

Financial Statements

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY
TRUST FUNDS**

And Independent Auditor's Report thereon

Year ended December 31, 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Stakeholders

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Middlesex County Trust Funds (the Entity), which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023
- the statement of earnings and fund balances for the year then ended
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies

(Hereinafter referred to as the “financial statements”).

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at December 31, 2023, and its results of operations, and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the “***Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***” section of our auditor’s report.

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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



Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.



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- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

London, Canada

March 12, 2025

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX TRUST FUNDS

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

	Strathmere Lodge Trust Fund	Strathroy Library Trust Fund	Clark Wright Bequest Trust Fund	2023 Total	2022 Total
Assets:					
Cash	\$50,089	\$ -	\$ -	\$50,089	\$54,991
Due from County of Middlesex (note 4)	-	5,778	25,000	30,778	30,778
	\$50,089	\$5,778	\$25,000	\$80,867	\$85,769
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$3,901	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,901	\$ 17,005
Fund Balances					
Fund balances	46,188	5,778	25,000	76,966	68,764
	\$50,089	\$5,778	\$25,000	\$80,867	\$85,769

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX TRUST FUNDS

Statement of Earnings and Fund Balances

Year ended December 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

	Strathmere Lodge Trust Fund	Strathroy Library Trust Fund	Clark Wright Bequest Trust Fund	2023 Total	2022 Total
Revenues:					
Capital	\$218,073	\$ –	\$ –	\$218,073	\$216,768
Interest	–	116	500	616	539
	218,073	116	500	218,689	217,307
Expenditures:					
Resident withdrawals	209,871	–	–	209,871	224,626
Transfer to County of Middlesex Library Board	–	116	500	616	539
	209,871	116	500	210,487	225,165
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	8,202	–	–	8,202	(7,858)
Fund balance, beginning of year	37,986	5,778	25,000	68,764	76,622
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 46,188	\$5,778	\$25,000	\$76,966	\$68,764

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX TRUST FUNDS

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

	2023	2022
Cash provided by:		
Operating activities:		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	\$ 8,202	\$ (7,858)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(13,104)	12,355
Increase (decrease) in cash	(4,902)	4,497
Cash, beginning of year	54,991	50,494
Cash, end of year	\$50,089	\$54,991

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX TRUST FUNDS

Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 2023

1. Significant accounting policies:

(a) Trust funds financial statements:

The Strathmere Lodge Trust Fund reflects the assets, liabilities, receipts and expenditures of funds belonging to the residents of the County's home for the aged. The Strathroy Library Trust Fund and Mr. Clark Wright Bequest Trust Fund are required to be spent on the Strathroy library.

(b) Accrual basis of accounting:

The financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

2. Strathroy Public Library Board:

On January 1, 1999, the Strathroy Public Library Board became a branch of the Middlesex County Library Board. The former trust fund of the Strathroy Public Library Board has been transferred to the County of Middlesex trust fund and the interest on that trust fund will be used towards expenditures of the Strathroy branch.

3. Clark Wright Bequest:

In 2014, Mr. Clark Wright willed a legacy donation in the amount of \$25,000 to the Strathroy Public Library. Per the terms of the will, this amount is to be invested in an endowment fund, the income from which is to be used to support the Book Budget.

4. Due from the County of Middlesex:

The County of Middlesex holds cash on behalf of the Strathroy Library Trust and Clark Wright Bequest Trust Funds.