



# **Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish**

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**December 31, 2021**





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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

The Honorable Judges  
Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Shreveport, Louisiana

### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish ("Juvenile Court") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Juvenile Court's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Juvenile Court, as of December 31, 2021, 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**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Juvenile Court, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our 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 Juvenile Court'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.

### **Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our 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 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, we:

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

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

### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information 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. We 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 our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Juvenile Court's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Compensation, Reimbursements, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head and Justice System Funding Schedules - Collecting/Disbursing Entity and Receiving are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic 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 to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Compensation, Reimbursements, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head and Justice System Funding Schedules - Collecting/Disbursing Entity and Receiving are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 30, 2022, on our consideration of the Juvenile Court's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Juvenile Court's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Juvenile Court's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C." The signature is cursive and fluid, with a small vertical mark above the letter "i" in "Ingram".

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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***

The Honorable Judges  
Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Shreveport, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish ("Juvenile Court"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Juvenile Court's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022.

**Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

## **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

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

### **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.



CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM, LLC

Shreveport, Louisiana

June 30, 2022

## **Required Supplementary Information**

### **Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)**

## **Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)**

This section of the Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish's ("Juvenile Court") annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Juvenile Court's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended on December 31, 2021. Please read it in conjunction with the Juvenile Court's financial statements, which follow this section.

### **Financial Highlights**

The following exhibit some of the more important highlights of the financial results for the government-wide financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021:

- The Juvenile Court's total net position from governmental activities decreased \$25,040 from the beginning of the fiscal year as a result of operations during the year;
- During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Juvenile Court's expenses were \$25,717 more than the \$842,674 recognized as revenue from charges for services and operating grants;
- The cost of operating the programs of the Juvenile Court was \$868,391, which represents an increase in the costs of operations under the prior year of \$114,548 or a 15.20% (percent) increase, and
- The General Fund reported unassigned fund balance of \$118,390.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of three parts – management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the Juvenile Court:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the Juvenile Court's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the Juvenile Court's governmental operations, reporting the Juvenile Court's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
  - The governmental funds statements illustrate how general government services, like court operations, were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending, including a special revenue fund that provides information about the use of revenue earmarked by law for a particular purpose.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements. Exhibit 1 shows how the required parts of this annual report are arranged and relate to one another.

Exhibit 1 summarizes the major features of the Juvenile Court's financial statements, including the portion of the Juvenile Court's government they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis explains the structure of contents of each of the statements.

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)**

<b>Exhibit 1</b> <b>Major Features of Juvenile Court's Government and Fund Financial Statements</b>		
	<b>Government-Wide Statements</b>	<b>Governmental Funds</b>
Scope	The entire Juvenile Court governmental unit	The activities of the Juvenile Court that are not proprietary or fiduciary
Required financial statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of net position</li> <li>• Statement of activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balance sheet</li> <li>• Statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances</li> </ul>
Accounting basis and measurements focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus
Type of asset/liability	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets are included
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is paid or received	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and payments are due during the year or soon thereafter

### **Government-Wide Statements**

The government-wide statements report information about the Juvenile Court as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The Statement of Net Position includes all of the government's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the Juvenile Court's net position and how they have changed. Net position (the difference between the Juvenile Court's total assets and total liabilities) is one way to measure the Juvenile Court's financial health, or position.

For instance:

- Over time, increases or decreases in the Juvenile Court's net position is an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.
- To assess the overall health of the Juvenile Court, you need to consider additional financial factors, such as changes in the finances of the State of Louisiana and the Caddo Parish Commission.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

The government-wide financial statements of the Juvenile Court consist of:

- Governmental activities - all of the Juvenile Court's basic services are included here, such as services to protect the welfare of children.

### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Juvenile Court's most significant funds, not the Juvenile Court as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the Juvenile Court uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

- Some funds are required by State law.

The Juvenile Court has one type of fund:

- Governmental funds – Most of the Juvenile Court's basic services are included in two governmental funds (general and special revenue) which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps one determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Juvenile Court's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements, or on the subsequent page, that explains the relationships between the two types of financial statements.

### **Financial Analysis of the Juvenile Court as a Whole**

**Net Position** The Juvenile Court's combined net position decreased during 2021 by \$25,040 or 15.59% (percent), from \$160,601, at December 31, 2020, as shown in the following table:

December 31,	2021	2020	Increase (decrease)
Assets			
Current and other assets	\$ 170,421	\$ 198,753	\$ (28,332)
Capital assets	-	3,343	(3,343)
Total assets	170,421	202,096	(31,675)
Current liabilities	34,860	41,494	(6,634)
Net position			
Invested in capital assets	-	3,342	(3,342)
Restricted	11,176	14,117	(2,941)
Unrestricted	124,385	143,142	(18,757)
Total net position	\$ 135,561	\$ 160,601	\$ (25,040)

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

**Changes in Net Position** The following condensed government-wide governmental activity statement illustrates the major changes in operations for the Juvenile Court in 2021 as compared to 2020:

December 31,	2021	2020	Increase (decrease)	Percent change
Revenues	\$ 843,351	\$ 739,671	\$ 103,680	14.02%
Expenses	868,391	753,843	114,548	15.20%
Change in net position	\$ (25,040)	\$ (14,172)	\$ (10,868)	

**Governmental Activities** The Juvenile Court's total governmental revenue increased from 2020 by \$103,680 or 14.02% (percent), while expenses increased by \$114,548 or 15.20% (percent), as compared to 2020. The increase in revenue is attributable to a new grant obtained during year for upgrades to IT equipment. The increases in expenses occurred primarily in grant expenses as a result of the equipment upgrades from new grant. There was an increase in education, travel and training due to travel restrictions lifted related to COVID-19. There was an increase in professional services due to increased funding to nonprofits for equipment and services provided to youth in the Juvenile Court system.

There were no significant changes to the sources of revenue between 2021 and 2020.

December 31,	2021	2020	Increase (decrease)	Percent change
Revenue				
Charges for services	\$ 406,537	\$ 389,354	\$ 17,183	4.41%
Grants and contributions	436,137	348,129	88,008	25.28%
parish support				
Other	677	2,188	(1,511)	-69.06%
Total revenues	843,351	739,671	103,680	14.02%
Expenses				
Personnel services	366,709	359,032	7,677	2.14%
Other costs to deliver governmental programs	501,682	394,811	106,871	27.07%
Total expenses	868,391	753,843	114,548	15.20%
Change in net position	\$ (25,040)	\$ (14,172)	\$ (10,868)	

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

### **Financial Analysis of the Juvenile Court's Funds**

At the end of 2021, the Juvenile Court's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$135,561, which decreased a total of \$21,697 from prior year fund balance of \$157,258. The prior year operations showed a decrease in fund balance of \$10,830.

**Capital Assets** The Juvenile Court's investment in capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2021, is \$0.

This investment in capital assets includes vehicles.

December 31,	2021	2020
Vehicles	\$ 16,710	\$ 16,710
Less accumulated depreciation	(16,710)	(13,367)
<b>Net capital assets</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,343</b>

Additional information on the Juvenile Court's capital assets can be found in Note 6 Capital Assets in this report.

### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget**

The Juvenile Court relies on the State of Louisiana, enforcement fees, and court fees for the majority of its funding. As with any company, the cost of business continues to rise. This office has taken steps to minimize those increases by maximizing the funds that are generated through fines and costs.

### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The Juvenile Court has prepared budgets that cover its governmental activities in the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund. Included in this financial report are comparison schedules that illustrate the actual results of these funds compared to the original and revised budgets.

### **Contacting the Juvenile Court's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide the citizens, taxpayers, and creditors with a general overview of the Juvenile Court's finances and to demonstrate the Juvenile Court's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Mr. Bobby Stromile, Administrator, 1835 Spring Street, Shreveport, LA 71101.

## **Basic Financial Statements**

## **Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)**

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish**  
**Statement of Net Position**

*December 31,*

**2021**

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**Assets**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 32,442
Investments	78,377
Due from other governments	53,402
Other receivables	205
Prepaid expenses	5,995
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	-
 Total assets	 170,421

**Liabilities**

Accounts payable	27,967
Accrued Expenses	2,086
Due to other governments	4,807
 Total liabilities	 34,860

**Net position**

Investment in capital assets	-
Restricted for Child Support	11,176
Unrestricted	124,385
 Total net position	 \$ 135,561

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Statement of Activities**

<u>Program Revenues</u>					
			Operating	Net (expense)	revenue and
			Charges for	grants and	changes in net
<i>For the year ended December 31, 2021</i>	<i>Expenses</i>		<i>services</i>	<i>contributions</i>	<i>position</i>
Functions/programs					
Governmental activities					
Judicial	\$ 868,391		\$ 406,537	\$ 436,137	\$ (25,717)
Total governmental activities	\$ 868,391		\$ 406,537	\$ 436,137	\$ (25,717)
General revenues					
Interest and investment earnings					82
Other					595
Total general revenues					677
Change in net position					(25,040)
Net position, beginning of year					160,601
Net position, end of year					\$ 135,561

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

## **Fund Financial Statements**

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds**

<i>December 31, 2021</i>	General Fund	Child Support		Total
		Special	Revenue Fund	
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 32,442	\$ -	\$ 32,442	
Investments	78,377	-	78,377	
Due from other governments	25,575	27,827	53,402	
Other receivables	205	-	205	
Prepaid expenses	5,995	-	5,995	
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 142,594</b>	<b>\$ 27,827</b>	<b>\$ 170,421</b>	
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 18,209	\$ 9,758	\$ 27,967	
Due to other governments	-	4,807	4,807	
Accrued salaries	-	2,086	2,086	
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>18,209</b>	<b>16,651</b>	<b>34,860</b>	
Fund balances				
Nonspendable	5,995	-	5,995	
Restricted for:				
Support enforcement	-	11,176	11,176	
Unassigned	118,390	-	118,390	
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<b>124,385</b>	<b>11,176</b>	<b>135,561</b>	
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 142,594</b>	<b>\$ 27,827</b>	<b>\$ 170,421</b>	

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish**  
**Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet - Governmental**  
**Funds to the Statement of Net Position**

*December 31,*

*2021*

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Fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 135,561
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.

Those assets consist of:

Governmental capital assets	\$ 16,711
Less accumulated depreciation	(16,711) -

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<u>Net position of governmental activities</u>	<u>\$ 135,561</u>
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**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds**

<i>December 31, 2021</i>			
	General Fund	Child Support Special Revenue Fund	Total
<b>Revenues</b>			
Fines, charges and commissions for services			
Support enforcement fees	\$ -	\$ 295,452	\$ 295,452
Court costs and fees	111,085	-	111,085
Intergovernmental revenue			
Federal and state financial assistance	436,137	-	436,137
Earnings (loss) on investments	(191)	274	83
Other	595	-	595
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>547,626</b>	<b>295,726</b>	<b>843,352</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Current operating			
Salaries regular employees	-	44,660	44,660
Costs to Caddo Parish	-	140,000	140,000
Costs to other governmental agencies	9,422	-	9,422
Dues and subscriptions	7,305	-	7,305
Education, travel and training	47,816	-	47,816
Employee benefits reimbursement	-	14,684	14,684
Family Drug Treatment Court			
Administrative and personnel	29,155	-	29,155
Treatment	292,894	-	292,894
Testing and laboratory	6,425	-	6,425
Training and travel	2,943	-	2,943
Other services	7,938	-	7,938
IJJIS grant	99,720	-	99,720
Insurance	6,701	-	6,701
Legal and auditing	4,250	4,250	8,500
Miscellaneous	21,159	-	21,159
Office costs	12,560	-	12,560
Professional services	18,093	95,073	113,166
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>566,382</b>	<b>298,667</b>	<b>865,049</b>
Net change in fund balance	(18,756)	(2,941)	(21,697)
<b>Fund balance at beginning of year</b>	<b>143,141</b>	<b>14,117</b>	<b>157,258</b>
<b>Fund balance at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 124,385</b>	<b>\$ 11,176</b>	<b>\$ 135,561</b>

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish**  
**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues,**  
**Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental**  
**Funds to the Statement of Activities**

*For the year ended December 31,*

**2021**

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	(21,697)
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

Depreciation expense		(3,343)
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Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	(25,040)
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## **Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements**

### **Note 1: REPORTING ENTITY**

The Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish (“Juvenile Court”) is provided for under Louisiana Revised Statutes Sections 13:1564 through 13:1565. Three elected judges serve as the governing body of the Juvenile Court. All sessions of the Juvenile Court shall be held separate and apart from the First Judicial District Court in quarters to be provided by the governing authority of the Caddo Parish Commission (“Commission”). The Commission is required to make all necessary provisions for the proper conduct of the Juvenile Court and to provide for all necessary expenses in connection with the operation of the Juvenile Court, except for expenses directly related to employees of the Caddo Parish Clerk of Court who serves as the ex officio clerk of the Juvenile Court, including the stenographer and all necessary and legitimate expenses incurred by the probation officers in the discharge of their official duties.

The Juvenile Court has exclusive juvenile jurisdiction in Caddo Parish including, but not limited to all juvenile violations, abuse and neglect, delinquency, traffic, non-support issues, and all other administrative and judicial matters involving juveniles in Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

During 2007, through an intergovernmental agreement between the Commission and the Juvenile Court, all programs involving care and rehabilitation of juveniles and the related resources of the Juvenile Court were transferred to the Department of Juvenile Services, created by Caddo Parish Commission Ordinance 4484.

### **Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### ***Basis of Presentation***

The Juvenile Court’s financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). The more significant policies established in GAAP, and used by the Juvenile Court, are discussed below.

#### ***Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements***

The financial statements comply with GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management’s Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*.

The government-wide financial statements (GWFS) (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the Juvenile Court.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### ***Reporting Entity***

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Commission is the financial reporting entity for Caddo Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (Parish Commission), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially responsible, and (c) other organizations for which the 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.

Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14, as amended by Statement No. 61, established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Commission for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within a 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 Commission 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 Commission.
2. Organizations for which the Commission does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the Commission.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity's financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization were not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

The Commission has determined that the Juvenile Court is not a component unit of the parish because it is legally separate from the Commission and is governed by independently elected officials. The Commission is not considered accountable for the Juvenile Court due to the inability of the Commission to impose its will over the daily operations. While some financial burdens are placed on the Commission by the Juvenile Court, it is not significant enough to warrant inclusion in the reporting entity. Using the above criteria, it was also determined that the Juvenile Court has no component units.

The accompanying financial statements include all organizations, activities, and functions that comprise the Juvenile Court and do not present information on the Caddo Parish Commission, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### ***Fund Accounting***

The Juvenile Court organizes its accounts on the basis of funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenues and expenditures. The Juvenile Court uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

Funds of the Juvenile Court are classified as governmental funds. Governmental funds account for all of the Juvenile Court's general activities. These funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between the governmental fund's assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. In general, fund balance represents the accumulated expendable resources that may be used to finance future period programs or operations. The following are the Juvenile Court's governmental funds:

#### ***Governmental Fund Type***

*General Fund* - Accounts for revenues received through state and federal grants for Family Drug Treatment Court. It also includes the judicial expense fund fees, fines and costs imposed and collected by the Juvenile Court. The funds collected are under the control of the juvenile judges and may be used for any operating expense of the Juvenile Court including salaries for court reporters and other personnel, establishing and maintaining a law library, and buying or maintaining any type of equipment, supplies, or other items germane to or consistent with the efficient operation of the Juvenile Court, however, no judge's salary may be paid from the General Fund.

*Special Revenue Funds* - Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue resources that are legally restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Juvenile Court has one special revenue fund:

*Child Support Fund* - Accounts for a five percent (5%) fee assessed in non-support cases that are processed through the state's Child Support Enforcement Program.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### ***Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting***

The government-wide financial statements were prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from non-exchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-exchange Transactions*.

#### ***Fund Financial Statements (FFS)***

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenue and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

Governmental funds are accounted for on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become susceptible to accrual – that is, when they become measurable and available to pay current liabilities. For this purpose, the Juvenile Court considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Grants are recorded when the Juvenile Court is entitled to such funds. Earnings on investments are recorded when earned. Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

#### ***Operating Transfers Between Funds***

Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid are accounted for as other financial sources (uses). These transactions are recorded as they occur. In those cases where repayment is expected, the transfers are accounted for through the various due from and due to accounts. Generally, these transfers are to pay operating costs of the Juvenile Court borne by one or the other of the Juvenile Court's funds.

#### ***Budgetary Practices***

Budgets are adopted on a modified accrual basis, which is consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

### **Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

The Louisiana Local Government Budget Act provides that "the total of proposed expenditures shall not exceed the total of estimated funds available for the ensuing year." The "total estimated funds available" is the sum of the estimated fund balance at the beginning of the year and the anticipated revenues for the current year.

Through the budget, the Juvenile Court allocates its resources and establishes its priorities. The annual budget assures the efficient and effective use of the Juvenile Court's economic resources. It establishes the foundation of effective financial planning by providing resource planning, performance measures and controls that permit the evaluation and adjustment of the Juvenile Court's performance.

The budget is structured such that revenues are budgeted by source and appropriations are budgeted by principal type of expenditure. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Appropriations that are not expended lapse at year end. The Juvenile Court judges may revise or amend the budget at their discretion. Management may not amend the budget.

#### ***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

The Juvenile Court's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Highly liquid investments with Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc. (LAMP) are included in cash and cash equivalents. Under state law, the Juvenile Court may deposit funds in demand deposits or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States.

#### ***Investments***

Juvenile Court's investments are held by the Caddo Parish Commission in its pooled investment account.

State statutes authorize the Commission to invest in U.S. bonds, Treasury notes, and bills, or certificates or time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. In addition, local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, formed by an initiative of the State Treasurer and organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, which operates a local government investment pool. Investments of the Commission are stated at fair value. Investments, excluding the LAMP investments, are held in the Commission's name through a book-entry system at the Federal Reserve Bank. A separate financial report for LAMP can be located at the LAMP website, [www.lamppool.com](http://www.lamppool.com).

LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give participants daily access to their account balances. For reporting purposes LAMP balances are included in cash and cash equivalents in the financial statements.

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Notes to Financial Statements**

**Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

***Receivables***

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible. Uncollectible amounts are recognized as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account at the time information becomes available that would indicate the uncollectibility of the receivable. At December 31, 2021, the allowance for doubtful accounts was \$0.

***Interfund Transactions***

Resources belonging to particular funds are commonly shared with other funds that need access to additional resources. When resources are provided without the expectation of repayment, the transaction is reported as a transfer and is treated as a source of income by the recipient fund and as expenditure by the providing fund. Quasi-external transactions, if any, are accounted for as revenues or expenditures. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed.

***Capital Assets***

Capital assets, which include vehicles, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by Juvenile Court as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost for assets where historical cost is not available and depreciated over their estimated useful lives. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Estimated useful life is management's estimate of how long the asset is expected to meet service demands. Capital assets have not been assigned a salvage value because management feels that the salvage value is immaterial. Vehicles are depreciated using the straight line method over a useful life of five years.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### ***Net Position Classifications***

In the government-wide statements, net position is classified and displayed in three components:

*Investment in capital assets* – Consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.

*Restricted net position* – Consists of components of net position with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Unrestricted net position* – Consists of all other components of net position that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “investment in capital assets”.

The Juvenile Court first applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

#### ***Categories and Classifications of Fund Equity***

*Fund balance policies* - The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the Juvenile Court is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent.

The provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, specifies the following classifications:

*Nonspendable fund balance* - Nonspendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted fund balance* - Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed 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* - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by action of the Juvenile Court's highest level of decision-making authority. The Juvenile Court Judges are the highest level of decision-making authority for the Juvenile Court that can commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed remains in place until a similar action is taken to remove or revise the limitation.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

### **Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Assigned fund balance* - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Juvenile Court for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The Juvenile Court judges authorize the judicial administrator to assign fund balance. The judges may also assign fund balance when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. Conversely, as discussed above, an additional action is essential to either remove or revise a commitment.

*Unassigned fund balance* - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund.

The Juvenile Court would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources, and then assigned resources, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first to defer the use of these other classified funds.

#### ***Program Revenues***

Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities are derived directly from court costs, fines, forfeitures, and grants. Program revenues reduce the costs of the function to be financed from the Juvenile Court's general revenues.

Revenues represented by reimbursements and incentives under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program are recognized when program expenditures are incurred in accordance with program guidelines. Court costs and fees provided for in Louisiana Statutes are recorded as received in cash. Investment earnings are recorded as earned since they are measureable and available.

#### ***Use of Estimates***

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various 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.

#### ***Subsequent Events***

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, June 30, 2022, and determined there were no events that occurred that required disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

## **Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements**

### **Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

#### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued statements that will become effective in future years. These statements are as follows:

In June 2017, the GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases*. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021.

The Juvenile Court is evaluating the requirements of the above statements and the impact on reporting.

#### **Note 3: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

At December 31, 2021, the Juvenile Court had cash and cash equivalents (book balances) of \$32,442 in the governmental funds. This balance contains cash equivalents totaling \$10,030 consisting of highly liquid investments with LAMP. These funds were held for the Juvenile Court by the Commission in its pooled cash account. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market value. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. There were no uninsured cash balances as of December 31, 2021.

#### **Note 4: INVESTMENTS**

At December 31, 2021, the Juvenile Court had investments with a fair value totaling \$78,377. These investments were held for the Juvenile Court by the Caddo Parish Commission in its pooled investment account.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

### **Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

State statutes generally authorize the Juvenile Court to invest in direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. government agency obligations, and LAMP, a local government investment pool. LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest. The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. The fair value of investments is determined on a weekly basis to monitor any variances between amortized cost and fair value. For purposes of determining participant's shares, investments are valued at amortized cost. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give participants daily access to their account balances.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The Juvenile Court's investment policy requires all securities to be investment grade obligations, but does not address specific credit quality ratings. The Juvenile Court does not limit the amount that may be invested in securities on any one issuer. In accordance with the investment policy, the maximum permitted maturity of any individual security in the Commission's portfolio is five years. It is a further requirement that the overall portfolio be structured to provide a minimum cash flow, through maturities, equal to 20% of the portfolio on an annual basis. Applicable state statutes do not address credit quality ratings, concentration of credit risk by issuer, or investment maturity limitations.

#### *Custodial Credit Risk of Investments:*

Custodial credit risk of investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a counterparty, the Caddo Parish Commission will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities in the possession of an outside party. The Commission has not adopted a policy to address custodial credit risk of investments; however, the Commission's investments in securities are protected by the Securities Investment Protection Corporation.

#### *Fair Value Measurements:*

GASB Statement No. 72, establishes a hierarchy of inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The Commission categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The implementation of this new statement did not change the method of measuring the fair value of the Commission's assets.

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)

These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

- Level 1—Investments reflect prices quoted in active markets.
- Level 2—Investments reflect prices that are based on a similar observable asset either directly or indirectly, which may include inputs in markets that are not considered to be active.
- Level 3—Investments reflect prices based upon unobservable sources.

The categorization of investments within the hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the instrument and should not be perceived as the particular investment's risk. The investments with LAMP and money market accounts are not categorized by fair value level. The categorization of investments within the hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the instrument and should not be perceived as the particular investment's risk. Debt and equity securities classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. U.S. government obligations classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using a matrix and market-corroborate pricing based on the securities' relationship to benchmark quote prices.

Information about the fair value level and exposure of the Caddo Parish Commission's investments to this risk, using the segmented time distribution model is as follows:

Security	Fair Value Level	Standard & Poor's Rating	Percentage of total portfolio	Fair market value	Months to Maturity			
					0-6	7 - 12	13-24	Over 24
LAMP	N/A	N/A	8%	\$ 26,344,083	\$ 26,344,083	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Carter Credit Union-money market	N/A	N/A	1%	2,058,275	2,058,275	-	-	-
Regions - money market	N/A	N/A	0%	88,687	88,687	-	-	-
Red River Bank - money market	N/A	N/A	2%	2,994,427	2,994,427	-	-	-
Total included in cash and cash equivalents			11%	31,485,472	31,485,472	-	-	-
Gibson Bank - certificate of deposit	1	N/A	1%	775,882	775,882	-	-	-
U.S. Treasury Notes	1	N/A	11%	53,405,301	8,904,795	1,445,935	15,803,901	27,250,670
U.S. chartered agencies:								
Federal National Mortgage Association	2	AAA	8%	17,519,288	-	-	17,519,287	-
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	2	AAA	15%	13,309,951	-	-	794,136	12,515,815
Federal Home Loan Bank	2	AAA	25%	34,789,292	4,018,160	-	3,994,852	26,776,280
Federal Farm Credit Bank	2	AAA	29%	19,038,655	-	-	9,487,467	9,551,188
Total investments			89%	138,838,369	13,698,837	1,445,935	47,599,643	76,093,953
Total			100%	\$ 170,323,841	\$ 45,184,309	\$ 1,445,935	\$ 47,599,643	\$ 76,093,953
Percentage of portfolio value				100%	27%	1%	28%	45%

## Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish Notes to Financial Statements

## **Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

The balance of cash totaling \$31,485,472 is classified as "Cash and Cash equivalents" on the Caddo Parish Commission's Statement of Net Position because the accounts operate as or similar to a money market fund.

The total investments on the Statement of Net Assets with original maturities of three months or more when purchased are \$138,465,280 (\$133,461,237 in governmental activities and \$5,004,043 in the internal service funds). There were additional investments of \$373,089 held in the fiduciary funds. Therefore, total investments were \$138,838,369. The Caddo Parish Commission's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is available on the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's website at [www.lla.la.gov](http://www.lla.la.gov).

## **Note 5: DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at December 31, 2021, primarily consisted of drug court reimbursements, support enforcement fees, and interest income, which were earned during the year ended December 31, 2021, but not remitted by the collecting agency until after year-end.

	General Fund	Child Support Fund	Total
Louisiana Supreme Court:			
Drug court reimbursement	\$ 25,575	\$ -	\$ 25,575
Office of Family Support:			
Support enforcement fees	-	27,827	27,827
Due from other governments	25,575	27,827	53,402
Other receivables	205	-	205
Totals	\$ 25,780	\$ 27,827	\$ 53,607

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
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**Note 6: CAPITAL ASSETS**

A summary of changes in capital assets is as follows:

	Beginning Balance			Reductions		Ending Balance
Governmental Activities						
Vehicles	\$ 16,710	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,710		
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(13,367)	(3,343)	-	(16,710)		
Net capital assets	\$ 3,343	\$ (3,343)	\$ -	\$ -		

**Note 7: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Louisiana Revised Statute R.S. 13:1565 requires that the Caddo Parish Commission make all necessary provisions for the proper conduct of the business of the Juvenile Court and to provide all necessary expenses in connection with the operation of the Court. The Caddo Parish Commission provides the facilities, related utility costs for such facilities, accounting services, employee salaries and benefits, and the costs necessary for the proper operation of the Juvenile Court. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Juvenile Court reimbursed the Caddo Parish Commission \$140,000 for costs associated with the operation of the Juvenile Court. In addition, the Juvenile Court reimbursed the Caddo Parish Commission \$193,446 for payroll and administrative costs associated with Family Drug Court for the year ended December 31, 2021.

**Note 8: CONTINGENCIES**

***Grant Disallowances***

The Juvenile Court participates in one federally assisted grant program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. The program is subject to various compliance audits. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement by the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under the terms of the grant. The Juvenile Court management believes that the amount of disallowances, if any, which may arise from future audits will not be material.

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
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**Note 9: UNCERTAINTIES**

In March 2021, the World Health Organization made the assessment that the outbreak of a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) can be characterized as a pandemic. As a result, uncertainties have arisen that may have a significant negative impact on the operating activities and results of the Juvenile Court. The occurrence and extent of such an impact will depend on future developments, including (i) the duration and spread of the virus, (ii) government quarantine measures, (iii) voluntary and precautionary restrictions on travel or meetings, (iv) the effects on the financial markets, and (v) the effects on the economy overall, all of which are uncertain.

## **Required Supplementary Information**

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund**

<i>December 31, 2021</i>	<i>Original Budgeted Amounts</i>	<i>Final Budgeted Amounts</i>	<i>Actual Amounts</i>	<i>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</i>
<b>Revenues</b>				
Fees, charges, and commissions for services				
Court ordered classroom fees	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	6,520	\$ (1,480)
Court costs and fees	70,000	70,000	103,899	33,899
Grant revenue	325,000	424,000	436,137	12,137
Outside agency collections	250	250	666	416
Earnings (loss) on investments	1,000	1,000	(191)	(1,191)
Other	600	600	595	(5)
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>404,850</b>	<b>503,850</b>	<b>547,626</b>	<b>43,776</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
General government				
Current operating				
Books and subscriptions	6,000	6,000	1,501	4,499
Dues	4,000	4,000	5,805	(1,805)
Education, travel and training	28,925	47,925	47,816	109
Office supplies	3,000	3,000	8,560	(5,560)
Copy supplies	2,325	2,325	-	2,325
Telephone	2,500	2,500	4,135	(1,635)
Legal and auditing	4,500	4,500	4,250	250
Professional services	10,000	23,000	18,093	4,907
Grant program expenses	325,000	439,000	439,076	(76)
Insurance	6,000	6,000	6,701	(701)
Costs to other governmental entities	5,000	5,000	8,721	(3,721)
Outside agency distributions	500	500	702	(202)
Office equipment	2,000	2,000	(135)	2,135
Other equipment	3,000	3,000	-	3,000
Miscellaneous expense	2,100	22,100	21,157	943
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>404,850</b>	<b>570,850</b>	<b>566,382</b>	<b>4,468</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(67,000)</b>	<b>(18,756)</b>	<b>48,244</b>
Beginning fund balance	143,141	143,141	143,141	-
<b>Ending fund balance</b>	<b>\$ 143,141</b>	<b>\$ 76,141</b>	<b>\$ 124,385</b>	<b>\$ 48,244</b>

*See Independent Auditors' Report.*

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Child Support Fund**

<i>December 31, 2021</i>	Original Budgeted Amounts	Final Budgeted Amounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budget
				Positive (Negative)
<b>Revenues</b>				
Fees, charges, and commissions for services:				
Support enforcement	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 295,452	\$ (4,548)
Earnings on investments	1,000	1,000	274	(726)
Total revenues	301,000	301,000	295,726	(5,274)
<b>Expenditures</b>				
General government				
Current operating				
Salaries regular employees	45,350	-	44,660	(44,660)
Parochial retirement	1,650	1,650	1,211	439
Medicare insurance	4,000	4,000	3,399	601
Supplemental benefits	10,000	10,000	10,074	(74)
Education, travel and training	-	-	-	-
Legal and auditing	5,000	5,000	4,250	750
Professional services	90,000	90,000	95,073	(5,073)
Costs to Caddo Parish	145,000	145,000	140,000	5,000
Total expenditures	301,000	255,650	298,667	(43,017)
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>	-	45,350	(2,941)	(48,291)
Beginning fund balance	14,117	14,117	14,117	-
Ending fund balance	\$ 14,117	\$ 59,467	\$ 11,176	\$ (48,291)

*See Independent Auditors' Report.*

## **Supplementary Information**

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish**  
**Schedule of Compensation, Reimbursements,**  
**Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2021**

Agency Head Name: H. Ted Cox III, Administrator

Purpose	Amount
Cell phone	\$ 605
Reimbursements	86
Dues	40
Travel	136
 Total	 \$ 867

\*Salary and benefits were not provided to the Administrator by the Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish.

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Justice System Funding Schedule – Collecting/Disbursing Entity  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021**

Identifying Information

Entity Name	Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish	
LLA Entity ID #	9196	
Date that reporting period ended	12/31/2021	

	First Six Month Period Ended	Second Six Month Period Ended
Cash Basis Presentation	6/30/2021	12/31/2021
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected (i.e. cash on hand)	\$ 688	\$ (1,858)
Add: Collections		
Civil Fees	60,407	47,007
Bond Fees	1,130	3,330
Restitution	1,580	4,200
Service/Collection Fees	424	340
Subtotal Collections	63,541	54,877
Less: Disbursements To Governments & Nonprofits		
Caddo Parish Public Defender's Office - Civil Fees	5,000	750
Pro Bono Project - Civil Fees	825	300
Caddo Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	500	200
State of Louisiana Support Enforcement Services - Civil Fees	589	382
Volunteers for Youth Justice - Civil Fees	1,080	560
Caddo Parish District Attorney - Civil Fees	1,030	1,100
State of Louisiana Treasurer - Civil Fees	315	330
Louisiana Supreme Court - Civil Fees	64	69
Caddo Parish Sheriff - Bond Fees	-	135
Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency		
Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Fixed Amount	454	490
Amounts "Self-Disbursed" to Collecting Agency		
Civil Fees	51,530	40,428
Bond Fees	1,100	3,315
Less: Disbursements to Individuals/3rd Party Collection or Processing Agencies		
Restitution Payments to Individuals	1,480	4,210
Other Disbursements to Individuals	2,120	2,460
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage	66,087	54,729
Total: Ending Balance of Amounts Collected But Not Disbursed/Retained (i.e. cash on hand)	\$ (1,858)	\$ (1,710)

*See Independent Auditors' Report.*

**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Justice System Funding Schedule – Receiving Entity  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021**

**Identifying Information**

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Entity Name	Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish	
LLA Entity ID #	9196	
Date that reporting period ended	12/31/2021	

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	First Six Month Period Ended	Second Six Month Period Ended
Cash Basis Presentation	6/30/2021	12/31/2021

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Receipts From:

Louisiana Department of Children & Family Services, Other - Child Support Enforcement Program Case Fees	\$ 144,267	\$ 147,688
<hr/> Subtotal Receipts	<hr/> \$ 144,267	<hr/> \$ 147,688
<hr/> Ending Balance of Amounts Assessed but Not Received	<hr/> \$ 26,099	<hr/> \$ 27,827

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**Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish  
Schedule of Findings and Responses  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021**

We have audited the basic financial statements of the Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2022. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our audit of the financial statements as of December 31, 2021, resulted in an unmodified opinion. No management letter was issued for the year ended December 31, 2021.

**Section I – Summary of Auditors' Report**

*Report on Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements*

**Internal Control**

Material Weakness	No
Significant Deficiencies	None noted

**Compliance**

Noncompliance Material to Financial Statements	No
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*Federal Awards*

N/A

**Section II – Financial Statement Findings Reported in Accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards***

**Current Year Findings**

None

**Prior Year Findings**

None



## **Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish**

### **STATEWIDE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT**

**December 31, 2021**



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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**  
**ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

To the Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

Juvenile Court for Caddo 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, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated results are as follows:

**Written Policies and Procedures**

1. Obtained and inspected the entity's written policies and procedures and observed whether they addressed each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
  - a) **Budgeting**, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.  
Results: Not Applicable – Budgeting policies and procedures are done by Caddo Parish Commission.

- b) **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.

Results: No written policies and procedures.

- c) **Disbursements**, including processing, reviewing, and approving.

Results: No written policies and procedures.

- d) **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).

Results: Not Applicable – Receipts/Collections policies and procedures are done by Caddo Parish Commission.

- e) **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(s) rate of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.

Results: Not Applicable – Payroll/Personnel policies and procedures are done by Caddo Parish Commission.

- f) **Contracting**, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.

Results: Not Applicable – Contracting policies and procedures are done by Caddo Parish Commission.

- g) **Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, P-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).

Results: No written policies and procedures.

- h) **Travel and Expense Reimbursement**, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

- i) **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.

Results: Not Applicable – Ethics policies and procedures are done by Caddo Parish Commission.

- j) **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.

Results: Not Applicable – Debt service policies and procedures are done by Caddo Parish Commission.

- k) **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.

Results: Not Applicable – Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity policies and procedures are done by Caddo Parish Commission.

- l) **Sexual Harassment**, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

Results: Not Applicable – Sexual harassment policies and procedures are done by Caddo Parish Commission.

#### ***Board or Finance Committee***

2. Obtained and inspected 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:

- a) Observed 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.

Results: Per discussion with client, the judges meet monthly but no official minutes are maintained. Therefore, CRI was unable to test.

- b) 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. *Alternately, for those entities reporting on the nonprofit 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.*

Results: Per discussion with client, the judges meet monthly but no official minutes are maintained. Therefore, CRI was unable to test.

- c) 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.

Results: No negative ending unassigned fund balance in prior year.

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

3. Obtained 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).

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

4. For each location selected under #3 above, obtained a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtained written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, inquired of employees about their job duties), and observed that job duties are properly segregated such that:

- a) At least two employees were involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase.

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

- b) At least two employees were involved in processing and approving payments to vendors.

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

- c) 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.

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

- d) 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.

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

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

5. For each location selected under #3 above, obtained the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtained management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly selected 5 disbursements for each location, obtained supporting documentation for each transaction, and:

- a) Observed whether the disbursement matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity.

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

- b) Observed whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9, as applicable.

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

#### ***Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/P-Cards***

6. Obtained from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and P-cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtained management's representation that the listing is complete.

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

7. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly selected 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly selected one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement), obtained supporting documentation, and:

- a) Observed 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. [Note: Requiring such approval may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials (e.g., mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality); these instances should not be reported.]  
Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified one statement that no approval other than cardholder.
  
  - b) Observed that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.  
Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.
8. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #7 above, excluding fuel cards, randomly selected 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtained supporting documentation for the transactions (i.e., each card should have 10 transactions subject to testing). For each transaction, observed 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 note whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a “missing receipt statement” that is subject to increased scrutiny.
- Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

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

9. Obtained 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 selected 5 reimbursements, obtained 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:
- a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observed 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)).  
Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

- b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observed the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased.

Results: In applying procedures above, CRI noted one exception where all itemized receipts identifying what was purchased was not provided.

- c) Observed 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 policy (procedure #1h).

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

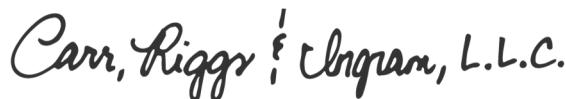
- d) Observed each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Results: In performing the above procedures, CRI identified no exceptions.

We were engaged by Juvenile Court for Caddo 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 Juvenile Court for Caddo 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.



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June 30, 2022



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RE: Management's Response to Agreed-Upon Procedures

Management of Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish has reviewed the Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures. We are in agreement with the report of Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC. Juvenile Court for Caddo Parish will add policies and procedures and implement changes as considered necessary and cost-beneficial to meet the expectations identified in the report and future agreed-upon procedures engagements.

David Matlock  
Chief Judge