# **EVANGELINE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY, INC.**

Ville Platte, Louisiana

Financial Report Year Ended January 31, 2025

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

Ms. Carleen Bellard, Executive Director, and Members of the Board of Directors Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. Ville Platte, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. (Agency), (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of January 31, 2025, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

#### Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA, and the standards applicable to review engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the United States Comptroller General. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

We are required to be independent of the Agency, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

### **Accountant's Conclusion**

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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### **Supplementary Information**

The accompanying supplementary information on page 14 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from, and relates directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The supplementary information has been subjected to the review procedures applied in our review of the basic financial statements. We are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the supplementary information. We have not audited the supplementary information and do not express an opinion on such information.

Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC Certified Public Accountants

Ville Platte, Louisiana June 17, 2025

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Statement of Financial Position January 31, 2025

### ASSETS

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Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 583,742
Grants receivable	10,203
Total current assets	\$ 593,945
Equipment, net	48,350
Total assets	\$642,295
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSE	TS
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 3,301
Accrued salaries and related benefits	10,169
Total current liabilities	13,470
Net assets:	
Without donor restrictions	594,793
With donor restrictions	34,032
Total net assets	628,825
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 642,295

## Statement of Activities For the Year Ended January 31, 2025

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Revenues and other support:	•		
Government grants	<b>S</b> -	\$ 290,410	\$ 290,410
Local grants and donations	19,000	-	19,000
Miscellaneous income	18,545	-	18,545
Other income	653,051	-	653,051
Net assets released from restrictions	279,350	(279,350)	
Total revenues and other support	969,946	11,060	981,006
Expenses:			
Program services -			
Energy assistance grants	70,053	-	70,053
Home modification grant	27,730	-	27,730
Local grants	30,198		30,198
Total program services	127,981	-	127,981
Supporting services -			
Management and general	294,339	-	294,339
Total expenses	422,320	-	422,320
Change in net assets	547,626	11,060	558,686
Net assets, beginning	47,167	22,972	70,139
Net assets, ending	<u>\$ 594,793</u>	\$ 34,032	\$ 628,825

### Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended January 31, 2025

	Program	Supporting	
	Services	Services	Totals
Salaries	\$ 61.999	\$ 146,672	\$ 208,671
Payroll taxes	5,002	11,932	<u> 16,934</u>
Total salaries and related expenses	67,001	158,604	225,605
Advertising	969	-	969
Food and nutrition	9,635	-	9,635
Insurance	2,874	4,155	7,029
Miscellaneous	11,277	97,958	109,235
Printing and advertising	78	78	156
Professional fees	7,123	7.123	14,246
Rent	-	4,464	4,464
Repairs and maintenance	3,164	4,466	7,630
Seminars and workshops	6,360	-	6,360
Supplies and materials	7,592	8,884	16,476
Student activity	1,360	-	1,360
Telephone	1,457	2.672	4,129
Training	700	962	1,662
Travel	5,997	1,691	7,688
Utilities	2,394	2,489	4,883
Youth services	-	793	793
Total expenses	\$127,981	\$ 294,339	\$422,320

### Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended January 31, 2025

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Change in net assets	\$ 558,686
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets	
to net cash provided by operating activities -	
Change in operating assets:	
Grants receivable	(10,203)
Change in operating liabilities:	
Accounts payable	708
Accrued salaries and related benefits	2,687
Deferred revenue	(86)
Net cash provided by operating activities	551,792
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:	
Acquisition of capital assets	_(48,350)
Net change in eash and eash equivalents	503,442
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	80,300
Cash and eash equivalents, ending	<u>\$583,742</u>

#### Notes to Financial Statements

### (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### A. Nature of Activities

Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. (Agency) is a non-profit organization, which was organized on February 25, 1965, and which shall continue in existence for a period of 99 years from that date unless dissolved earlier. The Agency receives grants from federal and state governments to conduct various community service programs, and its primary purpose is to better the conditions under which people in the Evangeline Parish area live.

### B. Financial Statement Presentation

The accompanying financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Net assets without donor restrictions represent expendable funds available for operations which are not otherwise limited by donor restrictions. Net assets with donor restrictions consist of contributed funds subject to specific donor-imposed restrictions contingent upon specific performance of a future event or a specific passage of time before the Agency may spend the funds. When a restriction expires, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

### C. Cash and cash equivalents

The Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the date of acquisition to be eash equivalents.

### D. Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Property and equipment are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition. Depreciation of equipment and buildings is calculated on the straight-line method over an estimated useful life of 5-40 years. The Agency maintains a threshold of \$5,000 or more for capitalizing assets.

### Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

### E. Functional Expenses

The costs of program and supporting services are summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. The statement of functional expenses presents the natural classification detail of expenses by function. Certain costs, including salaries and related benefits, have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited. The allocation between functions for salaries and benefits is based on time and effort. Expenses are charged to each program based on direct expenditures meutred.

### F. <u>Compensated Absences</u>

Vacation and sick leave are recorded as expenses of the period in which paid. Sick leave is accumulated at 1½ day's pay per month but is not payable upon termination or resignation. Annual leave accumulates at the rate of 1½ days per month after the first three months. Upon termination or resignation, a maximum of nine days can be paid to the employee. Also, only nine days can be carried over from year to year. Any liability Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. might have in this regard at January 31, 2025, is considered immaterial; therefore, no hability has been recorded in the financial statements.

#### G. Income Tax Status

The Agency qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and classified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as other than a private foundation. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the Agency's management to evaluate tax positions taken and recognize a tax hability (or asset) if the Agency has undertaken an uncertain tax position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. Management has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Agency, and has concluded that as of January 31, 2025, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Agency is subject to routine audit by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Agency's Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, for the years ending 2022, 2023, and 2024 are subject to examination by the IRS, generally for three years after they are filed.

### H. Estimates

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

### Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

### (2) Liquidity and Availability of Financial Assets

The following reflects the Agency's financial assets as of January 31, 2025, reduced by amounts not available for general use because of contractual restrictions within one year of the statement of financial position date.

Financial assets at January 31, 2025	\$ 583,742
Less those unavailable for general expenditure within one year,	
due to contractual restrictions -	
Restricted by donor with time or purpose restrictions	_(35,345)
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general	
expenditures within one year	\$ 548,397

As part of the Agency's liquidity management, the Agency maintains sufficient cash balances throughout the year through receipt of grants from federal, state, and local agencies to support the Agency's objective to better the conditions under which people in the Evangeline Parish live through utility assistance and food vouchers.

### (3) Grants Receivable

Grants receivable at January 31, 2025 consist of funds received and not yet spent from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Community Services Block Grant program, in the amount of \$7,957 and the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency - Low-Income Home Energy Assistance program in the amount of \$2,246.

### (4) <u>Due To and From Other Funds</u>

Individual program balances of due to and from other funds at January 31, 2025 are as follows. The following balances have been eliminated in the statement of financial position.

	Due from	Due to
	other funds	other funds
Clearing Accounts	\$ 9,985	\$ 1,096
CSBG	2,282	8,267
Local Grants	-	215
Energy Assistance	1,583	1,800
Urban Development	<del>-</del>	2,472
	\$ 13,850	\$13,850
		\$*************************************

### Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

### (5) <u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u>

The Agency maintains cash account balances at financial institutions, which at times may exceed federally insured limits. Balances are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000. At January 31, 2025, the Agency had uninsured deposits totaling \$253,081.

### (6) Operating Leases

The Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. leases various buildings under operating leases expiring in various years. The minimum annual commitments under these operating leases are considered to be immaterial.

### (7) Net Assets with Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions at January 31, 2025 in the amount of \$34,032 are restricted for specific purposes of the Energy Assistance and Home Modification Programs.

### (8) Net Assets Released from Restrictions

Detail of net assets released from restrictions for the year ended January 31, 2025 follows:

### Purpose restrictions accomplished:

Energy Assistance Grants	\$ 70,053
Local grants	9,635
Home Modification Grant	24,972
Community Services Block Grant	_174,690
	\$ 279,350

### (9) Compensation Paid to Members of the Board of Directors

Members of the Board of Directors of Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. receive no compensation and are reimbursed only for expenses incurred relating to the Agency's business, which must have appropriate supporting documentation.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

### (10) Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head

A detail of compensation, benefits, and other payments paid to the Executive Director, Carleen Bellard, for the year ended January 31, 2025 follows:

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$85,000
Payroll taxes	6,502
Benefits - disability insurance	1,281
Registration	350
Meals	675
Hotel	988
Airfare and fees	1,059
Mileage	110
-	\$95,96 <del>5</del>

### (11) Commitments and Contingencies

The Agency's major source of revenue is grants from federal and state governmental entities. The use of these funds is restricted to the purpose set forth in the individual grant agreements and is subject to review and audit by governmental agencies. Such audits could result in a request for reimbursement by the grantor for expenditures disallowed under the terms and conditions of the appropriate agency. In the opinion of Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc., such disallowances, if any, will not be significant.

There is no pending litigation against the Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. at January 31, 2025.

### (12) Subsequent Events

The Agency has evaluated subsequent events through June 17, 2025, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

### Schedule of Grant Revenue For the Year Ended January 31, 2025

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance	\$ 78,640
Community Services Block Grant	174,690
Older Adults Home Modification Grant	27,445
Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program	9,635
	<u>\$ 290,410</u>

ATTESTATION REPORT

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QUESTIONNAIRE

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### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Ms. Carleen Bellard, Executive Director, and Members of the Board of Directors of the Evangeline Community Action Agency, Inc. and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor Ville Platte, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Agency's compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the fiscal year ended January 31, 2025, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*. The Agency's management is responsible for its financial records and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

The Agency 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 Agency's compliance with the laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the year ended January 31, 2025. Additionally, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. The 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 findings are as follows:

#### Federal, State, and Local Awards

1. Obtain the list of federal, state, and local government grant award expenditures for the fiscal year, by grant and grant year, from the Agency's management.

The Agency provided us with the following list of expenditures made for grant awards received during the fiscal year ended January 31, 2025:

Federal, State, or Local Grant Name	AL No.	Amount
Community Services Block Grant	93.569	\$174,690
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance	93.568	70,053
Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program	97.024	9,635
Home Modification Program	14.921	27,730
Teen Outreach Program	-	9,048
Total expenditures		\$291,156

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2 For each federal, state, and local grant award, randomly select six disbursements from each grant administered during the fiscal year, provided that no more than 30 disbursements are selected.

Selected six disbursements from each grant as required

3. Obtain documentation for the disbursements selected in Procedure 2. Compare the selected disbursements to supporting documentation, and report whether the disbursements agree to the amount and payee in the supporting documentation.

Each of the selected disbursements agreed to the amount and payee in the supporting documentation.

4. Report whether the selected disbursements were coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

All of the disbursements were coded to the correct fund and general ledger account

5 Report whether the selected disbursements were approved in accordance with the Agency's policies and procedures.

The selected disbursements were approved in accordance with the Agency's policies and procedures.

For each selected disbursement made for federal grant awards, obtain the *Compliance Supplement* for the applicable federal program. For each disbursement made for a state or local grant award, or for a federal program not included in the *Compliance Supplement*, obtain the grant agreement. Compare the documentation for each disbursement to the program compliance requirements or the requirements of the grant agreement relating to activities allowed or unallowed, eligibility, and reporting, and report whether the disbursements comply with these requirements.

We compared documentation for each of the selected disbursements with program compliance requirements related to activities allowed or unallowed, eligibility, and reporting, and noted that the disbursements complied with the program requirements.

7. Obtain the close-out reports, if required, for any program selected in Procedure 2 that was closed out during the fiscal year. Compare the close-out reports, if applicable, with the Agency's financial records; and report whether the amounts in the close-out reports agree with the Agency's financial records.

Per inquiry of the Executive Director, there were no programs closed out during the year.

### **Open Meetings**

8. Obtain evidence from management that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 42:11 through 42.28 (the open meetings law), and report whether there are any exceptions.

Notice of meetings with agenda are posted on the door of the Agency.

### Budget

9. For each grant exceeding five thousand dollars, obtain the comprehensive grant budgets that the agency provided to the applicable federal, state or local grantor agency. Report whether the budgets for federal, state and local grants included the purpose and duration of the grants; and whether budgets for state grants also included specific goals, objectives, and measures of performance.

Examined grant budgets for all programs noting that the purpose and duration of the grants was included. All grants were federal or local.

### State Audit Law

10. Report whether the agency provided for a timely report in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

The agency's report was submitted to the Legislative Auditor before the statutory due date of July 31st.

11. Inquire of management and report whether the agency entered into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

The Agency's management represented that the Agency did not enter into any contracts during the fiscal year that were subject to the public bid law.

### **Prior-Year Comments**

12. Obtain and report management's representation as to whether any prior year suggestions, exceptions, recommendations, and or comments have been resolved.

No prior year suggestions, recommendations, or comments were noted.

We were engaged by the Agency 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 the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the United States Comptroller General. 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 the Agency's compliance with the foregoing matters. 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 the agency 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 the Agency's compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, 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 Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC Certified Public Accountants

Ville Platte, Louisiana June 17, 2025



## LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE (For Attestation Engagements of Quasi-public Agencies)

### April 30, 2025

Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC P.O. Box 588 Ville Platte, La 70586

In connection with your engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures to the control and compliance matters identified below, as of January 31, 2025 and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, we make the following representations to you.

### Federal, State, and Local Awards

We have detailed for you the amount of federal, state, and local award expenditures for the fiscal year, by grant and grant year.

Yes[X] No[] N/A]

All transactions relating to federal, state, and local grants have been properly recorded within our accounting records and reported to the appropriate state, federal, and local grantor officials.

Yes[X] No[] N/A[]

The reports filed with federal, state, and local agencies are properly supported by books of original entry and supporting documentation.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

We have complied with all applicable specific requirements of all federal, state, and local programs we administer, to include matters contained in the OMB Compliance Supplement, matters contained in the grant awards, eligibility requirements, activities allowed and unallowed, and reporting and budget requirements.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

### **Open Meetings**

Our meetings, as they relate to public funds, have been posted as an open meeting as required by R.S. 42:11 through 42:28 (the open meetings law). Note: Please refer to Attorney General Opinion No. 13-0043 and the guidance in the publication "Open Meeting FAQs," available on the Legislative Auditor's website to determine whether a non-profit agency is subject to the open meetings law.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

### Budget

For each federal, state, and local grant we have filed with the appropriate grantor agency a comprehensive budget for those grants that included the purpose and duration, and for state grants included specific goals and objectives and measures of performance

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

### Reporting

We have had our financial statements reviewed in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

We did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

We have complied with R.S. 24:513 A. (3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief executive officer.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

We have complied with R.S. 24:515.2 regarding reporting of pre- and post- adjudication court costs, fines and fees assessed or imposed; the amounts collected; the amounts outstanding; the amounts retained; the amounts disbursed, and the amounts received from disbursements.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

#### **Prior-Year Comments**

We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or comments.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

#### General

We acknowledge that we are responsible for the Agency's compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A ]

We acknowledge that we are responsible for determining that that the procedures performed are appropriate for the purposes of this engagement.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

We have evaluated our compliance with these laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A[ ]

We have provided you with all relevant information and access under the terms of our agreement.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A []

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A []

We are not aware of any material misstatements in the information we have provided to you.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A []

We have disclosed to you any communications from regulatory agencies, internal auditors, other independent practitioners or consultants, and others concerning noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including communications received during the period under examination; and will disclose to you any such communication received between the end of the period under examination and the date of your report.

Yes [X ] No [ ] N/A []

We will disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies all known noncompliance and other events subsequent to the date of this representation and the date of your report that could have a material effect on our compliance with laws and regulations and the internal

controls with such laws and regulations, or would require adjustment or modification to the results of the agreed-upon procedures.

Yes [ X ] No [ ] N/A []

The previous responses have been made to the best of our belief and knowledge.

Executive Director

April 30, 2025

Date