# FINANCIAL REPORT

JUNE 30, 2004

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Progressive Education Program, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of Progressive Education Program, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) as of June 30, 2004 and 2003, 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 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. Those 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 the 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, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Progressive Education Program, Inc. as of June 30, 2004 and 2003, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated October 18, 2004, on our consideration of Progressive Education Program, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Broussard, Poche Lewis & Breaux LLP

October 18, 2004

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# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION June 30, 2004 and 2003

	_2004	2003
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash - unrestricted	\$ 64,027	\$ 25,873
Grants receivable	49,037	19,903
Investments	6,306	5,926
Other receivables	123	80
Total current assets	<u>\$ 119,493</u>	\$ 51,782
Equipment and software:		
Furnitures and fixtures, at cost	\$ 76,805	\$ 75,699
Computer software, at cost	57,013	43,513
Total	\$ 133,818	\$ 119,212
Accumulated depreciation	(90,885)	(97,322)
Total equipment and software	\$ 42,933	<u>\$ 21,890</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 162,426</u>	\$ 73,672
Liabilities and net assets		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 860	\$ 692
Payroll taxes payable	1,933	1,551
Salaries Payable	29,520	
Total liabilities	\$ 32,313	<u>\$ 2,243</u>
Net assets:		
Unrestricted	\$ 102,854	\$ 68,509
Permanently restricted	27,259	2,920
Total net assets	<u>\$ 130,113</u>	<u>\$ 71,429</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$162,426</u>	<u>\$73.672</u>

See Notes to the Financial Statements.

# STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES For the Years Ended June 30, 2004 and 2003

		2004		2003
Changes in unrestricted net assets:				
Revenue:				
Grant income - governmental	\$	310,876	\$	215,116
Other income and donations		38,049		38,409
Total revenue	<u>\$</u>	348,925	<u>\$</u>	253,525
Expenses:				
General and administrative expenses	\$	27,501	\$	33,180
Adult education - basic literacy		39,258		39,975
STEP		9,935		-
TANF- basic literacy		42,232		-
GED - find work		53,818		62,617
Vocational education - find work		113,336		112,418
Total expenses	\$	286,080	<u>\$</u>	248,190
Increase in unrestricted net assets	\$	62,845	\$	5,335
Changes in permanently restricted net assets:				
Depreciation Expense		4,161		2,056
Increase in net assets	\$	58,684	\$	3,279
Net assets at the beginning of the year		71,429		68,150
Net assets at the end of the year	<u>\$</u>	130,113	<u>\$</u>	71,429

See Notes to the Financial Statements.

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Years Ended June 30, 2004 and 2003

		2004 2003		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Change in net assets	<u>\$</u>	58,684	<u>\$</u>	3,279
Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to net cash				
provided by (used by) operating activities:				
Depreciation expense	\$	10,557	\$	8,276
(Increase) in grants receivable		(29,134)		(902)
(Increase) in other receivables		(43)		(70)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		168		(217)
Increase in salaries payable		29,520		-
Increase (decrease) in payroll taxes payable		382		(1,652)
Total adjustments	<u>\$</u>	11,450	<u>\$</u>	5,435
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$</u>	70,134	\$	8,714
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Payments for the purchase of fixed assets	\$	(31,600)	\$	(2,466)
Purchase of investments	<u> </u>	(380)		(366)
Net cash used by investing activities	<u>\$</u>	(31,980)	<u>\$</u>	(2,832)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Principal payments on lease payable	<u>\$</u>		\$	(2,054)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	\$	38,154	\$	3,828
Cash at the beginning of the year		25,873		22,045
Cash at the end of the year	\$	64,027	<u>\$</u>	25,873
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES				
Interest paid	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	122

See Notes to the Financial Statements.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Note 1. Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies

### Nature of Activities:

Progressive Education Program, Inc. is a non-profit corporation organized solely and exclusively for educational purposes and to provide educational opportunities for the southern Louisiana region.

The Organization's main source of revenue is received under various agreements with the State of Louisiana Department of Social Services, Office of Family Support. These grant programs include the Find Work GED, Find Work – Vocational Education, Adult Education – Basic Literacy programs, STEP program, and the TANF Adult Literacy Collaborative Partnership program of which a portion of the funding is derived from federal sources with the remaining funding being provided by the state. The Organization also receives other revenues from various other local charitable organizations as well as individual donations.

#### Financial Statement Presentation:

The Organization has adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations. Under SFAS No. 117, the Organization is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. As permitted by the statement, the Organization does not use fund accounting.

#### Contributions:

The Organization has also adopted SFAS No. 116, Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made. Contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support depending on the existence or nature of any donor restrictions.

#### Contributed Services:

During the year, the Organization has a number of unpaid volunteers that have made significant contributions of their time. The value of this contributed time is not reflected in the financial statements presented since it is not susceptible to objective measurement or valuation.

#### 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.

#### Property and Equipment:

Purchased property and equipment are capitalized at cost. Donations of property and equipment are recorded as contributions at their estimated fair value. Such donations are reported as unrestricted contributions unless the donor has restricted the donated asset to a specific purpose. Property and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets currently ranging from 5 to 7 years. Depreciation expense amounted to \$10,557 and \$8,276 for the years ending June 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. All idle assets are written off when they are classified as idle and have no further use to the Organization.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Income Taxes:

The Organization is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and classified by the Internal Revenue Service as other than a private foundation.

#### Investments:

The Organization has adopted SFAS No. 124, Accounting for Certain Investments Held by Not-for-Profit Organizations. Under SFAS No. 124, investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are reported at their fair values in the statement of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assets. Investment income and gains restricted by a donor are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets if the restrictions are met (either by passage of time or by use) in the reporting period in which the income and gains are recognized.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents:

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Organization considers all highly liquid investments available for current use with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### **Revenue Recognition:**

The Organization records grant income as unrestricted income in the period in which the expenditure for the applicable grant program is incurred.

#### Note 2. Grants Receivable

Amounts recorded as Grant Receivables include amounts due from the State of Louisiana, the Department of Education, and the Department of Social Services, Office of Family Support. Total amount due to the Organization by program are as follows:

		<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
STEP Program	\$	24,231	\$ -
TANF Program		14,646	-
Find Work-Voc Education		7,244	10,478
Find Work-GED		-	5,957
Adult Education- Adult Literacy		2,916	 3,468
	-		 
	\$	49,037	\$ 19,903

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Note 3. Restrictions on Net Assets

Permanently restricted net assets consist solely of assets acquired with government grant proceeds less the depreciation recognized to date on those assets.

#### Note 4. Investments

As of June 30, 2004, the Organization held \$6,306 in the Institutional Investors Income Fund. This fund was established in 1972 exclusively for religious, charitable, and educational organizations exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States. Investments of the fund consist of only socially responsible investments, such as government agency securities whose mission is to serve the low-income housing markets of America and certificates of deposits in banks that have community reinvestment programs. Total interest income generated by this investment amounted to \$380 for the year ending June 30, 2004. These funds are readily available money market funds and therefore the balance is the fair market value. These amounts are not included as cash equivalents for cash flow purposes.

#### Note 5. Leases

In May 2002, the Organization purchased a copier by way of a capital lease agreement. Total costs associated with the purchase amounted to \$4,439 for which a \$2,000 down payment was made with the remaining amount of \$2,439 being financed through a capital lease agreement. For the year ending June 30, 2003 ten payments were made on the lease amounting to \$2,176 including principal and interest of \$122. This lease obligation was fully satisfied for the year ended June 30, 2003.

The Organization currently has an operating lease contract to rent office space beginning January 1, 2003 and ending December 31, 2006. Total rental expense incurred for the year ending June 30, 2004, under the terms of this lease amounted to \$24,000. Future minimum lease payments for the duration of this contract are as follows:

2005	\$ 24,000
2006	24,000
2007	12,000
	<u>\$ 60,000</u>

#### Note 6. Federal Financial Assistance

The Organization has been awarded several grant contracts through the State of Louisiana, Department of Education and the Department of Social Services, Office of Family Support. These programs are made up of federal and state funds. Total federal funds expended under these programs amounted to the following:

Adult Education – Basic Literacy	<u>\$ 39,957</u>
TANF-Basic Literacy	<u>\$ 42,232</u>
STEP	<u>\$_24.935</u>
Find Work - Vocational Education	<u>\$ 13,336</u>
Find Work – GED	<u>\$ 53,818</u>

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## Note 7. Board Compensation

For the year ending June 30, 2004, the board members did not receive any compensation.

### Note 8. Concentration Risks

The Organization is subject to risks resulting from certain geographic and revenue concentrations. The area served is the southern portion of the State of Louisiana. Substantially all of the income received by the Organization is derived from state and federally funded grants, which support the educational programs currently administered by the Organization.



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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 <u>GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS</u>

To the Board of Directors of Progressive Education Program, Inc.

We have audited the financial statements of Progressive Education Program, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated October 6, 2004. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### **Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Progressive Education Program, Inc.'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 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 that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

#### Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Progressive Education Program, Inc.'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 certain matters involving internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting the internal control over financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2004-1 and 2004-2.

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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 disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the reportable conditions described above, we consider both items 2004-1 and 2004-2 to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the board of directors, management, the Legislative Auditor and others within the Organization, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Broussard, Pode Lewis & Breaux LLP

Crowley, Louisiana October 18, 2004

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

We have audited the financial statements of Progressive Education Program, Inc. as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated October 18, 2004. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our audit of the financial statements as of June 30, 2004, resulted in an unqualified opinion.

#### Section I: Summary of Auditor's Report

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A. Report on Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements.

Internal Control
Material Weaknesses 🛛 Yes 🗌 No Reportable Conditions 🖾 Yes 🗌 No
Compliance
Compliance Material to the Financial Statements 🔲 Yes 🛛 No
Federal Awards
Internal Control – Not Applicable
Type of Opinion on Compliance For Major Programs - Not applicable
Findings required to be reported in accordance with Circular A-133 - Not applicable
Identification of Major Programs – Not applicable
Dollar Threshold used to distinguish Type A and Type B programs – Not applicable
Auditee considered a 'low-risk' auditee as defined by OMB Circular A-133 – Not applicable

# Section II: Financial Statement Findings

2004-1 – Internal Control: Cash Disbursements

- Finding and effect: We found two checks written to cash that were subsequently deposited back into the checking account as a donation. There was no effect on the financial statements due to the fact that the checks were re-deposited. We also were unable to account for the sequential order of checks due to the fact that voided checks were not defaced and retained as proof. Both instances resulted in poor internal controls over cash disbursements.
- Cause: This is due to the fact that checks are permitted to be written out to cash and there are no procedures for accounting for voided checks.

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED) For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

Recommendation and response: We recommend, and management agrees, that checks will not be written out to cash and all voided checks will be properly defaced and retained as proof.

2004-2 - Internal Control: Support for allocation of salaries

Finding and effect: The Organization failed to provide supporting documentation for time spent on duties performed for each program. The allocation of salaries could not be accurately verified.

Cause: Time studies were not conducted and documented as support for salary allocations to each program.

Recommendation and response: We recommend, and management agrees, that any salaries allocated will be supported by documentation of each individual's time spent on each program.

# Section III: Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Not applicable.

# SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

#### Section I: Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

There are no matters relating to reportable conditions, material weaknesses, or instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, related to internal control and compliance material to the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2003.

# Section II: Financial Statement Findings

2003-1 - Compliance: Report Filing

- Finding and effect: The financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, was not filed with the Legislative Auditor's office within six months after the close of the fiscal year as required by law.
- Cause: The financial report was completed timely, however due to an oversight, management failed to mail the report to the Legislative Auditor in a timely manner.
- Recommendation and response: We recommend, and management agrees, that every effort will be made to assure that the report is issued and proper notification to the Legislative Auditor is made in a timely manner.

Current Status: This matter has been resolved.

#### Section III: Federal Award Findings

There are no matters relating to reportable conditions, material weaknesses, or instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, related to federal awards for the year ended June 30, 2003.

# MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN Year Ended June 30, 2004

#### Section I: Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

2004-1 - Internal Control: Cash Disbursements

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- Cause: This is due to the fact that checks are permitted to be written out to cash and there are no procedures for accounting for voided checks.
- Response: We agree that checks will not be written out to cash and all voided checks will be properly defaced and retained as proof.
- 2004-2 -- Internal Control: Support for allocation of salaries
- Finding and effect: The Organization failed to provide supporting documentation for time spent on duties performed for each program. The allocation of salaries could not be accurately verified.
- Cause: Time studies were not conducted and documented as support for salary allocations to each program
- Response: We agree that all salaries allocated will be supported by documentation of each individual's time spent on each program.

## Section II: Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

Not applicable.

#### Section III: Management Letter

Not applicable.