

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA

*Component Unit Financial Statements*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2022*

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COMPONENT UNIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members  
of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

### ***Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements***

#### ***Opinions***

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (which is the "Center" as well as "the primary government") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Center, as of December 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### ***Basis for Opinions***

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report. I am required to be independent of the Center and to meet my other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to my audit. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

#### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 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 the Center's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members  
of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

My 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 auditor's report that includes my opinions. 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, I:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess 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 of the effectiveness of the Center'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 my judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Center's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

I am 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 the I identified during the audit.

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members  
of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, and the Budgetary Comparison Schedules, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during the audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurances.

Management has omitted Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. My opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

### ***Supplementary Information***

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Center's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to agency head, political subdivision head or chief executive officer and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 23 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* 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 directly 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 basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the schedule of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to agency head, political subdivision head or chief executive officer and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members  
of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated June 21, 2023 on my consideration of the Center's internal control over financial reporting and on my 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 my 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 the Center's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* in considering the Center's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. R. Kelly', is written over a faint rectangular stamp.

Monroe, Louisiana  
June 21, 2023

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**



HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Governmental Activities
<i>Assets</i>	
Cash	\$ 344,510
Accounts Receivable	270,916
Due From Other Governments - LPPJ	314,598
Depreciable Assets	170,408
Total Assets	1,100,432
<i>Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	
OPEB Related	247,730
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	247,730
<i>Liabilities</i>	
Accounts Payable	2,502
Due To Other Governments - LPPJ	723,678
Non-Current Liabilities	
Compensated Absences	9,700
Postretirement Benefit Plan Payable	319,326
Total Liabilities	1,055,206
<i>Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	
OPEB Related	195,273
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	195,273
<i>Net Position</i>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	170,408
Unrestricted	(72,725)
Total Net Position	\$ 97,683

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

		Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Function/Program Activities					
Government Activities:					
Health and Welfare	\$ 1,083,035	\$ 16,237	\$ 1,149,722	\$ -	\$ 82,924
			General Revenues:		
			Miscellaneous		4,229
			Total General Revenues		4,229
			Changes in Net Position		87,153
			Net Position - Beginning		10,530
			Net Position - Ending		\$ 97,683

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
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BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Transportation</u>	<u>Community Service Block Grant</u>	<u>LIHEAP</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Assets:</b>						
Cash	\$ 59,174	\$ 147,855	\$ 33,002	\$ 104,479	\$ -	\$ 344,510
Accounts Receivable	-	49,382	207,114	13,064	1,356	270,916
Due From Other Governments - LPPJ	-	-	-	-	-	-
Due From Other Funds	2,318	121,807	42,853	29,151	-	196,129
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 61,492</u>	<u>\$ 319,044</u>	<u>\$ 282,969</u>	<u>\$ 146,694</u>	<u>\$ 1,356</u>	<u>\$ 811,555</u>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Equity</b>						
<b>Liabilities:</b>						
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ 246	\$ 1,573	\$ 424	\$ 259	\$ 2,502
Due To Other Governments - LPPJ	-	108,248	192,795	107,637	400	409,080
Due To Other Funds	56,275	364	99,471	40,019	-	196,129
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>56,275</u>	<u>108,858</u>	<u>293,839</u>	<u>148,080</u>	<u>659</u>	<u>607,711</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>						
Restricted	-	210,186	(10,870)	(1,386)	-	197,930
Assigned	-	-	-	-	697	697
Unassigned	5,217	-	-	-	-	5,217
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<u>5,217</u>	<u>210,186</u>	<u>(10,870)</u>	<u>(1,386)</u>	<u>697</u>	<u>203,844</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<u>\$ 61,492</u>	<u>\$ 319,044</u>	<u>\$ 282,969</u>	<u>\$ 146,694</u>	<u>\$ 1,356</u>	<u>\$ 811,555</u>

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HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF  
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RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL  
FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF  
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
DECEMBER 31, 2022

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 203,844
 <i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:</i>	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	170,408
Compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	(9,700)
Pension related items are not reported in the fund financial statements:	
Deferred Outflows OPEB related	247,730
Deferred Inflows OPEB related	(195,273)
Net OPEB Liability	<u>(319,326)</u>
 Net Position of Governmental Activities	 <u>\$ 97,683</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Transportation</u>	<u>Community Service Block Grant</u>	<u>LIHEAP</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues:						
Intergovernmental revenues:						
Grant receipts	\$ -	\$ 494,201	\$ 571,714	\$ 83,807	\$ -	\$ 1,149,722
Transportation fares	-	16,237	-	-	-	16,237
Miscellaneous	1,165	2,627	392	45	-	4,229
Total revenues	<u>1,165</u>	<u>513,065</u>	<u>572,106</u>	<u>83,852</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,170,188</u>
Health and Welfare Expenditures						
Personnel and Fringe Benefits	-	294,614	99,823	98,286	-	492,723
Vehicle Maintenance and Insurance	-	113,275	-	-	-	113,275
Operating Services and Supplies	401	41,264	12,319	8,957	-	62,941
Travel	-	3,484	2,746	1,942	-	8,172
Energy and Emergency Assistance	-	-	313,640	-	-	313,640
Emergency Crisis and Rent Assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Support Costs	413	-	39,714	11,145	-	51,272
Capital Outlay	-	350	45,655	900	-	46,905
Total Health and Welfare Expenditures	<u>814</u>	<u>452,987</u>	<u>513,897</u>	<u>121,230</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,088,928</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>351</u>	<u>60,078</u>	<u>58,209</u>	<u>(37,378)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,260</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	351	60,078	58,209	(37,378)	-	81,260
Fund Balances, Beginning (Restated)	<u>4,866</u>	<u>150,108</u>	<u>(69,079)</u>	<u>35,992</u>	<u>697</u>	<u>122,584</u>
Fund Balances, Ending	<u>\$ 5,217</u>	<u>\$ 210,186</u>	<u>\$ (10,870)</u>	<u>\$ (1,386)</u>	<u>\$ 697</u>	<u>\$ 203,844</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL  
FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF  
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 81,260
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:</i>	
Government funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets:	
Fixed Asset Additions	45,655
Depreciation expense	(28,102)
	17,553
The change in compensated absences liability does not require the use of current financial resources but is recorded as an expense in the statement of activities.	(3,695)
Postretirement benefit plan expenditures	(7,965)
Change in Net Position in Governmental Activities	\$ 87,153

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (the Center), a component unit and integral part of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, was organized to promote and develop economic opportunities for the people of Lincoln Parish. The Center is operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. The accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and results of operations of only the transactions of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish.

The Center complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP includes all relevant Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989 have been applied unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails. The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting policies are discussed in subsequent sections of this note.

Basis of Presentation

In June, 1999, the GASB unanimously approved statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management’s Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*. Certain of the significant changes in the presentation of its funds financial information include, for the first time a Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the H.E.L.P. Center’s overall financial position and results of operations and financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all fund activities. These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements including the notes to the financial statements.

Reporting Entity

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for Lincoln Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (police jury), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include:

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
  - a. The ability of the police jury to impose its will on that organization and/or
  - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the police jury.



HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Reporting Entity – Continued

2. Organizations for which the police jury does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the police jury.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the police jury appoints a voting majority of its governing body, the Center was determined to be a component unit of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the Center and do not present information on the police jury, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

*Government-Wide Financial Statements* – The governmental-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

*Governmental Fund Financial Statements* – The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period, the Center considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year end.

Principal revenue sources considered susceptible to accrual include federal grants, interest on investments, sales and income taxes, and lease payments receivable. Some revenue items that are considered measurable and available to finance operations during the year from an accounting perspective are not available for expenditure due to the Center's present appropriation system. These revenues have been accrued in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America since they have been earned and are expected to be collected within sixty days of the end of the period. Other revenues are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Center. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. Modifications to the accrual basis of accounting include:

- Employees' vested annual leave is recorded as an expenditure when utilized. The amount of accumulated annual leave unpaid at December 31, 2022 has been reported only in the government-wide financial statements.
- Interest on general long-term obligations is recognized when paid.
- Debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Accounting

The financial activities of the Center are recorded in individual funds, each of which is deemed to be a separate accounting entity. The Center uses fund accounting to report on its financial position and results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Governmental Funds

*General Fund* – This fund accounts for all activities of the Center not specifically required to be accounted for in other funds. Included are transactions for services such as general government, health services, public safety, regulatory services and social services.

*Transportation* - This fund is derived from the following resources: Section 5311 of the Rural Public Transportation Act, Title XIX from the Louisiana State Medicaid Program for Transportation, Margaret Roan Industries, Office of Family Securities for Project Independence and Transportation Fares. Section 5311 funds, once reimbursed from the state, can be used for any expense of the Center. These funds represent a fifty percent reimbursement of the deficit cost of operation to provide Rural Public Transportation. Title XIX funds are used solely for transportation purposes.

*Emergency Food and Shelter* - A program to provide assistance on an emergency basis for persons being threatened by eviction or other hardship. Clients must present proof of income and proof of eviction or other difficulty i.e. late payment notice. They must also present proof of an emergency or crisis situation that prevents their paying the amount.

*Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program - Energy Fund* - These funds are dedicated for the use of Home Energy Assistance only. Ninety-five percent of all funds received are to be used to provide approximately 279 units of service (energy benefits) for eligible residents of Lincoln Parish. Funds may only be expended for line items approved by the funding resource. Assistance is limited to \$190 per family in a six-month period.

*Community Service Block Grant Fund* - This fund is provided through the Louisiana Department of Labor for the administrative cost of the Center. Levels of funding fluctuate from year to year depending upon CSBG appropriations by the United States Congress. This fund will provide for administrative cost such as salaries, fringe benefits, audit cost, travel, etc. This fund requires prior approval of expenditures by the funding source.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgeting Procedures

The Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish prepares annual budgets for the general and special revenue funds. The budgets are prepared on a modified accrual basis of accounting. Budgeted amounts in the accompanying financial statements include original adopted budget amounts and all subsequent amendments. Appropriations which are not expended lapse at year end. The executive director of the H.E.L.P Center and the secretary-treasurer of the Police Jury are authorized to transfer budget amounts within a function by object classification; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any function must be approved by the executive director of the H.E.L.P Center or the Lincoln Parish Police Jury. The level of budgetary responsibility is by total appropriations; however, for report purposes, this level has been expanded to a functional basis.

Fixed Assets

Fixed assets of the Center are stated at cost and are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets are charged as an expense against operations. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of 5 years.

Compensated Absences

Employees accrue from 5 to 15 days of annual and sick leave each year depending on years of service with the H.E.L.P. Center. Annual leave must be used in the year it is earned. Sick leave up to a maximum of 15 days may be carried forward to the next year for major illnesses only. Upon separation, all unused sick leave lapses.

Due to the restrictions on use of accrued sick leave, a provision of \$9,700 has been made for the compensated absences and vacation in these financial statements.

Short-term Interfund Receivables/Payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" on the balance sheet. In the process of aggregating data for the statements of net assets and the statement of activities, some amounts reported as interfund activity and balances in the funds were eliminated or reclassified.

Funding Policies

The Center receives their monies through various methods of funding. Most of the funds are obtained on a grant basis. Under this method, funds are received on an allocation basis in advance of the actual expenditure. The Center also receives funds as a reimbursement of actual expenditures.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Cash

Cash includes demand deposits and money market accounts. Under state law, the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the Union or the laws of the United States. Further, the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish may invest in the time deposits or certificates of deposit of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana.

Fund Equity

GASB Statement No. 54 establishes standards for five fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of resources reported in government funds. The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form – prepaid items or inventories; or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

The spendable portion of the fund balance comprises the remaining four classifications: restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned.

*Restricted Fund Balance* – This classification reflects the constraints imposed on resources either (a) externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Committed Fund Balance* – These amounts can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal resolutions or ordinances of the police jurors – the government’s highest level of decision-making authority. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the police jurors remove the specified use by taking the same type of action imposing the commitment. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

*Assigned Fund Balance* – This classification reflects the amounts constrained by the Police Jury’s “intent” to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The police jurors and management have the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. Assigned fund balances include all remaining amounts (except negative balances) that are reported in governmental funds, other than the general fund, that are not classified as nonspendable and are neither restricted not committed.

*Unassigned Fund Balance* – This fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund. It is also used to report negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Policy Jury’s policy to use externally restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources – committed, assigned and unassigned – in order as needed.

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NOTE 2 – CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

*Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits.* The custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Center’s deposits may not be returned to it. The Center’s policy to ensure there is no exposure to this risk is to require each financial institution to pledge its’ own securities to cover any amount in excess of Federal Depository Insurance Coverage. Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the Center that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. Accordingly, the Center had no custodial credit risk related to its deposits at December 31, 2022. The Center had cash and cash equivalents in demand deposits, totaling \$344,510 at December 31, 2022. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Cash and cash equivalents (bank balances other than these backed by the U.S. government) at December 31, 2022, are secured, as follows:

Bank Balances	<u>\$ 344,510</u>
FDIC Insurance	-
Pledged Securities (uncollateralized)	<u>344,510</u>
Total	<u>\$ 344,510</u>

NOTE 3 - DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

The uncollected balance of grants due to the individual agencies is shown as due from other governmental units.

NOTE 4 – PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2022 is as follows:

	December 31, 2021			December 31, 2022
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Disposals</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Depreciable Assets:				
Vehicles	\$ 285,523	\$ 45,655	-	\$ 331,178
Furniture and Fixtures	46,938	-	-	46,938
Machinery & Equipment	<u>81,096</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,096</u>
Totals at Historical Cost	<u>413,557</u>	<u>45,655</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>459,212</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Vehicles	(163,839)	(28,102)	-	( 191,941)
Furniture and Fixtures	( 41,666)	-	-	( 41,666)
Machinery & Equipment	<u>( 55,197)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>( 55,197)</u>
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(260,702)</u>	<u>(28,102)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>( 288,804)</u>
 <u>CAPITAL ASSETS, NET</u>	 <u>\$ 152,855</u>	 <u>\$17,553</u>	 <u>\$ -</u>	 <u>\$ 170,408</u>

Depreciation was charged to the Health and Welfare function of the Center for \$28,102.

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NOTE 5 – ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at December 31, 2022 were \$270,916 and consisted of grant reimbursements. Based on prior experience, the uncollectible receivables are considered immaterial, thus no provision has been made for such loss in these financial statements.

NOTE 6 - DUE FROM/TO OTHER FUNDS

The due from/to other funds at December 31, 2022, are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Due From Other Funds</u>	<u>Due To Other Funds</u>
Major Funds:		
General Fund	\$ 2,318	\$ 56,275
CSBG Funds	42,853	99,471
Transportation	121,807	364
LIHEAP Energy	<u>29,151</u>	<u>40,019</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 196,129</u>	<u>\$ 196,129</u>

These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, transactions are recorded in the accounting system and payments between funds are made.

NOTE 7 - PENSION PLAN

The Parochial Employees' Retirement System, a Public Employee Retirement System, is a cost sharing multiple-employer plan that is governed by the Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title II, Sections 1901 through 2015, specifically, and other general laws of the State of Louisiana.

Under the Parochial Retirement System, a member is eligible for normal retirement if he has at least 30 years of creditable service regardless of age, or 25 years of creditable service and is at least 55 years old, or 10 years of creditable service and is at least 60 years old. The monthly retirement benefit is equal to three percent of the member's coverage monthly compensation for any 36 months of consecutive service in which compensation was highest, multiplied by years of creditable service, not to exceed 100% of member's final compensation. Retirement benefits are payable monthly for the life of the retiree, and upon the retiree's death under certain conditions are payable to the retiree's surviving spouse and minor children.

The District's net pension liability is reported with the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, primary government financial statements.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Louisiana Parochial Employees' Retirement System, P.O. Box 14619, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898.

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NOTE 8 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

General Information about the OPEB Plan

*Plan description* – The Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (HELP) provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. The Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish’s OPEB Plan (the OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by HELP. The authority to establish and/or amend the obligation of the employer, employees and retirees rests with HELP. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

*Benefits Provided* – Benefits are provided through comprehensive plans and are made available to employees upon actual retirement. Employees are covered by Plan A of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, whose retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: 30 years of service at any age; age 55 and 25 years of service; age 60 and 10 years of service; or, age 65 and 7 years of service. For employees hired on and after January 1, 2007 retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: age 55 and 30 years of service; age 62 and 10 years of service; or, age 67 and 7 years of service.

Life insurance coverage is provided to retirees and 100% of the rate is paid by the employer. 50% of the insurance coverage while active is continued after retirement.

*Employees covered by benefit terms* – As of the measurement date December 31, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	2
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	6
	8

**Total OPEB Liability**

HELP’s total OPEB liability is \$319,326 as of the measurement date December 31, 2022, the end of the fiscal year.

*Actuarial Assumptions and other inputs* – The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	3.0%
Salary increases	3.0%, including inflation
Discount rate	2.06% annually (Beginning of Year to Determine ADC)
	3.72%, annually (As of End of Year Measurement Date)
Healthcare cost trend rates	Medical: 5.5% annually for 5 years, decreasing to 4.14% after 52 years
Mortality	Pub-2010/2021

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyers' 20 Year General Obligation municipal bond index as of December 31, 2022, the end of the applicable measurement period.

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NOTE 8 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS – Continued

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of ongoing evaluations of the assumptions from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2022.

**Changes in the Total OPEB Liability**

Balance at December 31, 2021	\$ 206,841
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	713
Interest	4,268
Differences between expected and actual experience	164,353
Changes in assumptions	(39,236)
Benefit payments and net transfers	(17,613)
Net changes	112,485
 Balance at December 31, 2022	 \$ 319,326

*Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate* – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Center, as well as what the Center’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.72%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.72%) than the current discount rate:

	<b>1.0% Decrease (2.72%)</b>	<b>Current Discount Rate (3.72%)</b>	<b>1.0% Increase (4.72%)</b>
Total OPEB liability	\$ 364,265	\$ 319,326	\$ 282,253

*Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates* – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Center, as well as what the Center’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (4.5%) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.5%) than the current healthcare trend rates:

	<b>1.0% Decrease (4.5%)</b>	<b>Current Trend (5.5%)</b>	<b>1.0% Increase (6.5%)</b>
Total OPEB liability	\$ 282,819	\$ 319,326	\$ 363,155



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NOTE 8 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS – Continued

**OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

For the year ended December 31, 2022, HELP recognized OPEB expense of \$25,577. At December 31, 2022, HELP reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 139,548	\$ (152,494)
Changes in assumptions	108,182	(42,778)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 247,730</b>	<b>\$ (195,273)</b>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<u>Years ending December 31:</u>	
2023	20,596
2024	20,596
2025	20,596
2026	20,596
2027	(4,427)
Thereafter	(25,499)

NOTE 9 - FEDERALLY ASSISTED PROGRAMS

The Center receives significant financial assistance from numerous federal and state governmental agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements.

NOTE 10 - DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

Employees of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish may participate in a deferred compensation plan adopted under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 457 (Deferred Compensation Plans with Respect to Service for State and Local Governments). The deferred compensation plan is available to all employees of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish. Under the plan, employees may elect to defer a portion of their salaries and avoid paying taxes on the deferred portion until the withdrawal date. The deferred compensation amount is not available for withdrawal by employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 32 and 34, plan balances and activities are not reflected in the financial statements of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish.

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NOTE 11 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budget/Actual Variances

When comparing budget to actual revenue and expenditure amounts for the year ended December 31, 2022, the following governmental funds had variances greater than 5%:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variances</u> <u>(Unfavorable)</u>
Transportation Fund			
Fees & Charges for Services	\$ 88,000	\$ 16,237	\$ (71,763)
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 14,195	\$113,275	\$ (99,080)
Operating Services and Supplies	\$ 14,569	\$ 41,264	\$ (26,695)
LIHEAP Fund			
Program Activities & Admin	\$104,450	\$121,230	\$ (16,780)

NOTE 12 - LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

According to the Parish District Attorney, the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish had no pending or threatened litigation as of December 31, 2022.

NOTE 13 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 21, 2023, which is the day the financial statements were available to be issued, and it has been determined that no significant events have occurred for disclosure.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEUDLES**

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance With Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<u>Revenues (Inflows):</u>				
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	-	-	1,165	1,165.00
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,165</u>	<u>1,165.00</u>
<u>Total Revenue</u>				
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,165</u>	<u>1,165.00</u>
<u>Expenditures (Outflows):</u>				
Operating Services and Supplies	-	-	401	(401)
Other Support Costs	-	-	413	(413)
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>814</u>	<u>(413)</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>				
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>814</u>	<u>(413)</u>
<u>Excess of Revenues Over</u>				
<u>Expenditures</u>	-	-	351	752
<u>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year</u>				
	<u>4,886</u>	<u>4,886</u>	<u>4,866</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR</u>				
	<u>\$ 4,886</u>	<u>\$ 4,886</u>	<u>\$ 5,217</u>	<u>\$ 772</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - TRANSPORTATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance With Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<u>Revenues (Inflows):</u>				
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 135,000	\$ 135,000	\$ 494,201	\$ 359,201
Fees & Charges for Services	88,000	88,000	16,237	(71,763)
Other Revenues	27	27	2,627	2,600
	<u>223,027</u>	<u>223,027</u>	<u>513,065</u>	<u>290,038</u>
<u>Expenditures (Outflows):</u>				
Personnel and Fringe Benefits	290,000	290,000	294,614	(4,614)
Vehicle Maintenance and Insurance	14,195	14,195	113,275	(99,080)
Operating Services and Supplies	14,569	14,569	41,264	(26,695)
Travel	-	-	3,484	(3,484)
Purchase of Fixed Assets	7,490	7,490	350	7,140
Total Expenditures	<u>326,254</u>	<u>326,254</u>	<u>452,987</u>	<u>7,140</u>
<u>Deficiency of Revenues Over</u>				
<u>Expenditures</u>	(103,227)	(103,227)	60,078	297,178
<u>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year</u>	<u>150,108</u>	<u>150,108</u>	<u>150,108</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR</u>	<u>\$ 46,881</u>	<u>\$ 46,881</u>	<u>\$ 210,186</u>	<u>\$ 297,178</u>

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HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE -  
COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance With Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<u>Revenues (Inflows):</u>				
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 482,879	\$ 482,879	\$ 571,714	\$ 88,835
Other Revenue	-	-	392	392
Total Revenues	<u>482,879</u>	<u>482,879</u>	<u>572,106</u>	<u>89,227</u>
<u>Expenditures (Outflows):</u>				
Program Activities & Administration	<u>551,305</u>	<u>546,462</u>	<u>513,897</u>	<u>32,565</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>551,305</u>	<u>546,462</u>	<u>513,897</u>	<u>32,565</u>
<u>Deficiency of Revenues Over</u>				
<u>Expenditures</u>	(68,426)	(63,583)	58,209	121,792
<u>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year</u>	<u>(69,079)</u>	<u>(69,079)</u>	<u>(69,079)</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR</u>	<u>\$ (137,505)</u>	<u>\$ (132,662)</u>	<u>\$ (10,870)</u>	<u>\$ 121,792</u>

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HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - LIHEAP  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance With Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<u>Revenues (Inflows):</u>				
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 88,356	\$ 88,356	\$ 83,807	\$ (4,549)
Interest Earned	25	25	45	20
Total Revenues	<u>88,381</u>	<u>88,381</u>	<u>83,852</u>	<u>(4,529)</u>
<u>Expenditures (Outflows):</u>				
Program Activities & Administration	104,450	104,450	121,230	(16,780)
Total Expenditures	<u>104,450</u>	<u>104,450</u>	<u>121,230</u>	<u>(16,780)</u>
<u>Deficiency of Revenues Over</u>				
<u>Expenditures</u>	(16,069)	(16,069)	(37,378)	(21,309)
<u>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year</u>	<u>35,992</u>	<u>35,992</u>	<u>35,992</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR</u>	<u>\$ 19,923</u>	<u>\$ 19,923</u>	<u>\$ (1,386)</u>	<u>\$ (21,309)</u>

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HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

The Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish prepares annual budgets for the general and special revenue funds. The budgets are prepared on a modified accrual basis of accounting. Budgeted amounts in the accompanying financial statements include original adopted budget amounts and all subsequent amendments. Appropriations which are not expended lapse at year end. The executive director of the H.E.L.P Center and the secretary-treasurer of the Police Jury are authorized to transfer budget amounts within a function by object classification; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any function must be approved by the executive director of the H.E.L.P Center or the Lincoln Parish Police Jury. The level of budgetary responsibility is by total appropriations; however, for report purposes, this level has been expanded to a functional basis.

State law requires the Center to amend its budgets when revenues plus projected revenues within a fund are expected to fall short from budgeted revenues by five percent or more and when expenditures and other uses of a fund are expected to exceed budgeted amounts by five percent or more.



HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Fiscal Year Ended 12/31 of				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
OPEB Expenses					
Service Cost	\$ 4,365	\$ 3,734	\$ 10,395	\$ 684	\$ 713
Interest	10,093	10,764	8,541	4,555	4,268
Changes of Benefit Terms	-	-	-	-	-
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(6,049)	6,075	(198,926)	5,404	164,353
Changes of Assumptions	(20,881)	44,375	106,935	1,657	(39,236)
Benefit Payments	(18,085)	(19,080)	(18,948)	(19,990)	(17,613)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	(30,557)	45,868	(92,003)	(7,690)	112,485
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	291,223	260,666	306,534	214,531	206,841
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	<u>\$ 260,666</u>	<u>\$ 306,534</u>	<u>\$ 214,531</u>	<u>\$ 206,841</u>	<u>\$ 319,326</u>
Covered - Employee Payroll	\$ 237,349	\$ 244,469	\$ 261,320	\$ 269,160	\$ 217,256
Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage Covered-Employee Payroll	109.82%	129.39%	82.10%	76.85%	146.98%
Notes to Schedule:					
Benefit Change:	None	None	None	None	None
Changes of Assumptions:					
Discount Rate:	4.10%	2.74%	2.12%	2.06%	3.72%
Mortality:	RP-2000	RP-2000	RP-2014	RP-2014	Pub-2010-2021
Trend:	5.5%	5.5%	Variable	Variable	Getzen Model

This schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

**OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

HELP AGENCY  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO  
AGENCY HEAD OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Ronnie Dowling</u> <u>Director</u>
<i><b>Purpose:</b></i>	
Salary	\$ 56,056
Benefits - Insurance	11,419
Benefits - Dental	307
Total	<u>\$ 67,782</u>

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL  
OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE  
AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members  
of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

I 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (which is the “Center” as well as “the primary government”), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Center’s primary government financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated June 21, 2023.

***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I considered the Center’s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Center’s internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Center’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, 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 Center’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.

My 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

To the Board of Commissioners,  
The Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

***Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Center's financial statements are free from material misstatement, I 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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my 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 my testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended for the use of management of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.



Monroe, Louisiana  
June 21, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM  
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE  
REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members  
of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

I have audited the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish’s (Center), 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 the Center's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2022 the Center's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor' s results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In my opinion, the Center complied, in all material respects, with the types of 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, 2022.

***Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

I conducted my audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Governmental Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; 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). My responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of my report.

I am required to be independent of the Center and to meet my other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements related to my audit. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion on compliance for each major federal program. My audit does not provide a legal determination of the Center’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, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Center’s federal programs.

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members  
of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance***

My 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 the Center's compliance based on my 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 generally accepted auditing standards, *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 judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Center's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, I:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks 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 the Center's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Center'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 the Center's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, not such opinion is expressed.

I am 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 I 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 a 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.

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members  
of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish  
Ruston, Louisiana

My consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's 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 my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that I 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.

My 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 my testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'W. R. [unclear]', written over a faint rectangular stamp.

Monroe, Louisiana  
June 21, 2023



HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Program Name</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Award Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
United States Department of Health and Human Services:				
Passed through State:				
Department of Employment and Training: Community Service Block Grant		93.569		\$ 513,039 *
Department of Social Services	LIHEAP Energy	93.568		83,807
	Medicaid - Title 19	93.778		<u>176,292</u>
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				773,138
United States Department of Homeland Security				
Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program		97.024		58,675
United States Department of Transportation:				
Passed through State:				
Department of Transportation	Section 5311 - Capital Assistance	20.509		<u>317,909</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards				<u>\$ 1,149,722</u>

\* Denotes Major Federal Financial Assistance Program  
See accompanying Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES  
OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

**NOTE 1 - GENERAL** The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal awards programs of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish for the year ended December 31, 2022. The Center's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the Center's basic financial statements. Federal awards received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies, are included on the schedule. 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 the Center, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or change in net position of the Center.

**NOTE 2 - BASIS OF ACCOUNTING** The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the Center's basic financial statements. 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.

**NOTE 3 - RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** Federal awards revenues are reported in the Center's basic financial statements.

**NOTE 4 - RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORTS** Amounts reported in the accompanying schedule agree with the amounts reported in the related federal financial reports except for changes made to reflect amounts in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**NOTE 5 - MATCHING REVENUES** For those funds that have matching revenues and state funding, federal expenditures were determined by deducting matching revenues from total expenditures.

**NOTE 6 - DE MINIMIS INDIRECT COST RATE** The Center has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Financial Statement Audit

- i. The type of audit report was unmodified.
- ii. There were no significant deficiencies required to be disclosed by Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America.
- iii. There was one instance of noncompliance, as defined by the Government Auditing Standards, to the financial statements.

Audit of Federal Awards

- iv. There were no significant deficiencies required to be disclosed by the Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200).
- v. The type of report the auditor issued on compliance for the major program was unmodified.
- vi. The audit disclosed no findings which the auditor is required to report under the Uniform Guidance.
- vii. The major federal program was:  
CSBG Block Grant ALN 93.239
- viii. The dollar threshold used to identify between Type A and Type B programs as described in the Uniform Guidance was \$750,000.
- ix. The auditee does not qualify as a low-risk auditee under the Uniform Guidance.

**Part II - Findings related to the financial statements which are required to be reported in accordance with Government Auditing Standards generally accepted in the United States of America**

No findings are required to be reported.

**Part III – Management Letter**

No management letter was issued.

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH  
RUSTON, LOUISIANA  
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

**2021-01      Financial Statements Issued After Due Date**

**Condition:** The audit report was submitted after the statutory due date.

**Criteria:** LSA-R.S.24.513 states that all engagements must be completed and transmitted to the Legislative Auditor within six months of the close of the auditee fiscal year.

**Cause:** The records were not complete to be able to complete the audit within the required time frame.

**Effect:** When an entity is late filing its report, the entity is placed on the LLA's noncompliance list. Being placed on the list results in an entity receiving no funds from the State until the entity is removed from the list. Management cannot work in a timely manner to resolve internal control deficiencies and noncompliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants identified by the auditor.

**Action Taken:** Lincoln Parish Police Jury worked to resolve this issue.

Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

There were no findings for this category.

Management Letter Comments

There were no findings for this category.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT  
ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Health and Welfare Committee Members of the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (the Entity) and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA), on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the LLA's Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. The Entity's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish 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, 2022 through December 31, 2022. 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 related exceptions obtained are described in the attachment to this report.

We were engaged by the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish 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 the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish 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.



Monroe, Louisiana  
June 21, 2023

## 1) *Written Policies and Procedures*

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- 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:
- i. ***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.

No exceptions noted.

## **2) Board or Finance Committee**

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- 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
- i. 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.*
  - iii. 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.

No exceptions noted.

## **3) Bank Reconciliations**

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- 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.

For the month selected, bank reconciliations were not prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date. Also, there was no written evidence that a member of management reviewed the reconciliation. But as of year end, both of these instances had been corrected.

#### 4) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

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- 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;
  - iii. 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
  - iv. 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:
  - i. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
  - ii. 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.

No exceptions noted.



**5) Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)**

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- 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
  - i. At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;
  - ii. At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;
  - iii. 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.

*[Note: Findings related to controls that constrain the legal authority of certain public officials (e.g., mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality) should not be reported.]*

- 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
  - i. 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.

No exceptions noted.

**6) Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cards (Cards)**

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- 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.

No exceptions noted.

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

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- 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
  - i. 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](http://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.

No exceptions noted.

### **8) Contracts**

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- 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
  - i. 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.

No exceptions noted.

### **9) Payroll and Personnel**

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- 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.
- B. Randomly 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);
  - ii. 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.

- C. 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.

No exceptions noted.

### **10) Ethics**

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- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A obtain ethics documentation from management, and
  - i. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and
  - ii. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.
- B. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

No exceptions noted.

### **11) Debt Service**

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- A. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.
- B. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

This section not applicable.

## ***12) Fraud Notice***

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- 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.
- 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.

No exceptions noted.

## ***13) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity***

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- A. Perform the following procedures, **verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."**
  - i. 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.
  - iii. 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.

We performed the procedures and discussed the results with management.

## ***14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment***

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- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343.
- B. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).

- C. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
- i. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
  - ii. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
  - iii. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
  - iv. Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
  - v. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

No exceptions noted.