



Investment Report June 30, 2017

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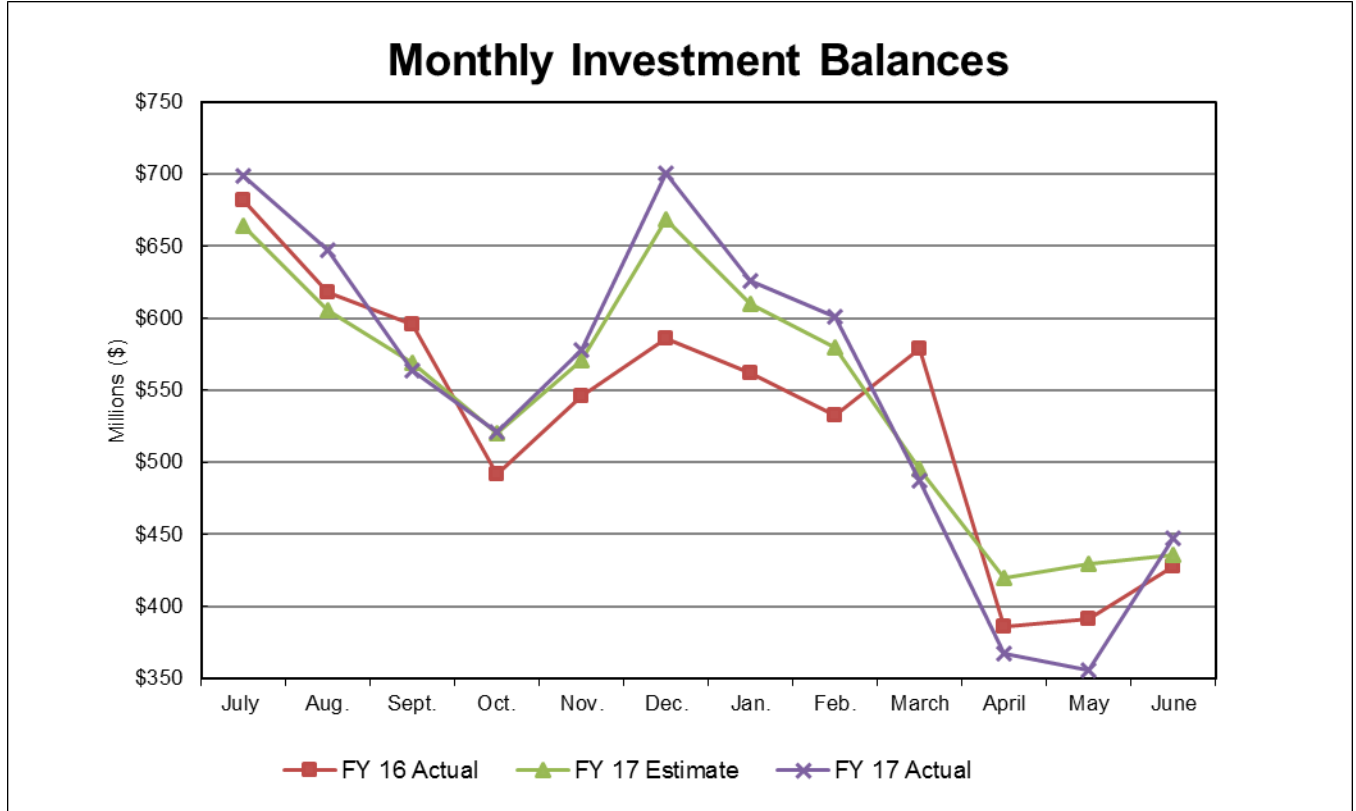
Investment Policy:

Howard County, Maryland invests public funds in a manner that will conform to all State of Maryland and County statutes governing the investment of public funds while meeting its daily cash flow demands and providing a return at least equal to the three-month Treasury bill yield.

Summary of Portfolio Composition:

	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>PRIOR MONTH</u>
General Fund	\$127,840,113	\$15,623,023
All Other Funds	<u>\$319,469,522</u>	<u>\$340,537,553</u>
Total Portfolio	\$447,309,635	\$356,160,576

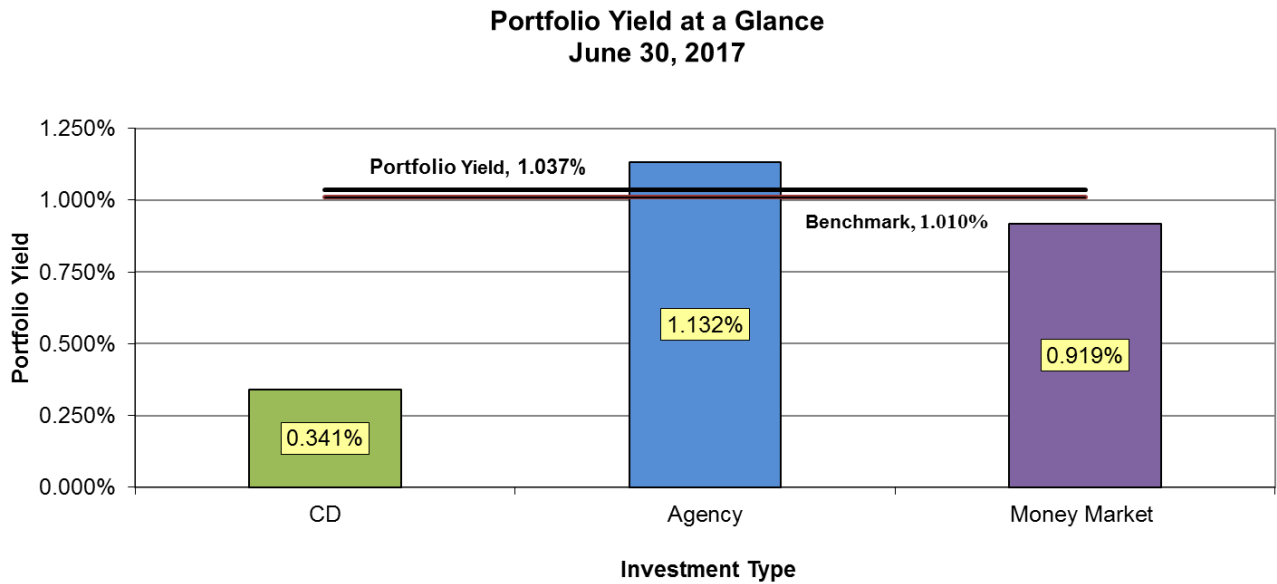
The total portfolio balance increased by \$91.1 million from the previous month. This increase represents the normal trend as cash received from income taxes distribution from the State. The County did not break any investments this month and never has. The investment allocations as shown on page 3 were consistent with the County Investment Policy.



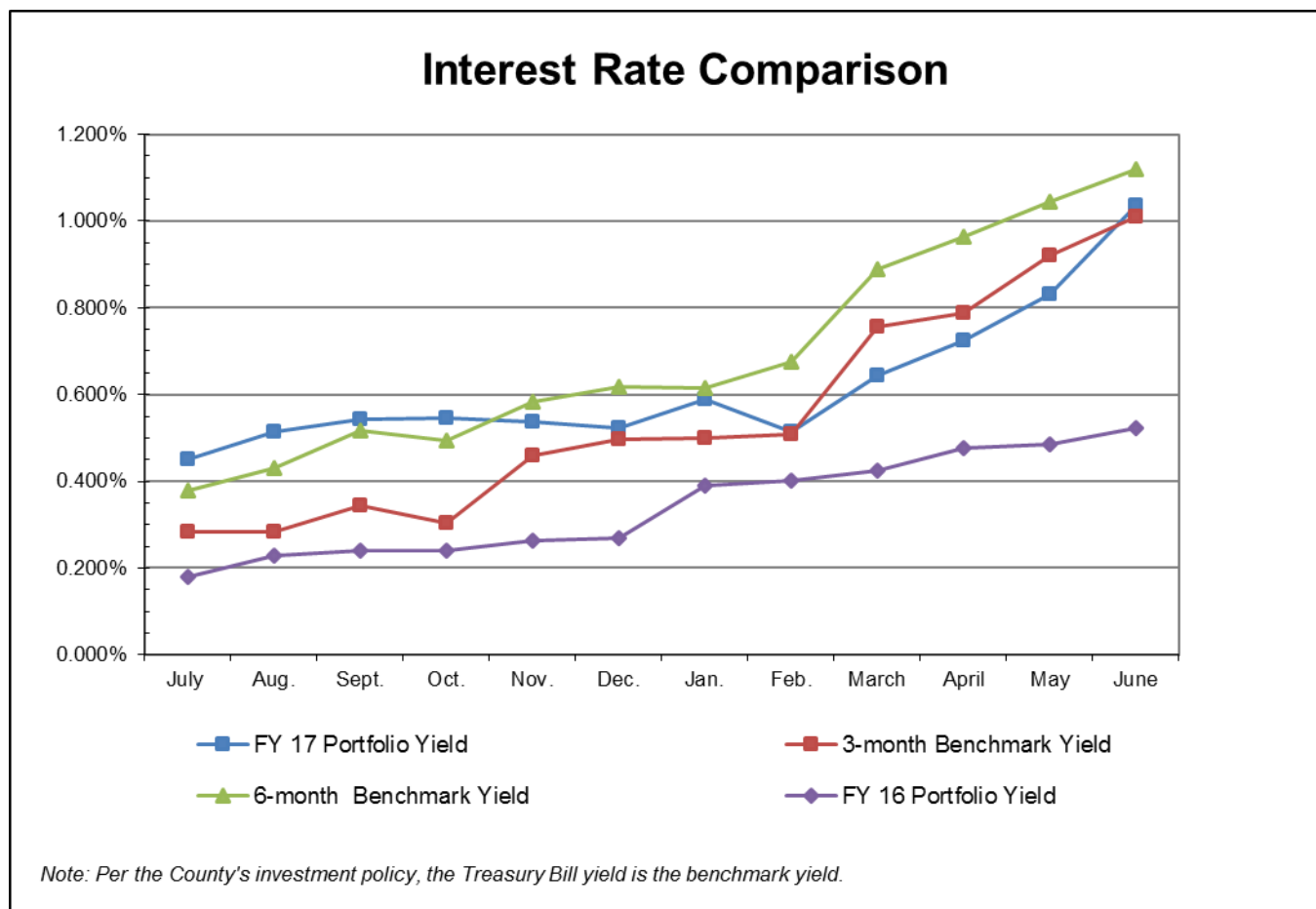
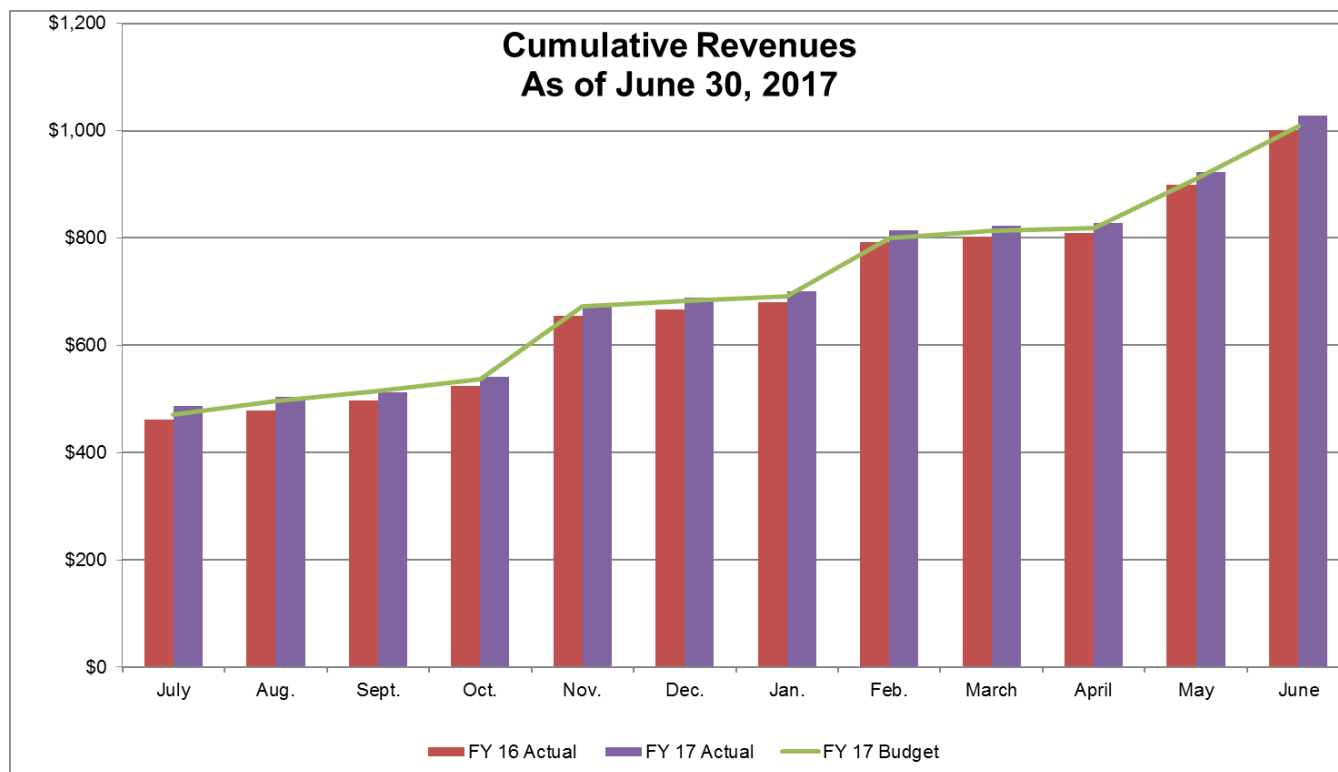
Analysis:

	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>PRIOR MONTH</u>	<u>WEIGHTED AVERAGE FOR 3 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2017</u>
Portfolio yield	1.037 %	0.833%	0.862%
Three Month Benchmark yield	1.010%	0.920%	0.907%

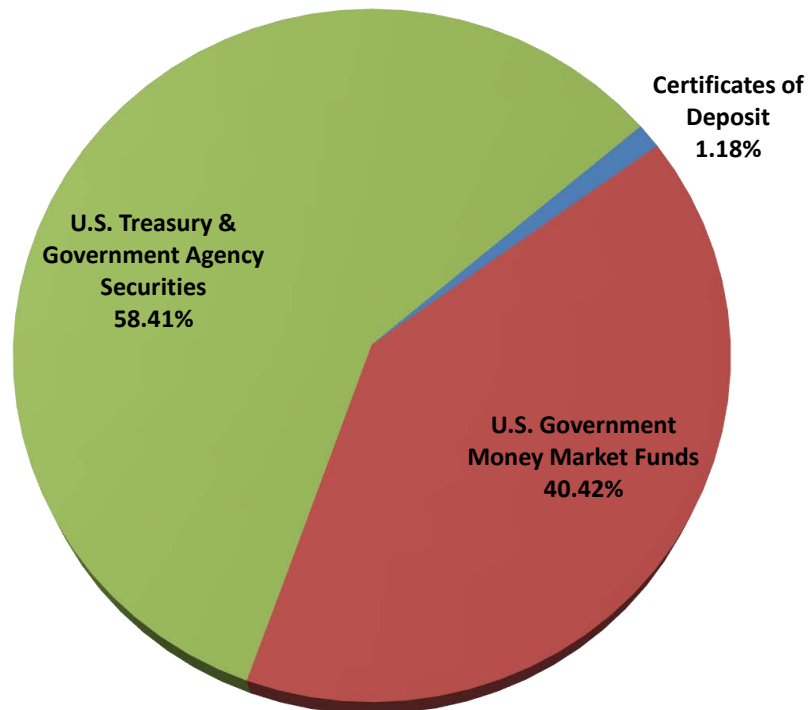
As of June 30, 2017, the average weighted maturity of the portfolio was 175 days.



Current Market and Year-Over-Year Comparison:



Investment by Type as of June 30, 2017



See diversification schedule below

Diversification Levels for Authorized Investments

	Authorized Percentage	Actual Percentage ⁽²⁾	Actual Amount
U.S. Treasury & Government Agency Securities	90%	58.41%	261,263,695
Repurchase Agreements	90%	0.00%	-
U.S. Government Money Market Funds	60%	40.42%	180,789,859
Certificates of Deposit	5%	1.18%	5,256,080
Commercial Paper	5%	0.00%	-
		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>447,309,635</u>

Diversification Levels for Authorized Brokers

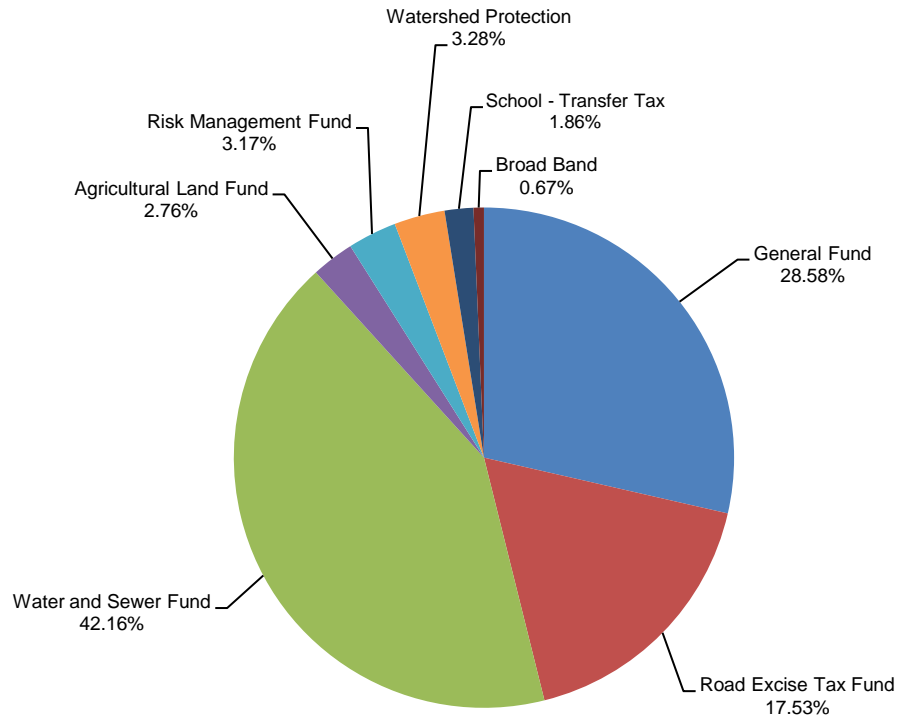
	Actual Percentage	(1) & (2)	Actual Amount
Cantor Fitzgerald	11.24%		50,256,836
Columbia Bank (3)	1.13%		5,045,316
FTN Financial	10.05%		44,960,938
Harbor Bank (3)	0.02%		100,000
Jefferies	11.17%		49,972,656
PNC Bank (3)	0.02%		110,764
Piper Jaffray	11.17%		49,947,188
Stifel, Nicolaus & Co.	4.47%		20,000,000
UBS Financial Services	5.58%		24,960,000
Wells Fargo	4.73%		21,166,078
MD Local Government Investment Pool	39.10%		174,904,382
Federated	1.32%		5,885,477
	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>447,309,635</u>

(1) Actual percentages cannot exceed 40% for any one broker or financial institution at the time of purchase.

(2) Due to rounding, percentages may not total 100%.

(3) Certificates of Deposit

**Investment by Fund
As of June 30, 2017**



	Investment Allocation As of 6/30/2017	FY 16 Interest Income* Actual	FY 17 Interest Income Budget	FY 17 Interest Income* As of 6/30/2017
General Fund	\$ 127,840,113	\$ 1,063,485	\$ 505,604	\$ 2,250,050
Road Excise Tax Fund	78,420,467	228,833	325,296	479,671
Water and Sewer Fund	188,596,583	759,570	115,000	1,282,848
Agricultural Land Fund	12,334,260	53,273	42,628	97,508
Risk Management Fund	14,159,718	42,204	10,000	99,115
Watershed Protection	14,667,698	60,854	30,000	143,501
School - Transfer Tax	8,300,000	7,710	-	24,444
Broad Band	2,990,795	3,478	-	14,254
	<u>\$ 447,309,635</u>	<u>\$ 2,219,407</u>	<u>\$ 1,028,528</u>	<u>\$ 4,391,391</u>

* Reported on a budgetary basis.

Note: Due to rounding, percentages may not total 100%.

Investment Schedule

Type	Book Value	Yield	Purchase Date	Term in Days	Maturity Date
Certificates of Deposit:					
PNC Bank	110,764	0.100%	03/16/17	365	03/16/18
Harbor Bank	100,000	0.200%	07/08/16	365	07/08/17
Columbia Bank	5,000,000	0.350%	08/10/16	365	08/10/17
Columbia Bank	45,316	0.200%	11/25/16	365	11/25/17
Total Certificates of Deposit	5,256,080	0.341%			
U.S. Government Money Market Funds:					
Federated Securities	5,885,477	0.290%	Various	-	On Demand
MD Local Govt Investment Pool	174,904,382	0.940%	Various	-	On Demand
Total Money Markets	180,789,859	0.919%			

Investment Schedule (Cont.)						
Security Type	Book Value	Yield	Purchase Date	Call Date	Interest Date	Maturity Date
U.S. Treasury & Government Agency Securities:						
Federal Home Loan Bank	20,000,000	0.690%	07/26/16	10/26/16	07/26/17	07/26/17
U.S. Treasury Note	24,960,938	1.142%	06/29/17		01/31/18	01/31/18
U.S. Treasury Note	24,972,656	1.155%	05/31/17	-	02/15/18	02/15/18
U.S. Treasury Note	24,929,688	1.172%	06/29/17		02/28/18	02/28/18
Federal Home Loan Bank	24,986,250	1.203%	06/29/17		03/14/18	03/14/18
U.S. Treasury Note	25,327,148	1.180%	06/01/17		04/30/18	04/30/18
U.S. Treasury Note	24,960,938	1.153%	05/04/17	-	05/15/17	05/15/18
Federal Farm Credit Bureau	21,166,078	0.954%	06/01/16	-	05/16/18	05/16/18
Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation	20,000,000	1.221%	05/17/17	-	05/11/18	05/11/18
Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation	25,000,000	1.140%	03/06/17	-	09/06/18	09/06/18
Federal Farm Credit Bureau	24,960,000	1.345%	05/05/17	-	07/17/17	01/17/19
Total U.S. Treasury & Govt Agency Securities	261,263,695	1.132%				
Total Investment Balance (Page 6 & 7)	447,309,635	1.037%				

Portfolio Yield 1.037%

Benchmarks:

Three-month Treasury Yield	1.010%
Six-month Treasury Yield	1.118%
Money Market Funds Yield	0.919%

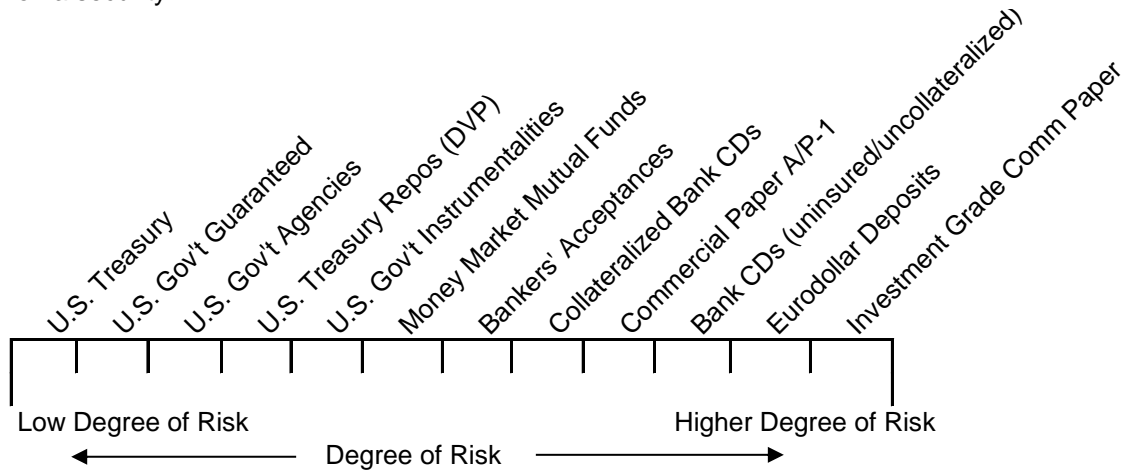
The above report has been approved by:


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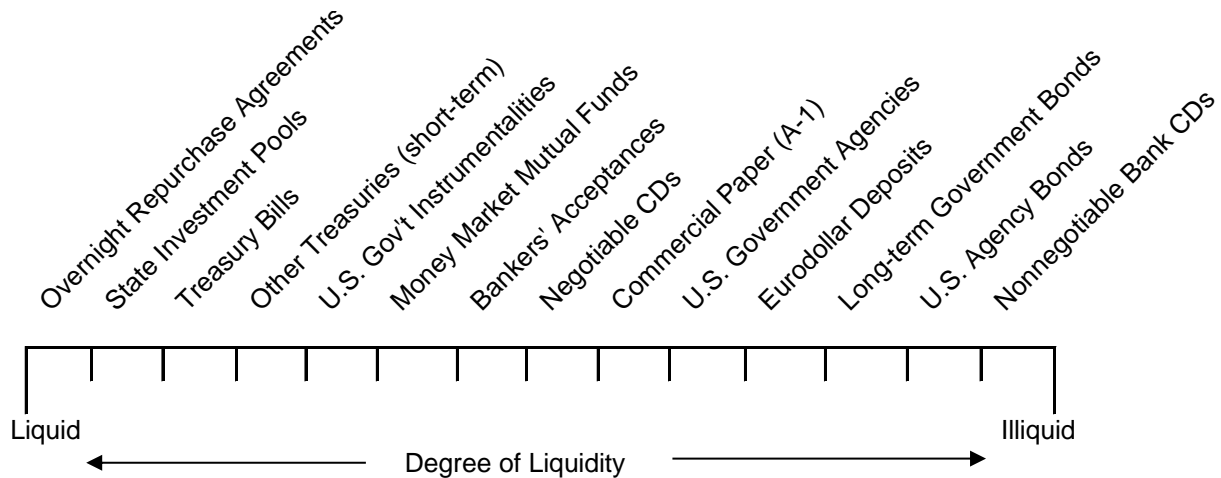

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Key Investing Terms

Credit Risk: The risk to an investor that an issuer will default in the payment of interest and/or principal on a security.



Liquidity: An asset that can be converted easily and quickly into cash.



Distribution:

County Executive
 County Council
 County Auditor
 Chief Administrative Officer
 Office of Public Information
 Budget Director

Notes to Investment Schedule

1. Certificates of Deposit and Repurchase Agreements

The County can only purchase Certificates of Deposit (CD's) from banks located in the State of Maryland. The banks currently holding CD's for the County are: The Columbia Bank, Harbor Bank, and PNC Bank. The County currently owns repurchase agreements purchased from Cantor Fitzgerald.

All certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements are collateralized at 102% of their cost plus accrued interest or FDIC insured. The collateral is held at Wells Fargo Bank.

2. Social Investing

The County invests in instruments offered by community and minority financial institutions. These financial institutions may not meet all of the criteria listed in the County's Investment Policy as authorized dealers and institutions. These institutions are: The Columbia Bank and Harbor Bank. The County maintains a Certificate of Deposit with PNC Bank so that Landfill operation employees can have access to banking services there.

3. Agricultural Land Preservation Program

The County finances the acquisition of development rights to a parcel of agricultural property by entering into an installment-purchase agreement with the property owner. US Treasury Strips, purchased as part of the county's Agricultural Land Preservation program, will be used to match balloon payments to the property owner. The table below shows the detail information regarding the investment in Stripped Coupon U.S. Treasury Securities.

Maturity Date	Par Value ¹ Balloon Payment	Original ² Cost	Book Value ³ 6/30/2016
2/15/2017	\$ 6,608,200	\$ 4,037,082	\$ 6,399,558
8/15/2017	1,669,000	1,074,602	1,586,846
8/15/2018	759,000	526,928	697,299
2/15/2019	2,160,000	241,035	1,773,516
2/15/2019	2,810,000	313,836	2,308,661
8/15/2019	1,860,000	177,721	1,447,774
2/15/2020	840,000	82,002	631,936
2/15/2020	4,695,000	441,375	3,507,741
8/15/2020	2,275,000	201,816	1,620,780
8/15/2020	7,385,000	735,117	5,336,655
2/15/2021	1,510,000	146,510	1,048,735
2/15/2021	4,626,000	444,639	3,199,492
8/15/2021	1,115,000	120,697	753,261
8/15/2021	2,580,000	253,144	1,715,240
8/15/2023	3,359,000	362,503	1,940,634
8/15/2023	6,928,000	854,220	4,097,017
2/15/2025	374,000	66,011	223,768
2/15/2025	183,000	27,404	103,890
2/15/2026	3,950,000	560,900	2,079,623
8/15/2026	1,295,000	175,073	646,903
11/15/2027	2,158,000	478,644	1,100,360
Total	\$ 59,139,200	\$ 11,321,261	\$ 42,219,689
¹ Purchase price plus accrued interest at maturity			
² Purchase price			
³ Purchase price plus accrued interest as of 6/30/16			

Types of Investment Instruments

Bankers Acceptances (BA's): Financial transactions involving the import or export of goods. A bank agrees to lend money to an importer to finance the purchase of goods. The bank then sells this agreement to an investor (the County) who receives compensation in the form of interest.

Characteristics:

1. Very safe: There has never been a BA failure in their history
2. Can only purchase BA's from banks rated A1 or P1
3. Three guarantees back this investment:
 - a. Obligation to pay by the importer
 - b. Guarantee from the accepting bank
 - c. The goods themselves
4. Maturities less than 180 days
5. Generally higher yielding than Repos

Restrictions: The County currently does not purchase Japanese BA's.

Certificates of Deposits: A time deposit with a specific maturity evidenced by a certificate. All deposits held in minority or community banks.

Money Market Funds: Current holdings include the Maryland Local Government Investment Pool (MLGIP) and Federated. MLGIP is designed to provide all local government units of the State an investment vehicle for the short-term investment of funds. The County's cash in these money market funds is obtainable on demand.

Repurchase Agreement (Repo): An investment contract involving the temporary transfer of ownership of U.S. Government securities between a broker and an investor (the County). A broker agrees to sell U.S. Treasury or Government Agency Securities to the County and agrees to repurchase them at a fixed price on a fixed date. The County receives the original purchase price and compensation in the form of interest on the maturity date.

Characteristics:

1. Very safe: only collateralized U.S. Government securities
2. Very flexible: maturities from one day to one year
3. Higher yields than purchasing securities outright

U.S. Treasury and Government Agency Securities: Considered the safest investments in the world. The U.S. Government and its agency issue these securities to finance their operations. Maturities range from three months to 30 years, however, the County, per our investment policy, is limited to five-year maturities.

Characteristics:

1. Very safe
2. Very liquid: can be sold very easily

Main Agency issuers:

1. Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB)
2. Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA)
3. Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB)
4. Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC)
5. Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (FAMC)

Commercial Paper: Per the County's investment policy, must have minimum rating of A1, P1 or F1 from the credit rating agencies.