# 2014 Year End Procedures Version 2015.1





#### **IMPORTANT! – READ THIS FIRST!**

UAN has provided two guides for the year end closing process - it is important that you understand the scope and purpose of each before proceeding:

- 1. The **Year End Checklist** A form built into the software that provides brief instructions on the *minimum technical requirements* for closing the year in UAN.
- 2. The **Year End Procedures** booklet A detailed guide to software tasks for closing the fiscal year. Before beginning, it is essential to understand the organization of this booklet.

The Year End Procedures booklet will be available on your Windows desktop after installing the year end update disc, in:  $UAN\ Tools \rightarrow Version\ Documentation \rightarrow 2015.1$ 

#### All UAN users should read the core instructions of the booklet covered in pages 1-30.

The Year End Procedures booklet is <u>not</u> presented in a standardized 'one-size-fits-all' chronological order as one might typically expect. Instead, due to the variety of circumstances in local governments and the flexibility of UAN, the order for completing the activities is adaptable to your particular entity. The core instructions also branch off into two separate sections depending on which type of annual financial reports you choose to file (regulatory or OCBOA).

Note that many appendices are referenced throughout the core instructions where appropriate. Topics covered in the appendices may or may not be relevant to your entity. The booklet also contains references to the **Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping** document used in the related Lunch & Learn Webinars (which is included in the 2015.1 documentation). UAN recommends reviewing this document and the webinars if you have not already done so.

The Accounting Pre-Close Housekeeping and Payroll Pre-Close Housekeeping Webinars can be viewed online by typing the following address into your web browser:

https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/training/online\_recordings/webinar.htm

It is also **highly** recommended that you fully review the Table of Contents on the next few pages of the Year End Procedures for an overview of what will be required for closing the year, particularly to prepare for processing W-2s (if necessary) and to prepare for the new fiscal year.

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# Top 6 Year End Questions & Answers (Based on UAN Support calls during year end 2013)

<b>Question:</b>	How do I print the Annual Financial Reports and December 31 <sup>st</sup> YTD reports?	
Answer:	Refer to step '4B - Annual Financial Reports' in the Year End Procedures booklet starting on page 10. Then refer to 'Appendix 1: Year End Reports' starting on page 49.	
<b>Question</b> :	ion: How do I print prior year reports?	
Answer:	Refer to Appendix 1 of the Year End Procedures booklet starting on page 49, and pages 23-24 of the Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping document.	
<b>Question:</b>	estion: Where can I find the complete set of Version 2015.1 documentation?	
Answer:	After installing Version 2015.1, it will be available on your desktop in: $UAN\ Tools \rightarrow Version\ Documentation \rightarrow 2015.1$	
<b>Question:</b>	ion: Where can I get instructions and answers to questions about Temporary Mode?	
Answer:	Refer to pages 40-43 of the Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping document, and 'Step 3: Open Temporary Mode' on pages 4-8 of the Year End Procedures.	
Question:	stion: Where can I find the Year End Balances Certificate in UAN?	
Answer:	Answer: Refer to 'Appendix 4: Year End Balances Certificates' in the Year End Procedures booklet starting on page 98.	
<b>Question:</b>	How can I import additional documents to submit with my year end filing?	
Answer:	Answer: Refer to 'AFR - Documents Import' in the Year End Procedures booklet starting on page 53.	

## *New for 2014*

<b>Question:</b>	Where can I find information about meeting the new Demographics and Debt reporting requirement using UAN (instead of using the online AFDRS system)?
Answer:	Refer to step '4F - AFR Demographics & Debt' in the Year End Procedures booklet starting on page 13.

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#### **OVERVIEW**

Entities using UAN are required to complete various procedures to close 2014 and advance to 2015. This booklet will guide you through those procedures. The actual year-closing process is completed via a "to-do list" incorporated into the software – the Year End Checklist.

#### STEPS TO ACCESS:

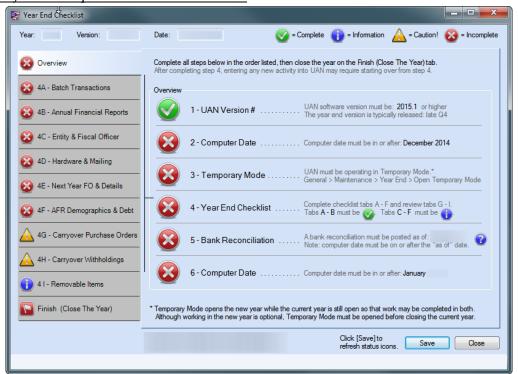
General → Maintenance → Year End → Year End Checklist, then click [Current Year]

#### **IMPORTANT**

The Year End Checklist provides brief instructions on the MINIMUM technical requirements for closing the year in UAN, while this booklet includes additional detail and other important steps and considerations. The Table of Contents provides a 'big picture' of the material in this booklet. It is great as a quick reference guide to keep on hand while completing year end.

All UAN users should read the core instructions of the booklet covered in pages 1-30. However, due to the variety of circumstances in local governments and the flexibility of UAN, the order for completing the activities is adaptable to your particular entity. Some topics covered in the remainder of the booklet (primarily the appendices) also may not apply to your entity. Note that the appendices are referenced throughout the core instructions, where appropriate.

Example of an incomplete Year End Checklist:



#### **USING THE CHECKLIST**

The tab pages on the Year End Checklist operate similarly to the UAN bank reconciliation:

- The checklist can be saved even if incomplete, and revisited later as needed.
- Click [Save] and then [Close] if you need to exit the Year End Checklist.
- It is recommended (but not necessary) to complete the steps in the order listed. For example, entities choosing not to utilize Temporary Mode (*work in 2015 before closing 2014*) may choose to complete "Step 3 Open Temporary Mode" right before closing fiscal year 2014.
- You can view any of the steps at any time to see what is left to do and how to complete it.
- The icons in the checklist are read-only status icons. Clicking them will not initiate an action.

Note: The year end checklist may only be accessed while working in 2014.



= Complete - This green  $\checkmark$  icon next to a step means that step is complete.



= **Incomplete** - This red **★** icon next to a step means at least one portion is incomplete.



= **Information -** Steps 4C, D, E, F & I must have this blue icon before the year can be closed. However, this icon does not necessarily ensure that the steps are accurate or appropriate. For example, step 4C requires a contact phone number. The 4C icon may change from to to after a number has been entered, regardless of whether that number is accurate.



= **Caution!** - This yellow ! icon applies to steps 4G & 4H. It does not necessarily indicate a problem, and it will not prevent you from closing the year. These steps are included as important reminders. *Carefully review the information in these steps!* For example, step '4G − Carryover Purchase Orders' will always display the icon, whether or not the fiscal officer desires to carry over the purchase orders listed on the tab (*if any*).



= **Click Tip** - These small blue ? icons *are* clickable, and will display helpful popup messages related to any area of the checklist in which they are located.



= Year End Checklist is NOT complete (red flag)

Some steps are incomplete. Review the checklist for steps marked and complete them.



= Year End Checklist is complete (green flag)

The minimum requirements to close the year in UAN have been met.

#### **CHECKLIST SUMMARY**

- 1) The UAN software version 2015.1 or higher must be installed before the Year End Checklist will be accessible.
- 2) The UAN computer / calendar date must be in or after December 2014.
- 3) Temporary Mode must be opened (see important notes in that section).
- 4) Year End Checklist: complete A-F and review tabs G-I:
  - A. All current batch transactions must be posted or deleted.
  - B. Select the desired annual financial report type (and complete all utilities related to the type selected).
  - C. Enter contact information and verify entity information.
  - D. Enter state-owned hardware tag numbers and entity addresses.
  - E. Enter new year's fiscal officer details and acknowledge important notices (if any).
  - F. Select a Demographics & Debt submission type and enter values (when applicable).
  - G. Review open purchases orders that will carry over (*if any*).
  - H. Review unpaid payroll withholdings that will carry over (*if any*).
  - I. Checkmark items to be removed when closing the year (*if any*).
- 5) Post the bank reconciliation for December 31<sup>st</sup>.
- 6) The UAN computer / calendar date must be in or after January 2015.

Finish–close the year. Three backups will be created during the closing process:

- 1. 12/31/2014 UAN backup 2014 year end (to be retained with the entity)
- 2. 01/01/2015 UAN backup 2015 year begin (to be retained with the entity)
- 3. AFR- AOS backup (for submission to the Auditor of State)

#### YEAR END REPORTS

Please note that year end report printing is addressed within the Year End Checklist instructions, and is fully explained in *Appendix 1: Year End Reports* starting on page 49. All year end reports may be printed before or after closing 2014.

#### STEP 1: INSTALL VERSION 2015.1

You must install UAN version 2015.1 (*the year end update*). Please note that installing it does **not** automatically open Temporary Mode or advance the software to 2015. If you require any prior update discs, contact UAN Support at 1-800-833-8261.

#### **STEP 2: COMPUTER DATE**

The UAN computer date (i.e. calendar date) must be in December 2014 or later.

#### **STEP 3: OPEN TEMPORARY MODE**

Temporary Mode includes *both* the Accounting and Payroll modules. You must manually initiate the opening of Temporary Mode, but it will close automatically when you close fiscal year 2014.

This step will verify that Temporary Mode has been opened. Temporary Mode allows you to work in both fiscal years 2014 and 2015 *before* closing fiscal year 2014. Please note:

- **Opening** Temporary Mode *is required* as part of the year end process.
- Working in 2015 before closing 2014 (i.e. <u>using Temporary Mode</u>) is **OPTIONAL**.

Entities choosing not to use Temporary Mode may prefer to complete the rest of the Year End Checklist before "Step 3 - Open Temporary Mode", and then immediately close fiscal year 2014.

**Reminder:** The Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping 2014 handbook explaining Temporary Mode (starting on page 40) is included with the 2015.1 documentation, and can also be accessed on the UANLink by clicking the link below or typing it into your web browser address field: https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/training/online\_recordings/Pre-CloseHousekeepingHandbook.pdf

**Reminder:** Temporary Mode is available for sixty days after December 31, 2014. The only date restriction specific to Temporary Mode is that 2015 transactions cannot be dated beyond the Temporary Mode period (i.e. sixty days after December 31, 2014). In other words, in order to post transactions dated March 1, 2015 or later, you must first close fiscal year 2014.

#### Payroll users

While in Temporary Mode you <u>cannot</u> do the following in the Payroll module:

- a. Remove or Delete any payroll items in either work year.
- b. Post Wage Reallocations or Wage Adjustments in work year 2015.
- c. Clear Unpaid Withholdings in work year 2015.
- d. Use the Withholding Overpayment utility in work year 2015.

After fiscal year 2014 is closed, the actions above will be available again for fiscal year 2015.

#### Report Year

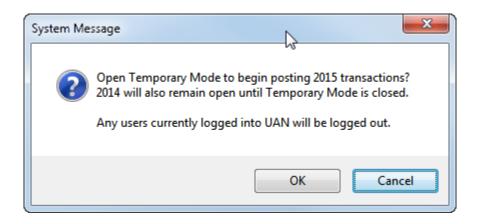
During *and after* temporary mode, reports can be produced for **either** 2014 **or** 2015 regardless of the computer date *and* regardless of the work year selected at login. The report year (listed at the top left of most report areas) will default to the current work year, but <u>can be changed as desired</u>.

#### **OPENING TEMPORARY MODE:**

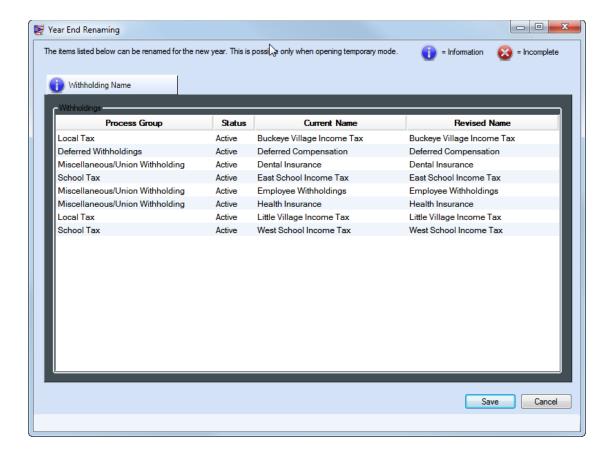
#### STEPS TO ACCESS

#### **General** → **Maintenance** → **Year** End → **Open Temporary Mode**

When you click Open Temporary Mode, the software will display a message: *Verifying database integrity, please wait...* Please be patient while the software takes a few minutes to verify that your financial data is internally consistent. If the software detects any problems, it will display a message with directions. If no errors are detected, the following system message will appear:



To continue, click [OK] and the software will open a Year End Renaming form. *The following picture is an example of the form with sample withholding names.* 



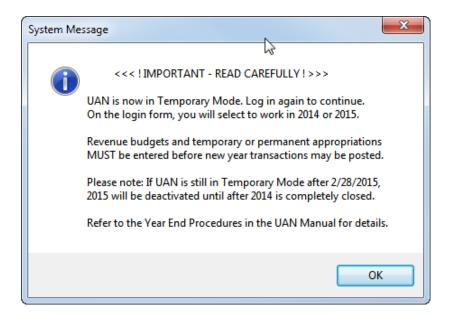
On this form, withholdings not specifically pre-set by UAN can be renamed for fiscal year 2015.

**IMPORTANT:** This renaming is <u>only</u> possible when opening Temporary Mode - you <u>cannot</u> change existing withholding names <u>at any other time</u> during the year.

**If** you need more time to consider withholding name changes, click [Cancel] to stop the Temporary Mode opening process. If instead you are ready to continue, enter the desired changes (*if any!*) under the "Revised Name" column. When you are finished, click [Save].

**Please be patient**: The software will begin creating the data records required for the new year. Processing time for small to mid-size entities could be less than 1 minute – however, the processing time for *large* entities may be up to 10 minutes or more.

After the processing is complete, a system message will be displayed:

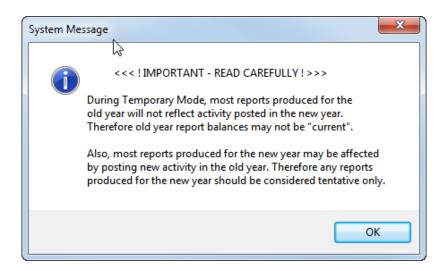


Read the message carefully and click [OK] to continue. The software will automatically close.

Double-click on the UAN icon to reopen the software. Now that the software is operating in Temporary Mode, you may select the work year upon login (as seen below):



Notice the radio buttons above the User Name: "Work Year: ● 2014 O 2015". Each time the User Login form is opened while in Temporary Mode, the work year will default to ● 2014. Select the year that you would like to work in and then enter your user name and password. Click [OK] to log in, and a system message will be displayed:



Read the message carefully and click [OK] to continue. When the software opens, notice that the top right of the main menu displays a Temporary Mode notification:



The work year that you selected on the User Login form will be displayed, as well as the date upon which 2015 will become unavailable on the login form (**if** 2014 has not yet been closed).

**Reminder**: You **CANNOT** "undo" Temporary Mode after it has been opened – as stated in the Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping 2014 handbook. Temporary Mode will close automatically when you close the fiscal year 2014.

**Recommendation:** Payroll users should review the Payroll Housekeeping section of the Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping 2014 handbook which is included with 2015.1 documentation or can be accessed on UAN Link by clicking the link below or typing it into your web browser address field:

https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/training/online\_recordings/Pre-CloseHousekeepingHandbook.pdf

#### STEP 4: YEAR END CHECKLIST

Complete checklist tabs A-F and review tabs G-I. *Reminder*: These requirements do *not* have to be completed in a particular order, or in a single sitting.

#### **4A - BATCH TRANSACTIONS**

All <u>2014</u> batch transactions must be posted or deleted before closing the year. Batch transactions are listed in the areas referenced in this section. Menu paths are listed beside the transaction type.

**Accounting-Only clients** – batch EFT, Wages, Withholding Payments, and Withholding Adjustments are not applicable for you.

**Accounting & Payroll clients** – For payroll batch item details, please refer to the Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping 2014 handbook which is included with 2015.1 documentation or can be accessed on UAN Link by clicking the link below or typing it into your web browser address:

https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/training/online\_recordings/Pre-CloseHousekeepingHandbook.pdf

#### **Important Reminders**

All cash transactions (like posting interest revenue for the primary checking account) and related utility functions needed for the fiscal year should be posted *before* completing the annual financial report utilities (Step 4B) and *before* posting the 12/31 bank reconciliation (Step 5), to prevent having to repeat these steps.

Investment and/or secondary checking account balances in UAN should match the corresponding bank statement balances. All transactions must be entered for the accounts <u>before closing the year</u>, including interest or fees posted at the bank on December 31<sup>st</sup>. For a detailed discussion of this, please refer to the Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping 2014 handbook which is included with 2015.1 documentation or can be accessed on UAN Link by clicking the link below or typing it into your web browser address field:

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#### 4B - ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Auditor of State recommends, <u>but does not require</u>, submission of GAAP 'look-alike' statements – referred to as OCBOA statements (*Other Comprehensive Basis of Accounting*). Select the Annual Financial Report (AFR) Filing Type that you would like to include with the audit submission when the year is closed:

#### OCBOA Modified Cash Basis

Select this option if you will be filing GAAP 'look-alike' statements and the entity has <u>at least</u> one non-pooled investment.

#### **OCBOA Cash Basis**

Select this option if you will be filing GAAP 'look-alike' statements' and the entity has <u>zero</u> <u>non-pooled investments</u>.

#### • Regulatory

Select this option if you elect not to present GAAP 'look alike' statements.

The status icons refer to sections in the AFR – Fund Utility, which is discussed in detail in this booklet. The numbers next to the status icons reflect any remaining items in those areas that must be completed before closing the year. If any cash transactions are posted after completing the fund utility, the funds involved in those transactions may be changed to incomplete .

#### **Governmental Fund Classification**

The status sections labeled OCBOA only apply to OCBOA filing – note that they are hidden if Regulatory is selected. Conversely, <u>all entities are required</u> to complete the Governmental Fund Classification (GASB 54) page of the AFR – Fund Utility, explained below.

#### **GASB 54**

In February 2009, The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) released Statement 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, to enhance uniformity and understanding of what constitutes 'net' fund balances and any restrictions placed on them. Paragraph 5 of the Statement reads:

"The statement establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints (restrictions or limitations) on the specific purposes for which amounts in the fund can be spent. Fund balance amounts are to be classified according to GASB 54 requirements and can be classified in one of five components: **Non-Spendable**, **Restricted**, **Committed**, **Assigned** and **Unassigned**."

UAN can provide technical guidance for using the AFR – Fund Utility, but **cannot** suggest the selections or entries to make. For information regarding classifications, please read AOS Bulletin 2011-004 (issued September 29, 2011) located on the AOS website: <a href="https://ohioauditor.gov">https://ohioauditor.gov</a>

In addition, Local Government Services has provided UAN with a Fund Purposes guide. The complete versions of both the AOS Bulletin 2011-004 and the Fund Purposes guide are included with the UAN version 2015.1 documentation.

If you have **any** questions about fund classifications after reading the bulletin, please contact Local Government Services at 1-800-345-2519. UAN Support **cannot** answer such questions.

#### GASB 54 in UAN

The government fund classification page of the AFR – Fund Utility must be completed by **ALL** entities, regardless of whether you are filing OCBOA **or** Regulatory annual reports. Skip to the section for your chosen filing type as specified below, then return back to this point to continue.

- <u>If filing OCBOA statements</u>, see *Option #1* starting on page 31.

  This includes instructions for GASB 54 and GASB 34 GAAP 'look-alike' statements.
- <u>If filing Regulatory statements</u>, see *Option #2* starting on page 44. This includes instructions for GASB 54 requirements only.

If you closed the Year End Checklist while completing the AFR – Fund Utility, reopen it at:

#### STEPS TO ACCESS:

General → Maintenance → Year End → Year End Checklist, then click [Current Year]

Next review and/or edit the year end checklist tabs listed next:

#### 4C - ENTITY & FISCAL OFFICER

Enter your contact information and verify the fiscal officer name(s) and entity information.

If you need to edit fiscal officer names or entity tax IDs:

#### STEPS TO ACCESS:

General → Maintenance → Entity Setup

#### 4D - HARDWARE & MAILING

#### **UAN Hardware Tags**

Enter tag numbers from the state-owned hardware listed. Click the click the

#### **UAN Hardware Address:**

Enter your hardware shipping address. This must be a physical location. <u>Do not enter a PO Box</u>.

#### **Mailing Address:**

Enter your mailing address – the location UAN should mail physical correspondence to you.

#### 4E - NEXT YEAR FO & DETAILS

Enter next year's fiscal officer details (if known) and indicate your acknowledgment of the important notices listed (*if any*).

#### **New Year's Fiscal Officer:**

Same as current fiscal officer

Select this button if the current fiscal officer will be the new year's fiscal officer.

• Newly elected/appointed fiscal officer

Select this button if the fiscal officer in the new year is newly elected or newly appointed. Then fill in the 'as of' date, name, address, phone and email address.

#### **Details:**

In order to plan future UAN training sessions and update UAN training materials, please answer the following questions by selecting the applicable radio buttons on the form.

**Note**: to view all 4 questions on the Year End Checklist, click the windows maximize button

to expand the window to full screen size or use the scroll arrows located on the right side of the form.

- 1. Do you work at another UAN Entity?
  Select Yes or No. If yes, type in the other entity's name and county.
- 2. How many years of experience do you have as a UAN Fiscal Officer? Select the applicable range.
- 3. Does your entity use the UAN Cemetery application? Select Yes or No. If yes, how many total graves are in your cemetery?
- 4. Do you have convenient access to high speed internet? Select Yes or No.

#### 4F - AFR DEMOGRAPHICS & DEBT

**Special Districts: SKIP THIS STEP** – you are exempt from this requirement at this time.

#### Townships, villages, and libraries ARE REQUIRED to select a SUBMISSION TYPE:

- Skip (complete online instead) *Not Recommended*
- Submit with AFR (MUST edit online later)
- **⊙** Submit with AFR (final) *Recommended*
- **Skip** ( **complete online instead** ) You do not wish to use the UAN software for this step. You should *only* select this option if you will be filing true GAAP financial statements. It is *not* recommended for entities of any other circumstance.

With this option, the **online** Annual Financial Data Reporting System (AFDRS) **MUST** be used to submit these figures within the deadline set by the Auditor of State's Office. For guidance, contact the auditor's Center for Audit Excellence at 1-800-282-0370.

● Submit with AFR (MUST edit online later) – You wish to submit AFDRS information using the UAN software, but you will then be <u>required</u> to verify and commit the information <u>online</u> to meet the AFR filing deadline. You should *only* select this option if you are unable to complete the Demographic and Debt information at this time, or if you are filing OCBOA Modified Cash and would like to add assets and liabilities to your Annual Financial Reports.

With this option, the **online** Annual Financial Data Reporting System (AFDRS) **MUST** be used to submit these figures within the deadline set by the Auditor of State's Office. For guidance, contact the auditor's Center for Audit Excellence at 1-800-282-0370.

● **Submit with AFR** (**final**) – You wish to submit **FINAL** AFDRS information using UAN. This option is recommended for **most** UAN users, as you will **NOT** be required to use the online AFDRS system after UAN receives your year end submission. You should select this option if you are able to complete all of the Demographic and Debt information at this time.

To complete the tab, first select your Submission Type, then enter figures in the Value fields next to the items applicable to your entity. If your Submission Type is "Submit with AFR (final)" then the software will require an entry in the 'Population' field before the year can be closed.

**Note**: Debt information must not include any premiums / discounts on debt insurance, nor any gains / losses on debt refunding or long-term compensated absences, claims, or pension liabilities. For guidance, contact the auditor's Center for Audit Excellence at 1-800-282-0370.

Many values may not be known until after the end of the year. It is recommended that you gather information such as population, tax rate, assessed property tax valuation and debt (*only the items applicable to your entity*) as soon as possible so you are prepared to enter those values in UAN. For your convenience, the AFR Demographics & Debt items applicable to each entity type are listed in the tables below (*as they will appear on the Year End Checklist 4F tab*). If you wish to verify the 'Calculated' amounts that automatically populate the grid, in  $Accounting \rightarrow Reports$  and Statements find the Final Appropriation Total for all funds on the Appropriation Status, and the Unencumbered Fund Balance for the General fund on the Fund Summary report.

#### **TOWNSHIPS**

Population

Total Annual Final Appropriations for All Funds for the Reporting Year (Calculated)

Full Tax Rate Per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation

**Total Assessed Property Tax Valuation** 

Unrestricted General Fund Carryover Cash Balance at Year End (Calculated)

Governmental Funds- General Obligation Bonds

Governmental Funds-Special Assessment Bonds

Governmental Funds - Notes Payable

Governmental Funds - Loans Payable

Governmental Funds - Capital Leases

Governmental Funds - Revenue Bonds

Governmental Funds- Miscellaneous Long Term Bonds

(See the following for villages and libraries)

#### **VILLAGES**

Population

Total Annual Final Appropriations for All Funds for the Reporting Year (Calculated)

**Average Number of Utility Customers** 

Full Tax Rate Per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation

**Total Assessed Property Tax Valuation** 

Unrestricted General Fund Carryover Cash Balance at Year End (Calculated)

Governmental Funds - General Obligation Bonds

Governmental Funds - Special Assessment Bonds

Governmental Funds - Notes Payable

.Governmental Funds - Loans Payable

Governmental Funds - Capital Leases

Governmental Funds - Revenue Bonds

Governmental Funds- Miscellaneous Long Term Bonds

Proprietary Funds - General Obligation Bonds

Proprietary Funds- Special Assessment Bonds

Proprietary Funds - Notes Payable

Proprietary Funds - Loans Payable

Proprietary Funds - Capital Leases

Proprietary Funds - Revenue Bonds

Proprietary Funds- Miscellaneous Long Term Bonds

#### **LIBRARIES**

**Number of Patrons** 

**Yearly Circulation** 

Full Tax Rate Per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation (if applicable)

Total Assessed Property Tax Valuation (if applicable)

Unrestricted General Fund Carryover Cash Balance at Year End (Calculated)

Governmental Funds - General Obligation Bonds

Governmental Funds- Notes Payable

Governmental Funds - Loans Payable

Governmental Funds - Capital Leases

Governmental Funds- Miscellaneous Long Term Bonds

#### 4G - CARRYOVER PURCHASE ORDERS

All purchase orders that are currently open will be listed here. This is useful information to review so that you can close any that are not needed, or reduce any with balances in excess of what will be needed for 2015.

**Reminder**: There are four purchase order types: PO Regular, PO Then & Now, BC Regular, and BC Super. *The instructions below refer to all types as purchase orders*.

#### **CLOSE PURCHASE ORDERS**

Purchase orders that have zero available balance will automatically close when you close the year. **All others will carry forward if you do not close them.** Be sure to post all 2014 payments against them before closing. If necessary, you may carry any purchase order into the new year.

#### STEPS TO ACCESS

Accounting → Utilities → Purchase Order Utility; Click the [Need Help] button or FAQs menu links for more information on closing.

#### **IMPORTANT**

After a purchase order is carried over to fiscal year 2015 (i.e. it is left open when you close year 2014), closing or reducing it in 2015 will **not** increase the unencumbered balance available for appropriations in 2015. See the FAQs below for details.

#### ADJUST (OR REDUCE) PURCHASE ORDERS AS NEEDED

Reduce carryover purchase orders as needed. Purchase orders with an available balance in excess of what will be necessary for the new year can be reduced to avoid excessive encumbrances.

#### STEPS TO ACCESS

Accounting → Utilities → Purchase Order Utility; Click the [Need Help] button or FAQs menu links for more information on adjusting.

#### P.O. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- When should I carry forward purchase orders?
- What effect will carryover purchase orders have on my 2015 budget?
- How does a purchase order opened in 2014 get carried forward to 2015?

For a detailed discussion of these questions, please refer to the Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping 2014 handbook which is included with 2015.1 documentation or can be accessed on UAN Link by clicking the link below or typing it into your web browser address field: https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/training/online\_recordings/Pre-CloseHousekeepingHandbook.pdf

#### 4H - CARRYOVER WITHHOLDINGS

Current unpaid withholdings are displayed in this section for your review. This step is not applicable to Accounting-Only UAN clients.

This is useful information to review so that you can:

- Confirm unpaid withholdings that **should be carried over** to be paid in 2015.
- Identify unpaid withholdings that **should be paid** in 2014.
- Identify unpaid withholdings that **should be cleared** from the Payroll module in 2014 because they have been (*or will be*) paid through the Accounting module.

All withholdings left unpaid when closing 2014 will carry over to be paid in 2015. Resources available for appropriations in 2015 will be reduced by the carryover unpaid employee and fringe benefit withholdings.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Clearing an unpaid withholding after it is carried over to fiscal year 2015 will NOT increase the new year's available resources (just like Purchase Orders, discussed above).

**Note**: Carryover balances are calculated when 2014 is closed, **not** when opening Temporary Mode. You CAN still pay or clear carryover withholdings during Temporary Mode.

If you have identified items that should be paid or cleared in 2014, you should investigate further so they can be paid or cleared before you close 2014. The Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping 2014 handbook is provided for those who would like more detailed instructions on how to identify and resolve unpaid withholdings, overpaid withholdings, and other payroll

housekeeping items. All Payroll users should review this prior to December 31, 2014. The handbook is included with 2015.1 documentation or can be accessed on UAN Link by clicking the link below or typing it into your web browser address field:

https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/training/online\_recordings/Pre-CloseHousekeepingHandbook.pdf

#### 4I - REMOVABLE ITEMS

Review the lists in each tab for items that will no longer be needed in 2015. Marked items will automatically be removed when 2014 is closed.

This section only includes items that will be considered removable after closing the year. **Using this section is optional**. After the year is closed, as long as a particular item has no activity affecting its removable status, it can still be removed using the typical method (the [Remove] button in its corresponding maintenance area).

#### Please Note

- Items marked for removal will ONLY be removed upon closing the year, and ONLY from 2015 records. It will have no effect on your 2014 reports. For example, if you remove an employee who was paid in 2014, you <u>will</u> still have access to print 2014 reports for that employee after closing 2014 (such as forms W-2 and W-3).
- If you checkmark an item and then later use or modify it before closing 2014, it might not be removed. For example, if you mark an appropriation code to be removed, but later use that code to create a purchase order that carries over to 2015, then it will *not* be removed.
- An item's status (active / inactive) has no bearing on whether it can or will be removed.

#### REVENUE / APPROPRIATION TAB

If you choose to remove any account codes that will no longer be needed starting in fiscal year 2015, place a checkmark next to the revenue and/or appropriation accounts on this tab.

#### **EMPLOYEES TAB**

If you choose to remove any employees that will no longer be needed in the new year, place a checkmark next to the employee(s) on this tab. <u>Marked employees will be permanently removed from 2015 records when you close the year.</u>

#### STEP 5: BANK RECONCILIATION

#### **Important Reminders**

You cannot forward-date bank reconciliations, thus you cannot add the December 31<sup>st</sup> bank reconciliation until the computer date (calendar date) is **on or after** 12/31/2014. Please review the *Important Reminders* listed on page 9 of this booklet before posting this bank reconciliation.

### POST THE DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> (YEAR END) BANK RECONCILIATION

The December 31<sup>st</sup> (*year-end*) bank reconciliation must be posted before closing the year. The year end bank reconciliation is added and posted just like any other bank reconciliation:

#### STEPS TO ACCESS

Accounting Transactions Bank Reconciliation, then click the [Need Help] button or FAQs menu links for more information.

**IMPORTANT**: The year end bank reconciliation MUST be dated <u>12/31</u>.

#### VOIDING THE YEAR END BANK RECONCILIATION (IF NEEDED)

If the December  $31^{st}$  bank reconciliation is in batch (saved but not posted), it can be edited or deleted like any other bank reconciliation in Accounting  $\rightarrow$  Transactions  $\rightarrow$  Bank Reconciliation.

If the December 31<sup>st</sup> bank reconciliation has been posted, it can be voided if necessary. Voiding the bank reconciliation changes the status of all items marked cleared and/or voided on that reconciliation back to 'outstanding' and deletes the reconciliation.

#### STEPS TO ACCESS

Accounting → Utilities → Bank Reconciliation Utility

Place a checkmark beside the 12/31 bank reconciliation and click the [Void] button. A bank reconciliation that has been voided will no longer appear in the list form to select.

#### **STEP 6: COMPUTER DATE**

The computer/calendar date must be in January 1, 2015 or later before the year can be closed.



#### FINISH: CLOSE THE YEAR

#### PRINT 2009 PRIOR YEAR REPORTS (IF APPLICABLE)

<u>2009 reports will be removed</u> from the UAN computer upon the installation of version <u>2015.2</u> which is expected to be released near the end of March or beginning of April in 2015. The UAN software retains five prior years of reports. If you do not already have printed copies of your 2009 reports, you must print them before they are removed. **Note:** UAN Support **cannot** recommend which reports to print.

This reminder is for those who were not in office at that time and do not know if 2009 year end reports were printed by a previous fiscal officer. If you were in office at the time and you know you printed the reports, then you do not need to re-print those reports. If you are unsure for any reason, you should check your files to determine if you need to print them. The reports can be viewed and printed by following the steps below:

1.	UAN Tools	Double-click on the UAN Tools icon on your computer's Desktop
2.	Prior Year Reports	Double-click on the Prior Year Reports icon
3.	2009	Double-click on the 2009 icon

The system will prompt you for a password. If you do not know your prior year reports password, follow the procedures for password resets as outlined in the Prior Year Reports section of the Pre-Year End Closeout / Housekeeping 2014 handbook – which is included with the 2015.1 documentation, or can be accessed on the UAN Link by clicking the link below or typing it into your web browser address field:

https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/training/online\_recordings/Pre-CloseHousekeepingHandbook.pdf

#### FINAL REVIEW

Review all tabs in the year end checklist for accuracy and address any that have the incomplete status icon . After you have completed the minimum system requirements to close the year, the Finish flag icon will change from red to green indicating the checklist is complete.

#### PRINT YEAR END REPORTS BEFORE CLOSING (RECOMMENDED)

Year end reports may be printed <u>before or after</u> closing the year, but UAN recommends printing them before closing the year so that you can focus on the new year's activities afterward. Make note of the year end reports relevant to your entity and be sure to complete them, whether you choose to do so before or after closing the year. Detailed instructions are included in *Appendix 1: Year End Reports*, starting on page 49.

#### **Important Note**

There are a few reporting procedures requiring manual input that should be completed before closing the year, if you wish to include them in the file (or disc) created for AOS submission during the closing process. When applicable, you are not required to include this information with the year end audit submission file (or disc) *in order to close the fiscal year 2014*, but you are required to include them in a final submission before the deadline set by the Auditor of State.

For more information, review the following:

- AFR Requiring Manual Input (page 56)
- AFR Documents Import (page 53)
- 4F AFR Demographics & Debt (page 13)

If these are completed *after* closing fiscal year 2014, they can be submitted later by recreating the audit submission file or disc (*see page 103*) so that your annual financial reports will be up to date before the AOS deadline.

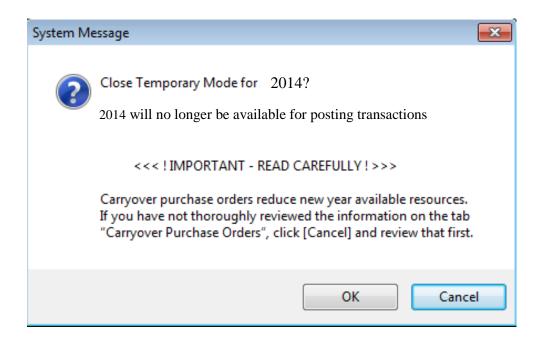
#### CLOSE THE YEAR

If you exited the Year End Checklist while completing the requirements above, reopen it at:

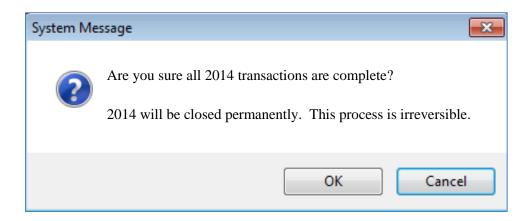
#### STEPS TO ACCESS:

General  $\rightarrow$  Maintenance  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  Year End Checklist, then click [Current Year]. Then click on the Finish [Close The Year] tab.

Click [Close 2014] to close the year. If the button is shaded gray (i.e. *if you click it, nothing happens*), that means that some steps on the year end checklist are incomplete. These must be completed before you can continue. Review the tabs with the incomplete status icon and complete what is required. After addressing these issues, the Finish flag icon will change from red to green indicating the checklist is complete. Click [Close 2014] to begin the process. After a moment of processing (*verifying database integrity*) you should receive this message:



Click [OK] if you wish to continue and you should receive this message:



Click [OK] if you wish to continue.

The system will check the Auditor and Computer tag numbers that you entered in 'Step 4D - Hardware & Mailing' to confirm that they are valid numbers. If potential errors are detected, the system will display a message encouraging you to double-check the numbers. If the actual tag number(s) do not match those displayed in the message, click [Cancel] and re-enter the number(s) before closing the year. If the tag number(s) do match, click [OK] to continue.

If the software does not detect these, or any other problems, it will prompt you to create three backups  $(1 - Year\ End,\ 2 - Year\ Begin,\ and\ 3 - AFR - AOS)$ , described on the following pages:

#### 1 - UAN BACKUP - 2014 YEAR END

The entire year's activity will be backed up before fiscal year 2014 will close. After following the steps on the previous page, a message will appear. Read the message carefully and click [OK]. Then the first of the three backup forms will open: 'UAN Backup - Year End 2014 - Backup 1 of 3'.

This form operates exactly like any other UAN Backup required throughout the year. Choose the backup destination, insert the desired media (*CD*, *DVD*, *flash drive*, *network drive or other*) and click [Start]. UAN strongly recommends that you use a blank CD or DVD, and that you do not reuse it later for any other purpose.

**Reminder**: If needed, detailed instructions for UAN Backups are located in the Accounting & General Manual under the General > Maintenance > Backup section.

**Note**: UAN Backup file sizes in 2015.1 may be up to 90% smaller than those from prior versions of the software. These smaller files will transfer to your backup media much faster than files from older versions. If these are the first backups you have made since installing 2015.1, do not be alarmed that they finish more quickly than you would expect.

When the backup is complete, the backup form will close and a message will open with information about the next backup. If the backup destination was a CD or DVD, then you should immediately remove the disc and label it so that it is clearly distinguished from other discs.

Suggested label:

2014 Year End Backup

Your Entity Name Your County Name Your UAN Entity Id Number

#### Do NOT send this backup to UAN as your 2014 audit submission.

This backup is not valid for audit submission (i.e. AFR – AOS backup) and does not satisfy your legal filing deadline! Instead, the backup should be retained by the entity and not included in your backup rotation cycle. The backup media should be stored in a secure place, preferably off-site.

#### 2 - UAN BACKUP - 2015 YEAR BEGIN

As noted on the previous page, after the first backup is complete a message will open with instructions for completing the second backup. Read the message carefully and click [OK]. The second of the three backup forms will open: 'UAN Backup - Year Begin 2015 - Backup 2 of 3'.

This form also operates exactly like any other UAN Backup. Choose the backup destination, insert the desired media (CD, DVD, flash drive, network drive or other) and click [Start].

When the backup is complete, the backup form will close and a message will open with information about the next backup. If the backup destination was CD or DVD, then you should immediately remove the disc and label it so that it is clearly distinguished from other discs.

Suggested label:

2015 Year Begin Backup

Your Entity Name Your County Name Your UAN Entity Id Number

#### Do NOT send this backup to UAN as your 2014 audit submission.

This backup is not valid for audit submission (i.e. AFR - AOS backup) and does not satisfy your legal filing deadline!

#### 3 - AFR - AOS BACKUP FOR THE 2014 AUDIT SUBMISSION

As noted on the previous page, after the second backup is complete a message will open with instructions for completing the third backup. Read the message carefully and click [OK]. The last of the three backup forms will open: 'AFR – AOS Backup – Year End 2014– Backup 3 of 3'.

You can either create a file to submit online (Option #1) or create a disc to submit by postal mail (Option #2). UAN recommends submitting the file online for entities that have access to a high speed internet connection.

#### **Option 1: Create a file to submit online:**

Select the backup destination: '● Internet Submission – E-Files Directory.' Then click [Start].

When the backup is complete, the backup form will close and a message will appear with instructions for submitting the file to the Auditor of State. The audit submission file will be saved in the C:\\_UAN\_Efiles directory. The file will be named xxxx\_2014\_AFR.uan where 'xxxx' is your entity's four digit UAN entity ID number. You will be prompted to select that file when you make the submission online. Carefully read the additional information in the message and click [OK]. Another message will appear stating 2014 is now closed. Log in again to continue. Read the important information in the message about prior year reports and click [OK]. The software will close automatically.

In addition to the on-screen instructions listed above, specific steps for submitting the file to meet the AFR filing requirements for the Auditor of State are outlined in this booklet starting on page 28. However, prior to submission you should confirm that the software is operating in the new year, and that the correct fund balances have carried forward - see page 27 for details.

\*\*To create a disc to mail instead of a file to submit online - see Option 2 on the next page\*\*

#### Option 2: Create a disc to submit by mail:

Select the backup destination: '● Postal Submission – CD or DVD.' Insert a blank disc in the CD/DVD tray and close it. Then click [Start].

When the backup is complete, the backup form will close and a message will appear stating your AFR - AOS Backup disc has been created and the disc will be ejected. Immediately label this AFR - AOS Backup disc for audit submission as follows:

#### **2014 AFR**

Your Entity Name Your County Name Your UAN Entity Id Number

Carefully read the additional information in the message and click [OK]. Another message will appear stating 2014 is now closed. Log in again to continue. Read the important information in the message about prior year reports and click [OK]. The software will close automatically.

In addition to the on-screen instructions listed above, specific steps for submitting the disc to meet the AFR filing requirements for the Auditor of State are outlined in this booklet starting on page 28. However, prior to submission you should confirm that the software is operating in the new year, and that the correct fund balances have carried forward - see page 27 for details.

<sup>\*\*</sup>To create a file for online submission instead of a disc - see Option 1 on the previous page\*\*

#### CONFIRM THE SOFTWARE IS IN THE NEW YEAR

Log in to the UAN software. Confirm that there is no longer a Temporary Mode notification in the top right corner and that Year: 2015 is listed in the status bar in the bottom right hand corner of the UAN software (to the left of the current date).

If 2014 is listed in this status bar instead of 2015, then you have not successfully closed the year. Carefully repeat the closing process outlined in this booklet, starting on page 21. For further assistance, contact UAN Support at uan\_support@auditor.state.oh.us or 1-800-833-8261.

#### CONFIRM FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD

Compare the 1/1/2015 Fund Status report to the 12/31/2014 Fund Status report to verify that the fund balances were carried forward correctly.

#### STEPS TO ACCESS

Accounting → Reports & Statements → Fund Reports, then select the year from the drop-down menu and the 'As of' date.

A discrepancy between the two fund balances is normal if you posted any transactions on 1/1/2015 prior to printing this report. You may confirm this by printing the Cash Journal or Fund Ledger reports to identify January 1 postings. If there is still a discrepancy even after accounting for any January 1 postings, contact UAN Support before continuing with other transactions.

#### IMPORTANT FIRST STEPS AFTER CLOSING THE YEAR:

#### Congratulations!

You have completed the year end closing process, but don't forget these important steps:

- Submit the AFR AOS submission file (or disc) to UAN to meet the annual financial reporting requirements for the Auditor of State. See instructions on the next 2 pages.
   Note: If needed, you can recreate the AFR AOS submission file (or disc). See *Appendix 6: Recreate AFR AOS Backup File / Disc If Needed* starting on page 103 for details.
- 2) Complete the publication requirements for annual financial reports (see page 29).
- 3) If you chose to skip submission on *Step 4F AFR Demographics & Debt* or you chose to submit with the option to edit later, the online AFDRS must be used for your submission (or revision) within the deadline set by the Auditor of State. Refer to page 13 for details.

# MEETING ANNUAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE

Each local government is required to submit their Annual Financial Report to the Auditor of State within <u>sixty (60) days of the end of the fiscal year</u>. Meeting this requirement for UAN members occurs when the 2014 AFR file (or disc) containing the end of year filing data of the government is received by UAN. <u>Financial penalties are assessed for late filings</u>.

#### **Option #1: Submitting the file electronically:**

If you chose the 'E-files Directory' to send the file electronically, first connect to the internet. Then go to the UANLink website at <a href="https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/">https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/</a> OR just use the shortcut that

is built in the UAN software: click on the Seal of the Auditor of State icon located in the top left corner of the main UAN screen and the UANLink website will open. Then click on 'Profile Login' located on the right corner of the page. You will be required to enter a user name (your UAN Entity ID) and a password (your 5-character AOS invoice customer number) to log in. Click on 'Upload Your Year End File' and follow the on-screen directions.

Please be patient. The amount of time it will take to upload the file can vary significantly depending on your internet speed and the size of the file. Entities with high speed internet service can expect uploading their year end file to take 1-5 minutes for a file under 50MB, 5-10 minutes for 50-100MB files, or 10-30 minutes for files over 100MB. For entities that use the very slow 'dial up' internet (*i.e. not a high speed internet service*), UAN recommends mailing the file on a disc (*see option #2 below*).

Please note: When you browse websites, you are "downloading" information, but when you transmit a file off the computer to UAN, you are "uploading" information. Internet *upload* speeds are typically 1/10th as fast as *download* speeds, so even though you may have a "high speed internet" service that does not necessarily mean you have "high speed uploads" as well.

#### **Option #2: Mailing the file on a disc:**

If you selected 'Postage Submission CD or DVD' to mail the file on a disc, remove the disc from the CD/DVD drive and prepare it for mailing.

As previously noted, the audit submission disc should be labeled in the following manner:

2014 AFR
Your Entity Name
Your County Name
Your Entity Id Number

#### Please mail the disc to:

Auditor of State of Ohio Uniform Accounting Network 88 E. Broad St. Columbus, Ohio 43215

#### Confirming the status of your submission

Whether submitted by electronic file or disc, confirm the status on the UAN Link website. Please allow 5 business days for postal submissions or 3 business days for internet submissions for UAN to receive and process the file. For your convenience, there are 2 menu shortcuts built into the software which will take you directly to the filing status page. When your computer is connected to the internet, click one of the menu shortcuts listed below:

#### STEPS TO ACCESS

General  $\rightarrow$  Maintenance  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – Filing Status Website OR General  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – Filing Status Website

Either option will open the Filing Status page. To access this page from another computer, connect to the internet, open the computer's web browser, and type in the following address:

https://uanlink.ohioauditor.gov/resources/YearEnd/Default.aspx

The page should list the 2014 Filing Status for all entities. If it lists a different year, click on the 2014 link. Enter your four digit UAN entity ID number in the Entity ID field and then click [Search] to highlight your entity's status.

#### PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Each local government is required to publish a notice in the local newspaper that the Annual Financial Report is complete and that the report is available at the office of the fiscal officer. The notice needs to be published at the time the UAN member files their Annual Financial Report with the Auditor of State, which is accomplished by submitting the 2014 AFR – AOS file (or disc) to the Auditor of State.

#### OTHER CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Where do you go from here? After taking a hard earned break ©, consider the following:

- If you did not already print the year end reports before closing, please see detailed instructions on doing this starting on page 49, *Appendix 1: Year End Reports*.
- You can use the Budget software provided by UAN to create the Year End Balances Certificate for submission to the county auditor see page 98 for details. Using UAN software to prepare this certificate is optional.
- For suggestions on beginning the year, see *Appendix 2: New Year Accounting Procedures* and *Appendix 3: New Year Payroll Procedures* starting on page 85. *Reminder*: Revenue and appropriation budgets are set to zero when the year is closed. However, if you logged into work year 2015 during Temporary Mode and entered your 2015 Revenue Budgets and/or Temporary appropriations, those will remain in place after you close 2014.

# 2014 Year End Procedures - OCBOA Reporting -



## OPTION #1 FOR STEP 4B OCBOA REPORTING

As noted previously, please read AOS Bulletin 2011-004 for questions regarding GASB 54. For guidance specific to OCBOA statement preparation, please review AOS Bulletin 2005-002, issue April 13, 2005. You can access the bulletin online by typing this address in your web browser:

https://ohioauditor.gov/publications/bulletins/2005/2005-002.pdf

If you have any further questions about either, please contact Local Government Services at 1-800-345-2519. UAN provides technical guidance in this document for using the AFR Utilities, but **cannot** suggest selections or entries to make.

**Reminder**: OCBOA statements do not include fund numbers, so it is especially important that funds names are descriptive of the fund purpose and not the system defaults. For example, an enterprise fund should not be named 'Enterprise', other miscellaneous capital funds should not be named 'Other Misc Capital', etc. To edit fund names:

## STEPS TO ACCESS:

Accounting → Maintenance → Funds, Click the [Need Help] button for more information.

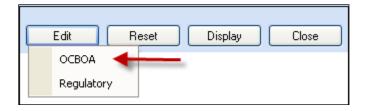
## AFR - FUND UTILITY

The fund utility form includes at least 1 tabbed page and a 'mapping' section for each fund. Those filing OCBOA AFRs are required to complete all tabbed pages that are listed for each individual fund and – if applicable – the Mapping section.

## STEPS TO ACCESS:

General → Reports & Statements → Year End → AFR – Fund Utility

All funds – whether active or inactive – will be listed. Mark (fill-in) the checkbox next to the fund or funds you would like to edit first. Click the [Edit] button and the following drop down menu will open:



Click OCBOA and the Edit AFR – Fund Utility form will open. If multiple funds are selected, the navigation arrows at in the bottom left hand corner of the form can be used.

For example, six funds were selected here: 2 of 6 Dec 2. Click the arrows to advance back and forth between funds or move to the first or the last fund selected.

## **Mapping**

The Mapping section is for miscategorized or ancillary (subsidiary) funds only. The default setting is 'Not Mapped.' <u>Most UAN entities will have no need to map any of their funds</u>. When a fund is 'mapped to' another fund, it means the current fund's balance will be considered part of the selected fund's balance for the purpose of annual financial statements. If you think this is a possibility for some of your funds, please read page 102 - Appendix 5: *Mapping Funds*.

## **Reset button**

If needed, the reset button will reset all selected funds back to the UAN defaults in the AFR-Fund Utility. To use it, mark the checkbox next to the desired funds to reset and click [Reset].

If disclosures are required to explain your entity's classification policies and procedures, the note can be imported using the AFR - Documents Import utility described on page 53.

## 1 - GOVERNMENTAL FUND CLASSIFICATION TAB

The governmental fund classification tab is only available and required for Governmental funds:

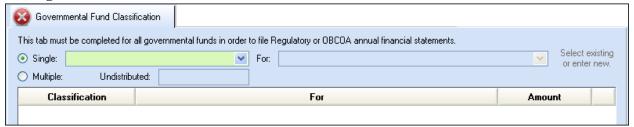
- General
- Special Revenue
- Debt Service
- Capital Projects
- Permanent

**Note**: If you completed the AFR – Fund Utility last year, any governmental fund classifications and purposes of funds for which you selected a **SINGLE** fund classification and purpose have been carried forward into the 2014 Governmental Fund Classification screen.

However, any fund classifications and purposes of funds for which you selected <u>MULTIPLE</u> classifications and/or purposes will NOT carry forward to the 2014 Governmental Fund Classification screen. This is because fund classifications apply to ending fund *balances*, not to the *funds* themselves. In other words, as ending fund balances change from year to year, any funds with multiple classifications must be redistributed (*i.e. reclassified*) accordingly each year.

At least one classification should be assigned to the fund balance and a purpose must be stated for the balance (in the 'For' field). If the entire fund cash balance will fall under one classification, then click 'Single'. If the fund cash balance is split between several classifications, then click 'Multiple'. See the examples below:

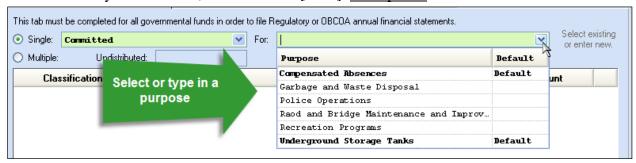
## Single:



Click the drop down menu to the right to select the classification. Example 1a:



Then in the 'For' field, either click the drop down menu to select an existing purpose **or** type a new one directly into the field, and then click [Save]. Example 1b:



The classifications labeled 'Default' in the Classification menu are those identified by LGS as the most likely classifications based on the use of the resources/revenues. Some funds may have several defaults depending on the range of possibilities for the particular fund. The pre-set purpose options listed in the 'For' drop down menu were provided by LGS as typical, and those labeled 'Default' were identified as the most likely. However, you may type in a different purpose as needed. **Note:** The software will add any custom purposes to the drop down menu so that they are available to pick quickly for other funds (when applicable).

## Multiple:

If you select multiple, the 'Undistributed' field lists the fund balance. In the Classification list below, click the drop down menu in the data entry line and select the classification type for the first cash amount to be classified. Then under the 'For' column, click the drop down menu in the data entry line to select an existing purpose or type a new one directly into the field. Next, enter the amount to be classified. Click the insert row arrow to push that line up to the list. Continue the steps listed above until the fund cash balance is fully distributed and then click [Save]. Repeat the process for all governmental fund types.

The fund in the example below has a fund balance of \$5,310.22 and so far \$5,000.00 has been classified. The remaining \$310.22 undistributed balance must be classified. Example 2:



## 2 - OCBOA - FUND INFORMATION TAB

## **FUND RESTRICTION**

For OCBOA reporting, each fund's balance must be designated either restricted or unrestricted. If the fund balance or a portion of fund balance is restricted, then it must be further designated as capital, debt, or other type of restriction. UAN will display a default restriction type based on how the fund type is normally defined by Local Government Services, but this can be changed based on the entity's specific use of the fund.

**Note**: If you completed the AFR – Fund Utility last year, any restriction selections of funds for which you selected a **SINGLE** restriction type have been carried forward to the 2014 OCBOA – Fund Information screen.

However, any restriction selections of funds for which you selected <u>MULTIPLE</u> restriction types will NOT carry forward to the 2014 OCBOA – Fund Information screen. This is because

restriction types apply to ending fund *balances*, not to the *funds* themselves. In other words, as ending fund balances change from year to year, any funds with multiple restriction types must be redistributed accordingly each year.

## **O** Single:

Select this button when the entire fund balance should be designated as unrestricted or restricted (capital, debt, or other). Then click the drop down menu to the right to select the type. The default type will be listed in the drop down menu.

## Multiple:

Select this button if the fund balance is split between several types. The calculated column will include the fund balance in the default type. Enter amounts in the override column to distribute the fund balance between the different types until the total fund balance in the calculated and override columns are equal.

**FAQ**: When should a fund balance be designated restricted vs. unrestricted?

Funds should be designated as restricted when constraints placed on the assets use are either imposed through external creditors or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Funds should be designated as unrestricted when they do not meet the criteria of a restricted fund. For further information, review AOS Bulletin 2005-002 (see page 32 for the website address).

## **Exceptions: Permanent and Fiduciary Funds**

These fund types are automatically identified as restricted and the fund balance must be distributed into non-expendable and expendable portions. To confirm or override the calculated amounts, enter the non-expendable and expendable amounts in the override column. The Total Fund Balance in the override column must equal the amount in the calculated column.

**Note**: The non-expendable amounts in the calculated column for Permanent & Private-Purpose Trust funds are pulled from information entered in the Accounting module. Changing amounts in the override column will only update OCBOA reports, not the fund information in Accounting. To change the non-expendable balance in the Accounting module, follow the steps below:

## STEPS TO ACCESS

Accounting  $\rightarrow$  Maintenance  $\rightarrow$  Funds; mark the checkbox next to the fund and click [Edit]. Type in the non-expendable amount of the fund in the 'Non-Exp. Balance' field and click [Save].

## **FUND DETAILS**

Governmental and enterprise funds must be marked as major or non-major for OCBOA financial statements. On several of the OCBOA statements, the funds marked as major will be displayed in individual columns, while the non-major funds will be combined into an 'other funds' column.

## Major Fund: Yes or No?

First, note the system default in the calculated column. You must confirm or change the setting by clicking the drop down menu in the override column and selecting either Yes (it is a major fund) or No (it is not a major fund). The general fund is the exception – it will always be marked as a major fund and the setting cannot be changed. Note that fiduciary funds and internal service funds do not need to be designated as major or non-major, as they are reported separately.

## FAQ 1: How do I determine whether or not a fund is a major fund?

The default for the fund (the Yes or No in the calculated column) is computed from the fund information and activity inputted throughout the year (see FAQ 2 below). In some cases you might choose to override the default if you have information that is classified incorrectly and/or not reflected in the software. A fund can also be marked as major if government officials believe it is an important fund even though the calculation identifies it as non-major.

## FAQ 2: How does the system calculate the default?

The calculation is illustrated in the Major Fund Analysis report. To print the report:

## STEPS TO ACCESS

General  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – OCBOA Statements, then select Major Fund Analysis and the system year from the drop down menus.

On this report, three elements of the fund are analyzed (receipts, disbursements, and assets) and the funds are separated into two types (governmental and enterprise).

For a fund to default as a major fund, the individual fund must meet <u>both</u> criteria below:

- 1. At least one element total (assets, revenues, or expenditures) of that individual fund must be at least 10 percent for the corresponding element total for all funds of that fund's type (governmental funds or enterprise funds).
- 2. The same element that met the 10 percent criterion above must be at least 5 percent of the corresponding element total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.
- (i.e. One element must meet both the 10 percent and 5 percent criteria to be considered major.)

## **FUND ASSETS**

This section displays fund assets in terms of how cash & cash equivalents and non-pooled investments are separated for OCBOA statements. The UAN system separates fund assets into two general categories: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments (non-pooled). Most funds will only consist of these two categories of fund assets. The amounts are calculated based on your transaction and utility input in the normal course of the year and can be easily viewed on the Fund Status report located in Accounting → Maintenance → Fund Reports.

Review to confirm that this is an accurate breakdown of the entity's fund balance and if needed, make corrections in the Accounting module. For example, perhaps interest earned on a non-pooled investment was supposed to be reinvested, but was posted to the checking account in error. This error would inflate the Equity in Pooled Cash & Cash Equivalents and deflate the Investments (non-pooled) balance, and can be corrected with Accounting transactions or utilities.

## OCBOA statements may break down fund assets with two additional categories:

- Cash and Cash Equivalents in Segregated Accounts
  - o Example: Mayor's court at a village which is kept in a separate account
- Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal/Escrow Agents
  - Example: Monies held and the distributed by another entity on behalf of your entity, such as the county.

**Note:** Most funds <u>will not</u> have balances made up of these two categories and many UAN entities do not have any funds that consist of these. However, when applicable, entering amounts in either of the above categories will automatically reduce (distribute) the balance of the fund's Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents for OCBOA purposes.

## **FUND PURPOSE**

Permanent & Fiduciary fund types must be assigned a purpose for OCBOA financial statements. Type a purpose for the fund directly into the Fund Purpose field/drop down menu.

**Note:** The software will add the description you entered to the drop down menu so that it is available to pick quickly for other funds (when applicable).

## 3 - OCBOA - REVENUE PROGRAMS TAB

### **OVERVIEW**

Revenues must be classified as either program or general receipts for the Statement of Activities report for all governmental and proprietary funds:

- General
- Special Revenue
- Debt Service
- Capital Projects
- Permanent
- Enterprise
- Internal Service

**Note**: If you completed AFR – Fund Utility for OCBOA before closing last year, then the program/general receipt type and revenue type selections for the funds you had last year have been carried forward to the 2014 OCBOA – Revenue Programs screen.

## **Program Receipts**

Revenues are to be classified as program receipts if they come from:

- Purchasers, users, or direct beneficiaries of the goods or services of the entity's programs
- Parties outside the reporting government's citizenry if the revenue is restricted to a specific program

If classified as program receipts, revenues must be further separated into revenue types:

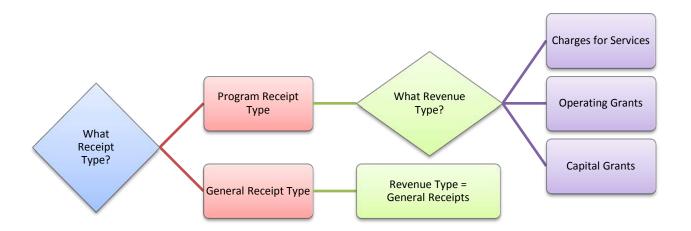
- 1. Charges for services and sales
- 2. Operating grants/contributions
- 3. Capital grants/contributions

## **General Receipts**

All revenues are classified as general receipts unless they are required to be reported as program receipts. Put specifically, revenues are classified as general receipts if they come from:

- Parties outside the reporting government's citizenry if the revenue is unrestricted
- The reporting government's taxpayers
- The governmental institution itself

The decision diagram below illustrates possible classifications for each account code:



It will be helpful to view a draft of the Statement of Activities before using the utility. The list of receipt types is taken directly from this report and the Chart of Accounts.

## STEPS TO ACCESS

General  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – OCBOA Statements, then select the system year and Activities statement from the drop down menu.

For questions concerning these classifications, please contact Local Government Services at 1-800-345-2519.

## USING THE UTILITY

The revenue list will include all revenue accounts in the fund – both active and inactive codes. Revenue codes with a zero Amount Received balance can be skipped. The software will automatically assign a default classification for most revenues. When a default is selected it will be highlighted in blue font. The defaults may not be correct for every entity, so you should review and make corrections when necessary. Then assign the proper classification for revenues that do not have an automatic default (if any).

## **Program / General Receipt Type**

To assign or change, hover the mouse pointer over the field until a drop down arrow appears and click to view the list of options.

## **Revenue Type**

It is best to pick the program or general receipt type first before completing this field to avoid inadvertently resetting the revenue type. To assign or change, hover the mouse pointer over the field until a drop down arrow appears and click to view the list of options.

## 4 - OCBOA - FIDUCIARY ACCOUNTS TAB

## \*\*\*Skip this section if your entity does not use fiduciary funds\*\*\*

Private-purpose trust and investment trust funds must have revenues and appropriations classified using this utility. The account lists on this screen will include all accounts in the fund – both active and inactive. Accounts with a zero balance in the total column can be skipped.

## **Revenue Account List**

Each revenue account balance must be classified as contributions, interest, or a combination of both. To set the classification, hover the mouse pointer over the Receipts field until a drop down arrow appears and click to view a list of options.

- Selecting Contributions or Interest will fill in the total amount under the corresponding column and make the Interest and Contribution fields 'read-only'.
- Selecting 'Both' will enable you to enter amounts in the Interest and Contributions fields for that account. The sum of the two must equal the amount in the Total column.

## **Appropriation Account List**

Each appropriation account balance must be classified as Payments in Accordance with Trust Agreements, Other, or a combination of both. To set the classification, hover the mouse pointer over the Disbursements field until a drop down arrow appears and click to view a list of options.

- Selecting Payments in Accordance with Trust Agreements or Other will fill in the total amount under the corresponding column and set the Other and Payments fields 'read-only'.
- Selecting 'Both' will enable you to enter amounts in the Other and Payments fields for that account. The sum of the two must equal the amount in the Total column.

## 5 - OCBOA - INTERNAL SERVICE ADJUSTMENTS TAB

## \*\*\*Skip this section if your entity does not use internal service funds\*\*\*

Currently very few entities on UAN use internal service funds. Information about internal service funds is available under Accounting → Maintenance → Funds, then click [Need Help] and scroll to FAQ #10.

This tab enables you to associate receipts in the Internal Service Fund to their related expenditures in other governmental funds. Doing so will eliminate double posting to minimize the grossing up effect on the OCBOA government wide statements (Statement of Activities). The reduction of receipts in the internal service fund must equal the reduction in expenditures in other governmental funds. Reductions are inputted using the following grid lists:

## **Governmental Activity list**

This grid will list the disbursements for all funds for the year grouped by appropriation programs. The disbursements column is read only. Expenditures are reduced by entering positive amount(s) in the Adjustment column for the relevant program expenses.

## **Revenue Account list**

This grid will list all of the revenue accounts in the internal service fund. The receipts column is read only. Receipts are reduced in the internal service fund by entering positive amount(s) in the Adjustment column for the relevant revenue accounts.

## **AFR - COMPONENT UNITS**

## \*\*\*Skip this section if your entity does not have component units\*\*\*

Component units usually maintain their own financial information and are generally audited separately from the primary government. UAN entities VERY RARELY have component units. If you are unfamiliar with component units, it is unlikely that it applies to your entity and you can probably skip this step. Before adding a component unit here, contact the State Auditor's Local Government Services division at 1-800-345-2519 to determine if you have one.

Any component unit must be a legally separate organization with 1) its own legal name, 2) the ability to sue or be sued in its name, and 3) the ability to hold property in its name, with some type of ongoing financial accountability to the primary government entity. GASB Statement 39 and Auditor of State Bulletin 2004-001 both address issues related to component units in detail. You can access the AOS bulletin online by typing this address in your web browser:

https://ohioauditor.gov/publications/bulletins/2004/2004-001.pdf

The AFR – Component Unit utility provides you with a way to add to your OCBOA statements.

## STEPS TO ACCESS:

General  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – Component Units, then click on the [Add] button to open the form.

Enter the Name of the component unit and complete the form. The information should come from the annual financial report of the affiliated organization. **Note**: the amounts must be entered in whole dollar figures i.e. you cannot enter cents. This information is used on the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities reports.

## NOTE: UTILITIES NO LONGER REQUIRED FOR OCBOA YEAR END

In the new UAN software, manual input of the following information is no longer necessary:

- 1) **The Original Budget amounts** for the 'Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual Budget Basis' no longer have to be entered in a separate utility. Due to the design of the Accounting module, the Permanent/Original budget that you saved earlier in the year will automatically be included in this report.
- 2) **Governmental vs. Business Activity designations** are now determined for you based on the entity's fund information and criteria set by Local Government Services.

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## OPTION #2 FOR STEP 4B REGULATORY REPORTING

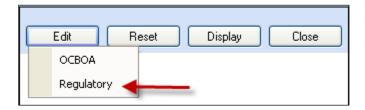
\*\*If filing OCBOA statements, you have completed this utility – return to page 11\*\*

## AFR - FUND UTILITY

## STEPS TO ACCESS:

General → Reports & Statements → Year End → AFR – Fund Utility

All funds – whether active or inactive – will be listed. Mark (fill-in) the checkbox next to the fund or funds you would like to edit first. Click the [Edit] button and the following drop down menu will open:



Click Regulatory and the Edit AFR – Fund Utility form will open. If multiple funds are selected, the navigation arrows at in the bottom left hand corner of the form can be used.

For example, six funds were selected here: 2 of 6 Dec. Click the arrows to advance back and forth between funds or move to the first or the last fund selected.

## Mapping:

The Mapping section is for miscategorized or ancillary (subsidiary) funds only. The default setting is 'Not Mapped.' <u>Most UAN entities will have no need to map any of their funds</u>. When a fund is 'mapped to' another fund, it means the current fund's balance will be considered part of the selected fund's balance for the purpose of annual financial statements. If you think this is a possibility for some of your funds, please read page 102 - Appendix 5: Mapping Funds.

## **Reset button**

If needed, the reset button will reset all selected funds back to the UAN defaults in the AFR-Fund Utility. To use it, mark the checkbox next to the desired funds to reset and click [Reset].

If disclosures are required to explain your entity's classification policies and procedures, the note can be imported using the AFR - Documents Import utility described on page 53.

## GOVERNMENTAL FUND CLASSIFICATION TAB

The governmental fund classification tab is only available and required for Governmental funds:

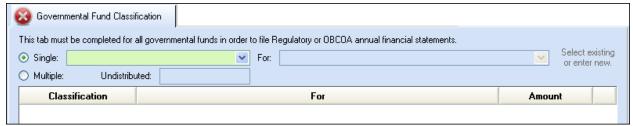
- General
- Special Revenue
- Debt Service
- Capital Projects
- Permanent

**Note**: If you completed the AFR – Fund Utility last year, any governmental fund classifications and purposes of funds for which you selected a **SINGLE** fund classification and purpose have been carried forward into the 2014 Governmental Fund Classification screen.

However, any fund classifications and purposes of funds for which you selected <u>MULTIPLE</u> classifications and/or purposes will NOT carry forward to the 2014 Governmental Fund Classification screen. This is because fund classifications apply to ending fund *balances*, not to the *funds* themselves. In other words, as ending fund balances change from year to year, any funds with multiple classifications must be redistributed (*i.e.* reclassified) accordingly each year.

At least one classification should be assigned to the fund balance and a purpose must be stated for the balance (in the 'For' field). If the entire fund cash balance will fall under one classification, then click 'Single'. If the fund cash balance is split between several classifications, then click 'Multiple'. See the examples below:

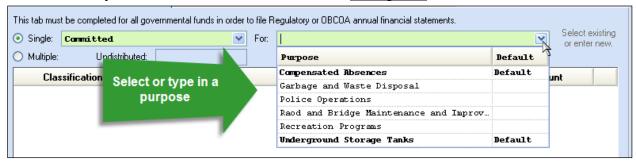
## Single:



Click the drop down menu to the right to select the classification. Example 1a:



Then in the 'For' field, either click the drop down menu to select an existing purpose or type a new one directly into the field, and then click [Save]. Example 1b:



The classifications labeled 'Default' in the Classification menu are those identified by LGS as the most likely classifications based on the use of the resources/revenues. Some funds may have several defaults depending on the range of possibilities for the particular fund. The pre-set purpose options listed in the 'For' drop down menu were provided by LGS as typical, and those labeled 'Default' were identified as the most likely. However, you may type in a different purpose as needed. **Note:** The software will add any custom purposes to the drop down menu so that they are available to pick quickly for other funds (when applicable).

## Multiple:

If you select multiple, the 'Undistributed' field lists the fund balance. In the Classification list below, click the drop down menu in the data-entry line and select the classification type for the first cash amount to be classified. Then under the 'For' column, click the drop down menu in the data entry line to select an existing purpose or type a new one directly into the field. Next, enter the amount to be classified. Click the insert row arrow to push that line up to the list. Continue the steps listed above until the fund cash balance is fully distributed and then click [Save]. Repeat the process for all governmental fund types.

The fund in the example below has a fund balance of \$5,310.22 and so far \$5,000.00 has been classified. The remaining \$310.22 undistributed balance must be classified. Example 2:



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## **APPENDIX 1: YEAR END REPORTS**

## **OVERVIEW**

Year end reports may be printed <u>before or after</u> closing the year. If you choose to print them before closing the year, <u>make sure you have completed all transactions</u>, <u>utility adjustments</u>, <u>and posted your final December 31<sup>st</sup> bank reconciliation</u>. Otherwise – if any of the activities listed above are completed *after* year end reports have been printed – many of the year end reports will need to be re-printed.

## Reminder

If the 'AFR Requiring Manual Input' (page 56) and 'AFR - Documents Import' (page 53) procedures are not completed *until after* closing the year, then that information *will not* be included in the file (or disc) created for AOS submission during the closing process.

## **Summary of year end reports:**

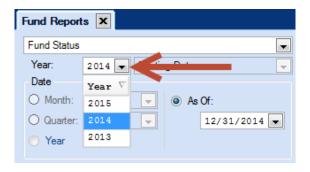
\*\*This list includes *all possible* year end report requirements\*\*

- 1. AFR OCBOA Statements (Net Position, Activities,...etc.)
- 2. AFR Documents Import (Notes, MD&A)
- 3. AFR Regulatory Statements (Combined & Combining,...etc.)
- 4. AFR Requiring Manual Input (Schedule of Debt Service,...etc.)
- 5. 1099-Misc & 1096 Forms
- 6. December 31<sup>st</sup> Year-To-Date Reports (ledgers, cash journal,...etc.)
- 7. Payroll End of Year Reports
- 8. 944 Federal Annual Tax Return
- 9. W-2 & W-3 Forms

Entities filing Regulatory annual financial reports can *skip* 'AFR - OCBOA Statements.' Entities filing OCBOA annual financial reports can *skip* 'AFR - Regulatory Statements.'

## Printing prior year reports without exiting the software

Payroll users: Beginning with fiscal year 2013, prior year reports can be printed without exiting the UAN software. *Accounting-ONLY users have had this ability since fiscal year 2011*. This is possible when logged into Temporary Mode (working in either year) **and** after closing fiscal year 2014. To print a report from a prior year, open the report area and click on the '**Year**' drop-down menu in the upper left corner – all prior years that can be printed from within the current software version will be listed. See the Fund Status example below:

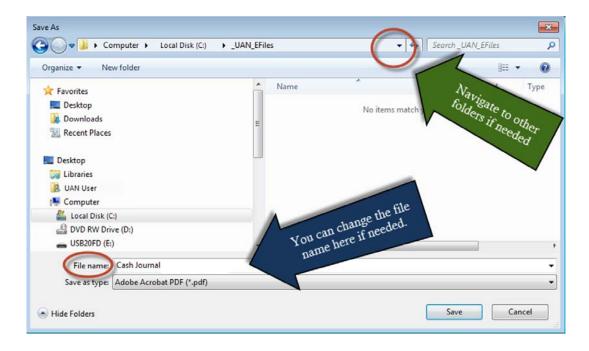


## Saving reports in Adobe PDF file format

Year end reports (*except for 1099/1096*, *W-2 and W-3 forms*) can be saved as a file in Adobe PDF file format (*PDF*). To save a report as a PDF file, follow all of the normal steps to print the report except instead of clicking the [Print] button, click the [Save PDF] button located in the lower right hand corner of the report area. This will open a 'Save As' window, enabling you to save the file in any directory (i.e. folder). The default directory is C:\\_UAN\_Efiles.

## Other 'Save As' Window Options

To save the file to a different folder, click the shortcuts listed on the left hand pane of the window. Based on your selection on the left, sub-folders will be displayed on the right hand pane of the window. If needed, continue to open the folders on the right (double-clicking) until you have navigated to the folder of your choice. Another option is to click the arrow to the right of the folder path located at the top of the 'Save As' window to open a drop-down menu where you can navigate to recently used folders. To change the file name, type it in the 'File name' field:



## Special Note for government entities that joined UAN in the year 2014

Entities that joined UAN in 2014 and chose the Mid-Year Conversion method to convert from non-UAN records to UAN will have to prepare the annual financial reports without use of the UAN software. You cannot file this year's records using the UAN software because parts of your yearly records are incomplete within the UAN software. In order to prepare the AFR reports, you will need to print the UAN reports and then consolidate this information with the previous information recorded manually or by non-UAN software. If you have questions about filing your annual financial reports without the use of UAN software, contact the Auditor of States' office at 1-800-282-0370.

**Important**: This <u>does not</u> apply to entities that chose Detailed or Lump-Sum conversions.

## AFR - OCBOA STATEMENTS

## \*\*\*Those filing the Regulatory annual financial report type should SKIP this section; It is not required for Regulatory filing \*\*\*

It is **not** necessary to send a paper copy of the AFR to the Auditor of State's Office. The entity's annual financial report information will be submitted as part of the 'AFR – AOS Backup' file (or disc) created for submission when you close the year. However, entities should maintain at least one printed copy of the annual financial reports for public record purposes. It is also recommended that the reports be saved as PDF files for future public records requests.

All OCBOA statements can be accessed in the following area:

## STEPS TO ACCESS

General  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – OCBOA Statements, then select the year and statement name from the drop-down menus.

## **Print the following OCBOA statements:**

Abbreviated List Name	Full Statement Name	
Net Position	Statement of Net Position	
Activities	Statement of Activities	
Governmental – Fund Balances	Statement of Assets and Fund Balances – Governmental Funds	
Governmental – Changes	Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds	
Budgetary	Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budget Basis	

## Additional OCBOA statements for entities with proprietary and/or fiduciary funds:

Abbreviated List Name	Full Statement Name
Proprietary – Net Position	Statement of Fund Net Position – Proprietary Funds
Proprietary – Changes	Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Net Position – Proprietary Funds
Proprietary – Cash Flow	Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Funds
Fiduciary – Net Position	Statement of Fiduciary Net Position – Fiduciary Funds
Fiduciary – Changes	Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position – Fiduciary Funds

## AFR - DOCUMENTS IMPORT

Some annual financial documents are not created in the UAN software, but can be imported and sent to UAN with the audit submission file (or disc) using this utility.

**Entities filing OCBOA** are required to submit these additional documents:

- MD&A Management's Discussion and Analysis
- Notes Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

Local Government Services provides samples of MD&A and Notes on the AOS website. You can access these by typing the following address into your web browser:

https://ohioauditor.gov/references/shells.html

OCBOA filing could potentially require the following:

• RSI – Required Supplementary Information – It has been very uncommon for UAN clients to be required to submit RSI documents. UAN provides the import option for those rare instances or for entities that simply choose to create RSI documents.

**Entities filing Regulatory** might also use this utility if note disclosures are required to explain your government's fund balance classification policies and procedures. If you are unsure if you need to prepare the notes to the financial statements, please contact Local Government Services at 1-800-345-2519.

**Note:** When applicable, you are not required to include these documents with the year end audit submission file (or disc) *in order to close the fiscal year 2014*, but you are required to include them in a final submission before the deadline set by the Auditor of State. You can import them after the year end and then create another audit submission file (or disc) to upload (or mail). See *Appendix 6: Recreate AFR – AOS Backup File / Disc If Needed* starting on page 103 for details.

• Other – UAN has included an 'Other' type for any miscellaneous supporting documents that you choose to submit or for any other documents that might be requested by audit.

## **USING THE UTILITY**

## STEPS TO ACCESS:

General → Reports & Statements → Year End → AFR – Document Import

[Add] Click to open the import form.

## Type:

Click one of the radio buttons • to select the AFR Type to import.

Note: When the 'Other' type is selected, a description must be entered.

## File:

Click [Browse] to open a browsing window to pick the file. If needed, click the 'Look in' drop down menu to look through the computer folders for the location of the file. Select the file, then click [Open] to return to the import form. Clicking [Save] will add the file to the AFR – Documents import area, indicating it will be included in the next AOS submission file/disc.

## [Edit]

This can be used to edit the AFR Type after the document has been imported.

## [Delete]

Use to delete documents imported in error or that will be replaced by revised documents.

## [Display]

Display will open the selected document using the computer's default program for the file type. (e.g. It will open Microsoft Word documents (extension .docx) using MS Word.)

## **IMPORTANT**:

The purpose of the display button is to verify that the correct information was successfully imported – not to modify the file. To modify the file, you should:

- 1) Save the revised copy using the software it was created in.
- 2) Delete the original imported file in the AFR Documents Import screen.
- 3) Import the revised copy.

## **AFR - REGULATORY STATEMENTS**

## \*\*\*Those filing the OCBOA annual financial reports should SKIP this section; It is not required for OCBOA filing \*\*\*

It is not necessary to send a paper copy of the AFR to the Auditor of State's Office. The entity's annual financial report information will be submitted as part of the 'AFR – AOS Backup' file (or disc) created for submission when you close the year. However, entities should maintain one printed copy of the annual financial reports for public record purposes. It is also recommended that the reports are saved as PDF files in case of public records requests.

## STEPS TO ACCESS

All Regulatory statements can be accessed in the following area: General  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – Regulatory Statements, then select the year and statement name from the drop-down menus.

## **Print the following Regulatory statements:**

Abbreviated List Name	Full Statement Name	
Combining Statement –	Combining Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and	
Governmental	Changes in Fund Balances – All Governmental Fund Types	
Combined Statement –	Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and	
Governmental	Changes in Fund Balances – All Governmental Fund Types	
Comparison of Budgeted	Comparison of Budgeted and Actual Receipts	
and Actual Receipts		
Comparison of Disbursements	Comparison of Disbursements and Encumbrances	
and Encumbrances	with Expenditure Authority	
Reconciliation of Interfund	Reconciliation of Interfund Transactions	
Transactions		

## Additional Regulatory statements for entities with proprietary and/or fiduciary funds:

Abbreviated List Name	Full Statement Name
Combining Statement –	Combining Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
Proprietary and Fiduciary	in Fund Balances – All Proprietary and Fiduciary Fund Types
Combined Statement –	Combining Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
Proprietary and Fiduciary	in Fund Balances – All Proprietary and Fiduciary Fund Types

## AFR REQUIRING MANUAL INPUT

Some annual reports require financial information that is not inputted in the normal course of the year, but must be inputted annually. These reports may include:

- Cash/Other Assets Not Recorded
- Cash Reconciliation
- Schedule of Debt Service
- Schedule of Outstanding Debt

It is possible that none of these reports are applicable to your entity. Skip any that do not apply.

When applicable, you are not required to input this information with the year end audit submission file (or disc) *in order to close the fiscal year 2014*, but you are required to include it in a submission before the deadline set by the Auditor of State's Office for your final submission. If you input the information after the 2014 year end close, then create another audit submission file (or disc) to upload (or mail) so that your annual financial reports will be up to date before the AOS deadline. See *Appendix 6: Recreate AFR – AOS Backup File / Disc If Needed* starting on page 103 for details.

## STEPS TO ACCESS

General → Reports & Statements → Year End → **All four reports** are listed in the menu and each will have options to Print, Display or Save PDF once data is inputted.

## CASH/OTHER ASSETS NOT RECORDED

Does the entity have any cash or other assets that belong to the entity that are not recorded on its books? Some examples of cash not recorded that would be put on this report.

- Money with a financial institution for servicing debt
- Money held in escrow for construction
- Money held by a third party administrator servicing claims for a self-insurance program
- Money held in a deferred compensation program under 26 USC § 457
- Money held in segregated accounts by other government officials
- Money held by a trustee to satisfy the covenants of a bond indenture
- Money in a payroll clearing account

If necessary, click [Add] to open the form. Enter the account number, institution name, description, and the asset amount. Click [Save] and repeat these steps for all accounts.

## CASH RECONCILIATION

This statement compiles information regarding depository balances (checking accounts) and investment information (treasury bonds, certificates of deposit, other investments). You are only required to enter data for this statement if your entity has a bond and coupon clearance account and/or a payroll clearance account not included in the depository balances. Once printed, compare the Fund Status report to the Cash Reconciliation portion of the Annual Financial Report. If there are any differences, contact UAN for assistance in locating the discrepancy.

## SCHEDULE OF DEBT SERVICE

This schedule shows the <u>combined</u> outstanding principal and interest of all debt <u>for the years</u> <u>following December 31, 2014</u>. Each year that you enter should show the <u>combined</u> principal and <u>combined</u> interest for all debt to be redeemed in that year. However, you must retain the detailed information with your records for all debt service to maturity, since this information is reviewed during your audit. You should be able to obtain the information required for this debt schedule from the ordinance or resolution authorizing the issuance of debt, bond counsel or your bank.

Click [Add] and starting with 2015, enter the combined principal and combined interest for all outstanding notes and bonds to be redeemed for that year. Click [Save], enter 2015, and then enter the combined principal and combined interest for all outstanding notes and bonds for that year. Repeat this process for five years (or until the maturity of particular debts are reached) and then repeat every five years thereafter (where applicable). See the following example.

**EXAMPLE**: Debt outstanding as of December 31, 2014:

	Outstanding	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	
	Principal	Per Year	Per Year	Term
Bond # 1	\$10,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 50.00	Ten years
Note # 1	2,000.00	1,000.00	100.00	Two years
Note # 2	1,000.00	1,000.00	25.00	One year

Schedule for debt outstanding as of December 31, 2014:

Year	<u>2015</u>	
Principal	\$3,000.00	(Bond #1 + Note #1 + Note #2)
Interest	175.00	(Bond #1 + Note #1 + Note #2)

Year	<u>2016</u>	
Principal	\$2,000.00	(Bond #1 + Note #1)
Interest	150.00	(Bond #1 + Note #1)
Year	<u>2017</u>	
Principal	\$1,000.00	(Bond #1)
Interest	50.00	(Bond #1)
Year	<u>2018</u>	
Principal	\$1,000.00	(Bond #1)
Interest	50.00	(Bond #1)
Year	<u>2019</u>	
Principal	\$1,000.00	(Bond #1)
Interest	50.00	(Bond #1)
Year	<u>2024</u>	
Principal	\$1,000.00	(Bond #1)
Interest	50.00	(Bond #1)

## FAQ: Can I enter the same data that I inputted on the Schedule of Debt Service for 2013's year end reports?

No, normally you cannot because the amounts will change from year to year. The reason is that on the reporting year that the Schedule of Debt Service is filled out, the amounts for each projected year are based on the outstanding debt 'As of' 12/31/xx (the AFR reporting year). For example, assume at the year end as of 12/31/2013, the combined interest amount scheduled for 2015 was \$125 – it is likely at the year end as of 12/31/2014 that amount will be different.

## SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT

All outstanding debt activity for 2014 must described on this schedule. Each note or bond must be described <u>as a separate item</u> on this schedule. You must retain detailed information with your records for each outstanding debt issue pertaining to 2014, as this information is reviewed during your audit. If necessary, you should be able to obtain the information required for this schedule from the ordinance or resolution authorizing the issuance of debt, bond counsel, or your bank.

Click [Add] and start with the first note or bond to be entered.

## **Schedule of Outstanding Debt – Examples:**

**Example A:** The government had a note issued in 2013 of \$6,000.00 issued for a truck. In 2014, the government paid \$2,000.00 of debt service on this note. Here is the data that was entered:

Field Name	Data Entered:	Explanation:
Year Issued:	2013	
Description:	Note issued in 2013 for purchase of truck.	
Interest Rate:	5%	
Balance Jan 1:	\$6,000.00	Balance of the note as of 1/1/2014
Issued:	\$ 0.00	No additional amount was issued in 2014, so it is zero.
Retired	\$2,000.00	Amount paid on note in 2014
Balance Dec 31:	\$4,000.00 (Calculated field)	Note balance as of 12/31/2014

**Example B**: In 2014, the same government entity issued a note of \$50,000.00 for the construction of a building and paid \$10,000.00 of principal on that note. Here is the data entered:

Field Name	Data Entered:	Explanation:
Year Issued:	2014	
Description:	Note issued in 2014 for construction of a building.	
Interest Rate:	5.5%	
Balance Jan 1:	\$ 0.00	Note was issued in 2014, so the 1/1/2014 balance was zero.
Issued:	\$50,000.00	Amount issued in 2014
Retired	\$10,000.00	Amount paid on note in 2014
Balance Dec 31:	\$40,000.00 (Calculated field)	Note balance as of 12/31/2014

## End of section AFR Requiring Manual Input

## 1099-MISC & 1096 FORMS

## STEPS TO ACCESS

General  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  1099-Misc & 1096 Forms to open the area. If needed, change the year to 2014 in the Year drop down menu.

[Add] Click to add vendors to the list of those for whom you will print forms 1099-Misc. Read the system message and click [OK] to open the Add form. If needed, filter the vendors by Vendor Type or Payment Total (see below). Then mark the checkboxes next to the vendors to include. Click [Save] to add them to the 1099-Misc & 1096 Forms list. Note: Only one 1099-Misc form may be added per vendor, per selected year. Existing forms may be edited or deleted.

## Filter options on the Add 1099-Misc & 1096 Forms:

## Vendor Type filter

## • 1099 Required (Default)

When selected the vendors in the list below it will include only those that are marked as '1099 Required' on the Vendor/Payee form. If a required vendor is missing from this list, you can edit the Vendor/Payee information for it at:

## STEPS TO ACCESS

General → Maintenance → Vendors/Payees, then click [Need Help] for instructions.

Please note: You do not need to close the Add 1099-Misc form while editing the vendor. Once you have saved the vendor changes, click [Update Grid] to update this form.

## All Vendors

Select to list ALL vendors, regardless of whether they are marked '1099 Required' on the Vendors/Payees form.

## Payment Total filter

## At Least

You can filter the vendor list by the total dollar amount of payments per vendor that year. Select this button and then type in the dollar amount. Then click [Update Grid].

## Any Amount (Default)

This will display all vendors based on the Vendor Type filter selected (see above). After making any filter changes, click [Update Grid] to update the list.

[**Edit**] Use to override some or all of the vendor information relevant to the 1099-Misc form. Sections of the Edit form are described below:

## Vendor

If the vendor has multiple addresses, you can change the address that will print on the 1099 form by selecting it from the location drop-down menu.

## 1099-Misc & 1096 Printing

## Print Calculated Data

This is the default setting and signifies that the address and compensation/Id information listed in the Calculated section of this form will print on the 1099.

## Print Override Data

Clicking this button will enable you to make edits in the Override section below.

### □ Corrected

Marking this checkbox will fill in the corresponding checkbox on the 1099-Misc form.

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Marking this checkbox will fill in the corresponding checkbox on the 1099-Misc form.

## Calculated

This section pulls in read-only data from General  $\rightarrow$  Maintenance  $\rightarrow$  Vendor / Payees.

## Override

You can make edits in this section by selecting the ● Print Override Data button in the 1099-Misc & 1096 Printing section. Note that entries here will only update on the 1099-Misc & 1096 forms and will not update the Vendor/Payee information permanently. Therefore, when possible, it is better to make an edit in the General → Maintenance → Vendor/Payees area, then delete the 1099 Misc form and add it again with the updated information included. However, some edits can only be made here. For example, vendor names cannot be edited in the Vendor/Payees area after a payment has been made to the vendor. Also, if a payment error is discovered after the year is closed, the correction will not be reflected in the prior year data but it can be fixed on the 1099-Misc form.

[**Delete**] Click to delete vendors that were added to the list in error or that will be replaced.

[Print 1099] Click to print the marked vendors. Make sure to load blank 1099-Misc forms.

[**Print 1096**] Click to print the marked vendors. Make sure to load a blank 1096 form.

## DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> YEAR-TO-DATE REPORTS

Print and/or save PDF files of the reports listed below that include the entire year's activity (January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014). Regardless of what was printed for each month, the AOS audit division recommends that entities retain either paper or PDF year-to-date reports. Monthly reports are acceptable <u>only if</u> you have printed or saved them each and <u>every month</u>.

Suggested reports are below. Select the report from the drop down menu and then 2014. The report date range must be set to either 'Year' or 'As of' 12/31/2014, depending on the report.

	Report	Steps to Access
	Appropriation Ledger	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
	Appropriation Status	Appropriation Reports
	Bank Reconciliation Report	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
	Bank Reconcination Report	Bank Reconciliation Reports
	Cash Journal	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
	Cash Journal	Cash Reports
	Fund Balance Adjustment Listing	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
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	Cash Summary by Fund	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
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	Purchase Order Status	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
		Purchase Order Reports
_	Receipt Listing (sorted by deposit	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
	ticket number, then receipt number).	Receipt Reports
	This report is useful if you entered	
	deposit ticket numbers for your	After selecting Receipt Listing, click the Sorting tab,
	receipts. If not, it can be skipped.	then select 'Deposit Ticket then Receipt Number'.
	Revenue Ledger	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
	Revenue Status	Revenue Reports
	Vendor / Payee Receipt Register	General → Reports & Statements →
	Vendor / Payee Payment Register	Vendor / Payee Reports

## PAYROLL END OF YEAR REPORTS

UAN does not provide a list of payroll reports to print at year end, although you may want to select some reports to Print or PDF for the year. The payroll reports you will have to present at your next audit include the forms W-2 and W-3, all monthly and/or quarterly tax and retirement reports you have filed, and the payments corresponding to these reports. You should have physical copies of these reports for your next audit. If you didn't keep physical copies of reports filed, gather that information now. Note that the UAN software will generate reports that indicate what you *should* have reported, but it may not reflect what you *actually* filed.

Often the December and/or 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter reports are forgotten in the busy rush of closing the year. Remember that you must file the December OPERS/OP&FPF Retirement reports after you have posted the final wages for pay periods ending in December. You must also file Federal, State and Local tax reports for the month and/or quarter, **and** the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter ODJFS (Ohio Department of Job & Family Services) Wage Detail after you have posted all wages with December post dates. You must print the W-2 and W-3 reports, and submit them per IRS instructions to the employees and the Social Security Administration.

State, School and Local taxes many times require you to file an annual report that compiles all wages and withholdings for the year to submit with or in addition to the forms W-2. It is your responsibility to contact these agencies to determine the forms you need and the deadlines to file. Reports you may want to print to complete these reports:

Steps To Access: Payroll → Reports & Statements → Tax Reports – Other (select Ohio Tax Report, School Tax Report and/or Local Tax Report). Mark "Year", select all items, and Print.

## 944 FEDERAL ANNUAL TAX RETURN

## UAN no longer produces the rarely-used Form 944 Federal Annual Tax Return.

You must file annual Form 944 *instead of* filing quarterly Forms 941 ONLY if the IRS notified you in writing. Form 944 is designed so the smallest employers will file and pay federal taxes only once a year instead of every quarter. For all questions about which forms your entity should file, contact the IRS or visit <a href="http://www.irs.gov">http://www.irs.gov</a>.

Information for completing a 944 form is available on the 2 federal tax reports listed below\* (using the "Year" date selection) in: Payroll > Reports & Statements > Tax Reports – Federal. The "YTD Total" rows show the corresponding totals for the 944.

944 Form	* Federal Tax Report
Wages, tips, other compensation	Wages Subject to Federal / State / School Tax YTD
Taxable social security wages ( Column 1 )	Wages Subject to Social Security Tax YTD
Taxable Medicare wages & tips ( Column 1 )	Wages Subject to Medicare Tax YTD

944 Form	* 941 Schedule B
Federal income tax withheld	Federal YTD + Federal Supplemental YTD
Monthly tax liability ( only if required )	Total for each month in Total column

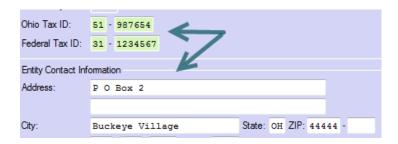
Everything else on the 944 form is calculated from these figures. Total deposits for the year are available on the Vendor Payment Register: General > Reports & Statements > Vendor / Payee Reports (for the federal payee).

## VERIFY TAX IDS & EMPLOYEE ADDRESSES

Before December 31, 2014 you should verify the basic information that will print on the W-2s. Any edits to employees made in 2014, such as address changes, will also update the employee information in 2015. On the other hand, edits made to employees in 2015 will not appear on 2014 W-2s – requiring you to also edit the address on the W-2 forms.

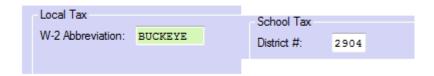
## **Entity Information:**

Steps To Access: General → Maintenance → Entity Setup, verify or correct the Federal and State Tax IDs and the entity address.



## Withholding W-2 Local Tax Abbreviations and School District numbers:

Steps To Access: Payroll → Maintenance → Withholdings, select all Local and School tax withholdings, and click Edit. Verify that the W-2 Abbreviation is correct for all Local Taxes and the School District # is correct for all school district income taxes.



## **Employee Information:**

Steps To Access: Payroll → Maintenance → Employees, select the employees, click Edit and Advanced. On the Employee Information Tab verify the name, address and Social Security number. If your employees have moved or changed a name during the year, these updates should be made before you close 2014. After making any necessary changes, click Save and Close.

## CLIENTS THAT CONVERTED TO UAN PAYROLL MID-YEAR

Entities that began using the UAN Payroll software during fiscal year 2014 had multiple choices to convert their previously posted 2014 payroll data into UAN. Prior to the close of 2014 you still have time to add employees and post conversion wages in order to bring your prior payroll ledger balance into UAN for W-2 printing. Review the following items to determine how to prepare for the 2014 W-2s:

- If you added all employees that were paid in fiscal year 2014 and posted all the conversion wages to bring the year-to-date ledger balance into the UAN software, you can print forms W-2 and W-3 as normal.
- If you added all of your 2014 employees to the software and began posting wages, but did not post a conversion wage you have the following three options:
  - A. **Prior to closing 2014** you can post conversion wages to bring your prior payroll ledger balance into UAN, and then print the forms W-2 and W-3 as normal.
  - B. Add a W-2 for the employees and edit the figures to report the combined total of the wages paid from your prior payroll ledger and the UAN posed Payroll, then print the forms W-2 and W-3 as normal.
  - C. Manually prepare your forms W-2 and W-3, combining the UAN posted payroll data and old payroll ledger balance.
- If you did not add all of your 2014 paid employees into the UAN software and post conversion wages for them before fiscal year 2014 is closed:
  - Manually prepare your forms W-2 and W-3, combining the UAN posted payroll data and old payroll ledger balance.
- If you added all of your employees to the software but did not post a conversion wage or any live wages in the payroll software, **then before fiscal year 2014 is closed:** 
  - Post conversion wages for all employees from your payroll ledger and print the W-2 and W-3 reports.
  - o Manually prepare your forms W-2 and W-3 (i.e. outside of the UAN software).
- Note: The W-3 form will compile the data from the selected W-2s in the software, including any edits you have made to the W-2s, but the W-3 cannot be edited to include any manually prepared W-2s.

#### WHEN SHOULD I PRINT MY W-2 FORMS?

Before printing the W-2 forms, it is recommended you complete the five items below to ensure your year to date tax reports balance with the total forms W-2. It is likely you will close fiscal year 2014 before you are ready to do this. Only entities that have *no* housekeeping items to resolve and have a payroll schedule that will allow them to complete their payroll postings, tax payments, and reports in December will be able to generate W-2 forms before 2014 is closed.

- 1) Research, identify and resolve all 2014\* unpaid withholdings and/or withholding overpayments that would affect the 2014 monthly/quarterly tax reports and W-2s. \*Unpaid withholdings and withholding overpayments carried forward from 2013 or earlier years will not affect the 2014 W-2 forms, but *will* affect your 2015 budget.
- 2) Post all of your 2014 Wages.
- 3) Prepare your December and/or 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter tax reports.
- 4) Pay your 2014 tax liabilities (either in 2014 or in 2015, if carried over).
- 5) It is recommended, **but not required,** to wait until you have completed your December Bank reconciliation. Until you have posted the final bank reconciliation, you may need to make changes that affect the monthly and/or quarterly tax reports, payments and W-2s.

## PRE-W-2 PAYROLL REVIEW

Follow the 3 steps below to determine **if you are ready** to begin W-2 preparation and printing:

1) Confirm that you have paid all of your 2014 taxes. Print and Review the **Withholding Summary** for 2014, and if you had any 2014 carryover withholdings that were paid in 2015 print the report for 2015.

Steps To Access: Payroll → Reports & Statements → Withholding Report, the Withholding Summary defaults as the first report on the drop down list. If you have opened Temporary Mode you can select the year from the drop down box; you no longer have to exit the software and log into a different year. If you don't have any unpaid withholdings you will receive a system message stating there is no data to report. If you have both types of withholdings, Regular and State Retirement, remember to print the report with the proper setting. Select Original Post Date for Regular withholdings and select Pay Period End Date for State Retirement withholdings. These two items cannot be viewed properly with the same setting.

You may have January 2015 unpaid withholdings if you have posted wages in 2015 but they are **not** relevant to the taxes reported on the 2014 W-2s. Only the Prior Year Withholdings column on the 2015 report will be relevant to confirm your 2014 taxes have been paid.

If you have carryover withholding from 2013 or earlier years you should return to the 2014 Payroll Pre-close section to research and resolve those items prior to closing fiscal year 2014. Carryover items of this type will negatively impact your new year budget. You will have to determine if the 2015 Prior Year Withholdings column contains any 2014 unpaid withholdings.

If there are unpaid withholdings from wages posted in fiscal year 2014 on either the Withholding Summary for fiscal year 2014 (January thru December columns) or fiscal year 2015 (only the Prior Year Withholdings column) you will need to identify why those haven't been paid to determine if you have to:

- o Amend your tax reports and issue another payment,
- o Clear the unpaid withholding because it was already paid in Accounting, and/or
- o Edit the W-2 to manually resolve a problem that wasn't corrected before fiscal year 2014 was closed.
- 2) Print the W-2 report and compare the Report Totals to your file copies of the 2014 tax reports for Federal, State, School and Local taxes to confirm that you have reported and paid the amounts that will be reported on the W-2s

Steps To Access: Payroll  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Tax Reports – Federal, from the drop-down list select the W-2 Report. Select all employees listed and click Print. Use the last page(s) that contain Report Totals to compare with the tax reports you have filed with Federal, State, School and Local taxing districts for the year. Use the employee pages for review in 3) below.

Compare each tax district/type separately; add the monthly or quarterly reports for 2014 together to arrive at the total you have reported and paid to each district in 2014. You should not print the report from UAN; reports printed from the UAN software at this time will generate the same amounts used on the W-2. Review copies of the reports you filed during the year; you should have paper copies, or if you report online you may be able to go to the taxing district website and print copies of the reports you filed and the list of payments you made. (You should have retained copies of these reports for your next audit.)

• If you have multiple local and school taxes you may find it helpful to print the UAN Local Tax and School Tax reports for the year as they will break down the totals by tax district so you can understand the total Local and School taxes on the W-2 Report. Do not use these UAN printed reports to verify the W-2 report is correct; they use the same data and will match exactly. Compare the UAN reports to the actual reports filed and payments made for each tax district.

Steps To Access: Payroll → Reports & Statements → Tax Reports – Other, from the drop down list select the report you need, Local tax and/or School tax, mark the report for the year and print. Repeat for each report you need on the drop down list

If you haven't had any payroll issues in 2014 you will be able to easily confirm that the amount reported and paid for 2014 balances with the total you will report on the W-2s.

You may discover discrepancies if you have had issues with your payroll, such as posting wages with the incorrect retirement (Social Security, OPERS or OP&FPF) or improperly voiding or *not voiding* payroll checks. If you corrected these items in the software but failed to amend your reports and payments, identify the errors and make proper amendments so your reports balance with your W-2 forms.

The UAN software correctly identifies tax liabilities for reporting and payment by the paycheck post date. If you have improperly reported and paid your taxes by the payroll pay period date and you manually prepared the tax reports in this manner, you may have made errors and the W-2s may not balance with your year to date tax reports. You must find your reporting errors and amend the reports so they balance with the 2014 wages that will be reported on the 2014 W-2s.

• <u>Important</u>! – It is normal *and correct* for the OPERS/OP&FPF amounts reported on the W-2 to differ from the totals reported to OPERS or OP&FPF for the year. The W-2 is a tax report, *NOT* a retirement report! Tax reports *very rarely* correlate to state retirement reports, as tax reports reflect withholdings by paycheck date (*regardless of pay period*) while OPERS and OP&FPF reports are based on pay periods. In other words, do not edit the W-2 amounts to match your OPERS/OP&FPF reports!

For example: wages that were posted in January **2014** for pay periods that ended in December **2013** would have been reported to OPERS/OP&FPF for December 2013, but would *NOT* have been reported on the 2013 W-2 – instead, they will be reported on the 2014 W-2. Likewise, wages that will be posted in January **2015** for pay periods ending in December **2014** will be reported to OPERS/OP&FPF for December 2014, but will *NOT* be reported on the 2014 W-2 – instead, they will be reported on the 2015 W-2.

To view the employee wages with OPERS/OP&FPF withholdings that are included on the W-2, view the Wage Withholdings Detail.

Steps To Access: Payroll  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Wage Reports, select Wage Withholdings Detail, select  $\odot$  year and mark the employees. You will be able to review, by employee, the wages and withholdings from all the 2014 paychecks as they will be reported on the W-2.

If you have had difficulty with OPERS/OP&FPF reports and payments throughout the year, you may want to review the Wage Withholding Summary using the Pay period End Date setting.

Steps To Access: Payroll → Reports & Statements → Wage Withholding Summary, change the Original Post Date setting to Pay Period End Date, select each month and mark the employees and compare the data to the reports you have filed with OPERS/OP&FPF.

**Note:** The W-2 report only reflects the employee share of Medicare and Social Security, not the combined employee and employer share that you report on the 941. To compare Medicare and Social Security from the W-2 report to the total on the 941 quarterly reports take the Report Total of each item from the W-2 Report and multiply by two to arrive at the combined total amount that should have been reported on the 941 quarterly reports. If you had fractions of cents adjustments, those amounts should bring the items into balance with the W-2 report.

• If you were required to swap 2014 withholdings between Social Security and a State Retirement (OPERS/OP&FPF) you must review the employee W-2 Reports to see if you must manually edit the W-2. The swapped withholding amounts will be accurate for the Social Security tax withheld and in Box 14 as OPERS or OP&FPF; however, you may need to adjust the amount of Social Security wages. Changes to prior year earnings and withholdings that were swapped between retirement types do not affect 2014 W-2s.

When a Payroll Wage Adjustment Withholding Swap is posted between Social Security and a State Retirement, a corresponding Earning Swap should be posted. However, when the earnings being swapped were paid in different quarters and the post date of the swap will corrupt a new tax quarter, UAN Support does not recommend posting a corresponding Earning Swap, but advises the client to manually edit the affected 941(s) and to make notes to manually edit the W-2s. If you were required to manually adjust the Social Security wages on 941s and you did not post a corresponding Earning Swap, you must also manually override the Social Security wages on the W-2 for the affected employees. If you are uncertain if you posted an Earning Swap, review the posted Wage Adjustments:

Steps To Access: Payroll → Utilities → Wage Adjustments mark the listed Wage Adjustments, click Display. Review the details of the adjustments. Withholdings Swaps between Social Security and a State Retirement require a corresponding Earning Swap for the W-2s to be accurate. If a corresponding Earning Swap is not listed you must manually override the Social Security wages on the W-2.

• If you did not use the Wage Adjustment Utility to correct the allocation of wages between Social Security and a State Retirement (OPERS/OP&FPF) and you manually edited your quarterly 941(s) and made payments from the Accounting software, you must manually override the W-2 to correct Social Security wages, the Social Security tax withheld, and the State Retirement in Box 14. Instructions how to edit the W-2 in the

UAN software are contained in the Edit W-2 section below; however UAN will not tell you how to arrive at the correct amounts. You must determine the correct amounts and areas that must be manually edited on the W-2s to match the edits you made to the tax and retirement reports.

**Note:** When you manually edit the W-2s, the W-2 Report will not reflect the changes. Only the W-2s and the corresponding W-3 will reflect the manual edits. If you had to edit the W-2s, it is recommended that you verify the quarterly 941 reports and your state and local tax reports totals balance with the corresponding W-3 report before issuing W-2s to employees.

The taxing districts will compare your W-2s with the reports you have filed and payments you have made for 2014. If there is a discrepancy, they will require you to reconcile the items; it is therefore recommended that you reconcile and correct any errors before issuing the W-2s.

- 3) Review the Employee pages of the W-2 report (printed earlier in 2).
- If you didn't have any housekeeping problems or OPERS and SS swap issues but you are having difficulty reconciling the Base Wages on the W-2 Report (or on the W-2 Boxes 1, 3 and 5), you may not be taking into consideration the correct taxing and reporting of your Cafeteria Plan insurance, Deferred Compensation, fringe benefits and/or salary reduction. You must understand the rules that govern these items, to properly reconcile. The portion of total earnings against which a withholding is calculated (its "wage base") varies by withholding type. Withholding wage bases may exclude specific earnings or be reduced by other withholdings. If your question is "Is my Cafeteria Plan Pre-Tax or Post Tax?" There isn't one answer. You need to review the tax selections below:
  - a. Medicare, Social Security, and Local Income Tax Wage Base:

**Excludes**: Fringe benefit OPERS and OP&FPF

**Reduced:** By Cafeteria plans

b. Federal and Ohio Income Tax Wage Base

Excludes: Non-tax earnings, Fringe benefit OPERS and OP&FPF

Reduced: By Salary reductions, Cafeteria plans, Deferred compensation

Also reduced: by personal tax exemptions

- c. School Income Tax Wage Base: "State income tax wage base" school districts: Identical to Federal and Ohio Tax Wage Base (explained above)
- d. School Income Tax Wage Base: "Earned income only" school districts: Identical to Federal and Ohio Tax Wage Base (explained above) but is **not** reduced by personal tax exemptions

e. OPERS, OP&FPF, and Miscellaneous Withholding Wage Base:

Excludes: Non-retirement earnings, Non-cash benefits, Fringe Medicare, Social Security, OPERS and OP&FPF

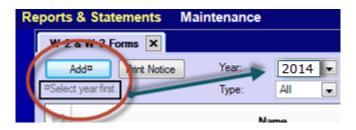
Warning: The UAN software properly applies the laws that govern taxes and retirement to calculate the taxes for wages, generate the tax reports, payments and W-2s. If you have used the override box to adjust wage withholdings, or have over- or under-corrected items contrary to tax rates and laws, you may need to hire a payroll tax consultant to advise you how to amend your tax reports, payments and W-2s. UAN support will NOT be able to assist you in determining how to amend your reports, payments, and/or W-2 forms.

Entities that did not experience any of the problems outlined above will be able to verify that the W-2s balance with the various tax district reports filed and payments made for fiscal year 2014. After these items are verified, it is time to print the W-2 and W-3 forms.

# ADD & EDIT W-2 FORMS

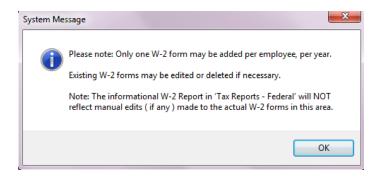
You can Add, Edit and Print the 2014 W-2s while you are logged into 2014 or 2015, before you close 2014 or after you close 2014. You no longer have to exit the software to access prior year (2014) reports. Follow the steps to access then select 2014 from the year drop down list. Note that you must start the process with Add.

Steps To Access: Payroll → Reports & Statements → External Forms → W-2 and W-3 Forms, the W-2 & W-3 Forms tab will open. (Once you have added the Employees, they will appear and remain in the list for you to select.) The upper part of the form requires you to make choices before you click Add; see below:



It is important to set the year to the correct W-2 fiscal year prior to clicking the Add button. Notice the symbol to the right of the word Add on the button and the instructions below indicating you must select the year before clicking Add. If you are working in fiscal year 2014 the year 2014 will default in the box. If you are working in fiscal year 2015, and you have posted wages in 2015, the year 2015 will default in the box. To select the correct fiscal year, click the drop down arrow and select the year. It will then appear in the box as you see above.

Click the Add button. You will receive the following system message:

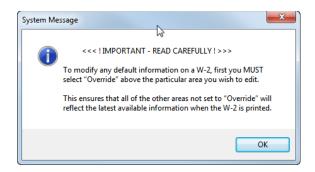


The message is informative and self-explanatory. After you Add a W-2 for an employee you must delete that W-2 if you wish to start over and Add a new W-2 for the same employee. You *will* be able to manually edit the W-2s. However, the W-2 report will not reflect manual edits; it will only report the data from the actual payroll postings. Click OK to continue.

The Add W-2 Form opens and the upper left corner defaults to employees "Paid This Year (Any Status)" as seen below. W-2s will be prepared for all Active and Inactive employees that were paid in fiscal year 2014. This default setting is recommended unless you need a W-2 for an employee that was not paid in fiscal year 2014. (2014 new UAN clients that have added all of their employees to the payroll software but did not post wages for all employees in the software may want to select All Employees so you can create a W-2 to edit. Even if they don't have any posted wages in UAN, you can use the software to create and edit a W-2)



Select all employees by clicking the header check box, or select only the employees you want to prepare at this time. If you select individually, do not forget to go back and Add the others (the software will not warn you if you have forgotten someone!). When you have selected the employees, click Save. You should see a confirmation in the lower left corner. Click Close. The list will populate with the employee W-2 forms that you have added. To Edit an employee form, select the employee and click Edit. You will receive the following System Message:

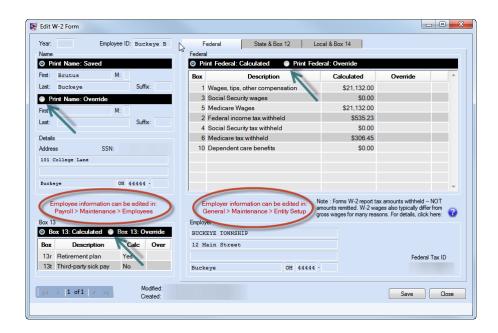


After you carefully read the system message click OK and the Edit W-2 Form will open. See the picture below to familiarize yourself with the form areas and tabbed pages. At the top left of the form you will see the W-2 Year and the Employee ID. Areas of the form that cannot be edited have instructions that will display the path to edit those items. These areas are emphasized in the picture below with a circle and emphasized with red letters on the actual form on your screen. Areas that may require you to update the information elsewhere are:

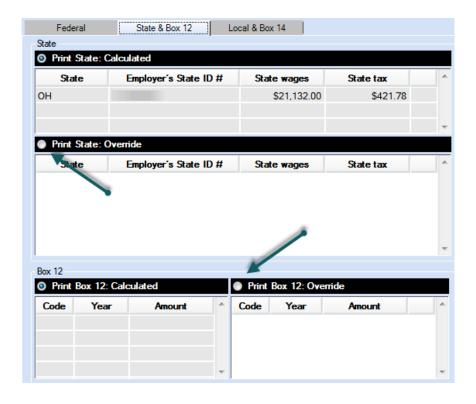
- Employee's Social Security Number and Address:
   Edit in Payroll → Maintenance → Employees
- Employer Name, Address and Federal Tax ID:
   Edit in General → Maintenance → Entity Setup

If you need to make changes to these areas, (save the W-2 form if you made changes thus far) close the W-2 form and follow the path to make the necessary changes. The next time you open the W-2 Edit form, the updated information will appear.

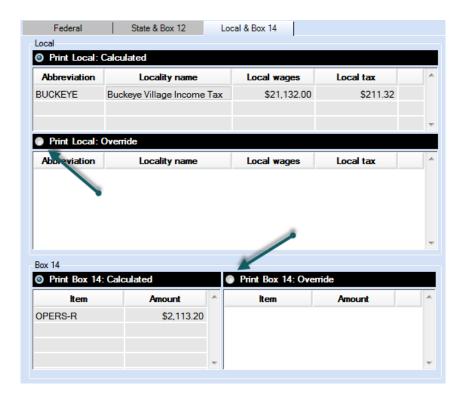
Each area of the form that can be edited contains a radio button labelled Override. In the picture below, you see the areas that have an override option: Print Name, Box 13, and Print Federal. To make changes in these areas, select the Override radio button and edit the items you wish to change in the override area; the calculated data remains unchanged so you can see the current UAN data. Selecting Override on the Federal tab will duplicate the calculated amounts into the override boxes. Type over any amounts in the Override column that you need to change.



On the State & Box 12 tab page there is a Print State: Override and Print Box 12: Override. When selecting Override, the original data is duplicated into the override area. You can edit the existing override lines, delete lines by clicking the X, or use the data entry line to add new lines:



On the Local & Box 14 tabbed page there is a Print Local: Override and Print Box 14: Override. Selecting Override will duplicate the calculated amounts into the override area. You can edit the existing override lines, delete lines by clicking the X, or use the data entry line to add new lines:



Click Save when you have finished editing. Click Close to close the Edit W-2 form. When you have completed the review of all W-2s, remain on the W-2 and W-3 forms to print. If you have edited wages and/or withholdings or other items, be sure to perform a final check to make sure the W-3 generated by the edited W-2s balance with your year to date tax report totals.

#### PRINT W-2 & W-3 FORMS

From this year-end forward, <u>UAN will only print these forms on plain blank paper</u>. This will prevent various printer alignment issues that many entities had encountered. If you wish to print forms W-2 on perforated paper, perforated plain blank paper may be purchased from many vendors who also offer the pre-printed forms.

The perforated plain blank paper styles compliant with the UAN software are the 2-Part (2-up) sheets with one perforation (2 forms per sheet), and the 4-Part (4-up) sheets with three horizontal perforations (4 forms per sheet). W-2 and W-3 forms in UAN meet 2014 Social Security Administration (SSA) plain paper printing requirements. UAN provides the following plain blank paper W-2 printing options:

_	EMPLOYER		EMPLOYEE			
2	2 employees per page			2 emj	ployees per page	
P	0	Copy A	Federal (SSA)	0	Copy B	Federal (IRS)
A R	0	Copy D	Employer Records	0	Copy C	Employee Records
T	0	Copy 1	State / City / Local	0	Copy 2	State / City / Local
4	1 employee per page			1 em	ployee per page	
P	O Copies D / 1 4 employees per page		0	Copy B	+C+2+2	
A R						
T	O Copies D / 1					

# SELECT TYPE

Steps To Access: Payroll  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  External Forms  $\rightarrow$  W-2 and W-3 Forms Make sure 2014 is in the Year box. Employers with both social security and OPERS or OP&FPF employees must print forms W-2 and the corresponding W-3s in two batches; one for the social security (941/944) employees and another for the OPERS and/or OP&FPF (MQGE) employees.



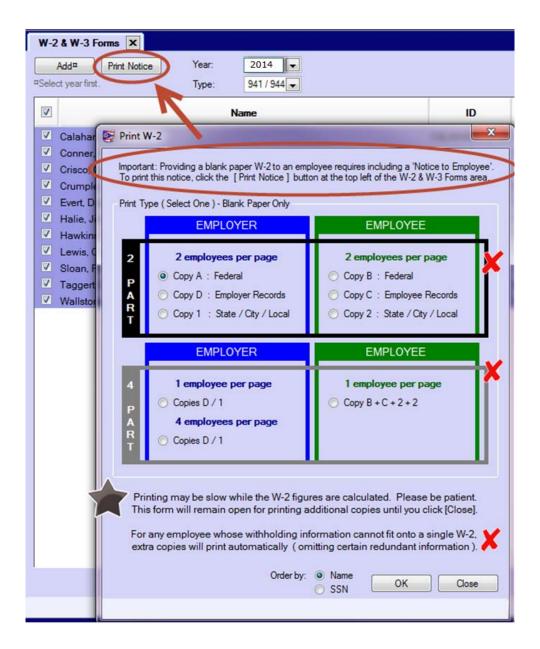
See above the upper left portion of the W-2 and W-3 form for the Type drop down list, indicated by the arrow. Set the Type filter to 'MQGE' or '941/944' before selecting employees to print for the W-2 and W-3. Once you make your type selection the list populates with all the employees of that type. Select all the employees from the list and click Print W-2. The Print W-2 form opens. At the top of the Print W-2 Form note the "Important" message reminding you not to forget to print the Employee Notice (instructions to print Notice found later in this section).

Entities that have registered with the IRS to upload an electrionic W-2 and W-3 file must follow these instructions to print the State and Local Employer and all Employee forms, but do not need to print the Federal Employer copy A. You may want to print the W-3 from the UAN software so you will have a copy on hand. Instructions to create the electronic W-2 and W-3 file is outlined in detail at the end of the W-2 and W-3 printing instructions.

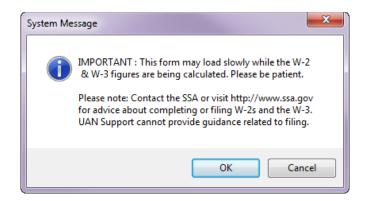
You should remain on the Print W-2 page until all copies for this group of employees has been printed. The first group of W-2s to be sent to the printer will take longer to process because the software will create the calculations that all the Employer and Employee forms use for printing this group. As long as you remain on this page the calculations will remain available throughout the printing process, making the printing of the other selections much quicker. If you exit the form before completing the printing of all the forms, the software will recalculate each time you open the form again, slowing down the the first print selection.

At the bottom of the form you have the opportunity to print the W-2s in order by Name or SSN. You do not have to use the same setting for all selections. For any employees whose withholding information cannot fit onto a single W-2, extra copies will print automatically (omitting certain redundant information).

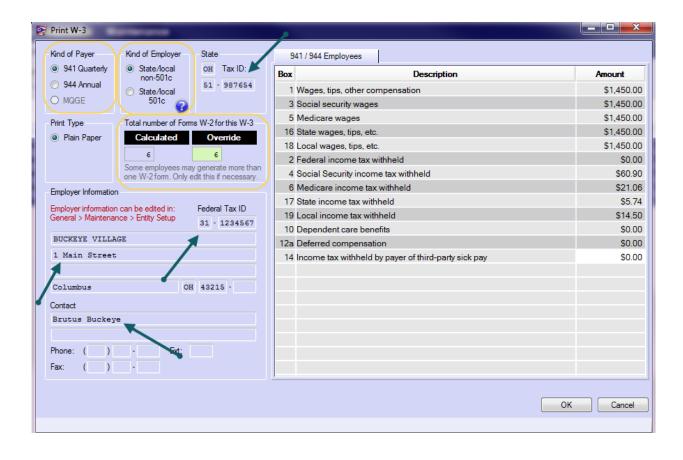
If you have State, School and/or multiple local taxes you will need to print a Copy 1 to submit to each tax district as required by your withholdings. If you file a monthly or quarterly report for school or local taxes then you will be required to submit an annual reporting form (you must contact the tax districts to obtain their forms) with Copy 1. UAN will not instruct you further on this matter, you must contact the tax districts to understand their filing requirements and obtain their annual forms to accompany the W-2.



- 1) Make your first selection by clicking the radio button for your choice, select to order the employees by Name or SSN, verify you have the correct paper in the tray, and click OK.
- 2) After the forms have printed, make your next selection, select to order the employees by Name or SSN, verify you have the correct paper in the tray, and click OK. Repeat these steps until you have printed all Employer and Employee sets you need, then click Close
- 3) W-3: It is recommended you print the corresponding W-3 form for the first group of employees before printing W-2s for the next group. Select all the employees in the list without changing the Type and click Print W-3. You will receive a System Message.



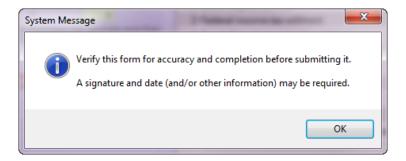
Read the message and click OK. The Print W-3 form will open. Areas emphasized below with an arrow below appear on the form as entered in Entity Setup. Verify these items are correct. If you need to correct these items, click close. Steps To Access: General → Maintenance →Entity Setup. Correct the data, save and close, and return to the Print W-3 Form. Steps To Access: Payroll → Reports & Statements → External Forms → W-2 and W-3 Forms. Set the Type to the same type for the W-2s you printed, select the employees, and click Print W-3.



Areas that must be completed by you are listed below:

- 1) Select your Federal Tax Report type: 941 Quarterly or 944 Annual (if available).
- 2) Select your Kind of Employer: State/local non-501c or State/local 501c. Click the blue question mark ? for more information. UAN cannot help you with this selection, if you don't know the correct selection, you must contact the IRS for assistance.
- 3) The total number of W-2 forms for this W-3 will automatically calculate. Some employees may generate more than one W-2 Form. Only edit this if necessary, using the override box.
- 4) In the 941/944 Employees tabbed area the only box you can change is box 14. If you have Income tax withheld by a payer of third-party sick pay enter the total in this box. UAN Support cannot answer questions about third-party sick pay.

When you have completed the above selections click OK. The print form opens, select the printer and click Print. You will receive the following system message:



Read the message. Only you will know if you completed the verifications or made necessary corrections as outlined above. The tax districts will use your year to date tax deposits and/or reports to compare the W-2s for accuracy. If the W-2 doesn't balance with the reports and taxes you have paid you will be contacted to explain the discrepancy.

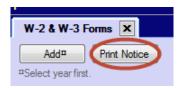
Click OK. You will return to the Print W-3 form. Click Cancel to return to the W-2 & W-3 Forms main page. Follow the steps starting on page 77 to print the W-2 forms for the second Type (941/944 or MQGE) of W-2 and the corresponding W-3 form. Afterward, remain on the W-2 & W-3 form to print the Notice to Employees.

**Note**: Per IRS rules, boxes 16 and 18 are totals of all boxes 16 and 18 from the compiled W-2s. For example, if you have just one employee with \$50,000 of wages subject to a city tax and the same \$50,000 also subject to a school tax, they are reported separately on the W-2 (2 lines 18 of \$50,000 each), but are combined into the single line 18 on the W-3 with a total of \$100,000.

#### PRINT NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES - REQUIRED

All W-2s issued on blank paper must be accompanied by a Notice to Employee. You can print the Notice to Employee from the W-2 & W-3 Forms page.

Steps To Access: Payroll  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  External Forms  $\rightarrow$  W-2 and W-3 Forms, the W-2 & W-3 Forms tab will open. Click the Print Notice button (as seen below) and the Print form will open. On the Print form, select the number of copies you need, and click Print.

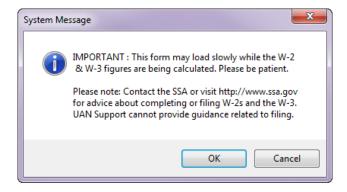


# CREATE ELECTRONIC FILE FOR UPLOAD TO IRS - OPTIONAL

If you have registered with the IRS to upload your W-2s and W-3s as electronic files you will be ready to complete this once you have printed the W-2s and W-3s and verified their accuracy.

Steps To Access: Payroll → Reports & Statements → External Forms → W-2 and W-3 Forms, the W-2 & W-3 Forms tab will open. Select Year 2014 and Select Type All.

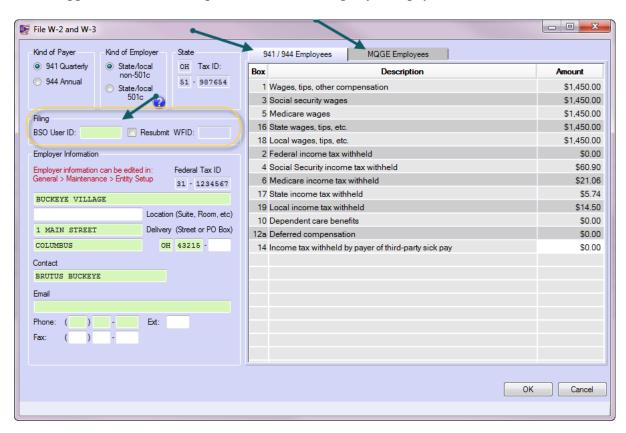
Select all of the employees in the list and click File. You will receive the following message:

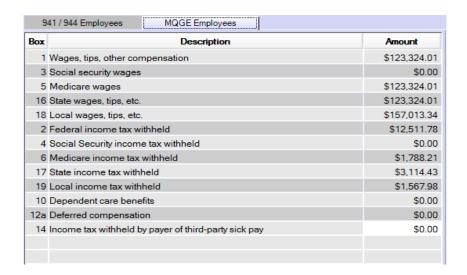


Read the message and click OK. The File W-2 and W-3 form opens. You must complete the areas outlined below:

- 1) Select your Federal Tax Report type: 941 Quarterly or 944 Annual
- 2) Select your Kind of Employer: State/local non-501c or State/local 501c. Click the blue question mark for more information. UAN cannot help you with this selection, if you don't know the correct selection, you must contact the IRS for assistance.

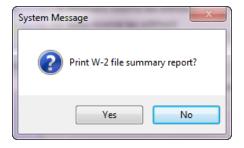
- 3) You must enter your BSO User ID in the box (*emphasized below with a circle and an arrow*). UAN cannot assist you with this number; you must register with the SSA in order to file electronically. Contact the SSA if you have any questions about this.
- 4) The entity email address and telephone number are required to create the electronic file; you can enter or edit these items on the form.
- 5) In the 941/944 Employees tabbed area the only box you can change is box 14. If you have Income tax withheld by a payer of third-party sick pay enter the total in this box. UAN Support cannot answer questions about third-party sick pay.
- 6) In the MQGE Employees tabbed area the only box you can change is box 14. If you have Income tax withheld by a payer of third-party sick pay enter the total in this box. UAN Support cannot answer questions about third-party sick pay.



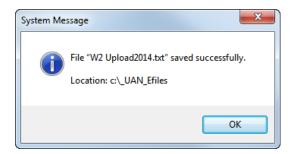


**Note**: Per IRS rules, boxes 16 and 18 are totals of all boxes 16 and 18 from the compiled W-2s. For example, if you have just one employee with \$50,000 of wages subject to a city tax and the same \$50,000 also subject to a school tax, they are reported separately on the W-2 (2 lines 18 of \$50,000 each), but are combined into the single line 18 on the W-3 with a total of \$100,000.

After completing the necessary entries, click OK. You will see the following System Message:



It is recommended you print this report. Once the report prints you will receive a second system message showing you the electronic file "W2 Upload 2014.txt" has saved successfully and the location of the document on your C (local) drive.



The electronic file is ready for upload to the SSA. You do not have to mail forms W-2 and W-3 to the SSA if you submit the electronic file. If you have difficulties with the upload process, you **must** contact the SSA for assistance.

# **APPENDIX 2: NEW YEAR ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES**

The lists below contain brief instructions on how to complete the prescribed steps. For more detailed information, follow the UAN Menu Path listed to open a particular area, then click the [Need Help?] button on the main menu for screen-specific information. Also, some areas include links to helpful screencast video tutorials located under the FAQs menu in the lower left hand corner of the UAN screen.

## REMOVE OR DEACTIVATE ITEMS NO LONGER NEEDED

The beginning of the year can be a good time to 'clean house' in the software to easily remove or deactivate items that will not be needed in the future. Some items may not be removable, but can be deactivated. For example, appropriation accounts used on carryover purchase orders cannot be removed, but they will not be needed for future activity once the final payment is made. If desired, these can be deactivated so that they are not displayed in drop down menus and certain reports. Deactivating an item will not affect transactions posted prior to deactivating. For example, deactivating an account used on a carryover purchase order will not prohibit you from making a payment using that purchase order, but *will* prevent you from selecting that account when creating a *new* purchase order.

**Recommendation**: Using filters in the areas below can save time. In the maintenance areas, click the 'Status' drop down menu. In the reports areas, click the 'Filters' tab.

# Remove or deactivate funds, revenue and appropriation accounts

When the year is closed, revenue and appropriation budgets are set to zero, but the account codes are retained unless they were marked to be removed in the year end checklist. The order below is important because funds cannot be removed until all revenue and appropriation accounts in that fund are removed.

	Actions	UAN Menu Path
	Remove or deactivate unneeded	Accounting → Maintenance →
ш	revenue accounts	Revenue Accounts
	To review the account list, print the	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
-	Revenue Chart of Accounts	Revenue Reports
	Remove or deactivate unneeded	Accounting → Maintenance →
ш	appropriation accounts	Appropriation Accounts
	To review the account list, print the	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
	Appropriation Chart of Accounts	Appropriation Reports

	Remove or deactivate unneeded	Accounting → Maintenance →
	funds	Funds
	To review the account list, print the	Accounting → Reports & Statements →
	Fund Chart of Accounts	Fund Reports

# Delete or deactivate Vendors / Payees

Vendors that will never be used can be deleted. A vendor can be deleted only if there have never been any cash transactions with that vendor and there are no current encumbrances using the vendor. All other vendors that will not be needed in the future can be deactivated.

	Actions	UAN Menu Path
	Remove or deactivate unneeded	General → Maintenance →
	Vendors / Payees	Vendors / Payees
	To review the vendor list, print the	General → Reports & Statements →
	Vendor / Payee Listing	Vendor / Payee Reports

## **ADD NEW ITEMS**

Add new items (if needed) to be used in 2015.

**Note:** If you make use of cost centers (optional), they should be added before revenue and appropriation accounts.

Add new funds, revenue, appropriation accounts, and vendor / payees.

	Actions	UAN Menu Path
	Add new funds	Accounting → Maintenance → Funds
	Add new cost centers (if used)	Accounting → Maintenance →
	` ,	Cost Centers
	Add new revenue accounts	Accounting → Maintenance →
		Revenue Accounts
	Add navy annuanistian accounts	Accounting → Maintenance →
	Add new appropriation accounts	Appropriation Accounts
	A 11 1 /	General → Maintenance →
	Add new vendors / payees	Vendors / Payees

#### ADD REVENUE BUDGETS

Add 2015 revenue budgets for each fund. The entity will not be able to appropriate more than the January 1<sup>st</sup> cash balance in each fund until the revenue budget is entered. Another reason this needs to be completed accurately is so that 2015 annual financial reports will be correct.

The revenue budget is an estimate of an entity's anticipated revenue from taxes and other sources during the year. The total per fund of each revenue budget should equal the tax revenue and other sources on the Certificate of Estimated Resources provided by the County Budget Commission.

	Actions	UAN Menu Path	
	Add revenue budgets	Accounting → Maintenance →	
	Add Tevenue budgets	Revenue Budgets, then click [Add]	
	Print the Resources Available for	Accounting → Reports & Statement →	
	Appropriation report	Budgetary Reports	
	Confirm the Estimated Revenue column for each fund matches total of the 'Taxes' and 'Other Sources' columns for each fund on the most recent Official / Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources from the budget commission.		
П	Print the Revenue Status to confirm individual	Accounting → Reports & Statement →	
	amounts were entered correctly.	Revenue Reports	

## ADD APPROPRIATION BUDGETS

Add 2015 appropriation budgets for each fund. New purchase orders and payments cannot be recorded until appropriation budgets are entered.

An appropriation budget is the amount that the entity expects to spend on each appropriation account (line item) for the year. If needed, a temporary appropriation ordinance to control expenditures may be passed on or about January 1 of each year, for the period January 1 to March 31. The temporary appropriation budget amounts can be an estimate of what will be spent for up to the first three months. An annual appropriation ordinance must be passed by April 1 of each year, for the period January 1 to December 31. The permanent appropriation budget amounts must be an estimate of what will be spent for the entire year.

	Actions	UAN Menu Path
	Add appropriation budgets	Accounting → Maintenance →
	Add appropriation budgets	Appropriation Budgets, then click [Add]
П	Print the Appropriation Status to confirm	Accounting → Reports & Statement →
	individual amounts were entered correctly	Appropriation Reports
	Print the Comparison of Budget and	Accounting → Reports & Statement →
	Appropriation report	Budgetary Reports
	Confirm the Final Appropriation amount for each appropriation ordinance. The Variance column If the variance amount listed is negative, then yexceeds the amount Total Estimated Resources errors by reviewing the Appropriation Status and data entry errors in the revenues or appropriation appears your entity is stating on the Appropriation spend more than the total available resources. Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources.  This situation should be resolved – consult with and/or consult with the county auditor.	should be zero or positive for each fund.  our Final Appropriation budget in UAN for that fund. Double check for data entry ad Revenue Status reports. If there are no ons inputted in the UAN system, then it ion Ordinance / Resolution that it is planning for that fund as stated on the latest

# ADD NEW INVESTMENTS

Add any new investments for the year.

	Add new investment account information under Accounting → Maintenance → Investments
	and click [Add]. Click [Save] when finished and repeat for each investment.
П	Upon closing the investment form you will be prompted print a new investment report.
_	Click [Yes] to print.
	Then the system prompts to open the Investment Transfer form. Click [Yes] or to open it later go to Accounting → Transaction → Investment Transfer.
	later go to Accounting → Transaction → Investment Transfer.
	Upon closing the investment transfer form you will be prompted print an investment
	transfer report. Click [Yes] to print.

## ADD NEW PURCHASE ORDERS

To make payments using appropriations in the new year's budget you will need purchase orders detailing the authorization and commitment to purchase goods or services.

	Actions	UAN Menu Path	
	Click [Add] and select the type of	Accounting → Transactions →	
	purchase order	Purchase Orders	
	Print the Purchase Order Status report	Accounting → Reports & Statement →	
	Trint the Furchase Order Status report	Purchase Order Reports	

## **BEGIN 2015 TRANSACTIONS**

You can now begin posting 2015 accounting transactions.

**Note:** If you had recorded any 2015 transactions manually (*not using the UAN software*) before you opened Temporary Mode or closed the year, then enter those transactions in UAN in the exact sequence, date-by-date until all are recorded. Then begin new transactions.

# **APPENDIX 3: NEW YEAR PAYROLL PROCEDURES**

When you open Temporary Mode in 2014 you will be able to log into work year 2015. Temporary Mode allows you to work in both fiscal years 2014 and 2015 before closing fiscal year 2014, which provides many potential advantages. Opening Temporary Mode is a required step in the year end process, but working in 2015 before closing 2014 is completely optional. During Temporary Mode, you may select the work year upon login. See below:



Although you will be able to log into work year 2015 to begin your new year payroll procedures, you must pay particular attention to the effective date of the changes.

For example, local and school tax rates become effective January 1. Therefore, a new withholding for the local or school tax must be added and then added to each employee before the first wages are posted in the new year. A change to the rate of an existing local or school tax must be edited to the new rate and the employees updated (*using the Withholding Editor*) before the first wages are posted in the new year.

Likewise, you may have employees that receive pay increases or leave balance adjustments that take effect January 1. Before you update the employees in work year 2015 make sure you will be posting a pay period that includes the effective date of these local policy items.

<u>Caution!</u> Leave balance adjustments in Temporary Mode: UAN recommends you post all final wages in work year 2014 before making any leave balance adjustments in work year 2015. Wages posted in 2014 may impact the amount you should adjust in 2015, so wait until all 2014 wages are posted before adjusting leave for the new year as required by your policy.

**Reminder**: Leave balance corrections or changes are entered under Payroll  $\rightarrow$  Utilities  $\rightarrow$  Leave Balance Adjustment, NOT under Payroll  $\rightarrow$  Maintenance  $\rightarrow$  Employees.

If you choose to close fiscal year 2014 before accessing fiscal year 2015 you will begin the new year procedures once the 2014 close is completed. You will still need to pay particular attention to the effective date of the changes.

The lists below contain brief instructions on how to complete the prescribed steps. For more detailed information, follow the UAN Menu Path listed to open a particular area and then click the [Need Help?] button on the main menu for screen-specific information. Also, some areas include links to helpful screencast video tutorials located under the FAQs menu in the lower left hand corner of the UAN screen.

# **UPDATE MAINTENANCE ITEMS**

Actions	UAN Menu Path		
Add new Additional	Payroll → Maintenance →		
Information items	Additional Information, click [Add]		
	Enter the name of the new item		
(Use of additional information	Enter the description		
is optional)	Set the display order		
	Mark desired sensitivity level		
	Click Save and Close		
Add New Earning or Leave to	Payroll → Maintenance →		
be attached to employees	Earnings and Leave, Click [Add]		
	Enter a new Earning/Leave Name (must be different)		
	than existing items)		
	Select the Type		
	OP&FPF Type (OP&FPF Employers only)		
	Save & Close		
	Edit employee to add new earning to an employee		

Add New Withholding to be attached to employees	<ul> <li>If new Vendor/Payee needs to be added, first go to General → Maintenance → Vendor/Payee Click Add</li> <li>Enter Name of the Vendor</li> <li>Mark ⊙ Payroll Withholding</li> <li>Enter account #1</li> <li>Add location if necessary</li> <li>Save &amp; Close Add Location form</li> <li>Save &amp; Close Add Vendor/Payee form</li> <li>If the Vendor/Payee already exists go to Payroll → Maintenance → Withholdings, Click Add</li> <li>The Withholding Name must be different than existing items</li> <li>Select the Process Group</li> <li>Select Payee</li> <li>Complete required items on the Details tab for the amount or rate of the withholding.</li> <li>Save and Close.</li> <li>Edit employee to add new Withholding to an employee</li> </ul>
Edit existing Withholding to change to new rate	Payroll → Maintenance → Withholdings  • Mark Withholding  • Click Edit  • Update the rate or amount to the new rate  • Save and Close
Update all employees to new Withholding rate at once using the Withholding Editor	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Withholdings Editor</li> <li>Select Withholding from the drop down list</li> <li>Mark all employees to be updated to the new rate</li> <li>Enter the new rate in the correct box in the lower portion of the Withholding Editor.</li> <li>Click Save.</li> <li>Verify Employees in the list have been updated to the correct rate. Close.</li> </ul>

Actions	UAN Menu Path		
Update Employee Information (Such as Address, Contact Information, Pay Status, and Tax Exemptions)	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>On the Employee Information tab update information as needed.</li> <li>Save and Close</li> </ul>		
Edit Employee and update Additional Information (Use of additional information is optional, many entities do not use these items)	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Additional Info Tab</li> <li>Enter information as needed.</li> <li>Save and Close</li> </ul>		
Edit Employee Earning	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Earnings Tab</li> <li>Mark the Earning</li> <li>Click Edit</li> <li>Make changes to earning such as pay rate, attached Overtime, Non-Cash, Leaves and Withholdings</li> <li>Click Save and Close</li> </ul>		
Add New Employee Earning	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Earnings Tab</li> <li>Click Add (The Add Earning form opens) (Do not click save until you have completed all steps below)</li> <li>Complete all items on the top left and right of the form for the new earning</li> <li>Click on the Withholdings Tab and attach the withholdings that should be applied to the earning.</li> <li>Click on the Accounts Tab and select the split method and add all accounts that will pay the earning</li> <li>If necessary, click on the Overtime and Non-Cash tabs to attach new items to this earning.</li> <li>Click Save and Close</li> </ul>		
Deactivate Employee Earning	Payroll → Maintenance → Employees  • Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced  • Click on the Earnings Tab		

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		Mark the Earning
		Click Deactivate
		Click Save and Close
	Edit	Payroll → Maintenance → Employees
—	Employee Overtime	Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced
		Click on the Overtime Tab
		Mark the Overtime
		Click Edit
		Make necessary changes to Overtime such as base pay
		rate, overtime rate, or attached Earning
		Click Save and Close
	Add New	Payroll → Maintenance → Employees
	Employee Overtime	Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced
		Click on the Overtime Tab
		Click Add (The Add Overtime form opens) (Do not
		click save until you have completed all steps below)
		Enter base pay rate and overtime rate
		Click on the Earnings tab and attach to one earning.
		Click on the Accounts Tab and select the split method
		and add all accounts that will pay the overtime.
		Click Save and Close
	Deactivate	Payroll → Maintenance → Employees
	Employee Overtime	Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced
		Click on the Overtime Tab
		Mark the Overtime
		Click Deactivate
		Click Save and Close
_	Edit	Payroll → Maintenance → Employees
	Employee Non-Cash Benefit	Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced
		Click on the Non-Cash Tab
		Mark the Non-Cash Benefit
		Click Edit
		Make changes such as rate
		Click the Earning tab to change attached Earning.
		Click Save and Close
	Add New	Payroll → Maintenance → Employees
	Employee Non-Cash Benefit	Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced
		Click on the Non-Cash Tab
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Deactivate Employee Non-Cash Benefit	<ul> <li>Click Add (The Add Non-Cash Benefit form opens)         (Do not click save until you have completed all the steps below)</li> <li>Select the Non-Cash benefit from the drop down list.         (Item must have a different description than any existing Non-Cash Benefit – change description if necessary)</li> <li>Enter the pay amount (can be 0.00 but not blank)</li> <li>Click on the Earnings Tab and attach to one Earning</li> <li>Click Save and Close</li> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Non-Cash Tab</li> <li>Mark the Non-Cash Benefit</li> <li>Click Deactivate</li> <li>Click Save and Close</li> </ul>
Edit Employee Leave	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Leaves Tab</li> <li>Mark the Leave</li> <li>Click Edit</li> <li>Make changes such as rate or accrual rate</li> <li>Click on the Earning tab to change Earning attachment, or the WH Earning attachment</li> <li>Click on the Accounts tab to change the split method or accounts that will pay this leave.</li> <li>Click Save and Close</li> </ul>
Add New Employee Leave	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Leaves Tab</li> <li>Click Add (The Add Employee Leave form opens) (Do not click save until you have completed all the steps below)</li> <li>Select the Leave from the drop down list. (Item must have a different description than any existing Leave – change description if necessary)</li> <li>Enter the pay amount and the correcting setting for hourly or salary employee</li> <li>Click on the Earnings Tab and attach the Leave to all</li> </ul>

Deactivate Employee Leave	earnings that should be associated with the leave accrual AND attach the leave to one Earning as the WH earning (WH-will use this earnings withholdings)  Click on the Appropriation Accounts tab and select the split method and add accounts that will pay this leave.  Click Save and Close  Payroll → Maintenance → Employees  Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced  Click on the Leaves Tab  Mark the Leave  Click Deactivate  Click Save and Close
Edit Employee Withholding	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Withholding Tab</li> <li>Mark the Withholding</li> <li>Click Edit</li> <li>Make changes such as rate or amount</li> <li>Click on the Earnings tab to view or change the earnings attached to this withholding</li> <li>If this withholding has an Employer Share Click on the Appropriations Accounts (Employer Share) tab and select the split method and appropriation accounts that will pay the employer share</li> <li>If this is a withholding that has a fringe benefit option click on the Fringe Benefits tab and select the split method and appropriation accounts that will pay the fringe benefit.</li> <li>Click Save and Close</li> </ul>
Add New Employee Withholding	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Withholdings Tab</li> <li>Click Add (The Add Employee Withholding form opens) (Do not click save until you have completed all the steps below)</li> <li>Select the Withholding from the drop down list. (Item must have a different description than any existing Withholding – change description if necessary)</li> <li>Make changes such as rate or amount</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>Click on the Earnings tab and you MUST mark the earnings to be attached to this withholding</li> <li>If this withholding has an Employer Share Click on the Appropriations Accounts (Employer Share) tab and select the split method and appropriation accounts that will pay the employer share</li> <li>If this is a withholding that has a fringe benefit option click on the Fringe Benefits tab and select the split method and appropriation accounts that will pay the fringe benefit.</li> <li>Click Save and Close</li> </ul>
Deactivate Employee Withholding	<ul> <li>Payroll → Maintenance → Employees</li> <li>Mark the employee, Click Edit and Advanced</li> <li>Click on the Withholdings Tab</li> <li>Mark the Withholding</li> <li>Click Deactivate</li> <li>Click Save and Close</li> </ul>

If you need to adjust leave balances in the new year, pay particular attention to the date you are paying wages, the pay period of the wages, and the date the leave changes are effective pursuant to your policy, and then adjust them at the proper time.

Steps To Access: Payroll → Utilities → Leave Balance Adjustment. You will always receive a system message advising you that supporting documentation should be retained for all leave balance adjustments; they are closely scrutinized at audit. Click OK.

On the Post Leave Balance Adjustment Form you can select to adjust **By Employee** to adjust one employee at a time or select **By Leave** to adjust all employees with the same leave at once.

Make adjustments as positive or negative numbers in the adjustment column. Enter the reason for the adjustment (i.e. 2015 Leave Granted or 2014 Unused leave lost per policy). Enter the effective date of the leave adjustment and click Post. Leave reports can be printed to verify correct balances:

Steps To Access: Payroll  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Leave Reports, select the desired report from the drop down list, select the employees, and then click Print.

# **APPENDIX 4: YEAR END BALANCES CERTIFICATES**

UAN provides a template for the 'Certificate Of The Total Amount From All Sources Available For Expenditures, And Balances', also referred to as the Year End Balances Certificate. The area for creating this is located in the Budget module:

#### STEPS TO ACCESS

Budget → Transactions → Year End Balances Certificates

# IMPORTANT: The year end certificate should only be added after *ALL* fiscal year 2014 transactions, utility adjustments, and the 12/31/2014 bank reconciliation has been posted.

To add a year end balances certificate with balances as of 12/31/2014, log into UAN either by selecting Work Year  $\odot$  2015 when Temporary Mode is open OR in 2015 after the fiscal year 2014 is closed. Go to Budget  $\rightarrow$ Transactions  $\rightarrow$ Year End Balances Certificates and confirm the default year - 2015 - is selected from the Year drop-down menu. Then click the Add button to open an Add Year End Balances Certificates form with "Balances as of 12/31/2014".

*Note:* If you attempt to add the certificate while working in fiscal year 2014 (with 2014 selected in the Year drop-down menu) the Add Year End Balances Certificates form will open, but it will pull in "Balances as of 12/31/2013".

## [ADD]

A certificate name must be specified when adding a year end balances certificate. All funds from the current and prior year are displayed and all amounts can be edited.

The Add form has two tabs: The Funds tab shows all funds and allows for edits to the data. The Display-Summary tab is read-only; displaying the data (*including edits*) from the Funds tab. The Display-Summary tab shows totals summed by fund type (*General, Special Revenue...etc.*) with totals for Governmental, Proprietary, and Fiduciary funds, and a total for all funds.

# [EDIT]

When a certificate is edited, any amounts saved to the worksheet that differ from the amounts calculated by UAN will be listed in a popup form 'Update Year End Balances'. Optionally, any of the differing amounts on the certificate can be automatically updated to the amount calculated by UAN by selecting amount on the pop-up form to import. (See Edit and Delete restrictions note below).

#### [DELETE]

Use to delete year end balances certificates. (See Edit and Delete restrictions note below).

## **Edit and Delete restrictions for prior years**

Year end certificates that may have been added in previous years cannot be edited or deleted after closing the fiscal year. For example, any 2013 year end balances certificate that was added by the user while logged into 2014 (*whether before or after opening Temporary Mode*) will be unavailable to edit or delete after closing fiscal year 2014.

# [PRINT] / [DISPLAY] / [SAVE PDF]

A summary page will be produced along with a listing of all the funds on the certificate.

# [PRINT BLANK] – located next to the add button

If needed, a blank copy of the certificate may be printed.

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**Note**: The following information assumes a year end balances certificate is being added for balances as of 12/31/2014 while logged into UAN either by selecting Work Year  $\odot$  2015 when Temporary Mode is open OR in 2015 after the fiscal year 2014 is closed.

## 1. Cash Balances as of 12/31/2014

**Definition**: Cash balances per the cash book of the governmental entity as of December 31.

## **Location in UAN**: Prior year report, as of 12/31/2014

The 'Fund Balance as of 12/31/2014' on the Cash Summary by Fund report. Menu path: Accounting  $\rightarrow$  Reports and Statements  $\rightarrow$  Fund Reports, select Cash Summary by Fund and select the 2014 from the drop-down menus.

#### 2. Reserved for Encumbrance as of 12/31/2014

**Definition**: All outstanding unliquidated encumbrances as of December 31, obligations in the form of purchase orders or contracts which were charged to a prior year's appropriation and for which a part of that appropriation is reserved (carryover purchase orders and withholdings).

## **Location in UAN**: Prior year report, as of 12/31/2014

The 'Current Reserve for Encumbrance' on the Fund Summary report. Menu path: Accounting → Reports and Statements → Management Reports, select Fund Summary and select 2014 from the drop-down menus.

# 3. Reserved for Non-Spendable Balance as of 12/31/2014

**Definition**: Reserve for funds that require non-expendable balances such as permanent funds and some private purpose trust funds. The non-expendable balances are set Accounting  $\rightarrow$  Maintenance  $\rightarrow$  Funds.

## Location in UAN: Prior year report, as of 12/31/2014

The 'Reserved for Non-Spendable Balance 12/31' column on the Resources Available for Appropriation report. Menu path: Accounting  $\rightarrow$  Reports and Statements  $\rightarrow$  Budgetary Reports, select Resources Available for Appropriation and the 2014 from the drop-down menus.

#### 4. Reserve Balance Accounts

**Definition**: Reserve Balance Accounts as per sections 5705.13(A)(1) and/or 5705.132 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC).

# **Location in UAN**: Prior year report, as of 12/31/2014

The 'Reserve Balance (5705.13(A)(1) & 5705.132) 12/31' column on the Resources Available for Appropriation report. Menu path: Accounting  $\rightarrow$  Reports and Statements  $\rightarrow$  Budgetary Reports, select Resources Available for Appropriation and 2014 from the drop-down menus.

# 5. Advances Not Repaid

**Definition**: Advances not repaid as of December 31<sup>st</sup> ---this amount should be added to the fund that made the advance and subtracted from the fund that will be making the reimbursement.

## **Location in UAN**: *Current year* report, as of 1/1/2015

The 'Prior Year Advances Not Repaid 12/31' column on the Resources Available for Appropriation report. Menu path: Accounting → Reports and Statements → Budgetary Reports, select Resources Available for Appropriation and the 2015 from the drop-down menus.

## 6. Carryover Balances Available for Appropriations

**Calculation**: Columns 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 + 5 = Column 6

Cash Balance 12/31 (column #1) minus Reserved for Encumbrance 12/31 (column #2) minus Reserved for Non-Spendable Balance 12/31 (column #3) minus Reserve Balance Accounts (column #4) plus Advances not Repaid (column #5)

# 7. Total Amount from All Sources Available for Expenditures

**Definition**: The total amount from all sources the governmental unit expects to receive during the forthcoming fiscal year which is available for expenditures.

# Location in UAN: *Current year* report, as of 1/1/2015

Accounting → Reports & Statements → Revenue Reports, then select Revenue Budget and 2015 from the drop-down menu. Locate the amount for each fund sub-total in the Final Budget column. Note: The total per fund of each revenue budget should equal the tax revenue and other sources on the Certificate of Estimated Resources provided by the County Budget Commission.

# 8. Total Amount Available plus Balances

**Calculation**: Columns 6 + 7 = Column 8

Carryover Balance Available for Appropriations (column #6) plus Total Amount from all Sources Available for Expenditures (column #7)

# **APPENDIX 5: MAPPING FUNDS**

The mapping section of the AFR – Fund Utility is for miscategorized or ancillary (subsidiary) funds only. Many UAN entities will have no need to map any of their funds. The default setting is 'Not Mapped.' When a fund is 'mapped to' another fund, it means the current fund's balance will be considered part of the selected fund's balance for annual financial statement purposes.

Clicking 'Map To' requires you to pick another fund that the current fund will be 'mapped to'. When a fund is mapped to another fund:

- The cash balance of that fund will be included in the fund it is 'Map To' for the purpose of annual financial statements only.
- The mapped fund takes on all characteristics of the fund it is mapped to.
- If the characteristics of a fund that it is mapped to are changed, the mapped fund is updated to match.
- The mapping information will not be carried over to the next year. The proper fund will need to be added once the entity is in the new year.
- You can map several funds to one fund, but a fund cannot be mapped to a fund that is also mapped to another fund.
- The General fund is not allowed to be mapped to another fund.

A typical example is if the fiscal officer determines money was miscategorized in 2014, but it won't be corrected until the beginning of 2015. Mapping will allow the fund to be categorized correctly for the purposes of the 2014 annual financial reports. After 2014 is closed, the balance of the fund should be moved to the fund to which it was mapped. Similarly, if this option is used to map a fund to a completely new fund, the original fund balance should be moved to the new fund after closing the year. Another example is the possibility that an Unclaimed Monies fund balance might need to be reported in the fund that will eventually receive the money (usually the General fund). This can be achieved by mapping.

For questions regarding the whether or not a fund should be mapped to another, please contact Local Government Services at 1-800-345-2519.

If you map a fund in the AFR – Fund Utility, you can view the impact it has on the fund it is 'mapped to' with the Mapping report.

## STEPS TO ACCESS

General  $\rightarrow$  Reports & Statements  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – OCBOA Statements, then select Mapping and the year from the drop-down menus.

**Note**: You can print this report even if you file Regulatory AFR.

# APPENDIX 6: RECREATE AFR – AOS BACKUP FILE / DISC IF NEEDED

There are a few reasons you might recreate the audit submission file (or disc):

- 1. It is possible to successfully close the year, but accidently cancel the AFR-AOS Backup form before the audit submission file (or disc) is created.
- 2. You may have filed successfully, but choose to later refile with additional imported documents (e.g. MD&A or Notes not included in the original submission).

<u>IMPORTANT</u>: Resubmitting your AFR – AOS Backup will update your annual financial report filing date. This resubmission date must still fall within the legal deadline for submitting your AFR for the year. For filing deadline questions, contact Local Government Services at 1-800-345-2519.

#### STEPS TO ACCESS

General  $\rightarrow$  Maintenance  $\rightarrow$  Year End  $\rightarrow$  AFR – AOS Backups. Read the system message carefully and click OK.

Unlike other backups, this backup file name cannot be edited. You can either create a file to submit online (Option #1) or create a disc to mail (Option #2). UAN recommends submitting the file online for entities that have access to a high speed internet connection.

# Option 1: Create a file to submit online:

Select the backup destination: '● Internet Submission – E-Files Directory.' Then click [Start].

When the backup is complete, a message will appear with instructions for submitting the file to the Auditor of State. The audit submission file will be saved under the C:\\_UAN\_Efiles directory. The file will be named 'xxxx\_2014\_AFR.uan' except that instead of 'xxxx' it will contain the entity's four digit UAN entity Id number. You will be prompted to select that file at the time that you make the submission online. Carefully read the additional information in the message and click [OK]. Click [Close] to close the AFR-AOS Backup form.

In addition to the onscreen instructions, specific steps for submitting the file to meet the AFR requirements for the Auditor of State are outlined in this booklet starting on page 28.

\*\*To create a disc to mail - instead of a file to submit online - see Option 2 on the next page\*\*

# Option 2: Create a disc to mail:

Select the backup destination: '● Postal Submission – CD or DVD.' Insert a blank disc in the CD/DVD tray and close it. Then click [Start].

When the backup is complete, the backup form will close, a message will open stating your "AFR – AOS Backup disc has been created" and the disc will be ejected. Immediately label the disc. The AFR – AOS backup for audit submission disc should be labeled in the following manner:

#### 2014 AFR

Your Entity Name Your County Name Your UAN Entity Id Number

Carefully read the additional information in the message and click [OK]. Click [Close] to close the AFR-AOS Backup form.

In addition to the onscreen instructions, specific steps for submitting the disc to meet the AFR requirements for the Auditor of State are outlined in this booklet starting on page 28.

\*\*To create a file for online submission - instead of mailing a disc - see Option 1 on the previous page\*\*