

CASA OF WEST CENLA, INC.
DERIDDER, LOUISIANA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
JUNE 30, 2022

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	<u>Statement</u>	<u>Page No.</u>
Independent Auditor's Report		1-2
Financial Statements		
Statement of Financial Position	A	4
Statement of Activities	B	5
Statement of Functional Expenses	C	6
Statement of Cash Flows	D	7
Notes to the Financial Statements		9-13
	<u>Schedule</u>	
Other Supplemental Information		
Schedule of CASA Assistance Program TANF Revenue and Expenditure Activity	1	15
Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head	2	16
Other Information		
Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings	3	18
Schedule of Current Year Audit Findings and Management's Response	4	19
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 <i>Government Auditing Standards</i>		20-21

Windham & Reed, L.L.C.

Certified Public Accountants

1620 North Pine Street
DeRidder, LA 70634
Tel: (337) 462-3211
Fax: (337) 462-0640

John A. Windham, CPA
Charles M. Reed, Jr., CPA

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
CASA of West CenLA, Inc.
DeRidder, Louisiana

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of CASA of West CenLA, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of CASA of West CenLA, Inc. as of June 30, 2022, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

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 responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of CASA of West CenLA, Inc. 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 CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditor's 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 opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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*, 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 CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of CASA Assistance program TANF revenue and expenditure activity and schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of CASA Assistance program TANF revenue and expenditure activity and schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 3, 2022, on our consideration of CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



DeRidder, Louisiana
October 3, 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2022

ASSETS

Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 162,138
Receivables:	
Grants receivable	38,768
Prepaid insurance	<u>4,355</u>
Total current assets	<u>\$ 205,261</u>
Noncurrent assets	
Capital assets-net	<u>\$ 10,096</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 215,357</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current liabilities	
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 1,097</u>
Net Assets:	
Without donor restrictions	<u>\$ 214,260</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$ 215,357</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

<u>SUPPORT AND REVENUE</u>	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>SUPPORT</u>			
TANF federal grant	\$ -	\$ 175,669	\$ 175,669
LCLE federal grant	-	35,047	35,047
CASA AP state grant	-	114,365	114,365
Other contributions	36,614	-	36,614
In-kind donations	54,822	-	54,822
Net assets released from restrictions	325,081	(325,081)	-
Total support	<u>\$ 416,517</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 416,517</u>
 <u>REVENUE</u>			
Interest and dividends	<u>\$ 2,813</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,813</u>
Total support and revenue	<u>\$ 419,330</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 419,330</u>
 Expenses:			
Program services			
Court appointed special advocates	\$ 325,729	\$ -	\$ 325,729
Supporting services			
General and administrative	72,320	-	72,320
Total expenses	<u>\$ 398,049</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 398,049</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ 21,281	\$ -	\$ 21,281
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>192,979</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>192,979</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 214,260</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 214,260</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Statement of Functional Expenses
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Program Services	Supporting Services	
	Court Appointed Special Advocates	General and Administrative	Total
Salaries and related benefits	\$ 121,561	\$ 64,310	\$ 185,871
Payroll taxes	10,116	4,920	15,036
Health insurance	18,231	1,370	19,601
Retirement expense	2,341	1,410	3,751
Total salaries and related expenses	<u>\$ 152,249</u>	<u>\$ 72,010</u>	<u>\$ 224,259</u>
Program supplies	\$ 28,577	\$ -	\$ 28,577
Office supplies	2,929	-	2,929
Bank charges	35	-	35
Telephone	4,627	-	4,627
Dues/licenses/permits	1,002	-	1,002
Occupancy	14,400	-	14,400
Travel and mileage reimbursement	13,453	310	13,763
Postage	2,216	-	2,216
Equipment rental and maintenance	8,498	-	8,498
Background checks	2,136	-	2,136
Insurance	7,822	-	7,822
Recruitment	9,705	-	9,705
Pest control	160	-	160
Training	4,906	-	4,906
IT web services	1,776	-	1,776
In-kind expenditures	54,822	-	54,822
Professional fees	7,480	-	7,480
Utilities	7,677	-	7,677
Total expenses before depreciation	<u>\$ 324,470</u>	<u>\$ 72,320</u>	<u>\$ 396,790</u>
Depreciation			
Purchased assets	<u>\$ 1,259</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,259</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 325,729</u>	<u>\$ 72,320</u>	<u>\$ 398,049</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from grants	\$ 410,150
Cash received from contributions	36,614
Cash received from interest and dividend income	2,813
Cash payments for program activities	(172,093)
Cash payments to employees for services	(225,755)
Net cash used by operating activities	<u>\$ 51,729</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash investments	
	\$ 51,729
Cash and cash investments, July 1, 2021	110,409
Cash and cash investments, June 30, 2022	<u>\$ 162,138</u>
Reconciliation of net income from operations to net cash used by operating activities:	
Net income (loss) from operations	\$ 21,281
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) from operations to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	\$ 1,259
Change in assets and liabilities:	
Decrease in grants receivable	30,247
Increase in accounts payable	279
Decrease in payroll taxes payable	(1,496)
Decrease in prepaid insurance	159
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 51,729</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CASA of West CenLA, Inc.

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Introduction

CASA of West CenLA, Inc. (Court Appointed Special Advocate of West CenLA, Inc.) is a Louisiana non-profit corporation and a member of the National Court Appointed Special Advocate Association. This corporation is organized and it shall be operated exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes, within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, including for purposes, to purchase, acquire, hold, use, manage, alienate or encumber property of any kind, necessary and proper to advocate for and protect the best interest of abused, neglected, and dependent children, and the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The Board of Directors consists of ten appointed board members that are not compensated for their services.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies followed are described to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements to readers. The financial statements of CASA of West CenLA, Inc. have been prepared on the accrual basis; therefore, certain revenues and the related assets are recognized when earned rather than when received and certain expenses are recognized when the obligation is incurred rather than when paid. These policies have been consistently applied in the preparation of the financial statements. The Organization has no capital stock.

A. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are presented in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, *Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations* and Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-14 – *Not-for-Profit Entities: Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities (ASU 2016-14)*, which requires the organization to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: net assets without donor restrictions and net assets with donor restrictions. In addition, the Organization is required to present a statement of cash flows.

B. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Organization'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 and are reported in the statement of cash flows.

C. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Such donations are reported as unrestricted contributions unless the donor has restricted the donated asset to a specific purpose. Assets donated with explicit restrictions regarding their use and contributions of cash that must be used to acquire property and equipment are reported as restricted contributions. Absent donor stipulations regarding how long those donated assets must be maintained, the Organization reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired assets are placed in service as instructed by the donor. The Organization reclassifies net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions at that time. CASA of West CenLA, Inc. maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

CASA of West CenLA, Inc.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed. There was no interest expense incurred during the current fiscal year.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method with the following estimated lives.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Furniture and fixtures	5 - 10 years
Equipment	5 - 10 years

D. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events within the control of CASA of West CenLA, Inc., which are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 3, 2022, the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

E. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require 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.

F. Income Taxes

The Organization is qualified as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is not subject to federal income tax. In addition, the Organization qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under section 170(b)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue code and has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service not to be a private foundation within Section 509 (a) of the Code.

G. Donated Facilities, Materials and Services

Donated materials, equipment, and use of facilities (if any) are reflected as contributions in the accompanying statements at their estimated values at the date of receipt. Donated services (if any) are recognized as contributions in accordance with SFAS No. 116, Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made, if the services (a) create or enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are performed by people with those skills and would otherwise be purchased by the organization. Volunteers also provided services throughout the year that are not recognized as contributions in the financial statements since the criteria for SFAS No. 116 are not met.

H. Concentration of Risk

CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s primary sources of support are from grants awarded by the federal government and the state. Management is always seeking funding for the upcoming years through renewals of current grants as well as applying for new grants; however, in the event the Organization is unable to secure additional funding, the financial position of the Organization could be significantly impacted.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

I. Subsequent Events

The accounting records of the Organization were reviewed subsequent to year end and through the date the auditor's report was issued for subsequent events that could materially affect the financial statements. No subsequent events were found during this period that would materially affect the financial statements.

J. Recent Financial Accounting Pronouncements

During the year ended June 30, 2022, CASA of West CenLA, Inc. adopted the requirements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board's Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-14 – *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities (ASU 2016-14)*. This update addresses the complexity and understandability of net asset classification, deficiencies in information about liquidity and availability of resources, and the lack of consistency in the type of information provided about expenses and investment return between not-for-profit entities. A key change required by ASU 2016-14 is a change in the net asset classes used in the financial statements. Amounts previously reported as unrestricted net assets are now reported as net assets without donor restrictions and amounts previously reported as temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets are now reported as net assets with donor restrictions.

K. Restrictions on Contributions of Long-lived Assets

CASA of West CenLA, Inc. has not adopted a policy for implying time restrictions on contributions of long-lived assets and contributions of cash and other assets restricted to purchasing them. As of June 30, 2022, CASA of West CenLA, Inc. has had no contributions of long-lived assets or assets that would be used to acquire them.

2. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Organization receives a substantial portion of its total support from TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) and CASA AP (Assistance Program). During the period ended June 30, 2022, CASA of West CenLA, Inc. received \$175,669 and \$114,365 respectively in grant support, which represents 69.63% of total support.

3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At June 30, 2022, the Organization had cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$162,138 as follows:

Demand deposits	\$	130,218
Time deposit		31,720
Petty cash		200
Total	\$	<u>162,138</u>

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. At June 30, 2022, the Organization has \$166,755 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$166,755 of federal deposit insurance.

CASA of West CenLA, Inc.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

4. RECEIVABLES

The following is a summary of receivables for June 30, 2022:

<u>Class of Receivable</u>	
Grants:	
LCLE federal grant	\$ 8,827
CASA AP state grant	<u>29,941</u>
Total	<u>\$ 38,768</u>

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, for the Organization is as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Capital assets being depreciated				
Equipment	\$ 13,986	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,986
Furniture and fixtures	<u>13,999</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,999</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>\$ 27,985</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 27,985</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Equipment	\$ 9,051	\$ 608	\$ -	\$ 9,659
Furniture and fixtures	<u>7,579</u>	<u>651</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,230</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>\$ 16,630</u>	<u>\$ 1,259</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 17,889</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>\$ 11,355</u>	<u>\$ (1,259)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,096</u>

6. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES

The following is a summary of payables at June 30, 2022:

<u>Class of Payable</u>	
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 1,097</u>

7. NET ASSETS

As required by ASU 2016-14, net assets have been reclassified into two categories: Without donor restrictions and with donor restrictions. The classification is as follows:

Without donor restrictions	\$ 214,260
With donor restrictions	<u>-</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 214,260</u>

8. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

At June 30, 2022, CASA of West CenLA, Inc. had no litigation or claims pending.

9. PENSION PLAN

Substantially all employees of CASA of West CenLA, Inc. are members of the CASA of West Central Louisiana 408 (p) Plan, a Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees of Small Employers (SIMPLE).

Employees may contribute up to a maximum amount permitted by law, \$13,500 and \$14,500 for the calendar years 2021 and 2022 respectively, and if the employee has attained age fifty by the end of the year, an additional contribution can be made in the amount of \$3,000 and \$3,000 for calendar years 2021 and 2022 respectively.

Each payroll period the employer will make regular matching contributions to the employee's account equal to 100% of the employee's contributions, up to a maximum contribution of 3% of the employee's compensation. The employee is fully vested on their employee elected contributions and employer contributions immediately. Investment elections are made by the employee upon eligibility and may be invested in any of the available investment funds offered by the administrator. The employer's contribution to the plan for the year ending June 30, 2022 was \$3,751.

10. LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

CASA of West CenLA, Inc. maintains operating revenue for general expenditures. The current financial assets totaled \$200,906 at June 30, 2022 and are available for general expenditures; that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use.

As part of CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s liquidity management, it primarily maintains its current assets in cash and cash equivalent.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Schedule of CASA Assistance Program TANF
Revenue and Expenditure Activity
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Revenues and support:	
TANF federal grant	\$ 175,669
CASA AP state grant	114,365
Total revenues and support	<u>\$ 290,034</u>
Expenses:	
Salaries	\$ 152,732
Fringe benefits	39,590
Operating expenses	51,002
Travel	13,688
Supplies	19,907
Professional fees	9,276
Training	3,839
Total expenses	<u>\$ 290,034</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets	<u>\$ -</u>

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and
Other Payments to Agency Head
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Agency Head Name - Tommy Edwards

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ 46,500
Benefits - insurance	3,647
Benefits - retirement	1,395
Deferred compensation	-
Benefits - other	-
Car allowance	-
Vehicle provided by government	-
Cell phone	-
Dues	-
Vehicle rental	-
Per diem	-
Reimbursements	-
Travel - mileage reimbursement	310
Travel - meal reimbursement	-
Registration fees	-
Conference travel	1,259
Housing	-
Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-
Other	-

OTHER INFORMATION

Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

There were no prior year audit findings as of June 30, 2021.

Schedule of Current Year Audit Findings and Management's Response
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

There were no current year audit findings as of June 30, 2022.

Windham & Reed, L.L.C.

Certified Public Accountants

1620 North Pine Street
DeRidder, LA 70634
Tel: (337) 462-3211
Fax: (337) 462-0640

John A. Windham, CPA
Charles M. Reed, Jr., CPA

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 Board of Directors
CASA of West CenLA, Inc.
DeRidder, 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 CASA of West CenLA, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 3, 2022.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s, internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of CASA of West CenLA, Inc.'s internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or 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 may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of This Report

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John A. Windham, CPA". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

DeRidder, Louisiana
October 3, 2022