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SCOTT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
Scott, Louisiana

Financial Statement

Years Ended December 31, 1997 and 1998

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To the Board of Directors
South Vietnamese Fire Department
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of the South Vietnamese Fire Department, a nonprofit organization, as of December 31, 1997 and 1998, 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 audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of the South Vietnamese Fire Department as of December 31, 1997 and 1998, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 1998 the organization changed its method of accounting for contributions and its method of financial reporting and financial statement presentation.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated May 14, 1998 on our consideration of the South Vietnamese Fire Department's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws and regulations.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying information listed as "supplemental information" is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Keller, Champagne, Stone & Rainey, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Lafayette, Louisiana
May 14, 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BOYF VOLUNTEERS FIRE DEPARTMENT
Bossier, Louisiana

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
December 31, 1997 and 1998

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 1,382	\$ 18,463
Interest-bearing deposits	55,666	55,348
Accounts receivable	-	3,021
Total current assets	<u>57,048</u>	<u>66,832</u>
Property, plant, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$54,148 and \$48,297	<u>860,813</u>	<u>868,621</u>
Total assets	917,861	935,453
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 8,836	\$ 1,418
Current maturities of long-term debt	63,488	64,288
Interest payable	<u>3,021</u>	<u>702</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>75,345</u>	<u>66,408</u>
Long-term debt	<u>313,382</u>	<u>305,588</u>
Total liabilities	388,727	371,996
Net assets:		
Unrestricted -		
Operating	48,995	63,588
Net investment in fixed assets	<u>388,852</u>	<u>387,333</u>
Total net assets	<u>437,847</u>	<u>450,921</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	826,574	822,917

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SCOTT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
Scott, Louisiana

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
Years Ended December 31, 1991 and 1990

	<u>1991</u>	<u>1990</u>
Public support:		
Contributions -		
City of Scott	\$ 18,875	\$ 77,843
State of Louisiana - Fire insurance tax	27,388	28,843
Miscellaneous Donations	<u>28,828</u>	<u>21,188</u>
Total public support	<u>125,888</u>	<u>127,713</u>
Revenues:		
Contract service fees	25,800	22,023
Bank income	4,200	4,288
Interest income	1,879	3,381
Miscellaneous	<u>508</u>	<u>523</u>
Total revenue	<u>31,182</u>	<u>29,993</u>
Total public support and revenue	<u>157,070</u>	<u>157,706</u>
Expenses:		
Program services -		
Fire-fighting	127,045	128,223
Support services -		
General and administrative	7,348	5,460
Fundraising	<u>5,182</u>	<u>5,324</u>
Total expenses	<u>139,575</u>	<u>139,007</u>
Increase (Decrease) in unrestricted net assets	17,495	17,699
Net assets, unrestricted, beginning of year	<u>328,828</u>	<u>126,615</u>
Net assets, unrestricted, end of year	<u>346,323</u>	<u>144,314</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SCOTT VOLUNTARY FIRE DEPARTMENT
Scott, Louisiana

Statements of Cash Flows
Years ended December 31, 1997 and 1996

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 7,779	\$ (749)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities -		
Depreciation	65,871	61,899
Changes in current assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in accounts receivable	2,829	878
Decrease in prepaid expenses	-	5,000
Increase in accounts payable	8,486	382
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable	<u>2,388</u>	<u>(645)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>80,383</u>	<u>68,733</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Purchase of equipment, furniture and building improvements	(278,800)	(105,837)
Proceeds from note payable	242,000	-
Principal paid on note payable	<u>(59,338)</u>	<u>(152,388)</u>
Net cash used by capital and related financing activities	<u>(96,138)</u>	<u>(158,225)</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	17,245	8,480
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	<u>58,732</u>	<u>50,254</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 56,487	\$ 41,764
<u>Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:</u>		
Interest paid	\$ 5,428	\$ 8,488

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SCOTT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
BOHIA, Louisiana

Notes to Financial Statements

11) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

The Scott Volunteer Fire Department (Organization) is a non-profit corporation formed under the laws of the State of Louisiana for the purpose of inspecting, preventing, and extinguishing all types of destructive fires within or near the City of Scott, Louisiana; supervising, directing and controlling the proper care and use of all types of inflammable or combustible material found within the City; acquiring and holding property for purposes of the organization, and other related purposes.

A. Basis of Accounting

The Organization utilizes the accrual basis of accounting. Using this method, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

B. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciable assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the individual assets as follows:

Buildings	18 - 31-1/2 years
Building improvements	18 - 31-1/2 years
Equipment, furniture and fixtures	8 years
Fire engines	18 years

C. Income Taxes

The Organization qualifies as a tax exempt organization under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code and therefore, has no provision for federal income taxes.

D. Donated Services

A substantial number of volunteers have donated time to the organization's program and supporting services. No amounts have been included in the financial statements for donated services since no objective basis is available to measure the value of such services.

SOFT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
MORIS, LOUISIANA

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

8. Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Organization considers all instruments with maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

10) Changes in Accounting Principles and Reporting Entity

The Organization adopted provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 114, Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made and No. 117, Financial Statements of Not-for-profit Organizations as of December 31, 1996. Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115 requires the Organization to distinguish between contributions that increase permanently restricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and unrestricted net assets. Statement No. 117 establishes standards for external financial statements of not-for-profit organizations and requires a statement of financial position, a statement of activities and a statement of cash flows.

11) Property, Plant and Equipment

The following is a summary of property, plant and equipment at December 31, 1997 and 1998:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>
Land	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000
Building	133,993	133,993
Building Improvements	88,428	84,428
Equipment	179,467	121,180
Furniture and fixtures	13,338	13,338
Fire engines	738,135	494,887
Truck	<u>4,788</u>	<u>4,708</u>
total property, plant and equipment	1,167,939	870,334
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(848,188)</u>	<u>(682,127)</u>
net property, plant and equipment	\$ 319,751	\$ 188,207

SCOTT VOLUNTARY FIRE DEPARTMENT
 South, Louisiana

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(4) Long-Term Debt

Following is a summary of long-term debt at December 31, 1997 and 1998:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>
Notes payable to First National Bank, dated November 09, 1997, in the amount of \$142,150. Due in annual principal payments of \$10,000 through November 10, 2000, interest at 8 percent and secured by a fire engine.	\$142,150	\$ -
Notes payable to First National Bank, dated April 9, 1994, in the amount of \$178,000, due in annual principal payments of \$43,750 through October 5, 1997, interest at 8 percent and secured by a fire engine.	-	43,750
Notes payable to First National Bank, dated June 21, 1998, in the amount of \$95,000. Due in weekly installments of \$1,147 through June 21, 2000, interest at 8 percent and secured by a fire engine.	<u>95,000</u>	<u>11,028</u>
	270,797	54,778
Less: Current maturities included in current liabilities	<u>61,608</u>	<u>56,380</u>
	<u>\$211,207</u>	<u>\$ 28,400</u>
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Following are maturities of long-term debt for each of the next five years:

	<u>Amount</u>
1998	\$ 61,608
1999	62,078
2000	64,673
2001	80,000
2002	<u>62,150</u>
	\$270,797

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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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**

**Scott Volunteer Fire Department
Beech, Louisiana**

We have audited the financial statements of the Scott Volunteer Fire Department for the year ended December 31, 1997, and have issued our reports thereon dated May 18, 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 Scott Volunteer Fire Department's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance 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 Scott Volunteer Fire Department'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. However, we noted a certain matter involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be a reportable condition. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Scott Volunteer Fire Department's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

Inadequate Segregation of Accounting Functions

Finding:

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

Recommendation:

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

Response:

No response is considered necessary.

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 amounts 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. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. We believe the reportable condition described above is a material weakness.

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

Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Rainey, L.L.C.
Certified Public Accountants

Lafayette, Louisiana
May 14, 1998

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

SCOTT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
Scott, Louisiana

Statement of Functional Expenses
Years Ended December 31, 1997 and 1998

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>
Program service expenses:		
Fire-fighting -		
Communications	\$ 3,384	\$ 5,828
Dues and subscriptions	431	480
Utilities and telephone	2,498	2,888
Insurance	22,348	28,328
Outside services	747	888
Repairs and maintenance - building	3,428	2,277
Repairs and maintenance - equipment	18,073	28,880
Supplies	3,281	2,226
Track fuel	4,328	3,848
Uniforms	12,848	13,814
Education and training	488	800
Medical expenses	-	-
Interest expense	7,003	8,844
Depreciation	<u>68,871</u>	<u>85,882</u>
Total program service expenses	\$127,088	\$180,322
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Support service expenses:		
General and administrative -		
Professional fees	\$ 3,588	\$ 2,848
Rent	1,128	1,281
Miscellaneous	744	888
Office supplies	864	80
Postage expense	178	288
Travel and entertainment	<u>3,528</u>	<u>883</u>
Total general and administrative	7,928	5,488
Fund raising	<u>8,162</u>	<u>8,324</u>
Total support service expenses	\$ 16,090	\$ 13,812
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SCOTT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
SCOTT, Louisiana

Prior Year Audit Findings
December 31, 1997

During our audit of the December 31, 1998 general purpose financial statements, one internal control finding was noted. The following indicates the December 31, 1998 finding and the status as of December 31, 1999.

<u>Findings</u>	<u>Status as December 31, 1999</u>
Internal control: Due to the small number of employees, the commission did not have adequate segregation of functions within the accounting system.	The commission may not be financially able to resolve this problem without hiring of additional personnel. This finding is again mentioned in our December 31, 1999 report.