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PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Pelican Center for Children and Families

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Pelican Center for Children and Families (the "Organization"), a nonprofit organization, which comprise the statements of financial position as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for each of the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for each of the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS") and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States ("*Government Auditing Standards*"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

Report on Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to the Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer on page 13 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain other procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.



Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 28, 2025 on our consideration of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Metairie, Louisiana
March 28, 2025

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PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 248,589	\$ 266,451
Grants receivable	233,713	228,816
Prepaid expenses	<u>16,103</u>	<u>-</u>
Total current assets	<u>498,405</u>	<u>495,267</u>
Equipment, net	<u>2,216</u>	<u>1,987</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 500,621</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 497,254</u></u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
Current liabilities:		
Accrued expenses	\$ 49,538	\$ 68,312
Accrued payroll	<u>32,862</u>	<u>47,159</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>82,400</u>	<u>115,471</u>
Total liabilities	<u>82,400</u>	<u>115,471</u>
Net assets:		
Without donor restrictions	418,221	374,174
With donor restrictions	<u>-</u>	<u>7,609</u>
Total net assets	<u>418,221</u>	<u>381,783</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$ 500,621</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 497,254</u></u>

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

PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

	2024			2023		
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
<u>REVENUES AND SUPPORT:</u>						
Grants	\$ 827,606	\$ -	\$ 827,606	\$ 706,170	\$ -	\$ 706,170
Conference	90,980	-	90,980	55,048	-	55,048
Miscellaneous	6,002	-	6,002	2,301	-	2,301
Total revenues and other support	<u>924,588</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>924,588</u>	<u>763,519</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>763,519</u>
Net assets released from restriction	<u>7,609</u>	<u>(7,609)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>122,116</u>	<u>(122,116)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenues, other support, and net assets released from restriction	<u>932,197</u>	<u>(7,609)</u>	<u>924,588</u>	<u>885,635</u>	<u>(122,116)</u>	<u>763,519</u>
<u>EXPENSES:</u>						
Program services	733,636	-	733,636	826,997	-	826,997
Management and general	<u>154,514</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>154,514</u>	<u>141,828</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>141,828</u>
Total expenses	<u>888,150</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>888,150</u>	<u>968,825</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>968,825</u>
Change in net assets	44,047	(7,609)	36,438	(83,190)	(122,116)	(205,306)
<u>NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR</u>	<u>374,174</u>	<u>7,609</u>	<u>381,783</u>	<u>457,364</u>	<u>129,725</u>	<u>587,089</u>
<u>NET ASSETS, END OF THE YEAR</u>	<u>\$ 418,221</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 418,221</u>	<u>\$ 374,174</u>	<u>\$ 7,609</u>	<u>\$ 381,783</u>

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

PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

	2024			2023		
	Program Services	Management and General	Total	Program Services	Management and General	Total
Professional services	\$ 349,621	\$ 46,042	\$ 395,663	\$ 530,608	\$ 43,312	\$ 573,920
Salaries and benefits	245,982	67,003	312,985	247,962	82,105	330,067
Conference expenses	135,670	-	135,670	47,863	-	47,863
Other operating expenses	2,363	36,165	38,528	564	14,205	14,769
Supplies	-	5,304	5,304	-	2,206	2,206
Total expenses	<u>\$ 733,636</u>	<u>\$ 154,514</u>	<u>\$ 888,150</u>	<u>\$ 826,997</u>	<u>\$ 141,828</u>	<u>\$ 968,825</u>

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

PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Change in net assets	\$ 36,438	\$ (205,306)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation	800	890
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Change in grants receivable	(4,897)	104,487
Change in prepaid expenses	(16,103)	-
Change in accrued expenses	(18,774)	(44,713)
Change in accrued payroll	(14,297)	13,789
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(16,833)</u>	<u>(130,853)</u>
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Purchase of fixed assets	<u>(1,029)</u>	<u>(384)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(1,029)</u>	<u>(384)</u>
Net change in cash	(17,862)	(131,237)
Cash, beginning of year	<u>266,451</u>	<u>397,688</u>
Cash, end of year	<u><u>\$ 248,589</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 266,451</u></u>

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

PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

The Pelican Center for Children and Families (the "Organization") is a non-profit corporation incorporated on January 31, 2013 under the laws of the State of Louisiana. The Organization's mission is to encompass all Louisiana Court Improvement Program (CIP) activities and provide for formalized, interdisciplinary and collaborative work agreements with relevant child welfare stakeholders throughout the state, with a goal of improving global outcomes for children.

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (U.S. GAAP).

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Classification of Net Assets

Net assets and revenues are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the Organization and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions – Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor (or certain grantor) restrictions. These net assets may be used at the discretion of the Organization's management and the board of directors.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions – Net assets subject to donor- (or certain grantor-) imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both.

Cash

The Organization maintains cash in bank accounts which may at times exceed amounts covered by insurance provided by the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). The Organization has not experienced any losses and does not believe that significant credit risk exists as a result of this practice.

Grants Receivable

Grants receivable represent billings which are based primarily on cost reimbursement contracts with various governmental organizations. Grants receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. The Organization determines an allowance for uncollectible receivables based on historical experience, an assessment of current and supportable forecasted economic conditions, and a review of subsequent collections. Management did not deem any receivables to be uncollectible. No allowance was recorded at September 30, 2024 and 2023.

PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Equipment

The Organization capitalizes all expenditures for property and equipment in excess of \$200 and expenditures for repairs and improvements that materially prolong the useful lives of assets capitalized. Equipment is recorded at historical cost or, if donated, at the approximate fair value at the date of donation. Depreciation of these assets is provided on the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives of five years. The Organization reviews the carrying value of equipment for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable from the estimated future cash flows expected to result from its use and eventual disposition. When considered impaired, an impairment loss is recognized to the extent carrying value exceeds the fair value of the assets. There were no indicators of asset impairment during the years ended September 30, 2024 or 2023.

Expense Allocation

The costs of providing programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities and functional expenses. Certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefitted. Professional services, operating expenses, and salaries and benefits are allocated based on time and effort.

Revenue and Revenue Recognition

Conference registration fees received in advance are deferred to the applicable period in which the related conference has been held and the performance obligation has been satisfied.

Contributions are recognized when cash, securities or other assets, an unconditional promise to give, or notification of a beneficial interest is received. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been substantially met.

A portion of the Organization's revenue is derived from cost-reimbursable federal and state contracts and grants, which are conditioned upon certain performance requirements and/or the incurrence of allowable qualifying expenses. Amounts received are recognized as revenue when the Organization has incurred expenditures in compliance with specific contract or grant provisions.

Contributed Goods and Services from Volunteers

Members of the Organization's board of directors and other volunteers have made significant contributions of their time to assist in the Organization's operations and related charitable programs. The value of this contributed time is not recognized in these financial statements as it does not meet the criteria for recognition under U.S. GAAP.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications of amounts previously reported have been made to the accompanying financial statements to maintain consistency between periods presented. The reclassifications had no impact on previously reported net assets or changes in net assets.

PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Accounting Pronouncement Adopted

Effective October 1, 2023, the Organization adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2016-13, *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326) – Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments* (“ASU 2016-13”), as amended. ASU 2016-13 replaces the “incurred loss” credit losses framework with an expected loss methodology that is referred to as the current expected credit loss (“CECL”) methodology which requires management's measurement of the allowance for credit losses to be based on a broader range of reasonable and supportable information for lifetime credit loss estimates. The measurement of expected credit losses under the CECL methodology is applicable to financial assets measured at amortized cost. The adoption and application of the standard had no material effect on these financial statements.

2. Liquidity and Availability

The Organization regularly monitors the availability of resources required to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments. The Organization receives the majority of its revenue from various state and federal grant programs. The grant amounts are appropriated each year by the federal and state governments.

The Organization manages its available cash to meet general expenditures following three guiding principles:

- Operating within a prudent range of financial soundness and stability;
- Maintaining liquid assets; and
- Maintaining sufficient reserves to provide reasonable assurance that long term commitments will continue to be met, ensuring the sustainability of the Organization.

The table below presents financial assets available for general expenditures within one year at September 30:

	2024	2023
Cash	\$ 248,589	\$ 266,451
Grants receivable	233,713	228,816
Total financial assets available within one year	482,302	495,267
Less: Amounts unavailable for general expenditures within one year, due to restrictions by donors	-	(7,609)
Financial assets available for general expenditures over the next 12 months	<u>\$ 482,302</u>	<u>\$ 487,658</u>

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3. Equipment

Equipment as of September 30, consisted of the following:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Equipment	\$ 9,737	\$ 8,708
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(7,521)</u>	<u>(6,721)</u>
	<u>\$ 2,216</u>	<u>\$ 1,987</u>

Depreciation expense for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$800 and \$890, respectively.

4. Net Assets With Donor Restriction

Net assets with donor restrictions are restricted for the following purposes at September 30:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Subject to expenditure for specified purpose:		
Expansion of My Community Cares project	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,609</u>

5. Significant Grants

For the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, \$827,279 and \$661,984, respectively, of the Organization's financial assistance was federal and state funds received by the Louisiana Supreme Court, passed through to the Organization, or received by the Louisiana Department of Children and Families, passed through Southeastern University to the Organization. These funds make up approximately 89% and 87% of the Organization's total revenues during 2024 and 2023, respectively. Management believes that the Organization is in compliance with the provisions of these grants and that the findings of an audit, if any, would not have a material impact on the financial statements.

6. Contingencies

The Organization participates in state and federal grant programs, which are governed by various rules and regulations. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies; therefore, to the extent that the Organization has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received and the collectability of any related receivable as of September 30, 2024 and 2023 might be impaired. In management's opinion, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing state and federal grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements for such contingencies. Any costs that would be disallowed would be recognized in the period agreed upon by the grantor agency and the Organization.

The Organization may become involved in certain claims and legal actions arising in the normal course of activities. In management's opinion, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to these matters; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements for such contingencies.

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7. Income Taxes

The Organization is a not-for-profit organization as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is exempt from federal and state income taxes on related income pursuant to Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes on related income has been included in the financial statements.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 740 provides detailed guidance for financial statement recognition, measurement, and disclosure of uncertain tax positions recognized in an entity's financial statement. As of September 30, 2024, the Organization has determined that it does not have any uncertain tax positions that qualify for either recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Tax returns generally remain subject to examination by the taxing authorities for three years.

8. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, March 28, 2025, and determined there were no other events occurred that require additional disclosure. No events after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in the financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

**SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD OR
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

Agency Head Name: Mark Harris, Executive Director

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ 142,707
Payroll taxes	11,047
Conference travel (in state & out of state)	2,208
Total	<u>\$ 155,962</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Trustees of
Pelican Center for Children and Families

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States ("*Government Auditing Standards*"), the financial statements of Pelican Center for Children and Families (the "Organization"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2024, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 28, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the organization's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Organization's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

EisnerAmper LLP

EISNERAMPER LLP
Metairie, Louisiana
March 28, 2025

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PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

**REPORT ON STATEWIDE AGREED-UPON
PROCEDURES ON COMPLIANCE
AND CONTROL AREAS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board of Directors of
Pelican Center for Children and Families
and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated in Schedule A on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) of the Pelican Center for Children and Families (the Organization) for the fiscal period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. Pelican Center for Children and Families' management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

Pelican Center for Children and Families has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of performing specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures we performed, and the associated findings are summarized in the attached Schedule A, which is an integral part of this report.

We were engaged by Pelican Center for Children and Families to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs of the Pelican Center for Children and Families for the fiscal period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of Pelican Center for Children and Families and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

The purpose of this report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.



EISNERAMPER LLP
Metairie, Louisiana
March 28, 2025

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PELICAN CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES PERFORMED AND ASSOCIATED FINDINGS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Schedule A

The procedures performed and the results thereof are set forth below. The procedure is stated first, followed by the results of the procedure presented in italics. If the item being subjected to the procedures is positively identified or present, then the results will read “*no exception noted*” or for step 13 “*we performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.*” If not, then a description of the exception ensues.

1) **Written Policies and Procedures**

A. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories (if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations):

i. **Budgeting**, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.

No exception noted.

ii. **Purchasing**, including (1) how purchases are initiated; (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list; (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders; (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law; and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.

No exception noted.

iii. **Disbursements**, including processing, reviewing, and approving

No exception noted.

iv. **Receipts/Collections**, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

No exception noted.

v. **Payroll/Personnel**, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.

No exception noted.

vi. **Contracting**, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.

No exception noted.

vii. **Travel and Expense Reimbursement**, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.

No exception noted.

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- viii. **Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable)**, including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).

The Organization does not have credit cards, debit cards, fuel cards, or P-cards, nor does the Organization have written policies and procedures for the use of such cards. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

- ix. **Ethics**, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- x. **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.

The Organization did not have debt outstanding during the fiscal period, nor does the Organization have written policies and procedures for debt service. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

- xi. **Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity**, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.

No exception noted.

- xii. **Prevention of Sexual Harassment**, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

2) Board or Finance Committee

- A. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:
- i. Observe whether the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.

No exception noted.

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- ii. For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual comparisons, at a minimum, on all proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual comparisons, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. *Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.*

No exception noted.

- iii. For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- iv. Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

No exception noted.

3) Bank Reconciliations

- A. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:

A listing of bank accounts was provided and included one bank account. Management identified the entity's main operating account. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure. From the listing provided, we selected the single bank account and obtained the bank reconciliation for the month ending, May 31, 2024, resulting in one bank reconciliation obtained and subjected to the below procedures.

- i. Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged);

No exception noted.

- ii. Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation within 1 month of the date the reconciliation was prepared (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and

Exception noted. We observed the signature of a board member and the executive director on the bank reconciliation selected for testing. However, there was no written evidence of the date(s) of the review.

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- iii. Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

The reconciliation did not include reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

4) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- A. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- B. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (e.g. 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- i. Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- ii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g. pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- iii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- iv. The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or custodial fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee verifies the reconciliation.

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

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- C. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in force during the fiscal period.

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- D. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). Alternatively, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc. Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- i. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- ii. Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- iii. Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- iv. Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

- v. Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

The Organization did not receive cash, checks, or money orders related to public funds during the fiscal period. Public funds are received electronically. As a result, this procedure was not performed.

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5) Non-payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

- A. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).

The listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure. From the listing provided, we selected the single location and performed the procedures below.

- B. For each location selected under #5A above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:

The listing of employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions for the single payment processing location selected in procedure #5A was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure. Review of the Organization's written policies and procedures or inquiry with employee(s) regarding job duties was performed in order to perform the procedures below.

- i. At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;

No exception noted.

- ii. At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;

No exception noted.

- iii. The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files;

Exception noted. The employee responsible for processing payments is not prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files. There is not another employee responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files.

- iv. Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and

Exception noted. The employee/official responsible for signing checks does not mail the payment. The signed checks are given to an employee to mail who is also responsible for processing payments.

- v. Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.

No exception noted.

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- C. For each location selected under #5A above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction and

A listing of non-payroll disbursements for the payment processing location selected in procedure #5A was provided related to the fiscal period. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure. From the listing provided, we haphazardly selected five disbursements and performed the procedures below.

- i. Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice, and that supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and

No exception noted.

- ii. Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #5B above, as applicable.

Exception noted. For each of the five disbursements tested, the employee responsible for processing payments is not prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files. The employee responsible for processing payments also mails checks.

- D. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.

A listing of non-payroll related-related electronic disbursements for the main operating account was provided for the month selected in procedure #3A. The listing provided included two non-payroll-related electronic disbursements. We selected the two electronic disbursements and performed the procedures above. No exception noted.

6) Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cards (Cards)

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.

The Organization does not have credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, or purchase cards. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

- B. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement). Obtain supporting documentation, and

The Organization does not have credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, or purchase cards. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

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- i. Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved) by someone other than the authorized card holder (those instances requiring such approval that may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials, such as the mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality, should not be reported; and

The Organization does not have credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, or purchase cards. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

- ii. Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.

The Organization does not have credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, or purchase cards. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

- C. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under procedure #6B above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (e.g., each card should have 10 transactions subject to inspection). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

The Organization does not have credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, or purchase cards. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

7) Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:

The listing of travel and travel-related expense reimbursements was provided for the fiscal period. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure. From the listing provided, we haphazardly selected five reimbursements and performed the procedures below.

- i. If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);

No exception noted.

- ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;

No exception noted.

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- iii. Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by "Written Policies and Procedures", procedure #1A(vii); and

No exception noted.

- iv. Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

No exception noted.

8) Contracts

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. *Alternatively, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list.* Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and

An active vendor list for the fiscal period was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure. From the listing provided, we haphazardly selected five contracts and performed the procedures below.

- i. Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;

Of the contracts selected for testing, none were subject to the Louisiana Public Bid Law.

- ii. Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g. Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);

No exception noted.

- iii. If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and

Of the contracts selected for testing, none were amended during the fiscal period.

- iv. Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

No exception noted.

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9) Payroll and Personnel

- A. Obtain a listing of employees/elected officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees/officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.

A listing of employees/elected officials employed during the fiscal year was provided. From the listing provided, we selected the three employees/officials and performed the specified procedure. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

- B. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees/officials selected under procedure #9A above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and

We haphazardly selected one pay period during the fiscal period and performed the procedures below for the three employees/officials selected in procedure #9A.

- i. Observe that all selected employees/officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory);

No exception noted.

- ii. Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials;

No exception noted.

- iii. Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and

No exception noted.

- iv. Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.

No exception noted.

- C. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee's or official's cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.

The Organization did not have terminated employees during the fiscal period. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

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- D. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

No exception noted.

10) Ethics

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure "Payroll and Personnel" procedure #9A, above obtain ethics documentation from management, and
- i. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- ii. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- B. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

11) Debt Service

- A. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all bonds/notes on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each bond/note issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.

The Organization did not have debt outstanding during the fiscal period. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

- B. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

The Organization did not have debt outstanding during the fiscal period. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

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12) Fraud Notice

- A. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled as required by R.S. 24:523.

Management asserted that there were no misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period.

- B. Observe that the entity has posted on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

The required notice is posted on the Organization's website. The Organization does not have a physical office location. Thus, the observation of the notice posted on the Organization's premises was not performed.

13) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- A. Perform the following procedures, **verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."**

- i. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.

We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.

- ii. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.

We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.

- iii. Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.

- B. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in Payroll and Personnel procedure #9C. Observe evidenced that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

The Organization did not have terminated employees during the fiscal period. Thus, this procedure was not performed.

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- C. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees/officials with access to the agency's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows: hired before June 9, 2020 – completed the training; and hired on or after June 9, 2020 – completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

The Organization is a non-profit entity and is not subject to Louisiana R.S. 42:1267. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from "Payroll and Personnel" procedure #9A, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343.

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- B. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- C. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:

- i. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- ii. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- iii. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- iv. Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

- v. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

The Organization is a non-profit entity. Thus, this procedure is not applicable and was not performed.

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Pelican Center for Children and Families (the Organization) provided a response and corrective action plan for the exceptions noted in Schedule A as set forth below.

3) Bank reconciliations – The Organization's bank reconciliations are reviewed monthly by the Treasurer and Executive Director and signed. In error, the date of review was not noted. Henceforth, the date of review will be noted when signing documentation of review of the bank reconciliation.

5) Non-Payroll Disbursements – Due to the small size of the Organization, the individual responsible for processing payments is also responsible for mailing checks. The Board Treasurer and Executive Director review the monthly bank reconciliation and the Board reviews the disbursements quarterly.