
Public works	-	-	-	-	-	-
Health and welfare	14,596	-	874,703	-	-	-
Education	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	14,596	1,465	874,703	57,701	29,820	315
Net change in fund balances	6,319	4,965	(2,710)	2,192	(19,130)	1,585
Fund balances - July 1, 2020 (as restated)	28,901	19,134	280,129	5,973	45,959	2,428
Fund balances - June 30, 2021	\$ 35,220	\$ 24,099	\$ 277,419	\$ 8,165	\$ 26,829	\$ 4,013

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Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Other Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

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	Special Revenue Funds					
	Town Grants Fund	Sewer System Fund	Cafeteria Fund	Education Grants Fund	School Activity Fund	Total Other Governmental Funds
Revenues						
Intergovernmental	\$ 642,927	\$ -	\$ 64,757	\$ 134,942	\$ -	\$ 1,626,758
Charges for services	2,571	129,760	1,515	-	5,433	208,740
Income from investments	29	77	-	-	-	488
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	117,846
Total revenues	645,527	129,837	66,272	134,942	5,433	1,953,832
Expenditures						
Current:						
General government	3,003	-	-	-	-	92,304
Public works	-	102,366	-	-	-	102,366
Health and welfare	-	-	-	-	-	889,299
Education	-	-	50,602	134,942	6,655	192,199
Total expenditures	3,003	102,366	50,602	134,942	6,655	1,276,168
Net change in fund balances	642,524	27,471	15,670	-	(1,222)	677,664
Fund balances - July 1, 2020 (as restated)	7,933	37,729	34,202	-	15,107	477,495
Fund balances - June 30, 2021	\$ 650,457	\$ 65,200	\$ 49,872	\$ -	\$ 13,885	\$ 1,155,159

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Trend Information

This part of the Town's annual financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the Town's overall financial health.

Table	Description
Financial Trends (Tables 1-2)	These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the Town's financial performance and well-being have changed over time
Debt Capacity (Table 3)	This schedule presents information to help the reader assess the affordability of the Town's current levels of outstanding debt and the Town's ability to issue additional debt in the future

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the annual financial reports for the fiscal year.

Town of Chester, Connecticut

General Fund (Budgetary Basis)
Changes in Fund Balances
Last Ten Years
(Unaudited)

For the Year Ended June 30

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Revenues										
Property taxes	\$ 12,920,921	\$ 12,798,694	\$ 12,178,823	\$ 11,678,130	\$ 11,326,918	\$ 11,109,486	\$ 10,848,239	\$ 11,037,684	\$ 11,408,340	\$ 11,081,320
Intergovernmental	1,175,006	1,084,792	1,004,835	937,680	1,083,537	1,097,953	1,060,245	1,072,036	1,154,274	936,082
Charges for services	647,090	571,907	519,350	481,930	83,102	60,788	85,060	91,562	56,815	69,580
Income from investments	7,931	74,511	66,697	29,339	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	126,568	38,643	39,470	62,736	449,922	469,114	267,951	310,802	270,900	234,461
Total revenues	14,877,516	14,568,547	13,809,175	13,189,815	12,943,479	12,737,341	12,261,495	12,512,084	12,890,329	12,321,443
Expenditures										
Current										
General government	975,758	967,132	960,713	1,001,794	941,612	893,681	848,345	822,056	807,265	786,312
Public works	859,757	772,675	960,161	873,899	768,066	700,696	1,007,753	830,574	755,821	704,409
Public safety	939,895	988,565	908,077	856,717	862,731	795,006	713,641	707,697	696,383	672,616
Health and welfare	151,549	148,912	145,270	133,388	131,358	143,081	139,001	134,401	133,412	133,038
Benefits and insurance	783,346	751,140	725,406	692,065	708,066	780,467	756,007	734,679	653,976	612,769
Education	9,969,991	9,562,214	8,938,237	8,743,563	8,679,694	8,554,628	8,468,659	8,394,612	8,870,300	8,870,971
Debt service	85,983	83,387	83,389	222,483	221,994	227,794	233,594	239,394	244,940	250,160
Total expenditures	13,766,279	13,274,025	12,721,253	12,523,909	12,313,521	12,095,353	12,167,000	11,863,413	12,162,097	12,030,275
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	1,111,237	1,294,522	1,087,922	665,906	629,958	641,988	94,495	648,671	728,232	291,168.0
Other financing sources (uses)										
Transfers in	-	38,267	32,125	31,551	29,647	65,275	195,390	173,235	170,567	153,544
Transfers out	(678,000)	(929,393)	(694,786)	(515,700)	(498,096)	(542,500)	(342,870)	(723,620)	(513,961)	(492,000)
Net other financing sources (uses)	(678,000)	(891,126)	(662,661)	(484,149)	(468,449)	(477,225)	(147,480)	(550,385)	(343,394)	(338,456)
Net change in fund balances	\$ 433,237	\$ 403,396	\$ 425,261	\$ 181,757	\$ 161,509	\$ 164,763	\$ (52,985)	\$ 98,286	\$ 384,838	\$ (47,288)
Debt service as a percentage of expenditures	0.62%	0.63%	0.66%	1.78%	1.80%	1.88%	1.92%	2.02%	2.01%	2.08%

Source: Current and prior year financial statements.

Table 2

Town of Chester, Connecticut
Property Tax Rates, Levies and Collections
Last Ten Years
(Unaudited)

Year Ended June 30	(1) Mill Rate	Grand List of October 1,	Total Adjusted Tax Levy	Net Current Tax Collections	Percent of Current Levy Collected	Total Collections to Date			
						Collections in Subsequent Years	Total Collections	Percentage of Levy Collected	Current Delinquent Balance
2021	28.62	2019	\$ 12,784,354	\$ 12,718,852	99.5%	\$ -	\$ 12,718,852	99.5%	\$ 65,502
2020	28.79	2018	12,750,235	12,637,399	99.1%	85,545	12,722,944	99.8%	27,291
2019	27.11	2017	12,099,190	11,990,160	99.1%	94,866	12,085,026	99.9%	14,164
2018	26.36	2016	11,662,786	11,538,351	98.9%	117,860	11,656,211	99.9%	6,575
2017	26.29	2015	11,248,049	11,151,365	98.3%	96,683	11,248,048	100.0%	-
2016	26.07	2014	11,093,191	10,952,639	98.1%	140,551	11,093,190	100.0%	-
2015	25.69	2013	10,816,762	10,800,076	98.3%	16,686	10,816,762	100.0%	-
2014	23.40	2012	11,049,224	10,900,177	97.9%	149,047	11,049,224	100.0%	-
2013	23.00	2011	11,286,214	11,177,921	98.1%	108,293	11,286,214	100.0%	-
2012	22.46	2010	11,050,679	10,955,634	98.3%	95,045	11,050,679	100.0%	-

Source: Current and prior year financial statements.

Notes:

(1) Tax levy is per \$1,000 of the assessed value of taxable property. There are no overlapping tax rates.

Town of Chester, Connecticut
Schedule of Debt Limitation
Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-374 (b)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021
(Unaudited)

Tax Base:

Total tax collections (including interest and lien fees) for prior year \$ 12,781,120

Debt limitation:	General Purpose	Schools	Sewers	Urban Renewal	Pension Deficit
2 1/4 times base	\$ 28,757,520	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4 1/2 times base	-	57,515,040	-	-	-
3 3/4 times base	-	-	47,929,200	-	-
3 1/4 times base	-	-	-	41,538,640	-
3 times base	-	-	-	-	38,343,360
Total debt limitation	28,757,520	57,515,040	47,929,200	41,538,640	38,343,360

Indebtedness:

Overlapping debt of Regional School District No. 4 - 696,083 - - -

Debt limitation in excess of outstanding debt \$ 28,757,520 \$ 56,818,957 \$ 47,929,200 \$ 41,538,640 \$ 38,343,360

The total net indebtedness above amounts to: \$ 696,083

In no event shall total indebtedness exceed seven times the base for debt limitation computation: \$ 89,467,840

Source: Current and prior year financial statements.