

METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY
ADVOCACY, INC.

FINANCIAL REPORT

JUNE 30, 2025 AND 2024

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Board of Directors of
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Jefferson, Louisiana

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2025 and 2024, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc. as of June 30, 2025 and 2024, and the changes in its net assets and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audits 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 Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, 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.

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Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, 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 opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than 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 judgement 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 judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risk 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.
- Obtaining 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 Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, 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 judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, 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 opinions on the financial statements as a whole. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, is also presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 12, 2025, on our consideration of Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, 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 Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, 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 Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Duplantier, Sharpner, Hogan and Oakes, LLP

Metairie, Louisiana

METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY, INC.
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
JUNE 30, 2025 AND 2024

	<u>ASSETS</u>	
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,785,369	\$ 1,034,340
Certificates of deposit	404,276	280,613
Grants receivable	402,505	523,538
Prepays and other current assets	49,437	46,226
Total Current Assets	<u>2,641,587</u>	<u>1,884,717</u>
Non-Current Assets:		
Investments - mutual funds	2,329,483	2,095,487
Beneficial interest in asset held by Greater New Orleans Foundation	2,454,097	2,248,726
Property and equipment, net	809,683	886,485
Operating lease right of use assets, net	8,255	26,284
Total Non-Current Assets	<u>5,601,518</u>	<u>5,256,982</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 8,243,105</u>	 <u>\$ 7,141,699</u>
	<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>	
Current Liabilities:		
Accrued expenses	\$ 89,985	\$ 92,783
Refundable advance	10,136	19,947
Operating lease right of use liability	8,255	18,029
Total Current Liabilities	<u>108,376</u>	<u>130,759</u>
Long-Term Liabilities:		
Operating lease right of use liability	<u>-</u>	<u>8,255</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>108,376</u>	<u>139,014</u>
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions:		
Board-designated	81,446	75,093
Undesignated	8,053,283	6,927,592
	<u>8,134,729</u>	<u>7,002,685</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	 <u>\$ 8,243,105</u>	 <u>\$ 7,141,699</u>

See accompanying notes.

METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY, INC.
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2025 AND 2024

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS:		
Revenues and Other Support:		
Grants:		
Governmental	\$ 1,827,821	\$ 2,260,861
Non governmental	909,300	748,534
Donations	873,173	119,205
In-kind contributions	358,316	350,743
Fundraising	-	6,352
Realized and unrealized gains	491,989	288,959
Interest and dividend income	181,496	167,999
Rental income	23,400	21,400
Other income	8,234	12,495
Insurance proceeds	-	30,997
Loss on disposal of assets	(5,209)	-
Total Revenues and Other Support	4,668,520	4,007,545
Expenses:		
Program Services	3,043,478	3,003,783
Supportive Services:		
Management and general	492,998	465,296
Fundraising	-	1,000
Total Expenses	3,536,476	3,470,079
Changes in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	1,132,044	537,466
NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS:		
BEGINNING OF YEAR	7,002,685	6,465,219
END OF YEAR	\$ 8,134,729	\$ 7,002,685

See accompanying notes.

METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY, INC.
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Program Services	Support Services		Total
		Management & General	Fundraising	
Advertising	\$ 4,600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,600
Audit and accounting	-	53,741	-	53,741
Client financial aid	54,821	-	-	54,821
Client housing	531,930	-	-	531,930
Client supplies	31,558	-	-	31,558
Consultants and coordinators	481,223	-	-	481,223
Dues	-	3,189	-	3,189
Equipment repairs and maintenance	185,117	3,610	-	188,727
Insurance	110,240	4,944	-	115,184
Insurance - employees	101,627	13,401	-	115,028
Investment expense	-	29,632	-	29,632
Miscellaneous	346	15,531	-	15,877
Office supplies	11,028	1,561	-	12,589
Pest control	3,492	63	-	3,555
Postage and delivery	-	447	-	447
Printing	7,002	-	-	7,002
Rent	30,147	-	-	30,147
Retirement	9,999	8,758	-	18,757
Salaries and wages	935,165	260,983	-	1,196,148
Supplies - food	10,338	-	-	10,338
Taxes - payroll	79,953	19,965	-	99,918
Telephone and internet	23,195	6,776	-	29,971
Travel and transportation	26,650	-	-	26,650
Utilities	44,898	637	-	45,535
Total expenses before depreciation and in-kind expenses	2,683,329	423,238	-	3,106,567
Depreciation	70,833	760	-	71,593
In-kind contribution expenses	289,316	69,000	-	358,316
	<u>\$3,043,478</u>	<u>\$ 492,998</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$3,536,476</u>

See accompanying notes.

METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY, INC.
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Program Services	Support Services		Total
		Management & General	Fundraising	
Audit and accounting	\$ -	\$ 46,278	\$ -	\$ 46,278
Client financial aid	82,080	-	-	82,080
Client housing	348,594	-	-	348,594
Client supplies	53,494	-	-	53,494
Consultants and coordinators	687,265	-	-	687,265
Dues	-	4,037	-	4,037
Equipment repairs and maintenance	145,064	2,265	-	147,329
Insurance	100,992	4,797	-	105,789
Insurance - employees	103,129	27,747	-	130,876
Investment expenses	-	13,743	-	13,743
Miscellaneous	4,953	-	-	4,953
Office supplies	10,155	1,277	-	11,432
Pest control	6,639	180	-	6,819
Postage and delivery	-	870	-	870
Printing	2,342	-	-	2,342
Rent	31,322	-	-	31,322
Retirement	9,409	8,887	-	18,296
Salaries and wages	840,956	278,850	-	1,119,806
Supplies - food	15,545	-	1,000	16,545
Taxes - payroll	73,103	21,332	-	94,435
Telephone and internet	33,818	1,675	-	35,493
Travel and transportation	48,131	-	-	48,131
Utilities	36,148	907	-	37,055
Total expenses before depreciation and in-kind expenses	2,633,139	412,845	1,000	3,046,984
Depreciation	68,601	3,751	-	72,352
In-kind contribution expenses	302,043	48,700	-	350,743
	<u>\$ 3,003,783</u>	<u>\$ 465,296</u>	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,470,079</u>

See accompanying notes.

METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY, INC.
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2025 AND 2024

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Change in net assets	\$ 1,132,044	\$ 537,466
Adjustments to reconcile the change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense	71,593	72,352
Loss on disposal of asset	5,209	-
Realized and unrealized (gains) on investments	(491,989)	(288,959)
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:		
Grants receivable	121,033	(71,918)
Interest receivable	-	1,175
Prepaid and other current assets	(3,211)	(6,350)
Operating leases right of use assets	18,029	1,585
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:		
Accrued expenses	(2,798)	10,737
Refundable advance	(9,811)	(169,749)
Operating leases right of use liabilities	(18,029)	(1,585)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>822,070</u>	<u>84,754</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchases of property and equipment	-	(98,438)
Purchase of investments	(123,663)	(60,923)
Proceeds from sales of investments	73,020	73,014
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(50,643)</u>	<u>(86,347)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Beneficial interest contributions	(20,398)	(32,108)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(20,398)</u>	<u>(32,108)</u>
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	751,029	(33,701)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>1,034,340</u>	<u>1,068,041</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 1,785,369</u>	<u>\$ 1,034,340</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Cash paid during the year for interest	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

See accompanying notes.

METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY, INC.
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NATURE OF OPERATIONS:

Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc. ("MCCA") is a not-for-profit organization that provides assistance to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. MCCA maintains outreach offices in Jefferson Parish, St. Tammany Parish, St. Charles Parish, St. James Parish, St. John the Baptist Parish, and Orleans Parish. MCCA offers the opportunity for victims to receive counseling services, obtain legal advocacy from advocates employed by the organization, and obtain legal assistance through temporary restraining orders. MCCA also operates five temporary housing shelters in Jefferson Parish, St. Charles Parish, and St. John the Baptist Parish, providing both emergency and transitional housing to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Basis of Accounting:

The financial statements of MCCA have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accrual basis of accounting records revenue when earned and expenses when incurred.

Basis of Presentation:

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Not-for-Profit Entities Topic of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC). In accordance with these standards, MCCA is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets:

Net assets without donor restrictions – net assets available for general use and not subject to donor restrictions. This category also includes board-designated endowments.

- Board-designated endowed net assets include those for which donors gave MCCA variance power. The Board intends to spend from these assets only an amount allowable under its spending policy.

Net assets with donor restrictions – net assets representing contributed funds subject to specific donor-imposed restrictions contingent upon specific purpose or a specific passage of time.

Accounting standards provide that if the governing body of an organization has the ability to remove a donor restriction, the contributions should be classified as net assets without donor restrictions.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES: (Continued)

In-kind Contributions:

In-kind contributions are reflected as contributions recorded at their fair value at date of donation and are reported as unrestricted support unless explicit donor stipulations specify how donated assets must be used. MCCA recognizes the fair value of contributed services received if such services a) create or enhance nonfinancial assets or b) require specialized skills that are provided by individuals possessing those skills and would typically need to be purchased if not contributed. MCCA receives services from a large number of volunteers who give a significant amount of their time to MCCA's programs and meet the criteria for financial statement recognition.

Revenue Recognition of Contributions:

Management has determined that a portion of the grant funds received are contributions. MCCA recognizes contributions when cash, securities, or other assets; an unconditional promise to give; or a notification of a beneficial interest is received. Conditional promises to give – that is, those with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return – are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been met. Once the condition is met, contributions are recorded as increases in net assets without donor restrictions or increases in net assets with donor restrictions, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets with restrictions are reclassified to net assets without restrictions, and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Contributions received with donor-imposed conditions and restrictions that are met in the same reporting period are reported as support without donor restrictions and increase net assets without donor restrictions.

Use of Estimates:

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

Property and Equipment:

Acquisitions of property and equipment in excess of \$3,000 are capitalized. Property and equipment are recorded at cost or, if donated, at the approximate fair value at the date of the donation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over five years for vehicles, three years for furniture and equipment, ten years for leasehold improvements and

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES: (Continued)

Property and Equipment: (Continued)

twenty-seven and one-half years for buildings. The cost of land is not depreciated. When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and any resulting gain or loss is reflected in the statement of activities for the period. The cost of repairs and maintenance is charged to expense as incurred; significant renewals and betterments are capitalized.

Leases:

MCCA assesses whether an arrangement qualifies as a lease (i.e. conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration) at inception and only reassesses its determination if the terms and conditions of the arrangement are changed.

Operating right of use assets and lease liabilities are recorded at the present value of lease payments at commencement of the lease. Lease expense is recognized for these leases on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. In accordance with ASC 360, right of use assets are reviewed for impairment when indicators of impairment are present.

Short-term leases, or leases with a term of twelve months or less that do not contain a purchase option that is reasonably certain to be exercised, are expensed and not recorded as right of use assets and lease liabilities.

Income Taxes:

MCCA is operating under Section 501c (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and is exempt from federal, state and local income taxes on all revenues not related to business activities.

Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is included in the financial statements. MCCA had no business activities during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024.

MCCA believes it has appropriate support for all tax positions taken, and as such, does not have any uncertain positions that are material to the financial statements.

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

For the purpose of the Statements of Cash Flows, MCCA considers all cash and other highly liquid investments, which can be converted into known amounts of cash and have a maturity period of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES: (Continued)

Compensated Absences:

MCCA allows the accrual of vacation and sick leave on all full-time employees who have successfully completed six (6) months of employment. Vacation and sick leave accrual rates are as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vacation Days</u>	<u>Sick Leave Days</u>
1 - 4	10	10
5 - 9	15	10
10 +	20	10

If an employee does not use his or her vacation time, this time is not accrued for the following calendar year.

Advertising:

MCCA uses advertising to promote its programs. Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Advertising expense for the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 was \$4,600 and \$-0-, respectively.

Functional Allocation of Expenses:

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. The statements of functional expenses present the natural classification detail of expenses by function. Those expenses which cannot be specifically identified by function type are allocated on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. Salaries and benefits are allocated based on estimated time spent for each function. Travel, office/occupancy, depreciation, and other expenses are allocated to functions based on space usage.

Grants Receivable:

Grants receivable consists of amounts due from various granting agencies for grants and cost reimbursement programs. These amounts are presented at fair value and management estimates that all are collectible.

Certificates of Deposit:

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost which approximates fair value. Interest is recorded when earned.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES: (Continued)

Investments:

Investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values are valued at their fair value in the statements of financial position. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in the statements of activities. Dividends and interest are accrued when earned.

2. CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:

MCCA has certificates of deposit with an original maturity date of more than 3 months. MCCA's certificates of deposits consist of:

June 30, 2025

	Interest			
	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Regions Bank	3.44%	2 Years	3/14/2026	\$ 129,254
Regions Bank	4.26%	2.5 Years	12/30/2025	109,230
Hancock Whitney	4.00%	11 Months	9/30/2025	53,861
Fidelity Bank	4.07%	2 Years	11/4/2026	111,931
				<u>\$ 404,276</u>

June 30, 2024

	Interest			
	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Regions Bank	4.88%	6 Months	10/16/2024	\$ 124,046
Regions Bank	4.26%	1.5 Years	12/30/2025	105,009
Hancock Whitney	5.27%	11 Months	10/30/2024	51,558
				<u>\$ 280,613</u>

3. INVESTMENTS:

Investments consist of mutual funds and are presented in the financial statements at fair value based on quoted prices in active markets. Investments as of June 30, 2025 and 2024 are as follows:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Cumulative Unrealized Gain (Loss)</u>
<u>2025</u>			
Mutual Funds	<u>\$ 2,329,483</u>	<u>\$ 2,037,372</u>	<u>\$ 292,111</u>
<u>2024</u>			
Mutual Funds	<u>\$ 2,095,487</u>	<u>\$ 2,024,543</u>	<u>\$ 70,944</u>

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 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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4. BENEFICIAL INTERESTS:

During the year ended June 30, 2012, MCCA entered into an Agency Endowment Fund with the Greater New Orleans Foundation (the Foundation). During the year ended June 30, 2023, MCCA entered into an Agency Non-Endowment Fund agreement with the Foundation with an initial contribution amount of \$2,000,000. The funds are accounted for under guidance from Financial Accounting Standards Board Codification Topic 958 and are described as "...a charitable fund established by a nonprofit agency for the benefit of the nonprofit agency." The Foundation acts as a trustee and has a duty to hold and manage assets for the benefit of MCCA.

Investment Return Objective, Risk Parameters and Strategies:

Endowed Funds - The Foundation seeks to increase the real purchasing power of endowment assets and income after accounting for endowment spending, inflation, and costs of investment management. Endowments are invested in a diversified asset mix that is intended to meet this objective. The Foundation's investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values are valued at their fair value in the statement of financial position. The Foundation has established a 5% real rate of return objective for the portfolio.

Non-Endowed Funds – The Foundation generally invests the funds in money market accounts with a goal of principal preservation.

Spending Policy:

Endowed Funds - Under the terms of the agreement between MCCA and the Foundation, the Foundation will distribute a portion of the earnings of the fund back to the nonprofit agency annually. The Foundation makes available on an annual basis 4% of the 12-quarter rolling average market value of the funds. The cutoff for the calculation is September 30th of each year and all new endowment funds must be for four (4) full quarters prior to December 31st of each year in order for any appropriation to be made available. The principal balance of \$55,000 is retained by the Foundation and is not distributed to MCCA.

Non-Endowed Funds – The fund agreement requires monthly grant distributions to MCCA. Additional funds may be requested by MCCA at any time.

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of June 30, was as follows:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Without Donor Restrictions		
Board-designated endowment funds	<u>\$ 81,446</u>	<u>\$ 75,093</u>

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4. BENEFICIAL INTERESTS: (Continued)

Changes in endowment net assets as of June 30, was as follows:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ 75,093	\$ 70,219
Investment return, net	9,257	7,772
Distributions	<u>(2,904)</u>	<u>(2,898)</u>
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 81,446</u>	<u>\$ 75,093</u>

Non-Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of June 30, was as follows:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Without Donor Restrictions		
Undesignated	<u>\$2,372,651</u>	<u>\$2,173,633</u>

Changes in endowment net assets as of June 30, was as follows:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Non-Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$2,173,633	\$2,022,498
Investment return, net	269,134	221,251
Distributions	<u>(70,116)</u>	<u>(70,116)</u>
Non-Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$2,372,651</u>	<u>\$2,173,633</u>

The funds transferred to the Foundation are subject to the Foundation's variance power. MCCA's investment in the fund is reported as "Beneficial interest in asset held by Greater New Orleans Foundation" on the statements of financial position.

5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS:

Fair Value Measurements:

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Fair Value Measurements establishes a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and disclosures about the fair value measurements. The valuation hierarchy is based upon the reliability of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability on the measurement date. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

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5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS: (Continued)

Fair Value Measurements: (Continued)

Level 1 – inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices identical to assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2 – inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

Level 3 – inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. A financial instrument’s level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The valuation techniques used maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Certificates of deposits are valued at current market value. This market approach uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities. The certificates of deposit are considered a level 1 investment as defined by FASB ASC 820.

Mutual funds are valued at the fair market value of underlying securities held at year end as provided by the broker. This market approach uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities. Mutual funds are considered a level 1 investment as defined by FASB ASC 820.

MCCA’s beneficial interest in the asset held by Greater New Orleans Foundation valued at current market price using quoted market prices for similar assets in active markets using significant other observable inputs. MCCA’s beneficial interest is considered a Level 2 investment as defined by FASB ASC 820.

Fair values of assets measured are as follows:

<u>Recurring Fair Value Measurement:</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
June 30, 2025				
Certificates of Deposit	<u>\$ 404,276</u>	<u>\$ 404,276</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Investments - mutual funds	<u>\$ 2,329,483</u>	<u>\$ 2,329,483</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Beneficial interest in assets held by Greater New Orleans Foundation	<u>\$ 2,454,097</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,454,097</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS: (Continued)

<u>Recurring Fair Value Measurement:</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
June 30, 2024				
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 280,613	\$ 280,613	\$ -	\$ -
Investments - mutual funds	\$ 2,095,487	\$ 2,095,487	\$ -	\$ -
Beneficial interest in assets held by Greater New Orleans Foundation	\$ 2,248,726	\$ -	\$ 2,248,726	\$ -

Following is a summary of investment return for the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Interest and dividends	\$181,496	\$167,999
Realized and unrealized gains	491,989	288,959
Total investment return	<u>\$673,485</u>	<u>\$456,958</u>

6. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:

Property and equipment as of June 30 was as follows:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Land	\$ 127,795	\$ 127,795
Building	872,831	872,831
Vehicles	59,088	59,088
Equipment and furnishings	138,268	151,723
Total	<u>1,197,982</u>	<u>1,211,437</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(388,299)</u>	<u>(324,952)</u>
Property and Equipment, Net	<u>\$ 809,683</u>	<u>\$ 886,485</u>

For the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, depreciation expense was \$71,593 and \$72,352, respectively.

7. LEASE ACTIVITY:

During the year ended June 30, 2024, MCCA entered into a 17-month commercial lease agreement for general office space. There were no options to renew or variable lease payments. The lease commenced August 1, 2023 and terminates December 31, 2024. MCCA used an incremental borrowing rate of 12.75% at the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments since the lease did not contain an implicit rate.

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7. LEASE ACTIVITY: (Continued)

During the year ended June 30, 2022, MCCA entered into a two-year commercial lease agreement for general office space with one option to renew for an additional two-year term. The lease commenced April 1, 2022. There were no variable lease payments. MCCA used an incremental borrowing rate of 8.5% at the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments since the lease did not contain an implicit rate.

The following summarizes the line items in the statements of financial position for operating leases as of June 30:

<u>Leases</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>2025</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>2024</u> <u>Amount</u>
<u>Assets:</u>			
Operating	Operating lease right of use assets	\$ 8,255	\$ 26,284
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Current:			
Operating	Operating lease right of use liability	\$ 8,255	\$ 18,029
Long-Term:			
Operating	Operating lease right of use liability	\$ -	\$ 8,255

As of June 30, 2025 the weighted average remaining lease terms and weighted average discount rate is 1.75 years and 8.50% respectively.

The maturities of operating lease liabilities as of June 30, 2025 were as follows:

<u>Year Ended</u> <u>June 30</u>	<u>Lease Obligation</u> <u>Amount</u>
2025	<u>\$ 8,550</u>
Total Lease Payments	<u>\$ 8,550</u>
Less interest	<u>(295)</u>
Present value of lease liabilities	<u>\$ 8,255</u>

The following summarizes the line items in the statement of activities for the operating leases as of June 30:

<u>Lease Cost</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Operating leases	Included in rent expense	\$ 19,500	\$26,250
Short term leases	Included in rent expense	10,647	5,072
Net Lease Cost		<u>\$ 30,147</u>	<u>\$31,322</u>

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7. LEASE ACTIVITY: (Continued)

The following summarizes cash flows from the leasing transactions as of June 30:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:		
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 19,500	\$22,480
Lease assets obtained in exchange for lease liabilities:		
Operating leases	\$ -	\$20,896

As of June 30, 2025, there were no additional leases entered into that have not yet commenced.

8. REFUNDABLE ADVANCE:

During the year ended June 30, 2022, MCCA received conditional grant funds from the American Rescue Plan Act. The conditional grants are reported as revenue when performance is met which includes when qualifying expenses are incurred. Any conditional grant funds received in which performance has not been met is reported as refundable advances in the statement of financial position. MCCA reported a refundable advance in the amount of \$10,136 and \$19,947 at June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively.

9. LINE OF CREDIT:

MCCA has an unsecured line of credit agreement with an available balance of \$15,000. As of June 30, 2025 and 2024, there were no outstanding borrowings against this line of credit.

10. IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS:

MCCA's policy related to gifts-in-kind is to utilize the assets given to carry out its mission. In-kind contributions include the value of time, rental space, supplies, and other essentials required to operate the organization.

The Board of Directors, which includes attorneys and certified public accountants, donate their time to oversee the operations of MCCA at no cost. Based on current market rates, MCCA would have paid \$63,000 and \$42,700 for the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, for the time donated.

MCCA leases its Jefferson Parish East Bank building in which the administrative offices and a shelter are housed. MCCA does not pay rent at this location, and the lease is renewable on a year-to-year basis. Total in-kind contributions for rent at this location, based on current market rates, amounted to \$60,000 for each of the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024.

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10. IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS: (Continued)

Supplies include clothing, personal and household items, food and meals, and other essential items for clients. If MCCA had purchased these supplies, they would have paid \$142,091 and \$130,324 for the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, based on current market rates.

Volunteers donate their time to assist with everyday functions of MCCA. During the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, time spent by the volunteers assisting MCCA would have cost \$93,225 and \$117,719, respectively, based on current market rates.

11. RETIREMENT PLAN:

Effective January 1, 2023, MCCA adopted a 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan. The plan covers eligible employees who are 21 years of age with at least one year of service. MCCA elected to make a contribution to each eligible participant in an amount equal to 100% of the participants' first 3% contribution, plus 50% of the participants' contribution between 3% and 5%. MCCA's contribution for the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 was \$18,757 and \$18,296, respectively.

12. CONCENTRATIONS AND CREDIT RISK:

A substantial portion of MCCA's support and revenue is derived from grants. For the years ending June 30, 2025 and 2024, approximately 59% and 75%, respectively, of its total revenues were from Federal, State and private grantors.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, MCCA's deposits may not be returned to it. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insures all deposits owned by a corporation, partnership, or unincorporated association at the same bank up to \$250,000. As of June 30, 2025 and 2024, the amount of cash on deposit that exceeded the FDIC coverage limits was \$876,937 and \$130,084, respectively.

13. CONTINGENCIES:

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by grantors cannot be determined at this time, although MCCA expects any such amounts to be immaterial.

14. RISK MANAGEMENT:

MCCA is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage of, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the organization carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from prior years and settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past three years.

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15. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMPENSATION:

The Board of Directors serves and directs MCCA on a voluntary basis. The Board does not receive compensation.

16. LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS:

MCCA manages its liquidity by structuring its financial assets to be available as expenditures, liabilities and other obligations come due. The following table reflects MCCA's financial assets (cash and cash equivalents and grants receivable) as of June 30, 2025 and 2024, reduced by amounts not available for expenses within one year of the statement of financial position date, if any:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,785,369	\$ 1,034,340
Certificates of deposit	404,276	280,613
Grants receivable	402,505	523,538
Investments	2,329,483	2,095,487
Beneficial interest in assets held by		
Greater New Orleans Foundation	2,454,097	2,248,726
Total financial assets	7,375,730	6,182,704
Less: Board Designated Net Assets	(81,446)	(75,093)
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general operating expenses within one year	\$ 7,294,284	\$ 6,107,611

17. HURRICANE IDA:

On August 29, 2021, Hurricane Ida made landfall on the Louisiana coast. MCCA properties located in La Place and Norco, Louisiana sustained substantial damage from the storm. The La Place property was repaired and placed in service during the year ended June 30, 2024. The Norco property was repaired and placed in service during the year ended June 30, 2023.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, insurance proceeds of \$30,997 are recorded on the statements of activities.

18. RECLASSIFICATION:

Certain accounts for the year ended June 30, 2024 were reclassified to conform with the current year presentation. The reclassifications did not affect net assets.

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19. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, December 12, 2025, and determined that no events have occurred that require disclosure.

METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY, INC.
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS
TO AGENCY HEAD
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Agency Head Name: Darlene Santana

	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ 125,072
Taxes - payroll	9,538
Health insurance	2,664
Retirement plan contribution	4,097
Workers compensation	200
Cell phone	<u>1,020</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 142,591</u>



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

December 12, 2025

Board of Directors of
Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.
Jefferson, 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 Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2025 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 December 12, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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

December 12, 2025

Board of Directors of
Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.
Jefferson, Louisiana

We have audited Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.'s compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.'s major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2025. Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.'s major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc. complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2025.

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Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining on a test basis, evidence regarding Metro Centers for Community Advocacy,

Inc.'s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

- Obtain an understanding of Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.'s internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.'s internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed an instance of noncompliance which is required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 25-01. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to this matter.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.'s response to the noncompliance findings identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc.'s response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of our testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY, INC.
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Federal Grantor/Pass Through Agency/ <u>Program Title</u>	Assistance Listing <u>Number</u>	Sub-Award Local <u>Grant Number</u>	Total Awards <u>Expended</u>
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			
Passed through Jefferson Parish Department of Community Development Programs			
Emergency Solutions Grant Program	14.231		\$ 60,000
Passed through UNITY of Greater New Orleans			
Turning Point Project	* 14.267	LA0342D6H032203	13,752
Turning Point Project	* 14.267	LA0342D6H032304	368,531
			<u>382,283</u>
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			<u>442,283</u>
U.S. Department of Justice			
Passed through Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement			
Sexual Assault Services Program	16.017	2023-KF-01-7828	37,114
Sexual Assault Services Program	16.017	2024-KF-01-8467	42,773
			<u>79,887</u>
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2022-VA-02/01-7359	48,111
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2023-VA-02/01-7988	110,626
			<u>158,737</u>
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	2023-WF-03-7845	10,464
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	2024-WF-03-8676	10,661
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	2023-WF-03-7846	14,357
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	2024-WF-03-8675	12,730
			<u>48,212</u>
Total U.S. Department of Justice			<u>286,836</u>
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			
Passed through Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services			
Family Violence Prevention and Services/Discretionary - ARP - Supplemental	93.318		9,591
Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violent Shelter and Supportive Services	93.671		459,996
			<u>469,587</u>

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Continued)			
Passed through Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration			
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National Significance	93.243	5H79SP081644-05	115,298
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National Significance	93.243	6H79SM084695-01M002	153,460
Administration Drug-Free Communities Support Program Grants	93.276	5 NH28CE002639-08-00	39,052
Administration Drug-Free Communities Support Program Grants	93.276	5 NH28CE002639-09-00	91,938
			<u>399,748</u>
Passed through U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants Trafficking Victim Assistance Program	93.538		<u>1,664</u>
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			<u>870,999</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u><u>\$ 1,600,118</u></u>

* Major Program

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
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BASIS OF PRESENTATION:

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal grant activity of Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc. ("MCCA") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2025. The information presented in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (*Uniform Guidance*). Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in *Uniform Guidance*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not be allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

2. INDIRECT COST RATE:

MCCA elected not to use the 15% de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the *Uniform Guidance*.

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 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS:

The opinion issued on the financial statements of Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc., for the year ended June 30, 2025 was unmodified.

Internal Control over financial reporting:

Material weaknesses: None noted.
 Significant deficiencies: None noted.

Noncompliance material to financial statements: None noted.

FEDERAL AWARDS:

Internal Control over major programs:

Material weaknesses: None noted.
 Significant deficiencies: None noted.

Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for the major federal award program: unmodified.

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Uniform Guidance, Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 200.516(a):

 X yes no

Identification of major program:

<u>Program Title</u>	<u>Assistance Listing Number</u>	<u>Amount Provided</u>
Turning Point Project	14.267	\$ 382,283

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:

\$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

 X yes no

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FINDINGS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED UNDER GENERALLY ACCEPTED
GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS:

None

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS:

25-01 Grant Reimbursement

Condition:

During the Uniform Guidance testing, we noted MCCA disbursed funds from the Continuum of Care rental assistance program for an individual who was not enrolled in the program.

Criteria:

Federal regulations require rent to be paid for only those individuals who are in the Continuum of Care rental assistance program.

Effect:

Disbursements of grant funds for an individual not in the program results in a non compliance with the grant agreement.

Recommendation:

We recommend Metro Centers for Community Advocacy, Inc. ensure disbursements of program funds are for individuals enrolled in the program.

Management's Response:

The client was enrolled in MCCA's shelter program; was not enrolled in the grant program and a portion of the grant was used for the client's rent incorrectly. This was a data error. Effective December 2026 MCCA implemented additional procedures between the program director and accounting to ensure all grants funds are properly spent on enrolled clients.

SUMMARY OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS:

None