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**AFFILIATED BLIND OF
LOUISIANA TRAINING-CENTER, INC.
FINANCIAL REPORT
JUNE 30, 1998**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of
 Affiliated Blind of Louisiana
 Training Center, Inc.
 Lafayette, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of Affiliated Blind of Louisiana Training Center, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) as of June 30, 1998 and 1997 and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the 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 financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, based on our audit, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Affiliated Blind of Louisiana Training Center, Inc. as of June 30, 1998 and 1997, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated August 11, 1998, on our consideration of Affiliated Blind of Louisiana Training Center, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

Broussard, Poché, Lewis & Breaux, L.L.P.

Lafayette, Louisiana
 August 11, 1998

AFFILIATED BLOOD OF LOUISIANA TRACKING DESIGN, INC.

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
June 30, 1998 and 1997

ASSETS	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 497,840	\$ 757,885
Due from A&L, Inc.	2,240	1,818
Due from employees	280	-
Due from other agencies	188,843	381,438
Prepaid expenses	41,854	58,442
Deposits	<u>1,815</u>	<u>1,015</u>
Total current assets	\$1,129,852	\$1,580,598
FIXED ASSETS		
Property and equipment, net	\$4,302,688	\$4,884,718
Total assets	<u>\$5,432,540</u>	<u>\$6,465,316</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,837	\$ 24,833
Accrued liabilities	<u>27,358</u>	<u>28,798</u>
Total current liabilities	\$ 30,195	\$ 53,631
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	\$1,937,881	\$3,181,889
Temporarily restricted	<u>4,494,659</u>	<u>4,478,817</u>
Total net assets	\$6,432,540	\$7,660,706
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$1,062,735</u>	<u>\$1,924,337</u>

See NOTES to Financial Statements.

AFFILIATED BLIND OF LOUISIANA HOLDING CENTER, INC.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended June 30, 1998

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT			
Contributions	\$ 846,979	\$ -	\$ 846,979
Fee for services	848,397	-	848,397
Interest revenue	43,809	-	43,809
Grant revenue	-	87,949	87,949
Miscellaneous revenue	3,178	-	3,178
Net assets released from restrictions:			
satisfaction of program restrictions	87,949	(87,949)	-
Expiration of time restrictions	78,000	(78,000)	-
Total revenues, gains and other support	\$1,838,303	\$ 17,000	\$1,855,303
EXPENSES AND LOSSES			
Program expenses:			
housing and training	\$1,328,813	\$ -	\$1,328,813
Transfers to ABK, Inc.	38,813	-	38,813
Total expenses	\$1,367,626	\$ -	\$1,367,626
Change in net assets	\$ 470,677	\$ 17,000	\$ 487,677
Net assets at beginning of year	2,482,889	4,678,813	7,161,702
Net assets at end of year	\$2,953,566	\$4,695,813	\$7,649,379

See Notes to Financial Statements.

AFFILIATED BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL TRAINING CENTER, INC.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended June 30, 1997

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
REVENUES, GRANTS AND OTHER SUPPORT			
Contributions	\$ 207,344	\$ -	\$ 207,344
Fee for services	737,436	-	737,436
Interest revenue	28,345	-	28,345
Grant revenue	-	119,887	119,887
Miscellaneous revenue	8,288	-	8,288
Transfers from AMT, Inc.	113,877	-	113,877
Net assets released from restrictions:			
Satisfaction of program restrictions	(119,300)	(119,300)	-
Expiration of time restrictions	75,082	(75,082)	-
Total revenues, grants and other support	\$1,228,482	\$ 115,305	\$1,343,787
EXPENSES AND LOSSES			
Program expenses:			
Housing and training	\$1,328,222	\$ -	\$1,328,222
Change in net assets	\$ (10,740)	\$ (75,305)	\$ (86,045)
Net assets at beginning of year	1,128,482	4,712,285	5,840,767
Net assets at end of year	\$1,117,742	\$4,636,980	\$5,754,722

See notes to financial statements.

AFFILIATED BLIND OF MORTGAGE TRAINING CENTER, INC.

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Years Ended June 30, 1978 and 1977

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	\$ (150,170)	\$ (97,002)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	200,042	200,042
(Increase) decrease in due from AMI, Inc.	11,520	(1,033)
(Increase) decrease in due from employees	10,500	0
Increase in prepaid expenses	13,473	107,000
Increase in due from other agencies	13,000	110,000
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(21,810)	14,000
Increase (decrease) in accrued liabilities	10,000	10,000
Decrease in due to AMI, Inc.	-	(120,500)
	<u>\$ 148,375</u>	<u>\$ 72,210</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities		
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of equipment and building improvements	\$ (18,000)	\$ (21,000)
Net increase in cash	\$ 130,375	\$ 51,210
Cash at beginning of year	<u>707,000</u>	<u>655,790</u>
Cash at end of year	<u>\$ 837,375</u>	<u>\$ 707,000</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

AFFILIATED BLIND OF LOUISIANA TRAINING CENTER, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 3. Nature of Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of organization:

Affiliated Blind of Louisiana Training Center, Inc. was incorporated on September 18, 1961 to operate the Training Center which was previously operated by Affiliated Blind of Louisiana, Inc. The organization took over operation of the Training Center effective October 1, 1987. The mission of the Training Center is to teach skills required to maximize the independence and increase the employability of individuals who are blind, visually-impaired, or deaf-blind, thereby allowing for full integration into the community. For comparative purposes, all activity related to the Center for the current and prior year is included in this audit report.

The accompanying financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

The Organization is an exempt organization for Federal income tax purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Significant accounting policies:

Support and expenses:

All contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Amounts received that are restricted by the donor for specific purposes are reported as temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support that increases those net asset classes. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Expenses are recorded when incurred in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting.

Allowance for doubtful accounts:

The organization considers accounts receivable to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is required.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Property and equipment:

Purchased property and equipment are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition. Property and equipment purchased with grant funds are recorded as temporarily restricted contributions. In the absence of donor stipulations regarding how long the assets must be used, the Organization has adopted a policy of implying a time restriction that expires over the useful life of the assets. Depreciation is computed by the straight-line and declining balance methods at rates based on the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Furniture and equipment	3 - 10
Building and improvements	10 - 40

Compensated absences:

Employees of the Organization earn annual leave in varying amounts ranging from 4.0¹ hours per month to 8 hours per month, depending upon length of service. At the end of each year, employees may carry forward vacation time earned but not taken with the maximum allowable carryover of unused vacation time being equal to one year's accumulated vacation time. Subject to the above limitations, unused vacation is paid to an employee upon retirement or resignation at hourly rates being earned by that employee at separation. At June 30, 1998, accrued annual leave totaled \$8,982.

Sick leave is earned at the same rate as annual leave; however, sick leave is not paid to employees at termination. In accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Standards No. 43, "Accounting for Compensated Absences," no liability is recorded for unaccrued accumulating rights to receive sick pay benefits.

Donated services:

The Organization receives donated services from unpaid volunteers who assist in program services during the year; however, these donated services are not reflected in the statement of activity because the criteria for recognition under SFAS No. 118 have not been satisfied.

Cash and cash equivalents:

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Organization considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Use of estimates:

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

Note 2. Property and Equipment:

Property and equipment consisted of the following at June 30, 1998 and 1997:

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Land	\$ 220,000	\$ 220,000
Buildings and improvements	4,103,870	4,251,878
Furniture and equipment	1,083,883	1,079,108
Vehicles	<u>78,284</u>	<u>78,284</u>
	\$ 6,486,037	\$ 6,629,270
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(3,243,800)</u>	<u>(339,164)</u>
	<u>\$ 3,242,237</u>	<u>\$ 6,290,106</u>

Total depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 1998 and 1997 was \$28,442 and \$182,908, respectively.

Note 3. Due From Other Agencies

Due from other agencies consisted of the following at June 30, 1998 and 1997:

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Business Rehabilitation Services for the Blind:		
Fee for services	\$ 178,000	\$ 181,807
Project COPE grant	<u>8,042</u>	<u>38,788</u>
	<u>\$ 186,042</u>	<u>\$ 220,595</u>

Note 4. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets

Temporarily restricted net assets are available for the following purposes or periods as of June 30, 1998 and 1997:

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Depreciation of building constructed with Federal grant funds	\$ 2,975,000	\$ 2,850,000
Equipment	<u>2,028,817</u>	<u>1,826,817</u>
	<u>\$ 5,003,817</u>	<u>\$ 4,676,817</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The equipment included above was purchased with grant funds which required the equipment to be used for certain purposes for a certain number of years or it would revert to the grantor. This is the balance that is still subject to that restriction.

Note 3. Net Assets Released from Restrictions

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or the expiration of time as follows:

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Purpose restrictions accomplished:		
Project OHPB grant	\$ 97,849	\$ 217,272
Time restrictions expired:		
depreciation of building	<u>15,226</u>	<u>25,268</u>
total restrictions released	<u>\$ 113,075</u>	<u>\$ 242,540</u>

Note 4. Natural Classification of Expenses

Expenses incurred were for the following at June 30, 1998 and 1997:

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Salary	\$ 618,850	\$ 496,804
Payroll tax	58,765	56,824
Depreciation	289,442	382,548
Insurance	82,329	83,292
Legal and accounting	18,025	22,840
Office	12,128	1,840
Repairs and maintenance	18,821	28,848
Supplies	28,888	45,229
Telephone	13,599	17,893
Tuition	11,489	9,576
Journalism	3,354	2,794
Contract services	11,484	21,389
Fuel	2,425	2,425
Utilities	88,208	48,288
Client services	62,473	28,267
low vision - purchases/expenses	7,828	18,042
training	14,575	18,624
other	<u>22,624</u>	<u>27,242</u>
	<u>\$ 1,122,612</u>	<u>\$ 1,122,622</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 7. Affiliated Organizations

Affiliated Board of Louisiana Enterprises, Inc. is a nonprofit organization which manages two large operations and contributes 10% of its profits to Affiliated Board of Louisiana Training Center, Inc. The following direct monetary transactions were engaged in as of and for the years ended June 30, 1998 and 1997:

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Contributions from:		
Affiliated Board of Louisiana Enterprises, Inc.	<u>\$ 222,587</u>	<u>\$ 186,863</u>

There were no balances owed from or to affiliated organizations at June 30, 1998 and 1997.



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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT
OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

**TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
AFFILIATED BLIND OF LOUISIANA
Training Center, Inc.
Lafayette, Louisiana**

We have audited the financial statements of Affiliated Blind of Louisiana Training Center, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) as of and for the year ended June 30, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated August 11, 1998. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

COMPLIANCE

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the organization's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts. Incompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with these 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 that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the organization's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is

a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in accounts that would be material in relation to the 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. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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

Raymond Paul Louis Brown, C.S.

Lafayette, Louisiana
August 21, 1998