



**Sweetgrass First Nation**  
**Consolidated Financial Statements**  
*March 31, 2023*



## Sweetgrass First Nation Contents

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## Management's Responsibility

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To the Members of Sweetgrass First Nation:



Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the accompanying consolidated financial statements, including responsibility for significant accounting judgments and estimates in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. This responsibility includes selecting appropriate accounting principles and methods, and making decisions affecting the measurement of transactions in which objective judgment is required.

In discharging its responsibilities for the integrity and fairness of the consolidated financial statements, management designs and maintains the necessary accounting systems and related internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are authorized, assets are safeguarded and financial records are properly maintained to provide reliable information for the preparation of consolidated financial statements.

Chief and Council are responsible for overseeing management in the performance of its financial reporting responsibilities, and for approving the consolidated financial statements. Chief and Council fulfil these responsibilities by reviewing the financial information prepared by management and discussing relevant matters with management and external auditors. Chief and Council is also responsible for appointing the First Nation's external auditors.

MNP LLP, an independent firm of Chartered Professional Accountants, is appointed by Chief and Council to audit the consolidated financial statements and report directly to the Members of Sweetgrass First Nation; their report follows. The external auditors have full and free access to, and meet periodically and separately with, both Chief and Council and management to discuss their audit findings.

July 21, 2023

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Signed by: Christopher Albert

Management

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To the Members of Sweetgrass First Nation:

### **Opinion**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Sweetgrass First Nation (the "First Nation"), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, and the consolidated statements of operations and accumulated surplus, changes in net debt and cash flows, and the related schedules for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the First Nation as at March 31, 2023, and the results of its consolidated operations, its changes in consolidated net debt, and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the First Nation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Emphasis of Matter - Litigation financing**

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements which describes that Sweetgrass First Nation has initiated litigation for damages sustained by the First Nation. The First Nation has obtained financing to fund the costs of litigation and has taken insurance to cover the repayment of the financing if it is in excess of settlement proceeds.

### **Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the First Nation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the First Nation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the First Nation's financial reporting process.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

## Independent Auditor's Report (continued from previous page)

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As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the First Nation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the First Nation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the First Nation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the First Nation to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

July 21, 2023

**MNP LLP**

Chartered Professional Accountants

**MNP**



**Sweetgrass First Nation**  
**Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**  
As at March 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Financial assets</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Cash resources	2,763,946	1,752,509
Restricted cash (Note 4)	7,607,753	6,402,294
Accounts receivable (Note 5)	4,935,932	1,197,549
Portfolio investments (Note 6)	1,358,945	907,188
	<b>16,666,576</b>	10,259,540
<b>Funds held in trust (Note 7)</b>	<b>613,071</b>	228,159
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>17,279,647</b>	10,487,699
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Bank indebtedness (Note 8)	122,293	181,740
Accounts payable and accruals	1,127,381	407,666
Deferred revenue (Note 9)	14,382,751	8,248,947
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 10)	379,597	558,104
Loans subject to refinancing (Note 10)	256,257	154,705
	<b>16,268,279</b>	9,551,162
<b>Long-term debt (Note 10)</b>	<b>6,511,818</b>	6,468,544
<b>Asset retirement obligations (Note 11)</b>	<b>1,434,103</b>	-
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>24,214,200</b>	16,019,706
<b>Net debt</b>	<b>(6,934,553)</b>	(5,532,007)
<b>Contingent assets (Note 13)</b>		
<b>Contingent liabilities (Note 20)</b>		
<b>Non-financial assets</b>		
Tangible capital assets (Note 12)	28,335,354	22,926,164
Prepaid expenses	55,117	83,146
<b>Total non-financial assets</b>	<b>28,390,471</b>	23,009,310
<b>Accumulated surplus (Note 14)</b>	<b>21,455,918</b>	17,477,303

**Approved on behalf of Chief and Council**

Signed by: Chief Lorie Whitecalf

**Chief**

Signed by: Hazen Paskimin

**Councillor**



**Sweetgrass First Nation**  
**Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus**  
For the year ended March 31, 2023

	<b>2023 Budget (Note 16)</b>	<b>2023 Actual</b>	<b>2022 Actual</b>
<b>Revenues</b>			
Indigenous Services Canada			
Fixed	4,633,376	<b>4,904,232</b>	4,962,432
Flex	6,412,750	<b>10,643,814</b>	5,248,813
Band support	370,299	<b>460,977</b>	437,110
Set	-	<b>4,240</b>	1,607
Deferred revenue	8,352,300	<b>(6,133,804)</b>	(91,647)
	<b>19,768,725</b>	<b>9,879,459</b>	10,558,315
Rental income	713,311	<b>862,930</b>	745,411
First Nations Trust	569,618	<b>760,011</b>	343,907
Sweetgrass Treaty Land Entitlement Trust	510,912	<b>506,657</b>	485,875
Government of Canada - Class Action Settlement	-	<b>500,000</b>	-
Other	245,869	<b>467,791</b>	289,784
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation	547,666	<b>341,803</b>	350,312
SITAG	163,009	<b>191,082</b>	207,620
Sweetgrass Legacy Trust - annual payment	172,368	<b>172,368</b>	166,005
Government of Canada - Class Action Settlement	-	<b>89,998</b>	49,802
Battle River Treaty 6 Health Centre Inc.	52,500	<b>62,875</b>	178,743
BATC Community Development Corporation	-	<b>19,530</b>	84,317
Insurance	-	-	11,491
	<b>22,743,978</b>	<b>13,854,504</b>	13,471,582
<b>Program expenses</b>			
Band Government Support	1,188,650	<b>1,597,286</b>	2,369,426
Capital	53,868	<b>132,991</b>	121,053
Community Development	1,132,538	<b>1,726,738</b>	1,603,849
Education	3,228,006	<b>3,269,277</b>	3,189,205
Lands and Trust	215,276	<b>208,406</b>	183,199
Other	453,310	<b>777,466</b>	693,810
Ottawa Trust Fund	548,191	<b>576,223</b>	443,937
Own Source	1,051,380	<b>1,602,029</b>	2,313,670
Health	117,267	<b>84,565</b>	-
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>7,988,486</b>	<b>9,974,981</b>	10,918,149
<b>Surplus before other items</b>	<b>14,755,492</b>	<b>3,879,523</b>	2,553,433
<b>Other items</b>			
Chief and Headperson Settlement proceeds (Note 23)	-	<b>2,634,605</b>	-
Chief and Headperson negotiation costs (Note 23)	-	<b>(403,593)</b>	-
Chief and Headperson - per capita (Note 23)	-	<b>(2,131,920)</b>	-
	<b>-</b>	<b>99,092</b>	-
<b>Annual surplus</b>	<b>14,755,492</b>	<b>3,978,615</b>	2,553,433
<b>Accumulated surplus, beginning of year</b>	<b>17,477,303</b>	<b>17,477,303</b>	14,923,870
<b>Accumulated surplus, end of year</b>	<b>32,232,795</b>	<b>21,455,918</b>	17,477,303

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements*



**Sweetgrass First Nation**  
**Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Debt**  
*For the year ended March 31, 2023*

	<b>2023 Budget (Note 16)</b>	<b>2023 Actual</b>	<b>2022 Actual</b>
<b>Annual surplus</b>	<b>14,755,492</b>	<b>3,978,615</b>	2,553,433
Purchases of tangible capital assets	(5,703,986)	(4,843,753)	(3,652,327)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	-	826,896	679,531
Recognition of asset retirement obligation	-	(1,392,333)	-
Acquisition of prepaid expenses	-	(55,117)	-
Use of prepaid expenses	-	83,146	51,540
<b>Change in net debt</b>	<b>9,051,506</b>	<b>(1,402,546)</b>	(367,823)
<b>Net debt, beginning of year</b>	<b>(5,532,007)</b>	<b>(5,532,007)</b>	(5,164,184)
<b>Net debt, end of year</b>	<b>3,519,499</b>	<b>(6,934,553)</b>	(5,532,007)



**Sweetgrass First Nation**  
**Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**  
*For the year ended March 31, 2023*

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Cash provided by (used for) the following activities</b>		
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Annual surplus	3,978,615	2,553,433
Non-cash items		
Amortization of tangible capital assets	826,896	679,531
Accretion of asset retirement obligation	41,770	-
	<b>4,847,281</b>	3,232,964
Changes in working capital accounts		
Accounts receivable	(3,738,383)	37,086
Restricted cash	(1,205,459)	379,011
Funds held in Ottawa Trust Fund	(384,912)	(106,153)
Prepaid expenses	28,029	51,540
Accounts payable and accruals	719,715	(1,106,789)
Deferred revenue	6,133,804	91,647
	<b>6,400,075</b>	2,579,306
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Advances of long-term debt and term loans subject to refinancing	520,152	2,015,262
Repayment of long-term debt	(553,833)	(514,789)
Decrease in bank indebtedness	(59,447)	(78,760)
	<b>(93,128)</b>	1,421,713
<b>Capital activities</b>		
Purchases of tangible capital assets	(4,843,753)	(3,652,327)
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Purchase of portfolio investments	(501,800)	(161,645)
Redemption of portfolio investment	50,043	-
	<b>(451,757)</b>	(161,645)
<b>Increase in cash resources</b>	<b>1,011,437</b>	187,047
<b>Cash resources, beginning of year</b>	<b>1,752,509</b>	1,565,462
<b>Cash resources, end of year</b>	<b>2,763,946</b>	1,752,509



# Sweetgrass First Nation

## Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

For the year ended March 31, 2023

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### 1. Operations

The Sweetgrass First Nation (the "First Nation") is located in Treaty 6 Territory, Canada and provides various services to its Members. Sweetgrass First Nation includes all related entities that are accountable to the First Nation and are controlled by the First Nation.

### 2. Changes in accounting policies

Effective April 1, 2022, the First Nation adopted the recommendations relating to the following Sections, as set out in the CPA Canada Public Sector Accounting Handbook:

#### ***Financial instruments***

Effective April 1, 2022, the First Nation adopted the Public Sector Accounting Board's (PSAB) new recommendations for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of financial assets, financial liabilities and derivatives under Section PS 3450 *Financial Instruments*. Upon adopting PS 3450, the First Nation is also required to adopt PS 1201 *Financial Statement Presentation*, and PS 3041 *Portfolio Investments*. The new Sections are applied prospectively, and prior periods have not been restated. There was no material impact on the consolidated financial statements from the prospective application of the new accounting recommendations.

#### ***Asset retirement obligations***

Effective April 1, 2022, the First Nation adopted the Public Sector Accounting Board's (PSAB) new standard for the recognition, measurement and disclosure of a liability for asset retirement obligations under PS 3280 *Asset Retirement Obligations*. The new standard establishes when to recognize and how to measure a liability for an asset retirement obligation, and provides the related financial statement presentation and disclosure requirements. Pursuant to these recommendations, the change was applied prospectively, and prior periods have not been restated.

Under the new standard, a liability for an asset retirement obligation is recognized at the best estimate of the amount required to retire a tangible capital asset when certain criteria are met, as described in Note 3.

Pursuant to the recommendations, the change was applied prospectively and prior periods have not been restated. As such, the First Nation recognized asset retirement obligations for those arising on or after April 1, 2022, as well as for those arising prior to April 1, 2022 but for which an obligation was not previously recognized.

The cumulative effect in the current year of adopting this new standard is to increase liabilities by \$1,434,103, increase the associated tangible capital assets by \$1,253,100, and increase expenses by \$181,003.

### 3. Significant accounting policies

These consolidated financial statements are the representations of management, prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and include the following significant accounting policies:

#### ***Reporting entity***

The financial statements consolidate the financial activities of all entities and departments comprising the First Nation reporting entity, except for First Nation business entities which are accounted for using the modified equity method.

The First Nation has consolidated the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the following entities and departments:

- Sweetgrass First Nation
- Sweetgrass First Nation C.M.H.C. Housing
- Sweetgrass Developments Limited Partnership
- Sweetgrass Investments Ltd.

All inter-entity balances have been eliminated on consolidation; however, transactions between departments have not been eliminated in order to present the results of operations for each specific department.



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**3. Significant accounting policies** *(Continued from previous page)*

Sweetgrass Treaty Land Entitlement Trust and Sweetgrass Legacy Trust have not been included in these consolidated financial statements as Chief and Council do not control the Trusts.

**Other economic interests**

The First Nation is a member of several other entities. The First Nation does not share in the profit or loss of these entities. As a result these entities have not been included in these consolidated financial statements.

**Basis of presentation**

Sources of revenues and expenses are recorded on the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues as they become available and measurable; expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable as a result of the receipt of goods or services and the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

**Asset classification**

Assets are classified as either financial or non-financial. Financial assets are assets that could be used to discharge existing liabilities or finance future operations. Non-financial assets are acquired, constructed or developed assets that do not normally provide resources to discharge existing liabilities but are employed to deliver government services, may be consumed in normal operations and are not for resale in the normal course of operations. Non-financial assets include tangible capital assets.

**Cash resources**

Cash resources include balances with banks and short-term investments with maturities of three months or less. Cash subject to restrictions is included in restricted cash. Restricted cash consists of the TLE Revenue Operating, CMHC Replacement Reserve and capital project bank accounts.

**Portfolio investments**

Long-term investments in entities that are not owned, controlled or influenced by the First Nation reporting entity are accounted for using the cost method. Marketable securities with prices quoted in an active market are measured at fair value while those that are not quoted in an active market are measured at cost less impairment.

**Tangible capital assets**

Tangible capital assets are initially recorded at cost. Contributed tangible capital assets are recorded at their fair value at the date of contribution.

The First Nation's original reserve land is not recognized in the consolidated financial statements.

**Amortization**

Tangible capital assets are amortized annually using the following methods at rates intended to amortize the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives:

	<b>Method</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Buildings and infrastructure	declining balance	5-10 %
Equipment	declining balance	25 %
CMHC Housing	straight-line	15-25 years

Land is not amortized. Projects under construction are not amortized until they are put into use.

**Funds held in Ottawa Trust Fund**

Funds held in trust on behalf of First Nation members by the Government of Canada in the Ottawa Trust Fund are reported on the statement of financial position with an offsetting amount in accumulated operating surplus. Trust moneys consist of:

- Capital trust moneys derived from non-renewable resource transactions on the sale of land or other First Nation tangible capital assets; and
- Revenue trust moneys generated primarily through land leasing transactions or interest earned on deposits held in trust.



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**Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**  
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**3. Significant accounting policies** *(Continued from previous page)*

***Asset retirement obligation***

A liability for an asset retirement obligation is recognized at the best estimate of the amount required to retire a tangible capital asset (or a component thereof) at the financial statement date when there is a legal obligation for the First Nation to incur retirement costs in relation to a tangible capital asset (or component thereof), the past transaction or event giving rise to the liability has occurred, it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up, and a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made. The best estimate of the liability includes all costs directly attributable to asset retirement activities, based on information available at March 31, 2023. The best estimate of an asset retirement obligation incorporates a present value technique, when the cash flows required to settle or otherwise extinguish an asset retirement obligation are expected to occur over extended future periods.

When a liability for an asset retirement obligation is initially recognized, a corresponding asset retirement cost is capitalized to the carrying amount of the related tangible capital asset (or component thereof). The asset retirement cost is amortized over the useful life of the related asset.

At each financial reporting date, the First Nation reviews the carrying amount of the liability. The First Nation recognizes period-to-period changes to the liability due to the passage of time as accretion expense. Changes to the liability arising from revisions to either the timing, the amount of the original estimate of undiscounted cash flows or the discount rate are recognized as an increase or decrease to the carrying amount of the related tangible capital asset.

The First Nation continues to recognize the liability until it is settled or otherwise extinguished. Disbursements made to settle the liability are deducted from the reported liability when they are made.

***Liability for contaminated site***

A liability for remediation of a contaminated site is recognized at the best estimate of the amount required to remediate the contaminated site when contamination exceeding an environmental standard exists, the First Nation is either directly responsible or accepts responsibility, it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up, and a reasonable estimate of the amount is determinable. The best estimate of the liability includes all costs directly attributable to remediation activities and is reduced by expected net recoveries based on information available at March 31, 2023.

At each financial reporting date, the First Nation reviews the carrying amount of the liability. Any revisions required to the amount previously recognized is accounted for in the period revisions are made. The First Nation continues to recognize the liability until it is settled or otherwise extinguished. Disbursements made to settle the liability are deducted from the reported liability when they are made. There are no known liabilities at March 31, 2023.

***Net debt***

The First Nation's financial statements are presented so as to highlight net debt as the measurement of financial position. The net debt of the First Nation is determined by its financial assets less its liabilities. Net debt combined with non-financial assets comprise a second indicator of financial position, accumulated surplus.

***Revenue recognition***

***Funding***

Revenue is recognized as it becomes receivable under the terms of applicable funding agreements. Funding received under funding arrangements that relate to a subsequent fiscal period are reflected as deferred revenue on the statement of financial position in the year of receipt.

***Government Transfers***

The First Nation recognizes a government transfer as revenue when the transfer is authorized and all eligibility criteria, if any, have been met. A government transfer with stipulations giving rise to an obligation that meets the definition of a liability is recognized as a liability. In such circumstances, the First Nation recognizes revenue as the liability is settled. Transfers of non-depreciable assets are recognized in revenue when received or receivable.

***Funds held in Ottawa Trust Fund***

Due to measurement uncertainty, revenue related to funds held in the Ottawa Trust Fund is recognized when it is deposited in the trust account.



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**3. Significant accounting policies** *(Continued from previous page)*

***Other revenues***

Rental and lease revenue is recognized over the rental term. Other revenue is recognized as it becomes receivable. Revenue from Sweetgrass Treaty Land Entitlement Trust is recognized as it becomes receivable under the terms of the Sweetgrass Treaty Land Entitlement Trust Agreement.

***Financial instruments***

The First Nation recognizes its financial instruments when the First Nation becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. All financial instruments are initially recorded at their fair value.

At initial recognition the First Nation may irrevocably elect to subsequently measure at fair value financial instruments that meet certain criteria. The First Nation has not made such an election during the year.

The First Nation does not have any financial instruments required to be subsequently measured at fair value so has not presented a statement of remeasurement gains and losses as it does not have any items giving rise to remeasurement gains (losses). Interest income is recognized in the statement of operations. All financial assets and liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

All financial assets are tested annually for impairment. Management considers recent collection experience for receivables, such as delinquency in payments, in determining whether objective evidence of impairment exists. Any impairment, which is not considered temporary, is recorded in the statement of operations. Write-downs of financial assets measured at cost and/or amortized cost to reflect losses in value are not reversed for subsequent increases in value.

***Measurement uncertainty***

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates and assumptions are reviewed periodically and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in the records in the periods in which they become known.

Accounts receivable are stated after evaluation as to their collectability and an appropriate allowance for doubtful accounts is provided where considered necessary. Amortization is based on the estimated useful lives of tangible capital assets.

A liability for asset retirement obligations reflects management's best estimate of the amount required to retire the related tangible capital asset (or component thereof). The best estimate of the liability is based upon assumptions and estimates related to the amount and timing of costs for future asset retirement.

Changes to the underlying assumptions and estimates or legislative changes in the near term could have a material impact on the provision recognized.

***Segments***

The First Nation conducts its business through 9 reportable segments (Note 18). These operating segments are established by senior management to facilitate the achievement of the First Nation's long-term objectives, to aid in resource allocation decisions and to assess operational performance.

For each reported segment, revenues and expenses represent both amounts that are directly attributable to the segment and amounts that are allocated on a reasonable basis. Therefore, certain allocation methodologies are employed in the preparation of segmented financial information.

The accounting policies used in these segments are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements.



**Sweetgrass First Nation**  
**Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**  
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**4. Restricted cash**

	<b>2023</b>	2022
Capital projects	7,338,570	6,161,362
CMHC replacement reserve	264,154	229,351
TLE Revenue operating	5,029	11,581
	<b>7,607,753</b>	6,402,294

**5. Accounts receivable**

	<b>2023</b>	2022
Indigenous Services Canada	3,453,051	9,276
Sweetgrass Treaty Land Entitlement Trust	1,326,568	1,048,773
Salary advances	232,454	215,234
Battle River Treaty 6 Health Centre Inc.	117,518	41,389
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation	25,867	37,665
Battlefords Agency Tribal Chiefs Inc.	10,579	14,919
Other	1,001	-
BATC Social Development	-	10,813
BATC Community Development Corporation	-	2,970
	<b>5,167,038</b>	1,381,039
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	231,106	183,490
	<b>4,935,932</b>	1,197,549

Amounts due from Sweetgrass Treaty Land Entitlement Trust relate to the undistributed Annual Income which is available to the First Nation through Schedule C requests. Sweetgrass First Nation is the beneficiary of the Trust.

**6. Portfolio investments**

	<b>2023</b>	2022
Royal Bank of Canada - Guaranteed Investment Certificate, maturing March 28, 2024 earning interest at 4.45%	306,664	306,664
Royal Bank of Canada - Guaranteed Investment Certificate, maturing August 4, 2023 earning interest at 1.9%	297,362	297,065
Royal Bank of Canada - Guaranteed Investment Certificate, maturing August 1, 2023 earning interest at 2.45%	253,558	252,086
Royal Bank of Canada - Guaranteed Investment Certificate, maturing January 24, 2024 earning interest at 4.2%	500,000	-
Royal Bank of Canada - Guaranteed Investment Certificate. Redeemed	-	50,012
Investment in BATC Investments Limited Partnership - 20% interest	1,010	1,010
Investment in FN Cannabis Limited Partnership - 33% interest	333	333
Investment in BATC Land Holdings Limited Partnership - 16.67% interest	18	18
	<b>1,358,945</b>	907,188



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**7. Funds held in Ottawa Trust Fund**

Capital and Revenue Trust monies are transferred to the First Nation on the authorization of Chief and Council, with the consent of the Minister of Indigenous Services Canada. There were no funds in the Capital Account at year-end, nor were there any transactions in the Capital Account during the year. Revenues generated in the trust fund have been presented as rental in the consolidated statement of operations.

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Revenue Account</b>		
Balance, beginning of year	228,159	122,006
Interest	14,013	2,708
Land leases	593,036	547,283
Less: Transfers to First Nation	222,137	443,838
Balance, end of year	<b>613,071</b>	228,159

Disbursements from the trust have been utilized as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount disbursed</b>	<b>Purpose of disbursement</b>	<b>Costs recorded</b>	
2022-05-02	\$29	Traditional land holdings	Ottawa Trust Fund - Various	29
2022-05-05	\$23,237	Traditional land holdings	Ottawa Trust Fund - Traditional land payment	23,237
2022-10-03	\$23,237	Band Support	Ottawa Trust Fund - Traditional land payment	23,237
2022-10-03	\$175,634	Band support	Ottawa Trust Fund - Various	175,634
				<b>222,137</b>

**8. Bank indebtedness**

The First Nation has an approved operating line of credit of \$350,000 with interest to be charged at Royal Bank prime plus 1.5% per annum. At March 31, 2023, \$118,555 (2022 - \$181,849) has been drawn. The operating line is secured by a general security agreement and a Band Council Resolution.



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**9. Deferred revenue**

The following table represents changes in the deferred revenue balance attributable to each major category of external restrictions:

	<b>Balance 2022</b>	<b>Contributions received</b>	<b>Contributions utilized</b>	<b>Balance 2023</b>
Water Treatment Plant (AT447)	29,533	5,483,161	1,687,578	3,825,116
New school (AT315)	3,915,085	-	102,776	3,812,309
Community Backup Well (AT446)	477,997	1,177,200	23,910	1,631,287
Prevention (Q2C3)	-	1,219,964	35,266	1,184,698
Roads and Bridges (Q3BH)	475,918	564,885	240,678	800,125
Roads and Bridges (AT445)	1,564,423	258,000	1,364,697	457,726
Waste Water Assessment (CT983)	86,250	400,000	76,368	409,882
Immediate Needs Yr 3 (QA1A)	-	374,844	92,144	282,700
FN School 2nd Level (Q24K)	-	400,536	125,186	275,350
Ec Dev Capacity - NB Land Development (Q3QP)	144,250	200,000	73,945	270,305
Culture and Recreation - Capital (NTND)	258,160	-	-	258,160
Subdivision (AT382)	-	250,000	-	250,000
CFS FN Representative (Q2C7)	-	236,588	-	236,588
Transfer station (CT917)	319,725	-	128,594	191,131
Provincial Admin 2nd level (Q2EO)	-	86,790	-	86,790
Asset Management Plan (Q3H3)	86,505	-	878	85,627
Additions to reserve (Q3L7)	-	50,000	-	50,000
Fire Protection (Q3UN)	-	50,000	-	50,000
Provincial Student Support (Q2EP)	-	126,647	81,280	45,367
Specific Claims Submission (QZ9P)	-	45,000	-	45,000
Veteran's Land Claim (Q79P)	35,000	-	-	35,000
Adult education (Q2J2)	-	32,592	-	32,592
Comm Infrast Plan (Q3UZ)	-	25,000	-	25,000
Capacity Building (Q3YZ)	-	38,720	16,141	22,579
Daycare Re-opening (Q3R7)	18,277	-	2,926	15,351
Provincial School Transportation (Q2EL)	-	183,266	179,198	4,068
COVID Public Health Support (Q243)	238,344	-	238,344	-
Construction - Immediate Needs (Q3XJ)	247,977	-	247,977	-
EMAP (Q3V9)	17,729	213,235	230,964	-
Covid 19 Community Guide (Q36R)	13,256	-	13,256	-
EMAP (Q3V0)	10,000	-	10,000	-
Construction (1-3 Bedroom Duplex) (Q3AA)	194,495	-	194,495	-
Greenhouse Business Plan (Q31Z)	16,734	-	16,734	-
Preparedness/Mitigation (Q3F0)	38,720	-	38,720	-
Food Security (Q3VJ)	60,569	-	60,569	-
	<b>8,248,947</b>	<b>11,416,428</b>	<b>5,282,624</b>	<b>14,382,751</b>

All deferred revenue noted above relates to funding from Indigenous Services Canada.



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## 10. Long-term debt

The following loans are secured by government guarantees, and relate to the construction of on reserve housing. The First Nation receives a subsidy from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation to assist with the payment of principal and interest on the following loans:

<u>Phase</u>	<u>Monthly payment including interest</u>	<u>Interest rate</u>	<u>Renewal Date</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
VI	1,609	1.73%	1-Aug-24	194,627	210,426
VII	2,728	1.12%	1-Oct-26	412,444	440,407
VIII	2,366	0.79%	1-Jan-26	434,930	459,785
IX	7,290	1.69%	1-Sep-24	1,576,976	1,637,345
X	5,870	1.88%	1-Feb-27	577,975	636,988
XI	2,293	1.51%	1-Nov-26	339,731	361,955
XII	2,016	1.51%	1-Nov-26	298,584	318,116
XIII	1,554	3.70%	1-Dec-27	<u>212,140</u>	<u>-</u>
				<b>4,047,407</b>	4,065,022
RBC term loan (Husky Oil Spill), with interest at Royal Bank prime plus 0.5%, repayable the earlier of: receipt of funds pursuant to a settlement, judgment or order relating to the claim and November 2024, secured by AmTrust Europe Limited insurance policy, surety bond and assignment of all proceeds payable under the insurance policy (see Note 13)					
				<b>1,072,940</b>	999,678
RBC term loan (Treaty Rights), with interest at Royal Bank prime plus 0.25%, repayable the earlier of: receipt of funds pursuant to a settlement, judgment or order relating to the claim and November 2026, secured by AmTrust Europe Limited insurance policy, surety bond and assignment of all proceeds payable under the insurance policy (see Note 13)					
				<b>596,408</b>	550,136
RBC term loan (Highway & Gravel), with interest at Royal Bank prime plus 0.25%, repayable the earlier of: receipt of funds pursuant to a settlement, judgment or order relating to the claim and November 2026, secured by AmTrust Europe Limited insurance policy, surety bond and assignment of all proceeds payable under the insurance policy (see Note 13)					
				<b>528,582</b>	494,910
RBC term loan (Sweetgrass Railway), with interest at Royal Bank prime plus 0.25%, repayable the earlier of: receipt of funds pursuant to a settlement, judgment or order relating to the claim and November 2026, secured by AmTrust Europe Limited insurance policy, surety bond and assignment of all proceeds payable under the insurance policy (see Note 13)					
				<b>452,990</b>	402,460
Caterpillar Financial Services Limited equipment loan, repayable in monthly instalments of \$6,416 with interest at 5.4%, due October 2024, secured by Motor Grader with a net book value of \$124,305 (2022 - \$165,740)					
				<b>116,599</b>	185,277



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**10. Long-term debt (continued from previous page) (Continued from previous page)**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Caterpillar Financial Services Limited equipment loan, repayable in monthly instalments of \$2,519 with interest at 5.4%, due October 2024, secured by Backhoe Loader with a net book value of \$48,804 (2022 - \$65,072)	45,779	72,743
RBC term loan, repayable in annual instalments of \$30,715 plus interest at Royal Bank prime plus 2.5%, secured by general security agreement, matures March 2024	30,710	61,425
CMHC Section 95 - Phase 13 construction advances - subject to refinancing	256,257	154,705
<u>RBC term loan repaid during the year</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>194,997</u>
	<b>7,147,672</b>	7,181,353
Less: current portion	379,597	558,104
<u>Less: loan subject to refinancing</u>	<u>256,257</u>	<u>154,705</u>
	<b>6,511,818</b>	6,468,544

Principal repayments in each of the next five years, assuming loans are renewed at similar terms and interest rates, are estimated as follows:

2024	635,854
2025	1,386,229
2026	255,750
2027	1,837,629
2028	2,772,559

**11. Asset retirement obligation**

The First Nation owns buildings which contain asbestos, and is required to comply with legal requirements regarding disposal which is estimated to be in 10 years. The First Nation recognized a liability for the asset retirement obligation and a corresponding amount has been capitalized as an asset retirement cost and added to the carrying value of housing and buildings. The asset retirement cost is amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining years until remediation.

The First Nation estimated the amount of the liability using the discounted cash flow method. The significant assumptions used to determine the best estimate of the liability include:

- Estimate of 10 years until remediation
- Estimated inflation rate of 3% (risk free rate estimated to approximate inflation)

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Liabilities incurred	1,392,333	-
Accretion	41,770	-
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>1,434,103</b>	-



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**12. Tangible capital assets**

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	Cost				Accumulated Amortization			
	<i>Opening balance</i>	<i>Additions</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Ending balance</i>	<i>Opening balance</i>	<i>Current amortization</i>	<i>Ending balance</i>	<i>Net book value</i>
Buildings and infrastructure	12,310,037	1,392,333	-	13,702,370	7,276,448	423,051	7,699,499	6,002,871
Equipment	943,260	169,372	-	1,112,632	616,118	102,957	719,075	393,557
CMHC housing	6,529,688	273,065	-	6,802,753	2,191,415	300,888	2,492,303	4,310,450
Projects under construction	5,383,991	4,401,316	-	9,785,307	-	-	-	9,785,307
Purchased land	7,843,169	-	-	7,843,169	-	-	-	7,843,169
	33,010,145	6,236,086	-	39,246,231	10,083,981	826,896	10,910,877	28,335,354

**For the year ended March 31, 2022**

	Cost				Accumulated Amortization			
	<i>Opening balance</i>	<i>Additions</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Ending balance</i>	<i>Opening balance</i>	<i>Current amortization</i>	<i>Ending balance</i>	<i>Net book value</i>
Buildings and infrastructure	12,162,637	147,400	-	12,310,037	6,977,813	298,635	7,276,448	5,033,589
Equipment	878,255	65,005	-	943,260	517,905	98,213	616,118	327,142
CMHC housing	5,643,675	617,233	268,780	6,529,688	1,908,732	282,683	2,191,415	4,338,273
Projects under construction	2,830,082	2,822,689	(268,780)	5,383,991	-	-	-	5,383,991
Purchased land	7,843,169	-	-	7,843,169	-	-	-	7,843,169
	29,357,818	3,652,327	-	33,010,145	9,404,450	679,531	10,083,981	22,926,164

Included in current year buildings and infrastructure addition is \$1,392,333 for asset retirement obligation (Note 2).

Included in current year buildings and infrastructure accumulated amortization is \$139,233 for asset retirement obligation (Note 2).



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**13. Contingent assets**

***Husky Oil Spill claim***

In 2021, the First Nation filed a legal claim against Husky Oil for an oil spill on Sweetgrass land for which the First Nation is claiming damages. The First Nation has obtained a loan to finance the costs of negotiating the settlement. Insurance has been obtained to mitigate the risk that the settlement proceeds may be less than the total loan outstanding at such time the claim is resolved.

As of March 31, 2023, expenses of \$1,072,940 (2022 - \$999,678) have been incurred and available financing drawn (Note 10). The First Nation anticipates the loan will be paid from settlement proceeds. When the claim is finalized or the insurance proceeds are paid the amounts will be recognized as revenue.

***Government of Canada - Specific claims***

During the previous year, the First Nation filed three (3) specific claims against the Government of Canada for historic breaches of legal obligations, statutory obligations, fiduciary obligations, and/or honourable obligations. The First Nation has obtained three (3) loans to finance the costs of negotiating the settlements. Insurance has been obtained to mitigate the risk that the settlement proceeds may be less than the total loans outstanding at such time the claims are resolved.

As of March 31, 2023, expenses of \$596,408 (2022 - \$550,136), \$528,582 (2022 - \$494,910) and \$452,990 (2022 - \$402,460) have been incurred and available financing drawn (Note 10) on each of the claims. The First Nation anticipates the loans will be paid from settlement proceeds. When the claims are finalized or the insurance proceeds are paid the amounts will be recognized as revenue.

***Residential Schools - band reparations class action settlement***

On March 9, 2023, the Federal Court of Canada approved a settlement between Canada and 325 First Nation communities for the collective harm suffered by Indigenous communities as a result of Indian Residential Schools. Sweetgrass First Nation joined the class action and accepted the settlement through submission of a Band Council Resolution. The First Nation expects to receive an initial one-time payment of \$200,000 for the purposes of developing a plan to carry out one or more of the objectives set out in the settlement. Further funds may be available upon submission of additional documentation. There may also be an annual entitlement payment for a share of annual investment income on funds related to the settlement.

***First Nations drinking water class action settlement***

On December 22, 2021, the Federal Court of Canada has approved a settlement between Canada and certain First Nations and their members who were subject to a drinking water advisory that lasted at least one year between November 20, 1995, and June 20, 2021. The First Nation is participating in the settlement class.

The First Nation is unable to reasonably estimate a value or range of outcomes for the settlement because it is in part based on individual impacted members' claims which can be filed up to March 7, 2024. As at March 31, 2023 the Cree Nation has received \$500,000 upon initial acceptance of the settlement agreement.



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**14. Accumulated operating surplus**

Accumulated operating surplus consists of the following:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Operating	431,100	1,221,326
Litigation financing	(2,650,920)	(2,447,184)
Capital assets	22,783,169	18,191,995
Commercial	1,360	1,360
CMHC Operating Reserve	19,902	47,468
CMHC Replacement Reserve	258,236	234,179
Ottawa Trust Fund	613,071	228,159
	<b>21,455,918</b>	<b>17,477,303</b>

**15. Funds and reserves**

The Sweetgrass First Nation maintains the following funds and reserves as part of its operations:

- Operating Fund reports on the general activities of the First Nation's administration.
- Litigation Financing reports on the activities of the First Nation's litigation for which the First Nation is seeking damages.
- Capital Assets Fund reports on the capital assets and projects of the First Nation.
- Commercial Fund reports on commercial business operations owned by the First Nation.
- CMHC Operating Reserve is required as part of the First Nation's CMHC Housing Program, which receives funds pursuant to the Post 1997 - Fixed Subsidy Program. Any surpluses are externally restricted and reserved for future operating losses that relate to the operation of houses under the Program.
- CMHC Replacement Reserve is required as part of the First Nation's CMHC Housing Program. It has been established for replacement of capital equipment and for major repairs to the houses.
- Ottawa Trust Fund reports on trust moneys owned by the First Nation and held by the Government of Canada.

**16. Budget information**

The disclosed budget information has been approved by Chief and Council in November 2022. The original budget included unexpended funding not recognized under PSAS of \$117,267, which has been adjusted out of the budget amounts. The original budget also included purchases of tangible capital assets of \$5,703,986 as net expenses, which have been adjusted out of expenses and presented on the statement of changes in net debt.

**17. Scope of operations**

Sweetgrass First Nation receives a significant portion of its revenues from Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) as a result of Treaties entered into with His Majesty the King. These Treaties are administered by ISC under the terms and conditions of the Indian Act. The ability of the First Nation to continue operations is dependent upon the Government of Canada's continued financial commitments as guaranteed by these Treaties.



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**18. Segments**

The First Nation has 9 reportable segments. These segments are differentiated by the major activities or services they provide. The First Nation's segments are as follows:

- Band Government Support - includes administration and governance activities.
- Capital - reports on capital projects.
- Community Development - includes operations for the maintenance of the First Nation's buildings and infrastructure.
- Education - includes the operations of education programs.
- Lands and Trusts - includes activities for the development of the First Nation's land.
- Other - reports on operations of band programs.
- Ottawa Trust Fund - reports trust funds held by the Government of Canada.
- Own Source - reports on operations related to economic development and other revenue generated by the Nation.
- Health - reports on operations of health programs.

**19. Indigenous Services Canada reconciliation**

Total funding per year-end funding confirmation report	\$ 16,013,263
Add:	
Prior year deferred revenue	8,248,947
Minus:	
Current year deferred revenue	<u>(14,382,751)</u>
	<u>\$ 9,879,459</u>

**20. Contingent liabilities**

Funding

These consolidated financial statements are subject to review by the First Nation's funding agencies. It is possible that adjustments could be made based on the results of their reviews. Any forfeited funding will be recorded in the year the amounts are determined.

Legal Claim

The First Nation has been named defendant in a lawsuit seeking to recover damages allegedly sustained. The lawsuit remains at an early stage, and as litigation is subject to many uncertainties, it is not possible to predict the ultimate outcome of the lawsuit or to estimate the loss, if any, which may result. The First Nation plans to defend the lawsuit.

**21. Comparative figures**

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with current year's presentation.



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**22. Financial instruments**

The First Nation as part of its operations carries a number of financial instruments. It is management's opinion that the First Nation is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments except as otherwise disclosed.

***Credit Risk***

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss because a counter party to a financial instrument fails to discharge its contractual obligations. The carrying amount of accounts receivable represents the maximum exposure to credit risk.

Accounts receivable from two entities represents 97% of total receivables at March 31, 2023 (2022 - one entity for 88%). As at March 31, 2023, \$4,814,359 (2022 - \$1,150,886) of accounts receivable was aged less than 30 days, \$12,925 (2022 - \$nil) 60 to 90 days, and \$108,648 (2022 - \$46,663) over 90 days.

***Risk management***

The First Nation manages its credit risk by performing regular assessments and providing allowances for potentially uncollectible accounts, which was \$231,106 (2022 - \$183,490). The First Nation believes there is limited credit risk as the majority of accounts receivable is due from the Government of Canada and Sweetgrass Treaty Land Entitlement Trust.

***Liquidity Risk***

Liquidity risk is the risk that the First Nation will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled in cash. The First Nation enters into transactions to purchase goods and services for which repayment is required at various dates.

The First Nation manages the liquidity risk resulting from accounts payable and accruals, and deferred revenue by collecting accounts receivable, maintaining liquid assets and through an authorized operating line of credit of up to \$350,000.

***Interest rate risk***

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument might be adversely affected by a change in the interest rates. Changes in market interest rates may have an effect on the cash flows associated with some financial assets and liabilities, known as cash flow risk, and on the fair value of other financial assets or liabilities, known as price risk. The First Nation is exposed to interest rate risk primarily through its long-term debt, and marketable securities. In seeking to minimize the risks from interest rate fluctuations, the First Nation manages exposure through obtaining debt with a combination of fixed and variable rates, entering into agreements with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) to provide subsidy for the payment of principal and interest on the related loans from CMHC, and obtaining marketable securities with varying maturity dates.

**23. Sweetgrass Chief and Headperson Salary Claim Settlement**

During the year the First Nation settled its outstanding Chief and Headperson Salary Claim against the Government of Canada for \$2,634,605. The First Nation incurred legal fees and negotiating costs totaling \$403,593 relating to the settlement. Chief and Council approved a per capita distribution of \$1,080 to each registered member of the First Nation and issued per capita payments of \$2,131,920 during the year.



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**Schedule of Consolidated Expenses by Object**  
*For the year ended March 31, 2023*

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Salaries and benefits	<b>2,942,475</b>	2,862,868
Student expenses	<b>1,168,025</b>	1,254,436
Repairs and maintenance	<b>925,363</b>	976,866
Amortization	<b>826,896</b>	679,531
Contracted services	<b>488,940</b>	397,780
Chief and council	<b>484,566</b>	408,077
Professional fees	<b>364,990</b>	316,981
Christmas sponsorship	<b>318,276</b>	190,721
Emergency assistance	<b>297,205</b>	269,880
Elders utilities	<b>266,971</b>	231,306
Office supplies	<b>247,816</b>	208,845
Utilities	<b>246,551</b>	192,642
Interest on long-term debt	<b>243,315</b>	139,814
Community projects	<b>167,319</b>	67,208
Insurance	<b>164,082</b>	149,467
Community events	<b>156,743</b>	90,818
Social	<b>114,717</b>	677,808
Travel	<b>113,201</b>	81,440
Rent paid on behalf of members	<b>91,522</b>	87,674
Property tax	<b>80,206</b>	67,297
Bad debts	<b>47,385</b>	-
Traditional land payment	<b>46,475</b>	36,891
Accretion	<b>41,770</b>	-
Training	<b>35,376</b>	16,339
Bank charges and interest	<b>28,022</b>	45,565
Honouraria	<b>23,307</b>	7,697
Insurance and surety bond - litigation	<b>18,447</b>	678,133
Damage deposits and rent	<b>16,900</b>	15,000
Housing subsidy	<b>6,000</b>	6,000
Legal fees - litigation	<b>2,120</b>	761,065
	<b>9,974,981</b>	10,918,149



**Sweetgrass First Nation  
Band Government Support**

**Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)**

*For the year ended March 31, 2023*

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Revenues</b>		
Indigenous Services Canada		
Flex	1,894,004	1,232,717
Band support	460,977	437,110
Fixed	247,449	560,191
Deferred revenue	(1,164,367)	251,418
Other	1,438,063	2,481,436
SITAG	4,250	862
	100	-
	<b>1,442,413</b>	2,482,298
<b>Expenses</b>		
Salaries and benefits	877,701	709,411
Professional fees	134,941	171,462
Chief and council	116,418	367,294
Amortization	102,957	98,213
Social	96,800	675,908
Office supplies	52,970	37,690
Contracted services	40,189	8,166
Community projects	40,023	13,883
Travel	38,248	26,988
Utilities	33,067	46,531
Training	22,234	6,575
Bank charges and interest	19,831	13,161
Community events	15,900	4,023
Repairs and maintenance	3,728	6,959
Administration	1,470	122,574
Honouraria	300	-
Emergency assistance	295	58,612
Interest on long-term debt	214	1,526
Christmas sponsorship	-	450
	<b>1,597,286</b>	2,369,426
<b>Annual surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>(154,873)</b>	112,872



**Sweetgrass First Nation  
Capital**

**Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)**

*For the year ended March 31, 2023*

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Revenue</b>		
Indigenous Services Canada		
Flex	7,568,361	2,927,800
Deferred revenue	(4,184,439)	(22,820)
	3,383,922	2,904,980
Other	30,717	5,638
	<b>3,414,639</b>	2,910,618
<b>Expenses</b>		
Contracted services	68,545	20,575
Amortization	64,276	71,418
Bank charges and interest	170	120
Honouraria	-	600
Repairs and maintenance	-	25,695
Training	-	675
Travel	-	1,970
	<b>132,991</b>	121,053
<b>Annual surplus</b>	<b>3,281,648</b>	2,789,565



**Sweetgrass First Nation  
Community Development**

**Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)**

*For the year ended March 31, 2023*

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Revenue</b>		
Indigenous Services Canada		
Fixed	1,104,589	1,110,164
Flex	1,097,239	649,119
Deferred revenue	(245,831)	(285,245)
	<b>1,955,997</b>	1,474,038
<b>Expenses</b>		
Repairs and maintenance	673,869	773,594
Amortization	358,775	227,217
Salaries and benefits	350,468	353,723
Utilities	93,314	83,438
Insurance	92,205	90,456
Accretion	41,770	-
Administration	33,008	-
Travel	25,015	10,145
Office supplies	19,764	45,362
Professional fees	18,266	-
Contracted services	9,429	1,521
Chief and council	7,097	264
Interest on long-term debt	2,365	4,832
Training	1,722	1,153
Student expenses	-	9,603
Community projects	-	641
Social	(329)	1,900
	<b>1,726,738</b>	1,603,849
<b>Annual surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>229,259</b>	(129,811)



## Sweetgrass First Nation

Education

### Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)

For the year ended March 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Revenues</b>		
Indigenous Services Canada		
Fixed	3,251,561	2,914,834
Flex	84,210	439,177
Set	4,240	1,607
Deferred revenue	(444,167)	-
	2,895,844	3,355,618
Other	1,173	3,900
	2,897,017	3,359,518
<b>Expenses</b>		
Salaries and benefits	1,376,691	1,430,848
Student expenses	1,057,033	1,064,353
Contracted services	357,871	348,018
Chief and council	103,296	-
Office supplies	102,153	97,123
Administration	81,496	71,841
Utilities	63,984	54,467
Repairs and maintenance	52,159	40,616
Travel	22,849	17,434
Community events	19,415	36,509
Professional fees	10,419	3,709
Interest on long-term debt	9,210	10,445
Training	6,623	7,093
Honouraria	5,770	1,600
Bank charges and interest	308	1,559
Community projects	-	3,590
	3,269,277	3,189,205
<b>Annual surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>(372,260)</b>	<b>170,313</b>



## Sweetgrass First Nation

Lands and Trust

### Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)

For the year ended March 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Revenues</b>		
Indigenous Services Canada		
Fixed	300,633	230,633
Deferred revenue	(95,000)	(35,000)
	<b>205,633</b>	195,633
Other	846	400
	<b>206,479</b>	196,033
<b>Expenses</b>		
Salaries and benefits	133,314	137,395
Repairs and maintenance	23,463	6,549
Office supplies	17,096	7,460
Damage deposits and rent	12,000	12,000
Utilities	7,348	7,428
Professional fees	6,680	7,316
Travel	4,896	3,951
Insurance	2,000	1,000
Student expenses	1,519	-
Training	90	100
	<b>208,406</b>	183,199
<b>Annual surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>(1,927)</b>	12,834



## Sweetgrass First Nation

Other

### Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)

For the year ended March 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Revenues</b>		
Sweetgrass Treaty Land Entitlement Trust	506,657	485,875
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation	337,927	350,312
Rental income	152,320	142,320
Other	-	10
	996,904	978,517
<b>Expenses</b>		
Amortization	300,888	282,683
Christmas sponsorship	95,250	100,000
Repairs and maintenance	82,500	36,223
Salaries and benefits	76,896	53,502
Property tax	69,414	54,757
Insurance	66,345	58,011
Interest on long-term debt	59,196	55,172
Professional fees	17,058	14,871
Travel	4,290	3,054
Honouraria	2,750	4,497
Office supplies	2,081	804
Utilities	619	-
Bank charges and interest	179	329
Administration	-	28,889
Community events	-	575
Training	-	443
	777,466	693,810
<b>Annual surplus</b>	<b>219,438</b>	<b>284,707</b>

**Sweetgrass First Nation****Ottawa Trust Fund****Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)***For the year ended March 31, 2023*

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Revenue</b>		
Rental income	<b>607,020</b>	549,991
<b>Expenses</b>		
Elders utilities	200,053	200,000
Christmas sponsorship	127,226	88,004
Emergency assistance	91,292	65,947
Repairs and maintenance	66,386	-
Traditional land payment	46,475	36,891
Utilities	44,748	37
Interest on long-term debt	43	-
Professional fees	-	41,000
Travel	-	9,782
Salaries and benefits	-	2,276
	<b>576,223</b>	443,937
<b>Annual surplus before transfers</b>	<b>30,797</b>	106,054
<b>Transfers between programs - other</b>	<b>354,115</b>	-
<b>Annual surplus</b>	<b>384,912</b>	106,054



## Sweetgrass First Nation

Own Source

### Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)

For the year ended March 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Revenues</b>		
Indigenous Services Canada		
Fixed	-	146,610
First Nations Trust	760,011	343,907
Government of Canada - Class Action Settlement	500,000	-
Other	430,805	278,974
SITAG	190,982	207,620
Sweetgrass Legacy Trust - annual payment	172,368	166,005
Rental income	103,590	53,100
Battlefords Agency Tribal Chiefs Inc.	89,998	49,802
Battle River Treaty 6 Health Centre Inc.	62,875	178,743
BATC Community Development Corporation	19,530	84,317
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation	3,876	-
Insurance	-	11,491
	<b>2,334,035</b>	1,520,569

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## Sweetgrass First Nation

Own Source

### Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)

For the year ended March 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Revenues</b> <i>(Continued from previous page)</i>	<b>2,334,035</b>	1,520,569
<b>Expenses</b>		
Chief and council	257,755	40,519
Emergency assistance	205,618	145,321
Professional fees	177,626	78,623
Interest on long-term debt	172,287	67,839
Salaries and benefits	127,405	175,713
Community events	121,428	49,711
Student expenses	109,473	180,480
Christmas sponsorship	95,800	2,267
Rent paid on behalf of members	91,522	87,674
Elders utilities	66,918	31,306
Community projects	61,161	49,094
Office supplies	53,752	20,406
Bad debts	47,385	-
Insurance and surety bond - litigation	18,447	678,133
Social	18,246	-
Travel	17,903	8,116
Repairs and maintenance	15,595	87,230
Contracted services	12,906	19,500
Property tax	10,792	12,540
Bank charges and interest	7,534	30,396
Housing subsidy	6,000	6,000
Damage deposits and rent	4,900	3,000
Training	4,707	300
Honouraria	3,720	1,000
Insurance	3,532	-
Utilities	3,471	741
Legal fees - litigation	2,120	761,065
Administration	(115,974)	(223,304)
	1,602,029	2,313,670
<b>Surplus (deficit) before other items</b>	<b>732,006</b>	(793,101)
<b>Treaty annuities claim</b>		
Chief and Headperson Settlement proceeds	2,634,605	-
Chief and Headperson - per capita	(2,131,920)	-
Chief and Headperson negotiation costs	(403,593)	-
	99,092	-
<b>Surplus (deficit) before transfers</b>	<b>831,098</b>	(793,101)
<b>Transfers between programs</b>	<b>(354,115)</b>	-
<b>Annual surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>476,983</b>	(793,101)



## Sweetgrass First Nation

Health

### Consolidated Schedule of Segment Revenues and Expenses and Surplus (Deficit)

For the year ended March 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Expenses</b>		
Community projects	66,135	-
Honouraria	10,767	-
Repairs and maintenance	7,663	-
<b>Annual deficit</b>	<b>(84,565)</b>	-