

*Children's Advocacy
Network, Inc.*

Alexandria, Louisiana

December 31, 2024

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of
Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Children's Advocacy Network, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2024, 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 Children's Advocacy Network, Inc. as of December 31, 2024, 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 Children's Advocacy Network, 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 opinion.

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.

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To the Board of Directors of
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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 Children's Advocacy Network, 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 Children's Advocacy Network, 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 Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.



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To the Board of Directors of
Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.

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 schedule of CASA Assistance Program revenue and expenses, the schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer, and the schedule of justice system funding - receiving entity are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are 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 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 information 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 June 19 2025, on our consideration of Children's Advocacy Network, 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 Children's Advocacy Network, 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 Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Payne, Moore & Herrington, LLP

Certified Public Accountants
Alexandria, Louisiana

June 19, 2025

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2024

Exhibit A

Assets

Current Assets

Cash	\$ 1,538,762
Receivables	255,333
Prepaid expenses	248
Total Current Assets	<u>1,794,343</u>

Investments

1,197,455

Property, Plant, and Equipment - Net of Depreciation

686,045

Other Assets

Deposits	<u>125,308</u>
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Total Assets

\$ 3,803,151

Liabilities and Net Assets

Current Liabilities

Deferred revenue	\$ 7,864
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Net Assets

Without donor restrictions	
Undesignated	1,947,855
Designated - long-term investment plan	1,223,541
Designated - capital campaign	200,000
With donor restrictions	423,891
Total Net Assets	<u>3,795,287</u>

Total Liabilities and Net Assets

\$ 3,803,151

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Statement of Activities
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit B

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenue and Support			
Contributions of cash and other financial assets	\$ 312,599	\$ -	\$ 312,599
Contributions of nonfinancial assets			
Donated rent	124,500	-	124,500
Donated services	43,150	-	43,150
Donated building materials	9,242	-	9,242
Fundraising events	269,549	111,917	381,466
Grants	69,000	1,559,417	1,628,417
Court costs	34,287	-	34,287
Investment income			
Interest and dividends	60,570	4,418	64,988
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments	102,175	-	102,175
Gain (loss) on sale of fixed assets	(1,351)	-	(1,351)
Net assets released from restrictions	1,581,233	(1,581,233)	-
Total Revenue and Support	<u>2,604,954</u>	<u>94,519</u>	<u>2,699,473</u>
Expenses			
Program Services			
Advocacy Center	707,227	-	707,227
CASA	877,762	-	877,762
Therapy	285,970	-	285,970
Total Program Services	<u>1,870,959</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,870,959</u>
Supporting Services			
Management and general	304,723	-	304,723
Fundraising	42,308	-	42,308
Total Supporting Services	<u>347,031</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>347,031</u>
Total Expenses	<u>2,217,990</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,217,990</u>
Change in Net Assets	386,964	94,519	481,483
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	<u>2,984,432</u>	<u>329,372</u>	<u>3,313,804</u>
Net Assets - End of Year	<u>\$ 3,371,396</u>	<u>\$ 423,891</u>	<u>\$ 3,795,287</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit C

	Program Services				Supporting Services			Total Expenses
	Advocacy Center	CASA	Therapy	Total	Management and General	Fundraising	Total	
Advertising	\$ 667	\$ 27,598	\$ 667	\$ 28,932	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,932
Payroll taxes and benefits	57,523	84,286	28,223	170,032	27,309	-	27,309	197,341
Salaries	373,110	546,696	183,060	1,102,866	177,131	-	177,131	1,279,997
Telephone and utilities	22,417	32,846	10,999	66,262	10,642	-	10,642	76,904
Supplies	35,380	38,196	5,842	79,418	3,363	-	3,363	82,781
Insurance	12,037	16,764	7,565	36,366	7,565	-	7,565	43,931
Professional services	23,751	37,516	18,339	79,606	52,789	-	52,789	132,395
Depreciation	18,487	27,087	9,070	54,644	8,777	-	8,777	63,421
Rent	113,531	29,433	1,265	144,229	12,000	-	12,000	156,229
Travel and education	29,262	26,722	5,712	61,696	2,096	-	2,096	63,792
Other	21,062	10,618	15,228	46,908	3,051	42,308	45,359	92,267
Total Expenses	\$ 707,227	\$ 877,762	\$ 285,970	\$ 1,870,959	\$ 304,723	\$ 42,308	\$ 347,031	\$ 2,217,990

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Statement of Cash Flows
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit D

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Change in net assets	\$ 481,483
Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	
Depreciation	63,421
Donated building materials	(9,242)
(Gain) or loss on disposition of property and equipment	1,351
Realized and unrealized (gain) or loss on investments	(102,175)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	
Receivables	(12,820)
Prepaid expenses	2,343
Other assets	(450)
Accrued liabilities	(203)
Deferred revenue	7,864

Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities 431,572

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Purchase of property and equipment	(43,199)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	10,000
Purchase of investments	(50,372)
Proceeds from the sale of investments	71,256
Interest and dividends reinvested	(2,509)

Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities (14,824)

Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Financing Activities -

Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash 416,748

Cash, Beginning of Year 1,122,014

Cash, End of Year \$ 1,538,762

Additional Required Disclosures:

1. No amounts were paid for interest during the year.
2. No amounts were paid for income taxes during the year.
3. Noncash investing or financing transactions during the year include the following:

- Remeasurement of financing lease right-of-use asset	\$ 74,915
- Remeasurement of financing lease liability	\$ (74,915)
- Reclassification of prepaid rent to deposit on purchase of building	\$ 120,000

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
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Notes to Financial Statements

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

Organization

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc. (C.A.N.) is a nonprofit organization which utilizes an interagency approach to the investigation, prosecution, and treatment of children sexually and physically abused. The mission of C.A.N. is to help heal and champion abused and neglected children throughout Central Louisiana. Program activities conducted in pursuit of this mission are described as follows:

- Advocacy Center – The advocacy center coordinates the efforts of child protection staff, law enforcement professionals, family advocates, medical experts, and mental health clinicians under one roof to foster hope and healing for children and their families.
- CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) are trained community volunteers appointed by the judge to represent the interests of abused and neglected children. CASAs conduct an independent investigation for the purpose of providing the court with objective recommendations regarding the child's best interest. C.A.N. recruits, screens, and trains CASA volunteers.
- Therapy – The specialized therapy program is designed to work closely with children and their families to lessen the negative symptoms of trauma and give them the skills necessary to move past the trauma towards a hopeful and bright future.

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As required by generally accepted accounting standards, net assets and activities are classified in the following manner:

- Net assets without donor restrictions – These net assets generally result from revenues generated by receiving contributions that have no donor restrictions, court costs, and interest from operating investments, less expenses incurred in providing program related services, raising contributions, and performing administrative functions.
- Net assets with donor restrictions – These net assets result from gifts of cash and other assets that are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets, either temporarily or permanently, until the donor restriction expires, that is until the stipulated time restriction ends, or the purpose of the restriction is accomplished. Until that time, these net assets are restricted.

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Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents represent bank deposits and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Revenue Recognition and Receivables

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, unconditional promises to give are reported as revenue when the promise is made. Conditional promises to give are recognized as revenue when the necessary conditions are fulfilled. Grants provided by the CASA Assistance Program, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, and Louisiana Alliance of Children's Advocacy Centers are considered conditional promises to give while all other grants received are considered unconditional promises to give. An allowance for uncollectible contributions receivable is provided based upon management's judgement including such factors as prior collection history, type of contribution, the credit standing of applicable donors and nature of fundraising activity. Contributions receivable are reported at their net realizable value.

Court costs consist of court fees collected by local governmental entities and are recognized as revenue in the year they are earned. C.A.N. considers receivables related to court costs to be fully collectible since the balance consists of payments due under state law.

Receivables are considered entirely collectible at December 31, 2024, and there is no allowance for doubtful accounts. Furthermore, the entire balance is considered collectible within one year.

Certificates of Deposit

Certificates of deposit, if any, have a maturity date in excess of 90 days when purchased and are stated at cost, which approximates market value. Certificates of deposit having a maturity date greater than one year from year-end are considered long-term assets.

Investments

Investments consist of marketable securities that are reported at fair market value based on quoted market prices. Equity investments that are not actively traded are reported at cost when fair market values are not available.

Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, plant, and equipment are recorded at cost on the date of acquisition. Additions and betterments of \$1,000 or more are capitalized, while maintenance and repairs that do not improve or extend the useful lives of the respective assets are expensed currently. Donated property is recorded at the estimated fair value upon receipt. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives ranging from 5 to 40 years.

Assets donated with explicit restrictions regarding their use and contributions of cash earmarked to acquire property and equipment are reported as support with donor restrictions. Absent donor stipulations regarding how long those donated assets must be maintained, C.A.N. reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired assets are placed in service. C.A.N. reclassifies net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions at that time.

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Leases

C.A.N. determines if an arrangement is a lease at the inception of the contract. C.A.N.'s right-of-use asset represents their right to use the underlying asset for the lease term and the lease liability represents their obligation to make lease payments arising from the leases. Right-of-use assets and lease liabilities are recognized at the commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. If the lease's implicit interest rate is not readily determinable, C.A.N. will use a risk-free rate in lieu of determining the incremental borrowing rate. Operating leases with a term of twelve (12) months or less are not recorded in the statement of financial position. Leases with a term of one (1) month or less do not meet the definition of a short-term lease. No right-of-use assets or lease liabilities are recorded at December 31, 2024.

Compensated Absences

Employees are allowed to accumulate and carry over a maximum of 40 hours of vacation time per year. Actual amounts carried over were immaterial at December 31, 2024.

Donated Facilities, Services, and Materials

C.A.N. rents an office facility for \$1 each year under the terms of a lease agreement and receives free use of another office facility for operations (see Note 11 – Contributions of Nonfinancial Assets). Contributions of nonfinancial assets and rent expense are recognized in an amount approximating the annual estimated fair value rental of the property. The fair value of donated facilities is determined based on the amount of rent charged for comparative facilities in the area.

The criteria for recognition of contributed services in the financial statements include services that create or enhance nonfinancial assets, require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. Those contributed services are recorded at their fair values in the period received.

Donated buildings, equipment, and materials are reflected as contributions of nonfinancial assets and property, plant, and equipment in the accompanying financial statements and are recorded at their fair market value at the date of the receipt.

Expense Allocation

The costs of providing various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the Statement of Activities and in the Statement of Functional Expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited. The expenses that are allocated are salaries, payroll taxes and benefits, telephone and utilities, and depreciation, which are based on time spent. All other expenses are allocated based on direct costs.

Advertising

C.A.N.'s advertising programs are not considered to have any significant benefits for future periods. Accordingly, advertising costs are expensed as incurred.

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Income Taxes

C.A.N. is a not-for-profit corporation that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Furthermore, C.A.N. is not classified as a "private foundation" by the Internal Revenue Service.

C.A.N.'s tax returns remain subject to audit by the IRS for three years after filing. At December 31, 2024, the returns for 2021, 2022, and 2023 remain open.

Estimates

Preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires certain estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 19, 2025, the date which the financial statements were available for issue.

2. Cash

Demand deposits	\$ 1,512,676
Money market accounts	<u>26,086</u>
	\$ 1,538,762

3. Receivables

Grants – promises to give	\$ 229,121
Court costs	26,068
Other	<u>144</u>
	\$ 255,333

4. Investments

Investment securities are reported at quoted market prices. Investment securities held at year-end are described as follows:

Fixed income securities	\$ 49,886
Mutual funds	560,975
Exchange traded products	<u>586,594</u>
	\$ 1,197,455

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Fixed income securities consist of various bond issues that are described more fully as follows:

	<u>Moody's Rating</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
Wells Fargo & Co.	A1	02/19/25	3.000%	\$ 49,886

Mutual funds consist of various professionally managed investment arrangements designed to invest in various securities. Details related to mutual fund holdings are described as follows:

<u>Investment Category</u>	
Domestic convertible securities	\$ 49,320
Intermediate term bonds	391,708
High yield bonds	47,047
World bonds	47,620
Variable rate senior corporate debt	25,280
	<u>\$ 560,975</u>

Exchange traded products are investment vehicles that are traded on various stock exchanges. These funds are invested in various securities in a manner designed to track various market indices that are more fully described as follows:

<u>Market Index</u>	<u>Total</u>
IShares	
Morgan Stanley Capital International – Emerging Markets	\$ 30,738
Morgan Stanley Capital International – Europe, Australasia, and Far East	43,854
S & P 500 Citigroup Growth	109,652
S & P Midcap 400/Citigroup Value	62,480
S & P Smallcap 600/Citigroup Value	57,129
Preferred & Income Securities	40,872
Blackrock Flexible Income Active	24,189
Morningstar Dividend Leaders Index	84,546
Exchange – First Trust North American Energy Infrastructure	44,919
JPMorgan Ultra-Short Income	50,370
Utilities Select Sector SPDR Fund	37,845
	<u>\$ 586,594</u>

5. Endowments

The endowments held by C.A.N. consist entirely of funds designated by the Board of Directors and are classified as net assets without donor restrictions. C.A.N. invests these funds according to an investment strategy that currently includes having an independent investment advisor manage the funds to achieve a total return of about 7% per year by investing in asset classes such as money market, fixed income, equity, and alternative investments. C.A.N.'s current spending policy includes distributing investment income of 5% to support undesignated operations and reinvesting any income in excess of 5%.

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Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended December 31, 2024, consist of the following:

	<u>Total</u>
Endowment, beginning of year	\$ 1,127,538
Contributions	-
Investment return, net	53,828
Net appreciation (depreciation)	102,175
Appropriations	<u>(60,000)</u>
Endowment, end of year	\$ 1,223,541

6. Fair Values

C.A.N. is required to disclose estimated fair value for all financial instruments and non-financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis. The fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Generally accepted accounting principles establish a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This hierarchy consists of three broad levels as follows:

- Level 1 – Valuations based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 – Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 – Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

C.A.N. uses the appropriate valuation technique based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments.

Details regarding assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis are provided as follows:

		<u>Fair Value Measurement at Reporting Date Using</u>			
		<u>Quoted Prices</u>		<u>Significant</u>	<u>Significant</u>
		<u>In Active</u>	<u>Markets for</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Unobservable</u>
		<u>Identical</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Observable</u>	<u>Inputs</u>
		<u>(Level 1)</u>	<u>(Level 2)</u>	<u>(Level 3)</u>	
<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>			
		<u>12/31/2024</u>			
Fixed income securities	\$ 49,230	\$ 49,886	\$ 49,886	\$ -	\$ -
Mutual funds	529,536	560,975	560,975	-	-
Exchange traded products	<u>311,418</u>	<u>586,594</u>	<u>586,594</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Investment	\$ 890,184	\$1,197,455	\$ 1,197,455	\$ -	\$ -

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Notes to Financial Statements

Allowance for Credit Losses – Held to Maturity Securities

Management measures expected credit losses on held-to-maturity debt securities on a collective basis by major security type. Accrued interest receivable on held-to-maturity debt securities are immaterial and are excluded from the estimate of credit losses.

The estimate of expected credit losses is primarily based on the ratings assigned to the securities by debt rating agencies and the average of the annual historical loss rates associated with those ratings. All held-to-maturity securities are highly rated by Moody's. As a result, no allowance for credit losses was recorded on held-to-maturity securities at December 31, 2024.

7. Property, Plant, and Equipment

Office building	\$ 499,111
Furniture and equipment	371,364
Leasehold improvements	<u>318,999</u>
Total property, plant, and equipment	1,189,474
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(503,429)</u>
Property, plant, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 686,045

Depreciation expense for 2024 was \$63,421.

8. Deposits

Deposit on purchase of property	\$ 120,000
Other deposits	<u>5,308</u>
	\$ 125,308

9. Net Assets without Donor Restrictions

C.A.N.'s net assets without donor restrictions totaled \$3,371,396 as of December 31, 2024. Of this amount, \$1,223,541 was designated by the Board of Directors as a long-term investment plan to establish reserves and generate investment income. Amounts held in money market accounts and investment securities have been designated for the long-term investment plan. An additional \$200,000 was also designated by the Board of Directors as capital campaign funds to expand their current operations.

10. Net Assets with Donor Restrictions

The unexpended portion of various grants and contributions (cash and receivables) has been classified as net assets with donor restrictions due to restrictions imposed by various grantors and donors. Net assets with donor restrictions at year-end consist of the following:

Louisiana Charities	\$ 60,917
Martin Foundation	10,000
Central Louisiana Community Foundation	1,621
Capital campaign funds	<u>351,353</u>
	\$ 423,891

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Notes to Financial Statements

11. Contributions of Nonfinancial Assets

C.A.N. rents an office facility at 1506 Albert Street in Alexandria to conduct the forensic interviewing services. The term of the lease agreement covers the period from January 1, 2014, to December 3, 2028. Under this agreement, C.A.N. agrees to operate the facility as a children's advocacy center for the benefit of the community, pay for any remodeling, and pay an annual rental of \$1 due at the beginning of the lease. Contributions of nonfinancial assets and rent expense have been recognized in the amount of \$112,500 for the year ended December 31, 2024.

C.A.N. also rents an office facility at 901 16th Street in Alexandria to be used as their administrative building in the future. Contributions of nonfinancial assets and rent expense have been recognized in the amount of \$12,000 for the year ended December 31, 2024.

C.A.N. received in-kind donations of executive director services in the amount of \$43,150 for the year ended December 31, 2024. This donation is included in contributions of nonfinancial assets and salaries expense in the accompanying financial statements.

In addition, a number of board members and volunteers donated their time to C.A.N. and its programs. These donated services are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements since the activities do not meet the criteria for recognition of contributed services.

C.A.N. received building materials from V&V Builders, LLC for renovations and improvements during the year ended December 31, 2024. Contributions of nonfinancial assets and property, plant, and equipment have been recognized in the amount of \$9,242.

12. Conditional Promises to Give

C.A.N. is the recipient of (1) CASA Assistance Program (CASA AP) funds provided through the State of Louisiana which include TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) funds from the federal government; (2) Crime Victim Assistance funds from the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement provided through the State of Louisiana from the federal government; and (3) Louisiana Alliance of Children's Advocacy Centers funds provided through the State of Louisiana which include funds from the federal government. These grants are available on a cost reimbursement basis. Based on the terms of the grant agreements and past experience, these grant awards are not considered revenue until expenses qualifying for reimbursement are incurred. Accordingly, the unexpended portion of the grant awards is considered a conditional promise to give. At December 31, 2024, conditional promises to give included the following:

CASA Assistance Program	\$ 363,784
Crime Victim Assistance	425,633
Louisiana Alliance of Children's Advocacy Centers	<u>127,812</u>
	\$ 917,229

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13. Liquidity and Availability of Financial Assets

The following reflects C.A.N.'s financial assets as of December 31, 2024, reduced by amounts not available for general use within one year of the statement of financial position date because of contractual or donor-imposed restrictions or internal designations:

Financial Assets:	
Cash	\$ 1,538,762
Receivables	255,333
Prepaid expenses	248
Investments	<u>1,197,455</u>
	2,991,798
Less amount unavailable for general expenditure within one year due to purpose restrictions by donors	(423,891)
Less amount unavailable to management without Board's approval due to Board designation for long-term investment plan and capital campaign	<u>(1,423,541)</u>
Total financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year	\$ 1,144,366

C.A.N. must maintain sufficient resources to meet responsibilities to its donors. Thus, financial assets may not be available for general expenditure within one year. As part of C.A.N.'s liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. In addition, C.A.N. operates with a balanced budget and anticipates covering its general expenditures by collecting sufficient revenues and utilizing donor-restricted resources from current and prior years' contributions and grant funds.

14. Contingent Liabilities

Under the terms of federal and state grants, periodic audits are required, and certain costs may be questioned as not being allowable expenditures under the terms of the grants. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, could become a liability of C.A.N. Management of C.A.N. believes disallowances, if any, will not be material.

15. Concentrations

C.A.N. maintains a checking account at a local financial institution which is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000. The uninsured cash balance at December 31, 2024 was \$1,255,623. C.A.N. also has investment accounts with two brokerage firms which are insured by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) up to \$500,000 each. Some brokerage firms carry additional insurance to cover amounts over \$500,000. There were no uninsured balances held in the brokerage firms at December 31, 2024.

CASA AP and Red River Delta provided \$1,227,167 in grants, which is approximately 45% of total revenue and support. Without these grants, programs would be significantly affected.

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16. Retirement Plan

Effective August 2021, C.A.N. provides the option for employees to participate in a SIMPLE IRA deferred retirement plan. An employee is immediately eligible to participate in this plan. Participants are allowed to make individual voluntary contributions to the plan through salary deferral. The maximum allowable contributions are regulated by the Internal Revenue Service regulations. Under the terms of the Plan, C.A.N. matches 100% of eligible employee contributions up to 3% of wages. During the year ended December 31, 2024, employer contributions to the retirement plan were \$31,956.

17. Subsequent Events

In November 2023, C.A.N. entered into a twenty-five-year lease agreement with St. James Episcopal Church to lease a facility located at 901 16th Street. The first ten years of the lease payments were paid upfront in the sum of \$120,000. On May 15, 2025, C.A.N. purchased this property, along with 1506 Albert Street. The advanced rent of \$120,000 was fully applied to the purchase price and is reported as "Deposit on purchase of property" in the accompanying financial statements at December 31, 2024. Due to this change in circumstances, a remeasurement of the lease resulted in no right-of-use asset or lease liability at December 31, 2024. See Note 11 for information regarding the related contributions of nonfinancial assets and rent expense that have been recognized in the accompanying financial statements.

Supplementary Information

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Schedule of CASA Assistance Program (CASA AP) Revenue and Expenses
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Schedule 1

CASA AP Revenue

Federal (TANF)	\$ 383,085
State of Louisiana	231,914
Total CASA AP Revenue	<u>\$ 614,999</u>

CASA AP Expenses

Salaries	\$ 350,691
Payroll taxes and benefits	52,212
Professional services	5,866
Operating expenses	105,367
Travel	5,046
Training	17,383
Supplies	19,247
Equipment	1,815
Printing/copying	899
Administration - CASA AP funded	56,473
Total CASA AP Expenses	<u>\$ 614,999</u>

See independent auditor's report.

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments
to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Schedule 2

Jeremiah Honea, Executive Director (April 16, 2024 - December 31, 2024)

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ 70,625
Benefits - insurance	2,820
Travel	320
Per diem	220
Total	\$ 73,985

Jeni Gilchrist, Interim Co-Executive Director (January 1, 2024 - April 15, 2024)

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ -
Benefits - insurance	-
Travel	-
Per diem	-
Total	\$ -

Contributed services in the amount of \$21,575 are included in the financial statements.

Tammi Salazar, Interim Co-Executive Director (January 1, 2024 - April 15, 2024)

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ -
Benefits - insurance	-
Travel	-
Per diem	-
Total	\$ -

Contributed services in the amount of \$21,575 are included in the financial statements.

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Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Schedule of Justice System Funding - Receiving Entity
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Schedule 3

As required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session

Identifying Information

Entity Name:	Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
LLA Entity ID #:	6127
Date that reporting period ended:	12/31/2024

	First Six Month Period Ended June 30, 2024	Second Six Month Period Ended December 31, 2024
<i>Cash Basis Presentation</i>		
Receipts From:		
Alexandria City Marshal, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	\$ 13,580	\$ -
Rapides Parish Sheriff, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	9,261	-
Pineville City Marshal, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	3,284	4,935
Subtotal Receipts	\$ 26,125	\$ 4,935

**Ending balance of Amounts Assessed but Not
Received (only applies to those agencies that
assess on behalf of themselves, such as courts)**

	\$	-	\$	-
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Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Schedule 4

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program Name	Assistance Listing	Pass-through Grant Number	Amount Expended
United States Department of Justice -			
Office for Victims of Crime			
Passed through Louisiana Alliance of Children's Advocacy Centers			
Services for Trafficking Victims	16.320	7-ALEX-03	\$ 38,246
Passed through the State of Louisiana			
Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice			
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2021-VA-03-7137	57,757
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2022-VA-03-7504	438,253
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2023-VA-03-8166	116,158
Total United States Department of Justice			650,414
United States Department of Health and Human Services -			
Administration for Children and Families			
Passed through the State of Louisiana			
Office of the Judicial Administrator			
TANF Cluster			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	93.558	N/A	84,800
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	93.558	N/A	298,285
Total United States Department of Health and Human Services			383,085
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 1,033,499

Notes:

- (1) The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the schedule) includes the federal award activity of Children's Advocacy Network, Inc. (C.A.N.) under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2024. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of C.A.N., it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of C.A.N.
- (2) The schedule of expenditures of federal awards was prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Note 1 to the financial statements provides additional information relative to C.A.N.'s accounting policies.
- (3) No federal funds were awarded to subrecipients during the year ended December 31, 2024.
- (4) C.A.N. did not elect to use the 10 percent *de minimis* indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

See independent auditor's report.

**Other Reports Required by
Government Auditing Standards
and the Uniform Guidance**

**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***



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**Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial
Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based
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Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Board of Directors of
Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.

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 Children's Advocacy Network, Inc. (C.A.N.) (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2024, 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 June 19, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered C.A.N.'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 C.A.N.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of C.A.N.'s internal control.

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

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

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To the Board of Directors of
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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether C.A.N.'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 C.A.N.'s internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering C.A.N.'s internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Payne, Moore & Herrington, LLP

Certified Public Accountants
Alexandria, Louisiana

June 19, 2025

**Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on
Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance**



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**Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on
Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance**

To the Board of Directors of
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Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.'s (C.A.N.) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of C.A.N.'s major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024. C.A.N.'s major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, C.A.N. complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each 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 C.A.N. 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 each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of C.A.N.'s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to C.A.N.'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 C.A.N.'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 C.A.N.'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 C.A.N.'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 C.A.N.'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 C.A.N.'s internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.



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To the Board of Directors of
Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.

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.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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 that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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June 19, 2025

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	_____ Yes <u> x </u> No
Significant deficiency identified not considered to be a material weakness?	_____ Yes <u> x </u> None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	_____ Yes <u> x </u> No
Management's Corrective Action Plan	Not applicable
Management's Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings	Not applicable
Memorandum of Other Comments and Recommendations	None issued

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	_____ Yes <u> x </u> No
Significant deficiency identified not considered to be a material weakness?	_____ Yes <u> x </u> None reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance?	_____ Yes <u> x </u> None reported

**Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended December 31, 2024**

Identification of major programs:

Assistance Listing Numbers
16.575

Name of Federal Program or Cluster
Crime Victim Assistance

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

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low risk auditee?

 x Yes No

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

Not Applicable.

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Not Applicable.

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.

*Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures
Report*

Alexandria, Louisiana

December 31, 2024



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Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Board of Directors of
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and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Children's Advocacy Network, Inc.'s management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

Children's Advocacy Network, Inc. has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated results are as follows:

Written Policies and Procedures

1. **Procedure:** Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
 - a) **Budgeting**, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
 - b) **Purchasing**, including (1) how purchases are initiated, (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list, (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders, (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law, and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.
 - c) **Disbursements**, including processing, reviewing, and approving.

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- d) ***Receipts/Collections***, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).
- e) ***Payroll/Personnel***, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- f) ***Contracting***, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- g) ***Travel and Expense Reimbursement***, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- h) ***Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable)***, including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).
- i) ***Ethics***, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.
- j) ***Debt Service***, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- k) ***Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity***, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.



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

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

Board or Finance Committee

- 2. **Procedure:** Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and
 - a) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
 - b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, review the minutes from all regularly scheduled board/finance committee meetings held during the fiscal year and observe whether the minutes from at least one meeting each month referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual comparisons, at a minimum, on all proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual comparisons, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. *Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.*
 - c) For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.
 - d) Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.



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Bank Reconciliations

3. **Procedure:** Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select four (4) additional accounts [or all accounts if less than five (5)]. Randomly select one (1) month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
- a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within two (2) months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged);
 - b) Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation within one (1) month of the date the reconciliation was prepared (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged); and
 - c) Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than twelve (12) months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

Results: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

4. **Procedure:** Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five (5) deposit sites [or all deposit sites if less than five (5)].

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

5. **Procedure:** For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one (1) collection location for each deposit site [e.g., five (5) collection locations for five (5) deposit sites], obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that



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- a) Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;
- b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;
- c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and
- d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or custodial fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

6. **Procedure:** Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in force during the fiscal period.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

7. **Procedure:** Randomly select two (2) deposit dates for each of the five (5) bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3 (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). *Alternatively, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc.* Obtain supporting documentation for each of the ten (10) deposits and

- a) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
- b) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
- c) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.



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- d) Observe that the deposit was made within one (1) business day of receipt at the collection location [within one (1) week if the depository is more than ten (10) miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer].
- e) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

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

- 8. **Procedure:** Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five (5) locations [or all locations if less than five (5)].

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

- 9. **Procedure:** For each location selected under procedure #8 above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that
 - a) At least two (2) employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;
 - b) At least two (2) employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;
 - c) The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files;
 - d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and



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- e) Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.

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

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

- 10. **Procedure:** For each location selected under procedure #8 above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select five (5) disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and

- a) Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and
- b) Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #9 above, as applicable.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

- 11. **Procedure:** Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3, randomly select five (5) non-payroll-related electronic disbursements [or all electronic disbursements if less than five (5)] and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. *Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.*

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.



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

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

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

- 13. Procedure:** Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select five (5) cards [or all cards if less than five (5)] that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one (1) monthly statement or combined statement for each card [for a debit card, randomly select one (1) monthly bank statement]. Obtain supporting documentation, and

- a) Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., itemized receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved) by someone other than the authorized card holder (those instances requiring such approval that may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials, such as the mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality, should not be reported); and
- b) Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

- 14. Procedure:** Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under procedure #13 above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select ten (10) transactions [or all transactions if less than ten (10)] from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions [e.g., each card should have ten (10) transactions subject to inspection]. For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.



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

- 15. Procedure:** Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select five (5) reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the five (5) reimbursements selected
- a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana (doa.la.gov/doa/ost/ppm-49-travel-guide) or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);
 - b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;
 - c) Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by Written Policies and Procedures procedure #1(g); and
 - d) Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

Contracts

- 16. Procedure:** Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. *Alternatively, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list.* Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five (5) contracts [or all contracts if less than five (5)] from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and
- a) Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;



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- b) Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);
- c) If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and
- d) Randomly select one (1) payment from the fiscal period for each of the five (5) contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

Payroll and Personnel

- 17. Procedure:** Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five (5) employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

- 18. Procedure:** Randomly select one (1) pay period during the fiscal period. For the five (5) employees or officials selected under procedure #17 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and

- a) Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory);
- b) Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials;
- c) Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and



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- d) Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

- 19. **Procedure:** Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two (2) employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee's or official's cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

- 20. **Procedure:** Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

Ethics

- 21. **Procedure:** Using the five (5) randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17 obtain ethics documentation from management, and
 - a) Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one (1) hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and
 - b) Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

Results: Ethics requirements are not applicable to nonprofits.



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22. **Procedure:** Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

Results: Ethics requirements are not applicable to nonprofits.

Debt Service

23. **Procedure:** Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.

Results: Debt service requirements are not applicable to nonprofits.

24. **Procedure:** Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one (1) bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

Results: Debt service requirements are not applicable to nonprofits.

Fraud Notice

25. **Procedure:** Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled as required by R.S. 24:523.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.

26. **Procedure:** Observe that the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

Results: Not applicable – no prior year exceptions noted.



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Information Technology Disaster Recover/Business Continuity

Perform the following procedures, **verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management"**:

27. **Procedure:** Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.

Results: Not applicable – testing not required in Year 2.

28. **Procedure:** Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past three (3) months.

Results: Not applicable – testing not required in Year 2.

29. **Procedure:** Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five (5) computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

Results: Not applicable – testing not required in Year 2.

30. **Procedure:** Randomly select five (5) terminated employees [or all terminated employees if less than five (5)] using the list of terminated employees obtained in Payroll and Personnel procedure #19. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

Results: Not applicable – testing not required in Year 2.

31. **Procedure:** Using the five (5) randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees/officials with access to the agency's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows:



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- Hired before June 9, 2020 – completed the training; and
- Hired on or after June 9, 2020 – completed the training within thirty (30) days of initial service or employment.

Results: Not applicable – testing not required in Year 2.

Prevention of Sexual Harassment

- 32. Procedure:** Using the five (5) randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one (1) hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343.

Results: Sexual harassment requirements are not applicable to nonprofits.

- 33. Procedure:** Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).

Results: Sexual harassment requirements are not applicable to nonprofits.

- 34. Procedure:** Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:

- a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
- b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
- c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
- d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and



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e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

Results: Sexual harassment requirements are not applicable to nonprofits.

We were engaged by Children's Advocacy Network, Inc. to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of Children's Advocacy Network, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.

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