Financial Report

Year Ended December 31, 2022

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Independent Accountant's Review Report

To the Board of Trustees Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training New Orleans, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2022, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year ending December 31, 2022 and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility 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; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

We are required to be independent of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

Basis For Qualified Conclusion

As disclosed in Note 3 to these financial statements, effective January 1, 2022, accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require that most leases be capitalized on the statement of financial position based on satisfying certain criteria, and that disclosures related to those leases be included in the financial statements. Management has informed us that it has not capitalized certain equipment and real estate leases, and did not include the

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related lease disclosures in the accompanying financial statements. The effects of this departure from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States on financial position, results in activities, and cash flows have not been determined.

Qualified Conclusion

Based on our review, except for the effect of the matter described in the basis for qualified conclusion paragraph, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Supplementary Information

The supplementary information included in the schedule of combined statements of activities and the schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic 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 supplementary information has been subjected to the review procedures applied in our review of the financial statements. We are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the supplementary information. We have not audited the supplementary information and do not express and opinion on such information.

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Pedelahore & Co., LLP Metairie, Louisiana December 27, 2023

Statement Of Financial Position

December 31, 2022

Assets	
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 149,997
Receivables	104,324
Total current assets	254,321
Fixed Assets	
Equipment	17,500
Less accumulated depreciation	17,500
Other Assets	
Deposits	1,500
	\$ 255,821
Liabilities And Net Assets	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 8,807
Line of Credit	27,530
Deferred income	20,000
Total current liabilities	56,337
Net Assets	
Without donor restrictions	199,484
With donor restrictions	
	199,484
	<u>\$ 255,821</u>

Statement Of Activities And Changes In Net Assets Year Ended December 31, 2022

Revenue And Other Support		hout Donor	With I Restric		Total		
Public support and other revenues	\$	204 221	\$		\$	204 221	
Grants Other income	Э	394,221	Э	-	Э	394,221 19,103	
Other income		19,103		-			
Program fees		5,402		-		5,402	
Total revenue and other support		418,726		-	.	418,726	
Expenses Program services Supporting services Management and general Total expenses		193,427 135,890 329,317		-		193,427 135,890 329,317	
Changes In Net Assets		89,409		-		89,409	
Net Assets, Beginning Of Year		110,075		-		110,075	
Net Assets, End Of Year	<u>\$</u>	<u>199,484</u>	\$	-	<u>\$</u>	199,484	

Statement Of Functional Expenses Year Ended December 31, 2022

		Supporting	g Services	
	Program	Management		Total
	Services	and General	Fundraising	Expenses
Salaries and wages	\$ 104,707	\$ 59,691	\$ -	\$ 164,398
Payroll taxes and employee benefits	15,670	6,835	-	22,505
Total salaries and related expenses	120,377	66,526	-	186,903
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Contract labor	47,212	11,263	-	58,475
Program expenses	390	16,737	-	17,127
Rent	8,800	4,400	-	13,200
Professional fees	4,500	6,440	-	10,940
Insurance	5,099	4,041	-	9,140
Utilities	4,499	4,495	-	8,994
Telephone	967	3,080	-	4,047
Repairs and maintenance	-	3,999	-	3,999
Interest expense	-	3,855	-	3,855
Office expense	-	2,542	-	2,542
Depreciation	-	2,500	-	2,500
Supplies	-	2,132	-	2,132
Travel	854	1,232	-	2,086
Operating services	-	1,854	-	1,854
Meals and entertainment	729	-	-	729
Meeting expense	-	444		444
Training expenses	-	301	-	301
Bank charges		49		49
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	\$ 193,427	<u>\$ 135,890</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ 329,317

Statement Of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Cash Flows From Operating Activites		
Change in net assets	\$	89,409
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net		
cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation		2,500
(Increase) decrease in:		
Grants and contracts receivable		46,705
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable		(11,461)
Deferred income		(5,000)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		122,153
Cash Flows From Financing Activities		
Payments on Line of Credit		(16,319)
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Net cash provided (used) by investing activities		(16,319)
Net easil provided (used) by investing activities	<u> </u>	(10,51)
Net Increase In Cash And Cash Equivalents		105,834
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Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		44,163
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Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$</u>	149,997

Notes To Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 1. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Activities

Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training (the Organization) is a nonprofit corporation that was established in 2001 to assist members of the Vietnamese community to develop social, economic, recreational and education programs, and launch and operate successful new business ventures.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities.

Financial Statement Presentation

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) in its Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 958-210-50-3, *Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations*. Under FASB ASC 958-210-50-3, 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 without donor restrictions include unrestricted resources which represent the portion of funds that are available for the operating objections of the Organization.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions - Net assets with donor restrictions consist of donor restricted contributions and grants. Amounts restricted by donors for a specific purpose are deemed to be earned and reported as an increase to net assets with donor restrictions when received, and such expended amounts are reported as net assets with donor restrictions at yearend.

When the donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time 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. At December 31, 2022, the Organization had no net assets with donor restrictions.

Notes To Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 1. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Revenue Recognition

The Organization has adopted the provisions of FASB Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-9, *Topic 606*, which recognizes revenue when performance obligations under the terms of the contracts with customers are satisfied, or when performance obligations are met.

The Organization's revenue is principally from cost-reimbursable federal and state, contracts and grants, which are conditioned upon certain performance requirements and/or the incurrence of allowable qualifying expenses. The services received by the public are not equivalent to commensurate value received by the government agencies and are therefore not considered exchange transactions. Amounts received are recognized as revenue when the Organization has incurred expenditures in compliance with the contract or grant provisions.

For financial reporting, the Organization recognizes all contributed support as income in the period received. Contributed support is reported as unrestricted or restricted depending on the existence of donor stipulations that limit the use of the support. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, the net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activity as "net assets released from restrictions".

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Organization considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents for purposes of the statement of cash flows exclude permanently restricted cash and cash equivalents.

Grants and Contracts Receivable

Grant receivable consists of grant funds granted but not yet received. Contracts receivable consists of service expense reimbursements due (but not yet received). Management monitors the receivables and assesses the collectability of receivables on a monthly basis and they are written-off as necessary. Generally accepted accounting principles require that the allowance method be used to reflect bad debts. However, the effect of the use of the direct write-off method is

Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training Notes To Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 1. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

not materially different from the results that would have been obtained had the allowance method been followed.

The closing balances of receivables from grants are as follows:

December 31, 2021	\$ 154,467
December 31, 2022	151,029
December 31, 2023	104,324

Public Support and Revenue

Annual campaign contributions are generally available for unrestricted use in the related campaign year unless specifically restricted by the donor.

Grants and other contributions of cash and other assets are reported as net assets with donor restrictions if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, 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.

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 the reported revenues and expenses. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets are stated at cost. Depreciation of fixed assets is provided using accelerated methods of depreciation. Depreciation is recognized in amounts sufficient to relate fixed assets to their estimated useful lives. Depreciation aggregated \$2,500 for the year ending December 31, 2022. Expenditures for major renewals and betterments that extend the useful lives of property and equipment are capitalized. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training Notes To Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 1. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Advertising

The Organization's policy is to expense advertising costs as the costs are incurred.

Functional Expenses

The expenses of providing the programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis. Certain of those expenses have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited based on estimates by management of the costs involved.

Management and general expenses include those expenses that are not directly identifiable with any other specific function but provide for overall support and direction of the Organization.

Income Tax Status

The Organization is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. However, income from certain activities not directly related to the Organization's tax-exempt purpose is subject to taxation as unrelated business income. In addition, the Organization qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170(b)(1)(A) and has been classified as an organization other than a private foundation under Section 509(a)(2). Since the Organization had no net unrelated business income during the year ended December 31, 2022, no provision for income tax was made. Management has evaluated its tax positions and has determined that there are no uncertainties in income taxes that require adjustments for or disclosures in the financial statements.

Also, the Organization's federal income tax returns are subject to possible examination by the taxing authorities until the expiration of the related statute of limitations on those returns. In general, the federal income tax returns have a three year statute of limitations.

Note 2. Lines Of Credit

The Organization has two unsecured Lines of Credit agreements, one is with Hancock Whitney Bank for \$100,000, the other is with Capital One Bank for \$250,000. Both lines have variable interest rates. At December 31, 2022, the interest rates were 7.56% and 8.25%, respectively. The combined balance was \$27,530 and total interest amounted to \$3,855.

Notes To Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 3. Leases

Effective January 1, 2022 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require organizations to adopt a new lease standard promulgated by Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-02, Leases (ASC Topic 842), and subsequent amendments.

In accordance with ASU 2016-02, and entity is required to capitalize lease assets and lease obligations on its balance sheet for all equipment and real estate leases with a remaining lease term that exceeds 12 months, and to provide certain disclosures related to those leases.

Management has informed us that it has not capitalized lease assets and obligations related to its equipment and real estate leases, and has not included most of the required lease disclosures. Instead, the Organization's policy to record is to record lease payments as rent expense as incurred.

The effects of this departure from GAAP on the Organization's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows have not been determined.

Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training leases facilities at 13435 Granville Street, New Orleans, LA. The lease is a 20 year operating lease, with two five year renewal options. Rent for the five year period from March 2018 to March 2021 is \$1,000 per month, then the rent increases to \$1,100 per month for the next five years to March 2026, then the rent increases to \$1,210 per month for five more years to March 2031. Rental expense for the year 2021 amounted to \$12,900.

Note 4. Concentration Of Credit Risk

Concentration of Credit Risk Arising from Cash Deposits

The Organization maintains its cash balances in one financial institution located in New Orleans, Louisiana. The balances are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000. At June 30, 2022, the balance in the bank did not exceeded the limit.

Notes To Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 5. Liquidity And Availability Of Financial Assets

The following reflects the Organization's financial assets as of the state of financial position date, reduced by amounts not available for general use because of contractual or donor-imposed restrictions within one year of the statement of financial position date.

Cash and cash equivalents Accounts and other receivables	\$	149,997 104,324
Total financial assets at year-end		254,321
Less those unavailable for general expenditures within one year		27,530
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditure within one year	<u>\$</u>	<u>226,791</u>

As part the Organization's liquidity management, the Organization invests cash in excess of daily requirements in short term investments, typically savings accounts.

Note 6. Board Of Directors' Compensation

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

Note 7. Economic Dependency

The Organization receives a substantial amount of its revenue from funds provided through governmental and institutional grants. If significant budget cuts are made by these grantors, the amount of the funds the Organization receives could be reduced significantly and have an adverse impact on its operations. At the time of completion of the review of the Organizations financial statements, management was not aware of any actions taken that would adversely affect the amount of funds the organization will receive in the next fiscal year.

Approximately 94% of the Organization's support for the year was from governmental and institutional grants.

Notes To Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 8. Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through December 27, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Supplementary Information

Combined Statement of Activities

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Revenue And Other Support		Family First rogram	V	amily fiolence evention		VOCA		SNAP		General and ninistrative		Total
Public support and other revenues	¢	(5.250	¢	12 705	¢	70.0(7	¢	41.200	0	152 012	æ	204 221
Grants Other income	\$	65,250	\$	43,705	\$	70,963	\$	41,290	\$	173,013 19,103	\$	394,221 19,103
		-		-		-		-		19,103 5,402		19,103 5,402
Program fees		(5.250	-	42 705								
Total revenue and other support		65,250		43,705		70,963		41,290		197,518	•	418,726
Expenses												
Salaries and wages		54,341		17,762		12,072		20,532		59,691		164,398
Payroll taxes and employee benefits		4,636		1,359		7,648		2,028		6,834		22,505
Total salaries and related expenses		58,977		19,121		19,720		22,560		66,525		186,903
Contract labor		-		-		42,993		4,219		11,263		58,475
Program expenses		-		390		-		-		16,737		17,127
Rent		-		-		5,500		3,300		4,400		13,200
Professional fees		2,250		-		-		2,250		6,440		10,940
Insurance		901		-		2,312		1,886		4,041		9,140
Utilities		-		-		1,562		2,938		4,494		8,994
Telephone		-		-		580		387		3,080		4,047
Repairs and maintenance		-		-		-		-		3,999		3,999
Interest expense		-		-		-		-		3,855		3,855
Office expense		-		-		-		-		2,542		2,542
Depreciation		-		-		-		-		2,500		2,500
Supplies		-		-		-		-		2,132		2,132
Travel		-		333		-		521		1,232		2,086
Operating services		-		-		-		-		1,854		1,854
Meals and entertainment		-		547		-		182		-		729
Meeting expense		-		-		-		-		444		444
Training expenses		-		-		-		-		301		301
Bank charges		-		-				-		49		49
		62,128		20,391		72,667		38,243		135,888		329,317
Net Income (Loss)	\$	3,122	\$	23,314	<u>\$</u>	(1,704)	\$	3,047	<u>\$</u>	61,630	\$	89,409

Schedule Of Compensations, Benefits And Other Payments To Agency Head Or Chief Executive Officer Year Ended December 31, 2022

Agency Head: Lang Le

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$64,160
Benefits: Health Insurance	4,009
Reimbursements	3,604

Summary Schedule Of Current And Prior Year Findings With Management's Response And Planned Corrective Action Year Ended December 31, 2022

Current Year Findings:

Review

Finding 2022 -1: State Reporting

Criteria:	Louisiana state audit law (R.S. 24:513) requires that governmental entities complete and file their audit, review/attestation or compilation reports with the Legislative Auditor's Office within six months of the close of the entity's fiscal year.
Condition:	The Organization did not meet the reporting and filing due date of June 30, 2023.
Cause:	The Organization was delayed in gathering the necessary information due to their prior year CPA firm disengaged.
Effect:	Noncompliance with the reporting and filing audit laws.
Recommendation:	We recommend that the President, Treasurer, and any other officer responsible for fiscal/budgetary matters begin their efforts to select a CPA firm in order to have them available for a review to be completed by June 30 th .
Management's response and planned corrective action:	The Executive Director concurs with the finding and will take the necessary steps to provide timely information for the annual review report.

Management Letter

None issued.

Summary Schedule Of Current And Prior Year Findings Year Ended December 31, 2022

We have reviewed the basic financial statements of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated December 27, 2023. In accordance with the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide* and the provisions of state law, we have also issued a report, dated December 27, 2023 on the results of our agreed-upon procedures.

Prior Year Findings:

Audit Procedures

There were no findings noted for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Agreed-Upon Procedures

Not applicable.

Management Letter

None issued.

Independent Accountant's Report On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures



Independent Accountant's Report On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Board of Trustees Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training New Orleans, Louisiana

To Any Quasi-Public Agency and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Organization's compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the year ended December 31, 2022, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*. The Organization's management is responsible for its financial records and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

The Organization 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 Organization's compliance with the laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the year ended December 31, 2022. Additionally, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. The 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:

Federal, State, and Local Awards

1. Obtain the list of federal, state, and local government grant award expenditures for the year, by grant and grant year, from the Organization's management.

The Organization represented that they received no federal government grant awards during the year ended December 31, 2022.

The Organization provided us with the following list of expenditures made for state and local grant awards received during the year ended December 31, 2022:

Federal, State, or Local Grant Name	Grant Year	AL No. (if applicable)	Amount
City of New Orleans Community Impact Grant	2022		1,296
United Way Volunteer Income tax assistance program	2022		3,760
Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services –			
Medicare assistance	2022		20,390
Family First	2021-22		41,531
Family First	2022-23		20,597
Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services –			
SNAP	2021-22		29,839
SNAP	2022-23		8,403
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement –			
VOCA	2021-22		61,303
VOCA	2022-23		11,364
Total Expenditures		•	198,483

- 2. For each federal, state, and local grant award, randomly select six disbursements from each grant administered during the year, if no more than 30 disbursements are selected.
- 3. Obtain documentation for the disbursements selected in Procedure 2. Compare the selected disbursements to supporting documentation, and report whether the disbursements agree to the amount and payee in the supporting documentation.

Each of the selected disbursements agreed to the amount and payee in the supporting documentation.

4. Report whether the selected disbursements were coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

All of the disbursements were coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

5. Report whether the selected disbursements were approved in accordance with the Organization's policies and procedures.

The Organization's policies and procedures state that the executive director must approve all disbursements. Documentation supporting each of the selected disbursements included the signature of the executive director.

6. For each selected disbursement made for federal grant awards, obtain the Compliance Supplement for the applicable federal program. For each disbursement made for a state or local grant award, or for a federal program not included in the Compliance Supplement, obtain the grant agreement. Compare the documentation for each disbursement to the program compliance requirements or the requirements of the grant agreement relating to activities allowed or unallowed, eligibility, and reporting; and report whether the disbursements comply with these requirements.

The organization did not receive any federal grants.

Activities allowed or un-allowed

We compared documentation for each of the selected disbursements with program compliance requirements related to services allowed or not allowed.

No exceptions were noted.

Eligibility

We compared documentation for each of the selected disbursements with program compliance requirements related to eligibility.

No exceptions were noted.

Reporting

We compared documentation for each of the selected disbursements with program compliance requirements related to reporting.

No exceptions were noted.

7. Obtain the close-out reports, if required, for any program selected in Procedure 2 that was closed out during the year. Compare the close-out reports, if applicable, with the Organization's financial records; and report whether the amounts in the close-out reports agree with the Organization's financial records.

Not required.

Open Meetings

8. Obtain evidence from management that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 42:11 through 42:28 (the open meetings law), and report whether there are any exceptions. Note: Please refer to Attorney General Opinion No. 13-0043 and the guidance in the publication "Open Meetings Law" available on the Legislative Auditor's website at: <u>https://app.lla.state.la.us/llala.nsf/BAADB29912720</u>84786257AB8006EE827/\$FILE/Open%20Meetings%20Law%20FAQ.pdf, to determine whether a non-profit Organization is subject to the open meetings law.

This procedure is deemed not applicable to a non-profit organization.

Budget

9. For each grant exceeding five thousand dollars, obtain the comprehensive grant budgets that the Organization provided to the applicable federal, state or local grantor Organization. Report whether the budgets for federal, state and local grants included the purpose and duration of the grants; and whether budgets for state grants also included specific goals, objectives, and measures of performance.

The Organization provided documentation that comprehensive budgets were submitted to the applicable state grantor agency for the grants exceeding five thousand dollars. These budgets included the purpose and duration of the grant program.

State Audit Law

- 10. Report whether the Organization provided for a timely report in accordance with R.S. 24:513. The Organization's report was submitted to the Legislative Auditor after the statutory due date of December 31, 2022.
- 11. Inquire of management and report whether the Organization entered into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the Organization was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

The Organization's management represented that the Organization did not enter into any contracts during the year that were subject to the public bid law.

Prior-Year Comments

12. Obtain and report management's representation as to whether any prior year suggestions, exceptions, recommendations, and/or comments have been resolved.

This procedure was not applicable to December 31, 2021.

We were engaged by the Organization 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 the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the United States Comptroller General. 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 the Organization's compliance with the foregoing matters. 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 the Organization 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 the Organization's compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, 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 Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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Pedelahore & Co., LLP Metairie, Louisiana December 27, 2023

ATTACHMENTS: SIGNED LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE (For Attestation Engagements of Quasi-public Agencies)

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In connection with your engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures to the control and compliance matters identified below, as of <u>December 31, 2022</u> (data) and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, we make the following representations to you.

Federal, State, and Local Awards

We have detailed for you the amount of federal, state, and local award expenditures for the fiscal year, by grant and grant year.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

All transactions relating to federal, state, and local grants have been properly recorded within our accounting records and reported to the appropriate state, federal, and local grantor officials.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

The reports filed with federal, state, and local agencies are properly supported by books of original entry and supporting documentation.

Yes [X No[] N/A []

We have complied with all applicable specific requirements of all federal, state, and local programs we administer, to include matters contained in the OMB Compliance Supplement, matters contained in the grant awards, eligibility requirements, activities allowed and unallowed, and reporting and budget requirements.

Our meetings, as they relate to public funds, have been posted as an open meeting as required by R.S.

Yes 🕅 No [] N/A []

Open Meetings

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42:11 through 42:28 (the open meetings law). Note: Please refer to Attorney General Opinion No. 13-0043 and the guidance in the publication "<u>Open Meeting FAGs</u>," available on the Legislative Auditor's website to determine whether a non-profit agency is subject to the open meetings law.

For each federal, state, and local grant we have filed with the app-oprlate grantor agency a comprehensive budget for those grants that included the purpose and duration, and for state grants included specific goals and objectives and measures of performance

Yes X No [] N/A []

Yes [] No [] N/A [X]

Reporting

Budget

We have had our financial statements reviewed in accordance with R.S. 24:513.		
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We did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

Yes [] No [N/A 🕅

We have complied with R.S. 24:513 A. (3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief executive officer.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

We have complied with R.S. 24:515.2 regarding reporting of pre- and post- adjudication court costs, fines and fees assessed or imposed; the amounts collected; the amounts outstanding; the amounts retained; the amounts disbursed, and the amounts received from disbursements.

Yes[] No[] N/A 🕅

Yes[] No[] N/A 🗙

Prior-Year Comments

We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or commerts.

General

We acknowledge that we are responsible for the Agency's compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations.

Yes [X] No [] N/A [] We acknowledge that we are responsible for determining that that the procedures performed are appropriate for the purposes of this engagement.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

We have evaluated our compliance with these laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

We have provided you with all relevant information and access under the terms of our agreement.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

We are not aware of any material misstatements in the information we have provided to you.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

We have disclosed to you any communications from regulatory agencies, internal auditors, other independent practitioners or consultants, and others concerning noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including communications received during the period under examination; and will disclose to you any such communication received between the end of the period under examination and the date of your report.

Yes [X) NO[] N/A[]

We will disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies all known noncompliance and other events subsequent to the date or this representation and the date of your report that could have a material effect on our compliance with laws and regulations and the internal

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controls with such laws and regulations, or would require adjustment or modification to the results of the agreed-upon procedures.

Yes 🔀 No [] N/A []

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The previous responses have been made to the best of our belief and knowledge.

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