#### March 28, 2025

WV State Auditors' Office – <u>Jgs@wvsao.gov</u>, Attn: Shellie Humphries WV Joint Committee on Government & Finance – <u>https://www.wvlegislature.gov/Reports/Agency\_Reports/Agency\_Reports.cfm</u> WVACVB – <u>Inuzum@bowlesrice.com</u>

Dear WV State Auditor's Office, WV Joint Committee on Government & Finance, and WV Association of Convention & Visitor Bureaus,

In compliance with W.Va. Code §7-18-13a, we are reporting to the WVSAO, the WV Joint Committee on Government & Finance, and the WVACVB 90 days following the end of the CVB's fiscal year the following:

- Balance sheet annually,
- Income statement annually, and
- Either an audit or a financial review triennially W.Va. Code § 7-18-14.

In addition, CVBs are to be accredited by an accrediting body such as the WV Association of Convention and Visitors Bureaus (WVACVB) W.Va. Code §7-18-13a(b) which confirms compliance with the following industry standards as follows:

- Annual budget,
- Budget allocation within the industry standard of 40% 40% 20% (Marketing, Personnel, Administrative),
- Marketing plan targeting markets outside of 50 miles of their destination,
- Full time executive director,
- Physical office/ Visitor Center,
- Website, and
- Annual reporting to all the CVBs funding entities.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Greater Parkersburg CVB, we respectfully submit the required information and confirm that the Greater Parkersburg CVB is in full compliance with all WV Code 7-18-13 requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact either Mark Lewis, President and CEO, at <u>mlewis@greaterparkersburg.com</u> or (304) 428-1130 or me Chad Winebrenner (chef@grandpointewv.com) or (304) 481-8994.

Sincerely, -34 Chad Winebrenner, Board Chair Mark Lewis, President

Attachments: Income statement (Jan 1, 2024 – Dec 31, 2024), Balance sheet (Dec 31, 2024), Annual report (2024), and Annual audit (2023).

### **GREATERPARKERSBURG.COM**

### WEBSITE USERS 317.366 129.384

2024 FIN

# WELCOME CENTER

14%

INCREASED 39%

INCREASED 70%

INCREASED 277.7%

FOR \$1,137 396,600

# 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chairman Vice Chairman Secretary Treasurer President & CEO

Blair Couch, Wood County Commissioner Chad Winebrenner, Grand Pointe Conference Center Patsy Hardy, S&P Harley-Davidson Dwight Marty, TownePlace Suites Mark Lewis

Greater Parkersburg Convention & Visitors Bureau 113 Ann Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101

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**PAGE VIEWS** 

REVENUE	Hotel Occupancy Tax	\$540,217
	Partnership Fees	\$21,620
	Advertising & Marketing	\$34,918
	County Commission Grant	\$75,000
	Half Marathon	\$10,000
	Miscellaneous	\$2,569
	Total	\$684,324

	Advertising and Marketing	\$287,508
	Wages & Benefits	\$230,002
EXPENSES	Meetings, Travel & Training	\$13,209
	Office & Buildings	\$38,979
	Other Administrative Expenses	\$19,496
	Accounting, Legal, & Contract Services	\$18,850
	Half Marathon	\$10,000
	Special Projects	\$7,508
	Mortgage & Loan Repayment	\$35,360
	Miscellaneous	\$9,979

Total Expense ...... \$670,891

REVENUE OVER EXPENSES: ......\$13,433

**Rick Modesitt** Craig Pyles Lee Rector Madeson Witkosky-Barr Linda Kern Amanda Mott Jeremy Cross E.K. Sleeth Vinnie Conley Kristi Steed Ryan Barber

RMA Presents Blennerhassett Island State Park The Blennerhassett Hotel Scots Marketplace City of Vienna Community Bank Mountwood Park Williamstown Bank The PM Company North Bend State Park City of Parkersburg

Thanks to Bob Kent of Bowles Rice LLP for legal counsel.

# **PRIDE IN PROGRESS**

As we reflect on the past year at Visit Greater Parkersburg, we are filled with pride for the progress we've made and the milestones we've achieved. Together, we've experienced a year full of new opportunities and accomplishments that have made our region shine brighter

> Warm regards, Mark Lewis

year ahead!

In 2024, we welcomed a significant increase in visitors to our Welcome Center, with the number of visitors rising from 7,046 to 8,180. This boost in foot traffic allows us to impact visitor spending even more through additional recommendations and referrals to the treasures our region has to offer.

than ever before.

This year, we were honored to work with our local elected representatives to host the State Legislature Interim Committee meetings, an event that brought key decision-makers to our area. Additionally, we were thrilled to host the Governor's School for Tourism, providing an opportunity to showcase Blennerhassett Island and Discovery World on Market.

Our efforts to elevate Greater Parkersburg's profile through advertising and marketing campaigns have delivered powerful results, with increased visibility and engagement. Notably, our social media presence has seen significant growth, helping to share the beauty, culture, and unique offerings of our region with an ever-expanding audience.

I extend my deepest gratitude to all our partners and supporters for their

### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

2024 was another successful year for the tourism industry in the Mid-Ohio Valley. Tourism is growing in Greater Parkersburg and we anticipate seeing more visitors to our local attractions, festivals, and events in 2025.

I want to give a special thanks to the many business partners, volunteers, and local organizations that support the work of the CVB. Our success is contingent on strong partnerships and community support.

Our new Welcome Center serves as a gateway to all there is to see and do in the area. This new facility greets visitors to the area, educates them on attractions and activities, and creates a positive first impression of the community. We continue to advocate for our area, innovate new and compelling ways to market our assets, and leverage our strengths to make sure our target audiences know Greater Parkersburg is an amazing place to visit.

We have so much to offer visitors from outside the area. From our worldclass history & heritage attractions, to outdoor recreation activities for the entire family, to a wide variety of fairs and festivals, unique shopping and dining, and the new Discovery World on Market, Parkersburg is truly a friendly small town with a big heart!

It has been an honor to serve as Chairman of the Greater Parkersburg CVB for eight years. I am proud of the accomplishments we have achieved together. While I am stepping down from the Chairman position, I will continue to serve on the CVB Board and remain dedicated to supporting the growth of tourism in our community.

There is much to be achieved by working together to maximize the potential promise of tourism for Greater Parkersburg. Here's to a great 2025.

Blair Couch, Chairman of the Board Greater Parkersburg CVB

continued dedication to our shared mission of making Greater Parkersburg a destination of choice for visitors.

Thank you for your continued support, and here's to even more success in the

# PARKERSBURG HOSTS LEGISLATIVE INTERIMS

For the first time in over 20 years, the West Virginia Legislature held interim meetings in Parkersburg, September 8 - 10, 2024. Lawmakers from across the state were in town to meet regarding a number of issues at the state level. Meetings will be conducted in the Judge Black Annex, the Parkersburg Municipal Building and elsewhere.

In addition to their meetings, tours were given at Parkersburg and Parkersburg South High School, West Virginia University at Parkersburg, the Oil and Gas Museum, Henderson Hall, Blennerhassett Island, Chemours, Berkshire-Hathaway in Ravenswood, the Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Airport, the Julia-Ann Square Historic District and more.

### **A POWERFUL PARTNERSHIP**

In 2024, the CVB installed solar panels on the roof of our new Welcome Center and EV Chargers in our parking lot thanks to our partnership with Pickering Energy Solutions. EV chargers enhance a destination's appeal by providing a crucial service for travelers, making it more convenient and sustainable for them to explore the area.

# WV LIVING MAGAZINE HOLDS "BEST OF" EVENT IN PARKERBURG

The Greater Parkersburg CVB Welcome Center celebrated the "Best of" the Mid-Ohio Valley on February 18, 2024. Local business owners gathered to hear the publisher of WV Living Magazine, Nikki Bowman Mills announce awards voted on by readers.

The Blennerhassett Hotel was recognized as the West Virginia Best Boutique Hotel, Wine Down on Market was named Regional Best Casual Dining, Mountwood Park was named Regional Best Recreation Venue, and Discovery World on Market was named Regional Most Unique Attraction, among other businesses awarded.

WV Living publisher and editor Nikki Mills said bringing public attention to the diversity of businesses in the state helps improve perceptions of West Virginia and attract attention to local businesses.

### GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR TOURISM VISITS PARKERBURG

Parkersburg hosted the Governor's School for Tourism this past summer to tour Blennerhassett Island State Park and attend a dinner sponsored by the Greater Parkersburg CVB and held at Discovery World on Market.

# CVB HONORED AT HOSPITALITY UNIVERSITY

The Greater Parkersburg CVB and Mark Lewis, President & CEO, won the Excellence in Tourism Development award at the 2025 Hospitality University conference held annually at the Greenbrier. Hosted by the WV Hospitality and Travel Association and the WV Association of CVBs, the honor recognized the development and impact of the new Welcome Center at Point Park.

### RIVER OUTFITTER MOVES INTO THE WELCOME CENTER

Wild River Kayak Company moved into the available space at the Welcome Center in June of 2024. Wild River offers hourly kayak and canoe rentals for adventurers in the Mid Ohio Valley. Rented kayaks are delivered to your location of choice. They deliver as far away as Seneca Lake.

# Parkersburg/Wood County Convention & Visitors Bureau

#### Profit and Loss

January - December 2024

	TOTAL
4000-00 Hotel Occupancy Taxes	007 574 45
4001-10 Hotel Occup Tax - Parkersburg 4002-10 Hotel Occup Tax - Williamstown	227,574.45 2,547.43
4002-10 Hotel Occup Tax - Winamstown 4003-10 Hotel Occup Tax - Wood County	2,547.43
4003-10 Hotel Occup Tax - Wood County 4004-10 Hotel Occup Tax - Vienna	40,455.83
Total 4000-00 Hotel Occupancy Taxes	<b>540,217.01</b>
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4100-00 Partnership/Membership Fees	20.270.00
4101-10 Membership Renewals 4102-10 Membership New Sales	20,370.00 1,010.00
Total 4100-00 Partnership/Membership Fees	<b>21,380.00</b>
	21,500.00
4600-00 Advertising & Marketing	07 000 00
4605-30 A&M - Visitor Guide Ad Sales 4606-30 A&M - Rack Card Fees	27,390.00 6,228.85
4699-30 A&M - Other Contributions	1,300.00
Total 4600-00 Advertising & Marketing	34,918.85
4900-00 Miscellaneous Income	500.00
4903-10 Merchandise Sales	1,824.75
4915-10 Community Gardens	328.00
4949-10 Miscellaneous Revenue	125,000.00
4960-10 Half Marathon	10,000.00
4999-10 Other Miscellaneous Revenue	172,245.13
Total 4900-00 Miscellaneous Income	309,897.88
Total Income	\$906,413.74
GROSS PROFIT	\$906,413.74
Expenses	
5000-00 Wages & Benefits	
5000 Payroll Expenses	
5001-10 Salaried Employees Salaries	88,492.04
5002-10 Hourly Employees Salaries	78,680.25
Total 5000 Payroll Expenses	167,172.29
5030-10 Payroll Taxes	13,950.69
5040-10 Pension Fund Contribution	5,278.96
5060-10 Medical Insurance Premiums	41,281.68
5061-10 Supplimental Insurance Premiums	2,318.76
Total 5000-00 Wages & Benefits	230,002.38
5100-00 Meetings, Travel & Training	
5101-10 General Mileage & Expenses	2,210.88
5106-10 Office Hospitality	1,416.68

TOTAL

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5108-10 U.S. Travel Conference	TOTAL 1,700.00
5120-20 Annual Meeting	1,792.21
5126-10 Elected Officials Functions	2,597.90
5128-20 Hospitality Training Seminars	1,750.94
5199-10 Other Meetings/Local Travel	1,740.00
Total 5100-00 Meetings, Travel & Training	13,208.61
5200-00 Office Building	,
5202-10 Office Utilities	11,347.81
5203-10 Office Taxes & Fees	1,487.54
5204-10 Office Insurance & Bond	5,409.39
5205-10 Office Trash Service	1,775.96
5206-10 Office Landscape Maintenance	4,671.35
5207-10 Office HVAC Mtce Agreement	963.43
5208-10 Office Cleaning	7,200.00
5241-10 Office Maintenance	3,690.84
5299-10 Other Office Expenses	2,432.26
Total 5200-00 Office Building	38,978.58
5300-00 Printing & Supplies	
5301-10 Administrative Office Supplies	281.98
5312-20 Annual Report	148.73
Total 5300-00 Printing & Supplies	430.71
5400-00 Telephone & Internet	
5401-10 Telephone & Internet Service	3,360.40
5403-10 Cellular Phone	1,479.81
Total 5400-00 Telephone & Internet	4,840.21
5500-00 Postage & Shipping	,
5501-10 Administrative Postage	2,790.81
Total 5500-00 Postage & Shipping	2,790.81
5600-00 Equipment Rental & Maintenance	_,
5603-10 Copier EMA	2.405.36
Total 5600-00 Equipment Rental & Maintenance	2,405.36
	2,400.00
5700-00 Computer 5702-10 Administrative Computer Sftwr	5,385.91
5799-10 Other Computer Expenses	26.49
Total 5700-00 Computer	5,412.40
	5,712.70
5800-00 Dues & Subscriptions	E1E 75
5802-10 WVH&TA Dues	515.75 400.00
5810-10 Rotary Club Dues 5813-10 WVACVB Dues	2,650.00
5899-10 Other Dues & Subscriptions	53.50
Total 5800-00 Dues & Subscriptions	<b>3,619.25</b>
	0,019.20
5900-00 Consultants & Contract Services	
5901-10 Annual Audit 5902-10 Accounting & Bookkeeping Assist	6,950.00 11,450.00
5902-10 Accounting & Bookkeeping Assist	11,450.00 450.00
5903-10 Legal Assistance Total 5900-00 Consultants & Contract Services	450.00 <b>18,850.00</b>
	10,000.00

	TOTAL
6000-00 Interest	
6002-10 Line of Credit Interest	1,362.70
Total 6000-00 Interest	1,362.70
6500-00 Education & Training	1,067.84
7000-00 Advertising & Marketing Exp.	
7002-30 Digital / Online Advertising	79,234.98
7003-30 Print Advertising - Magazine	35,678.00
7004-30 Print Advertising - Newspapers	11,507.82
7006-31 Co-Op Advertising	14,250.00
7012-30 Creative Services-PR and Ad Des	22,500.00
7013-30 Photography	8,756.76
7017-30 Sponsorships	1,500.00
7018-30 Print Advertising - Inserts	22,173.34
7019-30 Leisure Travel Shows	4,923.00
7021-30 Travel Guide Ads	1,600.00
7028-30 TV Ads	15,910.00
7030-30 Web Site	3,575.19
7033-30 E-Marketing Expenses	1,467.00
7034-30 Social Media	1,092.95
7037-30 Videos	20,000.01
7040-30 Inquiry Fulfillment	3,105.65
7041-30 Brochure Distribution	4,683.00
7044-30 Welcome Center Staffing	9,561.30
7047-30 Civil War Trails	1,200.00
7089-30 Promotional Merchandise	2,932.06
7095-30 Promotional Giveaways	442.36
Total 7000-00 Advertising & Marketing Exp.	266,093.42
7100-00 Collateral Materials	
7102-30 Visitors Guide	10,370.44
7110-30 Rack Cards	8,199.78
7130-30 Street & Highway Maps	1,000.00
7170-30 Lewis & Clark Trail Program	650.00
7199-30 Misc. Collateral Materials	1,194.06
Total 7100-00 Collateral Materials	21,414.28
7250-10 Visitors Center/Office Remodel	6,415.73
7300-00 Special Project Expenses	
7330-10 Paddlefest	665.00
7350-10 Community Garden	701.16
7389-30 1/2 Marathon Partnership	10,000.00
7399-30 Special Projects	6,142.19
Total 7300-00 Special Project Expenses	17,508.35
7400-00 Miscellaneous Expenses	
7404-10 Bank Fees	814.61
7410-10 EIDL Loan Repayment	8,333.00
7450-10 Directional Signs	675.00
7499-10 Other Miscellaneous Expenses	50,165.39
Total 7400-00 Miscellaneous Expenses	59,988.00

	TOTAL
Payroll Expenses	
Wages	
Bonus	2,250.00
Total Wages	2,250.00
Total Payroll Expenses	2,250.00
QuickBooks Payments Fees	28.17
Total Expenses	\$696,666.80
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$209,746.94
Other Expenses	
9110-00 Depreciation Expense	4,974.99
Reconciliation Discrepancies-1	-34.63
Total Other Expenses	\$4,940.36
NET OTHER INCOME	\$ -4,940.36
NET INCOME	\$204,806.58

# Parkersburg/Wood County Convention & Visitors Bureau

#### **Balance Sheet**

#### As of December 31, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
1010-00 Regular Operating Account	268,580.92
1040-00 Building Renovation Account	114.79
1050-00 Petty Cash	96.79
1080-00 Flex Spending Checking	140.92
Total Bank Accounts	\$268,933.42
Accounts Receivable	
1215-00 Acct Receivable - Reimbursement	0.00
4801-10 Donations - Pledges Receivable	2,488.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$2,488.00
Other Current Assets	\$115,790.88
Total Current Assets	\$387,212.30
Fixed Assets	\$390,267.07
TOTAL ASSETS	\$777,479.37
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	\$494,748.50
Long-Term Liabilities	
2050-02 Lease Payable - Xerox C8056	8,976.94
2051-00 Lease Payable-Canon Software	0.00
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$8,976.94
Total Liabilities	\$503,725.44
Equity	\$273,753.93
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$777,479.37



### PARKERSBURG/WOOD COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS' BUREAU, INC. REGULAR AUDIT FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022-2021

#### PARKERSBURG/WOOD COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, INC.

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Directors Parkersburg/Wood County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. 113 Ann Street Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **Parkersburg/Wood County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc.** (the Bureau), (a not-for-profit corporation), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Bureau as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Bureau, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Bureau's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the date the financial statements are issued.



Parkersburg/Wood County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. Independent Auditor's Report Page 2

#### 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 opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we

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

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

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**Perry and Associates** Certified Public Accountants, A.C. *Marietta, Ohio* 

January 29, 2024

#### PARKERSBURG/WOOD COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, INC. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	December 31,					
		2022	2021			
ASSETS						
Current assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	442,716	\$	371,774		
Accounts receivable, net	,	89,901	,	68,353		
Employee retention credit receivable		, _		24,780		
Prepaid expenses		27,401		6,164		
Total current assets		560,018		471,071		
Fixed assets						
Land		9,000		9,000		
Construction in Process		76,822		-		
Buildings		455,320		195,321		
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment		100,075		100,075		
Website		109,036		109,036		
Less: accumulated depreciation/amortization		(344,088)		(331,784)		
Right-of-use assets	_	8,977				
Total fixed assets		415,142		81,648		
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	975,160	\$	552,719		
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS						
Current liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$	1,861	\$	-		
Current portion of long-term debt		24,174		3,546		
Current portion of capital lease payable		1,976		903		
Deferred revenue		25,930		26,214		
Accrued expenses		9,896		18,326		
Total current liabilities		63,837		48,989		
Noncurrent liabilities						
Long-term debt, net of current portion		458,959		152,376		
Capital lease payable, net of current portion		7,000		-		
Total noncurrent liabilities		465,959		152,376		
Total liabilities		529,796		201,365		
Net assets						
Net assets without donor restrictions		445,364		358,725		
Total net assets		445,364		358,725		
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	975,160	\$	560,090		

#### PARKERSBURG/WOOD COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, INC. STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	December 31,					
	2022			2021		
Support and revenue	Φ.	40 700	<b>^</b>	4.070		
Advertising contributions	\$	48,786	\$	4,078		
Hotel tax		553,594		453,791		
Membership dues		21,980		21,620		
COVID grant income		-		129,298		
Community Gardens Grant		9,082		-		
Renovations Grant		175,000		-		
Employee retention credit income		-		24,780		
PPP Loan Forgiveness		-		33,695		
Miscellaneous income		14,710		15,337		
Total support and revenue		823,152		682,599		
Construction in Process						
Expenses						
Program services						
Membership and industry development		3,628		-		
Leisure tourism and marketing		503,203		426,646		
Group tour promotion and marketing		10,600		10,608		
Meetings and conferences		17,867		4,998		
Sports marketing		5,579		14,047		
Total program services		540,877		456,299		
Support services						
Administration		191,490		117,070		
Interest expense		4,146		4,921		
Total support services		195,636		121,991		
Total expenses		736,513		578,290		
Change in net assets		86,639		104,309		
Net assets without donor restrictions at beginning of year		358,725		254,416		
Net assets without donor restrictions at end of year	\$	445,364	\$	358,725		

#### PARKERSBURG/WOOD COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Program Services									Support Services															
			Leisure	Group Tour																					
	Membersh	ip	Tourism	Promotion	Meeti	ngs			Total						Total										
	and Indust	ry	and	and	and	d	Sports		Program			Interest		Support			Total								
	Developme	nt	Marketing	Marketing	Confere	ences	Marketing		Services		Services		Services		Services		Services		inistration	Ex	pense	S	ervices	E	xpenses
Salaries	\$	-	91,437	7,958		7,958	4,258	\$	111,611	\$	48,333	\$	-	\$	48,333	\$	159,944								
Payroll taxes and benefits		-	36,992	2,642		9,909	1,321		50,864		15,684		-		15,684		66,548								
Office rent and expense		-	-	-		-	-		-		33,322		-		33,322		33,322								
Equipment expense		-	-	-		-	-		-		9,825		-		9,825		9,825								
Advertising		-	297,866	-		-	-		297,866		-		-		-		297,866								
Travel	3,4	84	-	-		-	-		3,484		14,133		-		14,133		17,617								
Telephone		-	-	-		-	-		-		7,102		-		7,102		7,102								
Consultants and contract labor		-	-	-		-	-		-		28,788		-		28,788		28,788								
Workshops and meetings		-	-	-		-	-		-		590		-		590		590								
Other printing	1	44	43,887	-		-	-		44,031		953		- 953		53 44,984										
Postage		-	-	-		-	-		-		1,996		-		1,996		1,996								
Dues and subscriptions		-	-	-		-	-		-		6,389		-		6,389		6,389								
Interest expense		-	-	-		-	-		-		-		4,146		4,146		4,146								
Special projects		-	33,021	-		-	-		33,021		-		_		-		33,021								
Miscellaneous expense		-	-	-		-	-		-		10,783		-		10,783		10,783								
										. <u> </u>	<u> </u>														
Total expenses before																									
depreciation and amortization	3,6	28	503,203	10,600	1	7,867	5,579		540,877		177,898		4,146		182,044		722,921								
Depreciation/amortization expense						-			-		13,592				13,592		13,592								
				• ••••	<b>.</b> .																				
Total expenses	\$ 3,6	28 \$	503,203	\$ 10,600	<u>\$</u> 1	7,867	\$ 5,579	\$	540,877	\$	191,490	\$	4,146	\$	195,636	\$	736,513								

#### PARKERSBURG/WOOD COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Program Services						Support Services										
	and In	pership ndustry opment	Tourism and Marketing		Group Tour Promotion and Marketing		Meetings and Conferences	 Sports Marketing	Total Program Services	Adr	ninistration		nterest xpense		Total Support Services	E	Total Expenses
Salaries	\$	-	\$ 113,42	23	\$ 7,516	\$	4,127	\$ 7,516	\$ 132,582	\$	43,495	\$	-	\$	43,495	\$	176,077
Payroll taxes and benefits		-	24,3	31	1,742		871	6,531	33,525		10,014		-		10,014		43,539
Office rent and expense		-		-	-		-	-	-		15,769		-		15,769		15,769
Equipment expense		-		-	-		-	-	-		11,601		-		11,601		11,601
Advertising/marketing		-	276,1	75	1,350		-	-	277,525		-		-		-		277,525
Travel		-		-	-		-	-	-		3,314		-		3,314		3,314
Telephone		-		-	-		-	-	-		4,799		-		4,799		4,799
Consultants and contract labor		-		-	-		-	-	-		8,100		-		8,100		8,100
Workshops and meetings		-		-	-		-	-	-		584		-		584		584
Other printing		-	10,0	73	-		-	-	10,073		1,265		-		1,265		11,338
Postage		-		-	-		-	-	-		2,407		-		2,407		2,407
Dues and subscriptions		-	50	60	-		-	-	560		2,799		-		2,799		3,359
Interest expense		-		-	-		-	-	-		-		4,921		4,921		4,921
Special projects		-	2,03	34	-		-	-	2,034		-		-		-		2,034
Miscellaneous expense		-		-			-	 -	 -		5,242		-		5,242		5,242
Total expenses before																	
depreciation and amortization		-	426,64	46	10,608		4,998	14,047	456,299		109,389		4,921		114,310		570,609
Depreciation/amortization expense				-				 	 		7,681				7,681		7,681
Total expenses	\$	-	\$ 426,64	46	\$ 10,608	\$	4,998	\$ 14,047	\$ 456,299	\$	117,070	\$	4,921	\$	121,991	\$	578,290

#### PARKERSBURG/WOOD COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	December 31,			
		2022		2021
Cash flows from operating activities	<b>^</b>	000 440	<b>^</b>	100 000
Cash received from contributors, grants, and members	\$	808,442	\$	460,200
Cash received from miscellaneous activities		14,710		203,110
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(742,560)		(551,896)
Interest paid		(4,146)		(4,921)
Net cash flows provided (used) by operating activities		76,446		106,493
Cash flows from investing activities				
Cash paid for purchase of fixed assets		(336,821)		-
Net cash flows provided (used) by investing activities	-	(336,821)	_	-
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from long-term debt		350,278		-
Principal payments of long-term debt		(20,639)		(9,665)
Principal payments of capital leases		-		(2,099)
Principal payments on finance leases		(1,288)		-
Net cash flows provided (used) by financing activities		328,351		(11,764)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		70,942		94,729
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		371,774		277,045
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	442,716	\$	371,774
Reconciliation of change in net assets to net cash flows from operating activities				
Change in net assets	\$	86,639	\$	104,309
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided				
(used) by operating activities				
Depreciation and amortization		13,592		7,681
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable, net		(21,548)		(31,124)
(Increase) decrease in employee retention credit receivable		24,780		(14,379)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses		(21,237)		3,977
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		1,861		-
Increase (decrease) in capital lease payable		1,073		-
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue		(284)		26,214
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses		(8,430)		9,815
Total adjustments		(10,193)		2,184
Net cash flows provided (used) by operating activities	\$	76,446	\$	106,493
Cash paid for interest	\$ _	4,146	\$ _	4,921

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING POLICIES

<u>Organization background</u> - The Parkersburg/Wood County Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc., doing business as The Greater Parkersburg Convention & Visitors Bureau, (the Bureau) is a West Virginia Corporation which was incorporated on May 2, 1985, and commenced doing business on July 1, 1985. The Bureau's principal activity is to advance, stimulate, and promote exhibits, conferences, conventions, and visitors to the Wood County area, and to act in a public relations capacity for Wood County while carrying out the duties of the Corporation. The Bureau is located at 350 Seventh Street, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

<u>Nature of activities</u> - The Bureau is directed by a Board comprised of up to ten voting members elected by the general members of the Bureau and an additional five appointed voting members representing the Wood County Commission, the City of Parkersburg, the City of Williamstown, and the City of Vienna, which have enacted the Hotel Occupancy Tax as permitted under the provisions of Chapter 7, Article 18 of the Code of West Virginia (as amended).

<u>Basis of accounting</u> - The financial statements of the Bureau have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to not-for-profit organizations. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

<u>Use of estimates</u> - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

<u>Cash and cash equivalents</u> - For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Bureau considers all checking and savings accounts and other highly-liquid financial instruments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash and cash equivalents.

<u>Accounts receivable</u> - Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances and are presented in the statements of financial position net of the allowance for doubtful accounts. Accounts receivable are written off when they are determined to be uncollectible. The allowance for doubtful accounts is estimated based on the Bureau's historical losses, the existing economic conditions in Wood County, and the financial stability of its customers. Management believes no allowance for doubtful accounts is necessary at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

<u>Fixed assets and depreciation</u> - Land is carried at cost. Buildings and furniture, fixtures, and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation. Buildings and furniture, fixtures, and equipment are depreciated over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. Assets are assessed annually for impairment. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense and major additions and improvements are capitalized. Gains or losses on dispositions of fixed assets are included in current operations as realized.

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$13,592 and \$7,681, respectively.

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>Revenue from contracts with customers</u> - the Bureaurecords revenue from contracts with customers in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification Topic 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. Under Topic 606, the Bureau must identify the contract with a customer, identify the performance obligations in the contract, determine the transaction price, allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract, and recognize revenue when (or as) the Bureau satisfies a performance obligation. With the adoption of the new accounting standard, the Bureau has not recognized significant revenue in the current period that results from performance obligations satisfied in previous periods.

The Bureau has evaluated the nature of its contracts with customers and determined that further disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers into more granular categories beyond what is presented in the statements of activities was not necessary. The Bureau generally fully satisfies its performance obligations on its contracts with customers as services are rendered and the transaction prices are typically fixed; and charged on a periodic basis or based on activity. Because performance obligations are satisfied as services are rendered and the transaction prices are fixed, there is little judgement involved in applying Topic 606 that could significantly affect the determination of the amount and timing of revenue from contracts with customers.

Membership dues are recognized as revenue over the duration of the applicable membership period. Any unearned amounts are included in deferred revenue at the end of the accounting period. Revenue is recognized over time based on the output method and is fixed in nature.

Fundraising projects are presented net of expenditures and costs of the project.

<u>Net Assets without Donor Restrictions</u> - This category of net assets consists offunds whose use is limited only to the extent that the Bureau's bylaws limit the activities of the Bureau. Contributions with donor-imposed restrictions met in the same year in which the contribution is recognized are reported as changes in net assets without donor restrictions.

<u>Net Assets with Donor Restrictions</u> - Net assets with donor restrictions are the portion of net assets subject to donorimposed restrictions. These net assets are restricted as to time or purpose and are not available for general use. When donor restrictions expire, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or a purpose restriction is fulfilled, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and are reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. The Bureau currently has no net assets with donor restrictions.

<u>Contributions</u> - The Bureau reports gifts of cash and other assets as donor restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or proposed restriction is accomplished, donor restricted net assets are reclassified to net assets without donor restriction and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>Tax status</u> - By a letter issued June 12, 1986, the Internal Revenue Service has determined that the Bureau qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, is not subject to federal and state income taxes. However, income from certain activities not directly related to the Bureau's tax-exempt purpose is subject to taxation as unrelated business income.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Bureau has no material uncertain tax positions to be accounted for in the financial statements under professional standards. The Bureau's returns for years ending on or after December 31, 2019, remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Services.

<u>Advertising</u> - It is the policy of the Bureau to expense all advertising costs in the period the advertisement is made. Advertising expense for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$297,866 and \$277,525, respectively.

<u>Functional expenses</u> - The costs of providing the Bureau's various programs and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis. Accordingly, expenses are charged directly to programs and supporting services based on specific identification.

<u>New Accounting Standards</u> - In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842), which supersedes existing guidance in Topic 840, Leases. The FASB subsequently issued the following additional ASUs, which amend and clarify Topic 842: ASU 2018-01, Land Easement Practical Expedient for Transition to Topic 842; ASU 2018-10, Codification Improvements to Topic 842, Leases; ASU 2018-11, Leases (Topic 842): Targeted Improvements; ASU 2018-20, Narrow-scope Improvements for Lessors; and ASU 2019-01, Leases (Topic 842): Codification Improvements. Topic 842 amends both lessor and lessee accounting with the most significant change being the requirement for lessees to recognize right-to-use assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet for operating leases. The adoption of this standard did not have a significant impact on the Bureau. See further information in Note 5.

The Bureau adopted the leasing standards effective January 1, 2022, using the modified retrospective approach. This transition method allows entities to apply the transition requirements at the effective date rather than at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented. The Company's reporting for comparative periods was not recast and is presented in accordance with ASC 840. The Company elected to use all available practical expedients provided in the transition guidance.

<u>Date of management's review of subsequent events</u> - Management has evaluated subsequent events through January 29, 2024, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

<u>Reclassifications</u> - Certain prior year classifications have been changed in the current year financial statements in order to clarify financial presentation.

#### NOTE 2 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consists of membership dues not yet collected for the present period, hotel taxes not yet received from governmental entities, and miscellaneous receivables due to the Bureau. The hotel taxes have been collected by the governmental bodies but not remitted to the Bureau.

Accounts receivable consisted of the following:

	December 31,					
			2021			
Unremitted hotel tax collections Dues receivable and miscellaneous items	\$	88,352 1,549	\$	64,709 3,644		
Total accounts receivable	\$	89,901	\$	68,353		

NOTE 3 - LINE-OF-CREDIT

The Bureau has an unsecured line of credit with a maximum amount of \$50,000 available through WesBanco Bank, Inc. Under the terms of the agreement, dated April 20, 2001, the loan is due on demand with a variable interest rate of the prime lending rate plus 1%. However, the loan agreement states that the interest rate will not exceed 12.00% or be less than 7.00%. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, no amounts were outstanding under the line of credit, leaving funds available of \$50,000 and \$50,000, respectively.

NOTE 4 - LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	December 31,				
		2022	2021		
<u>Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council (New Financing 2022)</u> Under the terms of the loan agreement, dated March 17, 2022, the loan is payable in 180 monthly installments of \$2,252, including a fixed interest rate of 2.00%. The loan is collateralized by a deed of trust for	5		52.		
land and building in Parkersburg, West Virginia. The loan matures April					
15, 2038.	\$	334,303	\$	-	
Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL)					
See terms below		148,830		152,375	
Less: Current portion of long-term debt		(24,174)		(3,546)	
Total long-term debt, net of current portion	\$	458,959	\$	148,829	

#### Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL)

On August 10, 2020, the Bureau received authorization for economic assistance under the Small Business Administration's Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program, which was designed to provide economic relief to businesses with less than 500 employees. The loan was for \$150,000. Monthly payments of \$641 were set to begin twenty-four months after the date of the loan and continue through August 2050, however the Bureaubegan making payments in August of 2021. Interest will accrue at 2.75% per annum. The note is collateralized by tangible and intangible personal property, including but not limited to: inventory, equipment, instruments including promissory notes, chattel paper, documents, letter of credit rights, accounts receivable, deposit accounts, commercial tort claims, general intangibles, and as-extracted collateral as such terms may from time to time be defined in the Uniform Commercial Code.

The following is a schedule of principal payments to be made on loans payable. Year ending December 31:

\$	483,133
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	356,992
	26,305
	25,755
	25,217
	24,690
\$	24,174
	\$\$

#### NOTE 5 - LEASES

During 2022 the Bureau entered into a finance lease with a third party for office equipment.

Additional information about the Bureau's leases is as follows:

		ar Ended '31/2022
Lease Costs		
Finance Lease Expense		
Amortization of ROU assets	\$	1,287
Interest on lease liabilities		180
Total	\$	1,467
Other Information		
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities		
Financing cash flows from finance leases (i.e. principal portion)	\$	10,264
ROU assets obtained in exchange for new finance lease liabilities		10,264
Weighted-average remaining lease term in years for finance leases		4.33%
Weighted-average discount rate for finance leases		2.79%
Maturity Analysis	F	inance
2023	\$	2,202
2024		2,202
2025		2,202
2026		2,202
2027		732
Total undiscounted cash flows		9,540
Less: present value discount		(564)
Total lease liabilities	\$	8,976

#### NOTE 6 - CONCENTRATIONS AND ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE ON REVENUE

The Bureau maintains its cash accounts in financial institutions in West Virginia. The balances are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000 per institution. The cash balances at various times throughout the year may be in excess of the amounts insured. The amount in excess of FDIC coverage at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$192,716 and \$121,774, respectively.

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, approximately 65% and 66%, respectively of the Bureau's income consists of revenue received from collections of the Hotel Room Tax. The Hotel Room Tax is a 6% tax enacted by Chapter 7, Article 18 of the Code of West Virginia and collected by the governmental bodies consisting of the Wood County Commission, the City of Parkersburg, the City of Williamstown, and the City of Vienna. For the year ended December 31, 2022, 41% of the Bureau's hotel tax revenue came from the City of Parkersburg, 51% came from the Wood County Commission, and 8% came from the Cities of Williamstown and Vienna. For the year ended December 31, 2021, 41% of the Bureau's hotel tax revenue came from the City of Parkersburg, 50% came from the Wood County Commission, and 9% came from the Cities of Williamstown and Vienna. The Hotel Room Tax is subject to repeal and is also dependent upon the economic conditions in the area in which the Bureau is 50% of the tax collected.

#### NOTE 7 - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

The Bureau adopted a Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees (SIMPLE) retirement plan. This plan allows employees who have earned at least \$5,000 in compensation from the Bureau in the current or previous calendar year to make a voluntary salary deferral into a SIMPLE IRA. The Bureau makes a matching contribution equal to the employee's contribution up to 3% of the employee's gross compensation for the year. The Bureau's retirement expense was \$4,792 and \$4,743 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### NOTE 8 - LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

Financial assets available within one year to meet cash needs for general expenditure are as follows:

		December 31,					
		-	2021				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	442,716	\$	371,774			
Accounts receivable, net		89,901		68,353			
Employee retention credit receivable				24,780			
	\$	532,617	\$	464,907			

As part of the Bureau's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. None of the financial assets are subject to contractual or other restrictions that make them unavailable for general expenditure within one year of the statement of financial position date.

#### NOTE 9 - PAYROLL PROTECTION PROGRAM

Due to continued uncertainties related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Economic Aid to Hard-Hit Small Businesses, Nonprofits, and Venues Act (PPP2) was signed into law December 27, 2020. Among other things, the Act allocates additional funds to the Paycheck Protection Program. The Bureau was approved to receive \$33,695 through the PPP2 program in 2021, which it used for the allowable purposes. PPP loan forgiveness is reflected in support and revenue in the accompanying statements of activities.

The Paycheck Protection Program loan and forgiveness of that loan are subject to audit by the SBA for six years after the date the loan is forgiven. The possible disallowance by the SBA of any item charged to the program cannot be determined until such time when an audit occurs. Therefore, no provision for any potential disallowances that may result from such audit has been made in the accompanying financial statements. Management is of the opinion that disallowances, if any, will not be material to the accompanying financial statements.