PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 6, 2025

In the opinion of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, Bond Counsel, assuming compliance by the Township (as defined herein) with certain tax covenants described herein, under existing law, interest on the Notes (as defined herein) is excluded from gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and interest on the Notes is not an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of computing alternative minimum tax; however, interest on the Notes is included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code. Based upon existing law, interest on the Notes and any gain on the sale thereof are not included in gross income under the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act. See "TAX MATTERS" herein.

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL County of Camden, New Jersey

\$29,863,179 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2025 Consisting of \$24,874,592 General Capital Bond Anticipation Note and \$4,988,587 Sewer Capital Bond Anticipation Note (Noncallable)

Dated: November 24, 2025
Maturing: November 23, 2026
Rate of Interest: _____% per annum
Re-offering Yield: _____%
CUSIP No. _____

The \$29,863,179 Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2025, consisting of the \$24,874,592 General Capital Bond Anticipation Note and the \$4,988,587 Sewer Capital Bond Anticipation Note (collectively, the "Notes"), of the Township of Cherry Hill, in the County of Camden, New Jersey (the "Township"), will be issued in the form of one certificate for the aggregate principal amount of each series listed above and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), Brooklyn, New York, which will act as securities depository for the Notes. Individual purchases of beneficial ownership interests in the Notes will be made in book-entry form (without certificates) on the records of DTC and its Participants (as defined herein) in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$1,000 (or such odd lot amount) in excess thereof. Beneficial owners of the Notes will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Notes. As long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Notes, as nominee for DTC, reference in this Official Statement to the registered owner shall mean Cede & Co., and not the beneficial owners of the Notes. Interest on the Notes will be credited to the Participants of DTC as listed on the records of DTC as of the close of business on November 22, 2026 (the "Record Date"). See "THE NOTES - Book-Entry-Only System" herein.

The principal of and interest on the Notes will be paid on November 23, 2026 to DTC by the Township who will act as Paying Agent.

The Notes are valid and legally binding obligations of the Township, payable in the first instance from the proceeds of the sale of bonds in anticipation of which the Notes are issued, but, if not so paid, payable ultimately from *ad valorem* taxes that may be levied upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes without limitation as to rate or amount.

The Notes are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Notes are offered when, as and if issued and delivered to the Underwriter (as defined herein), subject to prior sale, to withdrawal or modification of the offer without notice and to approval of legality by the law firm of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, Roseland, New Jersey, and certain other conditions described herein. Acacia Financial Group, Inc., Mount Laurel, New Jersey, has served as Municipal Advisor in connection with the issuance of the Notes. Certain legal matters will be passed upon by the Township by its Municipal Attorney. Delivery is anticipated to be through the facilities of DTC in Brooklyn, New York, on or about November 24, 2025.

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE NOTICE OF SALE UNTIL 11:00 A.M. ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025

ELECTRONICALLY VIA THE PARITY ELECTRONIC BID SUBMISSION SYSTEM ("PARITY") OF i-DEAL LLC ("i-DEAL") OR BY ELECTRONIC MAIL TO ADICIURCIO@ACACIAFIN.COM, AS FURTHER SET FORTH IN THE NOTICE OF SALE

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL

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No broker, dealer, salesperson or other person has been authorized by the Township to give any information or to make any representations with respect to the Notes other than those contained in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the foregoing. The information contained herein has been provided by the Township and other sources deemed reliable; however, no representation or warranty is made as to its accuracy or completeness and such information is not to be construed as a representation or warranty by the Underwriter or, as to information from sources other than itself, by the Township. The information and the expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall under any circumstances create any implication that there has been no change in any of the information herein since the date hereof or since the date as of which such information is given, if earlier.

References in this Official Statement to laws, rules, regulations, resolutions, agreements, reports and documents do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. All references to such documents are qualified in their entirety by reference to the particular document, the full text of which may contain qualifications of and exceptions to statements made herein, and copies of which may be inspected at the offices of the Township during normal business hours.

For purposes of compliance with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, this document, as the same may be supplemented or amended by the Township from time to time (collectively, the "Official Statement"), may be treated as a "Final Official Statement" with respect to the Notes described herein that is deemed final as of the date hereof (or of any such supplement or amendment) by the Township.

This Official Statement is submitted in connection with the sale of the Notes referred to herein and may not be used, in whole or in part, for any other purpose. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Notes in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for any person to make such an offer, solicitation or sale.

THE ORDER AND PLACEMENT OF MATERIALS IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT, INCLUDING THE APPENDICES, ARE NOT TO BE DEEMED TO BE A DETERMINATION OF RELEVANCE, MATERIALITY OR IMPORTANCE, AND THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT, INCLUDING THE APPENDICES, MUST BE CONSIDERED IN ITS ENTIRETY. THE OFFERING OF THE NOTES IS MADE ONLY BY MEANS OF THIS ENTIRE OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC has not participated in the preparation of the financial or statistical information contained in this Official Statement nor has it verified the accuracy or completeness thereof and, accordingly, expresses no opinion with respect thereto.

"CUSIP" is a registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP numbers are provided by CUSIP Global Services, which is managed on behalf of the American Bankers Association by FactSet Research Systems Inc. The CUSIP number listed on the cover page hereof is being provided solely for the convenience of Noteholders only at the time of issuance of the Notes, and the Township does not make any representations with respect to such number or undertake any responsibility for its accuracy now or at any time in the future. The CUSIP number for the Notes is subject to being changed after the issuance of the Notes as a result of various subsequent actions, including, but not limited to, the procurement of secondary market portfolio insurance or other similar enhancement by investors that is applicable to the Notes.

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT

RELATING TO

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL County of Camden, New Jersey

\$29,863,179 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2025 Consisting of \$24,874,592 General Capital Bond Anticipation Note and \$4,988,587 Sewer Capital Bond Anticipation Note

INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement, including the cover page and Appendices hereto, has been prepared to provide information with respect to the issuance of \$29,863,179 Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2025, consisting of the \$24,874,592 General Capital Bond Anticipation Note (the "General Capital Note") and the \$4,988,587 Sewer Capital Bond Anticipation Note (the "Sewer Capital Note" and, together with the General Capital Note, the "Notes"), of the Township of Cherry Hill, in the County of Camden, New Jersey (the "Township"). This Official Statement has been executed by and on behalf of the Township by its Chief Financial Officer and may be distributed in connection with the sale of the Notes. This Official Statement is "deemed final," as of its date, within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

PURPOSE OF THE NOTES

Proceeds from the sale and issuance of the General Capital Note will be used by the Township to (i) provide new money to temporarily finance the costs of various general capital improvements described below in the amount of \$10,424,750, (ii) currently refund the Township's \$14,449,842 General Capital Bond Anticipation Note, dated and issued on November 26, 2024 and maturing on November 25, 2025 (the "Prior General Capital Note"), and (iii) provide for the costs associated with the authorization, sale and issuance of the General Capital Note

Proceeds from the sale and issuance of the Sewer Capital Note will be used by the Township to (i) provide new money to temporarily finance various sewer utility capital improvements described below in the amount of \$2,902,500, (ii) currently refund the Township's \$2,086,087 Sewer Capital Bond Anticipation Note, dated and issued on November 26, 2024 and maturing on November 25, 2025 (the "Prior Sewer Capital Note"), and (iii) provide for the costs associated with the authorization, sale and issuance of the Sewer Capital Note.

The improvements to be financed from the proceeds of the General Capital Note include the following:

General Capital:

Ordinance <u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	Refunding <u>Amount</u>	New <u>Money</u>	<u>Total</u>
2013-29	Equipment and Vehicle Purchases, Various Improvements to Parks, Recreation Sites and Buildings	\$ 47,000.00		\$ 47,000.00
2015-19	Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements, Traffic Signal Upgrades and Storm Drainage Projects	141,000.00		141,000.00

General Capital (Cont'd):

Ordinance <u>Number</u>	Refunding <u>Description</u> Amount		New <u>Money</u>	<u>Total</u>	
2016-15	Equipment and Various Improvements to Parks, Recreation Sites and Buildings, and Improvements to Various Municipally-				
2016-16	Owned Buildings Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements, Traffic Signal Upgrades	\$ 22,000.00		\$ 22,000.00	
2017-15	and Storm Drainage Projects Equipment and Various Improvements to Parks, Recreation Sites and Buildings,	41,000.00	\$ 98,000.00	139,000.00	
2017-16	and Improvements to Various Municipally- Owned Buildings Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements, Traffic Signal Upgrades and Storm Drainage	177,000.00		177,000.00	
	Projects	73,567.00		73,567.00	
2017-17	Acquisition of Certain Lands in the Township	1,288,000.00		1,288,000.00	
2018-12	Equipment and Various Improvements to Parks, Recreation Sites and Buildings, and Improvements to Various Municipally-				
004040	Owned Buildings	588,000.00	149,000.00	737,000.00	
2018-13	Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements, Traffic Signal Upgrades and Storm Drainage Projects	220,000,00	72,000,00	202 000 00	
2019-10	Township Equipment, IT Equipment, Various Improvements to Parks, Recreation Sites and Buildings and Improvements to Various Municipally-	230,000.00	73,000.00	303,000.00	
2019-11	Owned Buildings in the Township Road Improvements, Sidewalk	467,000.00	758,000.00	1,225,000.00	
	Improvements, Traffic Signal Upgrades and Storm Drainage Projects	223,000.00	71,500.00	294,500.00	
2020-03	Township Equipment, Information Technology Equipment, Various Improvements to Parks, Recreation Sites and Buildings	125,000.00	84,275.00	209,275.00	
2020-04	Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements, Traffic Signal Upgrades and Storm	·	·		
0000 05	Drainage Projects	707,600.00	775,225.00	1,482,825.00	
2020-05	Improvements to Various Municipally- Owned Buildings in the Township		87,250.00	87,250.00	
2021-16	Township Equipment, Information Technology Equipment, Various Improvements to Parks,		01,200.00	07,200.00	
2021-17	Recreation Sites and Buildings Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements,	262,725.00	213,000.00	475,725.00	
2022-07	Traffic Signal Upgrades and Storm Drainage Projects Equipment, Information Technology	42,600.00	971,000.00	1,013,600.00	
LVLL-U1	Equipment, Information Technology Equipment, Land Purchase, Various Improvements to Parks, Recreation Sites				
	and Buildings	90,522.00	417,000.00	507,522.00	

General Capital (Cont'd):

Ordinance <u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	Refunding <u>Amount</u>	New <u>Money</u>	<u>Total</u>
2022-08	Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements, Traffic Signal Upgrades and Storm Drainage Improvements Projects	\$ 773,371.00	\$ 354,000.00	\$ 1,127,371.00
2023-12	Equipment, Information Technology Equipment, Various Improvements to Parks,		0.074.000.00	
2023-13	Recreation Sites and Buildings Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements, Traffic Signal Upgrades and Storm Drainage	2,300,457.00	2,274,000.00	4,574,457.00
2024 40	Projects	6,850,000.00	113,500.00	6,963,500.00
2024-10	Equipment, Information Technology Equipment, Various Improvements to Parks, Recreation Sites and Buildings		1,961,000.00	1,961,000.00
2024-11	Road Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements and Storm Drainage Projects		2,025,000.00	2,025,000.00
	ŭ ,	\$14,449,842.00	\$10,424,750.00	\$24,874,592.00

The improvements to be financed from the proceeds of the Sewer Capital Note include the following:

Sewer Capital:

Ordinance <u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	Refunding <u>Amount</u>	New <u>Money</u>		<u>Total</u>	
2012-28	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements and					
	Equipment Purchases	\$ 117,787.00			\$	117,787.00
2013-30	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements and					
	Equipment Purchases	129,000.00				129,000.00
2015-20	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements	146,200.00	\$	4,800.00		151,000.00
2016-17	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements	126,300.00		57,700.00		184,000.00
2017-18	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements			66,100.00		66,100.00
2018-14	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements	46,850.00		35,200.00		82,050.00
2019-12	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements and					
	Equipment Upgrades and Purchases	139,250.00		42,250.00		181,500.00
2020-06	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements and					
	Equipment Upgrades and Purchases	110,700.00		68,800.00		179,500.00
2021-18	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements and					
	Equipment Upgrades and Purchases			305,550.00		305,550.00
2022-09	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements			377,500.00		377,500.00
2023-14	Misc. Sanitary Sewer Improvements	1,270,000.00		1,194,600.00	2	2,464,600.00
2024-12	Equipment Upgrades and Miscellaneous					
	Sanitary Sewer Improvements			750,000.00		750,000.00
		\$2,086,087.00	\$2	2,902,500.00	\$4	4,988,587.00

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE NOTES

The Township is authorized to issue the Notes pursuant to the Local Bond Law, Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented (the "Local Bond Law"), and the bond ordinances of the Township set forth above, each in all respects duly approved and published in accordance with the Local Bond Law.

THE NOTES

General Description

The Notes comprise an issue in the aggregate principal amount of \$29,863,179, will be dated November 24, 2025, will mature November 23, 2026, and will bear interest, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months, at the rate per annum set forth on the cover page hereof. The Notes may be purchased in book-entry only form in the amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$1,000 (or a necessary odd lot amount) in excess thereof through book entries made on the books of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), Brooklyn, New York, and its participants. So long as DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co. (or any successor or assign), is the registered owner of the Notes, payments of principal of and interest on the Notes will be made by the Township directly to Cede & Co. (or any successor or assign) as the nominee for DTC. Interest on the Notes will be credited to the participants of DTC as listed on the records of DTC as of the close of business on November 22, 2026 (the "Record Date" for the payment of interest on the Notes).

Redemption Provisions

The Notes are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity.

Book-Entry-Only System¹

The description which follows of the procedures and record keeping with respect to beneficial ownership interests in the Notes, payment of principal and interest, and other payments on the Notes to DTC Participants or Beneficial Owners (as each such terms is hereinafter defined), confirmation and transfer of beneficial ownership interests in the Notes and other related transactions by and between DTC, DTC Participants and Beneficial Owners, is based on certain information furnished by DTC to the Township. Accordingly, the Township does not make any representations as to the completeness or accuracy of such information.

DTC will act as securities depository for the Notes. The Notes will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Note certificate will be issued for each series of the Notes, each in the aggregate principal amount of such series, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical

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¹ Source: The Depository Trust Company

movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of the Notes under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Notes on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Note ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Notes deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Notes; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Notes are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Redemption notices, if applicable, shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Notes within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Notes unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Township as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds, if applicable, and distributions on the Notes will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Township, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, or the

Township, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, if applicable, and distributions to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Township, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Township. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Note certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Township may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Note certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the Township believes to be reliable, but the Township takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

THE TOWNSHIP WILL NOT HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO SUCH DTC PARTICIPANTS OR THE PERSONS FOR WHOM THEY ACT AS NOMINEES WITH RESPECT TO THE PAYMENTS TO OR PROVIDING OF NOTICE FOR THE DTC PARTICIPANTS, OR THE INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS, OR BENEFICIAL OWNERS.

SO LONG AS CEDE & CO. IS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF THE NOTES, AS NOMINEE FOR DTC, REFERENCES HEREIN TO THE HOLDERS OR REGISTERED OWNERS OF THE NOTES (OTHER THAN UNDER THE CAPTIONS "TAX MATTERS" AND "SECONDARY MARKET DISCLOSURE") SHALL MEAN CEDE & CO. AND SHALL NOT MEAN THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE NOTES.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAK – COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND ONGOING CONCERNS

In early March of 2020, the World Health Organization declared a pandemic following the global outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a newly discovered strain of coronavirus. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national public health emergency to unlock federal funds and assistance to help states and local governments fight the pandemic. The Governor of the State declared a state of emergency and a public health emergency on March 9, 2020. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, federal and State legislation and executive orders were implemented to, among other things, provide relief to state and local governments, including the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (the "Plan"). The pandemic and certain mitigation measures, which altered the behavior of businesses and people, have had and may continue to have negative impacts on regional, State and local economies. The national public health emergency and the State public health emergency have since ended, while the state of emergency declared by the State and several executive orders signed by the Governor remain to manage COVID-19 on an endemic level.

To date, the overall finances and operations of the Township have not been materially adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Nonetheless, there can be no assurance regarding the extent to which the COVID-19 pandemic, or any other national health crisis or pandemic, may impact the national, State or local economies in the future, nor how any such event may materially adversely impact municipalities, including the Township. The Township cannot quantify any such impacts at this time.

The Plan, signed into law on March 12, 2021, provided \$1.9 trillion in relief designed to provide funding to address the COVID-19 pandemic and alleviate the economic and health effects of the

COVID-19 pandemic. The Township has received \$11,361,785 from the Plan. The deadline to obligate the funds was December 31, 2024, and such funds can only be spent on certain allowable uses as set forth in the Plan.

SECURITY FOR THE NOTES

The Notes are valid and legally binding obligations of the Township, payable in the first instance from the proceeds of the sale of bonds in anticipation of which the Notes are issued, but, if not so paid, payable ultimately from *ad valorem* taxes that may be levied upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes without limitation as to rate or amount.

MUNICIPAL FINANCE - FINANCIAL REGULATION OF COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES

The Local Bond Law (N.J.S.A. 40:2-1 et seq.)

The Local Bond Law governs the issuance of bonds and notes to finance certain general municipal and utility capital expenditures. Among its provisions are requirements that bonds must mature within the statutory period of usefulness of the projects bonded and that bonds be retired in serial installments. A 5% cash down payment is generally required toward the financing of expenditures for municipal purposes. All bonds and notes issued by the Township are general full faith and credit obligations.

The authorized bonded indebtedness of the Township for municipal purposes is limited by statute, subject to the exceptions noted below, to an amount equal to 3½% of its average equalized valuation basis. Certain categories of debt are permitted by statute to be deducted for purposes of computing the statutory debt limit, including school bonds that do not exceed the school bond borrowing margin and certain debt that may be deemed self-liquidating. The Township has not exceeded its statutory debt limit.

The Township may exceed its debt limit with the approval of the Local Finance Board, a State regulatory agency, and as permitted by other statutory exceptions. If all or any part of a proposed debt authorization would exceed its debt limit, the Township may apply to the Local Finance Board for an extension of credit. If the Local Finance Board determines that a proposed debt authorization would not materially impair the credit of the Township or substantially reduce the ability of the Township to meet its obligations or to provide essential public improvements and services, or if it makes certain other statutory determinations, approval is granted. In addition, debt in excess of the statutory limit may be issued by the Township to fund certain notes, to provide for self-liquidating purposes, and, in each fiscal year, to provide for purposes in an amount not exceeding 2/3 of the amount budgeted in such fiscal year for the retirement of outstanding obligations (exclusive of utility and assessment obligations).

The Township may sell short-term "bond anticipation notes" to temporarily finance a capital improvement or project in anticipation of the issuance of bonds if the bond ordinance or a subsequent resolution so provides. Bond anticipation notes for capital improvements may be issued in an aggregate amount not exceeding the amount specified in the bond ordinance creating such capital expenditure, as it may be amended and supplemented. A local unit's bond anticipation notes may be issued for periods not greater than one year. Generally, bond anticipation notes may not be outstanding for longer than ten years. An additional period may be available following the tenth anniversary date equal to the period from the bond anticipation notes' maturity to the end of the tenth fiscal year in which the notes mature plus 4 months (November 1) in the next following fiscal year from the date of original issuance. Beginning in the third year, the amount of bond anticipation notes that may be issued is decreased by the minimum amount required for the first year's principal payment for a bond issue.

The Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 et seq.)

The foundation of the New Jersey local finance system is the annual cash basis budget. Every local unit must adopt a budget in the form required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"). Certain items of revenue and appropriation are regulated by law and the proposed budget must be certified by the Director of the Division (the "Director") prior to final adoption. The Local Budget Law requires each local unit to appropriate sufficient funds for payment of current debt service, and the Director is required to review the adequacy of such appropriations.

The Township is authorized to issue Emergency Notes and Special Emergency Notes pursuant to the Local Budget Law.

Tax Anticipation Notes are limited in amount by law and must be paid off in full within 120 days of the close of the fiscal year.

The Director has no authority over individual operating appropriations, unless a specific amount is required by law, but the review functions focusing on anticipated revenues serve to protect the solvency of all local units.

The cash basis budgets of local units must be in balance, i.e., the total of anticipated revenues must equal the total of appropriations (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-22). If in any year a local unit's expenditures exceed its realized revenues for that year, then such excess must be raised in the succeeding year's budget.

The Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-26) provides that no miscellaneous revenues from any source may be included as an anticipated revenue in the budget in an amount in excess of the amount actually realized in cash from the same source during the next preceding fiscal year, unless the Director determines that the facts clearly warrant the expectation that such excess amount will actually be realized in cash during the fiscal year and certifies that determination to the local unit.

No budget or budget amendment may be adopted unless the Director shall have previously certified his approval of such anticipated revenues except that categorical grants-in-aid contracts may be included for their face amount with an offsetting appropriation. The fiscal years for such grants rarely coincide with the municipality's calendar year. However, grant revenue is generally not realized until received in cash.

The same general principle that revenue cannot be anticipated in a budget in excess of that realized in the preceding year applies to property taxes. The maximum amount of delinquent taxes that may be anticipated is limited by a statutory formula, which allows the local unit to anticipate collection at the same rate realized for the collection of delinquent taxes in the previous year. Also the local unit is required to make an appropriation for a "reserve for uncollected taxes" in accordance with a statutory formula to provide for a tax collection in an amount that does not exceed the percentage of taxes levied and payable in the preceding fiscal year that was received in cash by June 30 of that year. The budget also must provide for any cash deficits of the prior year.

Emergency appropriations (those made after the adoption of the budget and the determination of the tax rate) may be authorized by the governing body of a local unit. However, with minor exceptions, such appropriations must be included in full in the following year's budget. The exceptions are certain enumerated quasi-capital projects ("special emergencies") such as ice, snow and flood damage to streets, roads and bridges, which may be amortized over three years, and tax map preparation, re-evaluation programs, revision and codification of ordinances, master plan preparation, drainage map preparation for flood control purposes and contractually required severance liabilities, which may be amortized over five years. Of course, emergency appropriations for capital projects may be financed through the adoption of a bond ordinance and amortized over the useful life of the project.

Under legislation enacted in 2020 to address the COVID-19 pandemic, P.L. 2020, c. 60 (A4175), a municipality may adopt an emergency appropriation to fund certain deficits resulting from COVID-19 with approval of the Director and may either fund it as a deferred charge or issue special emergency notes to fund it payable by 1/5 each year beginning in the year after the year in which the deferred charge appears in the financial statements so it is paid off no later than the last day of the sixth fiscal year following the end of the fiscal year in which the application is made. If there is a showing of fiscal distress, that may be extended to ten years. The Director may also promulgate guidelines modifying the standard for anticipated revenues when the amount realized in cash from the same source during the next preceding fiscal year experienced reductions due to COVID-19. Also, local units may be able to issue refunding bonds with Local Finance Board approval to repay a Federal Emergency Management Agency Community Disaster Loan for which it executed a promissory note in 2013.

Budget transfers provide a degree of flexibility and afford a control mechanism. Transfers between appropriation accounts may be made only during the last two months of the year. Appropriation reserves may also be transferred during the first three months of the year to the previous year's budget. Both types of transfers require a 2/3 vote of the full membership of the governing body; however, transfers cannot be made from either the down payment account or the capital improvement fund. Transfers may be made between sub-account line items within the same account at any time during the year, subject to internal review and approval. In a "CAP" budget, no transfers may be made from excluded from "CAP" appropriations to within "CAP" appropriations nor can transfers be made between excluded from "CAP" appropriations.

A provision of law known as the New Jersey "Cap Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq.) imposes limitations on increases in municipal appropriations subject to various exceptions. The payment of debt service is an exception from this limitation. The Cap formula is somewhat complex, but basically it permits a municipality to increase its overall appropriations by the lesser of 2.5% or the "Index Rate" if the Index Rate is greater than 2.5%. The "Index Rate" is the rate of annual percentage increase. rounded to the nearest one-half percent, in the Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Government purchases of goods and services computed by the U.S. Department of Commerce. Exceptions to the limitations imposed by the Cap Law also exist for other things including capital expenditures; extraordinary expenses approved by the Local Finance Board for implementation of an interlocal services agreement; expenditures mandated as a result of certain emergencies; and certain expenditures for services mandated by law. Counties are also prohibited from increasing their tax levies by more than the lesser of 2.5% or the Index Rate subject to certain exceptions. Municipalities by ordinance approved by a majority of the full membership of the governing body may increase appropriations up to 3.5% over the prior year's appropriation, and counties by resolution approved by a majority of the full membership of the governing body may increase the tax levy up to 3.5% over the prior year's tax levy in years when the Index Rate is 2.5% or less.

Additionally, legislation constituting P.L. 2010, c. 44, limits tax levy increases for those local units to 2% with exceptions only for capital expenditures including debt service, increases in pension contributions and accrued liability for pension contributions in excess of 2%, certain healthcare increases, extraordinary costs directly related to a declared emergency and amounts approved by a simple majority of voters voting at a special election.

Neither the tax levy limitation nor the "Cap Law" limits the obligation of the Township to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all taxable property within the Township to pay debt service on its bonds or notes, including the Notes.

In accordance with the Local Budget Law, each local unit must adopt and may from time to time amend rules and regulations for capital budgets, which rules and regulations must require a statement of capital undertakings underway or projected for a period not greater than over the next ensuing six years as a general improvement program. The capital budget, when adopted, does not constitute the approval or appropriation of funds, but sets forth a plan of the possible capital expenditures which the local unit may contemplate over the six years. Expenditures for capital purposes may be made either

by ordinances adopted by the governing body setting forth the items and the method of financing or from the annual operating budget if the terms were detailed.

Sewer Utility Budget

The Township's public sewer utility is supported, in addition to the general taxing power upon real property, by the revenues generated by the operations of the utility. A separate budget is established for the utility. The anticipated revenues and appropriations for the utility are set forth in a budget, which is required to be balanced and to fully provide for debt service. The regulations regarding anticipation of revenue and deferral of charges apply equally to the budget of the utility. Deficits or anticipated deficits in utility operations, which cannot be provided for from utility surplus, if any, are required to be raised in the "Current" or operating budget.

The Local Fiscal Affairs Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:5-1 et seq.)

This law regulates the non-budgetary financial activities of local governments. The Chief Financial Officer of every local unit must file annually, with the Director, a verified statement of the financial condition of the local unit and all constituent boards, agencies or commissions.

An independent examination of each local unit's accounts must be performed annually by a licensed Registered Municipal Accountant. The audit, conforming to the Division of Local Government Services' "Requirements of Audit", includes recommendations for improvement of the local unit's financial procedures and must be filed with the Director. A synopsis of the report, together with all recommendations made, must be published in a local newspaper within 30 days of its submission. The entire annual audit report for the year ended June 30, 2024 for the Township is posted on the Township's website at https://www.chnj.gov/174/Finance and is on file with the Clerk and available for review during business hours.

TAXATION

Procedure for Assessment and Collection of Taxes

Property valuations (assessments) are determined using a percentage of true values as arrived at by a cost approach, market data approach and capitalization of net income where appropriate. The last complete revaluation of property within the Township was for the year 2013. The Township's present assessment ratio is 60.09%.

Upon the filing of certified adopted budgets by the Township, the local School District, the Fire District and the County of Camden (the "County"), the tax rate is struck by the County Board of Taxation based on the certified amounts in each of the taxing districts for collection to fund the budgets. The statutory provision for the assessment of property, the levying of taxes and the collection thereof are set forth in N.J.S.A. 54:4-1 et seq. Special taxing districts are permitted in the State for various special services rendered to the properties located within the special district.

Tax bills are due quarterly on February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1. Installments not paid on or before the due date are subject to interest penalties of 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on any amounts in excess of \$1,500.00. These interest penalties are the maximum permitted under New Jersey statutes. Additionally, a 6% penalty is charged on any delinquencies in excess of \$10,000.00 if not paid by the end of each year. Delinquent taxes open for one year or more are annually included in a tax sale in accordance with New Jersey statutes. Tax liens retained by the Township are periodically assigned to the Township Municipal Attorney for "in rem foreclosures" in order to acquire title to these properties.

Tax Appeals

The State statutes provide a taxpayer with remedial procedures for appealing an assessment deemed excessive. The taxpayer has a right to petition the County Board of Taxation (the "Tax Board") on or before the first day of April of the current tax year for review. The Tax Board has the authority, after a hearing, to decrease, increase or reject the appeal petition. These adjustments are usually concluded within the current tax year and reductions are shown as canceled or remitted taxes for that year. If the taxpayer feels his petition was unsatisfactorily reviewed by the Tax Board, appeal may be made to the State Tax Court. State Tax Court appeals tend to take several years prior to settlement and any losses in tax collection from prior years are charged directly to operations.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE TOWNSHIP

General

General information concerning the Township, including economic, financial, demographic and other relevant data, is set forth in Appendix "A" to this Official Statement.

Financial

Appendix "B" to this Official Statement contains compiled financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 and audited financial statements of the Township for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024, 2023, 2022 and 2021. Copies of the complete Reports of Audit may be obtained upon request to the office of the Township Clerk and are available on the Township's website https://www.chnj.gov/174/Finance.

LITIGATION

To the knowledge of Cosmas P. Diamantis, Esq., Cherry Hill, New Jersey (the "Municipal Attorney"), there is no litigation of any nature, now pending or threatened, restraining or enjoining the issuance or delivery of the Notes, or the levy or collection of any taxes to pay the principal of or interest on the Notes, or in any manner questioning the authority or the proceedings for the issuance of the Notes or for the levy or collection of taxes, or contesting the corporate existence or the boundaries of the Township or the title of any of the present officers. Moreover, to the knowledge of the Municipal Attorney, no litigation is presently pending or threatened that, in the opinion of the Municipal Attorney, would have a material adverse impact on the financial condition of the Township if adversely decided.

TAX MATTERS

Exclusion of Interest on the Notes from Gross Income for Federal Tax Purposes

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), imposes certain requirements that must be met on a continuing basis subsequent to the issuance of the Notes in order to assure that interest on the Notes will be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code. Failure of the Township to comply with such requirements may cause interest on the Notes to lose the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes, retroactive to the date of issuance of the Notes. The Township will make certain representations in its Arbitrage and Tax Certificate, which will be executed on the date of issuance of the Notes, as to various tax requirements. The Township has covenanted to comply with the provisions of the Code applicable to the Notes and has covenanted not to take any action or fail to take any action that would cause interest on the Notes to lose the exclusion from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. Bond Counsel will rely upon the representations made in the Arbitrage and Tax Certificate and will assume continuing compliance by the Township with the above covenants in rendering its federal income tax opinions with respect to

the exclusion of interest on the Notes from gross income for federal income tax purposes and with respect to the treatment of interest on the Notes for the purposes of alternative minimum tax.

Assuming the Township observes its covenants with respect to compliance with the Code, McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, Bond Counsel to the Township, is of the opinion that, under existing law, interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Code, and interest on the Notes is not an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of computing alternative minimum tax; however, interest on the Notes is included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code.

The opinion of Bond Counsel is based on current legal authority and covers certain matters not directly addressed by such authority. It represents Bond Counsel's legal judgment as to exclusion of interest on the Notes from gross income for federal income tax purposes but is not a guaranty of that conclusion. The opinion is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") or any court. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion about the (i) effect of future changes in the Code and the applicable regulations under the Code or (ii) the interpretation and enforcement of the Code or those regulations by the IRS.

Bond Counsel's engagement with respect to the Notes ends with the issuance of the Notes, and, unless separately engaged, Bond Counsel is not obligated to defend the Township or the owners of the Notes regarding the tax status of interest thereon in the event of an audit examination by the IRS. The IRS has a program to audit tax-exempt obligations to determine whether the interest thereon is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes. If the IRS does audit the Notes, under current IRS procedures, the IRS will treat the Township as the taxpayer and the beneficial owners of the Notes will have only limited rights, if any, to obtain and participate in judicial review of such audit. Any action of the IRS, including, but not limited to, selection of the Notes for audit, or the course or result of such audit, or an audit of other obligations presenting similar tax issues, may affect the market value of the Notes.

Payments of interest on tax-exempt obligations, including the Notes, are generally subject to IRS Form 1099-INT information reporting requirements. If an owner of the Notes is subject to backup withholding under those requirements, then payments of interest will also be subject to backup withholding. Those requirements do not affect the exclusion of such interest from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

Original Issue Premium

The Notes may be sold at an initial offering price in excess of the amount payable at the maturity date. The excess, if any, of the tax basis of the Notes to a purchaser (other than a purchaser who holds the Notes as inventory, as stock-in-trade or for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business) over the amount payable at maturity is amortizable note premium, which is not deductible from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Amortizable note premium, as it amortizes, will reduce the owner's tax cost of the Notes used to determine, for federal income tax purposes, the amount of gain or loss upon the sale, redemption at maturity or other disposition of the Notes. Accordingly, an owner of Notes may have taxable gain from the disposition of the Notes, even though the Notes are sold, or disposed of, for a price equal to the owner's original cost of acquiring the Notes. Premium amortizes over the term of the Notes under the "constant yield method" described in regulations interpreting Section 1272 of the Code. Owners of the Notes should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the calculation of the amount of note premium that will be treated for federal income tax purposes as having amortized for any taxable year (or portion thereof) of the owner and with respect to other federal, state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of the Notes.

Bank-Qualification

The Notes **will not** be designated as qualified under Section 265 of the Code by the Township for an exemption from the denial of deduction for interest paid by financial institutions to purchase or to carry tax-exempt obligations.

The Code denies the interest deduction for certain indebtedness incurred by banks, thrift institutions and other financial institutions to purchase or to carry tax-exempt obligations. The denial to such institutions of 100% of the deduction for interest paid on funds allocable to tax-exempt obligations applies to those tax-exempt obligations acquired by such institutions after August 7, 1986. For certain issues that are eligible to be designated, and that are designated, by the issuer as qualified under Section 265 of the Code, 80% of such interest may be deducted as a business expense by such institutions

Additional Federal Income Tax Consequences of Holding the Notes

Prospective purchasers of the Notes should be aware that ownership of, accrual or receipt of interest on or disposition of tax-exempt obligations, such as the Notes, may have additional federal income tax consequences for certain taxpayers, including, without limitation, taxpayers eligible for the earned income credit, recipients of certain Social Security and certain Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers that may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, financial institutions, property and casualty companies, foreign corporations and certain S corporations.

Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any federal tax consequences other than its opinion with regard to the exclusion of interest on the Notes from gross income pursuant to Section 103 of the Code and interest on the Notes not constituting an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their tax advisors with respect to all other tax consequences (including, but not limited to, those listed above) of holding the Notes.

Changes in Federal Tax Law Regarding the Notes

Legislation affecting tax-exempt obligations is regularly considered by the United States Congress and may also be considered by the State of New Jersey. Court proceedings may also be filed, the outcome of which could modify the tax treatment of obligations such as the Notes. There can be no assurance that legislation enacted or proposed, or actions by a court, after the date of issuance of the Notes will not have an adverse effect on the tax status of interest on the Notes or the market value or marketability of the Notes. These adverse effects could result, for example, from changes to federal or state income tax rates, changes in the structure of federal or state income taxes (including replacement with another type of tax) or repeal (or reduction in the benefit) of the exclusion of interest on the Notes from gross income for federal or state income tax purposes for all or certain taxpayers.

State Taxation

Bond Counsel is of the opinion that, based upon existing law, interest on the Notes and any gain on the sale thereof are not included in gross income under the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act.

THE OPINIONS EXPRESSED BY BOND COUNSEL WITH RESPECT TO THE NOTES ARE BASED UPON EXISTING LAWS AND REGULATIONS AS INTERPRETED BY RELEVANT JUDICIAL DECISIONS AND REGULATORY CHANGES AS OF THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OF THE NOTES, AND BOND COUNSEL HAS EXPRESSED NO OPINION WITH RESPECT TO ANY LEGISLATION, REGULATORY CHANGES OR LITIGATION ENACTED, ADOPTED OR DECIDED SUBSEQUENT THERETO. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE NOTES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISERS REGARDING THE POTENTIAL IMPACT OF ANY PENDING OR PROPOSED FEDERAL OR STATE TAX LEGISLATION, REGULATIONS OR LITIGATION.

MUNICIPAL BANKRUPTCY

The undertakings of the Township should be considered with reference to Chapter IX of the Bankruptcy Act, 11 U.S.C. Section 401, et seq., as amended by Public Law 94-260, approved April 8, 1976, the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978, effective October 1, 1979, Public Law 100-597, effective November 3, 1988, the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994, effective October 22, 1994, and other bankruptcy laws affecting creditor's rights and municipalities in general. The amendments of P.L. 94-260 replace former Chapter IX and permit the State or any political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality that is insolvent or unable to meet its debts to file a petition in a court of bankruptcy for the purpose of effecting a plan to adjust its debts; directs such a petitioner to file with the court a list of petitioner's creditors; provides that a petition filed under such chapter shall operate as a stay of the commencement or continuation of any judicial or other proceeding against the petitioner; grants priority to debt owed for services or material actually provided within three months of the filing of the petition; directs a petitioner to file a plan for the adjustment of its debts; and provides that the plan must be accepted in writing by or on behalf of creditors holding at least two-thirds in amount or more than one-half in number of the listed creditors.

Reference should also be made to N.J.S.A. 52:27-40 et seq. which provides that a municipality has the power to file a petition in bankruptcy provided the approval of the Municipal Finance Commission has been obtained. The powers of the Municipal Finance Commission have been vested in the Local Finance Board. The Bankruptcy Act specifically provides that Chapter IX does not limit or impair the power of a state to control, by legislation or otherwise, the procedures that a municipality must follow in order to take advantage of the provisions of the Bankruptcy Act.

SECONDARY MARKET DISCLOSURE

The Township has covenanted for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Notes to provide certain secondary market disclosure information pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"). Specifically, for so long as the Notes remain outstanding (unless the Notes have been wholly defeased), the Township will provide electronically to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system or such other repository designated by the Securities and Exchange Commission to be an authorized repository for filing secondary market disclosure information, if any, in a timely manner not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event, notice of any of the following events with respect to the Notes:

- (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Notes or other material events affecting the tax status of the Notes;
- (7) Modifications to the rights of holders of the Notes, if material;
- (8) Note calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) Defeasances;
- (10) Release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Notes, if material;
- (11) Rating changes;
- (12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Township;
- (13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation or acquisition involving the Township or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Township, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;

- (14) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- (15) Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Township, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Township, any of which affect holders of the Notes, if material; and
- (16) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Township, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

The term "Financial Obligation" as used in subparagraphs (15) and (16) above means a (i) debt obligation, (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation or (iii) guarantee of (i) or (ii); provided, however, that the term "Financial Obligation" shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board consistent with the Rule.

In the event that the Township fails to comply with the above-described undertaking and covenants, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, remedy of the beneficial owners of the Notes being specifically limited in the undertaking to specific performance of the covenants.

The undertaking may be amended by the Township from time to time, without the consent of the holders or beneficial owners of the Notes, in order to make modifications required in connection with a change in legal requirements or change in law, which in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel complies with the Rule.

The Township has implemented internal control policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the Rule (including subparagraphs (15) and (16) enumerated above), including the appointment of a Disclosure Dissemination Agent. The Township Administration, in conjunction with the Township's Disclosure Dissemination Agent and Auditor, will follow such internal control policies and procedures in regards to posting any information required to be filed pursuant to the Township's undertakings pursuant to the Rule.

APPROVAL OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

All legal matters incident to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Notes are subject to the approval of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, Roseland, New Jersey, Bond Counsel to the Township, whose approving legal opinion will be delivered with the Notes substantially in the form set forth as Appendix C. Certain legal matters will be passed on for the Township by its Municipal Attorney.

NO DEFAULT

There is no record of default in the payment of principal of or interest on the bonds or notes of the Township.

UNDERWRITING

The Notes have been purchased from the Township at a public sale by	,
,, (the "Underwriter"), at a purchase price of \$, consisting of the par
amount of the Notes, plus original issue premium in the amount of \$, less an underwriter's
discount in the amount of \$ The Underwriter has purchased the N	lotes in accordance with
the Notice of Sale. The Notes are being offered to the public at the yield set for	orth on the cover page of
this Official Statement, which yield may be changed from time to time by the U	nderwriter without notice.
The Notes may be offered and sold to dealers, including the Underwriter a	nd dealers acquiring the

Notes for their own account or any account managed by them, at prices lower than the public offering price.

MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

Acacia Financial Group, Inc., Mount Laurel, New Jersey, served as Municipal Advisor to the Township (the "Municipal Advisor") with respect to the issuance of the Notes. Certain information set forth herein has been obtained from the Township and other sources, which are deemed reliable, but no warranty, guaranty or other representation as to the accuracy or completeness is made as to such information contained herein. There is no assurance that any of the assumptions or estimates contained herein will be realized. The Municipal Advisor is a financial advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, marketing or trading municipal securities or any other negotiable instrument.

RATING

Moody's Ratings (the "Rating Agency") has assigned a rating of "MIG1" to the Notes based upon the creditworthiness of the Township. The rating reflects only the views of the Rating Agency and an explanation of the significance of such rating may only be obtained from the Rating Agency. The Township furnished to the Rating Agency certain information and materials concerning the Notes and the Township. There can be no assurance that the rating will be maintained for any given period of time or that it may not be raised, lowered or withdrawn entirely if, in the Rating Agency's judgment, circumstances so warrant. Any downward change in or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the marketability or market price of the Notes.

PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The Township hereby states that the descriptions and statements herein, including financial statements, are true and correct in all material respects, and it will confirm to the Underwriter by a certificate signed by the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer of the Township that, to their knowledge, such descriptions and statements, as of the date of this Official Statement, are true and correct in all material respects and do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements herein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

All other information has been obtained from sources that the Township considers to be reliable, and it makes no warranty, guaranty or other representation with respect to the accuracy and completeness of such information.

McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC has not participated in the preparation of this Official Statement, nor has such firm verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the information contained herein (except under the heading "TAX MATTERS") and, accordingly, will express no opinion with respect thereto.

Acacia Financial Group, Inc. has not participated in the preparation of this Official Statement, nor has such firm verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the information contained herein and, accordingly, will express no opinion with respect thereto.

Bowman & Company LLP, Voorhees, New Jersey, compiled this Official Statement from information obtained from Township management and other various sources they consider to be reliable and makes no warranty, guaranty or other representation with respect to the accuracy and completeness of such information. Bowman & Company LLP does take responsibility for the financial statements, appearing in Appendix "B" hereto, to the extent specified in the Independent Accountant's Compilation Report.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Inquiries regarding this Official Statement may be directed to Ms. Michelle Samalonis, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Cherry Hill at 609-220-6145.

All quotations from and summaries and explanations of provisions of laws of the State herein do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the official compilation thereof.

This Official Statement has been duly executed and delivered by the Township.

MISCELLANEOUS

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement among the Township, the Underwriter and the holders of any of the Notes. Any statements made in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended merely as opinions and not as representations of fact. The information and expressions of opinion contained herein are subject to change without notice and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale of Notes made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Township since the date hereof. The information contained in the Official Statement is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness.

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL, NEW JERSEY

By:

Dated: November ___, 2025

APPENDIX A

CERTAIN ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE TOWNSHIP

History

The Township of Cherry Hill (the "Township" or "Cherry Hill") was originally part of Waterford Township until 1844 when it was incorporated as Delaware Township. A description of the Township in 1886 depicted a "prosperous agricultural community" composed chiefly of gristmills and carriage-making shops. The agricultural nature of the community remained virtually unchanged until the 1920's when the area began to feel its first growing pains.

After 1950, the building "boom" resulted in housing developments replacing farms and forests with a corresponding increase in population from 10,358 in 1950 to 74,553 in 2020.

In 1961, the Township's name was changed to Cherry Hill, a remembrance of the landmark Cherry Hill Farm. The past 55 years have seen continued growth and development with attractive residential areas, shopping centers, extensive recreational facilities and executive office complexes.

In 2006, Money Magazine and CNN Money listed Cherry Hill Township as "One of the Top 50 Best Places to Live in the Country." They also named Cherry Hill Township the 8th safest place among comparable size municipalities.

In 2011, New Jersey Monthly ranked Cherry Hill as the top large town in New Jersey.

In 2014, the Township was designated as a New Jersey Healthy Town. "Healthy Town" status is the top designation given to municipalities every year by the New Jersey Mayors Wellness Campaign. Cherry Hill became the 16th municipality in New Jersey to receive the designation since 2007, and is one of just two towns to be given the honor this year. The Township is the only "Healthy Town" in South Jersey.

In 2014, Sustainable New Jersey re-designated the Township as "Silver;" presently the highest rank for a municipality. Cherry Hill was also the recipient of Sustainable Jersey's Sustainability Champion Award.

On September 19, 2016, Cherry Hill was named No. 26 in Money Magazine's annual list of the Top 50 Best Places to Live.

In 2020, Niche.com awarded Cherry Hill Township an "A+" grade for "being one of the best places to live in New Jersey."

The Township is proud that it has received its newest Sustainable Jersey "Silver" recertification in 2024. Cherry Hill is one of 68 municipalities to hold this designation out of the 466 participating in the program.

Local Government

The Township government is based on the Mayor-Council form of government. The Mayor of the Township is elected directly by the voters for a four-year term and serves as the Chief Executive Officer. The Township Council is the legislative branch of the government, setting policy through the enactment of Township ordinances and resolutions. Members of the Council serve four-year terms, staggered to provide continuity in the government.

The Township administration operates through the Departments of Administration, Law, Police, Public Works, Community Development, Construction Code Enforcement and Inspections, Engineering and Recreation. All financial matters are administered under the direction of the Business Administrator.

Financial Management

The Township actively manages its staff and operating expenses for cost containment, operational efficiency and improved productivity.

The Township utilizes a competitive purchasing process for its purchases of products and services. The Township also aggressively negotiates with insurance carriers to receive lower premium and additional savings. In addition, the Township participates in co-operative purchasing agreements with other local governmental entities, as well as national co-operative entities to secure the advantages of price savings.

The Township strives to reduce expenses associated with the use of outside vendors and has been successful in hiring staff with the capacity to undertake specific building renovation projects. The Township has established a comprehensive risk management process to minimize its liabilities. An Accredited Risk Manager is on staff.

The Township's goal has been to create a government that works better, costs less, and gets results residents care about; Cherry Hill's e-government services have become critical to that mission. The Township recently redesigned its website with the goal of encouraging and streamlining its interaction and engagement with the community. The new website has created a "virtual Town Hall" that connects users with government services and information that is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, across all platforms and devices. In addition to the new website, in 2024, the Township also implemented the "My Cherry Hill" to better inform, communicate, and connect with our community, which is a phone-based app that provides information and details at residents' fingertips, including the ability to receive notifications.

Making information available at the resident's fingertips is a main initiative of the Administration. The Township has an award-winning website, which offers residents a portal to key information. The Township's recently revamped homepage is transactional based instead of informative based. In today's times, people come to the Township's website to conduct business vs collecting information for a research paper. The Township utilized the current website analytics to determine what features should be present on the homepage. In the beginning of 2024, the Township created virtual store fronts for its departments, offering this concept beyond the Township's main page. Once again linking customers to the information they are seeking in fewer clicks.

In addition to the website, the Township utilizes a GIS based software solution called Spatial Data Logic (SDL) to breakdown departmental silos and offer real time data to employees and customers. SDL also allows the Township to go mobile with data. Residents can access and communicate information from the web or mobile devices. Township inspectors utilize the system in the field on mobile devices. The flow of real time information increases efficiency, while at the same time ensuring accuracy.

Utilizing SDL, departments are able to offer full online submissions for permits, application, inspections requests and much more. Not only are customers able to submit their information, they can check the status and even make payment, all from the comfort of their home. The Township has imbedded many of these requests directly into the corresponding departmental website pages.

Benefits of adding these progressive e-government services include reduced staff time and resources required to complete tasks; less time off from work for residents looking to do business with the Township during traditional business hours; more efficient and effective planning of capital improvements and other projects; expedited permit processing and inspections, resulting in greater economic development; and a reduction in our Town's carbon footprint by reducing vehicular traffic to and from Town Hall by visitors, staff and inspectors, as well as less paper used for printing forms and other services now available online. The result has been a more informed and engaged citizenry, and greater efficiency in the business of local government in Cherry Hill.

User fees for Township services have increased and new user fees have been instituted as well as implementing new recurring revenues, such as tree removal permits, business licenses, and lead base paint inspections in FY 23. In August 2025, the Township increased zoning permit fees, zoning escrow thresholds, massage business licenses, vital record fees and added new permit fees for grading plans. The Township also made two (2) shopping mall liquor licenses and one (1) distribution license available.

The Township has an aggressive tax collection program and, under the provisions of Chapter 99 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1997, the Township holds annual tax sales. The tax collection rate for Fiscal Year 2025 was ninety-nine and ninety-four hundredths percent (99.94%).

Library

The Township constructed a modern, state-of-the-art, 70,000 square-foot library in 2004. Vacant land (4.39 acres) was acquired adjacent to the former library site of 2.99 acres on North Kings Highway. With over 30,000 active cardholders and more than 560,000 visitors each year, the Cherry Hill Public Library (CHPL) is a place of knowledge and inspiration for members of the community. CHPL provides a variety of library materials and services, access to innovative technologies and a wide-range of programs to meet the informational, educational and cultural interests of residents and visitors of all ages.

Emergency Medical Services

The Cherry Hill Fire Department (the "Fire Department") is a full service fire and rescue organization committed to the safety of the Township's residents and visitors. The Board of Fire Commissioners is an elected body responsible for planning and executing fire and life safety services in Cherry Hill Township. As of August 2016, the Cherry Hill Fire Department became an Accredited Agency meeting the requirements set forth by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International. The accreditation recognition was renewed for another 5-year period from 2022 to 2026.

Fire protection in Cherry Hill Township is provided by four (4) Engine Companies, two (2) Ladder Companies, and one (1) Fire Battalion Chief, serving as the on-duty Shift Supervisor and principal Incident Commander at major emergencies. The Department responds to over 5,000 fire and hazardous condition calls for service annually with career firefighters. In addition, one (1) Volunteer Fire Police Unit and one (1) Volunteer Rehabilitation Unit support the Fire Department.

The Fire Department provides Emergency Medical Services (EMS) responding to over 12,000 emergency calls annually. The Department staffs three (3) EMS units 24 hours per day and two (2) demand units staffed during peak call periods in addition to an on-duty EMS shift supervisor. The EMS Division consists of both full time career personnel and per diem employees.

First responder companies responding from neighborhood Fire Stations support the EMS response system. All Fire Department personnel are certified at the EMT or Paramedic level and respond to critical EMS incidents and life—threatening emergencies.

The Fire Department achieved the Insurance Services Organizations Classification of a "Class 2" Fire Department, out of a scale of 1 to 10, effective November 1, 2022. This is in conjunction with, and in addition to, the maintenance of accredited agency status noted above.

The Fire Department hosts the Township Emergency Operations Center at Fire Headquarters on Marlkress Road and serves as a partner in the Emergency Management function.

The Fire Department maintains 3 Special Operations Units with specially trained firefighters assigned to the units to provide an "all hazards" response force, prepared to respond to any emergency presented.

The Hazardous Materials Response Unit members are prepared to handle situations involving chemical, biological, radiological and explosive events. This unit is recognized at the State and National

levels for its capabilities and has received thousands of dollars in grant awards for equipment and training, and serves also as a primary unit in the Camden County Hazardous Materials Task Force.

The Department also maintains an Urban Search & Rescue Unit with specially trained firefighters prepared to handle complicated vehicle extrication, water rescue, high angle rescue, confined space rescue, structural collapse and trench rescue. All firefighters in the Fire Department are trained to support these specialized units. Firefighters also train daily on the multiple disciplines required to respond to any emergency incident that may take place in Cherry Hill Township. The CHFD US&R Unit is a lead unit for the Camden County US&R Task Force.

Community Education on fire safety and medical response is critical to improving the quality of life for residents, merchants, business owners and visitors to the Township. The mission of the Department is to make a positive difference by educating all who reside and visit the Township. Through community education, our department utilizes the following risk reduction programs: child car seat safety inspections/installation, fire and EMS safety presentations, home safety walk through, school safety programs, Vial of Life Program, and residential smoke detector inspections/installations. Our risk reduction programs target all stakeholders and audiences that represent our community.

The Training Division is a critical component to the organization, ensuring that all members are prepared to handle the multitude of emergencies they may face. They coordinate and deliver various types and levels of training to the Fire Department's personnel. The Department's training facility, located at Marlkress Road, is a registered New Jersey Division of Fire Safety and NJOEMS training site.

The Office of the Fire Chief and the Chief Financial Officer provide oversight and direction to guarantee that the mission of the Fire Department is met through the responsible management of taxes and personnel. The Fire Department has been successful in acquiring FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) Grants, in addition to numerous Department of Justice and State Grants. In 2015, the Department received an AA1 bond rating from Moody's Investors Services and maintains this rating today.

The Management Support Division is staffed with a N.J. Qualified Purchasing Officer and participates in the N.J. Contract Program, Surplus Property Program, and Joint Purchases with other Township Entities. The Department has also taken the necessary steps to utilize the Camden County Cooperative Purchasing Program.

The Motor Maintenance Division maintains the Department's fleet of fire apparatus, EMS units and light duty vehicles.

The Fire Prevention division works to reduce the number of fire occurrences, as well as reduce the severity of fires within the Township. The Fire Prevention Division conducts roughly 3,500 routine fire safety inspections of buildings within the Township in accordance with the N.J. Uniform Fire Code, as well as our Township Ordinance. Additional activities include permit inspections, plan review for construction projects, and safety reviews for events. Additionally, the division completes approximately 1,400 inspections on homes that are sold within the Township each year. This division is also responsible for investigating all incidents involving fire and or explosions within the Township in an effort to determine cause and origin and also to prevent future fires. The CHFD Fire Marshal's Office also provides a Firewatch program. This program which is modeled throughout our region, focuses on educating, evaluating, and coordinating interventions of juveniles that are at risk for starting fires.

Police

The Police Department ("Department") is located in the municipal building at 820 Mercer Street and consists of four (4) divisions. The Operations Division is the largest division within the Department and is responsible for the performance of all primary police tasks. The Special Operations Group is a part of the Operations Division, which consists of a Tactical Response Team and a Critical Incident Negotiating Team and may be activated for any extraordinary police operation. The Investigative Division conducts follow-up investigations, proactively conducts special investigations, and provides technical services such as crime scene processing, fingerprint identification, and evidence classification. The

Administrative Division supports Department operations, while the Office of Professional Standards and Development investigates any allegations of police impropriety and provides the citizenry with public records and assistance.

The Department has a complement of one hundred thirty-eight (138) sworn members, sixteen (16) special law enforcement officers (SLEO), ten (10) dispatchers, twenty-two (22) civilian employees and employs approximately fifty (50) civilian school crossing guards. The Department requires all police officers to earn the minimum of a Baccalaureate Degree as a condition of employment.

The Cherry Hill Police Operations Center is a technologically enhanced facility with a recently furnished Communications Center and completely upgraded radio system, which allows interoperability with public safety users in neighboring jurisdictions. The Operations Center includes computers, digital mug shots, and digital fingerprint scanning equipment connected to the FBI and software applications that provide computerized detective case management. The system is funded by grants and features the latest technologies. The CAD/RMS and 911 systems are continuously upgraded to make sure all personnel have the latest public safety technology.

The entire patrol fleet is equipped with in-car cameras, mobile computers, as well "E ticketing" or electronic motor vehicle summons. E ticketing has drastically reduced the time officers spend on motor vehicle stops. It also eliminates redundant data entry between the police and courts. The car fleet uses LTE/Wi-Fi cloud managed routers that increase VPN network speed and reduces maintenance time. These were recently updated, bringing 5G technology to the patrol cars. These technologies increase officer efficiency and keeps them out of the office and on the street. The Department has fifty-two mobile (52) automated license plate readers (ALPR). Ten (10) fixed ALPR units are currently deployed strategically throughout the Township, with a plan to expand in future years. There is an additional ALPR deployed on a trailer with a high definition surveillance camera. The license plate readers aid the department with the enforcement of motor vehicle laws, security for the public, and can aid in Homeland Security.

One hundred and seven (107) police officers have been certified and trained in the use of Conducted Energy Devices (CED) or more commonly referred to as a "Taser". Being equipped with this additional equipment significantly reduces the risk of injuries to civilians and police officers alike. The Department has three handheld thermal imaging devices that help locate missing or wanted persons by giving off a heat signature in the dark. The department is equipped with four (4) small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (drones), one of which is also equipped with thermal imaging to help with search and seizure operations. There are currently six (6) trained and certified pilots with a project underway to certify an additional fourteen (14) before 2026.

The Department implemented body worn cameras approximately nine years ago, which were purchased for every member of the department as a supplement to its robust in-car camera recording policies. Body Worn Cameras have helped strengthen the policing profession by promoting agency accountability and transparency. They can also be useful tools in increasing officer professionalism, improving officer training, preserving evidence, and documenting encounters with the public.

The Department has been the recipient of County, State and Federal grant awards that have made possible additional crime prevention initiatives as well as the expansion of the Community Response Unit, which is focused on direct interaction with community stakeholders. The Department engages in drug awareness and education programs, hosted nine (9) Junior Police Academies to increase positive interactions with the youth in our community, and four (4) Citizen's Police Academies. The Department annually hosts National Night Out on the first Tuesday in August. In past years, the event has been held at either the Municipal Complex or, Cherry Hill High School East. The Department runs a Police Club at both of the public High Schools and one private High School.

The Department is an active member of the Municipal Alliance program, which aids the education of children in the harms of drug and alcohol usage. The Department participates in Project Medicine Drop events throughout the year at different locations. The Department teaches the L.E.A.D. (Law

Enforcement Against Drugs and Violence) program to every 6th grader in the three middle schools. The Department participates in the This Life Counts program which is a youth suicide awareness and prevention program hosted by the Jewish Family & Children's Service of South Jersey. The Department participates in the BookMates program where officers read to 2nd grade students weekly. The Department participates in quarterly Coffee with a Cop events at various establishments in the Township to encourage communication and positive interactions between law enforcement and the public. The police department instructs "Run, Hide, Fight", a training program designed to prepare civilians for active shooter and hostile event situations, to numerous organizations and businesses in the township. The police department also works with organizations and businesses to help complete security assessments.

The Department has child safety seat technicians certified to assist with installations during monthly check-up events. The Department partners with the various faith-based organizations on National Faith and Blue Weekend & Serve Day. The Department created a safety continuum with Nemours Children's Hospital and the Recreation Department to provide children with access to dog safety and bicycle safety education. The Department participates in countless other community initiatives such as the STAR Games, Flagging of the Graves, and Senior Fest.

Grant funding also supports advances in technology that enhance the delivery of basic and supplemental services to the people who live, work and visit the Township. The Cherry Hill Police Department has launched a Strategic Intelligence and Analysis Unit. This unit has a full-time Crime Analyst and a Social Media Analyst to identify crime trends and patterns. Intelligence based policing uses leading edge statistical analysis and geographic software to aid in the effective and efficient deployment of police resources. It uses geographic mapping to locate crime and traffic hot spots and targets these areas using temporal and spatial analysis. Intelligence analysts help to bridge the gap between the Operations Division of the police department and the Investigative Division. It also increases communication with partner law enforcement agencies at the local, county, state, and federal level.

The Department is facing today's challenges with dynamic strategies that employ technological resources to solve problems efficiently. Community focused and place-based law enforcement practices have emerged as an effective way to reduce social harm and improve public safety. There are no additional costs associated with the implementation of this philosophy, as officers already assigned to patrol have their assignments reallocated to target a defined hotspot. The use of highly visible enforcement sustains a flexible and cost-effective method for reducing social harms. By placing more officers in geographic locations based on the statistical frequency, the Department hopes to reduce crime and motor vehicle crashes and improve the quality of life in the community.

Recreation and Public Land

The preservation of the Township's open space and the development of first-class recreational facilities are top priorities of the administration. The Township provides a variety of passive and active recreation activities on open space lands, including playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis, hockey and pickleball courts, fitness and nature trails, athletic facilities and Little Free Libraries. These amenities exist at fifty-seven (57) locations that are maintained by Cherry Hill Township. The Township continues to utilize its parks, historic sites and other facilities to provide programs and initiatives to engage our community and residents of all ages. This includes programs throughout the year with the goal to bring our community together.

The Township is unique in that it owns and maintains two National Register historic properties. Both serve very different, but valuable, functions for our residents. The historic Croft Farm hosts numerous cultural programs, including classical and contemporary music performances, art exhibits, movies and lectures. The site also serves as classroom space for various recreational opportunities to individuals of all ages and abilities. In 2019, the Township invested approximately \$1.5 million to construct (4) stand-alone boutique studios at Croft Farm for multi-use programming by the Department of Recreation. These facilities became available to the public in the spring 2020.

The Barclay Farmstead is maintained as a living history museum. The main house and outbuildings are interpreted as an 1816 Quaker Farmstead, reflecting Cherry Hill's rich agrarian heritage. The farmhouse and grounds are open to the public for tours on a designated, seasonal schedule. In addition to tours, events and programs, the Barclay Farmstead also hosts an award-winning school tour program, which offers Cherry Hill 5th graders and many out-of-district students a hands-on lesson in our regional history and heritage. The surrounding 32-acres include community gardens, playground, stream and nature trails, a portion of which are handicapped accessible. The main farmhouse is ADA accessible for in-person viewing. The Township has also taken the effort to create a virtual tour of the entire property so that visitors of all abilities can experience the complete setting. Portions of the surrounding trails are also ADA accessible.

The Township continues to invest in preservation efforts at both Croft Farm and Barclay Farmstead so that the community can enjoy them for years to come. In 2017, three Croft Farm Outbuildings were restored: the Smoke House, Ice House and Spring House. All three structures are contributing buildings on the Croft Farm National Historic Register application. Additional preservation work is planned for interior and exterior of the Kay-Evans house at Croft Farm, the centerpiece of the property. Similarly, the Township is directing exterior preservation efforts at the Barclay Farmstead that include the main house, spring house and forge barn. Both properties are a valuable teaching tool for all members of the community.

A full-time professional Director works with a full and part-time staff in conducting an extensive year-round program for sports and fitness, dramatics, dance, and many other special interests for participants of all ages, including an adult education series. The Township has earned much recognition for success in providing programs based on the concept of Universal Design, which focuses on creating programming that is inherently accessible to people of all abilities. Schools enhance the Township's recreational activity schedule by providing a wide variety of programs for the enjoyment of residents.

The Township has 1,414.48 acres of open space, with approximately half of the acreage developed with athletic fields, basketball courts, roller hockey courts, fitness trails, picnic areas, and tot lots. For example, Township has forty-one (41) tennis courts located at sixteen (16) separate facilities (of which eleven (11) are lighted), as well as nine (9) soccer fields, eight (8) roller hockey courts and nine (9) pickleball courts. On a yearly basis, the Township secures significant capital funding for upgrading various active recreation amenities.

The Township currently owns and maintains three (3) artificial surface multi-sport fields and associated sports lighting. These fields service soccer and lacrosse clubs with a membership of close to 3,500 players ranging from youth to high school ages. Two of the fields are located at the DeCou Sports Complex and the third field is at the Chapel Avenue Park. In 2018, the Township invested new artificial turf surfaces at all three locations.

In 2016, Cherry Hill Township entered into a similar Shared Service Agreement with the Board of Education to convert the football fields at East and West High Schools to Synthetic Turf Fields and make improvements to the surrounding tracks. This shared service agreement also provides for community use.

The Township offers a variety of wooded, soft-surface trails, totaling approximately 13 miles, located throughout the Township to explore. The ten distinct trails systems provide unique opportunities to connect with nature, find solitude and inspiration, promote good health through hiking, trail running or mountain biking and to expand our education and understanding of the vital role open space provides to our quality of life and the overall health of the environment. The Barclay Farmstead Trails and the Croft Farm Trails have received the distinction of being named National Recreation Trails through the National Park System. These trails contribute to the health, conservation, and recreation goals of the United States. 2020 marked the 10-year anniversary of the Cherry Hill Township Trail System.

In August 2021, Cherry Hill Township opened the first Dog Park facility in Cherry Hill. The oneacre fenced facility includes an ADA covered pavilion with seating, water fountains for animal and human visitors and separate areas for small and large dogs to play off-leash.

In 2025, the Township completed the design and awarded a construction contract for a new flagship park at the site of the former Kingston Swim Club. This is a significant step in supporting the quality of life for the Kingston neighborhood and preserving the site for open space.

Open Space

In November 2000, Cherry Hill voters underscored their commitment to open space preservation with overwhelming approval of a referendum to establish a Township Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund. Cherry Hill homeowners contribute one (1) cent per \$100 of assessed property value annually to generate funds for open space including the acquisition, protection and maintenance of environmentally sensitive lands, drinking water sources, historical properties and farmland. The Township remains committed to preserving open space and building upon its history of acquiring land for preservation and open space across town. Furthering this commitment, in January 2024, the Township purchased the Holly Ravine Farm, officially preserving the 23-acre property from development.

Since 2001, Cherry Hill Township has utilized the Trust Fund to purchase and preserve over \$26 million dollars' worth of Open Space properties.

Environmental Care and Maintenance

The Public Works Department ("Public Works"), with a work force of approximately seventy (70) employees, maintains parks, trees, sanitary sewers, storm drains, and other municipal property (over 1,200 acres). Public Works collects leaves and conducts snow removal, pothole repairs and street maintenance and cleaning for more than 260 miles of Township roads. The Engineering Department designs capital improvement projects, including improvements to Township roads, storm drainage and sanitary sewer systems.

The Township contracts for Solid Waste Collection and Recycling for fully automated solid waste collection, automated recycling and disposal. The Township is currently out to bid for a new 5-year contract that will begin January 1, 2026.

Recycling consists of curbside collection of glass, cans, newspapers, cardboard, magazines, plastics, white paper, junk mail, leaves, grass, tree limbs, brush and appliances. The Township now has over a ninety percent (90%) recycling rate.

Sewer Utility

The Township owns and operates twenty-four (24) pumping stations and a sewerage collection system approximately 320 miles in length. The sanitary sewerage collection system serves approximately ninety-eight percent (98%) of the Township's residents, with the remaining use septic systems.

All wastewater from the Township is treated at the County regional treatment facility located in the City of Camden. The treatment facility is owned and operated by the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority.

In addition to the Township's annual residential sewer rate of \$95 (with a discount for senior citizens), the County levies an additional \$372 charge yearly, payable in quarterly installments.

The Township's Sewer Utility CIP investment is approximately \$2 million per year for sanitary sewer infrastructure improvements. These include, but are not limited to, pump station replacement, I &

I reduction, main replacement, slip lining of mains, manhole restoration, etc. The Township's continued investment provides for a sound wastewater collection system. The Township has also utilized approximately \$5.9 million dollars in ARPA funds to supplement sanitary sewer capital investments.

Water

The Township receives water from the New Jersey American Water Company and from the Merchantville/Pennsauken Water Commission, both privately-owned companies. Substantial improvements to the infrastructure have been made throughout the years and continue in 2026. Both potable water suppliers meet the federal safe drinking water Act regulations as well as the New Jersey Safe Drinking Water regulation NJAC 7:10-1 et seq.

Natural Gas

Public Service Electric and Gas (PSE&G) Gas Division, has and continues to make significant investments in their main and service infrastructure throughout Cherry Hill Township. Since 2020, PSEG has been removing old steel mains and iron services, replacing them with polyethylene pipe. On February 9, 2023, PSE&G entered into an initial Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Township that allowed for a cash contribution towards complete roadway restoration. This MOU allowed the Township to utilize this cash contribution, in addition to general capital funds, to restore all roadway surfaces that were impacted by the gas replacement program. This cooperation provided residents not only with more reliable gas service, but also a new road surface. A second MOU was perfected on May 20, 2023 to continue this agreement between PSE&G and the Township. PSE&G is nearing completion of their multi-year infrastructure upgrades, which has improved infrastructure across neighborhoods in Cherry Hill and improved the reliability of their system.

Township Employees

	<u>2025*</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Permanent	323	318	311	321	313	310
Part-time	93	<u>85</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>94</u>
	<u>416</u>	<u>403</u>	<u>398</u>	<u>402</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>404</u>

^{*} As of September 24, 2025 all other dates are as of December 31st of the respective year.

Employee Collective Bargaining Units

Currently, there are five (5) collective bargaining units in the Township: Police Sergeants, Lieutenants and Captains represented by the Superior Officers Association Local (SOA); Police Officers, Detectives and Investigators represented by the Policeman's Benevolent Association Local 176 (PBA); Dispatchers represented by Teamsters 676; Blue Collar Employees represented by Teamsters 676; and White Collar Employees represented by Teamsters 676. The Superior Officer Association (SOA) contract will expire December 31, 2025. The Policeman's Benevolent Association (PBA) contract will expire December 31, 2025. The Dispatchers (Teamsters 676) contract expires December 31, 2026. The Blue Collar Employees (Teamsters 676) contract expires December 31, 2026. The White Collar Employees (Teamsters 676) contract expires December 31, 2027.

Business and Industry/Economic Development

Recently Completed Projects:

PGA Tour Superstore. In September 2025, a 40,000 SF PGA Tour Superstore opened in the Kimco-owned Garden State Pavilions. The store will be the first of its kind in South Jersey and the region, featuring an immersive retail experience for golf, tennis and pickleball apparel and equipment. The new location will feature golf simulators, hitting bays, clinics and a putting green.





Roy Rogers. A Roy Rogers restaurant opened on Haddonfield Road in June 2025, the first in the region since the 1980's. Patrons waited in line for hours for the Grand Opening of the standalone restaurant, featuring indoor and outdoor seating, a "Fixin's Bar" and life-size cardboard cutout of actor Roy Rogers. The restaurant has been a regional attraction, drawing customers with its nostalgic appeal.

Cherry Hill Mall. The Cherry Hill Mall continues to evolve and adapt to a changing marketplace. The Mall's new owner, Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust (PREIT) continues to make significant investments in updates to the property, creating a premier quality space. As a result, the Mall continues to exceed foot traffic and sales. Many new nationally and internationally recognized brands have received recent approvals to open locations at the Mall, including Peleton, Tumi, Kendra Scott, Mango, the Lego Store, Uniglo, Columbia Sportswear, Pandora Jewelry, Alo Yoga and Lacoste.





Victory Refrigeration Redevelopment Plan was adopted in June of 2018, to promote the redevelopment of the former Victory Refrigeration site into a mixed-use transit-oriented development (TOD) site. The complex includes 370 luxury apartments and a variety of TOD complimentary nonresidential uses. The site, located at the southeast border of the Township, is within 1/4 mile of the Woodcrest PATCO Train Station – a widely used "Park and Ride" along the PATCO Speedline. Approvals were granted in the fall of 2018 and construction commenced in the spring of 2021. Amended approval were recently granted to permit an expansion of the clubhouse. Occupancy of the apartments began in early 2024.



NFI Industries, Inc. As part of the Victory Refrigeration Redevelopment plan, the property was subdivided to create the "Victory East" portion, in which the Planning Board approved a Major Site Plan, along with a Major Subdivision, for the construction of a 162,150 SF warehouse.

Scrub Daddy. NFI's first and largest tenant is Scrub Daddy, which uses this site as a fulfillment center. Scrub Daddy got its major break on the show "Shark Tank" and is now sold in 47 countries.

Children of America and Haddon Family Dentistry. In 2022, the Planning Board approved a Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan for the development of a site at 1197 and 1201 Marlkress Road. The projects include a brand new 10,000 SF Children of America Daycare facility with a 5,000 SF play facility and a 4,800 SF pad site. In 2024, the Township Zoning Board approved a Use Variance to permit Haddon Family Dentistry to occupy the entirety of the pad site. The day care began accepting "students" in 2025. Haddon Family Dentistry also opened in 2025.





Plaza Grande Age-Restricted Condominiums at Garden State Park. Construction is now complete on this 608-unit age-restricted condominium development on 35 acres in the Garden State Park. The age-restricted development includes 29 units that are affordable to seniors. The project stalled during



the economic downturn; however, the Township worked with the new developer/purchaser of the project to restart and redesign the units and site plan to respond to the current market. At present, all 608 units have been constructed along with the Clubhouse facility, including gym and fitness studio, an indoor and outdoor pool and tennis courts. A Grand Opening was held in August 2025. The property is currently 75% leased.

Raising Cane's at Garden State Park. Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers restaurant received Planning Board approval to develop a pad site in the Market Place section of Garden State Park development at Route 70 and Haddonfield Road and opened in early 2024. The restaurant is very popular.



Chick-fil-A. A vacant Friendly's restaurant, located in the Garden State Pavilions, was approved for redevelopment as a 5,429 SF Chick-Fil-A restaurant and drive-thru, multi-lane fulfillment facility on Route 70 and South Cornell Avenue near Garden State Park, and opened in 2024. It continues to attract many customers.



Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless. In 2023, the Zoning Board approved a Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan with Use (D) 3 Variances to construct a 124' tall monopole telecommunications tower (inclusive of a 1' tall base reveal and 4' tall lightning rod) along with an equipment shelter with associated fencing and an access drive from an existing parking lot on the site occupied by the Katz Jewish Community Center and the Saltzman House Senior Living apartments. A Use D (3) Variance is required

to permit the telecommunications facility. The new cell tower will help bridge coverage gaps in the eastern Cherry Hill area. Construction of the tower was completed in October 2024 and is fully operational.

Dave's Hot Chicken. The national chain opened one of its first New Jersey locations in Cherry Hill in April 2024 at the Ellisburg Shopping Center.

Commerce Center at Garden State Park (Costco Wholesale Warehouse). The Township Planning Board approved an application for an 18.5-acre parcel of the 224-acre tract mixed-use planned unit development known as Garden State Park, for a 160,000+/- SF retail development (Costco) along with 15,000+/- SF of ancillary retail uses. Several high impact businesses have joined this phase, including Crumbl Cookies, Duluth Trading, Petco and the Spread Bagelry.



The \$50 million project transformed a vacant and fallow parking area of the former racetrack into a Costco Wholesale Warehouse with an accessory nine (9) multi-product dispensing (MPD) gasoline station. Costco opened during the Fall of 2020 and resulted in the creation of approximately 250 jobs.

The Costco site adjoins other major retail development within the Garden State Park planned unit commercial

development (i.e., Home Depot, Wegman's, Nordstrom Rack, etc.) and planned unit residential development, which at build out will include 1,659 units. The Garden State Park is a thriving mixed-use complex with 100 retailers and 20 restaurants, attracting more than 12 million visits last year.







Weinberg Commons. In April 2021, Pennrose and the Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey completed a 160-unit deed-restricted rental housing providing affordable living for seniors and for adults with developmental disabilities, known as "Weinberg Commons." The development is a 15-acre, \$40-million project located at 1721 Springdale Road in Cherry Hill.

The project consists of two (2) 80-unit, three-story, 85,000-square-foot buildings. The project is designated as 100% affordable housing, and is targeted at renters earning 30, 50, and 60% of area median income. Ten percent (10%) of those units are reserved for adults with developmental disabilities; the remainder will be senior housing for seniors aged 55 and older, with deed restrictions that are guaranteed for 45 years.

Developers sought low-income housing tax credits from the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (NJHMFA) for each phase of the construction. NJHFMA credits are awarded competitively on an annual basis, and provide as much as 70 percent of the equity for the project. Pennrose Properties is managing the property. Unique to the building designs are its first floor, one-bedroom and quad clusters, which are self-contained but feature separate entries to an indoor common area. These units are reserved for its special-needs residents and will be tapped for supportive services and community programming, allowing residents to retain their independence within a structured social setting.

In August of 2017, the project was awarded \$1,294,858.00 in Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) to finance the project. This was one of six projects awarded LIHTCs for the 2017 allocation statewide. The project is fully occupied.



Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey. In 2023, the Planning Board approved a Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan with Bulk (C) Variances to construct 2,678 SF of building additions to the existing 21,926 SF 1 1/2 story masonry building (formerly the Philly Art Center with associated gymnasium) and convert it into a life skills training center for individuals with special needs as well as a non-medial social/recreational day program for seniors all located on the site of the Weinberg Commons, a 160 unit multi-family development spread across two (2) buildings offering 100% affordable senior and supportive housing. The development project also consists of new patios, fitness areas, a 100 SF greenhouse, and a private mini-golf course as well as upgrades to the sidewalks and Americans with Disability Act (ADA) compliant paths to the existing masonry building. The project is complete and the facility is in operation. The project is a recipient of the 2025 Governor's Excellence in Housing and Economic Development



Award for Adaptive Reuse.

Tommy's Cherry Hill, LLC. The Township provided administrative approval for two (2) enclosures measuring approximately 759 SF and 519.75 SF over existing dining patios for Tommy's Tap & Tavern restaurant. Tommy's Tap and Tavern has been open since early 2024.



Volvo Dealership. The Township provided administrative approval to allow Volvo to renovate their existing dealership and also update their current site located on Route 70 West. The new facility is complete and opened in 2025.

Audi Dealership. Construction was completed on a new 40,000 SF sales/showroom and repair facility for Audi on a 5-acre site along Route 70, with an estimated \$14 million construction value.

Dr. Shammi Dhawan. In 2023, the Zoning Board approved a Use Variance to permit a veterinary office in an office zone. In addition, the applicant also agreed to construct various improvements around the site and building. The veterinary office opened for business in 2024.

Bedford Equities II, LLC. The Township provided administrative approval for a change of use, along with site improvements to convert a former "Enterprise Rent-A-Car" to a physical therapy office, which opened in 2024.

Macy's. In 2024, Macy's expanded its presence in Cherry Hill with a second location at the Garden State Park located at 2000 Route 70 West. The boutique-sized store is a new concept for the traditional retailer and part of a 30-store expansion nationwide.

Kimco of Cherry Hill Associates. This large, multitenant retail center, located between Route 561 and Brace Road, received administrative approvals in 2023 to upgrade their existing parking lot. The retail center has attracted many new restaurants and stores, including Hung Vuong Supermarket, which opened in 2019. Recently, a former Burger King restaurant was redeveloped into 85C Bakery Café, a global brand bakery, which opened in 2025.



Ikea Plan & Order Store. Ikea recently opened a new one of a kind store at the Ellisburg Shopping Center on Route 70, which is a completely new concept for the retail giant. The new location will focus on planning services for bathrooms, kitchens and bedrooms and serve as a pick-up point for online orders.

Cherry Hill Wine and Spirits, Inc. (Total Wine). In 2023, the Zoning Board approved a Site Plan Waiver with a Use D (6) and Bulk (C) Sign Variances to increase the existing tenant space's façade height in order to accommodate an oversized façade sign identifying Total Wine at the Plaza at Cherry Hill Shopping Center. Total Wine opened at their new larger location in 2023.

Kaminski's. In 2023, the Township provided administrative approval for Kaminski's, a local Bar and Restaurant, for two (2) additions to the current building. The patio was opened to patrons in 2023.



At-Home – The Home Décor Superstore. This regional retailer from Plano, TX transformed the former Pathmark grocery store at 949 Church Road, located directly across the street from the Cherry Hill Mall. The retailer renovated 91,000 SF of space and relocated an existing Big Lots store to an adjoining (vacant) retail space while reinventing the façade of the center. This rejuvenation has provided for enhancements which were needed to revitalize this area of the Cherry Hill Mall and its associated frontages.

Tesla. The Township worked with Tesla to develop a dealership at an existing facility on Route 70, in proximity to many of the Township's existing car dealerships. While a limited number of Tesla dealerships exist nationwide, Cherry Hill was pleased to be chosen to be part of the electric carmaker's expansion into dealership sales. As the fourth and last dealership to open in New Jersey, the Cherry Hill location opened in early 2018. Tesla expanded its presence in Cherry Hill in 2020 with approval for an off-site storage facility located at 1840-1850 Old Cuthbert Road. The site allows for the storage of up to 145 Tesla vehicles. In 2022, after receiving Planning Board approvals for a Major Site Plan, Tesla opened a repair facility at 2040 Springdale Road.



Lidl Grocery. This project resulted in the construction of a 29,000+/- SF Lidl grocery store at the Walmart Shopping Center located on Route 38 owned by Urban Edge (also known as Vornado). This highly desired German grocery store, which has taken over Europe and is a competitor of Aldi, has recently begun its US expansion, which now includes Cherry Hill. The chain, which is a cross between Walmart and Trader Joe's, offers deep discounts on groceries, household appliances, clothes, and furniture.



Commerce Center at Garden State Park. Construction was recently completed of additional development along the Haddonfield Road side of the property, which included an existing 15,000 sq. ft. of bank and retail, and 67,000 SF of retail including a TJ Maxx, Home Goods, Trader Joe's and Shake Shack.



Cherry Hill Partners at Haddonfield Phase II, LLC at Garden State Park. Recently, the vacant Pier One store at the Garden State Park was redeveloped into a CHOPT salad company with a drive-thru (2,300 SF), and Wild Fork Food Market (3,872 SF), as well as a physical therapy office (3,872 SF).





American Heritage Federal Credit Union. The Township continues to attract financial firms and banking institutions. As such, the Philadelphia-based credit union (American Heritage) renovated a former AT&T space at the corner of Haddonfield Road and Church Road and has been open since September 2019.

Dunkin Donuts. Dunkin Donuts has significantly increased their presence in Cherry Hill with three recent installations. The first one constructed is a 3,500 SF Dunkin Donuts at the former Bayard's Chocolates along Route 70 that opened in late 2019. Additionally, a former bank building was converted to a 2,094 SF Dunkin Donuts at 1402 Brace Road, which opened in 2021 with a similar conversion in the Woodcrest Shopping Center, located at 1490 Haddonfield-Berlin Road, opened in 2022.

JPMorgan Chase Bank. The former site of Chili's and Blue2O was demolished to construct a 5,952 SF bank branch for JPMorgan Chase Bank with its signature Private Client services, an employee training facility, a remote ATM and various site improvements and signage. The facility opened to the public in August 2020.

Hobby Lobby. Hobby Lobby received approvals for 7,000+/- SF addition to the former Babies R' Us located at the Hillview Shopping Center and opened for business in December 2020.

Chipotle Drive Thru. Construction of a 2,600 +/- SF Chipotle drive-thru next to Virtua Health on the corner of Brace Road and Rt. 70 East was completed and opened for business in March 2021.

Eagle One Real Estate/Amici Restaurant. This project included improvements to an existing restaurant, including a kitchen expansion and addition of a large covered outdoor seating area.

JJN Real Estate, LLC Medical Office Building. Ancillary to the large medical facilities in Cherry Hill, modest reinvestment into smaller medical office buildings has been increasing. As such, Advocare Pediatrics on Route 70 purchased and is retrofitting a former daycare (22,000 SF) into a multi-tenant medical office use along with various building and site improvements consisting of major façade renovations, parking, circulation and access improvements, and new signage. The project was completed in November of 2019, though occupancy of the building was delayed due to the COVID pandemic.

Advanced Recovery Systems (ARS). After receiving Planning Board approvals in December or 2017, for a 48,358 square foot, 90-bed inpatient behavior health treatment center, along with an accessory 7,882 square foot fitness center, the facility began to accept patients in 2021.

Apple. Apple completed construction of a 12,000+/- tenant fit out for their store at the Cherry Hill Mall. It has been open to the public since early 2021.

Easton Coach Company. The company completed a renovation of the facility located at 1941 Old Cuthbert Boulevard in March 2020 that houses the fleet for NJ Transit's Access Link and has relocated a significant number of jobs from Lawnside Borough to Cherry Hill Township.

VR Philly, Inc. Site Plan approval was granted to convert a vacant computer repair business into an E-Sports Gaming and Indoor Amusement Venue, along with a high-end smart-home technology showroom, on Route 70. The facility opened in July 2021.

202 Park Boulevard Apartment Complex. The luxury apartment complex, consisting of 192 units, ranging from studio to 3-bedroom flats and stacked units, finished construction in 2021. Amenities include an "active courtyard" with pool, barbeque and dining areas (and is adjacent to indoor amenities including community gym, business center, lobby and meeting and social rooms), and a "passive courtyard" space that is quieter and more social in nature and includes a variety of gathering areas and features such as fire elements and gardens.

The main focus of this complex is its frontage along the Cooper River Park system, which is a major recreational and natural resource that includes a world-class, Olympic-distance 2000meter rowing facility and boathouse. Numerous national and international competitions occur at the Cooper River and Boathouse, and this new project has a front row seat along the Cooper River. The project is located on a 7.3-acre site and has a construction value of \$75+/- million.



Evans Francis Estates. A 54-family affordable apartment community, consisting of one, two, and three-bedroom apartments and townhouses was constructed near Route 70 and Springdale Road, next to the Short Hills Shopping Center, after receiving 2018 Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). Construction was completed in 2021.

CVS. A former jewelry store at the corner of Springdale Road and Route 70 has been redeveloped into a new CVS Pharmacy with a drive-thru along with various other site improvements. The store opened in June 2022.

Cooper Health System. Site improvements were made at the Cooper Health System building located at 1210 Brace Road location, including the expansion of the medical office parking lot with various site, circulation, building façade, sidewalk, and signage improvements.

Lakeview Dental Care of Cherry Hill opened a Cherry Hill office after receiving Minor Site Plan approval, replacing a former vacant building. The dental office has five other locations in the region. The site work was finished in early 2021 and started accepting patients in 2022.

Taco Bell. The 2,772 SF drive-through restaurant, located at 2005 Route 70 E, opened in early 2022, after receiving Major Site Plan approval from the Planning Board.

Aspen Dental and Lovesac. A 6,000 SF approved pad site next to Wawa on Haddonfield Road was developed into a 3,500 SF dental office, Aspen Dental, which opened in 2023. An adjoining 2,500 SF suite was leased in 2022 by Lovesac, a national modular furniture store.

Town Center at Short Hills Cherry Hill I, LLC - Major Site Plan approval was recently granted to reconstruct a new building in a portion of the existing shopping center for use as a retail strip center, including a Starbucks with drive-thru, as well as a medical office. Additional improvements include paved parking areas, driveways, utilities, lighting, landscaping, grading and accessory signs. Starbucks opened in the spring of 2023. Also opening at the same time was Radin's Delicatessen, a long-



standing family owned deli founded in the early 1900's, which moved from Philadelphia to Cherry Hill.

Kingsway Liquor – In the Fall of 2022, Kingsway Liquors opened its doors, after receiving Major Site Plan approvals to demolish a former restaurant building and construct a 5,880 SF liquor store, along with various site and signage improvements.

Scott Counsel. In 2023, Scott Counsel received final approvals to open a law practice specializing in Elder Law. This project received Minor Site Plan approval to convert a vacant property on King's Highway into an attorney's office with new parking and site improvements.

Warby Parker. In January of 2022, Warby Parker opened its newest location at the Cherry Hill Mall, its first South Jersey store. This will be Warby Parker's fourth brick-and-mortar store in the Philadelphia region. The company opened its Center City location at 1523 Walnut St. in 2017 and rolled out retail spots at the King of Prussia Mall in 2019 and Suburban Square in Ardmore, Montgomery County last year.

Sugar Factory Restaurant. The new Cherry Hill location opened in 2023 and is one of 15 new Sugar Factory locations set to open with trademark extravagant sweets and goblet drinks that have attracted celebrities including Kendall and Kylie Jenner, Britney Spears and Drake. It will be the second location in New Jersey; the first is at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Atlantic City.

Kiwi Offices. This recently renovated office building, located in close proximity to the Cherry Hill Mall, received Planning Board approval for a Minor Site Plan to improve the existing parking lot and make site improvements. The office building, consisting of a combined total of 32,900 square feet of office space opened in April of 2023 and is currently leasing furnished and unfurnished office suites.

Ilkem Marble and Granite. Minor Site Plan approved to construct a 1,950 SF addition for additional granite storage for Ilkem Marble & Granite along with various site improvements. Construction was completed in 2024.

Delaware Valley Torah Institute. Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan approval was granted for lot consolidation and construction of a three-phase development and expansion of an existing religious school to accommodate up to 150 students with a 72-student capacity dormitory, gymnasium and various site improvements. The project was completed in 2025.

Economic Development Projects Approved and/or Currently Pending:

Cherry Hill Mall Expansion (Dick's House of Sport).



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CHERRY HILL MALL

In December 2024, the Zoning Board approved an application for an expansion at the Cherry Hill Mall. The Applicant (PREIT Services, LLC) obtained approval to demolish an existing office building at the site and construct a 123,000 SF, two-story sporting goods facility, inclusive of a 18,500 SF outdoor recreation area containing a 10,300 SF synthetic turf track and field. This Sporting Goods concept store will be the first in the region. The store will have approximately 250 full- and part-time employees and is expected to open in 2026.

Volunteers of America. The developer received final major site plan approval in May 2025 for a three (3) story 64-unit senior and supportive needs affordable housing development. The developer is currently working with the State of New Jersey on an application to receive tax credits from New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (HMFA) and other bonding created for this type of project.



Hampton Road Redevelopment Plan. FMP CH Hampton, LLC received Major Site Plan approval to construct 252 luxury multi-family units, inclusive of 45 affordable units, with varying typology of units



including 4-unit quads and a mixture of 3-story and 4-story apartment buildings. Amenities include a club house, pool, community green, dog park and garaged parking spaces, along with various site improvements. Site construction began in spring of 2023 with first occupancy set for early 2026. This is a particularly exciting project, as it redevelops a 20.3-acre area of former industrial "brownfields" into a vibrant housing community.

HAR Cherry Hill, Corp. Planning Board recently granted approval for Site Plan Waiver to undertake various exterior renovations and modifications to the existing H-Mart shopping center located on Route 70. The project represents a substantial investment in the property, converting formerly vacant retail spaces into an open-concept food court, bakery and mercantile store.



KM Hotels, LLC & Route 70 West, LLC Development (2348 & 2352 Route 70 West).

The Township Zoning Board approved two applications for both Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan and an Amended Major Site Plan approval respectively. The two applications will revitalize the former vacant



(2) new hotels (a Residence Inn and a Hampton Inn), and a 4,250 SF restaurant pad site on one parcel. The Route 70 West, LLC "companion" application will upgrade the existing car wash (Magic Car Wash) at the site and will also bringing a 2,474 SF drive through coffee shop. In addition to the new development on the site, both developers worked closely with the NJDEP to help improve and repair the riparian zone in the rear of the site, and will clean up the rear of the site up to NJDEP standards.

"Lee Stone" site. The KM Hotels application will bring two



Gateway Redevelopment Plans. The Township designated three (3) areas in the western part of the community as Areas in Need of Redevelopment, and is currently investigating additional potential redevelopment areas that will reinvent the western gateway along New Jersey State Highways Routes 70 and 38, as well as areas along Cuthbert Boulevard (County Route [CR]-636). These major arterials are direct connectors from the Township's borders to Philadelphia (west) and to points north and south via Interstate-295 and the New Jersey Turnpike. These strategic locations are of critical importance as they are just a few hours from most major metropolitan areas in the Northeast. These Areas in Need of Redevelopment will create a new sense of arrival to the Township and have transformed underutilized sites (such as older motels, a closed bowling alley, a former publishing/printing facility) into attractive and viable uses including medical and multi-family residential communities.

Cherry Hill Partners at Village Place, LLC/Michaels Organization. The developer of Garden State Park recently received Amended Major Site Plan and Major Subdivision approval for the Michaels Organization to construct a four (4) story building with 76 rental units that will be 100% affordable to seniors (55+). Construction began in the fall of 2024, with first occupancy anticipated late 2025/early 2026.



Activate Games. The developer received site plan waiver approval to convert a former Rite Aid Pharmacy into an indoor recreational gaming facility on Route 38, Activate Games, Inc. The company has locations nationwide and is also expanding



internationally. The new facility is an excellent re-use of a formerly vacant property and complements nearby development with an entertainment use.

726 Northwood Ave, LLC. The Zoning Board approved an application for the redevelopment of an existing warehouse in the middle of a residential neighborhood. The developer will create two (2) separate semi-detached single-family housing units, for a total of four (4) new housing units.

PSC Custom, L.P. The developer received Planning Board approvals for a Major Site Plan for Polar Service Centers to expand their commercial tank trailer services and sales operation into a site previously occupied by a Burger King. The company serves the tank truck industry throughout North America, and the property expansion allowed for an increase in capacity to better serve customers.

MiPro Homes, LLC. Amended Preliminary and Final approvals were granted for sixteen (16) single-family homes on Kresson Road. Construction of fourteen (14) of the homes is complete, with the final two in construction. The homes have sold in excess of \$900,000.

Porsche. Major Site Plan approval was recently granted to renovate and expand the existing Porsche showroom and service building, located on the same lot with the Audi dealership and consisting of a 2,020 SF expansion of the front of the Porsche showroom, a 1,153 SF expansion to the side of the Porsche auto service area, and a 1,066 SF expansion to rear of the Porsche building which will house parts for Volkswagen's auto service area, along with various site and circulation improvements.

Land Rover. Similarly, the owners of the Audi and Porsche dealerships own the Land Rover/Range Rover dealership on Haddonfield Road and have received preliminary approvals for a 34,662 SF (with a 9,395 SF mezzanine for a total GFA of 44,027 SF) expansion with associated site improvements.

PSE&G. In March 2022, Public Service Electric & Gas received Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan and Minor Subdivision approval to subdivide 10.627 acres for the construction of a new 230 kV electrical substation, to serve needed capacity in the area. An additional substation is needed to help mitigate energy going through the Marlton substation, which has been running over capacity. The substation will serve residents in Cherry Hill and surrounding areas. It is anticipated that the substation will be installed and the site improvements complete in 2024.

National Watch & Diamond Exchange, Inc. A Minor Site Plan approval was granted to convert a vacant office building into a retail establishment that sells precious metals and jewelry along with minor site, parking lot, and building facade improvements including adding a sloped roof addition to connect the two (2) buildings on the property.

Beowulf 1753, LLC. In 2023, the Planning Board approved a Major Site Plan redevelopment of an existing site containing a vacant former pool and spa retail store into a 4,650 SF retail building with accessory parking and to consolidate the site with the adjoining lot containing an existing two-story office building along with various site and access improvements and shared parking.

ACRRP, LLC. In 2024, the Planning Board approved a Minor Site Plan application for Caffe Aldo Lamberti to enclose an existing outdoor seating area, and for various site improvements (restriping, drive isle configuration, etc.).



CKNJ, LLC. In 2025, Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan was granted to construct a 2,220 SF addition to the existing light industrial building along with related site improvements.



RTR Pretzels, LLC. A Minor Site Plan to revitalize and redevelop an existing auto-body shop into a Philly Pretzel Factory was approved in 2025.

M.B.J. Associates, LLC. A bifurcated Use (D)1 Variance was approved to demolish two (2) existing vacant single-family dwellings and construct a 133-space parking lot to store new and used vehicles associated with MBJ dealerships (Audi, Mercedes and Porsche).

Locustwood Cemetery Association. The applicant received Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan approval in 2025 to construct two (2) mausoleum buildings at the Locustwood Memorial Park Cemetery.

VCC 100 Woodcrest Road, LLC. Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan with Bulk (C) Variances was approved to construct a 25,000 SF flex space/warehouse building inclusive of a 2,500 SF office along with various site improvements.

76 Berlin Rd, LLC. A bifurcated Use (D)1 Variance was approved to convert a mixed-use building (containing a first-floor office and second floor apartment) into two (2) one-bedroom apartments and to construct a two-story addition to house two (2) additional two-bedroom units (for a total of four (4) units) along with various parking and stormwater improvements. One (1) affordable housing unit is part of this development.

McDonald's USA, LLC. Minor Site Plan with Conditional Use (D) and Bulk (C) Variances approved to expand McDonald's single order point drive-through lane into a dual order point drive-through lane along with various parking, site circulation and signage changes.

Star Real Estate of Cherry Hill II, LLC (Subaru). Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan with Bulk (C) Variances and a lot consolidation approved to construct a new dealership facility (64,035 SF footprint and 67,035 SF of total building area) for Subaru of Cherry Hill consisting of automobile new sales with accessory sales of parts and body service repairs and accessory used automobile sales along with various parking and site improvements.



The Center at Cherry Hill. received approval to construct two (2) new pad sites and associated site improvements at an existing office complex. The eastern pad site consists of a proposed 9,366 SF daycare (Children of America) with a 6,159 SF playground. The western pad site consists of approximately 5,500 SF of proposed retail space.

Cherry Umbrella, LLC (Tesla). The company has filed a Major Site Plan application to convert 34,739 SF of an existing building (formerly the Garden State Discovery Museum) into an automotive collision repair service facility for Tesla with various site and sign improvements.

PJ Land Development, LLC (Rt 70 Location). Tidal Wave Auto Spa is venturing into the northeast market, by seeking major site plan approval to redevelop an existing commercial strip center on Route 70 into a car wash with accessory parking and signage.

PJ Land Development, LLC (Rt 38 Location). Tidal Wave Auto Spa received Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan with Bulk (C) Variances to redevelop the Cherry Hill Diner into a 3,452 SF automated car wash facility along with various site improvements.

Boing US Holdco, Inc. Take 5 Car Wash received approval for Major Site Plan approval to demolish the existing oil change facility and convert it into an automated car wash with various site, circulation, and signage improvements.

Piyush & Kalpesh Patel (Lightbridge Academy). Lightbridge Academy received Major Site Plan approval to demolish the existing structures on the site and construct a 12,000 SF Lightbridge Academy daycare facility along with various site improvements. Construction began in August 2025.

Deli on the Go. Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan with a Use (D) Variance was approved to permit the continuance of an as-built 490 SF cooler addition and related parking lot modifications as well as construct various site improvements to the existing office/warehouse use. The project is currently in construction.

Cherry Hill School District Facility Improvements. In 2022, a \$363 million bond referendum was approved by residents to construct improvements to 19 public schools. The improvements include both maintenance (HVAC systems, building repairs, asbestos removal) as well as additions to several buildings. The projects are in various stages of completion.

Economic Development Projects in the Pipeline:

Mikado, Inc. Mikado Japanese Restaurant is seeking Site Plan Waivers with a Use(d) Variance to enclose an existing outdoor dining patio with a 478 SF waiting area and service bar, to accommodate a recently acquired liquor license.

Cherry Hill Towne Center Partners. Recently, an amended Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan was granted to construct an 1,845 SF retail building addition and a retail expansion of 14,710 SF for Old Navy (next to DSW at Garden State Park). Moreover, amended Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan was granted for the extension of Town Center Boulevard through the plaza between buildings B2 and B3, along with a 1,736 SF addition to building B2 and a 1,736 SF addition to building B3. Lastly, amended Preliminary Approval was granted for the construction of a 140-room 5-story hotel inclusive of a 5,600 SF rooftop bar.

The Plaza at Cherry Hill Redevelopment Plan. Township Council previously designated the area located at 2100 and 2110 Route 38 on Block 285.03, Lots 2 and 3, as an Area in Need of Rehabilitation. Built next to the regional Cherry Hill Mall, the Plaza consists of 390,450 SF of leasable space and has over 1,700 parking spaces. The commercial businesses within the area are highway-oriented with large parking lots, have facades of moderate quality, inconsistent signage, and a variety of materials in use. There are a few national brands present in the area, including L.A. Fitness, Raymour & Flanigan, Total Wine & More and Aldi. The Redevelopment Plan is still in development, but the project may include construction of over 200 residential units, a senior housing facility, a new movie theater, parking and landscape upgrades, additional commercial pad sites, upgraded façades, and/or reconfiguration of buildings.

The property owner is committed to making significant site and façade improvements, some of which are underway. They also recently announced a new tenant, TruGolf Links, a 6,000 SF "eatertainment" facility. The business will feature five golf simulators, along with a restaurant and bar. The business is expected to open by late 2025 and demonstrates continued reinvention of a traditional strip mall.



Jaguar/Land Rover. In February of 2018, Jaguar received Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan approvals for a 2,197 SF showroom addition to expand the existing 34,488 SF dealership building. This approval also includes the recladding of the entire building and the relocation of a driveway along Route 70 to align with Old Orchard Road as the



fourth leg of the signalized intersection. They recently received approvals to extend this site plan approval as they continue to work with NJDOT on the intersection improvements.

Town Square Real Estate Holdings, LLC. The Zoning Board approved a Use D (1) variance in March 2024 to construct eight (8) townhomes inclusive of two (2) affordable housing units. The subject site consists of two (2) office zoned lots, with one being vacant and the other containing a pre-existing single-family dwelling. Final site plan approval is still needed.

Single Family Infill. Single-family infill continues to grow in Cherry Hill – whether it be a new home, a demolition and rebuild, or via subdivision of the oversized lots. Currently, there are more than seven (7) new homes slated for approvals and/or construction, as part of the board approval process.

Centura Condominiums. Preliminary approvals were granted in 2018 for an additional 145 condominiums. An application for an Amended Preliminary Final approval has been submitted for 116 new units, with 32 units slated as affordable units.

VV1722, **LLC**. A concept plan to permit a vacant commercial space to be occupied by Site One, a landscape supply company, along with associated outdoor storage space.

K9 Resorts Cherry Hill, LLC. Concept plan to add a 7,114 SF building expansion and additional outdoor play areas to the existing K9 Resorts kennel and dog daycare.

WCC 1, LLC (Legacy Club at Woodcrest). An Amended Site Plan with Bulk (C) Sign Variances was filed to undertake a number of new improvements to the Legacy Club at Woodcrest consisting of consisting of a new maintenance building, a golf pro shop, an entertainment facility with associated pool, pickleball courts, and other related amenities, and entryway improvements with associated signage for the golf course and club restaurant.

Paramount Newco Realty, LLC. has submitted a concept application to construct a four (4) story self-storage facility (118,200 SF) at 400 Route 38, which sits at the entrance to the Walmart Shopping Center in the western part of the Township.

Chapel Equities, LLC. A concept plan to expand the existing Starbucks at the site, via a 1,200 SF addition and constructing a drive-thru in the rear of the site.

CHNJTP Hospitality, LLC. A concept plan to construct a 104-room extended stay hotel on the current site of the Holiday Inn and Infused restaurant.

Weichert/ Medical Office Complex/Mixed-Use Redevelopment. As noted above, Cherry Hill has experienced an explosion of health system facilities within its borders. Recently, Weichert, one of the

nation's leading providers of full-service real estate, has submitted a concept plan to redevelop an existing office complex on Route 70 into a three (3) story medical office building, including a 94,579 SF building footprint expansion and the construction of a 40,605 SF four (4) story parking structure. In the alternative, the property owners have submitted a mixed-use redevelopment concept for the site to include two (2) pad sites for restaurant and a four (4) story first floor retail with 48 residential units above.

Economic Growth and Expansion:

The Township has seen a significant increase in construction activity in recent years. Please see the below data for further growth information:

Building Permits (Fiscal Year Comparison)							
YEAR	PERMITS	VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION					
2025	4,075	\$175,231,642					
2024	4,083	\$153,634,664					
2023	4,540	\$134,240,698					
2022	4,753	\$158,888,398					
2021	4,001	\$85,473,457					
2020	3,032	\$150,299,900					
2019	4,027	\$186,256,253					
2018	4,523	\$93,678,440					
2017	4,704	\$113,340,366					
2016	4,107	\$127,216,587					
2015	4,149	\$96,687,494					
2014	4,162	\$72,279,175					
2013	4,011	\$65,838,511					

Construction Activity (Fiscal Year Comparison)										
	(July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017 through July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025)									
	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
Permits	4,704	4,523	4,027	3,032	4,001	4,753	4,540	4,083	4,075	
Permits by Discipline*	7,635	7,593	7,081	5,760	7,413	8,391	8,118	7,134	7,262	
Construction Activity	\$98.9M	\$99.0M	\$189.7M	\$150.0M	\$85.4M	\$159.5M	\$134.2M	\$153.6M	\$175.2M	
New/Addition	\$28.6M	\$26.7M	\$132.4M	\$64.7M	\$23.1M	\$77.6M	\$26.0M	\$65.4M	\$60.0M	
Renovation	\$68.2M	\$71.3M	\$56.2M	\$84.8M	\$61.4M	\$81.4M	\$106.0M	\$87.1M	\$114.1M	
Inspections	14,852	15,266	14,354	11,953	12,768	15,692	15,747	13,303	13,954	
Fees	\$2.45M	\$2.49M	\$2.37M	\$2.29M	\$2.47M	\$2.8M	\$2.03M	\$2.17M	\$2.19M	
*Building, Plumbing, Electric, Mechanical, Fire, and Elevator										

Strong growth and expansion continue at **Garden State Park**. The Park was the center of entertainment and sporting in the Cherry Hill metropolitan area through the middle of the 20th century when the site was a horse racetrack. Today, the 224-acre site continues to undergo a transformation into a comprehensive development consisting of townhomes, condominiums, luxury apartments and active-adult residences. It has an extensive system of parkways, walkways and streets, linking the residences with a variety of recreational, shopping, dining options, entertainment and work venues.







The focal point of the development is the 800,000 SF Towne Center, which features many marquee retailers and restaurants, including Barnes & Noble Bookseller, The Cheesecake Factory, Talbot's, Joseph A. Bank clothiers, Gap, and Gap Kids, DSW Shoes, Nordstrom's Rack and other restaurants and commercial leaders such as Farmers Insurance and DeVry University. A 600+ car parking garage is in the center of the retail and office area.

The adjacent 545,000 SF Market Place includes the regional destinations of Wegman's Supermarket (along with their Wine and Liquor store), Best Buy electronics, Dick's Sporting Goods, Carhartt and a Macy's boutique. The center also includes The Home Depot, Citizens Bank, Tommy's Tap and Tavern restaurant, a new Wonder food court, and many more shops, restaurants and service-oriented stores.

Work continues on the construction of Edgewood Development's residential component at Garden State Park. This includes development of several products: condominiums, townhouses and apartments. The housing portion of the development will have a total build-out of 1,659 units.

Edgewood properties recently received Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval from the Township's Planning Board to continue construction of the townhouse and condominium portions of the development. This will result in the build-out of 360 residential units: 98 luxury townhouses and 262 condominiums (in 4-story buildings).

Also at Garden State Park, the age-restricted (55 years and older) condominium complex recently completed construction. The new developer has retooled building designs that will respond to today's market to complete the 608-unit age-qualified complex. The Club House, which stalled for several years, is now open and features indoor pools, tennis courts, meeting and recreation rooms, gym and theatre.

The Garden State Park complex at the former iconic Cherry Hill Racetrack has become one of the most successful mixed-use projects in New Jersey. The site has been recognized nationally for creative use of retail, commercial, office and housing. The complex experienced a 12.7 million visits in 2024 alone. Some familiar names that call this complex home —Wegmans, Home Depot and Trader Joes are some of the highest performing in the nation.

Further north along Haddonfield Road, the **Cherry Hill Mall** continues to enhance the property with a \$225+ million project of building upgrades and additions. Since its transformation it has seen a 66% sales increase, with sales at over \$900 SF, ranking it within the top 40 of enclosed shopping centers in the United States.

The Mall includes Nordstrom's (138,000 SF), as well as a top-performing Macy's (305,000 SF) and JCPenney's (174,000 SF) department stores. The Mall also includes an Apple store, H&M, Coach, Victoria's Secret, Hugo Boss, Armani, Lego, Tumi, Mini So, Pottery Barn and Williams-Sonoma, North Face and more than 200 other retail stores, restaurants and services. Stand-alone buildings on frontage pad sites accommodate Crate and Barrel (34,300 SF) and The Container Store (24,200 SF). The flagship tenants continue to experience high demand, demonstrated by largest Apple store in the Philadelphia market; the first suburban Zara location in the region; the third most visited department store in New Jersey (Macy's) and Mall's Capital Grill ranking 4th most popular among all locations nationwide.

The Cherry Hill Mall attracted 1776 – the Northeast Corridor's largest network of entrepreneurial incubators, driven to accelerated the explosion of startup activity and the transformation of legacy institutions, who serve to assist entrepreneurs succeed and to reach their maximum potential. 1776 occupied the 11,000 SF of space at the Cherry Hill Mall in the Fall of 2018.

The Mall's "Restaurant Row," primarily along its Route 38 frontage includes Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant, Seasons 52, Capital Grill, Blue Fig Garden and Bahama Breeze.

The Mall is currently undergoing the preliminary stages of significant redevelopment of the site. This includes the construct of a 120,000 SF sporting goods store (the Township approved the application), the potential addition of new freestanding stores along Haddonfield Road and the potential of adding hundreds of new residential units at the site of the Cherry Hill Mall.

As a result of these types of investments, properties along the Township's major road corridors are experiencing significant investments. Cherry Hill's Crowne Plaza Hotel is the thirteenth largest meeting and conference facility in New Jersey with over 43,000 square feet of exhibit/banquet space. They recently completed a multi-million-dollar upgrade to all their 450+ hotel rooms.

New retail stores have opened along Haddonfield Road (which links both the Mall and Garden State Park) and includes a Beneficial Bank, Chipotle, Turning Point, First Watch, Insomnia Cookies and other services, restaurants and retail shops. A "Super" Wawa convenience store and retail fuel station opened north of the Mall and south of the Mall on Haddonfield Road.

Cherry Hill continues to be a regional destination focused not only retail, but hospitality and tourism as well. The Township continues to offer diverse dining options and is home to national and family owned restaurants. Our dining options continues to be a regional draw serving residents of Cherry Hill as well as visitors from the region annually. Cherry Hill has full service hotel options, including two facilities with conference centers serving the needs of the region for larger events and conferences, and new hotel options have received planning approvals that will further support the market need. In addition, the Township is also a draw for tourism including the regular regattas held on the Cooper River and an 18-hole golf course in town. The Township is also well equipped to serve the region for large scale events with food, hospitality and tourism requirements, like the upcoming 2026 events in Philadelphia that will include: the 2026 U.S. Semiquincentennial celebrations, the FIFA World Cup and the MLB All Star Game.

Several other new project properties along Haddonfield Road have been recently constructed; a new development that includes an entire block for a new retail center, which was just recently completed and includes a Kohler Kitchen and Bath, which is a higher end retail showroom, a Luxe Nail & Spa and Habit Burger. In addition, a long time Cherry Hill store, AT&T, has relocated a new store to this property, as part of Phase II of this redevelopment.







The 1.8-mile length of the Haddonfield Road corridor from Church Rd to Rt. 70 includes the Cherry Hill Mall, the Garden State Park development and numerous other retail, dining and service businesses. This strip alone results in approximately \$1.1+ billion in retail sales each year.

Every neighborhood and business zone within Cherry Hill is conveniently accessed via major state and regional highways such as Routes 70 and 38 and I-295, with neighboring access to the New Jersey Turnpike as well. Center City Philadelphia and its center of employment, entertainment and recreation, healthcare, higher-education and cultural institutions is just 15 minutes away and can be easily accessed by car or train.

Cherry Hill is committed to job creation, "Smart Growth" and innovative redevelopment, (including investments in infrastructure and long-term strategic planning); this has resulted in significant private investment. Class "A" office developments such as the Commerce Center (including its approvals for a recent expansion of a fourth building), Woodland Falls Corporate Park, the Liberty View Center, the redevelopment of the Woodcrest Corporate Center and the new development at Garden State Park Office Center demonstrate the success and desirability of the Township as a corporate location. Several mature properties have been before the Township for an array of improvements to the physical plant, mechanicals, signage and landscape to keep these prime properties competitive in today's market.

At the Executive Campus (located between Routes 38 and 70), property owners have upgraded the campus which was originally built in the mid-1970s and 80s. Various services for Cooper Health Systems, Lockheed-Martin, Subaru, regional offices for NJ Department of Transportation and a variety of other companies are located here.

Along Springdale Road, the Cherry Hill Business Park is home to Baxter Health Care's research and development facility, StonHard manufacturing and many other corporations in a continually expanding, high-tech complex, including the Forgotten Boardwalk Brewery, a local craft micro-brewery facility.

Healthcare as a Driving Economic Force

The Township's economic development initiatives have focused on attracting a wide range of first-class healthcare services, utilizing the latest in medical technology.

Cherry Hill residents and neighbors from surrounding towns, don't need to drive across the bridge to get world-class healthcare. Cherry Hill is home to Cooper University Health Care, Jefferson, Virtua, Penn Medicine, Nemours Children's Health, System Wills Eye, and more all have substantial presence in Cherry Hill. These health care facilities have invested millions of dollars infacilities providing state of the art care across the town. These healthcare providers have played a critical role in revitalizing land parcels

in town. Cherry Hill is home to a full-service hospital, ambulatory offices and services, specialty care, pediatric care, cancer care, urgent care, eye care, surgical services, and much more. And as an economic driver, more than 10,000 people in the healthcare and related industries work in Cherry Hill.

Phase I of the Jefferson Health Systems (formerly known as Kennedy University Hospital) redevelopment project was completed and opened in April 2017, transforming their 27-acre campus in the center of Cherry Hill.

In order to ensure that reliance and convenience of a major healthcare facility, the Township Council took a pro-active approach towards the revitalization of this 27-acre healthcare campus by designating the property as an Area in Need of Rehabilitation and prepared a Redevelopment Plan for a strategic approach to facilitate its transformation into a 21st century healthcare facility. This enabled the revitalization and reinvention of this critical "west-side" community stakeholder, which also provides hospital-based acute and outpatient healthcare to the entire Region.







Construction is complete on the new 102,000 SF Medical Office and Surgical Center, a new indoor 750-car parking structure, a five-story grand atrium lobby and an overall enhanced curb appeal with large green landscaped areas along its street frontage. The project also includes the reorganization and realignment of critical hospital services. Phase 2 includes a new patient pavilion with all private, in-suite room and support services for patients and their families and friends, as well as new surgical suites and support services. Total build-out will total more than \$220+/- million in investment, fostering its place in the Region as a premiere healthcare provider and as one of the Nation's leading employers. In August of 2017, Cherry Hill Township Council amended the Kennedy University Hospital Redevelopment Plan



to permit a height increase for the new patient pavilion, as well as modifications to permit reduced setbacks, signage and a helipad. In September of 2017, Kennedy University Hospital received approval from the State of New Jersey to merge with Jefferson Health – creating a 13-hospital network in the region – Phase II, consisting of a seven (7) story patient tower, healing garden and helipad, was

completed in November 2020. Jefferson Health System operates a modern fully-equipped hospital with 225 in-patient beds and employs a workforce of 1,100 professionals and service staff.

In October of 2016, the University of Pennsylvania Health System opened the completely renovated 152,000 SF Penn Medicine medical office building – located along New Jersey State Highway Route 70, also known as the Township's – and the Region's – "Healthcare Highway". The University of Pennsylvania Health System, a premier healthcare provider in the Philadelphia Region, recently occupied the entirety of a former vacant Syms department store. The developer of the project purchased and aggregated lands to provide more meaningful circulation for east-west access to South Jersey's "Healthcare Highway" in addition to the complete renovation of this former greyfield, which also includes a new 400-car parking structure, signage and various site improvements.





The new facility hosts multiple medical disciplines, such as oncology, radiology, cardiology, ob-gyn, primary care, physical therapy, radiation and chemotherapies, a linear accelerator, and other sophisticated modalities, all with in a patient-friendly and natural-light flooded and calming, therapeutic environment.

The project represents nearly an \$80 million investment in Cherry Hill, and expands Cherry Hill's "healthcare footprint" as a growing epi-center of medical services and first-class healthcare delivery in the Region, joining Cooper University Hospital, Virtua Health System and Jefferson Health System, Wills Eye, Patient First and many others within the Township.

Penn Medicine's presence, investment and growth in Cherry Hill lends itself to a major economic force for the Township – so much to that the Township received an award for Outstanding Achievement in Economic Development at the 11th Annual Tri-County Economic Development Summit for its nurturing of this growth along South Jersey's "Healthcare Highway".

In July of 2017, the Penn Medicine redevelopment effort received recognition and was selected as a recipient in the 2017 New Jersey Planning Officials (NJPO) Achievement in Planning Award.

Nemours Children's Health System and Advocare operate a pediatric health clinic on Route 70 at the former Navient office building – further adding to what is touted as "South Jersey's Health Care Highway".





Cherry Hill's outpatient medical facilities portfolio also includes Wills Eye Surgical Center, Independence Rehabilitation Services, Relievius and others including three (3) major regional hospitals, which have opened facilities in the Township: Penn Medicine, Cooper University Healthcare and Virtua Health formally known as Our Lady of Lourdes Healthcare System.

Cooper University Medical Center, known as a major regional healthcare provider headquartered in nearby Camden, NJ, received Planning Board approvals for an 8,000 SF addition – for a total of 96,200

SF – for a medical, multi-specialty service building at the former Lockheed Martin office building located on Route 70 (South Jersey's Healthcare Highway).

The project transformed this former office building and 5-acre site into a state-of-the-art medical resource that overlooks Township's major the natural resource - Cooper River Park. The project included a minor building addition to the front façade, as well as new patient drop-off covered area.



Program elements included imaging, physical and occupation therapies, laboratory services, patient exam for multi-disciplines that include cardiology, nephrology, neurology, orthopedics, endocrinology and general surgery.

In June of 2018, Cooper University Medical Center amended its approvals to include shared, consolidated access with Crowne Plaza Hotel, which integrates a left-hand turn traffic signal into the site in a westbound direction on Route 70. They have also expanded their parking lot onto four (4) adjacent parcels. This parking area provides parking for employees.

Moreover, Virtua Health has opened a 55,000 SF outpatient facility that focuses on Cardiovascular, Orthopedics and Sports Medicine and various support therapies, diagnostic imaging services, and urgent care facilities. Riverside Urgent Care of Cherry Hill, Patient First and several other providers have opened urgent care facilities. Virtua Health recently completed construction and opened a new outpatient, family medicine and imaging facility along Route 70, which included the renovation of a family practice in an adjacent building at an adjoining property.







The Township is also home to several assisted living centers including Arden Courts, Brighton Gardens, AristaCare, Cherry Hill Senior Living (formally New Seasons), Cadbury, Silver Care and Spring Hill. Benedict's Place, a 3-story, 74-unit senior apartment building at the St. Mary's long-term care campus, opened in 2014; and 136 units of senior independent living apartments were renovated along with new upgrades and a community center on the same campus. Additionally, a new 37-unit senior housing project completed construction and opened at the beginning of 2016 at the St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church.

Community Planning

With its vibrant neighborhoods, its desirable housing market, and diverse housing options the Township is a destination for young professionals, families and seniors – opportunities for residents in all stages of life. Cherry Hill is home to more than 78,000 residents and more than 30,000 units of housing. This includes more than 24,200 residential fee simple homes - single-family detached units, condominiums, and townhouses with approximately 25% of residents have lived in their homes for 25 years or more. These units are complemented by more than 4,200 apartment units, including the fully rebuilt two (2) Towers of Cherry Hill Apartment complex, the upgraded Grande Apartment Towers as well as the newly constructed Evans Mills Apartments, Enclave at Woodcrest, 2 Park Boulevard along Cooper River, units at the Garden State Park complex, and more. Residents are attracted to the availability of outstanding schools, proximity to parks, swim clubs, and houses of worship. Cherry Hill is also an inclusive community with approximately 18% of our population foreign-born, and more than 70 languages spoken in our community. People want to live in Cherry Hill for the Township's commitment to providing services and the many other things that make Cherry Hill special, including more than 60 parks and spaces for active and passive recreation, a diverse trails network, more than 1,372 acres of open space, historic sites (Barclay Farmstead Croft Farmstead, the historic covered bridge), Springdale Farm, and community programs for families, seniors and veterans.

An effort has been made to locate non-residential development near major highways to assist with site accessibility and to minimize impact and encroachment on existing residential neighborhoods.

The Township engaged in a Master Plan overhaul in 2017 to examine shifts in economic and growth management trends and focus on areas in need of additional redevelopment and preservation. The focus of the Master Plan is on the Land Use Element, the Economic Development Element, and Plans for Place – area-specific plans for strategic locations within the Township that are in need of attention due to swift changes in use or stagnation in growth and viability.



Adoption of these elements occurred in the Fall of 2018. In 2019, the Township received an Outstanding Plan Award for the Master Plan by the American Planning Association – New Jersey Chapter.

Transportation and Infrastructure Investments

The Township is located between New York City and Washington, D.C. with close proximity to Philadelphia. The Township has access to the following: the NJ Turnpike and I-295, (the primary interstate routes along the New York-Washington corridor), as well as state Routes 38 and 70 which provide access to Philadelphia and throughout southeastern New Jersey and the Jersey Shore points.

New Jersey Transit (NJT) provides bus transportation and operates a rail station linking Cherry Hill with both Philadelphia and Atlantic City. PATCO (Port Authority Transit Company) provides high speed rail line transportation with stations connecting to Camden and Philadelphia towards the west, and NJT trains from Lindenwold provide service to Atlantic City. PATCO service to Camden provides ready access to its centers of higher education such as Rowan and Rutgers' Universities, Camden County College, healthcare providers, and regional entertainment and job sources.

The Township continues its community-wide review of traffic intersections, monitoring turning movements, vehicle flows and accidents. Based on the on-going analysis, many traffic signals have been upgraded to improve their performance, convenience and safety for both motorists and pedestrians.

The Township has adopted a Complete Streets policy designed to make the Township's roads safer and more accessible for everyone. This new initiative will create a comprehensive, integrated multi-modal transportation network by connecting bicycling and walking in all the Township's future street and sidewalk transportation projects.

Complete Streets is a holistic approach to promoting joint use of roadways by all users, including pedestrians, motorists, bicyclists, seniors, children, and those with limited mobility. The program dovetails with the Township's Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan and the Mayor's Wellness Campaign to build towards healthier community. The initiative provides the Township with a comprehensive plan to achieve that goal and ultimately make Cherry Hill a safer, multi-modal and more accessible place for everyone to live, work and play.

The integration of sidewalks and bicycle lanes on road networks and within park facilities such as Springdale Road, Kings Highway South, Park Boulevard, Cooper River Park and Kresson Road (to be completed), has led to recognition and highlighting of Cherry Hill Township's Complete Streets Program by the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Rutgers University Voorhees Transportation Center (VTC), the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) and the Cross County Connection Transportation Management Association (CCC TMA).

NJDOT is nearing completion of a \$151M project to mill, resurface, and reconstruct 8.8 miles of deteriorated pavement along Route 70 from Route 38 to Cooper Avenue and all of NJDOT's jug handles within those project limits. It will upgrade all traffic signals to adaptive technology, upgrade intersections to be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), address drainage issues, and improve pedestrian safety along the corridor. Details regarding the extent of the project can be found here:

https://www.state.nj.us/transportation/commuter/roads/rt70corridor/faq.shtm#:~:text=NJDOT% 20plans%20to%20begin%20construction,Cooper%20Avenue%20(MP%208.80).

Sustainability

Sustainability is meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. In short, the essence of sustainability is leaving a planet to future generations that will still be able to provide them with sustenance, shelter, and economic opportunities.

The Township is in a unique position to partner with local residents and business owners regarding sustainable development by both incorporating sustainable practices into municipal activities and using the relationship to communicate ways to practice sustainability at home and in business. In 2024 Sustainable New Jersey re-designated the Township as "Silver". In 2014 Cherry Hill was the recipient of Sustainable Jersey's Sustainability Champion Award. On May 23, 2016, Cherry Hill Township released and adopted a new municipal Sustainability Plan, the Township's formal document to guide the community toward a greener future. The 51-page "Roadmap to our Future," is the product of more than two years of work by the Mayor, Council, Township Administration and Green Team members to develop a sustainable path for the community. In January of 2024, the Township released its Community Energy Plan which outlined our strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the local energy system. The plan covers municipal operations such as the municipal vehicle fleet and buildings, as well as public policies and programs designed to support the community in reducing emissions.

In 2025, Cherry Hill continues to invest its sustainable stewardship. Since 2022, the Township has added the services of a Sustainability Consultant to its professional services pool. These consultants assist the Township in the following areas; Achieving Sustainable Jersey "Energy Gold" Certification, Update the Township's Roadmap and implement the Community Energy Plan.

The Township has implemented numerous cost saving and consumption reducing measures. To offset rising utility costs, the Township has installed two solar arrays, totaling 130kW of power. In addition to the energy saying, the Township benefits from the revenue generated from selling the Solar Renewable Energy Certificates (SRECs).

In addition to solar panels, the Township has replaced its aging roof top HVAC units with new energy efficient units. All of the lighting at Town Hall and Department of Public Works has been retrofitted to LEDs. In addition to our main facilities, the Township has also retrofitted LED lighting at our auxiliary and recreational facilities. In partnership with PSEG, the Township has retrofitted its parking lot lights with LEDs and is in talks to start exploring a pilot program to retrofit streetlights. With all energy projects completed, the Township should realize substantial reduction in energy consumption. All remaining consumption will be purchased at a reduced rate, as the Township participates in a consortium, which went out to the marketplace to get competitive energy. Our purchased power contains a renewable portfolio of nearly 30%.

In 2025, took delivery of its first fully electric vehicles. These EVs are being integrated into the Police and other fleet. In addition to the Township's traditional vehicle fleet, the township procured 2 fully electric riding mowers to run a pilot program. After finishing their first grass cutting season, the new electric mowers exceeded our expectations. The Township looks to incorporate addition electric mowers as part of our replacement program.

Building off the success of our electric mower pilot, the Township received a PSE&G grant to procure additional electric ground maintenance equipment. In conjunction with our mowers, this will create a fully electric grounds crew. The new "Eco Crew" will maintain township ground with zero emissions.

In 2024 Township participated in another round on mechanical upgrades through the PSE&G's Energy Efficiency/Energy Saver Program. To date, the Township has received over 1 million dollars in installed upgrades through the program.

The Township is actively working with developers to promote Community Solar projects. Within the last year, the Township's Zoning Board has approved 11 Community solar projects and anticipates more.

In everyday operations, Cherry Hill Township makes strives towards becoming more sustainable. This ranges from offering more services and transactional capabilities with the public through our Township portal to renovating its offices with all of the materials being used either meeting or exceeding GREENGUARD standards. The Township's Police department has been procuring exclusively hybrid patrol cars and now piloting EVs. In addition, the Township, in coordination with N.J. Transit, has installed one of the first solar powered bus shelters in the State at the intersection of Rt. 70 and South Cornell Drive.

EDUCATION (1)

As of October 15, 2024, the Cherry Hill Public School System (the "School System") had nineteen (19) operating schools; twelve (12) elementary, three (3) middle, two (2) senior high schools, one (1) early childhood center and one (1) alternate high school program.

In 1999, the Rosa Administration Building was converted to a third middle school. Central Administration has moved to the Lewis building which was previously the site of the Early Childhood Center. The Early Childhood Center has moved to the Malberg School. The alternative high school is located at Cherry Hill High School East.

School District Enrollments(1)(2)

<u>Grade</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
PK-K	810	776	755	727	629
1	689	686	715	706	700
2	682	688	715	701	600
3	657	698	681	589	648
4	695	678	592	662	616
5	687	589	678	624	671
6	590	687	654	696	642
7	686	640	720	678	710
8	634	735	699	729	741
9	739	701	733	743	748
10	717	744	757	762	707
11	739	745	771	724	788
12	753	773	749	786	783
Spec. Ed.	<u>1,519</u>	<u>1,509</u>	<u>1,489</u>	<u>1,442</u>	<u>1,455</u>
	<u>10,597</u>	<u>10,649</u>	<u> 10,708</u>	<u>10,569</u>	<u>10,438</u>

⁽¹⁾ Source: School District officials

Present School Facilities, Enrollment and Capacity(1)(2)

<u>Facilities</u>	Date <u>Constructed</u>	Renovations/ Additions	Functional <u>Grades</u>	10/15/24 <u>Enrollment</u>	Functional <u>Capacity</u>
Malberg	1958	1999	Preschool/		
•			Preschool Disable	d 174	Not Avail.
Barton	1966	1994;2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	491	649
Cooper	1970	2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	281	446
Harte	1968	1969;2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	362	658
Johnson	1966	1994;2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	454	693
Kilmer	1969	2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	412	624
Kingston	1955	60/62; 2009	K-5; Sp. Ed.	417	671
Knight	1964	1994;2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	456	566
Mann	1963	1994;2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	287	583
Paine	1968	1994;2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	341	570
Sharp	1965	1968;2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	454	645
Stockton	1970	1994;2000	K-5; Sp. Ed.	394	633
Woodcrest	1958	1982;2000;2009	K-5; Sp. Ed.	374	491
Beck	1971	1999	6-8; Sp. Ed.	701	1,055
Carusi	1962	1964;1994;2000;2009	6-8; Sp. Ed.	859	1,126
Rosa	1961	1998;1999;2000;2009	6-8; Sp. Ed.	743	1,000
East	1967	1968;2000;2001;2009	9-12; Sp. Ed.	2,086	3,241
West	1956	60/64;1994;2000;	9-12; Sp. Ed.	1,281	2,140
		2009			
Lewis	1969	1999	Alt. H.S	<u>30</u>	<u>96</u>
				<u>10,597</u>	<u>15,887</u>

In addition to an award winning and highly-credentialed school district, the Township also offers many private school options.

HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES

Rutgers University-Camden Campus

Rutgers University-Camden ("Rutgers"), a comprehensive, publicly-supported, coeducational four-year institution accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and funded primarily by the State, was founded in 1950 on a 23.8 acre campus in the City of Camden. For the 2023-2024 school year, there were approximately 3,922 undergraduate students and 1,854 graduate students.

Camden County College

Fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, Camden County College ("College") is a comprehensive publicly supported, co-educational two-year institution developed under the State Department of Higher Education. It is funded in part by the Camden County Board of Commissioners who appoint an eleven (11) member Board of Trustees. The College has three distinct campuses in Blackwood, Camden, and Cherry Hill – along with its satellite locations in Lakeland, Sicklerville and elsewhere throughout the County.

⁽¹⁾ Source: School District officials

⁽²⁾ As of October 15 of each year, excluding students in special education programs outside the district.

As of the Fall of 2024, full time enrollment was 3,310 and part-time enrollment was 4,281 for a total of 7,591.

Camden County Technical Schools

From a vocational school that opened with 400 students in 12 trade areas in 1928, Camden County Technical Schools ("CCTS") has grown to be one of the largest and most comprehensive technical schools in the nation. The district today encompasses a full range of day and evening programs at campuses in Pennsauken and Gloucester Township. Beginning in 2012, the adult programs were operated by Camden County College as part of the Camden County shared services agreement.

For high school students, there are over 30 career programs from which to choose. For the 2023-2024 school year, 1,417 students are enrolled at the Gloucester Township Campus, and 766 at the Pennsauken Campus. Seniors are offered the opportunity to participate in several of our school-to-career programs and are offered lifetime job placement assistance. In addition, students are offered a full-range of athletics and activities to complement their education. Through Camden County College, high school juniors and seniors at CCTS have various opportunities to earn college credit for college level work completed while in high school. Students may bank the credits earned for future enrollment at colleges and universities.

In addition to the facilities mentioned above, Stockton University, University of Pennsylvania, Temple University, LaSalle University, Villanova University, St. Joseph's University, Drexel University, and Rowan University are all within a commuting distance from the Township.

CERTAIN FINANCIAL INFORMATION

LARGEST TAXPAYERS(1)

	2025
	Assessed
Nature of Business	<u>Valuation</u>
Cherry Hill Mall	\$347,310,000
Garden State Park	211,521,600
The Grand Apartments	65,000,000
Borough's Mill Apartments	43,000,000
Cherry Hill Towers Apartments	42,400,000
East Coast Towers Apartments	42,335,800
Penn Medical Building	39,000,000
Office Building	34,896,000
Condominiums	32,499,400
Shopping Center	32,153,800
Elysburg Shopping Center	28,900,000
Apartment Complex	26,800,000
Warehouse	25,999,200
Office Building	24,856,000
Shopping Center	24,000,000
Apartment Complex	22,887,000
Apartment Complex	22,600,000
	Cherry Hill Mall Garden State Park The Grand Apartments Borough's Mill Apartments Cherry Hill Towers Apartments East Coast Towers Apartments Penn Medical Building Office Building Condominiums Shopping Center Elysburg Shopping Center Apartment Complex Warehouse Office Building Shopping Center Apartment Complex

CURRENT TAX COLLECTIONS(2)

Fiscal	Tax	Current Co	ollections	Balance June 30		
<u>Year</u>	<u>Levy</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	
2025 (3)	\$372,639,244	\$372,420,916	99.94%	\$10,577	0.01%	
2024	348,159,173	347,949,006	99.94%	4,487	0.01%	
2023	330,726,217	330,429,790	99.91%	17,143	0.01%	
2022	333,830,611	332,567,984	99.62%	26,739	0.01%	
2021	327,424,116	327,001,793	99.87%	21,927	0.01%	

⁽¹⁾ Source: Township's Tax Assessor
(2) Source: Annual Reports of Audit (as of June 30), unless otherwise noted.
(3) Source: Compiled Financial Statements (as of June 30)

DELINQUENT TAXES(1)

Fiscal	Balance		Col	lected	Transfer	Other	Balance
<u>Year</u>	July 1	<u>Added</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Percentage	to Liens	Credits	<u>June 30</u>
0005 (0)	#4.404		#0.404	70.400/		#4.057	Φ0
2025 (2)	\$4,491	-	\$3,431	76.40%	-	\$1,057	\$3
2024	17,143	-	17,139	99.98%	-	-	4
2023	38,972	\$500	15,573	39.45%	-	23,900	-
2022	24,227	-	10,735	44.31%	-	1,259	\$12,234
2021	2,343,019	-	2,326,930	99.31%	-	13,790	2,300

TAX TITLE LIENS(1)

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Balance July 1	Added by Sales & Transfers	Collections	Balance June 30
2025 (2)	\$542,809	\$17,206	\$2,744	\$557,271
2024	527,055	15,998	244	542,809
2023	514,327	14,455	1,727	527,055
2022	596,486	18,268	100,428	514,327
2021	570,860	25,626	-	596,486

FORECLOSED PROPERTY(1)(3)

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Balance July 1	Transfers from Liens	Adjustment to Assessed <u>Valuation</u>	Balance June 30
2025 (2)	\$2,223,077	-	-	\$2,223,077
2024	2,223,077	-	-	2,223,077
2023	2,223,077	-	-	2,223,077
2022	2,223,077	-	-	2,223,077
2021	2,223,077	-	-	2,223,077

⁽¹⁾ Source: Annual Reports of Audit (as of June 30), unless otherwise noted. (2) Source: Compiled Financial Statements (as of June 30)

⁽³⁾ These amounts are reflected on the basis of assessed value in the year of acquisition in accordance with the regulation of the Division of Local Government Services.

CURRENT SEWER UTILITY COLLECTIONS(1)

Fiscal	Balance	_	Current C	ollections	Balance	June 30
<u>Year</u>	<u>July 1</u>	Total Levy	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
2025 (2)	\$1,147	\$4,333,115	\$4,332,638	99.96%	\$1,624	0.04%
2024	2,111	4,217,161	4,217,211	99.95%	1,147	0.03%
2023	2,111	4,315,838	4,316,753	99.97%	1,196	0.03%
2022	2,066	4,265,981	4,265,849	99.95%	2,111	0.05%
2021	2,617	3,909,356	3,909,733	99.94%	2,066	0.05%

SEWER UTILITY LIENS(1)

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Balance July 1	Added by Sales & Transfers	Collections	Balance June 30
2025 (2)	-	-	-	-
2024	-	-	-	-
2023	-	-	-	-
2022	\$706	\$88	\$793	-
2021	531	175	-	\$706

NET ASSESSED VALUATIONS AND ANNUAL TAX RATES(3)

		Tax Rate(4)							
						Municipal			County
Calendar	Net Valuation					Open	Municipal	Fire	Open
Year	Taxable	<u>Total</u>	County	School	Municipal	Space	Library	District	Space
2025	\$7,936,682,400	\$4.701	\$0.913	\$2.704	\$0.632	\$0.010	\$0.056	\$0.353	\$0.033
2024	8,022,988,900	4.459	0.932	2.570	0.537	0.010	0.052	0.326	0.032
2023	8,043,351,361	4.202	0.876	2.403	0.537	0.010	0.044	0.305	0.027
2022	8,022,853,600	4.086	0.878	2.299	0.537	0.010	0.040	0.298	0.024
2021	7,961,383,837	4.099	0.896	2.297	0.537	0.010	0.038	0.298	0.023

⁽¹⁾ Source: Annual Reports of Audit (as of June 30), unless otherwise noted.(2) Source: Compiled Financial Statements (as of June 30)

⁽³⁾ Source: Camden County Board of Taxation

⁽⁴⁾ Per \$100 of assessed valuation

RATIO OF ASSESSED VALUATION TO TRUE VALUE AND TRUE VALUE PER CAPITA(1)

Calendar <u>Year</u>	Real Property Assessed <u>Valuation</u>	Percentage of <u>True Value</u>	True Value	True Value <u>Per Capita</u> (2)
2025	\$7,936,682,400	60.09%	\$13,207,992,012	\$177,162
2024	8,022,988,900	64.74%	12,392,630,368	166,226
2023	8,027,056,700	75.35%	10,653,028,135	142,892
2022	8,005,308,800	83.30%	9,610,214,646	128,904
2021	7,943,204,500	86.90%	9,140,626,582	122,606

REAL PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION(3)

Assessed Value of Land and

<u>Year</u>	<u>Improvements</u>	Vacant Land	Residential	Commercial	<u>Industrial</u>	<u>Apartments</u>	<u>Farm</u>
2025	\$7,936,682,400	\$55,492,600	\$5,495,784,800	\$1,804,214,400	\$175,677,500	\$400,848,500	\$4,664,600
2024	8,022,988,900	66,306,700	5,497,884,500	1,877,287,800	180,366,600	396,404,800	4,738,500
2023	8,027,056,700	78,741,900	5,442,371,400	1,933,961,400	165,592,000	401,110,800	5,279,200
2022	8,005,308,800	73,177,400	5,424,357,300	1,952,324,500	165,000,200	385,170,200	5,279,200
2021	7,943,204,500	79,870,100	5,396,482,400	1,952,395,800	161,369,900	347,807,100	5,279,200

FUND BALANCE--CURRENT FUND(4)

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Balance June 30,	Utilized in Budget of Succeeding <u>Fiscal Year</u>	Percentage of Fund <u>Balance Used</u>
2025	\$24,377,109 (5)	(6)	(6)
2024	24,459,672	\$13,000,259	53.15%
2023	25,719,516	16,207,858	63.02%
2022	29,268,934	15,261,129	52.14%
2021	33,044,959	17,861,687	54.05%
2020	29,663,945	13,747,165	46.34%

⁽¹⁾ Source: State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Taxation

⁽²⁾ Based upon 2020 Federal Census of 74,553

⁽³⁾ Source: Camden County Board of Taxation

⁽⁴⁾ Source: Annual Reports of Audit (as of June 30), unless otherwise noted.

⁽⁵⁾ Source: Compiled Financial Statements (as of Jun 30)

⁽⁶⁾ Unavailable – FY2026 not introduced as of the date of this report

FUND BALANCE—SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND(1)

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Balance June 30,	Utilized in Budget of Succeeding <u>Fiscal Year</u>	Percentage of Fund <u>Balance Used</u>
2025	\$6,243,129 (2)	(3)	(3)
2024	6,100,386	\$1,536,345	25.18%
2023	6,026,254	1,636,052	27.15%
2022	6,044,167	1,538,633	25.46%
2021	5,413,351	1,351,493	24.97%

⁽¹⁾ Source: Annual Reports of Audit (as of June 30), unless otherwise noted.
(2) Source: Compiled Financial Statements (as of June 30)
(3) Unavailable – FY2026 not introduced as of the date of this report

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS(1)

The following table summarizes the direct debt of the Township as of June 30, 2025. The gross debt comprises short and long-term debt issued and debt authorized but not issued, including General, Sewer and School District. Deductions from gross debt to arrive at net debt include School Debt as well as debt considered to be self-liquidating. The resulting net debt of \$105,235,212 represents .868% of the average of equalized valuations for the Township for the last three (3) years, which is within the 3.5% limit imposed by N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6.

	Debt Issue	Debt Issued				_		
	<u>Bonds</u> <u>Notes</u>	<u>Loans</u>	Debt Authorized but not <u>Issued</u>	Gross <u>Debt</u>	School <u>Debt</u>	Self-Liquidating	Reserve for Payment of Debt	Net <u>Debt</u>
General Sewer School District	\$ 54,640,000 \$ 14,449, 19,277,000 2,086, 270,750,000	, ,	\$ 35,479,942 8,529,600	\$ 105,347,342 29,892,687 270,750,000	\$ 270,750,000	\$ 29,892,687	\$ 112,131	\$ 105,235,212
	\$ 344,667,000 \$ 16,535,	929 \$ 777,559	\$ 44,009,542	\$ 405,990,029	\$ 270,750,000	\$ 29,892,687	\$ 112,131	\$ 105,235,212

(1) As of June 30, 2025

Source: Annual Debt Statement

DEBT RATIOS AND VALUATIONS(1)(2)

Average of Equalized Valuations of Real Property with Improvements for 2022, 2023 and 2024	\$12,124,900,006
Statutory Net Debt as a Percentage of the Average of Equalized Valuations of Real Property with Improvements for 2022, 2023 and 2024	0.868%
2025 Net Valuation Taxable 2025 Equalized Valuation of Real Property and Taxable Personal Property Used in Communications	\$7,936,682,400 \$13,207,992,012
Gross Debt (3): As a percentage of 2025 Net Valuation Taxable As a percentage of 2025 Equalized Valuations	5.12% 3.07%
Net Debt (3): As a percentage of 2025 Net Valuation Taxable As a percentage of 2025 Equalized Valuations	1.33% 0.80%
Gross Debt Per Capita (4) Net Debt Per Capita (4)	\$5,446 \$1,412
TOWNSHIP BORROWING CAPACITY(1)(2)	
3.5% of Averaged (2022-24) Equalized Valuation of Real Property including Improvements (\$12,124,900,006) Net Debt	\$424,371,500 105,235,212
Remaining Borrowing Capacity	\$319,136,289
LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION BORROWING CAPACITY(1)(2))
4% of Averaged (2022-24) Equalized Valuation of Real Property including Improvements (\$12,124,900,006) Local School Debt	\$484,996,000 270,750,000
Remaining Borrowing Capacity	\$214,246,000
(1) As of June 30, 2025 (2) Source: Township Auditor (3) Excluding overlapping debt (4) Based on Federal 2020 Census of 74,553	

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL OVERLAPPING DEBT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024

		DEBT	ISSL	JED					
	Debt <u>Outstanding</u>	<u>Deductions</u>			Statutory Net Debt Outstanding	Net Debt Outstanding Allocated to the Issuer		Debt Auth. but not <u>Issued</u>	
County of Camden(1): General: Bonds Notes Loan Agreements	\$ 61,099,583 12,980,000.00 307,080,000	\$ 38,846,103	(2)	\$	22,253,480 12,980,000 307,080,000	\$	5,167,258 (4) 3,013,956 (4) 71,303,976 (4)		\$71,990,250
Bonds Issued by Other Public Bodies Guaranteed by the County	220,129,800	220,129,800	(3)						
	\$ 601,289,383	\$ 258,975,903		\$	342,313,480	\$	79,485,190	\$	71,990,250

⁽¹⁾ Source: County of Camden

⁽²⁾ Includes Reserve for Payment of Bonds, Other Accounts Receivable and General Obligation Pension Refunding Bonds.

⁽³⁾ Deductible in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80.

⁽⁴⁾ Such debt is allocated as a proportion of the Issuer's share of the total 2024 Net Valuation on which County taxes are apportioned, which is 23.22%.

Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority

The CCMUA is a public body corporate and politic of the State and was originally created as the Camden County Sewerage Authority ("Sewerage Authority") by a resolution of the County adopted on December 5, 1967. The Sewerage Authority was reorganized in 1972 as a utilities authority and changed its name to the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority pursuant to a resolution of the County adopted on April 13, 1972. The CCMUA operates under the supervision of nine commissioners who are appointed by the Board for five-year staggered terms. The County has entered into a deficiency agreement with the CCMUA ("Deficiency Agreement") whereby the County is obligated to pay to the CCMUA any annual charges equal to any deficits in CCMUA revenues necessary to pay or provide for: (i) operation and maintenance expenses of the CCMUA's regional sewer system, (ii) principal and interest payments on bonds and notes of the CCMUA in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$685,500,000, and (iii) the maintenance of reserves required under the bond resolution securing the CCMUA's bonds and notes. The obligation of the County pursuant to the provisions of the Deficiency Agreement is a direct and general obligation of the County, and any annual charges are ultimately payable by the County from the levy of ad valorem taxes on all the taxable real property within the jurisdiction of the County in amounts sufficient to enable the County to meet its obligations under the Deficiency Agreement. To date, no payments have been required to be made by the County pursuant to the Deficiency Agreement. The County and the CCMUA may agree to amend the Deficiency Agreement at any time to increase the obligations of the County thereunder.

The CCMUA owns and operates a sewage collection and treatment system which serves all County residents connected to local sewer collection systems. The CCMUA's system does not include the local sewage collection system of any CCMUA participant, but it owns and operates interceptor sewer lines connecting the local systems to the CCMUA's sewage treatment facilities.

The CCMUA is required to charge and collect service charges for the use of its facilities such that revenues of the CCMUA will at all times be adequate to pay all operating and maintenance expenses, including reserves, insurance, extensions and replacements, and to pay punctually the principal of and interest on any bonds and notes of the CCMUA and to maintain reserves and sinking funds therefor as may be required by the terms of any agreements with the holders thereof.

The gross debt as of December 31, 2024 for the CCMUA was \$235,196,095. The County guarantees up to \$685,500,000 of debt issued by the CCMUA.

Camden County Improvement Authority

The Camden County Improvement Authority ("CCIA") is a public body corporate and politic of the State and was created by a resolution of the County Board. The CCIA operates under the supervision of a five (5) member Board who are appointed for five (5) year staggered terms by the County Board. The CCIA has from time to time issued its revenue bonds for projects involving the County and for which the County has a repayment obligation or guaranty. The CCIA also issues conduit debt from time to time which is not included in the overlapping debt as there is no obligation by the taxpayers to repay the associated debt service.

The amount of debt which the County has guaranteed or for which it has a repayment obligation as of December 31, 2024 was \$322,575,816.

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT SERVICE BONDED DEBT ONLY (1)

		General				5	Sewer Utility			
Fiscal Year			Total						Total	
Ended			General Debt					S	Sewer Debt	Grand
<u>June 30</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Service</u>		<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>		<u>Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
2026	\$ 9,285,000 \$	1,955,850	\$ 11,240,850	\$	1,170,000	\$	763,163	\$	1,933,163	\$ 13,174,013
2027	9,405,000	1,616,000	11,021,000		1,205,000		713,938		1,918,938	12,939,938
2028	8,150,000	1,251,050	9,401,050		1,140,000		664,963		1,804,963	11,206,013
2029	4,700,000	1,018,000	5,718,000		1,170,000		616,488		1,786,488	7,504,488
2030	4,700,000	830,000	5,530,000		1,225,000		566,238		1,791,238	7,321,238
2031	4,600,000	644,000	5,244,000		1,270,000		513,688		1,783,688	7,027,688
2032	4,600,000	460,000	5,060,000		1,317,000		459,031		1,776,031	6,836,031
2033	4,600,000	276,000	4,876,000		925,000		397,500		1,322,500	6,198,500
2034	4,600,000	92,000	4,692,000		945,000		362,950		1,307,950	5,999,950
2035					960,000		327,462		1,287,462	1,287,462
2036					980,000		290,800		1,270,800	1,270,800
2037					1,005,000		253,000		1,258,000	1,258,000
2038					1,030,000		214,200		1,244,200	1,244,200
2039					1,055,000		174,162		1,229,162	1,229,162
2040					1,080,000		132,887		1,212,887	1,212,887
2041					700,000		98,000		798,000	798,000
2042					700,000		70,000		770,000	770,000
2043					700,000		42,000		742,000	742,000
2044				_	700,000		14,000		714,000	 714,000
	\$ 54,640,000 \$	8,142,900	\$ 62,782,900	\$	19,277,000	\$	6,674,467	\$	25,951,467	\$ 88,734,367

(1) As of June 30, 2025

SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT SERVICE LONG TERM LOANS ONLY (1)

Fiscal Year Ended <u>June 30</u>	<u>_</u>	Principal	General Interest	<u>Total</u>			
2026 2027 2028	\$	330,451 226,753 220,355	\$ 9,480 5,325 1,775	\$ 339,931 232,078 222,130			
	\$	777,559	\$ 16,580	\$ 794,139			

(1) As of June 30, 2025

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL FISCAL YEAR 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

CURRENT FUND	
Anticipated Revenues:	
Fund Balance	\$13,000,259
Local Revenues	5,125,500
State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations	8,880,491
Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees	
Offset With Appropriations	1,600,000
Special Items of Revenue with Consent of DLGS:	
Public and Private Revenues	224,702
Other Special Items	902,726
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	10,000
Amount to be Raised from Taxation	51,962,042
Total Anticipated Revenues	\$81,705,720
Appropriations:	
General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes within "CAPS"	\$62,398,196
Excluded from "CAPS":	, , , , , , , , , , ,
Other Operations	4,964,235
Public and Private Progs Offset by Revs.	237,702
Capital Improvements	699,375
Municipal Debt Service	11,772,055
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,634,157
Total Appropriations	\$81,705,720
SEWER UTILITY FUND	
Anticipated Revenues:	
Fund Balance	\$1,536,345
Rents	3,800,000
Miscellaneous	50,000
Sewer Connection Fees	25,000
Sewer Utility Capital Surplus	2,464
Total Anticipated Revenues	\$5,413,809
Appropriations:	¢1 710 250
Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	\$1,710,259 1,410,700
Third Party Sewer Authority	35,000
Debt Service	1,903,850
Statutory Expenditures	354,000
Total Appropriations	\$5,413,809

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL CAPITAL BUDGET

Projects Scheduled for the Fiscal Years 2025-2030

		Capital	Grants-In-	Bonds and Notes			
	Estimated	Improvement	Aid and		Self-		
Project Title	Total Cost	<u>Fund</u>	Other Funds	<u>General</u>	<u>Liquidating</u>		
Municipal Projects:							
Road Improvements	\$7,354,996	\$303,030	\$1,294,396	\$5,757,570			
Parks and Recreation	2,542,050	127,103		2,414,947			
Public Works Equipment and Vehicles	1,804,500	20,225		1,784,275			
Police Equipment	2,061,725	77,183	518,056	1,466,486			
IT	936,695	46,835		889,860			
Admin Projects: Building Renovations and							
Equipment and Land Purchase	2,500,000	125,000		2,375,000			
Sewer Utility Upgrades:							
Sanitary Sewer Upgrades (Construction)	5,113,250				\$5,113,250		
TOTAL PROJECTS	\$22,313,216	\$699,376	\$1,812,452	\$14,688,138	\$5,113,250		

APPENDIX B

COMPILED AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022 AND 2021



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Council of Cherry Hill Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of the Township of Cherry Hill, in the County of Camden, New Jersey, which comprise the statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balancer-regulatory basis of the various funds as of June 30, 2025 and the related statements of operations and changes in fund balances--regulatory basis for the fiscal year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements in accordance with accounting practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, and for determining that this regulatory basis of accounting is an acceptable financial reporting framework. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We did not audit or review the financial statements nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on these financial statements.

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Township of Cherry Hill on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of the State of New Jersey. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

The financial statements for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024, 2023, 2022 and 2021 were audited by us and we expressed adverse opinions under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America because of the significance of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph; and unqualified opinions on the regulatory basis of accounting in our reports for those years. Our most recent report (June 30, 2024) was dated December 27, 2024, but we have not performed any auditing procedures since that date.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

/s/ Todd R. Saler Certified Public Accountant Registered Municipal Accountant

Voorhees, New Jersey August 4, 2025

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL CURRENT FUND

Statements of Assets, Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance--Regulatory Basis

			As of June 30,		
ACCETC	<u>2025(1)</u>	<u>2024(2)</u>	<u>2023(2)</u>	<u>2022(2)</u>	<u>2021(2)</u>
ASSETS					
Cash	\$33,177,590	\$33,055,947	\$34,339,210	\$46,437,845	\$52,465,08
Investments	1,550,335	1,480,496	5,776,724		
Federal, State and Other Grants Receivable	1,716,730	1,997,777	987,851	1,058,466	648,20
Due from State of New Jersey Receivables and other Assets with Full Reserves:	216,387	223,937	238,862	252,958	251,71
Delinquent Property Taxes	40 504	4.404	47 440	20.072	24.22
Receivable	10,581	4,491	17,143	38,972	24,227
Tax Title Liens Receivable Property Acquired for Taxes	557,271	542,809	527,055	514,327	596,48
Assessed Valuation	2,223,077	2,223,077	2,223,077	2,223,077	2,223,07
Revenue Accounts Receivable	32,763	41,883	32,416	26,005	31,23
Interfunds Receivable	42,785	40,898	28,733	79,277	25,58
	\$39,527,519	\$39,611,315	\$44,171,073	\$50,630,926	<u> </u>
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LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	φυσ,υΖ1,υ1σ	φυσ,στ1,υ10	φ44,171,073	φ30,030,920	\$56,265,62
BALANCE					
Appropriation Reserves	\$5,795,072	\$5,514,160	\$5,496,840	\$4,473,171	\$5,833,59
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable					\$5,833,59 152,54
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Fire District Taxes Payable	\$5,795,072 18,480	\$5,514,160 167,049	\$5,496,840 84,880	\$4,473,171 112,873	\$5,833,59 152,54 5,324,47
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Fire District Taxes Payable Reserve for Encumbrances	\$5,795,072	\$5,514,160	\$5,496,840	\$4,473,171	\$5,833,59 152,54 5,324,47 1,458,75
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Fire District Taxes Payable Reserve for Encumbrances Interfunds Payable	\$5,795,072 18,480 2,571,283	\$5,514,160 167,049 1,634,777	\$5,496,840 84,880	\$4,473,171 112,873 3,144,407	
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Fire District Taxes Payable Reserve for Encumbrances Interfunds Payable Prepaid Revenues	\$5,795,072 18,480 2,571,283 201,110	\$5,514,160 167,049 1,634,777 2,990	\$5,496,840 84,880 2,801,456	\$4,473,171 112,873 3,144,407 29,625	\$5,833,59 152,54 5,324,47 1,458,75 9,82 1,072,05
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Fire District Taxes Payable Reserve for Encumbrances Interfunds Payable Prepaid Revenues Fax Overpayments Other Liabilities and Special Funds	\$5,795,072 18,480 2,571,283 201,110 560,122	\$5,514,160 167,049 1,634,777 2,990 645,751	\$5,496,840 84,880 2,801,456 853,577	\$4,473,171 112,873 3,144,407 29,625 1,548,959	\$5,833,59 152,54 5,324,47 1,458,75 9,82 1,072,05 3,26
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Fire District Taxes Payable Reserve for Encumbrances Interfunds Payable Prepaid Revenues Tax Overpayments Other Liabilities and Special Funds Reserve for Receivables and	\$5,795,072 18,480 2,571,283 201,110 560,122 1,506 56,879	\$5,514,160 167,049 1,634,777 2,990 645,751 2,255 64,122	\$5,496,840 84,880 2,801,456 853,577 21,989 40,787	\$4,473,171 112,873 3,144,407 29,625 1,548,959 8,014 85,535	\$5,833,59 152,54 5,324,47 1,458,75 9,82 1,072,05 3,26 59,18
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Fire District Taxes Payable Reserve for Encumbrances Interfunds Payable Prepaid Revenues Tax Overpayments Other Liabilities and Special Funds Reserve for Receivables and Other Assets	\$5,795,072 18,480 2,571,283 201,110 560,122 1,506 56,879 2,866,476	\$5,514,160 167,049 1,634,777 2,990 645,751 2,255 64,122 2,853,158	\$5,496,840 84,880 2,801,456 853,577 21,989 40,787 2,828,426	\$4,473,171 112,873 3,144,407 29,625 1,548,959 8,014 85,535 2,881,658	\$5,833,59 152,54 5,324,47 1,458,75 9,82 1,072,05 3,26 59,18
Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Fire District Taxes Payable Reserve for Encumbrances Interfunds Payable Prepaid Revenues Fax Overpayments Other Liabilities and Special Funds Reserve for Receivables and	\$5,795,072 18,480 2,571,283 201,110 560,122 1,506 56,879	\$5,514,160 167,049 1,634,777 2,990 645,751 2,255 64,122	\$5,496,840 84,880 2,801,456 853,577 21,989 40,787	\$4,473,171 112,873 3,144,407 29,625 1,548,959 8,014 85,535	\$5,833,59 152,54 5,324,47 1,458,75 9,82

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TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL CURRENT FUND

Statements of Operations and Changes in Fund Balance--Regulatory Basis

		For th	e Year Ended Ju	ne 30,	
	2025(1)	2024(2)	2023(2)	2022(2)	2021(2)
Revenue Realized:					
Current Tax Collections	\$372,420,916	\$347,949,006	\$330,429,790	\$332,567,984	\$327,001,793
Delinquent Tax Collections	6,175	17,383	17,299	111,162	2,326,930
Total Taxes	372,427,092	347,966,389	330,447,090	332,679,147	329,328,723
Miscellaneous Revenues	22,403,035	25,883,955	26,531,492	21,077,826	18,532,801
Other Income	5,360,467	5,369,295	4,345,136	6,020,674	7,245,864
Fund Balance Utilized	13,000,259	16,207,858	15,261,129	17,861,687	13,747,165
Total Income	413,190,853	395,427,497	376,584,847	377,639,333	368,854,552
Expenditures and Encumbrances:					
Operating	59,782,578	58,035,817	59,696,704	52,986,114	50,052,627
Capital Improvements	699,375	1,002,539	562,837	2,936,600	1,299,368
Debt Service	11,772,053	13,411,309	13,783,026	16,349,616	14,922,798
Deferred Charges	79,279	67,121	55,000	61,500	142,109
Pension, Unemployment and Social Security	8,479,288	7,905,218	7,930,133	7,000,447	6,926,819
County Taxes	79,918,603	72,998,000	72,294,056	74,728,133	71,583,652
Local District School Purposes	211,425,614	200,956,935	185,604,382	183,304,621	182,404,621
Municipal Open Space Tax	805,568	807,325	805,890	801,030	796,647
Fire District Taxes	27,024,338	25,256,391	24,124,297	25,234,331	23,488,218
Other Expenditures	286,459	38,829	16,811	151,279	109,515
Total Expenditures and					
Encumbrances	400,273,156	380,479,484	364,873,136	363,553,671	351,726,374
Excess in Revenues	12,917,697	14,948,014	11,711,711	14,085,662	17,128,178
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	24,459,672	25,719,516	29,268,934	33,044,959	29,663,945
	37,377,368	40,667,530	40,980,645	47,130,621	46,792,123
Decreased by: Utilized as Revenue	13,000,259	16,207,858	15,261,129	17,861,687	13,747,165
Fund Balance Ending of Year	\$24,377,109	\$24,459,672	\$25,719,516	\$29,268,934	\$33,044,959

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TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL TRUST FUND

Statements of Assets, Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance Fund Balance--Regulatory Basis

			As of June 30,		
	<u>2025(1)</u>	<u>2024(2)</u>	2023(2)	2022(2)	2021(2)
ASSETS					
Cash	\$21,100,572	\$17,918,586	\$19,476,841	\$22,294,702	\$24,944,182
Grants Receivable	857,542	1,100,053	1,315,576	1,227,386	2,011,544
Interfunds Receivable	38,325	41,315	38,325	38,325	48,152
Accounts ReceivableOther	1,635,717	1,787,439	1,634,667	1,771,682	1,719,281
Deferred Charges	81,169	79,279	67,121	54,999	61,499
	\$23,713,325	\$20,926,673	\$22,532,531	\$25,387,094	\$28,784,658
LIABILITIES, RESERVES, FUND BALANCE AND FUTURE USE					
Accounts Payable	\$300,136	\$293,124	\$303,274	\$285,141	\$293,976
Reserve for Encumbrances	342,050	133,360	94,126	130,271	320,874
Interfunds Payable	81,110	79,223	67,059	117,602	63,914
Reserve for Certain Assets Receivable	1,635,717	1,787,439	1,634,667	1,771,682	1,719,281
Reserve for Special Funds and Future Use	20,194,200	17,938,057	19,570,774	22,244,536	25,812,123
Fund Balance	1,160,111	695,469	862,630	837,861	574,491
	\$23,713,325	\$20,926,673	\$22,532,531	\$25,387,094	\$28,784,658

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TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Statements of Assets, Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance--Regulatory Basis

			As of June 30,		
	<u>2025(1)</u>	<u>2024(2)</u>	<u>2023(2)</u>	2022(2)	<u>2021(2)</u>
ASSETS					
Cash	\$9,854,180	\$8,389,127	\$5,725,222	\$2,400,187	\$3,577,652
Interfunds Receivable	201,110				
Grants Receivable	1,311,317	1,027,650	240,000		60,000
Due from PSE&G		1,718,023			
Funded	55,417,559	64,924,158	38,964,762	50,733,830	65,064,371
Unfunded	49,929,784	35,370,493	61,541,036	52,030,724	43,656,634
	\$116,713,948	\$111,429,451	\$106,471,020	\$105,164,740	\$112,358,657
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE					
Serial Bonds and Loans Payable	\$55,417,559	\$64,924,158	\$38,964,762	\$50,733,830	\$65,064,371
Bond Anticipation Notes Improvement Authorizations:	14,449,842		26,100,434	20,337,015	17,737,849
Funded	2,900	4,847,957	3,102,370	11,096	11,079
Unfunded	11,953,600	16,109,830	17,119,032	14,673,287	8,114,255
Capital Improvement Fund	52,948	119,852	79,852	79,852	79,852
Contracts Payable	12,982,268	7,379,779	3,400,364	3,961,067	5,129,239
Reserves for Payment of Debt	112,131		430,918	375,015	335,548
Other Liabilities and Special Funds	21,742,701	17,809,949	17,103,149	14,823,438	15,716,325
Fund Balance		237,926	170,139	170,139	170,139
	\$116,713,948	\$111,429,451	\$106,471,020	\$105,164,740	\$112,358,657

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TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL SEWER UTILITY FUND

Statements of Assets, Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance--Regulatory Basis

			As of June 30,		
ASSETS	2025(1)	<u>2024(2)</u>	2023(2)	2022(2)	<u>2021(2)</u>
Operating Fund:					
Cash Receivables with Full Reserves:	\$7,442,583	\$7,325,064	\$7,206,521	\$6,968,214	\$6,302,843
Consumer Accounts Receivable Liens Receivable	1,624	1,147	1,196	2,111	2,066 706
Assessments Receivable Interfund Receivables	55,243	55,243	55,243	68,086 29,625	69,913
Total Operating Fund	7,499,450	7,381,454	7,262,960	7,068,036	6,375,527
Capital Fund:					
Cash	2,281,094	6,705,599	5,391,287	3,731,674	1,179,983
Fixed Capital Fixed Capital Authorized and	64,486,157	53,452,405	42,472,764	41,471,764	41,471,764
Uncompleted	10,792,907	16,713,409	22,173,050	20,549,050	16,269,050
Total Capital Fund	77,560,158	76,871,413	70,037,101	65,752,488	58,920,797
	\$85,059,607	\$84,252,867	\$77,300,061	\$72,820,524	\$65,296,324

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL SEWER UTILITY FUND

Statements of Assets, Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance--Regulatory Basis

_			As of June 30,		
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	<u>2025(1)</u>	<u>2024(2)</u>	2023(2)	<u>2022(2)</u>	2021(2)
Operating Fund:					
Appropriation Reserves	\$783,884	\$716,225	\$701,385	\$623,383	\$624,616
Reserve for Encumbrances	52,104	178,223	54,094	104,531	59,972
Accrued Interest on Bonds and Notes	334,844	293,081	403,374	214,465	187,539
Accounts Payable	15,000	19,679	403,374	214,403	107,559
Prepaid Revenues	13,622	17,470	21,415	11,292	17,364
Reserve for Receivables	56,867	56,390	56,440	70,197	72,685
Fund Balance	6,243,129	6,100,386	6,026,254	6,044,167	5,413,351
- und Balance	0,240,120	0,100,000	0,020,204	0,044,107	0,410,001
Total Operating Fund	7,499,450	7,381,454	7,262,960	7,068,036	6,375,527
Capital Fund:					
Serial Bonds	19,277,000	20,322,000	11,047,000	12,522,000	15,122,000
Bond Anticipation Notes	2,086,087	-,- ,	8,198,351	5,391,254	3,381,754
Improvement Authorizations:	, ,		, ,	, ,	, ,
Funded			1,380,519		
Unfunded	706,728	677,448	434,900	623,356	355,755
Interfunds Payable	,	, -	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,	,
Contracts Payable	2,419,686	5,684,062	1,396,786	742,620	1,201,701
Retained Percentage Due Contractors	112,468	1,092	35,000	43,338	5,077
Accrued Interest on Bonds and Notes	,	107,033	,	,	2,211
Other Liabilities and Special Funds	7,571,812	5,735,937	6,821,168	8,623,437	6,163,026
Reserve for:	,- ,-	-,,	.,. ,	-,, -	-,,-
Amortization	44,253,076	38,381,377	36,667,193	34,977,133	32,377,133
Deferred Amortization	1,133,301	5,960,000	4,056,184	2,829,351	314,351
Fund Balance		2,464			
Total Capital Fund	77,560,158	76,871,413	70,037,101	65,752,488	58,920,797
	\$85,059,607	\$84,252,867	\$77,300,061	\$72,820,524	\$65,296,324

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TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL SEWER UTILITY FUND

Statements of Operations and Changes in Operating Fund Balance--Regulatory Basis

_		For the	Year Ended Jun	e 30,	
_	<u>2025(1)</u>	<u>2024(2)</u>	2023(2)	2022(2)	2021(2)
Revenue Realized:					
Fund Balance Utilized	\$1,536,345	\$1,636,052	\$1,538,633	\$1,351,493	\$1,351,254
Rents	4,332,638	4,217,211	4,316,753	4,266,642	3,909,733
Other Income	463,134	645,918	522,948	924,919	495,585
Sewer Assessment Fund Balance					13,349
Other Credits to Income	747,842	692,360	654,383	642,339	806,938
Total Income	7,079,959	7,191,542	7,032,717	7,185,392	6,576,858
Expenditures and Encumbrances:					
Operating	3,155,959	2,972,714	2,871,288	2,847,493	2,840,254
Debt Service	1,890,912	2,139,759	2,302,394	2,049,590	2,036,173
Pension and Social Security	354,000	368,885	338,316	306,000	310,000
Total Expenditures and Encumbrances	5,400,871	5,481,358	5,511,998	5,203,083	5,186,427
Excess in Revenue	1,679,089	1,710,184	1,520,719	1,982,309	1,390,431
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	6,100,386	6,026,254	6,044,167	5,413,351	5,374,175
	7,779,474	7,736,438	7,564,887	7,395,660	6,764,605
Decreased by:					
Utilized as Revenue _	1,536,345	1,636,052	1,538,633	1,351,493	1,351,254
Fund Balance End of Year	\$6,243,129	\$6,100,386	\$6,026,254	\$6,044,167	\$5,413,351

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TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL

Notes to Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Description of Financial Reporting Entity</u> - The Township of Cherry Hill (hereafter referred to as the "Township") was incorporated as Delaware Township in 1844 and changed its name to Cherry Hill in 1961. It is located approximately ten miles east of the City of Philadelphia, PA. The population according to the 2020 census was 74,553.

The Township has a Mayor-Council form of government known as the Mayor-Council Plan A under the Optional Municipal Charter Law of 1960, popularly known as the Faulkner Act. The Mayor is separately elected. Executive and administrative responsibility rests with the Mayor, who is assisted by the Business Administrator and Township Clerk.

<u>Component Units</u> - The financial statements of the component units of the Township are not presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended. If the provisions of the aforementioned GASB Statement, as amended had been complied with, the financial statements of the following component units would have been either blended or discretely presented with the financial statements of the Township, the primary government:

Cherry Hill Public Library 1100 North Kings Highway Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034

The Library's financial statements are presented as a trust fund in the Township's financial statements in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 15:21-12.4 utilizing the same basis of accounting as the Township.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation - The financial statements of the Township contain all funds and account groups in accordance with the *Requirements of Audit* (the "*Requirements*") as promulgated by the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services. The principles and practices established by the *Requirements* are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Generally, the financial statements are presented using the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and modified accrual basis of accounting with minor exceptions as mandated by these *Requirements*. In addition, the prescribed accounting principles previously referred to differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to local government units. The more significant differences are explained in this note.

In accordance with the *Requirements*, the Township accounts for its financial transactions through the use of separate funds and an account group which are described as follows:

<u>Current Fund</u> - The current fund accounts for resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including federal and state grant funds.

<u>Trust Funds</u> - The various trust funds account for receipts, custodianship, and disbursement of funds in accordance with the purpose for which each reserve was created.

<u>General Capital Fund</u> - The general capital fund accounts for receipt and disbursement of funds for the acquisition of general capital facilities, other than those acquired in the current fund.

<u>Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (Cont'd)</u> - In accordance with the *Requirements*, the Township accounts for its financial transactions through the use of separate funds and an account group which are described as follows (cont'd):

<u>Sewer Utility Operating and Capital Funds</u> - The sewer utility operating and capital funds account for the operations and acquisition of capital facilities of the municipally owned sewer operations.

<u>General Fixed Asset Group of Accounts</u> - The general fixed asset group of accounts is utilized to account for property, land, buildings, and equipment that have been acquired by other governmental funds.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting - The Township must adopt an annual budget for its current, municipal open space, library and sewer utility funds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4 et seq. N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 requires the governing body to introduce and approve the annual municipal budget no later than August 10 of each fiscal year. At introduction, the governing body shall fix the time and place for a public hearing on the budget and must advertise the time and place at least ten days prior to the hearing in a newspaper published and circulating in the municipality. The public hearing must not be held less than twenty-eight days after the date the budget was introduced. After the hearing has been held, the governing body may, by majority vote, adopt the budget or may amend the budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-9. Amendments to adopted budgets, if any, are detailed in the statements of revenues and expenditures.

An extension of the statutory dates for introduction, approval, and adoption of the municipal budget may be granted by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, with the permission of the Local Finance Board.

Budgets are adopted on the same basis of accounting utilized for the preparation of the Township's financial statements.

<u>Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments</u> - Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds and cash on deposit with public depositories. All certificates of deposit are recorded as cash regardless of the date of maturity. Investments are stated at cost; therefore, unrealized gains or losses on investments have not been recorded.

New Jersey municipal units are required by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 to deposit public funds in a bank or trust company having its place of business in the State of New Jersey and organized under the laws of the United States or of the State of New Jersey or in the New Jersey Cash Management Fund. N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 provides a list of investments which may be purchased by New Jersey municipal units. In addition, other State statutes permit investments in obligations issued by local authorities and other state agencies.

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

The cash management plan adopted by the Township requires it to deposit funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Act.

<u>Interfunds</u> - Interfund receivables and payables that arise from transactions between funds are recorded by all funds affected by such transactions in the period in which the transaction is executed. Interfund receivables in the current fund are recorded with offsetting reserves which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the fiscal year the receivables are liquidated. Interfund receivables in the other funds are not offset by reserves.

<u>Inventories of Supplies</u> - The costs of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The costs of inventories are not included on the various statements of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance.

General Fixed Assets - Accounting for governmental fixed assets, as required by N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.6, differs in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In accordance with the regulations, all local units, including municipalities, must maintain a general fixed assets reporting system that establishes and maintains a physical inventory of nonexpendable, tangible property as defined and limited by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget's Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (2 CFR Part 225), except that the useful life of such property is at least five years. The Township has adopted a capitalization threshold of \$5,000.00, the maximum amount allowed by the Uniform Guidance. Generally, assets are valued at historical cost; however, assets acquired prior to December 31, 1985 are valued at actual historical cost or estimated historical cost. No depreciation of general fixed assets is recorded. Donated general fixed assets are recorded at acquisition value as of the date of the transaction. Interest costs relative to the acquisition of general fixed assets are recorded as expenditures when paid. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks and drainage systems are not capitalized. Expenditures for construction in progress are recorded in the capital funds until such time as the construction is completed and put into operation. The Township is required to maintain a subsidiary ledger detailing fixed assets records to control additions, retirements, and transfers of fixed assets. In addition, a statement of general fixed asset group of accounts, reflecting the activity for the year, must be included in the Township's basic financial statements.

The regulations require that general fixed assets, whether constructed or acquired through purchase, grant or gift be included in the aforementioned inventory. In addition, property management standards must be maintained that include accurate records indicating asset description, source, ownership, acquisition cost and date, the percentage of Federal participation (if any), and the location, use, and condition of the asset. Periodically, physical inventories must be taken and reconciled with these records. Lastly, all fixed assets must be adequately controlled to safeguard against loss, damage, or theft.

<u>Utility Fixed Assets</u> - Property and equipment purchased by a utility fund are recorded in the utility capital account at cost and are adjusted for disposition and abandonment. The amounts shown do not represent replacement cost or current value. The reserve for amortization and deferred reserve for amortization accounts in the utility capital fund represent charges to operations for the cost of acquisition of property and equipment, improvements, and contributed capital.

<u>Foreclosed Property</u> - Foreclosed property is recorded in the current fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and is fully reserved. Ordinarily it is the intention of the municipality to resell foreclosed property in order to recover all or a portion of the delinquent taxes or assessments and to return the property to a taxpaying basis. For this reason, the value of foreclosed property has not been included in the general fixed asset group of accounts. If such property is converted to a municipal use, it will be recorded in the general fixed asset group of accounts.

<u>Deferred Charges</u> - The recognition of certain expenditures is deferred to future periods. These expenditures, or deferred charges, are generally overexpenditures of legally adopted budget appropriations or emergency appropriations made in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 et seq. Deferred charges are subsequently raised as items of appropriation in budgets of succeeding fiscal years.

<u>Liens Sold for Other Governmental Units</u> - Liens sold on behalf of other governmental units are not recorded on the records of the tax collector until such liens are collected. Upon their collection, such liens are recorded as a liability due to the governmental unit net of the costs of the initial sale. The related costs of sale are recognized as revenue when received.

<u>Fund Balance</u> - Fund balances included in the current fund, trust library fund, general capital fund and sewer utility operating fund represent amounts available for anticipation as revenue in future fiscal years' budgets, with certain restrictions.

Revenues - Revenues are recorded when received in cash except for certain amounts which are due from other governmental units. Revenue from federal and state grants is realized when anticipated as such in the Township's budget. Receivables for property taxes are recorded with offsetting reserves on the statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance of the Township's current fund; accordingly, such amounts are not recorded as revenue until collected. Other amounts that are due to the Township which are susceptible to accrual are also recorded as receivables with offsetting reserves and recorded as revenue when received.

<u>Property Tax Revenues</u> - Property tax revenues are collected in quarterly installments due February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. The amount of tax levied includes not only the amount required in support of the Township's annual budget, but also the amounts required in support of the budgets of the County of Camden, the Township of Cherry Hill School District and the Township of Cherry Hill Fire District. Unpaid property taxes are subject to tax sale in accordance with the statutes.

<u>School Taxes</u> - The Township is responsible for levying, collecting, and remitting school taxes for the Township of Cherry Hill School District. Operations is charged for the full amount required to be raised from taxation to operate the local school district for the period from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

<u>County Taxes</u> - The municipality is responsible for levying, collecting, and remitting county taxes for the County of Camden. County taxes are determined on a calendar year by the County Board of Taxation based upon the ratables required to be certified to them on January 10 of each year. In municipalities that which operate on a fiscal year (i.e. July 1 - June 30), operations is charged for the full amount of taxes required to be paid during the calendar year 2024 less one-half of the calendar year 2023 taxes, plus one-half of the full amount of taxes required to be paid during 2025. In addition, operations is charged for the County share of added and omitted taxes certified to the County Board of Taxation by October 10 of the current year, and due to be paid to the County by February 15 of the following year.

Fire District Taxes - The municipality is responsible for levying, collecting, and remitting fire district taxes for the Township of Cherry Hill Fire District. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-79, operations is charged for 50.00% of the full amount required to be raised by taxation for 2024 and 50.00% for 2025.

<u>Library Taxes</u> - The municipality is responsible for levying, collecting and remitting library taxes for the Cherry Hill Public Library. The amount of the library tax is a separate local levy tax and is remitted to the Library through the municipal budget.

Reserve for Uncollected Taxes - The inclusion of the "reserve for uncollected taxes" appropriation in the Township's annual budget protects the Township from taxes not paid currently. The reserve, the minimum amount of which is determined on the percentage of collections experienced in the immediately preceding fiscal year, with certain exceptions, is required to provide assurance that cash collected in the current fiscal year will provide sufficient cash flow to meet expected obligations.

Expenditures - Expenditures are recorded on the "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally, expenditures are recorded when paid. However, for charges to amounts appropriated for "other expenses", an amount is encumbered through the issuance of a numerically controlled purchase order or when a contract is executed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.2. When encumbered charges are paid, the amount encumbered is simultaneously liquidated in its original amount. Encumbrances are offset by an account entitled reserve for encumbrances. The reserve is classified as a cash liability under New Jersey municipal accounting. At June 30, this reserve represents the portion of appropriation reserves that has been encumbered and is subject to the same statutory provisions as appropriation reserves.

Appropriations for principal payments on outstanding general capital and utility bonds and notes are provided on the cash basis; interest on general capital indebtedness is on the cash basis, whereas interest on utility indebtedness is on the accrual basis.

<u>Appropriation Reserves</u> - Appropriation reserves covering unexpended appropriation balances are automatically created at fiscal year-end and recorded as liabilities, except for amounts which may be canceled by the governing body. Appropriation reserves are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding fiscal year, to meet specific claims, commitments, or contracts incurred during the preceding fiscal year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as income.

<u>Long-Term Debt</u> - Long-term debt, relative to the acquisition of capital assets, is recorded as a liability in the general capital and utility capital funds. Where an improvement is a "local Improvement", i.e., assessable upon completion, long-term debt associated with that portion of the cost of the improvement to be funded by assessments is transferred to the trust fund upon the confirmation of the assessments or when the improvement is fully and permanently funded.

<u>Compensated Absences and Postemployment Benefits</u> - Compensated absences for paid time off (PTO), sick leave, vacation leave, compensatory time, and certain types of sabbatical leave, and other compensated absences are recorded and provided for in the annual budget in the year in which they are paid, on a pay-as-you-go basis. Likewise, no accrual is made for postemployment benefits, if any, which are also funded on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles

Recently Issued and Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

The Township implemented the following GASB Statement for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025:

Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. As a result of the regulatory basis of accounting previously described in note 1, the implementation of this Statement only impacted financial statement disclosures. There exists no impact on the financial statements of the Township.

Because of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 101, the Township has updated the measurement of compensated absences in accordance with the Statement (note 12).

Note 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

<u>Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits</u> - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Township's deposits might not be recovered. Although the Township does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. requires that governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). Under the Act, the first \$250,000.00 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Public funds owned by the municipality in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA. However, GUDPA does not protect intermingled agency funds such as salary withholdings, bail funds, or funds that may pass to the municipality relative to the happening of a future condition. Such funds are classified as uninsured and uncollateralized.

As of June 30, 2025, the Township's bank balances of \$78,114,703.11 were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Insured by FDIC and GUDPA	\$ 76,694,984.55
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	1,419,718.56
Total	\$ 78,114,703.11

Note 3: INVESTMENTS

New Jersey municipal units are limited as to the types of investments and types of financial institutions they may invest in. N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 provides a list of permissible investments that may be purchased by New Jersey municipal units.

These permissible investments generally include bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America; government money market mutual funds; any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress; bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located; bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs for investment by local units; local government investment pools; deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund; and agreements for the purchase of fully collateralized securities with certain provisions. The Township has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk Related to Investments</u> - For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Township will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party if the counterparty to the transactions fails. Other than the rules and regulations promulgated by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1, the Township has no investment policy to limit its exposure to custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2025, the Township's investments were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Township's name

\$ 1,550,334.51

Note 3: INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)

<u>Custodial Credit Risk Related to Investments (Cont'd)</u> - As of June 30, 2025, the Township had the following investments:

	Weighted		
	Average	Fair Value	
	Days to	Hierarchy	Fair
<u>Investment</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Level</u> *	<u>Value</u>
Money Market Mutual Fund	Daily	Level 1	\$ 1,550,334.51
Money Market Mutual Fund	Daily	Level I	φ 1,000,004.01

- * Level 1 inputs are quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets that the government can access at the measurement date. Observable markets include exchange markets, dealer markets, brokered markets and principal-to-principal markets.
- * Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset, either directly or indirectly. These inputs are derived from or corroborated by observable market data through correlation.
- * Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset; they should be used only when the relevant Level 1 and Level 2 inputs are unavailable.

<u>Interest Rate Risk</u> - Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Other than the rules and regulations promulgated by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1, the Township 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.

<u>Credit Risk</u> - Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligation. As stated in note 1, investments are purchased in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1. Other than the rules and regulations promulgated by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1, the Township has no investment policy that would further limit its exposure to credit risk. As of June 30, 2024, the Township's investments had the following ratings:

	Standard	
Investment	<u>& Poor's</u>	<u>Moody's</u>
Money Market Mutual Fund	AAAm	Not Rated

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u> - Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. Other than the rules and regulations promulgated by N.J.S.A. 18A:20-37, the Township's investment policies place no limit on the amount the Township may invest in any one issuer. As of June 30, 2025, 100.00% of the Township's investments were with the New Jersey Asset & Rebate Management Program with 100.00% invested in a Money Market Mutual Fund.

Note 4: PROPERTY TAXES

The following is a five-year comparison of certain statistical information relative to property taxes and property tax collections for the current and previous four fiscal years:

Comparative Schedule of Tax Rates

	Year Ended December 31, 2025							
		<u> 2025</u>		<u> 2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u> 2022</u>		<u> 2021</u>
Tax Rate	\$	4.701	\$	4.459	\$ 4.202	\$ 4.086	\$	4.099
Apportionment of Tax Rate:								
Municipal	\$	0.632	\$	0.537	\$ 0.537	\$ 0.537	\$	0.537
Municipal Open Space		0.010		0.010	0.010	0.010		0.010
Municipal Library		0.056		0.052	0.044	0.040		0.038
County		0.913		0.932	0.876	0.878		0.896
County Open Space Preservation								
Trust Fund		0.033		0.032	0.027	0.024		0.023
Local School		2.704		2.570	2.403	2.299		2.297
Special District Rates - Fire		0.353		0.326	0.305	0.298		0.298

Assessed Valuation

Calendar <u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2025	\$ 7,936,682,400.00
2024	8,022,988,900.00
2023	8,043,351,361.00
2022	8,022,953,600.00
2021	7,961,383,837.00

Comparison of Tax Levies and Collections

			Percentage of	f Collections
Fiscal <u>Year</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>	Collections	True Rate (1)	Underlying Rate (2)
2025	\$ 372,639,243.98	\$ 372,420,916.46	99.94%	99.55%
2024	348,159,173.09	347,949,006.20	99.94%	99.46%
2023	330,726,217.17	330,429,790.41	99.91%	99.75%
2022	333,830,611.06	332,567,984.25	99.62%	99.39%
2021	327,424,116.23	327,001,793.40	99.87%	99.28%

⁽¹⁾ True Rate includes proceeds from an accelerated tax sale

⁽²⁾ Underlying rate is calculated by excluding the proceeds from the accelerated tax sale

Note 4: PROPERTY TAXES (CONT'D)

The following is a five-year comparison of certain statistical information relative to property taxes and property tax collections for the current and previous four fiscal years (cont'd):

Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Tax Title <u>Liens</u>	Delinquent <u>Taxes</u>	Total <u>Delinquent</u>	Percentage of Tax Levy
2025	\$ 557,270.66	\$ 10,580.61	\$ 567,851.27	0.15%
2024	542,808.91	4,491.06	547,299.97	0.16%
2023	527,055.31	17,143.38	544,198.69	0.16%
2022	514,327.00	38,972.36	553,299.36	0.17%
2021	596,486.24	24,226.90	620,713.14	0.19%

The following comparison is made of the number of tax title liens receivable on June 30 for the current and previous four fiscal years:

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	<u>Number</u>
2025	33
2024	33
2023	36
2022	36
2021	33

Note 5: PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY TAX TITLE LIEN LIQUIDATION

The value of property acquired by liquidation of tax title liens on June 30, on the basis of the last assessed valuation of such properties, for the current and previous four fiscal years was as follows:

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2025	\$ 2,223,077.00
2024	2,223,077.00
2023	2,223,077.00
2022	2,223,077.00
2021	2,223,077.00

Note 6: SEWER UTILITY SERVICE CHARGES

The following is a five-year comparison of sewer utility service charges (rents) for the current and previous four fiscal years:

Fiscal	Balance Beg	inning of Year			Cash
<u>Year</u>	Receivable	<u>Liens</u>	<u>Levy</u>	<u>Total</u>	Collections
2025	\$ 1,146.69	\$ -	\$ 4,333,115.18	\$ 4,334,261.87	\$ 4,332,637.88
2024	1,196.47	-	4,217,161.36	4,317,949.70	4,217,211.14
2023	2,111.30	-	4,315,838.40	4,268,753.05	4,316,753.23
2022	2,066.01	705.64	4,265,981.40	3,912,504.15	4,266,641.75
2021	2,617.39	530.64	3,909,356.12	4,291,579.03	3,909,732.50

Note 7: LEASES RECEIVABLE

The Township, as lessor, has entered into the following leases which meet the requirements of GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*:

<u>Cell Towers Leases</u> - On December 1, 2018, the Township entered into a five-year lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, for the lease of cell towers with options to extend the agreement through December 31, 2048. The terms of the agreement include a fixed monthly payment increasing every five years.

On July 26, 2007, the Township entered into a lease agreement with T-Mobile for the lease of a cell tower. The initial lease agreement was for a term of fifteen years, during which ownership of the property was transferred to the Township, upon which, on March 11, 2010, rent was abated for period of fifteen years (to March 2025), as verified the first lease amendment. The initial lease included options to extend the agreement through March 10, 2040. The terms of the agreement include a fixed monthly payment increasing annually.

Under the provisions of GASB 87, as of June 30, 2025, the balance of the lease's receivable is \$1,066,686.80. As a result of the regulatory basis of accounting previously described in note 1, such balance is not recorded on the Statements of Assets, Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance - Regulatory Basis of the current fund.

The following is a summary of the leases as of June 30, 2025:

Lease Description	Lease <u>Receivable</u>	Lease <u>Revenue</u>	Lease Interest <u>Revenue</u>
Cingular Wireless PCS T-Mobile	\$ 661,282.59 405,404.21	\$ 6,729.00 4,929.60	\$ 26,598.00 4,076.89
	\$1,066,686.80	\$ 11,658.60	\$ 30,674.89

Under the provisions of GASB 87, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Township would have recognized \$11,658.60 in a reduction of lease receivable and \$30,674.89 in interest revenue related to the leases. In addition, \$31,730.48 would have been recognized as both lease revenue and a reduction in deferred inflows of resources related to leases.

As a result of the regulatory basis of accounting previously described in note 1, the rental payments collected of \$45,110.74 were reported as revenue in the current fund.

Note 7: LEASES RECEIVABLE (CONT'D)

<u>Cell Towers Lease (Cont'd)</u> - The following schedule represents the remaining rental payments to be received, through maturity, for the lease:

Fiscal Year	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2026	\$ 12,173.28	\$ 21,153.72	\$ 33,327.00
2027	12,520.10	20,806.90	33,327.00
2028	12,876.82	20,450.18	33,327.00
2029	15,757.90	20,068.64	35,826.54
2030	18,756.64	19,569.44	38,326.08
2031-2035	110,907.32	89,346.34	200,253.66
2036-2040	159,776.98	70,514.54	230,291.52
2041-2045	225,241.11	44,451.76	269,692.87
2046-2049	189,673.50	9,481.13	199,154.63
Total	\$ 757,683.65	\$ 315,842.65	\$1,073,526.30

Note 8: FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED

The following schedules detail the amount of fund balances available at the end of the current fiscal year and four previous fiscal years and the amounts utilized in the subsequent fiscal year's budgets:

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Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Balance June 30,	Utilized in Budget of Succeeding Year	Percentage of Fund <u>Balance Used</u>
2025	\$ 24,377,109.15	(1)	(1)
2024	24,459,671.65	\$ 13,000,259.17	53.15%
2023	25,719,516.41	16,207,858.34	63.02%
2022	29,268,933.82	15,261,128.82	52.14%
2021	33,044,958.77	17,861,686.73	54.05%

Sewer Utility Fund

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Balance June 30,	<u>Su</u>	Utilized in Budget of cceeding Year	Percentage of Fund Balance Used
2025	\$ 6,100,385.66		(1)	(1)
2024	6,100,385.66	\$	1,536,345.25	25.18%
2023	6,026,253.91		1,636,052.23	27.15%
2022	6,044,167.38		1,538,632.62	25.46%
2021	5,413,351.39		1,351,493.00	24.97%

⁽¹⁾ Unavailable - FY2026 Budget not introduced as of date of this report

Note 9: INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

The following interfund balances were recorded on the various statements of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance as of June 30, 2025:

<u>Fund</u>	Interfunds <u>Receivable</u>		Interfunds <u>Payable</u>	
Current	\$	42,784.07		
Federal, State and Other Grant Fund			\$	201,109.50
Trust - Animal Control				81,109.47
Trust - Other		38,325.40		
General Capital		201,109.50		
	\$	282,218.97	\$	282,218.97

The interfund receivables and payables above predominately resulted from collections and payments made by certain funds on behalf of other funds. During the fiscal year 2026, the Township expects to liquidate such interfunds, depending upon the availability of cash flow.

Note 10: PENSION PLANS

A substantial number of the Township's employees participate in one of the following defined benefit pension plans: the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS") and the Police and Firemen's Retirement System ("PFRS"), which are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. In addition, several Township employees participate in the Defined Contribution Retirement Program ("DCRP"), which is a defined contribution pension plan. This Plan is administered by Empower for the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. Each Plan has a Board of Trustees that is primarily responsible for its administration. As a local participation employer of these pension plans, the Township is referred to as "Employer" throughout this note. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about the PERS and PFRS plans' fiduciary net position which can be obtained by writing to or at the following website:

State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295

https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml

General Information about the Pension Plans

Plan Descriptions

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

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Plan Descriptions (Cont'd)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The Police and Firemen's Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, which was established as of July 1, 1944, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:16A. The PFRS' designated purpose is to provide retirement, death, and disability benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the PFRS is mandatory for substantially all full-time police and firemen of the Employer. The PFRS' Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PFRS.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program is a multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund established on July 1, 2007 under the provisions of P.L. 2007, c. 92 and P.L. 2007, c. 103, and expanded under the provisions of P.L. 2008, c. 89 and P.L. 2010, c. 1. The DCRP is a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) § 401(a) et seq., and is a "governmental plan" within the meaning of IRC § 414(d). The DCRP provides retirement benefits for eligible employees and their beneficiaries. Individuals covered under DCRP are state or local officials who are elected or appointed on or after July 1, 2007; employees enrolled in PERS on or after July 1, 2007, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees enrolled in New Jersey State Police Retirement System (SPRS) or the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) after May 21, 2010, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PERS on or after November 2, 2008, who do not earn the minimum annual salary for tier 3 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually; and employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PERS after May 21, 2010 who do not work the minimum number of hours per week required for tiers 4 or 5 enrollment, but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually.

Vesting and Benefit Provisions

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

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
- 4 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 5 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 with 25 years or more of service credit before age 62, and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Vesting and Benefit Provisions (Cont'd)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. The PFRS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after 10 years of service, except disability benefits, which vest after four years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to May 22, 2010
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2% of final compensation for each year of creditable service up to 30 years plus 1% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65% (tiers 1 and 2 members) and 60% (tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2% of final compensation for each year of service.

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

Contributions

Public Employees' Retirement System - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2011, C. 78, the member contribution rate is currently 7.50% of base salary, effective July 1, 2018. The rate for members who are eligible for the Prosecutors Part of PERS (P.L. 2001, C. 366) is 10.0%. Employers' contributions are based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability.

Special Funding Situation Component - Under N.J.S.A. 43:15A, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. One of such legislations, which legally obligate the State, is Chapter 133, P.L. 2001. This legislation increased the accrual rate from 1/60 to 1/55. In addition, it lowered the age required for a veteran benefit equal to 1/55 of highest 12-month compensation for each year of service from 60 to 55. Chapter 133, P.L. 2001 also established the Benefit Enhancement Fund (BEF) to fund the additional annual employer normal contribution due to the State's increased benefits. If the assets in the BEF are insufficient to cover the normal contribution for the increased benefits for a valuation period, the State will pay such amount for both the State and local employers.

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Contributions (Cont'd)

Public Employees' Retirement System (Cont'd) - Special Funding Situation Component (Cont'd) - The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the Plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to disclose in the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation.

The Employer's estimated contractually required contribution rate for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 was 16.34% of the Employer's covered payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, including an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PERS pension billing, the estimated Employer's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 is \$2,154,780.00 and is payable by April 1, 2026. Due to the basis of accounting described in note 1, no liability has been recorded in the financial statements for this amount. Based on the PERS measurement date of June 30, 2024, the Employer's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was \$2,162,594.00, which was paid on April 1, 2025.

Employee contributions to the Plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, were \$1,003,501.84.

The amount of contractually required contribution for the State of New Jersey's proportionate share, associated with the Employer, under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 was .53% of the Employer's covered payroll.

Based on the most recent PERS measurement date of June 30, 2024, the State's contractually required contribution, under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, on-behalf of the Employer, to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was \$69,624.00. For the prior year measurement date of June 30, 2023, the State's contractually required contribution, under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, on-behalf of the Employer, to the pension plan for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$73,978.00.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The contribution policy for PFRS is set by N.J.S.A 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2011, C. 78, the member contribution rate is currently 10.0% of base salary. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's contribution amount is based on an actuarially determined rate, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability.

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Contributions (Cont'd)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (Cont'd) - Special Funding Situation Component - Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation, which legally obligates the State, is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a *special funding situation* as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the Plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to disclose in the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation.

The Employer's estimated contractually required contribution rate for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 was 36.18% of the Employer's covered payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PFRS pension billing, the Employer's estimated contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 is \$5,500,350.00 and is payable by April 1, 2026. Due to the basis of accounting described in note 1, no liability has been recorded in the financial statements for this amount. Based on the PFRS measurement date of June 30, 2024, the Employer's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was \$5,506,475.00, which was paid on April 1, 2025.

Employee contributions to the Plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 were \$1,530,303.50.

The amount of contractually required contribution for the State of New Jersey's proportionate share, associated with the Employer, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 was 6.13% of the Employer's covered payroll.

Based on the most recent PFRS measurement date of June 30, 2024, the State's contractually required contribution, on-behalf of the Employer, to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 was \$932,356.00, and was paid on April 1, 2025. For the prior year measurement date of June 30, 2023, the State's contractually required contribution, on-behalf of the Employer, to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was \$873,941.00, which was paid on April 1, 2025.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-3 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, Plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. In addition to the employee contributions, the Employer contributes 3% of the employees' base salary, for each pay period.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, employee contributions totaled \$59,621.00, and the Employer's contributions, including insurance premiums, were \$42,520.77.

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

Public Employees' Retirement System

Pension Liability – As of June 30, 2025, there is no net pension liability associated with the special funding situation under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, as there was no accumulated difference between the annual additional normal cost and the actual State contribution through the valuation date. The Employer's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability was \$21,595,491.00. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2024. The Employer's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Employer's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. For the June 30, 2024 measurement date, the Employer's proportion was 0.1589300702% which was a decrease of 0.0048413744% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023.

Pension (Benefit) Expense - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Employer's proportionate share of the PERS pension (benefit) expense, calculated by the Plan as of the June 30, 2024 measurement date was \$437,300.00. This (benefit) expense is not recognized by the Employer because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in note 1; however, as previously mentioned, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Employer's contribution to PERS was \$2,162,594.00, and was paid on April 1, 2025.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the State's proportionate share of the PERS pension (benefit) expense, associated with the Employer, under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, calculated by the Plan as of the June 30, 2024 measurement date, was \$69,624.00. This on-behalf (benefit) expense is not recognized by the Employer because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in note 1.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System

Pension Liability - As of June 30, 2025, the Employer's and State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability were as follows:

Township's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	\$ 41,108,692.00
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of Net Pension	
Liability Associated with the Township	8,104,491.00
	\$ 49,213,183.00

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

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (Cont'd)

Pension Liability (Cont'd) - The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2024. The Employer's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Employer's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers and the State of New Jersey, actuarially determined. For the June 30, 2024 measurement date, the Employer's proportion was 0.3980547000%, which was an increase of 0.022693700% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023. At June 30, 2024, the State of New Jersey's proportion, onbehalf of the Employer, was 0.3980854800%, which was an increase of 0.0227211200% from its proportion, on-behalf of the Employer, measured as of June 30, 2023.

Pension (Benefit) Expense - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Employer's proportionate share of the PFRS pension (benefit) expense, calculated by the Plan as of the June 30, 2024 measurement date was \$2,531,731.00. This (benefit) expense is not recognized by the Employer because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in note 1; however, as previously mentioned, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Employer's contribution to PFRS was \$5,506,475.00, and was paid on April 1, 2025.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the State's proportionate share of the PFRS pension (benefit) expense, associated with the Employer, calculated by the Plan as of the June 30, 2024 measurement date, was \$932,357.00. This on-behalf (benefit) expense is not recognized by the Employer because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in note 1.

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources - As of June 30, 2025, the Employer had deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Defe	rred Outflows of Re	sources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
	PERS	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 432,597.00	\$ 2,589,816.00	\$ 3,022,413.00	\$ 57,493.00	\$ 1,407,332.00	\$ 1,464,825.00
Changes of Assumptions	26,828.00	64,985.00	91,813.00	245,707.00	1,207,295.00	1,453,002.00
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	-	-	-	1,001,324.00	321,750.00	1,323,074.00
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Township Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	1,445,255.00	2,424,684.00	3,869,939.00	1,797,344.00	1,413,418.00	3,210,762.00
Township Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	2,154,780.00	5,500,350.00	7,655,130.00	<u>-</u>		
	\$ 4,059,460.00	\$ 10,579,835.00	\$ 14,639,295.00	\$ 3,101,868.00	\$ 4,349,795.00	\$ 7,451,663.00

Deferred outflows of resources in the amounts of \$2,154,780.00 and \$5,500,350.00 for PERS and PFRS, respectively, will be included as a reduction of the net pension liability during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. These amounts were based on the estimated April 1, 2026 contractually required contribution, prorated from the pension plans' measurement date of June 30, 2024 to the Employer's fiscal year end of June 30, 2025.

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

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd) - The Employer will amortize the other deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions over the following number of fiscal years:

	PE	RS	PFRS		
	Deferred Outflows of <u>Resources</u>	Deferred Inflows of <u>Resources</u>	Deferred Outflows of <u>Resources</u>	Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between Expected					
and Actual Experience					
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:					
June 30, 2019	5.21	-	-	5.92	
June 30, 2020	5.16	-	5.90	-	
June 30, 2021	-	5.13	-	6.17	
June 30, 2022	-	5.04	6.22	-	
June 30, 2023	5.08	-	6.16	-	
June 30, 2024	5.08	-	6.09	-	
Changes of Assumptions					
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:					
June 30, 2019	-	5.21	-	5.92	
June 30, 2020	-	5.16	-	5.90	
June 30, 2021	5.13	-	6.17	-	
June 30, 2022	-	5.04	-	6.22	
Difference between Projected					
and Actual Earnings on Pension					
Plan Investments					
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:					
June 30, 2020	5.00	-	5.00	-	
June 30, 2021	-	5.00	-	5.00	
June 30, 2022	5.00	-	5.00	-	
June 30, 2023	-	5.00	-	5.00	
June 30, 2024	-	5.00	-	5.00	
Changes in Proportion					
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:					
June 30, 2019	5.21	5.21	5.92	5.92	
June 30, 2020	5.16	5.16	5.90	5.90	
June 30, 2021	5.13	5.13	6.17	6.17	
June 30, 2022	5.04	5.04	6.22	6.22	
June 30, 2023	5.08	5.08	6.16	6.16	
June 30, 2024	5.08	5.08	6.09	6.09	

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

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd) - Other amounts included as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in future periods as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
2026	\$ (1,104,982.00)	\$ (1,774,464.00)	\$ (2,879,446.00)
2027	1,009,403.00	2,325,561.00	3,334,964.00
2028	(701,684.00)	(405,055.00)	(1,106,739.00)
2029	(394,480.00)	(92,509.00)	(486,989.00)
2030	(5,445.00)	617,702.00	612,257.00
Thereafter		58,455.00	58,455.00
	\$ (1,197,188.00)	\$ 729,690.00	\$ (467,498.00)

Actuarial Assumptions

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2024. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>
Inflation Rate:		
Price	2.75%	2.75%
Wage	3.25%	3.25%
Salary Increases:	2.75% - 6.55%	3.25% - 16.25%
	Based on Years of Service	Based on Years of Service
Investment Date of Dateurs	7.000/	7.000/
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Period of Actuarial Experience		
Study upon which Actuarial		
Assumptions were Based	July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2021	July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2021

Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)

Public Employees' Retirement System

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System

Employee mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Employee amount-weighted mortality table (sex-specific) projected generationally from 2010 with Scale MP-2021 mortality projection. For healthy annuitants, mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Retiree Below Median amount-weighted mortality table (sex-specific), projected generationally from 2010 with Scale MP-2021 mortality projection. Disability rates were 144% of the Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree amount-weighted mortality table for males and 100% of the Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree amount-weighted mortality table for females, projected generationally from 2010 with Scale MP-2021 mortality projection.

For both PERS and PFRS, in accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2024) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension Plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS' and PFRS' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the table that follows:

<u>PERS</u>		Long-Term	<u>PFRS</u>		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real		Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return	Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	28.00%	8.63%	U.S. Large-Cap Equity	24.00%	6.90%
Non-US Developed Markets Equity	12.75%	8.85%	U.S. Small/Mid Cap Equity	4.00%	7.40%
International Small Cap Equity	1.25%	8.85%	Non-U.S. Developed Large-Cap Equity	9.50%	6.70%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.66%	Non-U.S. Developed Small-Cap Equity	2.00%	7.50%
Private Equity	13.00%	12.40%	Emerging Markets Large-Cap Equity	6.00%	9.60%
Real Estate	8.00%	10.95%	Emerging Markets Small-Cap Equity	1.50%	9.60%
Real Assets	3.00%	8.20%	U.S. Treasury Bond	7.00%	4.10%
High Yield	4.50%	6.74%	U.S. Corporate Bond	5.00%	5.90%
Private Credit	8.00%	8.90%	U.S. Mortgage-Backed Securities	5.00%	4.40%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	5.37%	Global Multisector Fixed Income	6.00%	6.50%
Cash Equivalents	2.00%	3.57%	Cash	2.00%	3.40%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	3.57%	Real Estate Core	3.00%	5.10%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	7.10%	Real Estate Non-Core	4.00%	6.50%
			Infrastructure	3.00%	7.00%
	100.00%		Private Debt/Credit	8.00%	9.10%
			Private Equity	10.00%	10.10%
				100.00%	

Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)

Discount Rate - For both PERS and PFRS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2024. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from Plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity would be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the 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 Plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - The following presents the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability as of the June 30, 2024 measurement date, calculated using a discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used:

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	Increase (8.00%)
Township's Proportionate Share			
of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 28,695,098.00	\$ 21,595,491.00	\$ 15,553,764.00

Sensitivity of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate (Cont'd)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) - As previously mentioned, PFRS has a special funding situation, where the State of New Jersey pays a portion of the Employer's annual required contribution. As such, the net pension liability as of the June 30, 2024 measurement date, for the Employer and the State of New Jersey, calculated using a discount rate of 7.00%, as well as using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used, is as follows:

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (<u>8.00%)</u>	
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 58,730,635.00	\$ 41,108,692.00	\$ 26,427,651.00	
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability				
associated with the Township	11,578,619.00	8,104,491.00	5,210,155.00	
	\$ 70,309,254.00	\$ 49,213,183.00	\$ 31,637,806.00	

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension (benefit) expense, information about the respective fiduciary net position of the PERS and PFRS and additions to/deductions from PERS and PFRS' respective fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS and PFRS. Accordingly, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Supplementary Pension Information

In accordance with GASBS 68, the following information is also presented for the PERS and PFRS pension plans. These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirements to show information for 10 years.

Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Last Ten Plan Years)

	Measurement Date Ended June 30,				
	<u>2024</u>	2023	2022	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Township's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.1589300702%	0.1637714446%	0.1691573963%	0.1506730897%	0.1644668146%
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 21,595,491.00	\$ 23,721,269.00	\$ 25,528,180.00	\$ 17,849,486.00	\$ 26,820,236.00
Township's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 12,421,124.00	\$ 12,129,628.00	\$ 12,243,660.00	\$ 10,687,212.00	\$ 11,606,280.00
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	173.86%	195.56%	208.50%	167.02%	231.08%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	68.22%	65.23%	62.91%	70.33%	58.32%
	,	Measure	ment Date Ended	June 30,	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Township's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.1612923031%	0.1583847951%	0.1630197629%	0.1521132065%	0.1462304865%
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 29,062,426.00	\$ 31,185,177.00	\$ 37,948,395.00	\$ 45,051,569.00	\$ 32,825,814.00
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Township's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 29,062,426.00 \$ 11,145,948.00	\$ 31,185,177.00 \$ 10,871,092.00	\$ 37,948,395.00 \$ 11,088,488.00	\$ 45,051,569.00 \$ 10,365,720.00	\$ 32,825,814.00 \$ 10,105,984.00
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Supplementary Pension Information (Cont'd)

Schedule of Contributions - Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Last Ten Fiscal Years)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,			
	2025	2024	<u>2023</u> <u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Township's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 2,154,780.00	\$ 2,162,594.00	\$ 2,188,850.00 \$ 2,133,156.0	0 \$ 1,764,557.00
Township's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	\$ (2,154,780.00)	\$ (2,162,594.00)	<u>\$ (2,188,850.00)</u> <u>\$ (2,133,156.0</u>	0) \$ (1,764,557.00)
Township's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - \$ -	\$ -
Township's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	13,186,381.00	12,677,892.00	12,411,385.00 12,205,912.0	0 11,886,528.00
Township's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	16.34%	17.06%	17.64% 17.48	% 14.85%
		Fisc	cal Year Ended June 30,	
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	2018 2017	<u>2016</u>
Township's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 1,799,184.00	\$ 1,568,899.00	\$ 1,575,417.00 \$ 1,510,204.0	0 \$ 1,351,352.00
Township's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	\$ (1,799,184.00)	(1,568,899.00)) (1,575,417.00) (1,510,204.0	0) (1,351,352.00)
Township's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - \$ -	\$ -
Township's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	11,536,971.00	\$ 11,376,249.00	\$ 11,038,485.00 \$ 10,936,377.0	0 \$ 10,901,675.00
Township's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	15.59%	13.79%	o 14.27% 13.81	% 12.40%

Supplementary Pension Information (Cont'd)

Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Last Ten Plan Years)

	Measurement Date Ended June 30,					
	2024	2023	2022	<u>2021</u>	2020	
Township's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.3980547000%	0.3753643300%	0.3883195600%	0.3868632395%	0.3935417742%	
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 41,108,692.00	\$ 41,473,189.00	\$ 44,448,440.00	\$ 28,276,422.00	\$ 50,850,788.00	
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability associated with the Township	8,104,491.00	7,641,918.00	7,910,519.00	7,952,738.00	7,891,811.00	
Total	\$ 49,213,183.00	\$ 49,115,107.00	\$ 52,358,959.00	\$ 36,229,160.00	\$ 58,742,599.00	
Township's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 14,809,688.00	\$ 13,617,788.00	\$ 13,837,960.00	\$ 13,711,976.00	\$ 13,617,604.00	
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	277.58%	304.55%	321.21%	206.22%	373.42%	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	72.66%	70.16%	68.33%	77.26%	63.52%	
		Measure	ment Date Ended	June 30,		
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	
Township's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.3859126927%	0.3834146398%	0.3860111582%	0.4020984639%	0.3896447944%	
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 47,227,296.00	\$ 51,882,322.00	\$ 59,592,660.00	\$ 76,811,092.00	\$ 64,901,240.00	
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability associated with the Township	7,457,280.00	7,047,355.00	6,674,880.00	6,450,227.00	5,691,521.00	
Total	\$ 54,684,576.00	\$ 58,929,677.00	\$ 66,267,540.00	\$ 83,261,319.00	\$ 70,592,761.00	
Township's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 13,242,776.00	\$ 12,704,584.00	\$ 12,472,680.00	\$ 12,733,756.00	\$ 12,283,612.00	
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	356.63%	408.37%	477.79%	603.21%	528.36%	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	65.00%	62.48%	58.60%	52.01%	56.31%	

Supplementary Pension Information (Cont'd)

Schedule of Contributions - Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Last Ten Fiscal Years)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,				
	<u>2025</u>	2024	2023	2022	<u>2021</u>
Township's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 5,500,350.00	\$ 5,506,475.00	\$ 4,996,854.00	\$ 5,050,303.00	\$ 4,508,753.00
Township's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(5,500,350.00	(5,506,475.00)	(4,996,854.00)	(5,050,303.00)	(4,508,753.00)
Township's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Township's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	\$ 15,203,030.00	\$ 15,027,278.00	\$ 14,388,766.00	\$ 13,618,746.00	\$ 13,863,207.00
Township's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	36.189	6 36.64%	34.73%	37.08%	32.52%
		Fisca	al Year Ended June	e 30,	
	2020	2019			
		2019	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Township's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 4,396,534.00		2018 \$ 3,748,443.00	2017 \$ 3,416,270.00	2016 \$ 3,278,472.00
Township's Contractually Required Contribution Township's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		\$ 3,898,145.00			
Township's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually	\$ 4,396,534.00	\$ 3,898,145.00	\$ 3,748,443.00	\$ 3,416,270.00	\$ 3,278,472.00
Township's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 4,396,534.00	\$ 3,898,145.00 (3,898,145.00) \$ -	\$ 3,748,443.00	\$ 3,416,270.00	\$ 3,278,472.00

Supplementary Pension Information (Cont'd)

Other Notes to Supplementary Pension Information

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Changes in Benefit Terms

Chapter 249, P.L. 2023 extends provisions of Chapter 498, P.L. 2021 for calendar years 2023 or 2024 to allow for a temporary return to employment by a former employee of the Legislature after retirement from PERS.

Changes in Assumptions

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

Discount Rate			Long-t	term Expect	ed Rate of	Return	
<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	Rate	<u>Year</u>	Rate
2024	7.00%	2019	6.28%	2024	7.00%	2019	7.00%
2023	7.00%	2018	5.66%	2023	7.00%	2018	7.00%
2022	7.00%	2017	5.00%	2022	7.00%	2017	7.00%
2021	7.00%	2016	3.98%	2021	7.00%	2016	7.65%
2020	7.00%	2015	4.90%	2020	7.00%	2015	7.90%

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Changes in Benefit Terms

None

Changes in Assumptions

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

Discount Rate				Long-term Expected Rate of Return			
Year	Rate	Year	Rate	Year	Rate	Year	Rate
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2024	7.00%	2019	6.85%	2024	7.00%	2019	7.00%
2023	7.00%	2018	6.51%	2023	7.00%	2018	7.00%
2022	7.00%	2017	6.14%	2022	7.00%	2017	7.00%
2021	7.00%	2016	5.55%	2021	7.00%	2016	7.65%
2020	7.00%	2015	5.79%	2020	7.00%	2015	7.90%

Note 11: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> - The Township provides certain medical and dental benefits for retired employees through a single-employer plan, where such benefits are established and amended by various union contracts, separate employee agreements and Township policies.

The Township's defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan, the Cherry Hill Township Postemployment Benefits Plan (the "Township Plan"), provides OPEB for partial payment of retired employees' dental coverage until the retiree is eligible for Medicare benefits at age 65. The Township Plan is not administered through a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of the GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits other than Pensions. The retired employee has a choice of dental plans based on union contracts. The plans are administered by the Township; therefore, premium payments are made directly by the Township to the insurance carriers. A few employees have separate agreements for full subsidized health insurance plans for an agreed upon number of years. The Township Plan does not issue a separate financial report.

<u>Benefits Provided</u> - Employees become eligible for retirement benefits based on having twenty-five (25) years of service with the Township. The Township will generally contribute 50% of the premiums for both individual and dependent coverage, up to a maximum of \$15,000.00 per year. Certain current retirees have different subsidies apply. The Township's policy is to contribute the current annual premium (net of employee contributions) for all retired participants.

<u>Employees Covered by Benefit Terms</u> - As of June 30, 2024, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive Employees or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefit Payments	20
Active Employees	313
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	333

Total OPEB Liability

The Township's total OPEB liability of \$7,993,353.00 was measured as of June 30, 2025 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2024.

<u>Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs</u> - The following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Valuation Date	6/30/24 (6/30/2023 census)		
Actuarial Funding Method	Entry Age Normal, level % pay		
Asset Valuation Method	Market Value		
Inflation Rate	3% per annum.		
Healthcare Cost Trend Rates	7% decreasing to 4.5% ultimate		
Salary Increases	3% per annum (for EAN)		
Retirement Age	Rates from age 55 or 25 years		
Mortality	PUB-2010 mortality table with MP-2021		
	projection.		
Withdrawal	Sarasson T-5 Table		

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN (CONT'D)

Total OPEB Liability (Cont'd)

<u>Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs (Cont'd)</u> - The following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Discount Rate	4.21% per annum (for FYE 2025 Expense)
	4.81% per annum (for FYE 2025 Disclosures)
Investment rate of return	Same as Discount Rate
Amortization Basis - Experience	Expected Future Working Lifetime of the whole
	group
Amortization Basis - Assumption	Expected Future Working Lifetime of the whole
Changes	group

The discount rate was based on the S&P Municipal Bond 20 year High Grade Bond index rate.

100% of eligible retirees are expected to participate.

Changes in Total OPEB Liability

Balance at June 30, 2024			\$	7,361,727.00
Changes for the Year:				
Service Cost	\$ 2	226,868.00		
Interest Cost	;	315,745.00		
Benefit Payments	(177,427.00)		
Changes in Assumptions	(4	408,583.00)		
Changes in Benefit Terms		-		
Difference between Expected and				
Actual Experience		675,023.00		
Net Changes				631,626.00
Balance at June 30, 2025			\$_	7,993,353.00

For the valuation of the liability as of June 30, 2025, the liability only includes dental coverage paid by the Township. Medical and prescription drug coverage paid by the Township in prior fiscal years is currently provided under the New Jersy State Health Benefits Program.

Changes in assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 4.21% at June 30, 2024 to 4.81% at June 30, 2025.

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN (CONT'D)

Total OPEB Liability (Cont'd)

<u>Sensitivity of Total OPEB Liability to Changes in Discount Rate</u> - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Township as of June 30, 2025, as well as what the Township's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated for using a discount rate that is 1-percentage -point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current discount rate:

	June 30, 2025						
	1.00% Decrease (3.81%)	Current Discount Rate (4.81%)	1.00% Increase <u>(5.81%)</u>				
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 8,706,027.00	\$ 7,993,353.00	\$ 7,347,289.00				

<u>Sensitivity of Total OPEB Liability to Changes in Current Healthcare Cost Trend Rates</u> - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Township as of June 30, 2025, as well as what the Township's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	June 30, 2025					
	1% Decrease (6.0% decreasing to 3.5%))	Current Healthcare Cost Trend Rates (7.0% decreasing to 4.5%))	1% Increase (8.0% decreasing to 5.5%))			
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 7,957,277.00	\$ 7,993,353.00	\$ 8,034,753.00			

OPEB (Benefit) Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Township recognized OPEB (benefit) expense of (\$314,133.00). As of June 30, 2025, the Township reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in Assumptions	\$ 752,389.00	\$ (2,755,191.00)
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	1,468,734.00	(3,881,669.00)
	\$ 2,221,123.00	\$ (6,636,860.00)

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN (CONT'D)

OPEB (Benefit) Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Cont'd) - Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB (benefit) expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,

2026	\$ (856,746.00)
2027	(856,746.00)
2028	(856,746.00)
2029	(856,741.00)
2030	(640,137.00)
Thereafter	(348,621.00)

\$ (4,415,737.00)

Supplementary OPEB Information

In accordance with GASB No. 75, the following information is also presented for the Township's OPEB Plan. These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirements to show information for 10 years; however, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will only include information for those years for which information is available.

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN (CONT'D)

Other Notes to Supplementary OPEB Information

Schedule of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios (Last Eight Plan Years)

	Plan Measurement Date June 30,							
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2022</u>				
Total OPEB Liability								
Service Cost Interest Cost Benefit Payments Benefit Term Changes Actuarial Assumption Changes Actuarial Experience Gains	\$ 226,868.00 315,745.00 (177,427.00) - (408,583.00) 675,023.00	\$ 11,999.00 2,494.00 (384,078.00) 7,122,552.00 (47,859.00) 404,184.00	\$ 13,064.00 11,376.00 (12,312.00) (21,613,950.00) (43,672.00) (322.00)	\$ 1,287,221.00 561,888.00 (402,792.00) - (3,876,115.00) (1,648,045.00)				
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	631,626.00	7,109,292.00	(21,645,816.00)	(4,077,843.00)				
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning of Fiscal Year	7,361,727.00	252,435.00	21,898,251.00	25,976,094.00				
Total OPEB Liability - End of Fiscal Year	\$ 7,993,353.00	\$ 7,361,727.00	\$ 252,435.00	\$ 21,898,251.00				
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 28,311,880.00	\$ 27,508,090.00	\$ 26,767,100.00	\$ 25,457,540.00				
Total OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	28.23%	26.76%	0.94%	86.02%				
		Plan Measureme	nt Date June 30,					
	2021	Plan Measureme	ont Date June 30, 2019	<u>2018</u>				
Total OPEB Liability	2021		•	<u>2018</u>				
Service Cost Interest Cost Benefit Payments Benefit Term Changes	\$ 1,119,782.00 722,238.00 (424,567.00)	2020 \$ 1,046,832.00 685,172.00 (455,627.00)	\$ 960,232.00 764,948.00 (451,932.00)	\$ 966,898.00 725,362.00 (601,276.00)				
Service Cost Interest Cost Benefit Payments	\$ 1,119,782.00 722,238.00	2020 \$ 1,046,832.00 685,172.00	2019 \$ 960,232.00 764,948.00	\$ 966,898.00 725,362.00				
Service Cost Interest Cost Benefit Payments Benefit Term Changes Actuarial Assumption Changes	\$ 1,119,782.00 722,238.00 (424,567.00) - 972,566.00	\$ 1,046,832.00 685,172.00 (455,627.00) - 283,574.00	\$ 960,232.00 764,948.00 (451,932.00) - 377,315.00	\$ 966,898.00 725,362.00 (601,276.00)				
Service Cost Interest Cost Benefit Payments Benefit Term Changes Actuarial Assumption Changes Actuarial Experience Gains	\$ 1,119,782.00 722,238.00 (424,567.00) - 972,566.00 (3,778,026.00)	\$ 1,046,832.00 685,172.00 (455,627.00) - 283,574.00 1,018,193.00	\$ 960,232.00 764,948.00 (451,932.00) - 377,315.00 (2,759,954.00)	\$ 966,898.00 725,362.00 (601,276.00) - 162,730.00				
Service Cost Interest Cost Benefit Payments Benefit Term Changes Actuarial Assumption Changes Actuarial Experience Gains Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	\$ 1,119,782.00 722,238.00 (424,567.00) - 972,566.00 (3,778,026.00) (1,388,007.00)	\$ 1,046,832.00 685,172.00 (455,627.00) - 283,574.00 1,018,193.00 2,578,144.00	\$ 960,232.00 764,948.00 (451,932.00) - 377,315.00 (2,759,954.00) (1,109,391.00)	\$ 966,898.00 725,362.00 (601,276.00) - 162,730.00 1,253,714.00				
Service Cost Interest Cost Benefit Payments Benefit Term Changes Actuarial Assumption Changes Actuarial Experience Gains Net Change in Total OPEB Liability Total OPEB Liability - Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$ 1,119,782.00 722,238.00 (424,567.00) - 972,566.00 (3,778,026.00) (1,388,007.00) 27,364,101.00	\$ 1,046,832.00 685,172.00 (455,627.00) - 283,574.00 1,018,193.00 2,578,144.00 24,785,957.00	\$ 960,232.00 764,948.00 (451,932.00) - 377,315.00 (2,759,954.00) (1,109,391.00) 25,895,348.00	\$ 966,898.00 725,362.00 (601,276.00) - 162,730.00 1,253,714.00 24,641,634.00				

Changes in Benefit Terms

There was no change in benefit terms for the year ending June 30, 2025. The changes in benefit terms for the fiscal years ending June 30 2024 and 2023 were as a result of the Township's change in health plans.

TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN (CONT'D)

Other Notes to Supplementary OPEB Information (Cont'd)

Changes in Assumptions

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

<u>Year</u>	Rate	<u>Rate</u>	
2025	4.81%	2021	2.18%
2024	4.21%	2020	2.66%
2023	4.13%	2019	2.79%
2022	4.09%	2018	2.98%

STATE HEALTH BENEFITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN

General Information about the State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan

Plan Description and Benefits Provided - In the prior year, the Township participated in the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) for purposes of GASB Statement No. 75 reporting. Effective January 1, 2024, the Township ceased participation in the SHBP and no longer contributes to the Plan. As a result, the Township no longer reports a proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability. However, the State of New Jersey (the "State") continues to provide postemployment benefits to certain Township retirees and their dependents under a special funding situation as described below.

The State, on-behalf of the Township, contributes to the State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the "Plan"), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit ("OPEB") plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. The Plan meets the definition of an equivalent arrangement as defined in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* (GASB Statement No. 75); therefore, assets are accumulated to pay associated benefits. For additional information about the Plan, please refer to the State of New Jersey (the "State"), Division of Pensions and Benefits' (the "Division") annual financial statements, which can be found at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml. As a local participating employer of the Plan, the Township is referred to as "Employer" throughout this note.

The Plan provides medical and prescription drug to retirees and their covered dependents of the participating employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees. Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retired with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retired and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer. Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations agreement.

STATE HEALTH BENEFITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

General Information about the State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan

Plan Description and Benefits Provided - In accordance with Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, which is codified in N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32i, the State provides medical and prescription coverage to local police officers and firefighters, who retire with 25 years of service or on a disability from an employer who does not provide postretirement medical coverage. Local employers were required to file a resolution with the Division in order for their employees to qualify for State-paid retiree health benefits coverage under Chapter 330. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L.1989.

Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

Special Funding Situation Component - The State of New Jersey makes contributions to cover those employees eligible under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997. Local employers remit employer contributions on a monthly basis. Retired member contributions are generally received on a monthly basis. Partially funded benefits are also available to local police officers and firefighters who retire with 25 years of service or on disability from an employer who does not provide coverage under the provisions of Chapter 330, P.L. 1997. Upon retirement, these individuals must enroll in the OPEB Plan.

Under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, the State shall pay the premium or periodic charges for the qualified local police and firefighter retirees and dependents equal to 80% of the premium or periodic charge for the category of coverage elected by the qualified retiree under the State managed care plan or a health maintenance organization participating in the program providing the lowest premium or periodic charge. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L.1989.

Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the Plan, there is no net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that is associated with the local participating employer. The participating employer is required to disclose in their respective notes to the financial statements, an expense and corresponding revenue, and their proportionate share of the OPEB expense allocated to the State under the special funding situation.

The amount of actual contributions to the OPEB Plan made by the State, on-behalf of the Employer, is not known; however, under the special funding situation, the State's OPEB expense, on-behalf of the Employer, is \$(3,172,136.00) for the year ended June 30, 2024, representing -20.87% of the Employer's covered payroll.

STATE HEALTH BENEFITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

OPEB Liability

OPEB Liability - At June 30.2024, the State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the Employer was \$32,741,892.00. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024.

The State's proportion of the net OPEB liability, associated with the Employer, was based on the ratio of the Plan members of an individual employer to the total members of the Plan's special funding situation during the measurement period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. For the June 30, 2024 measurement date, the State's proportion on-behalf of the Employer was .836820%, which was an increase of .648889% from its proportion measured as of the June 30, 2023 measurement date.

Actuarial Assumptions

The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan in which the member is enrolled. The actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024, used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Salary Increases:

PFRS - Rates for all future years

3.25% to 16.25% based on years of service

Mortality:

PFRS - Pub-2010 Safety classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021

Actuarial assumptions used in the valuation were based on the results of the PFRS experience study prepared for July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

100% of active members are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement.

All of the Plan's investments are in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund (the "CMF"). The New Jersey Division of Investments manages the CMF, which is available on a voluntary basis for investment by State and certain non-State participants. The CMF is considered to be an investment trust fund as defined in GASB Statement No. 31, Certain Investments and External Investment Pools. The CMF invests in U.S. government and agency obligations, commercial paper, corporate obligations and certificates of deposit. Units of ownership in the CMF may be purchased or redeemed on any given business day (excluding State holidays) are the unit cost of value of \$1.00. Participant shares are valued on a fair value basis. The CMF pay interest to participants on a monthly basis.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the OPEB liability at June 30, 2024 was 3.93%. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the State. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

Note 11: <u>POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS (CONT'D)</u> <u>STATE HEALTH BENEFITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)</u> <u>Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)</u>

Discount Rate (Cont'd) - The health care trend assumptions used is as follows:

	Annual Rate of Increase								
		Medical Tre	Prescri	ption Drug	j Trend				
Fiscal Year Ending	<u>Pre-65</u>	PPO Post-65	HMO Post-65	<u>Pre-65</u>	Post-65	<u>EGWP</u>			
2025	7.50%	2.42%	2.25%	12.75%	12.25%	21.78%			
2026	7.00%	19.38%	20.15%	12.25%	11.75%	10.92%			
2027	6.50%	22.62%	23.58%	11.25%	10.75%	8.19%			
2028	6.00%	14.93%	15.47%	10.00%	9.75%	9.79%			
2029	5.50%	12.87%	13.31%	9.00%	9.00%	8.92%			
2030	5.25%	11.35%	11.71%	8.00%	8.00%	5.74%			
2031	5.00%	10.16%	10.46%	7.00%	7.00%	4.87%			
2032	4.75%	9.18%	9.44%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%			
2023	4.50%	6.54%	6.65%	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%			
2034 and Later	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%			

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The net OPEB liability, calculated using a discount rate of 3.93%, as well as using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rate used, is as follows:

	1% Decrease (2.93%)	[Current Discount Rate (3.93%)	1% Increase (4.93%)
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the Employer	\$ 47,537,784.00	\$	40,808,740.00	\$ 35,419,374.00

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rate

The net OPEB liability, using a healthcare cost trend rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate used, is as follows:

	1% Decrease	He	ealthcare Cost Trend Rate	1% Increase
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the Employer	\$ 34,515,864.00	\$	40,808,740.00	\$ 48,899,610.00

STATE HEALTH BENEFITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB (benefit) expense, information about the respective fiduciary net position of the State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan and additions to/deductions from the Plan's respective fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Plan. Accordingly, contributions (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Supplementary OPEB Information

In accordance with GASBS No. 75, the following information is also presented for the State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan. These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirements to show information for 10 years; however, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will only include information for those years for which information is available.

STATE HEALTH BENEFITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

Supplementary OPEB Information (Cont'd)

Schedule of the State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the Employer (Last Eight Plan Years)

		Measurement Dat	te Ended June 30,	
	2024	2023	2022	<u>2021 (a)</u>
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the Employer	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the Employer	32,741,892.00	6,557,088.00	6,361,790.00	36,748,389.00
Total	\$ 32,741,892.00	\$ 6,557,088.00	\$ 6,361,790.00	\$ 36,748,389.00
Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 15,027,278.00	\$ 14,388,766.00	\$ 13,618,746.00	\$ 13,863,207.00
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	217.88%	45.57%	46.71%	265.08%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	-0.89%	-0.79%	-0.36%	0.28%
		Measurement Dat	te Ended June 30,	
	2020	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the Employer	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the Employer	34,625,594.00	26,319,993.00	31,051,699.00	43,734,798.00
Total	\$ 34,625,594.00	\$ 26,319,993.00	\$ 31,051,699.00	\$ 43,734,798.00
Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 13,493,509.00	\$ 13,278,494.00	\$ 13,115,361.80	\$ 12,686,657.00
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	256.61%	198.22%	236.76%	344.73%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	0.91%	1.98%	1.97%	1.03%

(a) The Proportionate Share of the June 30, 2021 Net OPEB Liability was adjusted within the June 30, 2022 Plan Audit.

STATE HEALTH BENEFITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETIRED EMPLOYEES PLAN (CONT'D)

Supplementary OPEB Information (Cont'd)

Other Notes to Supplementary OPEB Information

Changes in Benefit Terms - The actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024, included changes due to employers adopting and /or changing Chapter 48 provisions.

Changes in Assumptions - The discount rate used as of the June 30 measurement date is as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2024	3.93%	2020	2.21%
2023	3.65%	2019	3.50%
2022	3.54%	2018	3.87%
2021	2.16%	2017	3.58%

The expected investment rate of return is based on guidance provided by the State. These expected rates of return are the same as the discount rates listed above.

In addition to changes in the discount rate, other factors that affected the valuation of the net OPEB liability included changes in the trend update.

There were no changes to mortality projections.

Note 12: COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Township employees are entitled to receive payment for current year's vacation and personal days upon termination of employment. Generally, such time cannot be carried over to the following year without the written consent of the Mayor.

Police personnel employed prior to 1987 are entitled to payment for accumulated sick leave after retirement in accordance with individual and union contracts. The Township does not record accrued expenses related to compensated absences. However, it is estimated that, at June 30, 2025, accrued benefits for such compensated absences are valued at \$11,035,281.37.

Note 13: DEFERRED COMPENSATION SALARY ACCOUNT

The Township offers its employees a deferred compensation plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457, which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services. The Plan, available to all full time employees at their option, permits employees to defer a portion of their salary to future years. The deferred compensation is not available to participants until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency.

Amounts deferred under Section 457 plans must be held in trust for the exclusive benefit of participating employees and not be accessible by the Township or its creditors. Since the Township does not have a fiduciary relationship with the Plan, the balances and activities of the Plan are not reported in the Township's financial statements.

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT

General Obligation Bonds

General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017 - On March 23, 2017, the Township issued \$2,510,000.00 in General Improvement Bonds, with interest rates ranging from 3.0% to 4.0%, to provide funds to permanently finance the cost of two synthetic turf multi-use recreational fields at Cherry Hill High School East and Cherry Hill High School West and to pay certain costs and expenses incurred in connection with the authorization, sale and issuance of the Bonds. The final maturity of the bonds is February 15, 2027. Pursuant to a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Cherry Hill Board of Education, the Township entered into a debt service agreement with the Board of Education that requires the Board of Education to fund fifty percent (50%) of the Township's debt obligation for these bonds on an annual basis.

General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018 - On October 11, 2018, the Township issued \$40,811,000.00 in General Obligation Bonds, consisting of \$34,529,000.00 General Improvement Bonds and \$6,282,000.00 Sewer Utility Bonds, with interest rates ranging from 2.000% to 3.625%, to permanently finance various capital projects. The final maturity of the bonds is August 15, 2039.

General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022 - On March 3, 2022, the Township issued \$14,170,000.00 in General Obligation Refunding Bonds, with an interest rate of 5.0%, consisting of \$8,920,000.00 General Improvement Refunding Bonds and \$5,250,000.00 Sewer Utility Refunding Bonds, to advance refund \$17,685,000.00 outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012, with interest rates ranging from 2.0% to 2.625%. The final maturity of the bonds is May 1, 2032.

General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023 - On October 20, 2023, the Township issued \$49,040,000.00 in General Obligation Bonds, consisting of \$38,230,000.00 General Capital Improvement Bonds and \$10,810,000.00 Sewer Capital Improvement Bonds, with an interest rate of 4.0%. The proceeds of the General Obligation Bonds were used by the Township to currently refund the Township's \$34,298,785.00 Bond Anticipation Notes, dated and issued on October 24, 2022 and maturing on October 23, 2023, to provide \$15,888,215.00 in new money to finance various capital improvements and to provide funds for the costs incurred in connection with the authorization, sale and issuance of the Bonds. The final maturity of the bonds is July 15, 2043.

The following schedules represent the remaining debt service, through maturity, for general obligation bonds:

Fiscal	General Improvements					
<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>			
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2026	\$ 9,285,000.00	\$ 1,955,850.00	\$ 11,240,850.00			
2027	9,405,000.00	1,616,000.00	11,021,000.00			
2028	8,150,000.00	1,251,050.00	9,401,050.00			
2029	4,700,000.00	1,018,000.00	5,718,000.00			
2030	4,700,000.00	830,000.00	5,530,000.00			
2031-2032	18,400,000.00	1,472,000.00	19,872,000.00			
	\$ 54,640,000.00	\$ 8,142,900.00	\$ 62,782,900.00			

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT (CONT'D)

General Obligation Bonds (Cont'd)

The following schedules represent the remaining debt service, through maturity, for general obligation bonds (cont'd):

Fiscal	Sewer Utility Improvements						
<u>Year</u>	Principal			<u>Interest</u>		Total	
2026	\$	1,170,000.00		\$	763,162.50	\$ 1,933,162.50	
2027		1,205,000.00			713,937.50	1,918,937.50	
2028		1,140,000.00			664,962.50	1,804,962.50	
2029		1,170,000.00			616,487.50	1,786,487.50	
2030		1,225,000.00			566,237.50	1,791,237.50	
2031-2035		5,417,000.00			2,060,630.59	7,477,630.59	
2036-2040		5,150,000.00			1,065,049.24	6,215,049.24	
2041-2044		2,800,000.00			224,000.00	3,024,000.00	
	\$	19,277,000.00		\$	6,674,467.33	\$ 25,951,467.33	

General Debt - New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Loans

On November 10, 2005, the Township entered into a loan agreement with the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust to provide \$1,500,000.00, at no interest, from the fund loan, and \$535,000.00 at interest rates ranging from 4.0% to 5.0% from the trust loan. The proceeds were used to acquire property known as Bridge Hollow for the purpose of preserving open space and recreational purposes. Semiannual debt payments are due February 1st and August 1st through 2025.

On November 8, 2007, the Township entered into a loan agreement with the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust to provide \$3,032,348.00, at no interest, from the fund loan, and \$1,075,000.00 at interest rates ranging from 3.4% to 5.0% from the trust loan. The proceeds were used to acquire property known as Briar and Browning Lanes property for the purpose of preserving open space and recreational purposes. Semiannual debt payments are due February 1st and August 1st through 2027.

The following schedule represents the remaining debt service, through maturity, for the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure loans:

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	Interest	<u>Total</u>
2026	\$ 330,451.02	\$ 9,480.30	\$ 339,931.32
2027	226,752.93	5,325.00	232,077.93
2028	220,354.82	1,775.00	222,129.82
	\$ 777,558.77	\$ 16,580.30	\$ 794,139.07

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT (CONT'D)

Summary of Debt

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,					
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	2023			
Issued						
General:						
Bonds, Loans and Notes Sewer Utility:	\$ 69,867,400.77	\$ 64,924,157.76	\$ 65,065,196.48			
Bonds and Notes	21,363,087.00	20,322,000.00	19,245,351.00			
Total Issued	91,230,487.77	85,246,157.76	84,310,547.48			
Authorized but not Issued						
General:						
Bonds and Notes Sewer Utility:	35,479,941.57	35,370,492.57	35,440,601.57			
Bonds and Notes	8,529,600.00	5,502,437.00	4,677,086.00			
Total Authorized but not Issued	44,009,541.57	40,872,929.57	40,117,687.57			
Total Issued and Authorized						
but not Issued	135,240,029.34	126,119,087.33	124,428,235.05			
<u>Deductions</u>						
General:						
Reserve for Payment of Bonds/Notes Sewer Utility:	112,130.76		430,918.17			
Self-Liquidating	29,892,687.00	25,824,437.00	23,922,437.00			
Total Deductions	30,004,817.76	25,824,437.00	24,353,355.17			
Net Debt	\$ 105,235,211.58	\$ 100,294,650.33	\$ 100,074,879.88			

Summary of Statutory Debt Condition - Annual Debt Statement

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the annual debt statement and indicated a statutory net debt of .868%.

	Gross Debt	<u>Deductions</u>	Net Debt
School Purposes	\$ 270,750,000.00	\$ 270,750,000.00	
Sewer Utility	29,892,687.00	29,892,687.00	
General	105,347,342.34	112,130.76	\$ 105,235,211.58
	\$ 405,990,029.34	\$ 300,754,817.76	\$ 105,235,211.58

Net debt \$105,235,211.58 divided by the equalized valuation basis per N.J.S.A.40A:2-2, as amended, \$12,124,900,006.00, equals .868%.

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT (CONT'D)

Borrowing Power Under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6 as Amended

3 1/2% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal) \$ 424,371,500.21 Less: Net Debt 105,235,211.58

Remaining Borrowing Power \$ 319,136,288.63

Calculation of "Self-Liquidating Purpose," Sewer Utility Per N.J.S.A. 40:2-45

Cash Receipts from Fees, Rents, Fund Balance Anticipated, Interest and Other Investment Income, and Other Charges for the Year

\$ 6,332,117.40

Deductions:

Operating and Maintenance Costs \$ 3,509,959.00 Debt Service \$ 1,890,911.62

Total Deductions 5,400,870.62

Excess in Revenue \$ 931,246.78

Note 15: DEFERRED CHARGES TO BE RAISED IN SUCCEEDING BUDGETS

Certain expenditures are required to be deferred to budgets of succeeding fiscal years. At June 30, 2025, the following deferred charge is shown on the statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance of the following fund:

Description Balance
June 30, 2024

Animal Control Trust Fund:

Deficit in Reserve for Animal Control

Fund Expenditures \$ 81,169.09

Note 16: RISK MANAGEMENT

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

<u>Property and Liability Insurance</u> - The Township maintains coverage for protection against such losses through a combination of commercial insurance, participation in the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and self-insurance.

Note 16: RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance - The Township has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Contributory Method." Under this method, the Township is required to annually appropriate funds to pay the projected costs of contributions at the rate determined by the Commissioner of Labor. The Township's expense for these benefits for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2025 and June 30, 2024 was \$81,199.83 and \$73,992.54, respectively.

<u>Joint Insurance Pool</u> - The Township is a member of the Camden County Joint Municipal Insurance Fund, a public entity risk pool currently serving several municipalities, a county authority and a fire district, all within the State of New Jersey. In conjunction with the Camden County Joint Municipal Insurance Fund, excess coverages are maintained through the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund, also a public entity risk pool, serving multiple joint insurance funds. Coverages are provided by the Funds for theft, crime, surety, public official's liability, employment practices liability, general liability, property, flood, law enforcement, automobile insurance, worker's compensation claims, environmental claims and boiler and machinery.

Contributions to each Fund, including reserves for contingencies, are payable in two installments and are based on assumptions determined by each Funds' actuaries. The Commissioner of Insurance of the State of New Jersey may order additional assessments imposed on each member to supplement each Funds' claim, loss retention or administrative accounts to assure the payment of each Funds' obligations. The Funds publish their own financial reports for the year ended December 31, 2024, which may be obtained from:

Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund 9 Campus Drive, Suite 216 Parsippany, NJ 07054 https://camdenmunicpaljif.org/

Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund 9 Campus Drive, Suite 216 Parsippany, NJ 07054 https://njmel.org/

<u>Self-Insurance Plan</u> - The Township maintains self-insurance fund reserves in the Trust Other Fund for worker's compensation claims and property and general liability claims. As of June 30, 2025, the reserve for Worker's Compensation was \$478,836.36 and the Reserve for Property Insurance was \$898,640.87. The estimated filed and unpaid claims as of fiscal year end were estimated at \$344,848.68 and \$68,049.59, respectively. Any funds required for claims in excess of the amounts available at June 30, 2025 will be paid and charged to fiscal year 2026 or future budgets.

Under the self-insurance plans, the Township provides for worker's compensation claims up to \$50,000.00 per accident. Property claims hold a \$2,500.00 per accident deductible while General Liability claims have no deductible. Public Officials/Employment Liability claims hold a \$20,000.00 deductible along with a coinsurance of 20% for the first \$250,000.00 per claim.

Commercial insurance is maintained for employee medical claims.

Settled claims have not exceeded the amounts in the self-insurance reserves and/or the amount of commercial coverage and have not resulted in an added assessment from the joint insurance fund in the past three fiscal years.

Note 17: HOUSING AND REHABILITATION LOANS RECEIVABLE

The Township has an ongoing program to loan low and moderate income homeowners' funds from the Federal Community Development Block Grant Program and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

The amount of loans receivable for the Federal Community Development Block Grant program as of June 30, 2025 is \$1,094,334.49 and the amount of loans receivable for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund is \$117,142.02. Proceeds from the repayment of the loans are restricted to be used for Community Development Block Grant and Affordable Housing Trust Fund Housing Improvement Programs (housing rehabilitation activities).

Note 18: <u>OPEN SPACE</u>, <u>DRINKING WATER RESOURCES</u>, <u>HISTORICAL SITES</u>, <u>RECREATION AREAS AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION TRUST</u>

On November 7, 2000, pursuant to P.L. 1997, c. 24 (N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.1 et seq.), the voters of the Township of Cherry Hill authorized the establishment of the Township of Cherry Hill Open Space, Drinking Water Resources, Historical Sites Recreation Areas and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund effective July 1, 2001, for the purpose of raising revenue for the acquisition, conservation, and maintenance of open spaces, drinking water sources, historic sites, recreation areas, farmland preservation, and the payment of debt service incurred by the Township for these purposes. As approved by of the referendum, the Township levies a tax not to exceed one cent per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation. Amounts raised by taxation are assessed, levied and collected in the same manner and at the same time as other property taxes. Increases in the tax rate or to extend the authorization to other purposes as allowed by law must be authorized by an additional referendum. All revenue received, including any investment income, and expenditures are accounted for in a Trust Fund dedicated by rider pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39. A budget indicating the anticipated revenues and expenditures of the Trust Fund for each fiscal year is adopted as part of the Township operating and capital budget.

Note 19: CONTINGENCIES

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

<u>Litigation</u> - The Township is a defendant in several legal proceedings that are in various stages of litigation. It is believed that the outcome, or exposure to the Township, from such litigation is either unknown or potential losses, if any, would not have a material adverse impact on the financial condition of the Township if adversely decided.

Note 20: CONCENTRATIONS

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

Note 21: CHANGE ORDERS

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Township amended a contract for the Woodcrest East Pump Station Replacement project by approving the following change order that resulted in the total amount of the change order executed for this contract to exceed the originally awarded contract price by more than twenty percent (20%):

\$ 71,200.00 Permitted 20% Overage 63,800.00 Exceeded 20% \$135,000.00 Total Change Order

N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.3 (a) 9 and 10 states that the total number of change orders executed for a particular contract shall not cause the originally awarded contract price to be exceeded by more than twenty percent (20%) unless otherwise authorized, and that if proposed change orders do exceed that twenty percent limitation, no work shall be performed or purchases made until the procedures of N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.9 have been completed.

N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.9 delineates the required procedures for change orders, which exceed the twenty percent (20%) limitation. The Township has complied with all provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.9.

APPENDIX C

FORM OF APPROVING LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL



The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Council of the Township of Cherry Hill, in the County of Camden, New Jersey

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

We have acted as bond counsel to the Township of Cherry Hill, in the County of Camden, New Jersey (the "Township"), in connection with the issuance by the Township of its \$29,863,179 Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2025, consisting of the \$24,874,592 General Capital Bond Anticipation Note and the \$4,988,587 Sewer Capital Bond Anticipation Note, each dated the date hereof (together, the "Notes"). In order to render the opinions herein, we have examined laws, documents and records of proceedings, or copies thereof, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction and have undertaken such research and analyses as we have deemed necessary.

The Notes are issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey and by virtue of the bond ordinances of the Township listed in the Certificate of Determination and Award prepared in connection with this issue, each in all respects duly approved and published as required by law. The Notes are temporary obligations issued in anticipation of the issuance of bonds.

In our opinion, except insofar as the enforcement thereof may be limited by any applicable bankruptcy, moratorium or similar laws or application by a court of competent jurisdiction of legal or equitable principles relating to the enforcement of creditors' rights, the Notes are valid and legally binding obligations of the Township, payable in the first instance from the proceeds of the sale of bonds in anticipation of which the Notes are issued, but, if not so paid, payable ultimately from *ad valorem* taxes that may be levied upon all the taxable property within the Township without limitation as to rate or amount.

On the date hereof, the Township has covenanted in its Arbitrage and Tax Certificate (the "Certificate") to comply with certain continuing requirements that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Notes in order to preserve the tax-exempt status of the Notes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Pursuant to Section 103 of the Code, failure to comply with these requirements could cause interest on the Notes to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Notes. In the event that the Township continuously complies with its covenants and in reliance on representations, certifications of fact and statements of reasonable expectations made by the Township in the Certificate, it is our opinion that, under existing law, interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Code, and interest on the Notes is not an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of computing alternative minimum tax; however, interest on the Notes is included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code. We express no opinion regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Notes. Further, in our opinion, based upon existing law, interest on the Notes and any gain on the sale thereof are not included in gross income under the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act. These opinions are based on existing statutes, regulations, administrative pronouncements and judicial decisions.

This opinion is issued as of the date hereof. We assume no obligation to update, revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may come to our attention or any changes in law or interpretations thereof that may occur after the date of this opinion or for any reason whatsoever.

Very truly yours,