

# **2023 Investment Highlights**

#### 1st Quarter ending December 31, 2022

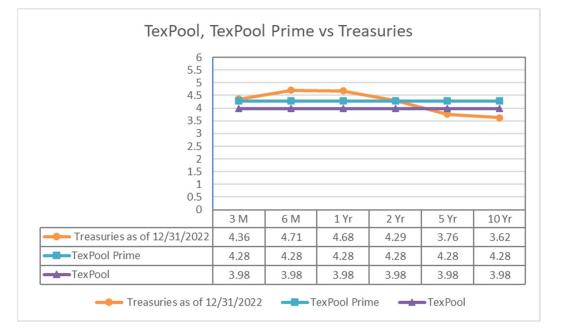
County Auditor's Office

Commissioners Court Meeting

#### Directly linked to the County Strategic Plan

- Investment Goals:
  - Goal 1 Investing funds on the principles of
    - 1. Safety
    - 2. Liquidity
    - 3. Diversification
  - Goal 2 Return on Investment

## Rate Comparison





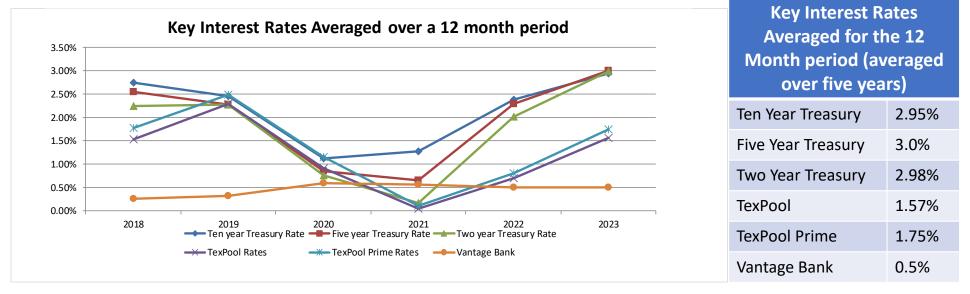
Although investment vehicles have remained the same for both years (cash, TexPool, and TexPool Prime) the percentages in each have changed. As of December 31, 2022, the percentages in cash, TexPool, and TexPool Prime were 16.59%, 10.84%, and 72.57%, respectively. The December 31, 2021, percentages in cash, TexPool, and TexPool Prime were 40.55%, 19.12% and 40.33%, respectively.

Total investments were \$397,215,052 for December 2022 compared to prior year of \$312,954,859, an increase of \$84,260,193, of which \$118.3 million is from the ARPA funds.

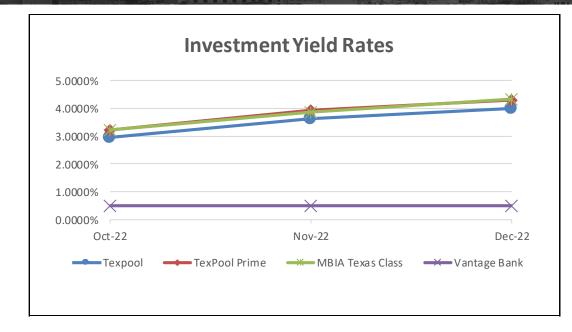
The interest earned this fiscal year was \$2,750,378 compared to last year of \$191,606 an increase of \$2,558,772 or 1,335.44%, which is mainly due to the change in investment mix, higher investible balances and higher interest rates.

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#### Historical Market Environment



The fiscal year began with the overnight fed funds target range at 3.00% to 3.25%. On November 3, 2022, the Federal Reserve raised the fed funds by 0.75% and again by 0.50% on December 15, 2022. The fed funds target range by the end of December was 4.25% to 4.50%. The Federal Reserve Committee anticipates that ongoing increases in the target range will be appropriate in order to attain a stance of monetary policy that is sufficiently restrictive to return inflation to 2% over time.



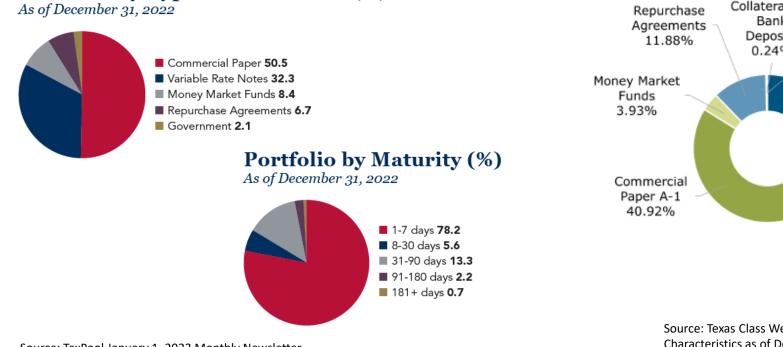
#### **Yields for December 2022**

Texas Class (not currently invested in)	4.32%
TexPool Prime	4.28%
TexPool	3.98%
Vantage Bank	0.50%

Above is a comparison of interest rates for the investment pools and Vantage Bank. The two highest yielding pools are TexPool Prime and Texas Class. Both contain Commercial Paper, respectively consisting of approximately 50.5 and 83.9 percent of each pool's investments.

#### **Prime Investment Pools**

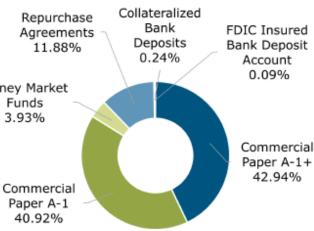
#### **Texpool Prime: Portfolio by Type of Investment (%)**



Source: TexPool January 1, 2023 Monthly Newsletter

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**Texas Class:** 

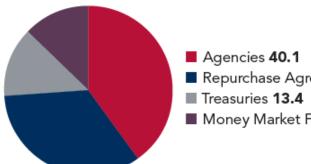


Source: Texas Class Website – Portfolio Characteristics as of December 31, 2022

#### TexPool

#### **Portfolio by Type of Investment (%)**

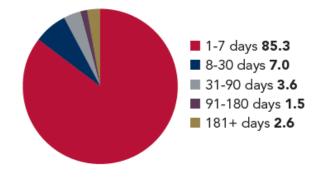
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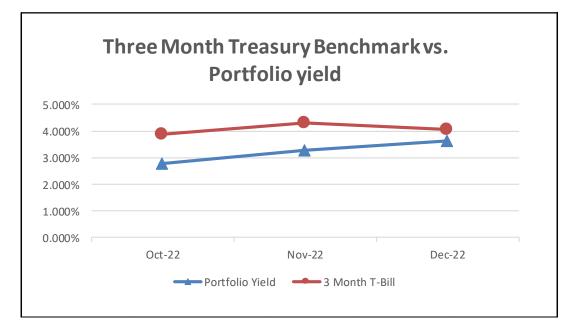
- Repurchase Agreements 33.9
- Money Market Funds 12.6

#### **Portfolio by Maturity (%)**

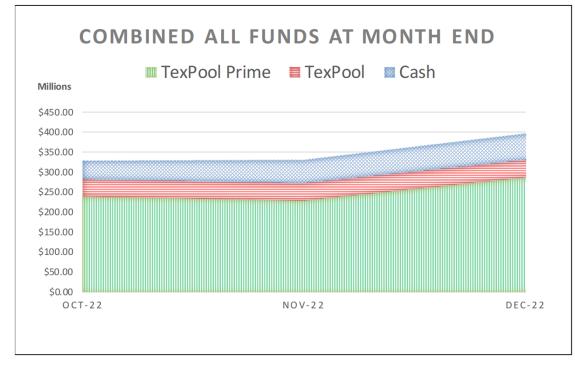
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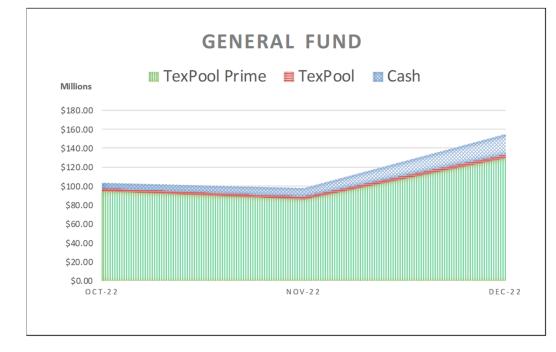
Source: TexPool January 1, 2023 Monthly Newsletter



The County had a weighted average yield of 3.6% as of December 31, 2022, compared to the 90-day treasury benchmark of 4.4% resulting in the County being 74 basis points below the benchmark for the month.

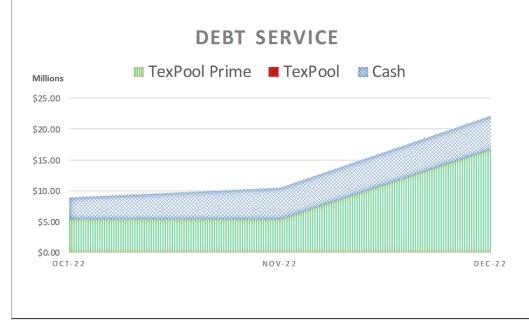


The County's investable funds include the General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, Capital Projects, Internal Service, Enterprise Fund, Debt Service, and Agency Fund.



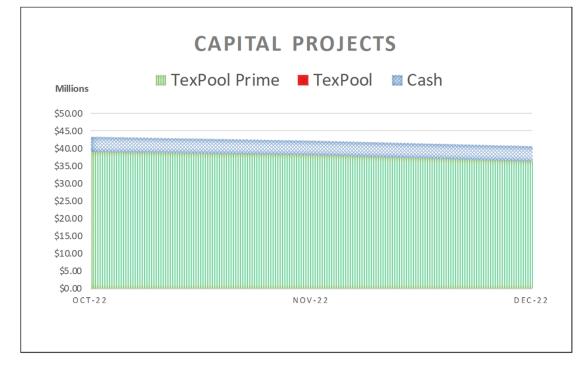
Date	Millions
October 31, 2022	\$103.2
November 30	\$97.9
December 31	\$154.5

- Investable funds reach their lowest point in mid-December and increase from late December through mid-February.
- After reaching its peak for investable funds in February, the general fund declines throughout the year until it reaches the low point in mid-December.



Date	Millions
October 31, 2022	\$9.0
November 30	\$10.5
December 31	\$22.2

- Debt Service follows the same cash inflow pattern as the General Fund.
- Disbursements occur in February, March, August, and September.
- The low point for the debt service fund is September 16<sup>th</sup> the day after our final interest payment for the fiscal year is made.



The primary funding sources for the Capital Projects Fund are bond proceeds and the two cents from the Maintenance and Operations portion of the Ad Valorem taxes which funds the Capital Improvement Fund.

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#### Investments by Fund Type as of December 31, 2022

