

VILLAGE OF
LINCOLNWOOD



Village of Lincolnwood

**POPULAR ANNUAL
FINANCIAL REPORT**

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024

ABOUT THE PAFR

This is the Village's Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) summarizing the Fiscal Year 2024 audited financials. The PAFR is intended to provide selected information on the Village's financial condition in a summarized, easily understandable format. This PAFR is based on the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which is a more detailed report containing financial information pertaining to the Village that is audited by an independent third party.

The information contained within this report will highlight only the most significant funds of the Village of Lincolnwood. For a more in-depth look at the Village's current financial position, please see the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report on our website.



LINCOLNWOOD, ILLINOIS

Lincolnwood is governed as a Home Rule community under Illinois law and operates under the Mayor/Trustee form of government with a full time Village Manager appointed by the Mayor and Board of Trustees. Under Home Rule powers, the Village is permitted to carry out its own governing procedures except where it is specifically prohibited by the State legislature.

The Village Manager is the chief administrative officer who oversees the day-to-day operations of the Village. The Village employs 99 full time, 7 regular part-time, and more than 250 seasonal summer employees in the Parks and Recreation and Public Works Departments. Each of these departments is coordinated by a Department Director who reports directly to the Village Manager.

Elected Officials



Standing, left to right: Trustee Chris Martel, Trustee Craig Klatzco, President Jesal Patel, Clerk Sokol Delisi, and Trustee Neal Gussis.

Seated, left to right: Trustee Atour Sargon, Trustee Jean Ikezoe-Halevi, and Trustee Grace Diaz Herrera.

Statistics, Demographics, and Government Information

Population (2020 Census): 13,463

County: Cook

Type of Government: Mayor/Trustee with a full-time Manager

Special Financing Techniques: Tax Increment Financing

Number of Village Employees: 371

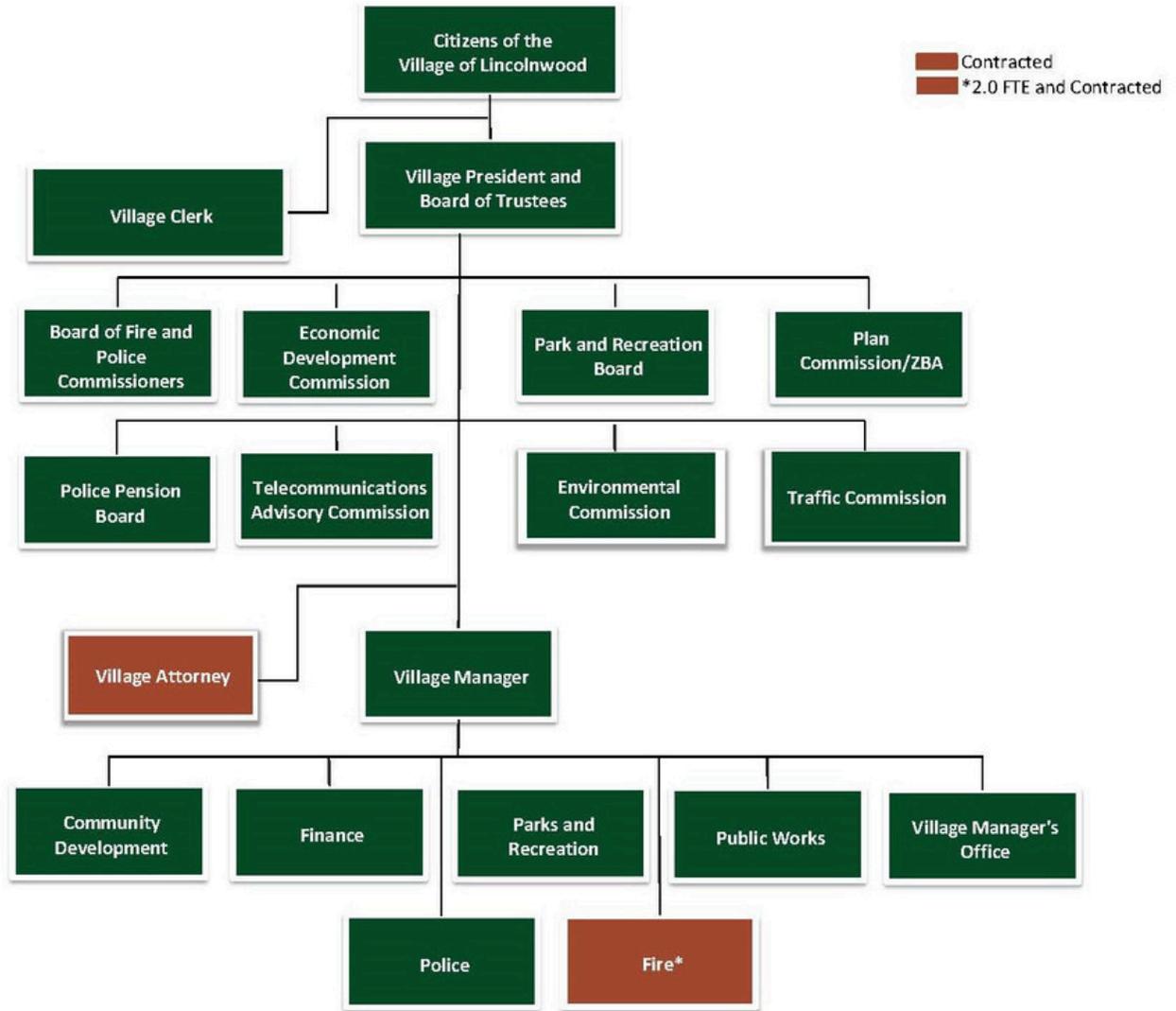
Police: 34 full-time sworn officers

Fire: 29 full-time (contracted)

Public Works: 23.75 full-time equivalent



ORGANIZATION



Senior Management



Anne Marie Gaura
Village Manager



Madeline Farrell
Assistant Village Manager



Patrick Ainsworth
Community Development Director



Elizabeth Holleb
Finance Director/Treasurer



Barry Liss
Fire Chief



Karen Hawk
Parks & Recreation Director



Jay Parrott
Police Chief



John Welch
Public Works Director

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

The Statement of Net Position provides a picture of the Village's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the Village's financial position is improving or deteriorating. Listed below is the Village of Lincolnwood's Statement of Net Position as of December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2024.

Statement of Net Position December 31, 2024

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	12/31/24	12/31/23	12/31/24	12/31/23	12/31/24	12/31/23
Current and Other Assets	47,939,106	47,350,416	4,197,339	7,945,004	52,136,445	55,295,420
Capital Assets	57,037,538	56,202,536	28,618,703	21,177,394	85,656,241	77,379,930
Other Assets	127,423	157,681	-	-	127,423	157,681
Total Assets	105,104,067	103,710,633	32,816,042	29,122,398	137,920,109	132,833,031
Deferred Outflows	3,971,441	5,681,359	268,381	312,039	4,239,822	5,993,398
Total Assets/Deferred Outflows	109,075,508	109,391,992	33,084,423	29,434,437	142,159,931	138,826,429
Current Liabilities	6,369,759	8,139,119	529,764	1,204,402	6,899,523	9,343,521
Long-Term Liabilities	73,049,341	70,868,083	20,316,706	17,083,093	93,366,047	87,951,176
Total Liabilities	79,419,100	79,007,202	20,846,470	18,287,495	100,265,570	97,294,697
Deferred Inflows	12,210,604	8,735,376	142,039	4,498	12,352,643	8,739,874
Total Liabilities/Deferred Inflows	91,629,704	87,742,578	20,988,509	18,291,993	112,618,213	106,034,571
Net Position						
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,919,678	28,871,054	8,659,864	4,037,725	28,579,542	32,908,779
Restricted	12,718,822	9,756,070	-	-	12,718,822	9,756,070
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(15,192,096)	(16,977,710)	3,436,050	7,104,719	(11,756,046)	(9,872,991)
Total Net Position	\$ 17,446,404	\$ 21,649,414	\$ 12,095,914	\$ 11,142,444	\$ 29,542,318	\$ 32,791,858



Net position related to governmental activities decreased by \$4,203,010 or 19.41% from prior year's net position. Net position related to business-type activities increased by \$953,470 or 8.56% from prior year's net position. Total net position decreased by \$3,249,540 or 9.91%.

For more detailed information, see the Statement of Net Position on pages 8-9 of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

GENERAL FUND

Overview

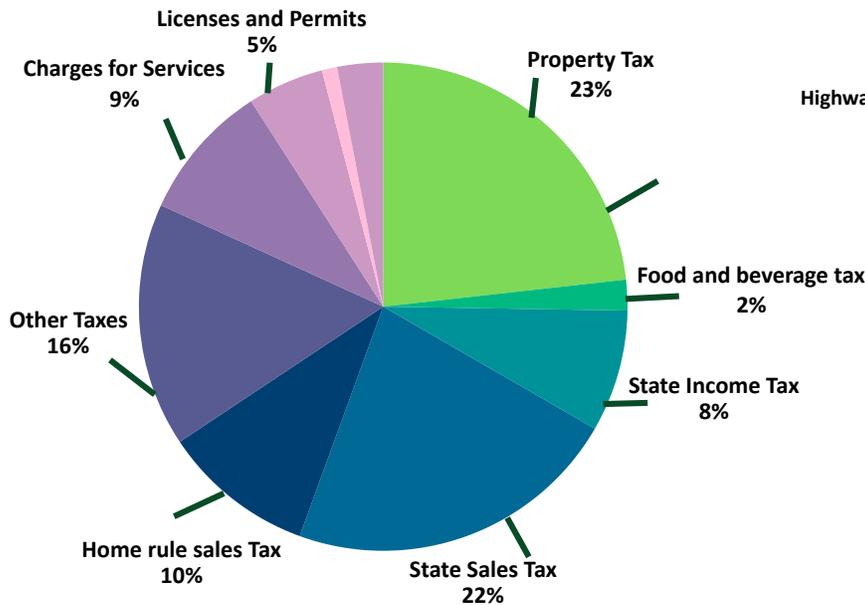
The General Fund is the Village's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources related to the Village's operations except those accounted for in other funds.

The revenue and expenditure amounts reflects the Fiscal Year 2024 budget to actual results for the General Fund at December 31, 2024. The pie charts depict the classification of each share of these revenues and expenditures on the next page.

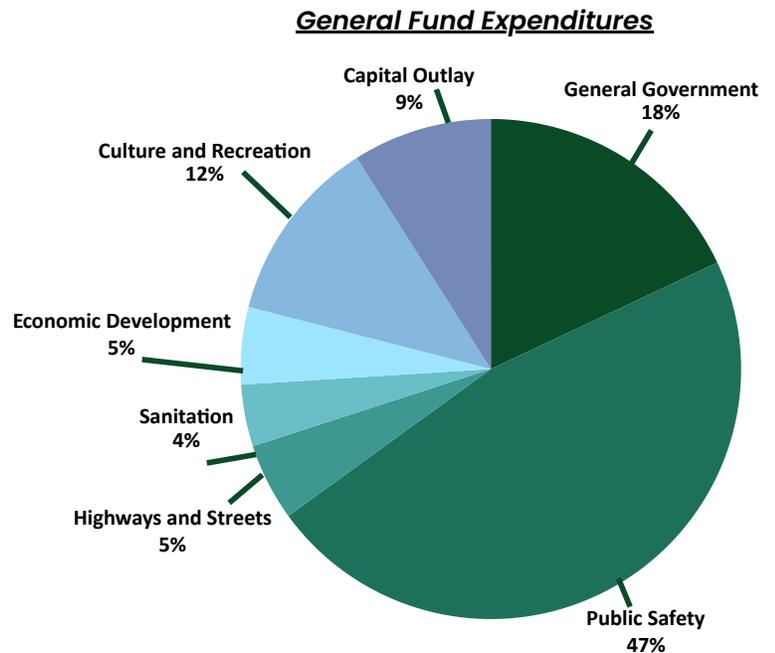
Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures

Revenues	Budget	Actual
Taxes	\$13,952,078	\$12,410,473
Services and Permits	\$3,951,669	\$4,121,119
Intergovernmental	\$11,109,225	\$10,819,820
Other	\$740,631	\$1,442,344
Total Revenues	\$29,753,603	\$28,793,756
Expenditures		
Operations	\$27,317,509	\$27,978,846
Capital Outlay	\$4,215,647	\$2,947,699
Debt Service Payments	\$0	\$19,225
Total Expenditures	\$31,533,156	\$30,945,770
Surplus/Deficit	-\$1,779,553	-\$2,152,014

Breakdown



General Fund Revenues



General Fund Expenditures

MAJOR REVENUE SOURCES

Several factors impact the local finances of the Village. The Village is impacted by regional, state, and national economic conditions as well as the governance of the State of Illinois. Economic conditions beyond the Village's control affect several important revenue sources. These sources include sales tax, income tax, motor fuel tax, utility tax and building permit fees.

The State of Illinois may also impact revenues through legislative changes (i.e. a formula for shared income tax, etc.) and by adjusting the timeliness of payments due to the Village. Below are four major sources of revenue for the Village of Lincolnwood.



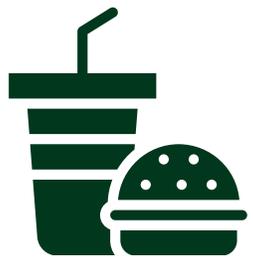
Property Tax

The collection of property taxes, one of the Village's largest revenue sources, has been consistent. Property taxes are collected by Cook County and remitted to the Village, with occasional budget variances due to changes in the property tax due dates established by the county. Collections for the 2023 levy totaled \$6,519,516, an increase over the collections of \$6,344,863 for the prior year.



Sales Tax

Sales tax revenue is comprised of 1% municipal tax and 1.25% home rule sales tax. Sales tax revenue totaled \$9,981,687 for calendar year 2024, compared to \$9,897,746 for calendar year 2023, reflecting an increase year over year of \$83,941 or .85%.



Food and Beverage Tax

The Village enacted a Food and Beverage tax in Fiscal Year 2009. This tax is levied on the purchase of food and beverage items prepared for immediate consumption. Tax is assessed at 2.00%. Food and Beverage taxes received were \$1,381,672 which is \$61,002 less than budget.



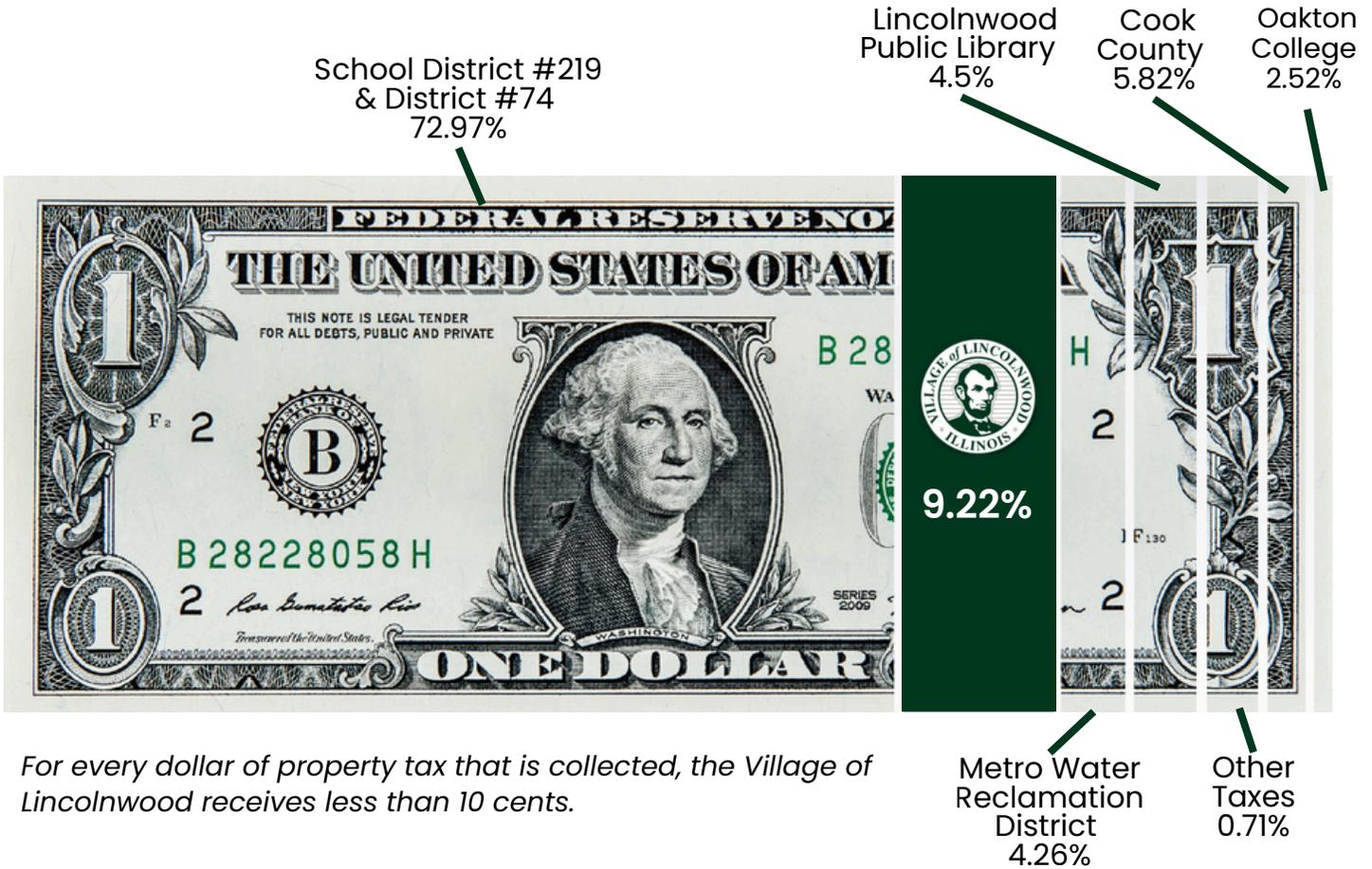
Income Tax

State income tax is another significant revenue source and is very susceptible to changes in legislative and economic factors. State income tax revenues were \$2,286,292, which was \$193,584 less than budget.

PROPERTY TAX

One of the Village's primary sources of revenue is property taxes. This tax is used to support day-to-day operations, fund public safety pensions, and repay previously committed debts.

Where do your property taxes go?



Village Financial Policy on Property Tax

Although the Village is not restricted in its annual tax levy, the Village Board has a self-imposed cap on the annual increase in the property tax levy.

The Village strives to not increase the annual property tax levy in excess of the Cook County CPI rate increase applicable as of the prior December, except as the Board determines to be necessary in order to satisfy the Village's pension payment obligations. This will limit the Village's dependence on a single source of revenue and prevent property owners from being overburdened by spikes in the tax rate.

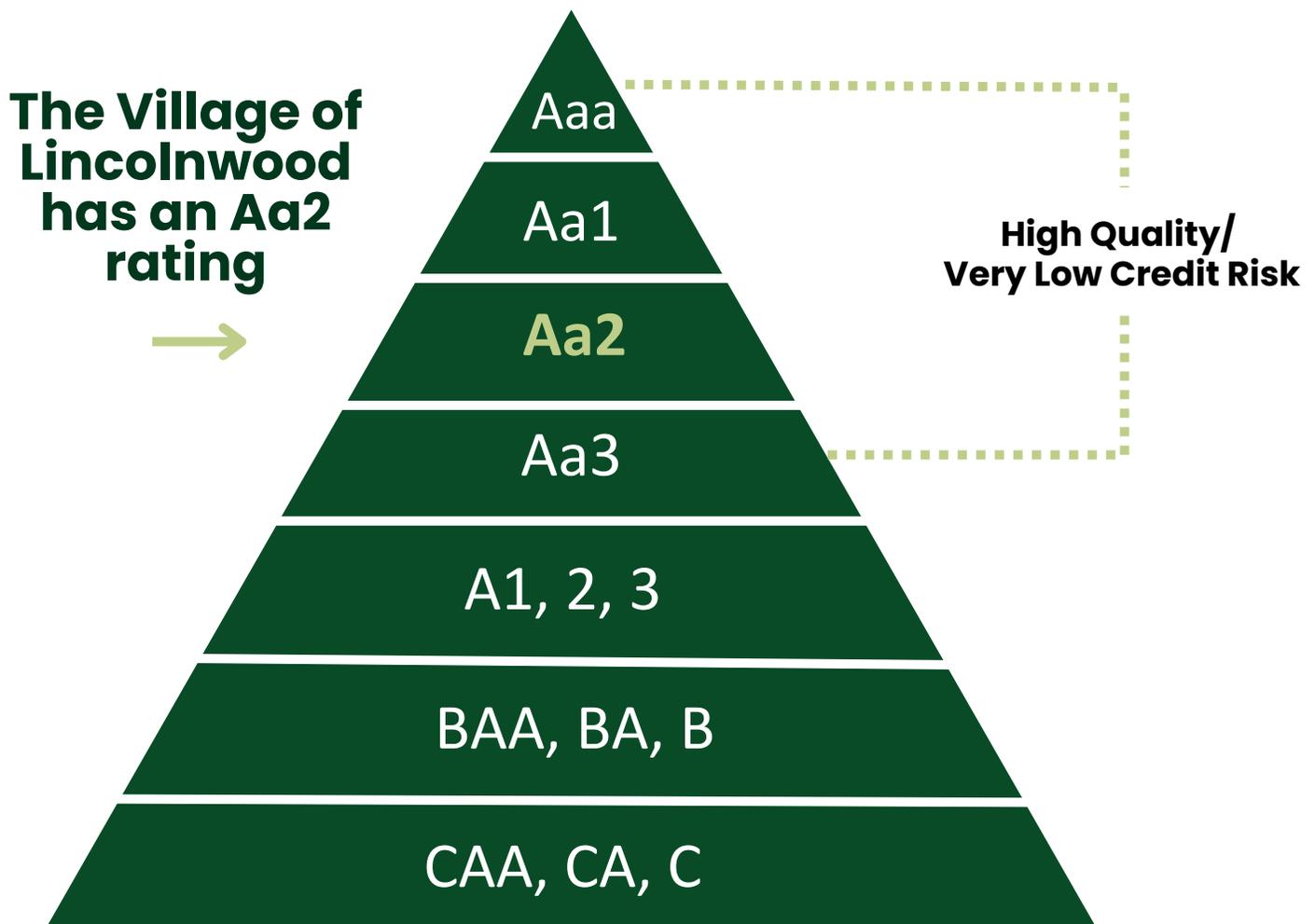
BOND RATING

Moody's Investors Service Ratings

Moody's Investors Service has assigned an Aa2 rating to the Village's outstanding municipal bond issues.

The Village has taken advantage of this rating to refinance its outstanding debt for better interest rates and pay off debt early to save on future interest costs.

Moody's investor service ratings are opinions of the relative credit risk of fixed income obligations with an original maturity of one year or more. They address the possibility that a financial obligation will not be honored as promised. Such ratings reflect both the likelihood of default and any financial loss suffered in the event of default.



KEY TERMS

Deferred Inflow of Resources

An acquisition of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. For example, advance collections (revenues collected before a service was rendered).

Deferred Outflow of Resources

A consumption of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. For example, prepaid items (expenses paid before a service was rendered).

Equalized Assessed Value (EAV)

The product of the assessed value of your property (both land and improvements) and the State equalization factor which is set by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

Net Assets

The difference between an entity's assets and its liabilities.

Net Investment in Capital Assets

Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances (excluding unspent bond proceeds) of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Net Position

The difference between an entity's assets plus deferred outflows of resources and its liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources represents its net position. Net position has the following three components: net investment in capital assets; restricted net position; and unassigned net position.

Restricted Net Position

Net position with constraints placed on their use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or, 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Tax Abatement

A reduction of taxes granted by a government to encourage economic development.

Tax Increment Financing (TIF)

A public financing method used by municipal governments to stimulate economic development in a targeted geographical area by utilizing future tax revenues to pay for necessary public improvements.