



2021 MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT

South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance

Protecting local government assets since 1987, the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance is a Member-owned local government risk-sharing pool providing liability and property coverage and risk management services to South Dakota municipalities, counties, townships, conservation districts, and special districts.

Our mission is to provide exceptional coverage and service to our Members, ensuring stable rates and risk reduction for South Dakota's future.

2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Find the most current board at sdpaonline.org



CHAIR
Mike Wiese
Commissioner
Brown County



Jim Borszich
President/CE (retired)
Greater Huron
Development
Corporation
Huron



EX-OFFICIO MEMBER
Kris Jacobsen
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SD Association
of County
Commissioners



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Codington County



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City of Sioux Falls



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Director of
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City of Sturgis



Becky Brunsing
City Administrator/
Finance Director
City of Wagner



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Yvonne Taylor
Executive Director
SD Municipal
League



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Auditor
Harding County



AT-LARGE MEMBER
Steve Harding
Mayor
City of Pierre



Justin Weiland
City Administrator
City of Dell Rapids

Letter from the
BOARD CHAIR

On behalf of the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance (SDPAA) Board of Directors and team, I am pleased to present the SDPAA's 2021 Annual Report.

This past year the SDPAA Board witnessed the retirement of one of its most senior members, Jim Borszich. Jim served the SDPAA with distinction for almost twenty years. His leadership of the SDPAA's Finance Committee propelled the SDPAA to become a nationally recognized public entity pool with a solid financial footing that will benefit Members and the citizens they serve for years to come.

Thanks to the stewardship of Jim and others, the SDPAA and its Members are ready to tackle the many challenges arising in the public sector. The SDPAA Board and team value your trust and partnership with the SDPAA.

Please feel free to visit our website at www.sdpaaonline.org for more information or reach out to any one of us with any questions, comments, or suggestions that you may have.



Mike Wiese
Commissioner,
Brown County

*Member of the
SDPAA Board
since 2004*



The South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance (SDPAA) is pleased to present its 2021 Annual Report in an exciting new electronic format to make the information more readily accessible for its Members.

The SDPAA is Member owned, Member governed, and Member driven. As owners, SDPAA Members can actively participate and influence not only their own destiny, but the destiny of the entire SDPAA.

The SDPAA Board of Directors is elected from among SDPAA Members and collectively has centuries of public service experience to be able to empathize with their fellow Members on the issues facing local governments in South Dakota.

The SDPAA's internal team is comprised of public employees with substantial claims and local government experience who can appreciate the needs of our Members.

The SDPAA is committed to providing Members with exceptional coverages and unique services. Please review this report and feel free to contact us if you have any questions about what the SDPAA can do for your public entity.



David A. Pfeifle
Executive Director,
South Dakota Public
Assurance Alliance

*SDPAA Panel Counsel
from 1995 to 2010*

*SDPAA Executive
Director since 2017*



MEMBER SERVICES

RECORD
440
Members
In 2021

Membership in SDPAA reached an all-time high at the end of 2021 with 440 members. This is up from 433 members in 2020.

The pool has seen steady growth throughout its history, increasing over 9% in the last 10 years. We look forward to continuing the upward trend.

We were also able to resume in-person services including conferences, conventions, workshops, and member visits, which were impacted during the height of the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020.

2021 MEMBER AFFILIATION

53
COUNTIES

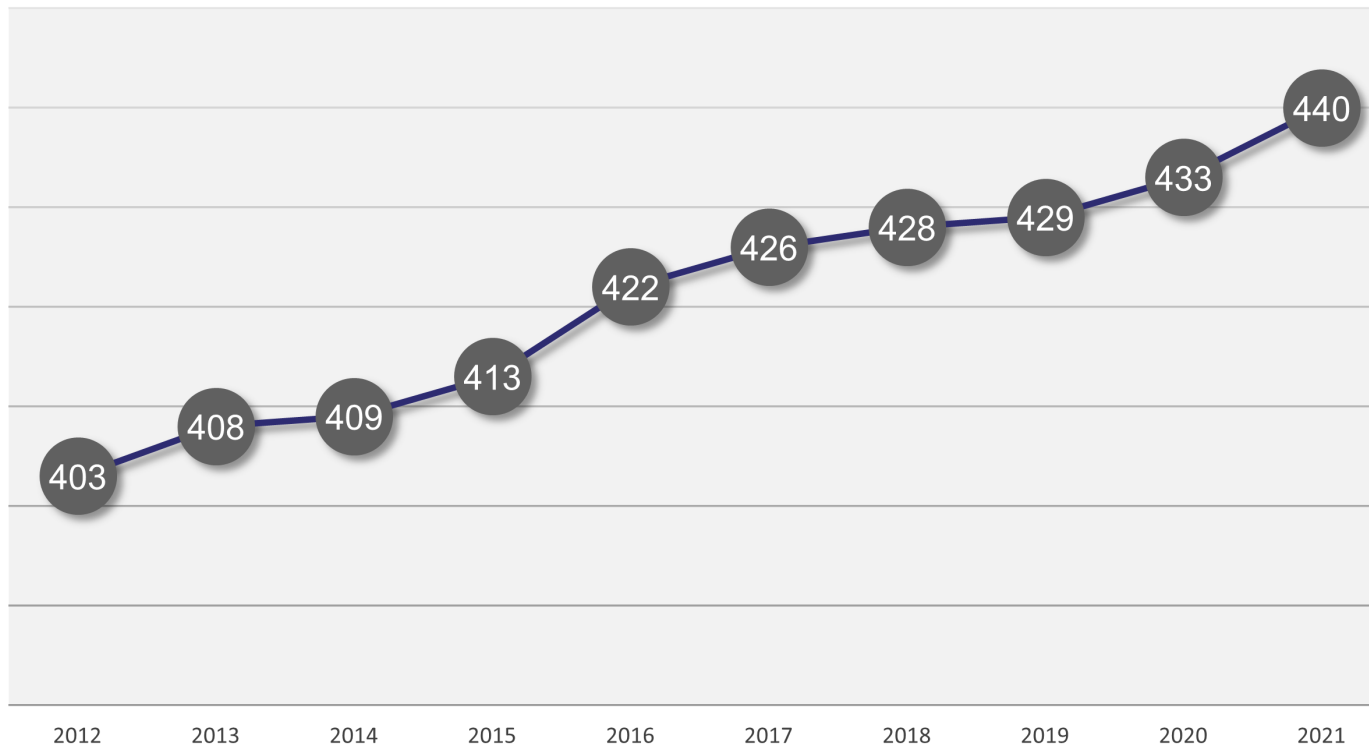
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SPECIAL
DISTRICTS

64
CONSERVATION
DISTRICTS

79
TOWNSHIPS

183
MUNICIPALITIES

MEMBERSHIP, PAST 10 YEARS



2021 MEMBERS

COUNTIES | 53

Aurora County
Beadle County
Bennett County
Bon Homme County
Brookings County
Brown County
Buffalo County
Butte County
Charles Mix County
Clark County
Clay County
Codington County
Corson County
Custer County
Davison County
Day County
Deuel County
Douglas County
Edmunds County
Fall River County
Faulk County
Grant County
Gregory County
Hamlin County
Hand County
Hanson County
Harding County
Hughes County
Hutchinson County
Hyde County
Jackson County
Jerauld County
Jones County
Kingsbury County
Lake County
Lawrence County
Lyman County
Marshall County
McCook County
McPherson County
Meade County
Mellette County
Minnehaha County
Moody County
Oglala Lakota County
Pennington County
Roberts County
Sanborn County
Stanley County
Sully County
Todd County
Tripp County
Walworth County

SPECIAL DISTRICTS | 61

Alexandria Fire District
Belle Fourche Irrigation District
Black Hills Council of Local Governments
Blucksberg Mountain Estates Road District
Boulder Park Road District #2
Brookings Municipal Utilities
Brown Co Mud Creek Watershed District
Canyon Springs Preserve Road District
Canyon Springs Sanitary & Water District
Castlewood Ambulance District
Castlewood Fire District
Cedar Hills Road District
Centennial Hills Road District
Central Plains Water Development District
Central SD Enhancement District
Claire City Fire Protection District
Corson Village Sanitary District
Crooks Housing & Redevelopment Commission
Custer Ambulance District
Custer Fall River Waste Management District
Dakota Landing Road District
East Custer Sewer & Water District
East Jones County Fire District
Edgemont Ambulance District
First District Association of Local Governments
Hartford Area Industrial Park Road District
Health Pool of South Dakota Board of Directors
Hot Brooke Area Road District
Lake Cochrane Sanitary District
Lake Herman Sanitary District
Lake Madison Sanitary District
Lake Pelican Water Project District
Lead-Deadwood Sanitary District
Lyons Volunteer Fire Department
Meade County Rural Ambulance District
Meadow Crest Sanitary District
Metro Communications
Mountain Pines Road District
North Marsh Lake Watershed District
Northeast Box Canyon Road District
Northwest SD Regional Landfill Assn.
Pickerel Lake Sanitary District
Planning & Development District III
Renner Sanitary District
Saddleback Road District
SDML Workers' Compensation Fund Board of Directors
Sioux Falls Regional Airport Authority
SD Association of County Commissioners
SD Municipal League
SD Public Assurance Alliance Board of Directors
SD Public Funds Investment Trust
South Eastern Council of Governments
Southern Missouri Recycling & Waste Management District
Spearfish Rural Fire Protection District
Spring Creek-Cow Creek Sanitary District
Sunny Turkey Court Road District
Sunset Ranch Road District
University & Bridle Estates Sanitary District
Upper Crow Creek Watershed District
West Dakota Water Development District
Woodland Hills Sanitary District

2021 MEMBERS

CONSERVATION DISTRICTS | 64

American Creek CD	Hamlin County CD	Todd County CD
Aurora County CD	Hand County CD	Tri-County CD
Badlands CD	Hanson County CD	Turner CD
Beadle CD	Harding County CD	Walworth County CD
Bennett County CD	Hughes County CD	Yankton County CD
Brookings County CD	Hutchinson County CD	Ziebach County CD
Brown-Marshall CD	Hyde County CD	
Butte CD	Jackson County CD	
Campbell County CD	Jerauld CD	
Charles Mix CD	Jones County CD	
Clark County CD	Kingsbury CD	
Clay County CD	Lake County CD	
Clearfield-Keyapaha & Hamill CD	Lawrence County CD	
Codington County Soil CD	Lincoln CD	
Corson CD	Marshall County CD	
Custer CD	McCook County Soil CD	
Davison CD	McPherson County CD	
Day County CD	Mellette County CD	
Deuel County CD	Miner CD	
Douglas County CD	Minnehaha CD	
East Pennington CD	Moody County CD	
Edmunds County CD	Pennington CD	
Elk Creek CD	Perkins County CD	
Fall River CD	Potter County CD	
Faulk County Soil CD	Roberts CD	
Grant County CD	Sanborn County CD	
Gregory County CD	South Brown CD	
Haakon County CD	Spink CD	
	Stanley County CD	
	Sully County CD	

TOWNSHIPS | 79

Aberdeen Civil Township	Garden Prairie Township	Montpelier Township
Alban Township	Garland Township	North Detroit Township
Allen Township	Gem Township	Oneota Township
Andover Township	Harmon East & West Township	Ordway Township
Athol Township	Hartland Township	Rauville Township
Baker Township	Henry Township	Richland Township
Brainard Township	Hickman Township	Richland Township - Mina
Broadland Township	Highland Township - Canton	Rosefield Township
Butler Township	Highland Township - Wagner	Rusk Township
Cambria Township	Highland Township - Webster	South Detroit Township
Carthage Township	Hillside Township	Spirit Lake Township
Castlewood Township	Hoffman Township	Spring Valley Township
Choteau Creek Township	Jones Township	Spring Valley Township - Bradley
Columbia Township	Kidder Township	Springlake Township
Custer Township	Lansing Township	Star Valley Township
Darlington Township	Lawrence Township	Sumner Township
Dayton Township	Lee Township	Swan Lake Township
Dixon Township	LeSueur Township	Union Township
Dumarce Township	Lincoln Township	Union Township - Howes
Dunkel Township	Lowe Township	Wahehe Township
Eden Township	Lyons Township	Ward Township
Edens Township	Mathews Township	Warner Township
Elmira Township	Mellette Township	Wayne Township
Elrod Township	Minnesota Township	Webster Township
Esmond Township		West Rondell Township
Fairview Township		White Butte Township
Foxton Township		Whitewood Township
Fuller Township		

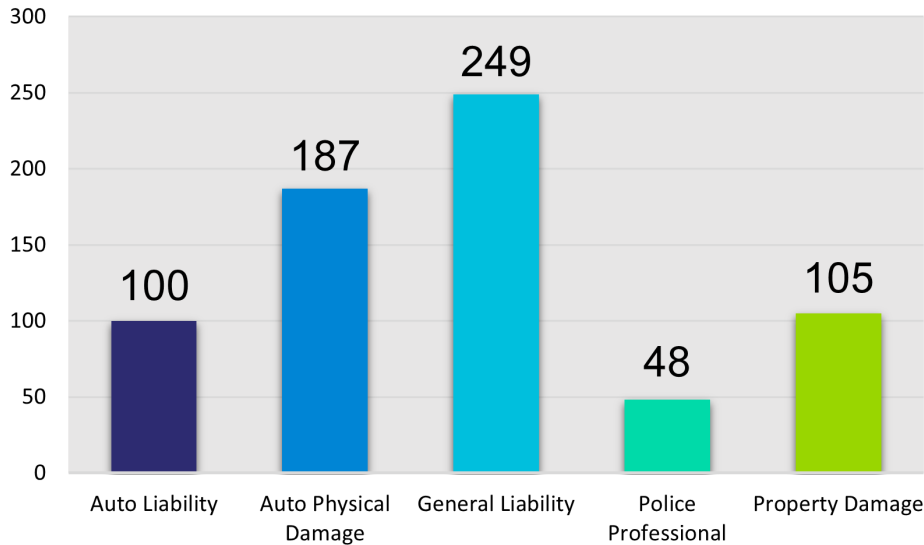
2021 MEMBERS

MUNICIPALITIES | 183

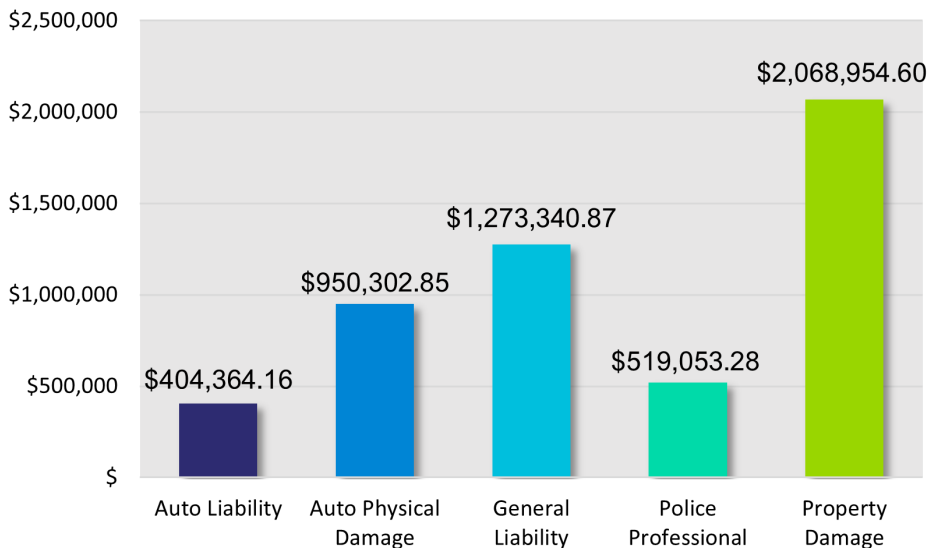
Aberdeen	Cavour	Egan	Huron	Morristown	St. Lawrence	Westport
Alexandria	Centerville	Eureka	Interior	Mt. Vernon	Stockholm	White
Alpena	Central City	Fairburn	Iroquois	Murdo	Stratford	White River
Andover	Chancellor	Fairfax	Isabel	New Effington	Sturgis	Whitewood
Astoria	Chelsea	Fairview	Java	New Underwood	Summerset	Willow Lake
Aurora	Claire City	Faulkton	Kennebec	New Witten	Summit	Wilmot
Avon	Claremont	Flandreau	Keystone	Newell	Tea	Winner
Badger	Clark	Florence	Lake Andes	Nisland	Timber Lake	Wood
Baltic	Clear Lake	Freeman	Lake City	North Sioux City	Tolstoy	Woonsocket
Batesland	Colman	Ft. Pierre	Lake Preston	Oacoma	Toronto	Worthing
Belle Fourche	Columbia	Garretson	Langford	Oelrichs	Trent	Yale
Belvidere	Conde	Gary	Lead	Ortley	Tripp	Yankton
Blunt	Corona	Gettysburg	Lebanon	Parker	Turton	
Bonesteel	Crooks	Gregory	Lemmon	Peever	Valley Springs	
Box Elder	Custer	Grenville	Lennox	Pickstown	Veblen	
Brandon	Dakota Dunes	Groton	Long Lake	Piedmont	Vermillion	
Brandt	Community	Harrisburg	Madison	Pierpont	Viborg	
Brant Lake	Improvement	Harrold	Marion	Pierre	Vilas	
Bridgewater	District	Hartford	Martin	Presho	Village	
Bristol	Dallas	Hayti	McIntosh	Quinn	Virgil	
Britton	Davis	Hecla	McLaughlin	Ree Heights	Volga	
Brookings	Deadwood	Hermosa	Midland	Roscoe	Wagner	
Buffalo	Dell Rapids	Herrick	Milbank	Roslyn	Wall	
Buffalo Gap	Delmont	Hill City	Miller	Sherman	Warner	
Camp Crook	Doland	Hosmer	Mission	Sioux Falls	Wasta	
Canova	Draper	Hot Springs	Mission Hill	Sisseton	Watertown	
Canton	Dupree	Howard	Mitchell	Spearfish	Waubay	
Carthage	Eagle Butte	Hudson	Monroe	Springfield	Webster	
Castlewood	Edgemont	Hurley	Montrose	St. Francis	Wessington	

CLAIMS SERVICES

NUMBER OF CLAIMS PER TYPE, 2021



AMOUNT INCURRED PER TYPE, 2021



Claims are inevitable. That's why providing Members with professional, timely, and efficient claims service is a top priority. The SDPAA and Claims Associates understand the unique challenges Members face.

Claims Associates adheres to a claim handling process that stresses prompt communications and timely investigation. Fresh recollections and thorough examinations allow for better analysis of claims and that leads to better outcomes.

The work doesn't stop when a claim file is closed. Claims Associates works closely with SDPAA Members, staff, and fellow service-providers to leverage any lessons learned or opportunities for education or advocacy to help eliminate or mitigate future claims.



CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION
Claims Associates, Inc.
888.613.7064
claimsassoc.com

LOSS CONTROL SERVICES

183

Loss Control
Surveys

Result in recommendations developed to guide Members in controlling losses.

79

Property Valuation
Surveys

2,031

Properties
Reviewed

Help ensure that properties are included on the respective Member's statement of values and that each property has sufficient coverage for replacement.

Safety Benefits Inc., (SBI) encourages SDPAA Members to take an active role in risk management and supports them in these efforts.

Loss control surveys are conducted with SDPAA Members every three years to assist Members in reducing potential liability exposures.

Property valuations are done every four years to help Members determine adequate values for property covered by SDPAA.

Managing risks and controlling losses can reduce, and in some cases eliminate, liability. Members taking an active role in reducing exposure to civil liability may earn recognition awards.



**LOSS CONTROL SERVICES/
PROPERTY VALUATIONS**
Safety Benefits, Inc.
888.313.0839
safety-benefits.com

LOSS CONTROL SERVICES

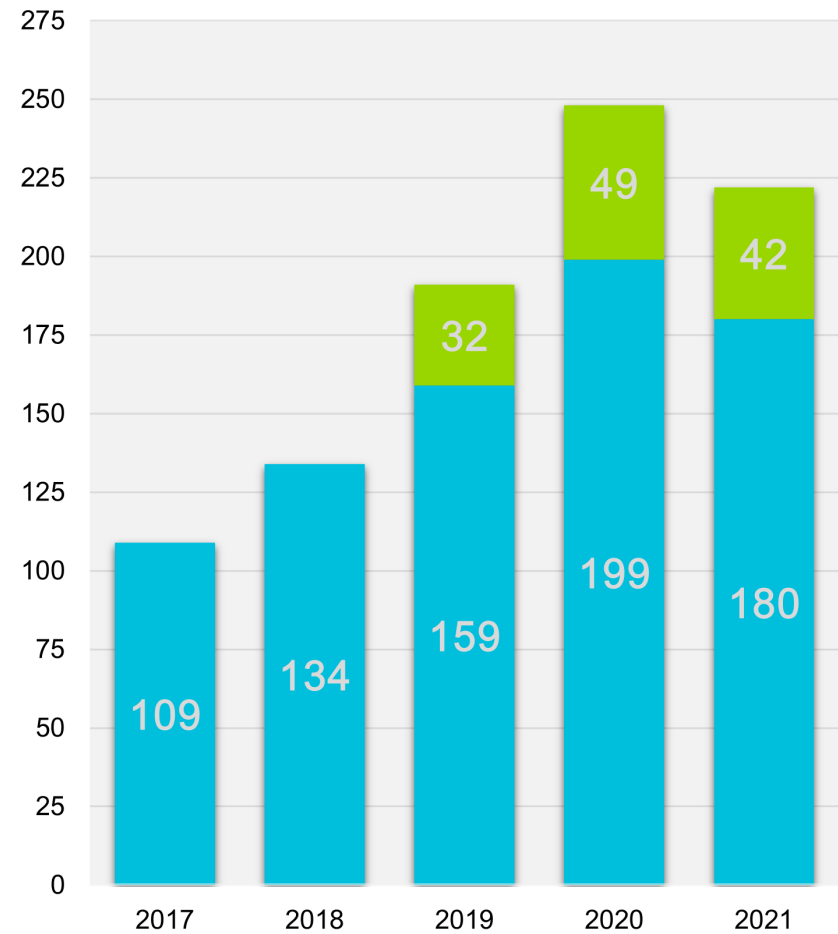
Members Encouraged to Use Free Legal Guidance Hotlines

Two free hotlines are available for Members with questions concerning employment practices and/or civil legal issues. The hotlines are sponsored by SDPAA and coordinated by SBI.

- EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES HOTLINE**
Provides Members with access to attorneys specializing in employment law.
In 2021, 72 Members made a total of 180 calls.
- GOVERNMENT PRACTICES HOTLINE**
Offers Members guidance with civil legal issues other than employment practices.
In 2021, 31 Members made a total of 42 calls.

HOTLINE CALLS PER YEAR 2017-2021

Note: Government Practices Hotline created April 2019



LOSS CONTROL SERVICES

Free training programs are designed to help reduce liability exposures for SDPAA Members. Regardless of the risk management topic, SBI works to provide a wide variety of training sessions.

Conducted by Safety Benefits, Inc.



In-person
73 Members;
2,054 attendees



Online
65 Members;
4,586 views

*Conducted by
NEO GOV Learn
and AP-Safety.*

LOSS CONTROL TRAINING

Online liability training specific to law enforcement and jails is offered by the Legal & Liability Risk Management Institute.



Law Enforcement
26 agencies;
1,717 courses



Conference
150 attendees;
69 Members
received safety awards

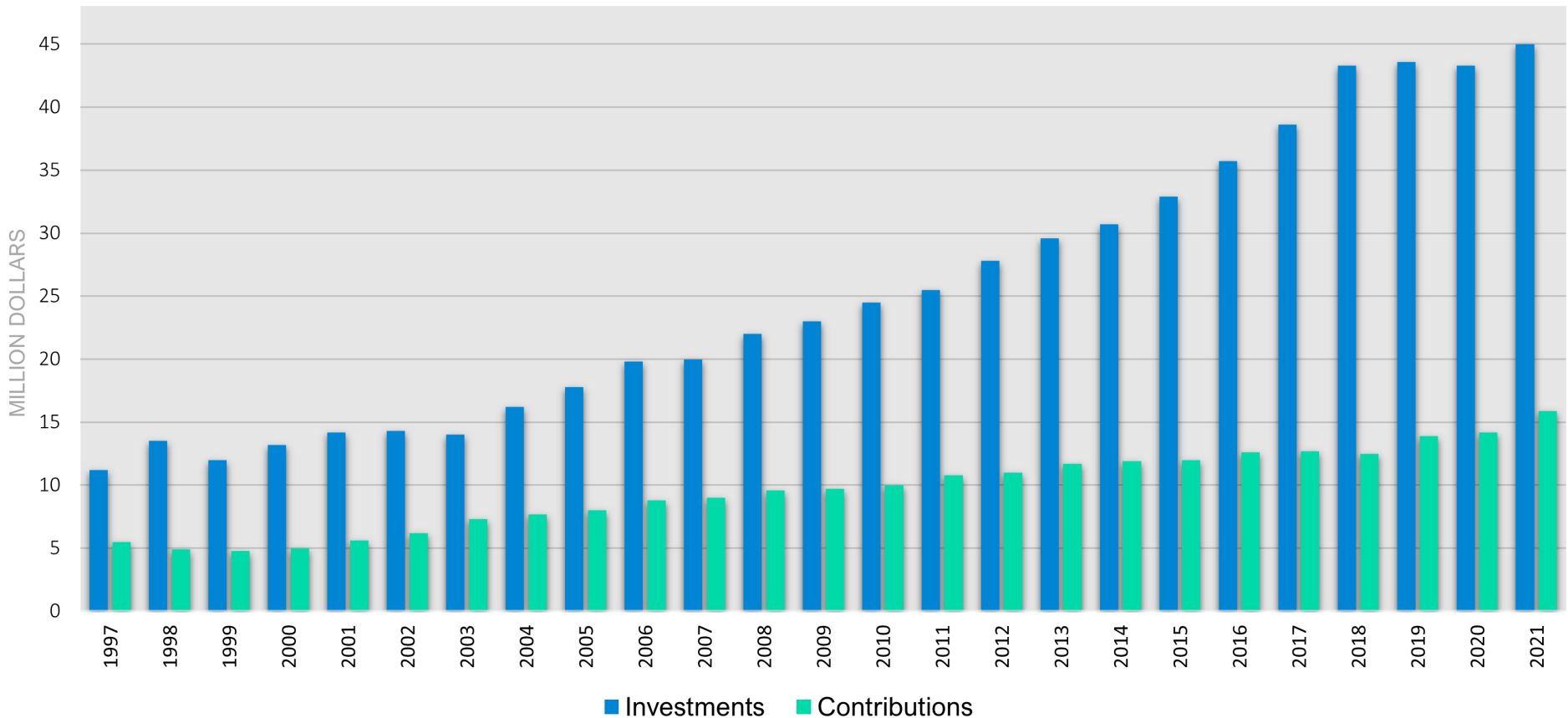
*Nov. 3-4, 2021
Pierre, SD*

INVESTMENTS

Steady Investment Growth Continues

In 2021, investments reached just over \$45 million, up from previous years and maintaining overall steady growth since the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance began in 1987. With over \$45 million in investments by 440 Members in 2021, SDPAA is one of the largest public entity-owned risk sharing pools of its kind in South Dakota.

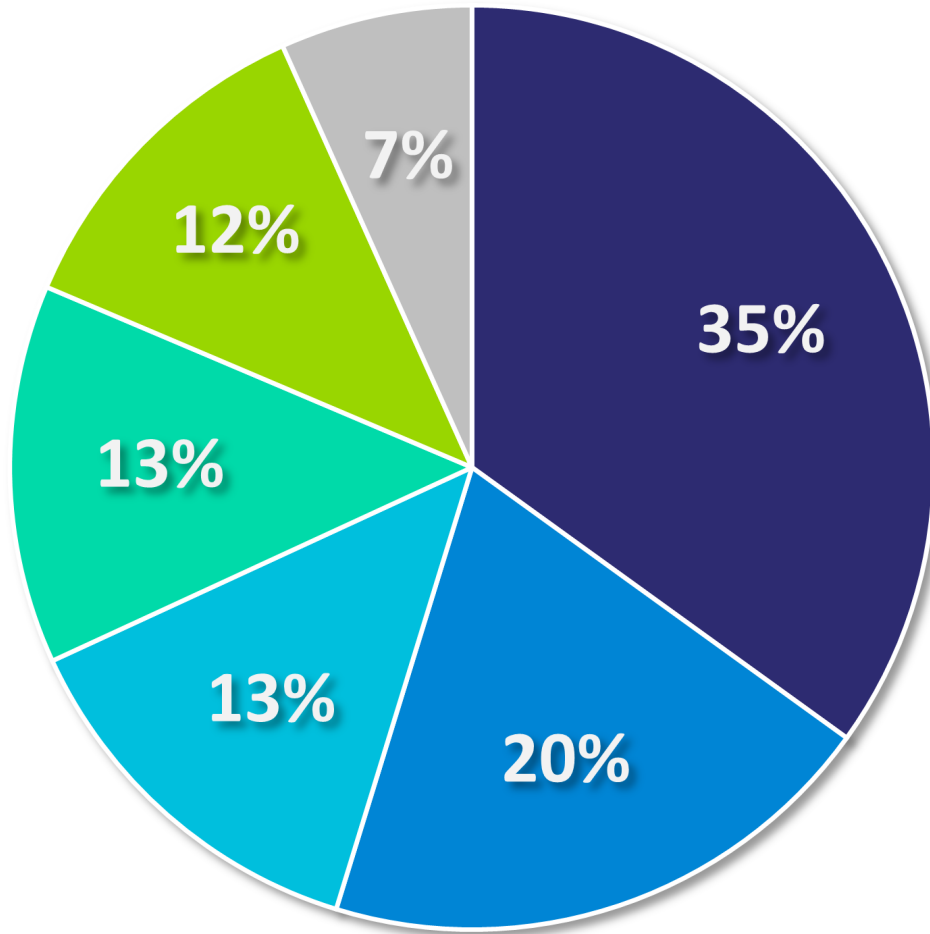
MEMBERSHIP INVESTMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS, PAST 25 YEARS



INVESTMENTS






as of Dec. 31, 2021

Asset Allocation



OVER
\$45
MILLION

In
Investments
In 2021

	US Treasury and Agencies' Securities	\$15,736,599
	Municipal Bonds	\$8,913,857
	Corporate Bonds	\$6,023,059
	Certificates of Deposit	\$5,969,577
	Cash and Money Market Fund	\$5,354,671
	Equity and Exchange Traded Funds	\$3,027,308

Total Investments **\$45,025,071**

NET POSITION

as of Dec. 31, 2021

ASSETS:

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$5,354,671
Receivables	\$2,073,764
Investments	\$39,670,401
Other Assets	\$1,486,146
Total Assets	\$48,584,982

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY**LIABILITIES:**

Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$57,521
Unearned Contributions	\$3,539,328
Losses and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserve	\$11,915,095
Total Liabilities	\$15,511,944

NET POSITION	\$33,073,038
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Total Liabilities and Members' Equity	\$48,584,982
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Statement of
**REVENUES, EXPENSES &
CHANGE IN NET POSITION**
as of Dec. 31, 2021

UNDERWRITING:

Contributions	\$14,966,560
Reinsurance Ceded	(\$4,388,684)
Total Operating Revenue	\$10,577,876

LOSSES:

Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses Incurred	\$7,112,027
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GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES:

Administrative Expenses	\$1,513,200
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Operating Gain/(Loss)	\$1,952,649
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NON-OPERATING INCOME AND (EXPENSE):

Net Investment Income	(\$257,822)
Earned member equity, NLC Mutual Ins. Co.	\$74,152
Capitalization Contributions	(\$22,846)
Total Non-Operating Income	(\$206,516)

CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$1,746,133
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CONTACTS

Service Providers

CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION

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Sioux Falls, SD 57101
888.613.7064

FINANCIAL AUDIT

Eide Bailly

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701.476.8826

ACTUARIAL SERVICES

AON Risk Solutions

Tracy Fleck
Actuarial Practice Leader
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949.608.6332

REINSURANCE BROKER

Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.

Doug Wozniak, Sr. Vice President
1301 Dove Street, Suite 200
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949.756.0271

INVESTMENT & CUSTODIAL SERVICES

The First National Bank in Sioux Falls, Trust Department

Kyle Cipperley and Tom Benz
PO Box 5186
Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5186
800.553.7073

LOSS CONTROL SERVICES/ PROPERTY VALUATIONS

Safety Benefits, Inc.

Todd Everson, President
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GENERAL COUNSEL

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Rob A. Anderson
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STAFF

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Lynn Bren, Deputy Director
Kristina Peterson, Underwriter
Paytra Nichols, Underwriter
Becky Brunsing, Member
Services Representative



IN APPRECIATION

Past Board Members

Richard Negstad
Commissioner,
Brookings County
1986-1989

Ray Woodsend
City Attorney,
Rapid City
1986-1993

Carole Hillard
Councilmember,
Rapid City
1989-1994

Jack White
Mayor, Sioux Falls
1986-1994

Duane Anderson
City Attorney,
Sioux Falls
1986-1997

Karen Bulman
Councilmember,
Rapid City
1993-1998

Gary Hanson
Mayor, Sioux Falls
1997-2003

Stan Rietveld
Councilmember
and
Airport Board,
Mitchell
1987-1998

Ralph Mack
Commissioner/
Weed Board,
Codington County
1989-1999

George Opitz
Commissioner,
Lawrence County
1987-2000

Manfred Szameit
Finance Officer,
Sioux Falls
1986-2001

Gary Drewes
Mayor, Pierre
1995-2002

Judy Larson
Councilmember,
Black Hills Council
of Local
Government
1993-2002

Allen Aden
Director of Public
Safety, Pierre
1997-2008

Gary Colwill
City Attorney,
Sioux Falls
2004-2008

Ted Eggebraaten
Brookings County
Highway
Superintendent
(retired),
Brookings County
2002-2011

Jerry Krambeck
Mayor, Spearfish
2002-2013

Jeff Heinemeyer
Adviser, Madison
2001-2016

Terry Weisenberg
Commissioner,
Lawrence County
2005-2016

Dennis Olson
Assistant City
Administrator,
Brandon
2000-2017

Mic Kreutzfeldt
Highway
Superintendent,
McCook County
2012-2019

Tracy Turbak
Director of Finance
(retired), Sioux Falls
2008-2020

Bob Wilcox
SDACC Executive
Director, Pierre
2012-2020

The South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance takes this opportunity to publicly thank the South Dakota Municipal League for its foresight in creating a liability and property pool. Without the leadership of the League, the Pool would not exist today.

The primary goal of both organizations is to provide quality service, maintain stable contributions, and practice good risk management. This long-time partnership has been beneficial to the many public entities of South Dakota.

Sponsored and Endorsed By:

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