

JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS

Notes to the Financial Statements

For The Year Ended September 30, 2014

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting and reporting policies of Johnson County, Texas (the "County") related to the funds in the accompanying basic financial statements conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to state and local governments. Generally accepted accounting principles for local governments include those principles prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in the publication entitled Audits of State and Local Governmental Units and by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (when applicable). The more significant accounting policies of the County are described below.

Reporting Entity

In evaluating how to define the government, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in GAAP. Based upon the application of these criteria, the following is a brief review of each potential component unit addressed in defining the County's reporting entity. Financial statements for component units can be obtained from the office of the County Auditor.

Included in the reporting entity:

Johnson County, Texas (Primary Government) -

The County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. The County is governed by the Commissioners Court, composed of four elected County Commissioners and an elected County Judge. Each of these officials serves a term of four years. The primary activities of the County include: the construction and maintenance of county roads, provision of public safety through a sheriff's department, support of area fire protection and ambulance service, administration of justice, correctional facilities, health and welfare services, culture and recreation, and other social and administrative services.

For the year ended September 30, 2014, no other organizations have been combined for either blended or discrete presentation in the County's financial statements. The following organizations are not considered "related organizations."

Excluded from the reporting entity:

Adult Probation -

This entity is considered a separate agency of the State of Texas. While the County provides office space, utilities, telephone and certain supplies, the operations of this unit are primarily provided for by the State. A separate board develops the operating budget, which is also approved and controlled by the State of Texas. Required County expenditures are disclosed as a department within the General Fund function of Corrections. Due to custodial responsibility, the accounts of this entity are reported as an Agency Fund of the County.