

The County of Rockwall, Texas adopts an annual budget for its General Fund, as required by the general statutes. The budget is a legally adopted document that incorporates input from the citizens of the County, the management of the County, and the decisions of the Commissioners' Court about which services to provide and how to pay for them. It also authorizes the County to obtain funds from identified sources to finance these current period activities. The budgetary statement provided for the General Fund demonstrates how well the County complied with the budget ordinance and whether or not the County succeeded in providing the services as planned when the budget was adopted. The budgetary comparison statement uses the budgetary basis of accounting and is presented using the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document. The statement shows three columns: (1) the final budget as amended by the Commissioners; 2) the actual resources, variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges. To account for the difference between the budgetary basis of accounting and the modified accrual basis, a reconciliation showing the differences in the reported activities is shown at the end of the budgetary statement.

**Proprietary Funds** – are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Rockwall County uses proprietary funds to account for its internal service activity. These funds are the same as those functions shown in the business-type activities in the in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities.

**Fiduciary Funds** – are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support Rockwall County's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 22 and 23 of this report.

**Notes to the Financial Statements** – The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 24 to 49 of this report.

**Other Information** – In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required supplementary information concerning the County's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees and budget to actual schedule for the General Fund. Required supplementary information can be found beginning on page 50 of this report.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with nonmajor governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information. Combining and individual fund statements and schedules can be found on pages 55 to 66 of this report.

## **GOVERNMENTAL-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The government-wide financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2012, continue the implementation of a new standard of financial reporting for Rockwall County, and many other units of government across the United States.