

**GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**  
**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**AND SCHEDULES**  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
*December 31, 2024*

# **GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors  
Grace at the Green Light, Inc.  
New Orleans, Louisiana

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

#### ***Opinions***

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of Grace at the Green Light, Inc. (the Organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2024 and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization 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 Opinions***

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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' 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 Grace at the Green Light, 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 Grace at the Green Light, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

### ***Supplementary Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information 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 supplementary 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 April 17, 2025 on our consideration of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization'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 the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Kushner LaGraize, L.L.C.*

Metairie, Louisiana  
April 17, 2025

# **GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

## **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

*As of December 31, 2024*

### **ASSETS**

	<u>2024</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Cash	\$ 166,565
Grants receivable	114,702
Contributions receivable	<u>16,752</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>\$ 298,019</u>

### **LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 20,340
Credit card payable	<u>7,477</u>
 Total Liabilities	 27,817
 <b>NET ASSETS</b>	
Net assets without donor restrictions	<u>270,202</u>
 Total Net Assets	 <u>270,202</u>
 Total Liabilities and Net Assets	 <u>\$ 298,019</u>

**GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**  
*For The Year Ended December 31, 2024*

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
<b>REVENUES AND OTHER SUPPORT</b>			
Grants and contracts	\$ 221,304	\$ -	\$ 221,304
Contributions of cash and other financial assets	511,678	-	511,678
Contributions of non-financial assets	132,835	-	132,835
Other income	<u>2,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,000</u>
 Total revenues and other support	 867,817	 -	 867,817
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Program services	510,241	-	510,241
Management and general	271,944	-	271,944
Fundraising	<u>4,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,500</u>
 Total expenses	 <u>786,685</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>786,685</u>
 <b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	 81,132	 -	 81,132
 Net assets, beginning of year	 <u>189,070</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>189,070</u>
 Net assets, end of year	 <u>\$ 270,202</u>	 <u>\$ -</u>	 <u>\$ 270,202</u>

## **GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

### **STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES**

*For The Year Ended December 31, 2024*

	Program Services	General and Administrative	Fundraising	Total
Food and supplies	\$ 130,573	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,573
Transportation assistance	88,752	-	-	88,752
Hydration project	22,692	-	-	22,692
Compensation, payroll taxes, employee benefits	168,381	103,700	-	272,081
Donated services	27,433	82,300	-	109,733
Facility services	20,553	-	-	20,553
Rent	36,000	12,000	-	48,000
Marketing and advertisement	12,359	12,360	-	24,719
Professional services	-	37,860	-	37,860
Office and administrative expenses	3,357	21,502	-	24,859
Fundraising	-	-	4,500	4,500
Other	141	2,222	-	2,363
Total	<u>\$ 510,241</u>	<u>\$ 271,944</u>	<u>\$ 4,500</u>	<u>\$ 786,685</u>



**GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

*For The Year Ended December 31, 2024*

	<u>2024</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Change in net assets	\$ 81,132
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	
Contributions receivable	(10,752)
Grants receivable	(65,673)
Accounts payable	18,929
Credit card payable	<u>(2,365)</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	21,271
NET CHANGE IN CASH	21,271
BEGINNING CASH	<u>145,294</u>
ENDING CASH	<u><u>\$ 166,565</u></u>

# **GRACE AT THE GREENLIGHT, INC.**

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

*December 31, 2024*

### **NOTE I – NATURE OF ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### ***Organization***

Grace at the Green Light, Inc. (the Organization) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in New Orleans, Louisiana, as is dedicated to supporting the city's unhoused population. Since its inception in 2014, the Organization has focused on providing essential services such as daily meals, hydration, clothing, and community support to individuals experiencing homelessness. Their flagship programs include "Meals with Love," offering hot breakfasts every day of the year; "Water for Life," distributing bottled water and installing public water fountains; and "Going Home," a family reunification initiative that assists individuals in reconnecting with loved ones willing to provide stable housing. Notably, the Organization served 344 individuals through the Going Home program and provided 66,443 meals during 2024, underscoring its commitment to meeting the immediate needs of those experiencing homelessness. The Organization emphasizes dignity, choice, and compassion in its approach, aiming to empower individuals through consistent support and comprehensive case management. The Organization collaborates with various local partners to provide referrals for housing, healthcare, and other critical services, striving to address the multifaceted challenges faced by the homeless community in New Orleans.

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

The financial statements of the Organization have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("US GAAP"), which require the Organization to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to the following net asset classifications:

***Net assets without donor restrictions:*** Net Assets that are resources available to support operations and not subject to donor restrictions. The only limits on the use of net assets without donor restrictions are the broad limits resulting from the nature of the Organization, the environment in which it operates, the purposes specified in its corporate documents and its application for tax-exempt status, and any limits resulting from contractual agreements with creditors and others that are entered into in the course of its operations.

***Net assets with donor restrictions:*** Net assets that are subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that are restricted by a donor for use for a particular purpose or in a particular future period. Other restrictions may be perpetual in nature; such as those that are restricted by a donor that the resources be maintained in perpetuity. There were no assets with donor restrictions at December 31, 2024.

When a donor's restriction is satisfied, either by using the resources in the manner specified by the donor or by the passage of time, the expiration of the restriction is reported in the financial statements by reclassifying the net assets from net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions.

# **GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CONTINUED**

December 31, 2024

### **NOTE 1 – NATURE OF ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

#### **Cash**

The Organization's cash consists of cash on deposit with banks.

#### **Contributions and Grants Receivable**

Unconditional promises to give (contributions receivable) are recorded as revenue when the promise is made and are stated at the amount the Organization expects to collect. Conditional promises to give are not included as support until the conditions are substantially met.

Grants receivable are comprised primarily of reimbursements from state and local governmental units. Due to reimbursements being due from state and local governmental units with minimal risks of nonpayment, all amounts due are generally considered collectible at December 31, 2024. Bad debt expense for the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$0.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of U.S. GAAP financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The Organization's estimates include those regarding the fair value of donated food and services.

#### **Functional Allocation of Expenses**

The Organization charges expenses to each program based on direct expenditures incurred. Any program expenditures not directly chargeable are allocated between program services, management and general, and fundraising expenses based on reasonable, consistently applied methodologies. These include time and effort, square footage, and other relative cost allocation techniques. The major categories of expenses and their allocation methods are as follows:

Expenses	Method of Allocation
Compensation, payroll taxes, employee benefits	Time and effort
Donated services	Time and effort
Rent	Square footage
Marketing and advertisement	Time and effort

Although, as noted in NOTE 3 – Related Party Transactions, certain salaries, related expenses, office and administrative costs, rent, insurance, supplies, advertising, marketing, tax preparation, and parking were paid through a related entity, they have been classified under their natural expense categories in the Statement of Functional Expenses to provide more transparent disclosure.

# **GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CONTINUED**

*December 31, 2024*

### **NOTE 1 – NATURE OF ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

#### ***Income Taxes***

The Organization operates as a non-profit corporation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, the Organization is subject to income tax only on unrelated business taxable income. Accounting standards provide detailed guidance for financial statement recognition, measurement, and disclosure of uncertain tax positions recognized in an entity's financial statements. It requires an entity to recognize the financial statement impact of a tax position when it is more likely than not that the position will not be sustained on examination. As of December 31, 2024, management of the Organization believes that it has no uncertain tax positions that qualify for either recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Tax years ended December 31, 2021 and later remain subject to examination by the taxing authority. The December 31, 2024 return has not been filed as of the date of the Independent Auditors' Report.

#### ***Liquidity***

Assets are presented in the accompanying Statement of Financial Position according to their nearness of conversion to cash and liabilities according to the nearness of their maturity and resulting use of cash.

#### ***Advertising***

The Organization expenses advertising as incurred. Advertising expense was \$24,719 for the year ended December 31, 2024 and is recorded in program expenses and management and general expenses in the Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets.

#### ***Revenue Recognition – Grants and Contributions***

A substantial amount of the Organization's revenue is derived from cost-reimbursable federal and state grants, which are conditioned upon certain performance requirements and/or the incurrence of allowable qualifying expenses. Amounts received are recognized as revenue when the Organization has incurred expenditures in compliance with specific grant provisions. Contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions or net assets without donor restrictions depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor-imposed restrictions.

### **NOTE 2 – CONTRIBUTED NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS**

If received, donated food and services are reflected as "Contributions of non-financial assets" in the Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets at their estimated fair values at the date of receipt.

# **GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CONTINUED**

*December 31, 2024*

### **NOTE 2 – CONTRIBUTED NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS (Continued)**

Donated food is recognized at an estimated fair value of \$2 per pound for prepared food and \$1 per pound for all other food donations by the Organization. The estimated value of donated food and corresponding expense, recorded in the Program Expense - Food and Supplies on the Statement of Functional Expenses, was \$23,102 for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Donated services are recognized at fair value if the services received (a) create or enhance long-lived assets or (b) require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. The Founder was not compensated for his time and donated his services to the Organization. These donated services are valued at the most recent Bureau of Labor Statistics' mean hourly wage for chief executive in the Organization's state. The estimated value of these donated services and the corresponding expense, recorded in the Program Expense and Management and General Expense – Donated Services on the Statement of Functional Expenses, was \$109,733 for the year ended December 31, 2024. Also see Note 3 – Related Party Transactions.

In addition, approximately 200 volunteers have donated 25,000 hours to Grace at the Green Light, Inc.'s program and support services for the year ended December 31, 2024. These donations are not reflected in the financial statements since these services do not require special expertise. The Organization did not monetize any contributed nonfinancial assets and contributed nonfinancial assets did not have donor restrictions.

### **NOTE 3 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During the year, the Organization engaged in the following related party transactions:

The Founder and Chair of the Board of Directors, who holds significant influence over the Organization, provides certain services to the Organization through a related company. This related Company was paid \$294,500 during the year in exchange for providing the following for the Organization:

Salaries, payroll taxes, and employee benefits	\$	197,000
Office and administrative staff		52,800
Rent, insurance, supplies		24,000
Advertising and marketing support		18,000
Tax preparation		1,500
Parking		1,200
Total	\$	<u>294,500</u>

The Founder was not compensated for his time during 2024. These donated services were valued at estimated value of \$109,733 to the Organization. See Note 2 – Contributed Non-Financial Assets.

# **GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CONTINUED**

*December 31, 2024*

### **NOTE 4 – LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES**

Financial assets available for general expenditures within one year as of December 31, 2024, consist of the following:

	<u>2024</u>
Cash	\$ 166,565
Grants receivable	114,702
Contributions receivable	<u>16,752</u>
Total Financial Assets	298,019

Less amounts not available to be used within one year:

Accounts payable and credit card payable	<u>(27,817)</u>
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Financial assets available to meet cash needs  
for general expenditures within one year

\$ 270,202

Should the Organization have excess cash, the Organization would invest such cash into short-term investments.

### **NOTE 5 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Organization has evaluated subsequent events through the date the financial statements were available to be issued, which corresponds with the date of the independent auditors' report. No material subsequent events have occurred since December 31, 2024, that require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

## ***SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION***

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

The Board of Directors of Grace at the Green Light, Inc.  
New Orleans, 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 Grace at the Green Light, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2024, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, 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 April 17, 2025.

**Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Grace at the Green Light, 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 Grace at the Green Light, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Grace at the Green Light, Inc.'s internal control.

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



Our consideration of the 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 Grace at the Green Light, 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. However, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

*Kushner LaGraize, L.L.C.*

Metairie, Louisiana  
April 17, 2025

**GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS**

*For The Year Ended December 31, 2024*

**I. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS**

- a. The type of report issued on the financial statements: Unmodified opinion.
- b. Significant deficiencies in internal controls were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements: None reported. Material weaknesses: None.
- c. Noncompliance which is material to the financial statements: None.

**2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:**

None.

**GRACE AT THE GREEN LIGHT, INC.**  
**SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, REIMBURSEMENTS,**  
**BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD**  
*For The Year Ended December 31, 2024*

Sarah Parks, Executive Director:

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ -
Benefits-health insurance	-
Benefits-retirement	-
Deferred compensation	-
Workers comp	-
Benefits-life insurance	-
Benefits-long term disability	-
Benefits-Fica & Medicare	-
Car allowance	-
Cell phone	-
Dues	-
Vehicle rental	-
Per diem	-
Reimbursements	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Conference travel	-
Unvouchered expenses	-
Meetings & conventions	-
Other	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

The Executive Director's salary is paid through a related party and, therefore, there were no public funds used to compensate the agency head during the year ended December 31, 2024.