

Symmes Valley Local School District, Ohio

Treasurer's Financial Summary and Analysis

May, 2014

GENERAL FUND

	2014	2013	2012
Beginning Balance 5/1	\$3,537,940	\$3,313,680	\$3,174,603
Revenues	544,642	577,588	771,322
Expenditures	665,228	647,370	554,869
Ending Balance 5/31	<u>\$3,417,354</u>	<u>\$3,243,898</u>	<u>\$3,391,056</u>
Monthly Change	(\$120,586)	(\$69,782)	\$216,453
Yearly Change	\$213,788	\$45,480	(\$8,398)

Introduction

A school district's General Fund is its main operating fund containing most of its operational costs and the revenues to support those operations. This is why the emphasis of this financial summary and its comments is the General Fund. A comparative view of three years activity for the General Fund for the month of May is presented above. A summary of May's results, particularly concerning any financial events causing a variance from the normal cash flow cycle, is included below. Any review of the District's should include an understanding of our cash flow cycle. The District receives only State funding during most months of the year and State aid is not enough to cover monthly operational costs, resulting in operating deficits.

General Fund, Cash Flow Results in April 2014

May 2014 General Fund Revenues were less than in the two previous fiscal years. This is the result of decreases in SFSF funding, as well as, a timing issue related to homestead and rollback that in previous years had been received in May. Per the County Auditor, this funding from the State should come in in June this year.

May expenditures were above the previous two fiscal years. The increase noted is due to increases in purchased services (open enrollment out and special education expenditures), and materials and supplies. The increase in special education expenditures are the result of decreases in Title funding which results in increased General Fund spending. The increase in materials and supplies was due to increased fuel costs.

May Summary and Outlook for remaining Fiscal Year

Historically, May has been a month of swings for the School District. Recent history seems to support this trend continuing. This is primarily the result of it being the end of the year. Though revenues have been relatively consistent, discounting 2012, expenditures vary greatly. Generally, revenues are not going to be great enough to support expenditures. Combine that with current year timing issues and it can result in a poor month. Looking forward to June, expectations are for another negative month. This would keep with historical trends. The precipitating factor for this will be the severance payments made to our retiring employees. We are expecting close to \$100,000 in severance payments to be made in June. On the bright side, revenue in the General Fund should increase due to property tax allocations being received from the State.