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## Pavilions Recovers Owed Monies, Fiscal Stability Restored

**TRAVERSE CITY, MI** – Almost \$11 million in federal and state reimbursements owed Grand Traverse Pavilions over the past year, will be paid this month.

"Funds are finally moving our way," announced David Hautamaki, Interim CEO/Administrator of the Pavilions, this week. These include:

- IRS \$6,970,429 to be paid January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024
- State of Michigan \$3,772,746.80 already received January 4th, 2024.
- TOTAL \$10,742,905.80

"This is great news and places us in a positive cash balance. As of 12/31/2023, we will have paid our obligation to the county of \$5,600,000." He also pointed out that over \$3 million will be received later as the Pavilions completes and submits its 2023 cost report to Medicaid.

Speaking on behalf of the county's Department of Health and Human Services Board, chairperson Mary Marois said she was thrilled that finally money earned and owed by the Pavilions was being paid.

Charged with oversight of the Pavilions, the DHHS board chair joined administrator Hautamaki in praising the efforts of Lindsey Dood, Pavilions VP of Finance, for leading the long and enduring process to recover funds that were due. "This was true and tremendous leadership, keeping this organization moving in a positive way."

The support and patience of the Board of Commissioners was also hailed as key to the recovery of owed funds. "Their willingness to work with us helped make the difference, now ensuring we are able to reimburse the county much sooner than thought."

Also cited for helping with recovery of owed state and federal funds were the county's financial personnel and the staff of Congressman Jack Bergman's office.

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## **About Grand Traverse Pavilions**

<u>Grand Traverse Pavilions</u> is the region's first and only public nonprofit providing a full-spectrum of services unique to the care for aging adults.

Initiated by Grand Traverse County Department of Health and Human Services in response to the Social Welfare Act 280 of 1939 to care for the states most vulnerable citizens, the Pavilions maintains facilities to provide services for more than 200 on-site residents.

Grand Traverse Pavilions is a community of caring for the region's aging adults, with Independent, Assisted Living, Long-term Care, Rehabilitation and Wellness Center programs for the entire community.

Grand Traverse Pavilions has received Nursing Care Center accreditation by the Joint Commission along with Post-Acute Care and Memory Care certifications. The Pavilions is part of Grand Traverse County and governed by the Grand Traverse County Department of Health and Human Services Board. Learn more about Grand Traverse Pavilions by visiting <a href="https://www.gtpavilions.org">www.gtpavilions.org</a>.