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The Board of Directors Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. Abbeville, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated August 21, 1996. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc.'s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the provisions of Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments." Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., taken as a whole. The accompanying Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general purpose financial statements. The information in that schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

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Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance Year Ended June 30, 1996

Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Program or Award <u>Amount</u>	Revenue <u>Recognized</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
Department of Health & Human Services Passed through the Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs:				
Title III B-Supportive services	_	\$ 69,950	\$ 69,950	\$ 69,950
Title III C-1-Congregate meals Title III D-In-home	93.045	29,865	29,865	29,865
services	93.046	1,925	1,925	1,925
Title VII - Chapter 2 - Ombudsman Title III F-Prevention	93.042	4,225	4,225	4,225
Health Services	93.043	4,218 110,183	$\frac{4.218}{110.183}$	4,218 110,183
Passed through the State Office of Family Support: Job Opportunities and Skills Training (JOBS), Project #4301	93.561	<u>12.000</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>
Federal Emergency Management Agency Passed through the Phase X Program: Emergency Food - Shelter Program	83.523	<u>303</u>	303	<u>300</u>
Department of Transportation & Development Passed through the Vermilion Parish Police Jury: Federal Transit Administration - Non-urbanize Area Public Transportation, Project #LA-18-X State Project	ed a-			
#741-20-0102	20.509	47,293	<u>47,293</u>	<u>47.293</u>
		\$169,779	\$169,779	\$169,776

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VERMILION COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.

Financial Report

Year Ended June 30, 1996

Inder provisions of state law, this report is a public document. A copy of the report has bean submitted to the audited, or reviewed, entity and other appropriate public officials. The report is available for public inspection at the Baton Rouge office of the Legislative Auditor and, where appropriate, at the office of the parish clerk of court

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The Board of Directors Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. Abbeville, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated August 21, 1996.

We have applied procedures to test Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc.'s compliance with the following requirements applicable to its federal financial assistance programs, which are identified in the Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance, for the year ended June 30, 1996: Political activity, civil rights, cash management, federal financial reports, allowable costs/cost principles, Drug-Free Workplace Act, and administrative requirements.

Our procedures were limited to the applicable procedures described in the Office of Management and Budget's "Compliance Supplement for Single Audits of State and Local Governments." Our procedures were substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc.'s compliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with the requirements listed in the second paragraph of this report. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., had not complied, in all material respects, with those requirements.

This report is intended for the information of the board of directors and management. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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Eunice, Louisiana August 21, 1996

MEMBER OF AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS SOCIETY OF LOUISIANA CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

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Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances -All Special Revenue Funds (Continued) Year Ended June 30, 1996

	Project <u>Independence</u>	Medicaid <u>Waiver</u>	Total
Revenues:	\$ 24,000	\$37,716	\$326,609
Intergovernmental	-	-	83,940
Program	<u> </u>		53,540
Local and miscellaneous	24,000	<u>37,716</u>	464,089
Total revenues			
Expenditures:			
Current -	_	16,597	258,625
Salaries	-	1,343	21,946
Fringe	-	300	30,434
Travel	-	-	98,905
Operating services	-	-	30,085
Operating supplies	-	<u> </u>	2,084
Capital outlay	-	18,240	442,079
Total expenditures			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	24,000	19,476	22,010
Other financing sources (uses):	_	•	141,089
Operating transfers in	(20,000)	(1,673)	(140,906)
Operating transfers out	(20,000)	(1,673)	183
Total other financing sources (uses)			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	4,000	17,803	22,193
Fund balances (deficit), beginning of year	<u>12,984</u>	20,256	<u>45,521</u>
Fund balances (deficit), end of year	\$ 16,984 ======	\$38,059 ======	\$ 67,714 =======

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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. Abbeville, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the provisions of Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments." Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. as of June 30, 1996, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued a reported dated August 21, 1996 on our consideration of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc.'s internal control structure and a report dated August 21, 1996 on its compliance with laws and regulations.

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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated August 21, 1996.

In connection with our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., and with our consideration of the Council's control structure used to administer federal financial assistance programs, as required by Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments," we selected certain transactions applicable to certain nonmajor federal financial assistance programs for the year ended June 30, 1996. As required by OMB Circular A-128, we have performed auditing procedures to test compliance with the requirements governing types of services allowed or unallowed; eligibility; matching, level of effort, or earmarking; reporting; claims for advancement and reimbursements; special provisions; and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to those transactions. Our procedures were substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on the Council's compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. had not complied, in all material respects, with those requirements.

This report is intended for the information of the board of directors and However, this report is a matter of public record and its management. distribution is not limited.

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Eunice, Louisiana August 21, 1996

MEMBER OF AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS SOCIETY OF LOUISIANA CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS assistance programs are managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors, irregularities, or instances of noncompliance may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

For the purpose of this report, we have classified the significant internal control structure policies and procedures used in administering federal financial assistance programs in the following categories:

Accounting Controls

Receipts/Revenue Disbursements/Expenditures Payroll

General Requirements
Political Activity
Solvil Rights
Cash Management
Federal Financial Reports
Allowable Costs/Cost
Principles
Drug-Free Workplace Act
Administrative Requirements

Administrative Controls

ments
Specific Requirements
Livity
Eligibility
Types of services
or unallowed
Reports
Matching, level of
effort, or earmarking
Amounts claimed or
used for matching
lirements
Reporting
Claims for Advancement
and Reimbursements
Special Provisions

For all of the internal control structure categories listed above, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and determined whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk.

During the year ended June 30, 1996, the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., had no major federal financial assistance programs and expended 69% of its total federal financial assistance under the following nonmajor federal financial assistance programs: Title III B - Supportive Services and Section 18.

We performed tests of controls, as required by OMB Circular A-128, to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of internal control structure policies and procedures that we have considered relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with specific requirements, general requirements, and requirements governing claims for advances and reimbursements and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to the aforementioned nonmajor programs. Our procedures were less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on these internal control structure policies and procedures. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

We noted a certain matter involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be a reportable condition under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgement, could adversely affect the Council's ability to administer federal financial assistance programs in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

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We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments." Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

In planning and performing our audit for the year ended June 30, 1996, we considered the internal control structure of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Council's general purpose financial statements and to report on the internal control structure in accordance with OMB Circular A-128. This report addresses our consideration of internal control structure policies and procedures relevant to compliance with requirements applicable to federal financial assistance programs. We have addressed internal control structure policies and procedures relevant to our audit of the general purpose financial statements in a separate report dated August 21, 1996.

The management of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that federal financial

SCHEDULES OF INDIVIDUAL FUNDS

Miscellaneous <u>Grant</u>	Title <u> 111-F</u>	<u>Ombudsman</u>	<u>FEMA</u>	Special Project	Share the <u>Light</u>	Project <u>Care</u>	United Way	Community Base Program
\$ 4,500	\$5,445	\$4,971	\$ 303	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -
4,500	5,445	1,617 6,588	303	<u>-</u>	<u>318</u> <u>318</u>	2,502 2,502	17,250 17,250	<u>50</u> 50
-	661 67	6,055 533	-	-	- -	- -	- -	26 2
-	40 808	-	300	-	202	1,957	- -	-
<u>-</u>	2,555 2,084 6,215	6.588	300	<u>-</u>	202	1,957	<u>-</u>	28
4,500	<u>(770</u>)		3		116	<u>545</u>	<u>17,250</u>	22
<u>(4,500</u>)	770 	-	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>		(17,546)	<u>-</u>
<u>(4,500</u>)	<u>770</u>						<u>(17,546</u>)	
-	-	-	3	-	116	545	(296)	22
<u>-</u>	<u> </u>		111	8,850	<u>536</u>	2,143	<u>755</u>	<u>(114</u>)
\$ - ======	\$ - =====	\$ - =====	\$ 114 =====	\$8,850 =====	\$ 652	\$2,688 =====	\$ 459 ======	\$ (92) =====
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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

services of other local agencies serving the aging people of the parish. Such services include providing meals, nutritional education, information and referral services, legal assistance, homemaker services, operating senior centers and transportation. A Board of Directors consisting of 15 members, who serve three-year terms, governs the council.

C. Financial Reporting Entity

This report includes all funds and account groups which are controlled by or dependent on the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. Control by or dependent on the Council was determined on the basis of budget adoption, appointment of governing body, and other general oversight responsibility.

D. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Council are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds presented in the financial statements in this report are as follows:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Council are financed. The acquisition, use, and balances of the Council's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus is based upon determination of changes in financial position, rather than upon net income determination. The following are the Council's governmental fund types:

General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Council. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. These discretionary funds are accounted for and reported according to the sources from which they are derived.

Statement of Expenditures - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual Special Revenue Funds Year Ended June 30, 1996

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance - Favorable <u>(Unfavorable)</u>
Title III-B Salaries Fringe Travel Operating services Operating supplies	\$155,936	\$151,708	\$ 4,228
	13,840	13,209	631
	5,453	4,278	1,175
	64,628	70,404	(5,776)
	21,832	20,921	911
	\$261,689	\$260,520	\$ 1,169
Title III C-1 Salaries Fringe Travel Operating services Operating supplies	\$ 29,522	\$ 30,254	\$ (732)
	2,515	2,410	105
	713	863	(150)
	5,993	6,402	(409)
	4,220	4,196	
	\$ 42,963	\$ 44,125	\$(1,162)
Title III C-2 Salaries Fringe Travel Operating services Operating supplies	\$ 50,669	\$ 52,709	\$(2,040)
	4,399	4,323	76
	33,883	22,495	11,388
	14,815	15,816	(1,001)
	2,409	2,359	50
	\$106,175	\$ 97,702	\$ 8,473
<u>Senior Center</u> Operating services	\$ 3,997	\$ 2,264	\$ 1,733
Title III-D Salaries Fringe Travel Operating services Operating supplies	\$ 613 3,614 705 55 \$ 5,050		

Statement of Expenditures - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual Special Revenue Funds (Continued) Year Ended June 30, 1996

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance - Favorable <u>(Unfavorable)</u>
Title III-F Salaries Fringe Travel Operating services Operating supplies Capital outlay	\$ 661 68 31 760 1,855 2,070 \$ 5,445	\$ 661 40 808 2,555 2,084 \$ 6,215	\$ -
Ombudsman Salaries Fringe	\$ 6,055 612 \$ 6,667	\$ 6,055 <u>533</u> \$ 6,588	\$ - - 79 \$ 79
<u>FEMA</u> Operating services	\$ 303	\$ 300	\$ 3
<u>Share the Light</u> Operating services	\$ 312	\$ 202	\$ 110
<u>Project Care</u> Operating services	\$ 2,833	\$ 1,957	\$ 876
<u>Community Base Program</u> Salaries Fringe Travel	\$ 451 38 25	\$ 26 2	\$ 425 36 <u>25</u>
	\$ 514 =======	\$ 28	\$ 486
Medicaid Waiver Salaries Fringe Travel	\$ 24,570 2,074 <u>230</u> \$ 26,874	\$ 16,597 1,343 300 \$ 18,240	\$ 7,973 731 (70) \$ 8,634
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The Board of Directors Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. Abbeville, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated August 21, 1996.

We have conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the provisions of Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments." Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

The management of Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging for the year ended June 30, 1996, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of

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relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

We noted a certain matter involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be a reportable condition under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the entity's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general purpose financial statements.

Individual Segregation of Accounting Functions

Finding:

Due to the small number of accounting personnel, the Council did not have adequate segregation of functions within the accounting system.

Recommendation:

Based on the size of the operation and the cost-benefit of additional accounting personnel, it may not be feasible to achieve complete segregation of duties.

Response:

No response is considered necessary.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, we believe the reportable condition described above is a material weakness.

This report is intended for the information of the board of directors and management. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Darnall, Sikes, Kolder, Frederick & Rainer

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Eunice, Louisiana August 21, 1996

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - General Fund Year Ended June 30, 1996

Local and miscellaneous: Vermilion Parish Police Jury Municipalities Interest income Adult day care Medicaid Senior olympics Miscellaneous Total revenues	\$10,000 7,025 2,072 5,872 490 385 3,333 29,177
Expenditures:	
Current -	12,884
Operating services	13,790
Capital outlay	26,674
Total expenditures	
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>2,503</u>
Other financing sources (uses):	1 0//
Operating transfer in	1,866
Operating transfers out	<u>(2,049)</u> (1 <u>83</u>)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(105)
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	2,320
Fund balance, beginning of year	71,017
Fund balance, end of year	\$73,337

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) should be accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, and are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund types when purchased. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets.

All fixed assets are stated at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. The estimated amounts of fixed assets are immaterial to these financial statements. Donated fixed assets are stated at their estimated fair market value on the date donated.

J. Long-Term Obligations

Long-term obligations expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when due. For other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund. The remaining portion of such obligations is reported in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

K. Annual and Sick Leave

The Council's policy allows full time employees to carry forward 30 days of annual leave and 60 days of sick leave beyond the fiscal year end. Full-time employees earn 1 1/2 days of annual leave and 1 1/2 days of sick leave, per month. No sick leave is paid upon separation. The liability for accumulated annual leave has been recorded in the general long-term debt account group.

Note 2 Board of Directors' Compensation

The Board of Directors is a voluntary board; therefore, no compensation has been paid to any member. However, board members are reimbursed for out-of-town travel expenses incurred in accordance with the Council's regular personnel policy.

Note 3 Income Tax Status

The Council, a non-profit corporation, is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Schedule of Exit Conference Year Ended June 30, 1996

An exit conference was held on October 15, 1996, with the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. In attendance were:

Rachael August, Assistant Executive Director Brenda Rivet, Bookkeeper Rusty Congue, Secretary Ray Lavergne, President Barbara Picard, Vice-President Shannon Broussard, Cajun Area Agency on Aging Joseph Numa Broussard, Board Member Paula Bihm, CPA Steven Moosa, CPA

We reported on the results of our audit and our discovery of a material weakness in internal control, which is reported on pages 30 and 34. A copy of these letters were furnished to the Legislative Auditor and the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs.

Schedule of Disbursements to Board Members Year Ended June 30, 1996

The Board of Directors is a voluntary board; therefore, no compensation has been paid to any member.

The following board members were reimbursed for mileage and travel expenses while attending to business of the Council:

Shirley Thompson	\$13
Rita Trahan	6
	\$19

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs June 30, 1996

Participant Evaluations

Finding:

The Council is required to reassess Title III C-1 participants annually and Title III C-2 participants every six months. We obtained a list of one hundred twenty-six (126) Title III C-1 participants and three hundred four (304) Title III C-2 participants and reviewed a sample of ten participant files. Based on the results of our sample, we noted five participant files had not been reassessed within the proper time period.

Recommendation:

All Title III C-1 and Title III C-2 participants should be reassessed on an annual and semi-annual basis, respectively.

Response:

Due to a small number of personnel, it has become difficult to reassess Title III C-1 and Title III C-2 participants as required, however increased efforts will be made in the future to do so.

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The Board of Directors Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. Abbeville, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc., as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated August 21, 1996.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the provisions of Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments." Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

Compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. is the responsibility of the Council's management. As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc.'s compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. However, the objective of our audit of the general purpose financial statements was not to provide an opinion on overall compliance with such provisions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

This report is intended for the information of the board of directors and management. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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Eunice, Louisiana August 21, 1996

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Schedule of Corrective Action Taken on Prior Year Findings Year Ended June 30, 1996

There were no prior year findings.

Schedule of Changes in General Fixed Assets Year Ended June 30, 1996

	Balance June 30, <u>1995</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance June 30, <u>1996</u>
General fixed assets, at cost: Furniture & fixtures Vehicles Leasehold improvements	\$ 64,392 133,958 <u>11,364</u>	\$ 8,999 6,875	\$17,369 13,892	\$ 56,022 126,941 <u>11,364</u>
Total general fixed assets	\$209,714	\$15,874	\$31,261	\$194,327
Investments in general fixed assets: Property acquired prior to July 1, 1990* Property acquired after	\$137,862	\$ -	\$31,261	\$106,601
July 1, 1990 with funds from - Local Title-III-G Title-III-F	65,501 1,423 4,928	13,790 - 2,084		79,291 1,423 7,012
	\$209,714	\$15,874	\$31,261	\$194,327

*Records reflecting sources from which assets were acquired were not maintained prior to July 1, 1990.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 11 Changes in Long-Term Debt

	Balance June 30, 1995	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance June 30, <u>1996</u>
Accrued annual leave	\$8,164	\$1,246	\$ -	\$9,410

Note 12 Fund Deficit

In the current year, the Community Base Program had a fund deficit due to additional costs in this fund. This deficit will be eliminated in future years through increased funding.

Note 13 Budget Presentation

The Council is not required to adopt a budget for the General Fund, therefore, no budget presentation is shown in these financial statements.

Budget presentation is also not presented for Project Independence, Section 18 and United Way (Special Revenue Funds) because budgets were not adopted for these funds.

The following is a schedule reconciling all Special Revenue Funds to Special Revenue Funds in which budgets were adopted:

	Budgeted Special Revenue Funds	Special Revenue Funds not Budgeted	All Special Revenue <u>Funds</u>
Total revenues	\$375,546	\$ 88,543	<u>\$464.089</u>
Total expenditures	442,079		442,079
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>85.022</u>	<u>(84,839</u>)	<u> 183</u>
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	18,489	3,704	22,193
Fund balances, beginning of year	31,782	<u>13,739</u>	<u>45,521</u>
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 50,271	\$ 17,443	\$ 67,714

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 8 Interfund Receivables, Payables (Continued)

	Interfund <u>Receivables</u>	Interfund <u>Payables</u>
Medicaid waiver Community Base Program Project Independence	\$38,059 <u>16,984</u>	\$ - 92 -
	\$67,143	\$67,143

Note 9 Judgements, Claims, and Similar Contingencies

There is no litigation pending against the Council at June 30, 1996. Furthermore, the Council's management believes that any potential lawsuits would be adequately covered by insurance.

The Council receives revenues from various Federal and State grant programs which are subject to final review and approval as to allowability of expenditures by the respective grantor agencies. Any settlements or expenses arising out of a final review are recognized in the period in which agreed upon by the agency and the Council. Also, it is management's opinion that any audits by the grantor agencies would not produce disallowed program costs and liabilities to such an extent that they would materially affect the Council's financial position.

Note 10 Economic Dependency

The Council receives the majority of its revenue from funds provided through grants administered by the Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs. The grant amounts are appropriated each year by the federal and state governments. If significant budget cuts are made at the federal and/or state level, the amount of the funds the Council receives could be reduced significantly and have an adverse impact on its operations. Management is not aware of any actions that will adversely affect the amount of funds the Council will receive in the next fiscal year.

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual - Budgeted Special Revenue Funds Year Ended June 30, 1996

	Budgeted	<u>Actual</u>	Variance - Favorable <u>(Unfavorable</u>)
Revenues			
Intergovernmental	\$270,583	\$ 255,316	\$(15,267)
Program	75,536	83,940	8,404
Local and miscellaneous	<u>25,386</u>	36,290	10,904
Total revenues	<u>371,505</u>	375,546	4,041
Expenditures			
Current -			
Salaries	268,477	258,625	9,852
Fringe	23,609	21,946	1,663
Travel	43,949	30,434	13,515
Operating services	94,346	98,905	(4,559)
Operating supplies	30,371	30,085	286
Capital outlay	2,070	2.084	(14)
Total expenditures	462,822	<u>442,079</u>	<u>20,743</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over expenditures	<u>(91,317)</u>	<u>(66,533</u>)	<u>24,784</u>
Other financing sources (uses)			
Operating transfers in	171,814	141,089	(30,725)
Operating transfers out	<u>(52,661</u>)	<u>(56,067)</u>	<u>(3,406</u>)
Total other financing sources			
(uses)	119,153	<u>85.022</u>	<u>(34,131</u>)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expendi-			
tures and other uses	27,836	18,489	(9,347)
Fund balances, beginning of year	31.782	31,782	
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 59,618	\$ 50,271	\$ (9,347)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 4 Cash and Interest-Bearing Deposits

Under state law, the Council may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the Union, or the laws of the United States. The Council may invest in certificates and time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana laws and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. At June 30, 1996, the Council has cash and interest-bearing deposits (book balances) totaling 116,127.

Demand deposits	\$ 72,159
Time deposits	43,968
Total	\$116,127

Deposit balances (bank balances) at June 30, 1996, totaled \$135,237 and are fully secured by federal deposit insurance.

Note 5 Certificates of Deposit

At June 30, 1996, the Council had the following certificates of deposit:

	Amount	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Maturity
Iberia Savings Bank:			
Certificate of deposit	\$10,403	3.75%	8/17/96
Gulf Coast Bank:			
Certificate of deposit	27,544	4.80%	9/2/96
Bank of Abbeville:			
Certificate of deposit	6,021	5.00%	2/8/97
Total	\$43,968		

Note 6 Reserved Fund Balance

Reserved fund balance represents amounts restricted for the required expenditures of the Special Revenue Fund and for the prepayment of future expenditures.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

E. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The governmental fund types (General and Special Revenue Funds) use a current financial resources measurement focus and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual, measurable available. they become when and Intergovernmental revenues are considered susceptible to accrual. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable.

F. Transfers and Interfund Loans

Advances between funds which are not expected to be repaid are accounted for as transfers. In those cases where repayment is expected, the advances are classified as due from other funds and due to other funds on the balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans are classified as interfund receivables and payables.

G. Budget Policy

The Council follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in these financial statements.

The Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs "GOEA" notifies the Council each year as to the funding levels for each program's grant award.

The Executive Director prepares a proposed budget based on the funding levels provided by GOEA and then submits the budget to the Board of Directors for approval.

The Board of Director reviews and adopts the budget before June 30 of the current year for the next year.

The adopted budget is forwarded to the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs for final approval.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

for the services provided by the Council. Revenue is received from the person utilizing the services.

Project Independence

The Project Independence Fund is used to account for revenue received from the Department of Social Services to provide transportation to the underprivileged individuals of the parish.

Medicaid Waiver Program

This program is used to account for funds which are used to provide personal care attendant services that will meet the needs of those diverted or deinstitu- tionalized beneficiaries whose disabilities preclude the acquisition of certain independent living skills related to the activities of daily living.

Account Groups

An account group is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources. The following two account groups are not "funds."

General Fixed Assets

The fixed assets (capital outlays) used in governmental fund type operations of the Vermilion Council on Aging, Inc. are accounted for (capitalized) in the General Fixed Assets Account Group and are recorded as expenditures in the government fund types when purchased.

General Long-Term Debt

Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group. The General Long-Term Debt Account Group shows only the measurement of financial position and is not involved with measurement of results of operations.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

assistance to individuals who might currently be receiving assistance, as well as to assist those who are not receiving any.

Special Projects Fund

This fund is used to account for donations received from local businesses to provide for trips for the elderly.

Share the Light Fund

The Share the Light Fund is used to account for the administration of programs that are sponsored by the City of Abbeville. The City collects contributions from service customers and remits the funds to the Council so that it can provide assistance to the elderly for the payment of their utility bills.

Project Care

The Project Care fund is used to account for the administration of programs that are sponsored by local utility companies. The companies collect contributions from service customers and remit the funds to the Cajun Area Agency on Aging, Inc., which in turn remits funds relating to Vermilion Parish to the Council so that it can provide assistance to the elderly for the payment of their utility bills.

United Way Fund

This fund reports assistance received from the community's regular United Appeals activity. The funds are received upon application to the United Giver's Agency and are subject to reporting to, and monitoring by, that Agency.

Community Base Program

The Community Base Program is used to account for revenues and expenditures associated with the Council providing homemaker services to the elderly of the parish who are on the waiting list

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Section 18 Fund

Section 18 Funds are provided by the United States Department of Transportation through the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. Funds received by the Council are based on actual operating costs of providing transportation services to rural residents within the parish.

Title III-F Fund

The Title III-F Fund is used to account for funds used for disease prevention and health promotion activities including (1) equipment and materials (scales to weigh people, educational materials, and exercise equipment), (2) home injury control, (3) medication management, (4) mental health, (5) nutrition (assessment/screening, counseling and education). The law directs the state agency administering this program to "give priority to areas of the state which are medically underserved and in which there are a large number of older individuals who have the greatest economic and social need." Title III-F funds are provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services through the Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, which in turn "passes through" the funds to the Council.

Ombudsman Fund

The Ombudsman Program was established to investigate and resolve complaints of any relevant nature on behalf of individuals, especially aged individuals who are residents of long-term care facilities. Ombudsman funds are provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services through the Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs which in turn "passes through" the funds to the Council.

FEMA Fund

The FEMA Fund is used to account for the administration of a Disaster Assistance Program which purpose is to supplement food and shelter

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Senior Center Fund

The Senior Center Fund is used to account for the administration of Senior Center Program funds appropriated by the Louisiana Legislature to the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, which "passes through" the funds to the Council. This program provides community service centers at which older persons receive supportive services and participate in activities which foster their independence, enhance their dignity, and encourage their involvement in and with the community.

Title III-D Fund

The Title III-D Fund is used to account for funds which are used to provide in-home services to frail older individuals, including in-home supportive services for older individuals who are victims of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders with neurological and organic brain dysfunction, and to the families of such victims. Title III-D funds are provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services through the Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, which in turn "passes through" the funds to the Council.

PCOA (Act 735) Fund

PCOA (Act 735) funds are appropriated for the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs by the Louisiana Legislature for remittance to the Council on Aging. These funds are accounted for in a separate special revenue fund to facilitate tracking of this resource and to ensure its utilization in the budget period.

The funds are unrestricted in application and are transferred from this Special Revenue Fund for appropriate application in the General Fund and other Special Revenue Funds.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

The following fund comprises the Council's General Fund:

Local Fund

Local funds are received from various local sources.

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of special revenue sources (other than special assessments and major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

The following are the funds which comprise the Council's Special Revenue Funds:

Title III-B Supportive Services Fund

Title III-B Funds are provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services through the Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs which "passes through" the funds to the Council. This program provides access services, in-home services, community services, legal assistance, and transportation for the elderly.

<u>Title III C-1 Congregate Meals Fund</u>

Title III C-1 Funds are provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services through the Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, which "passes through" the funds to the Council. These funds are used to provide nutritional congregate meals to the elderly in strategically located centers.

<u>Title III C-2 Home Delivered Meals Fund</u>

Title III C-2 Funds are provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services through the Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, which "passes through" the funds to the Council. These funds are used to provide nutritional meals to home-bound older persons.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Presentation of Statements

In April, 1984, the Financial Accounting Foundation established the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to promulgate generally accepted accounting principles and reporting standards with respect to activities and transactions of state and local governmental entities. In November of 1984, the GASB issued a codification of governmental accounting and financial reporting standards. This codification and subsequent GASB pronouncements are recognized as generally accepted accounting principles for state and local governments.

The accompanying financial statements conform to generally accepted accounting principles for state and local governments. These statements have also incorporated any applicable requirements set forth by <u>Audits of State and Local Governmental Units</u>, the industry audit guide issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; Subsection VI - Annual Financial Reporting, accounting manual for Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs contractors; and, the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide.

B. Organization

Act 456 of 1964, authorized the charter of voluntary councils on aging for the welfare of the aging people in their respective parishes. Charters are issued by the Louisiana Secretary of State upon approval by the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs. Each council is a non-profit corporation which must comply with policies and regulations established by the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, the state agency which provides the Council with most of its revenue. The Council also receives revenues from other federal, state and local government agencies which may impose certain restrictions upon how the Council can use the money that they have provided.

The Council is not a component unit of another primary government nor does it have any component units which are related to it. Therefore, the Council has presented its financial statement as a separate special purpose government.

The primary function of the Council on Aging is to improve the quality of life for the parish's elderly, and to provide services to the elderly as well as coordinate and monitor the

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Fund Types Year Ended June 30, 1996

	<u>General</u>	Special <u>Revenue</u>	Total (Memorandum Only)
Revenues Intergovernmental Program Local and miscellaneous Total revenues	\$ - 	\$ 326,609 83,940 53,540 464,089	\$ 326,609 83,940 82,717 493,266
Expenditures Current - Salaries Fringe Travel Operating services Operating supplies Capital outlay Total expenditures	12,884 13,790 26,674	258,625 21,946 30,434 98,905 30,085 2,084 442,079	258,625 21,946 30,434 111,789 30,085 <u>15,874</u> 468,753
Excess of revenues over expenditures	2,503	22,010	24,513
Other financing sources (uses) Operating transfers in Operating transfers out Total other financing sources (uses)	1,866 (2,049) (183)	141,089 (140,906) 	142,955 <u>(142,955</u>)
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	2,320	22,193	24,513
Fund balances, beginning of year	71.017	<u>45,521</u>	<u>116,538</u>
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 73,337	\$ 67,714	\$ 141,051

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups June 30, 1996

	Governmental Fund Types		Account Groups		
	<u>General</u>	Special Revenue	General Fixed Assets	General Long-term Debt	Total (Memorandum Only)
ASSETS					
Cash Certificates of deposit Due from other funds Fixed assets	\$71,404 43,968 92	\$ 755 67,051	\$ · 194,327	\$ - - -	\$ 72,159 43,968 67,143 194,327
Accounts receivable Prepaid expenditures	15,95 3 18,581	-	-	-	15,953 18,581
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt			<u>-</u>	9,410	9,410
Total assets	\$149,998 ======	\$67,806 ======	\$194,327	\$9,410 =====	\$421,541 =======
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
Liabilities Accounts payable Due to other funds Accrued payroll and related benefits payable	\$ 9,362 67,051 248	\$ · . 92	\$ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$ · ·	\$ 9,362 67,143 248
Long·term debt: Accumulated unpaid vacation				9,410	9,410
Total liabilities	<u>76,661</u>	92	<u> </u>	9,410	<u>86,163</u>
Fund Equity Investment in fixed assets			194,327		194.327
Fund balances Unreserved - undesignated Reserved for prepaid expenditures Reserved for future expenditures Total fund balances	43,794 18,581 10,962 73,337	67,714 67,714	- - - -	- - -	111,508 18,581 10,962 141,051
Total fund equity	73.337	67,714	194,327		<u>335,378</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$149,998 ======	\$67,806 ======	\$194,327 ======	\$9,410 =====	\$421,541 =======

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (COMBINED STATEMENTS - OVERVIEW)

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Note 7 Operating Transfers In, Out

		<u>Funds transferring in:</u>		
		<u>III-B</u>	III C-2	<u>General</u>
	Funds transferring out: Miscellaneous Grant General Fund United Way Section 18 Act 735 Project Independence Senior Center Medicaid waiver	\$ 4,500 7,703 45,427 20,000 38,115 \$115,745	\$ - 1,279 9,843 11,779 - \$22,901	\$ - 1,866 - - - - \$1,866
			722,701 ======	~=====================================
		Funds III-D	transferr <u>III-F</u>	ing in: <u>Total</u>
	Funds transferring out: Miscellaneous Grant General Fund United Way Section 18 Act 735 Project Independence Senior Center Medicaid Waiver	\$ - - - 1,673 \$1,673	\$ - - - - \$ 770	\$ 4,500 2,049 17,546 47,293 11,779 20,000 38,115 1,673 \$142,955
Note 8	Interfund Receivables, Payables			
			erfund <u>ivables</u>	Interfund <u>Payables</u>
	General Fund Special Revenue Funds: Project Care Special Projects United Way FEMA		92 2,689 8,850 459 10	\$67,051 - - -