Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana

Financial Statements With Auditors' Report

As of and for the Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.

Hammond, Louisiana

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of LaPosada Apartments, RHS Project, a project owned by Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc., which statements reflects total assets at December 31, 2023 and 2022 of \$1,286,666 and \$1,323,239, respectively, and the total support and revenues for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 of \$312,572 and \$296,021, respectively. Those statements were audited by other auditors, whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for LaPosada Apartments, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, well

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

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying supplemental information shown on pages 21 is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements of Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, shown on pages 22 – 24, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administration Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 26, 2024, on our consideration of the Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Cook & Morehart

Certified Public Accountants

June 26, 2024

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Statements of Financial Position December 31, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022		
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash	\$ 628,168	\$ 716,728		
Grant receivables	1,181,242	997,226		
Other receivables	513	551		
Prepaid expenses	34,657	32,976		
Total current assets	1,844,580	1,747,481		
Restricted deposits and funded reserves	229,153	221,103		
Property and equipment, net	2,584,053	2,852,500		
Operating lease right-of-use asset, net	69,759	75,488		
Net property and equipment	2,653,812	2,927,988		
Total Assets	\$ 4,727,545	\$ 4,896,572		
Liabilities and Net Assets				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 634,175	\$ 612,809		
Accrued liabilities	153,588	143,419		
Current portion of long-term debt	39,496	39,103		
Current portion of operating lease liabilities	30,126	37,782		
Refundable advances	62,678	41,396		
Total current liabilities	920,063	874,509		
Deposits and prepayment liabilities:				
Tenant's security deposits	5,850	5,850		
Non-current portion of operating lease liabilities	39,633	38,374		
Long-term debt	410,151	449,648		
Total Long term debt	449,784	488,022		
Total liabilities	1,375,697	1,368,381		
Net assets:				
With donor restrictions	112,911	121,870		
Without donor restrictions	3,238,937	3,406,321		
Total net assets	3,351,848	3,528,191		
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 4,727,545	\$ 4,896,572		

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

		Without Donor Restrictions		With r Restrictions	Totals	
Revenues and Other Support;			-			
Contractual revenue - grants	\$	17,398,172	\$	63,791	\$	17,461,963
Rents		44,746				44,746
Rental assistance subsidy		297,017				297,017
Fees earned		22,295				22,295
Contributions of financial assets		100				100
Miscellaneous revenues		65,053		15,000		80,053
Net assets released from restrictions:						
Satisfaction of restrictions		87,750		(87,750)	_	
Total revenues and other support		17,915,133		(8,959)	_	17,906,174
Program expenses:						
Low-income home energy assistance		7,303,782				7,303,782
Low-income water assistance		1,178,117				1,178,117
Weatherization assistance		4,081,115				4,081,115
Head start program		1,502,380				1,502,380
Child care food program		162,112				162,112
Community services		996,512				996,512
Foster grandparents program		533,484				533,484
Rental housing project		208,850				208,850
Americorps		39,731				39,731
Youth Build		523,006				523,006
General services		203,430				203,430
Total program expenses		16,732,519			2	16,732,519
General and Administrative expenses	_	1,349,998			_	1,349,998
Total expenses		18,082,517			; <u>-</u>	18,082,517
Changes in net assets		(167,384)		(8,959)		(176,343)
Net assets, beginning of year	-	3,406,321		121,870	-	3,528,191
Net assets, end of year	\$	3,238,937	\$	112,911	\$	3,351,848

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

		Without Donor Restrictions		With or Restrictions	Totals	
Revenues and Other Support:					_	
Contractual revenue - grants	\$	16,667,502	\$	55,144	\$	16,722,646
Rents		49,959				49,959
Rental assistance subsidy		274,459				274,459
Fees earned		7,820				7,820
Contributions of financial assets		84,357				84,357
Miscellaneous revenues		97,148		80,000		177,148
Net assets released from restrictions:						
Satisfaction of restrictions	-	235,617	-	(235,617)		
Total revenues and other support	-	17,416,862	-	(100,473)		17,316,389
Program expenses:						
Low-income home energy assistance		7,308,313				7,308,313
Low-income water assistance		459,793				459,793
Weatherization assistance		3,866,494				3,866,494
Head start program		1,439,206				1,439,206
Child care food program		183,757				183,757
Community services		1,173,552				1,173,552
Foster grandparents program		487,525				487,525
Rental housing project		238,770				238,770
VA Grant & Per Diem		332,379				332,379
Americorps		32,813				32,813
Youth Build		427,907				427,907
General services		179,094				179,094
Total program expenses	-	16,129,603				16,129,603
General and Administrative expenses		1,471,051	_		_	1,471,051
Total expenses	3	17,600,654	-		_	17,600,654
Increase in net assets from operations		(183,792)		(100,473)		(284,265)
Non-operating activities						
Gain on disposition of assets	-	61,935				61,935
Changes in net assets		(121,857)		(100,473)		(222,330)
Net assets, beginning of year		3,528,178		222,343		3,750,521
Net assets, end of year	\$	3,406,321	\$	121,870	\$	3,528,191

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Program Services						
	Low-Incom Home Energy Assistance	Low-Income Water	Weatherization Assistance	Head Start Program	Child Care Food Program	Community Services	Foster Grandparents Program
Salaries	\$ 149,05	9 \$ 12,159	\$ 685,842	\$ 888,933	\$ 31,883	\$ 330,229	\$ 97,400
Fringe benefits	30,42	7 1,608	138,788	165,484	4,971	68,601	20,634
Travel	9,03	7	7,964	61,546		3,352	
Space costs	4,38	108		91,116		131,933	
Telephone	5,55	7 21		16,133		28,564	
Administrative							
Operating and maintenance	1	1 24			5,140		
Insurance	2,81	251	9,348	53,947		190,225	
Equipment expenses		34				15,030	
Supplies	14,15	3	3,224,265	102,444	15,501	18,796	15,550
Professional services							
and contract labor			2,500				
Food and related supplies				27,614	104,617		
Miscellaneous			2,937	16,717		97	
Vehicle expenses							
Volunteer expenses							399,900
Client assistance payments	7,088,33	1,163,912				209,685	
Interest expense							
Depreciation/amortization							
expense			9,471	78,446			
Total Expenses	\$ 7,303,782	\$1,178,117	\$ 4,081,115	\$1,502,380	\$ 162,112	\$ 996,512	\$ 533,484

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2023 (Continued)

Program Services

	Rental Housing Project	Americorps	Youth Build	General Services	Total Program	General and Administrative	Total 2023
Salaries	\$	\$ 29,337	\$ 229,203	\$	\$ 2,454,045	\$ 802,483	\$ 3,256,528
Fringe benefits		5,031	41,434		476,978	147,628	624,606
Travei		1,805	5,625		89,329	14,167	103,496
Space costs	43,808		12,074		283,420	23,927	307,347
Telephone			27		50,302	8,809	59,111
Administrative						103,104	103,104
Operating and maintenance	58,591				63,769	13,518	77,287
Insurance	50,304		67,395		374,289	23,984	398,273
Equipment expenses					15,064	3,740	18,804
Supplies		1,273	26,190		3,418,177	92,968	3,511,145
Professional services							
and contract labor					2,500	62,662	65,162
Food and related supplies					132,231	4,798	137,029
Miscellaneous		2,285		1,708	23,744	31,678	55,422
Vehicle expenses			8,525		8,525	13,961	22,486
Volunteer expenses					399,900		399,900
Client assistance payments			129,379	77,308	8,668,614		8,668,614
Interest expense	4,676				4,676	1,080	5,756
Depreciation/amortization							
expense	51,471	No.	3,154	124,414	266,956	1,491	268,447
Total Expenses	\$ 208,850	\$ 39,731	\$ 523,006	\$203,430	\$ 16,732,519	\$ 1,349,998	\$18,082,517

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

		Program Services					
	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance	Low-Income Water Assistance	Weatherization Assistance	Head Start Program	Child Care Food Program	Community Services	Foster Grandparents Program
Salaries	\$ 173,912	\$ 40,290	\$ 593,039	\$ 850,231	\$ 30,566	\$ 381,298	\$ 95,600
Fringe benefits	34,747	4,436	123,982	154,831	5,157	73,790	21,013
Travel	7,496		26,561	44,899		2,965	
Space costs	4,831	246		110,863		143,648	
Telephone	7,593	55		15,699		23,337	
Administrative	375						
Operating and maintenance		712		56,698	1,234	3	
Insurance	1,352	434	10,628	61,702		121,878	
Equipment expenses						7	•
Supplies	7,979		3,102,813	39,043	34,716	22,798	22,211
Professional services and contract labor						12,608	
Food and related supplies				16,111	112,084		
Miscellaneous				13,169		17,679	
Vehicle expenses							
Volunteer expenses							348,701
Client assistance payments	7,068,537	413,620				373,541	
Interest expense							
Depreciation/amortization							
expense	1,491		9,471	75,960			
Total Expenses	\$ 7,308,313	\$ 459,793	\$ 3,866,494	\$1,439,206	\$ 183,757	\$ 1,173,552	\$ 487,525

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2022 (Continued)

Program Services

	Rental Housing Project	VA Grant & Per Diem	Americorps	Youth Build	General Services	Total Program	General and Administrative	Total 2022
Salaries	\$	\$ 145,418	\$ 26,756	\$ 231,077	\$	\$ 2,568,187	\$ 826,768	\$ 3,394,955
Fringe benefits		26,818	3,847	43,222		491,843	150,998	642,841
Travel		2,397		682		85,000	11,886	96,886
Space costs	40,015			11,823		311,426	18,815	330,241
Telephone		8,339		1,556		56,579	9,234	65,813
Administrative						375	96,158	96,533
Operating and maintenance	108,684	11,808				179,139	160,153	339,292
Insurance	33,579	23,016		50,203		302,792	8,864	311,656
Equipment expenses		23,367	830			24,204	5,896	30,100
Supplies		1,442		16,835		3,247,837	95,949	3,343,786
Professional services								
and contract labor		1,856		1,392		15,856	41,418	57,274
Food and related supplies		30,482				158,677	5,408	164,085
Miscellaneous		1,779	1,380		20,863	54,870	12,296	67,166
Vehicle expenses		1,062		7,635		8,697	26,558	35,255
Volunteer expenses						348,701		348,701
Client assistance payments				60,328	74,519	7,990,545		7,990,545
Interest expense	5,021	4,044				9,065	393	9,458
Depreciation/amortization								
expense	51,471	50,551		3,154	83,712	275,810	257	276,067
Total Expenses	\$ 238,770	\$ 332,379	\$ 32,813	\$ 427,907	\$ 179,094	\$ 16,129,603	\$ 1,471,051	\$ 17,600,654

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

Operating Activities		2023		2022
Change in net assets	\$	(176,343)	\$	(222,330)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to	•	()	•	(,)
net cash provided (used) by operating activities:				
Depreciation		268,447		237,785
Amortization of lease liability		37,782		37,838
Gain on sale of assets				57,292
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:				
Grant receivables		(184,016)		(341,280)
Other receivables		38		425
Prepaid expense		(1,681)		(16,249)
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:		, ,		, , ,
Accounts payable		21,366		324,883
Accrued liabilities		10,169		(1,767)
Refundable advances		21,282		7,458
Operating lease assets and liabilities		(38,450)		(37,170)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		(41,406)		46,885
Investing Activities				
Payments for property and equipment			//	(30,500)
Net cash (used) in investing activities				(30,500)
Financing Activities				
Repayments of long-term debt		(39,104)		(439,850)
Net cash (used) in financing activities		(39,104)	6 E	(439,850)
Net (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash		(80,510)		(423,465)
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash as of beginning of year		937,831		1,361,296
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash of end of year	\$	857,321	\$	937,831
Reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	628,168	\$	716,728
Restricted cash		229,153	,	221,103
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of year	\$	857,321	\$	937,831
Supplemental disclosures:				
Cash paid for interest	\$	4,676	\$	9,065

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Nature of Activities

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. (QACAA) is a private nonprofit corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Louisiana. QACAA is governed by a Board of Directors from the different parishes that QACAA serves. QACAA operates as a community action agency administering various federal and state funded programs designed to provide assistance to the poor and disadvantaged in the following parishes of Louisiana: Ascension, East Feliciana, West Feliciana, Livingston, St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Washington, Assumption, St. James, St. Charles, Iberville, West Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge, St. John, St. Tammany, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, Jefferson, and Orleans. The following programs, with their approximate percentage of total revenues indicated, are administered by QACAA:

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (42%) – Operates a program designed to assist low income households in offsetting the burden of high energy costs. Funding is provided by federal funds passed through the Louisiana Housing Corporation.

Low-Income Water Assistance (6%) – Operates a program designed to assist low income households in offsetting the burden of high water costs. Funding is provided by federal funds passed through the Louisiana Housing Corporation.

Community Services Block Grant (7%) – Administers programs designed to provide services and activities that will have a measurable impact on causes of poverty in the community. Funding is provided by federal funds passed through the Louisiana Workforce Commission.

Weatherization Assistance (24%) – Weatherizes (insulates) the dwellings of low-income persons particularly the elderly and handicapped low-income persons, in order to aid those persons least able to afford higher energy costs and to conserve needed energy. Funding is provided by federal funds passed through the Louisiana Housing Corporation.

Head Start Program (9%) – Provides comprehensive early child development for disadvantaged and handicapped preschool children and their families. Funding is provided by federal funds from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Child Nutrition (1%) – Operates a Child and Adult Care Food Program in coordination with the Head Start Program. Funding is provided by federal funds passed through the Louisiana Department of Education.

Foster Grandparents Program (3%) – Sets up projects which provide one-on-one help to children with special needs or exceptional needs in health, education, welfare and related settings. Foster grandparents must be low-income persons at least 60 years of age. Funding is provided by federal funds from the U.S. Agency the Corporation for National Service.

Rental Housing Projects (2%) – La Posada Apartments is a forty-unit apartment project located in Independence, Louisiana, that is owned and operated by QACCA. The project was placed in service during August, 2002, for the purpose of operating a rental housing project. Permanent financing is being provided by the Rural Housing Service (RHS), and the project is regulated by RHS as to rent charges and operating methods.

Americorps (1%) – To assist individuals currently unemployed to gain work experience and valuable skills, and nonprofit organizations and communities negatively affected by the economic crisis will gain critical human resources. Funding is provided by federal funds through Youth Build USA.

Youth Build (3%) – To target disadvantaged youth to engage them in academic and occupational challenges, qualifying them to work on affordable or free housing intended for homeless/low-income projects. Funding is provided by federal funds from the U.S. Department of Labor.

United Way (1%) – To educate and empower disadvantaged individuals and to help lift them out of poverty to create a stronger, better community. Funding is provided by United Way and passed through the United Way of Southeast Louisiana.

General Services (1%) – Provides payment of necessary agency expenses not specifically attributable to a grant/contract operated by the agency. Funding is provided by various donations and by management and development fees earned through the operation of three apartment complexes.

B. Basis of Accounting

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

C. Basis of Presentation

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board in its Statement of Financial Accounting Standards. Under those standards, the Organization is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets:

Net assets without donor restrictions: Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objective of the organization. These net assets may be used at the discretion of QACAA's management and the board of directors.

Net assets with donor restrictions. Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors, and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by actions of QACAA or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

Donor restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets are reclassified from net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions in the statement of activities. QACAA has adopted a policy to classify donor restricted contributions as without donor restrictions to the extent that donor restrictions were met in the year the contribution was received.

D. Income Taxes

QACAA is a nonprofit corporation and is exempt from state and federal income taxes under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. However, income from certain activities not directly related to QACAA's tax—exempt purpose is subject to taxation as unrelated business income. QACAA had no such income for this audit period. The Organization's Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 are subject to examination by the IRS, generally three years after they were filed.

E. Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, QACAA considers all unrestricted highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. QACAA had no cash equivalents during 2023 or 2022.

G. Property and Equipment

Acquisitions of buildings, equipment, and improvements in excess of \$5,000 and all expenditures for repairs, maintenance, and betterments that materially prolong the useful lives of assets are capitalized. Capitalized assets are stated at cost or, if donated, at the approximate fair value at the date of donation. Depreciation is computed using the straight–line method over the estimated useful life of each asset.

The Federal Government has a reversionary interest in property purchased with federal funds; its disposition as well as the ownership of any proceeds there from is subject to federal regulations. The use of assets purchased with federal funds is limited to the purposes intended by the funding agency.

H. Contributions

Contributions received are recorded as increase in net assets without donor restrictions or net assets with donor restrictions depending on the existence and/or nature or any donor restrictions. When restrictions expire (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. In the absence of donor restrictions to the contrary, restrictions on contributions of property or equipment or on assets restricted to acquiring property or equipment expire when the property or equipment is placed in service.

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Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities and the statement of functional expense. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited. Costs are directly charged to the function they benefit. Facility related expenses are allocated to each function based upon square footage utilized by the function.

J. Tenants' Security Deposits

Tenants' security deposits are held in a separate bank account in the name of the rental housing project. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, this account was funded in an amount equal to the security deposit liability.

K. Rental Income

Rental income is recognized as rentals become due. Rental payments received in advance are deferred until earned. All leases between the corporation and the tenants of the rental housing project are operating leases.

(2) Concentrations of Credit Risk

QACAA maintains its temporary cash investments with financial institutions that are insured by the FDIC. At December 31, 2023, \$968,376 was held at financial institutions. Of this amount, \$642,381 was insured by the FDIC, and the remaining \$325,995 was uninsured. At December 31, 2022, \$1,049,240 was held at financial institutions. Of this amount, \$579,155 was insured by the FDIC, and the remaining \$470,085 was uninsured.

Concentrations of credit risk with respect to grants receivable were limited due to the balance being comprised of amounts due from governmental agencies under contractual terms. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, QACAA had no significant concentrations of credit risk in relation to grants receivable.

(3) Grants Receivable

Various funding sources provide reimbursement of allowable costs under contracts or agreements. These balances represent amounts due from the funding sources at December 31, 2023 and 2022, but not received until after those dates.

(4) Refundable Advances

QACAA records federal funds received in excess of expenditures as a refundable advance until they are expended for the purpose of the contract or until the funds are returned to the appropriate funding source.

(5) Restricted Deposits and Funded Reserves

In accordance with the loan agreement with RHS, a reserve for replacements is to be funded \$21,302 annually until the account reaches a balance of \$213,020. The required amount of reserves as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$213,020 and \$213,020, respectively. The amount on hand at December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$216,954 and \$208,965, respectively, which was funded. This amount is included in restricted deposits and funded reserves in the accompanying financial statements.

Also included in restricted deposits and fund reserves are escrow and security deposits at December 31, 2023 and 2022 of \$12,199 and \$12,138, respectively.

(6) Net Assets

Net assets at December 31, 2023 and 2022 consisted of the following:

	2023	2022
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions:		
Undesignated	\$ 881,295	\$ 828,063
Net investment in property and equipment	<u>2,134,405</u>	2,363,081
Total undesignated net assets	3,015,700	3,191,144
Designated for Rental Housing Project	223,237	215,177
Total designated for use for programs	223,237	215,177
Total net assets without donor restrictions	3,238,937	3,406,321
Net Assets With Donor Restrictions		
Subject to expenditures for specified purpose -		
Restricted for Liheap program	1,002	598
Restricted for West Feliciana program	60,936	45,207
Restricted for Weatherization	20,420	20,420
Restricted for utility assistance	30,553	55,645
Total net assets with donor restrictions	<u>112,911</u>	121,870
Total Net Assets	\$3,351,848	\$3,528,191

(7) Contractual Revenue - Grants

During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, QACAA received contractual revenue fromfederal and state grants in the amount of \$17,461,963 and \$16,722,646, respectively. The continued existence of these funds is based on annual contract renewals with various funding sources.

(8) Partnership Investments

QACAA serves as the Managing General Partner for two different limited partnerships which manage apartment complexes under the Home Affordable Rental Housing Program through regulatory agreements with Louisiana Housing Finance Agency.

QACAA entered into Management Sub-Contracts with Calhoun Property Management, Inc. and St. Amant Management Co., in which they will co-manage the Partnerships QACAA's ownership percentage of all partnerships is .5%.

(9) Liquidity and Availability of Financial Assets

QACAA monitors its liquidity so that it is able to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments while maximizing the investment of its excess operating cash. QACAA has the following financial assets that could readily be made available within one year of the balance sheet to fund expenses without limitations:

	2023	2022	
Financial assets at year-end			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 628,168	\$ 716,728	
Grant receivables	1,181,242	997,226	
Other receivables	513	551	
Cash restricted for deposits and funded reserves	229,153	221,103	
Total financial assets	2,039,076	1,935,608	
Less amounts not available to be used within one year:			
Net assets with donor restrictions Less designated assets which are designated	(112,911)	(121,870)	
for program use	(223,237)	(215,177)	
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for			
General expenditures within one year	<u>\$1,702,928</u>	<u>\$1,598,561</u>	

As reflected above, certain designated assets are designated for program use. These assets limited to use, as reflected in Note 6, are not available for general expenditures within the next year and are, therefore, deducted from the amounts noted above. However, designated amounts could be made available, if necessary.

In addition to financial assets available to meet general expenditures over the year, QACAA operates with a balanced budget and anticipates covering general expenditures using the income generated from contractual agreements with governmental agencies and contributions. The Statement of Cash Flows identifies the sources and uses of QACAA's cash and shows a negative cash generated by operations of (\$41,406) for fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, and a positive cash generated by operations of \$46,885 for fiscal year ending December 31, 2022.

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(10) Property and Equipment

An analysis of property and equipment at December 31, 2023 is as follows:

	Estimated Depreciable Life	Purchased With Federal Funds	No	urchased With n-Federal Funds	Total
Building and improvements	20 - 30 years	\$ 2,618,782	\$	879,704	\$ 3,498,486
La Pasada Apartment buildings	30 years	2,006,299			2,006,299
Land		31,500		100,250	131,750
Idle assets		4,569		14,323	18,892
Furniture and equipment	3 - 7 years	439,596		25,997	465,593
La Pasada furniture and equipment	3 - 7 years	33,106			33,106
Vehicles	3 - 5 years	666,235		82,202	748,437
Accumulated depreciation	•	(3,508,222)		(810,288)	(4,318,510)
Net investment in property and equipment		\$ 2,291,865	\$	292,188	\$ 2,584,053

Depreciation and amortization expense for the year ended December 31, 2023 was \$268,447.

An analysis of property and equipment at December 31, 2022 is as follows:

	Estimated Depreciable Life	Purchased With Federal Funds	Purchased With Non-Federal Funds	Total
Building and improvements	20 - 30 years	\$ 2,618,782	\$ 1,010,264	\$ 3,629,046
La Pasada Apartment buildings	30 years	2,006,299		2,006,299
Land		31,500	100,250	131,750
Idle assets		8,550	14,323	22,873
Furniture and equipment	3 - 7 years	439,596	25,997	465,593
La Pasada furniture and equipment	3 - 7 years	33,106		33,106
Vehicles	3 - 5 years	666,235	82,202	748,437
Accumulated depreciation		(3,321,635)	(862,969)	(4,184,604)
Net investment in property and equipment	t	\$ 2,482,433	\$ 370,067	\$ 2,852,500

Depreciation and amortization expense for the year ended December 31, 2022 was \$276,067.

(11) Right-of-Use Operating Leases

QUAD leases certain office space and office equipment under non-cancellable operating leases. The leases expire at various dates through 2026. The risk-free discount rate with a period comparable with that of the individual lease term was used which range from .97% to 4.11%.

The right-of-use operating assets and operating lease liabilities at December 31, 2023, and 2022, are as follows:

	2023	2022
Lease Assets Operating lease right-of-use asset (net)	\$ 69,759	\$ 75,488
Lease Liabilities Operating lease liabilities at December 31 Less current portion Operating lease liabilities	\$ 69,759 (30,126) \$ 39,633	\$ 76,156 (<u>37,782)</u> \$ 38,374
Total lease costs were as follows:		
Operating lease cost	\$ 38,460	\$ 38,460
Weighted-average remaining lease term – months	29	29
Weighted-average discount rate	2.51%	1.13%

Future minimum payments required under operating leases that have an initial or remaining non-cancelable lease term in excess of one year are as follows:

For the Year Ending					
December 31,	P	rinciple	lr.	nterest	Total
2024	\$	30,126	\$	1,334	\$ 31,460
2025		22,619		841	23,460
2026		17,014		266	17,280
Totals	\$	69,759	\$	2,441	\$ 72,200

(12) Accrued Liabilities

Accrued liabilities at December 31, 2023 and 2022 consisted of the following:

		2022
Payroll liabilities	\$ 153,212	\$ 142,238
Accrued interest payable	376	1,181
	<u>\$ 153,588</u>	<u>\$ 143,419</u>

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(13) Long-term Debt

Long-term debt at December 31, 2023 and 2022 consisted of the following:

	2023	2022
Two notes payable to Rural Housing Service, due in monthly installments of \$3,150 and \$501, including interest at 1.00%, secured by real estate, final payments due October 2035.	\$ 449,647	\$ 488,751
Less current installments on long-term debt	(39,496)	(39,103)
Non-current portion of long-term debt	\$ 410,151	\$ 449,648

Approximate maturities of long-term debt are summarized as follows:

For the Year Ending	Approximate
December 31,	Amount
2024	\$ 39,496
2025	39,893
2026	40,294
2027	40,698
2028	41,107
2029 - thereafter	248,159
	\$ 449,647

Interest expense on these notes for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$4,676 and \$5,021, respectively.

(14) Line of Credit

QACAA has a \$300,000 line of credit. The line of credit matured on January 14, 2023, and was secured by a continuing security interest in all property. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, there was no outstanding balance on the line of credit. The line of credit was not renewed after it matured on January 14, 2023.

(15) Retirement Obligations

QACAA participates in a tax deferred thrift retirement plan whereby an amount up to 5% of the salary of eligible employees is contributed to interest-earning accounts or mutual funds. The funds are in the employee's name upon funding. The amounts contributed for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 were \$148,980, and \$143,092, respectively.

(16) Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 26, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Agency Head, Wallace Sibley, Executive Director

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ 157,395
Benefits - insurance	6,283
Benefits - retirement	7,945
Reimbursements	1,124
Car usage	1,515

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Federal Grantor / Pass-Through Grantor / Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Grantor's Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Expenditure
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	LISTING INCHIDE	Crantor's reuniper	Subrecipients	Expenditure
S.S. Segariment of Ficulty and Human Services				
Head Start Cluster				
Direct Programs:				
Head Start (Fy 11-30-23)	93.600	06CH011867-03	\$	\$ 1,444,1
Head Start (Fy 11-30-24)	93.600	06CH011867-04	*	114,5
Total Head Start Cluster				1,558,7
477 Cluster				
Passed through Louisiana Workforce Commission				
Community Services Block Grant	93,569	2023N0026, 2024N0026		1,299.3
Total 477 Cluster				1,299,30
Passed through Louisiana Housing Corporation				
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program	93.568	Unknown		7,700,10
Low-Income Water Assistance Program	93.568	Unknown		449,0
Covid-19 - Low-Income Water Assistance Program	93.568	Unknown		741,6
Weatherization Assistance Program (Fy 6-30-23)	93.568	Unknown		1,901,1
Weatherization Assistance Program (Fy 6-30-24)	93.568	Unknown		1,609,3
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				15,259,3
U.S. Department of Energy				
Passed through Louisiana Housing Corporation				
Weatherization Assistance Program (Fy 6-30-23)	81.042	Unknown		372,6
Weatherization Assistance Program (Fy 6-30-24)	81.042	Unknown		428,4
Total U.S. Department of Energy				801,0
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Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2023 (Continued)

Federal Grantor / Pass-Through Grantor / Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Grantor's Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Expenditures
The Corporation For National Service				
Foster Grandparent / Senior Companion Cluster				
Direct Programs				
Foster Grandparent Program (Fy 6-30-23)	94,011	23SF234322		336,680
Foster Grandparent Program (Fy 6-30-24)	94.011	24SF234322		221,664
Total Foster Grandparent / Senior Companion Cluster				558,344
Passed through YouthBuild USA				
Americorps	94.006	Unknown		41,070
Total Corporation For National Service				599,414
U.S. Department of Agriculture				
Direct Programs:				
Farm Labor Housing Loan	10.405	Unknown		449,647
Rural Rental Assistance Payment	10.427	Unknown		314,496
Passed through Louisiana Department of Education				
Child Care Food Program (Head Start)	10,558	Unknown		162,112
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture				926,255

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Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2023 (Continued)

Federal Grantor / Pass-Through Grantor / Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Grantor's Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Labor				
Direct Programs:				
YouthBuild	17.274	YB-34294-19-60-A-22		556,160
Total U.S. Department of Labor		YB-38219-22-60-A-22		556,160
Total federal expenditures			\$	\$ 18,142,273

NOTE A: Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of QUAD Area Community Action Agency, Inc. under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2023. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of QUAD Area Community Action Agency, Inc., it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of QUAD Area Community Action Agency, Inc.

NOTE B: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

- (1) Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.
- (2) QUAD Area Community Action Agency, Inc. does not utilize an indirect cost rate.

NOTE C: Loan Balances Outstanding

Loan balance outstanding at December 31, 2023, for the Farm Labor Housing Loan, CFDA #10.405, totaled \$449,647.

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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and
Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial
Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc., (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2024. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of LaPosada Apartments, RHS Project, a project owned by Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc., as described in our report on Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.,'s financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

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June 26, 2024

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Report on Compliance For Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.

Hammond, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.'s, compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Quad Area Community Action Agency's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023. Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.'s major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. complied in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audits of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibility under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Quad Area Community Action Agency Inc.'s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statues, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.'s federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Quad Area Community Action Agency Inc.'s compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control, Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Quad Area Community Action Agency Inc.'s compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risk of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and
 perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis,
 evidence regarding Quad Area Community Action Agency Inc.'s compliance with the compliance
 requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in
 the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of Quad Area Community Action Agency Inc.'s internal control over compliance
 relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to
 test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for
 the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Quad Area Community Action Agency
 Inc.'s internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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June 26, 2024

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings December 31, 2023

There were no findings for the prior year audit for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs December 31, 2023

A. Summary of Audit Results

Financial Statements			
Type of audit report issued : Unmodified			
Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weaknesses identified:	ує	es	no
Significant deficiencies identified :	ye	es _ ✓	none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted	: ye	es 🗸	no
Federal Awards			
Internal control over major programs			
Material weaknesses identified ;	ye	es 🗸	no
Significant deficiencies identified	ye	es 🗸	no none reported
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance			
for major federal programs : Unmodified			
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be			
reported in accordance with 2 CFR section 200.516(a)	ye	s	no
Identification of major federal programs:			
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program A Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons Community Services Block Grant AL# 93.569			
Dollar threshold used to distinguish betweem type A and type B programs: \$750,000			
Auditee qualified as low risk	ye:	s	no

- B. Findings Financial Statements Audit None.
- C. Findings and Questioned Costs Major Federal Programs Audit None

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings Schedule for Louisiana Legislative Auditor December 31, 2023

There were no findings or questioned costs for the prior year audit period ended December 31, 2022.

Corrective Action Plan for Current Year Audit Findings Schedule for Louisiana Legislative Auditor December 31, 2023

There are no findings or questioned costs for the current year audit period ended December 31, 2023,

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Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Board of Directors Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. 's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

1) Written Policies and Procedures

- A. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
 - Budgeting, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
 - ii. **Purchasing**, including (1) how purchases are initiated, (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list, (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders, (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law, and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.
 - iii. **Disbursements**, including processing, reviewing, and approving.
 - iv. **Receipts/Collections**, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff

- procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).
- v. **Payroll/Personnel**, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- vi. **Contracting**, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- vii. Travel and Expense Reimbursement, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- viii. Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable), including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).
- ix. **Ethics**, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.
- x. **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- xi. Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.
- xii. **Prevention of Sexual Harassment**, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

Procedures performed. No exceptions noted.

2) Board or Finance Committee

- A. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and
 - Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
 - ii. For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or

included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.

- For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.
- iv. Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

Procedures performed. No exceptions noted.

3) Bank Reconciliations

- A. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
 - i. Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged);
 - ii. Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
 - iii. Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

Procedures performed. Noted the following exception:

Exception: No evidence that management has researched the reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date. There were 27 checks totaling \$3,106.

4) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- A. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).
- B. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (e.g., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that
 - i. Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;
 - ii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;

- Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and
- The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.
- C. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in force during the fiscal period.
- D. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). Alternatively, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc. Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
 - Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
 - Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
 - iii. Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.
 - iv. Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).
 - v. Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.
 - Procedures performed. No exceptions noted.

Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases/payments, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

- A. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).
- B. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that
 - At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;
 - At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;
 - The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files:
 - iv. Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and

- v. Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.
- C. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and
 - Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and
 - ii. Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #5B above, as applicable.
- D. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.

Procedures performed. No exceptions noted.

6) Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/P-Cards

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.
- B. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement). Obtain supporting documentation, and
 - i. Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved) by someone other than the authorized card holder (those instances requiring such approval that may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials, such as the mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality, should not be reported); and
 - ii. Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.
- C. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under procedure #7B above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (e.g., each card should have 10 transactions subject to inspection). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for

meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

Procedures performed. No exceptions noted.

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

- A Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected
 - If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);
 - ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;
 - iii. Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by Written Policies and Procedures procedure #1A(vii); and
 - iv. Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Procedures performed. No exceptions noted.

8) Contracts

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. Alternatively, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and
 - Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;
 - ii. Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);
 - iii. If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and
 - iv. Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

Procedures performed. No applicable transactions during the year.

9) Payroll and Personnel

- A. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.
- Bandomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under procedure #9A above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and
 - i. Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory);
 - Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials;
 - iii. Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and
 - iv. Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.
- Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee's or official's cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.
- D. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

Procedures performed. No exceptions noted.

10) Ethics

Not applicable to nonprofit organizations.

11) Debt Service

Not applicable to nonprofit organizations.

12) Fraud Notice

A. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled as required by R.S. 24.523.

- Management provided representation that there were no misappropriations of public funds or assets during the fiscal period.
- B. Observe that the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

 Procedures performed. No exceptions noted.

13) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- A. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
 - Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.
 - ii. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
 - Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.
- B. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #9C. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.
- C. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedures #9A, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees/officials with access to the agency's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows:
 - 18 Hired before June 9, 2020 Completed the training; and
 - 2. Hired on or after June 9, 2020 Completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

We performed the procedures and discussed the results with management.

14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment

Not applicable to Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc.

We were engaged by Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc., to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas

identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc., and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

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

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June 26, 2024



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Quad Area Community Action Agency, Inc. submits the following response to the exceptions identified in the Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures Report for the year ended December 31, 2023:

Exception: No evidence that management has researched the reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date. There were 27 checks totaling \$3,106.

Response: Quad will research the outstanding items and make adjustments as deemed necessary.

Sincerely

Wallace Sibley Executive Director