



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**

**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL
STARK COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Stark County Family Council
Stark County
800 Market Ave., N.
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To Members of the Board:

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of the Stark County Family Council, Stark County, Ohio, (the Council) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Council prepares its financial statement on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Council as of December 31, 2002, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the year then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 25, 2003 on our consideration of the Council's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The accompanying Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the financial statement. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statement taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Council, the Fiscal Oversight Committee, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

June 25, 2003

**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL
STARK COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	
Cash Receipts:			
Intergovernmental	\$78,669	\$3,225,994	\$3,304,663
Local Agency Contributions		1,030,655	1,030,655
Other	12,149		12,149
	<u>90,818</u>	<u>4,256,649</u>	<u>4,347,467</u>
Total Cash Receipts	<u>90,818</u>	<u>4,256,649</u>	<u>4,347,467</u>
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
Salaries and Benefits	47,430	487,294	534,724
Contracts - Service/Consultations	10,464	3,471,579	3,482,043
Supplies	1,407	35,138	36,545
Rent and Maintenance	9,704	35,323	45,027
Other	6,413	47,803	54,216
Capital Outlay		10,495	10,495
	<u>75,418</u>	<u>4,087,632</u>	<u>4,163,050</u>
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>75,418</u>	<u>4,087,632</u>	<u>4,163,050</u>
Excess of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	15,400	169,017	184,417
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>(173,784)</u>	<u>862,076</u>	<u>688,292</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>(\$158,384)</u>	<u>\$1,031,093</u>	<u>\$872,709</u>
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	<u>\$11,576</u>	<u>\$719,327</u>	<u>\$730,903</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL
STARK COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2002**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Ohio Rev. Code Section 121.37 created the Ohio Family and Children First Cabinet Council and permitted counties to establish County Family and Children First Councils. Statutory membership of a county council consists of the following individuals:

- a. The director of the board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services that serves the county, or, in the case of a county that has a board of alcohol and drug addiction services and a community mental health board, the directors of both boards;
- b. The health commissioner of the board of health of each city or general health district in the county, or their designees;
- c. The director of the county department of human services;
- d. The executive director of the county agency responsible for the administration of children services pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 5153.15;
- e. The superintendent of the county board of mental retardation and developmental disabilities;
- f. The county's juvenile court judge senior in service;
- g. The superintendent of the city, exempted village, or local school district with the largest number of pupils residing in the county, as determined by the department of education, which shall notify each county of its determination at least biennially;
- h. A school superintendent representing all other school districts with territory in the county, as designated at a biennial meeting of the superintendents of those districts;
- i. A representative of the largest city in the county;
- j. The chair of the board of county commissioners, or an individual designated by the board;
- k. A representative of the regional office of the department of youth services;
- l. A representative of the county's head start agencies, as defined in Ohio Rev. Code Section 3301.31;
- m. A representative of the county's early intervention collaborative established pursuant to the federal early intervention program operated under the "Education of the Handicapped Act Amendments of 1986"; and
- n. At least three individuals representing the interests of families in the county. Where possible, the number of members representing families shall be equal to twenty percent of the council's remaining membership. In addition, a County Family and Children First Council may invite any other local public or private agency or group that funds, advocates, or provides services to children to have a representative become a permanent or temporary member of the council.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2002
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A. Description of the Entity (Continued)

A county council's statutory responsibilities include the following:

- a. Refer to the cabinet council those children for whom the council cannot provide adequate services;
- b. Make periodic reports to the cabinet council regarding the number of children referred to the county council and the progress made in meeting the needs of each child;
- c. Develop a plan that reviews and adjusts existing programs, fills service gaps where possible, or invents new approaches to achieve better results for families and children;
- d. Participate in the development of a countywide, comprehensive, coordinated, multi-disciplinary, inter-agency system for infants and toddlers with developmental disabilities or delays and their families, as established pursuant to federal grants received and administered by the department of health for early intervention services under the "Education of the Handicapped Act Amendments of 1986";
- e. Maintain an accountability system to monitor the council's progress in achieving its purposes; and
- f. Establish a mechanism to ensure ongoing input from a broad representation of families who are receiving services within the county system.

The Stark County Family Council (the Council) was officially created on March 15, 1995 by proclamation of the Governor of the State of Ohio.

The Stark County Community Mental Health Board serves as administrative agent for the Council and the Stark County Auditor serves as the Council's fiscal agent.

The Council's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Council is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

This financial statement follows the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

This statement includes adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2002
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments

The Stark County Treasurer maintains a cash pool used by all of the County's funds, including those of the Council. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The Council's carrying amount of cash on deposit with the County at December 31, 2002 was \$872,709. The Stark County Treasurer is responsible for maintaining adequate depository collateral for all funds in the Stark County's pooled and deposit accounts and ensuring that all monies are invested in accordance with Ohio Revised Code.

D. Fund Accounting

The Council uses fund accounting to segregate resources that are restricted as to use. The Council classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Council had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Early Intervention Part C - This fund receives federal grant money for the purpose of providing services to families with young children who have disabilities from birth to 3 years of age.

Pooled Funds - This fund receives money from a group consisting of four Stark County Boards, the Stark County Family Court and two school districts for the purpose of providing specialized, multi-need services to specifically identified children in a coordinated, focused fashion.

Help Me Grow (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)) Grant Fund - This fund receives federal grant money for the purpose of providing services to families with young children at greater risk. This fund replaced Early Start Expansion as of July 1, 2001.

GRF Fund – This fund receives state grant money for the purpose of providing services to families with young children at greater risk.

E. Budgetary Compliance

The Council must file the budget with its administrative agent (Stark County Community Mental Health Board) and the County Auditor.

A summary of 2002 budgetary activity appears in Note 2.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2002
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as capital outlay when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statement.

G. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under Council's basis of accounting.

2. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2002 follows:

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
Council	\$4,287,650	\$4,347,467	\$59,817

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
Council	\$5,825,528	\$4,893,953	\$931,575

3. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Council's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2002, members of OPERS contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Council contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for 2002. The Council has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2002.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2002
(Continued)**

4. LEASE AGREEMENTS

The Council has exercised Option 1 of a lease agreement with McKinley Rental, L.L.C. for the use of Suite 1600 at 800 Market Avenue North, Canton, Ohio 44702, for the term November 1, 2002 through October 31, 2003. The annual rent payment is \$19,810 payable in monthly installments of \$1,651. The Council has exercised Option 2 of a lease agreement with McKinley Rental, L.L.C. for the use of Suite M11 at 800 Market Avenue North, Canton, Ohio 44702, for the term November 1, 2002 through October 31, 2003. The annual rent payment is \$5,940 payable in monthly installments of \$495. The Council has a lease agreement with McKinley Rental, L.L.C. for the use of Suite 1210 at 800 Market Avenue North, Canton, Ohio 44702, for the term March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003. The annual rent payment is \$7,701 payable in monthly installments of \$642. The Council has a sublease agreement with Top Echelon Network, Inc. for the use of Suite 1610 at 800 Market Avenue North, Canton, Ohio 44702, for the term April 1, 2002 through October 31, 2002. The annual rent payment is \$15,099 payable in monthly installments of \$1,258. The Council has a lease agreement with McKinley Rental, L.L.C. for the use of Suite 1610 at 800 Market Avenue North, Canton, Ohio 44702, for the term November 1, 2002 through October 31, 2003. The annual rent payment is \$12,720 payable in monthly installments of \$1,060.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

Commercial Insurance

The Council has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- General liability
- Automobile liability
- Excess liability
- Professional liability

Risk Pool Membership

The Council is a member of the Stark County Schools Council of Government which is a shared risk pool for health insurance provided to its member employees.

The pool reported the following summary of assets and actuarially-measured liabilities available to pay those liabilities as of June 30 (the latest information available):

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash and investments	\$11,201,931	\$12,204,424
Actuarial liabilities	\$4,865,000	\$3,468,216

6. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts received from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the state and federal governments. Any disallowed costs may require refunding to the grantor. Amounts which may be disallowed, if any, are not presently determinable. However, based on prior experience, management believes such refunds, if any, would not be material.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2002
(Continued)**

7. DEFICIT FUND BALANCE

The General Fund had a deficit fund cash balance of \$158,384 as of December 31, 2002. Management believes this deficit is a result of timing differences in the recognition of allowable administrative charges to various grants (Special Revenue Funds). The Council's management is currently evaluating procedures to recognize and allocate these charges in a more timely manner in order to avoid this situation in the future.

Additionally, as of December 31, 2002 the Council owed the Stark County Department of Health approximately \$6,000 for Early Intervention Services performed in June 2002. The Council intends to pay for those services from the General Fund as funds become available.

**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL
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**SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS THROUGH GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE	PASS THROUGH ENTITY NUMBER	FEDERAL CFDA NUMBER	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</u>				
<i>(Passed Through Stark County Department of Job and Family Services)</i>				
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Not Available	93.558	\$2,265,528	\$2,174,447
<i>(Passed Through Stark County Mental Health Board)</i>				
FSIF Blended Block Grant	Not Available	93.556	48,062	23,935
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</u>				
<i>(Passed Through Ohio Department of Health)</i>				
Early Intervention	Not Available	84.181	<u>348,202</u>	<u>407,173</u>
TOTAL FEDERAL ASSISTANCE			<u><u>\$2,661,792</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,605,555</u></u>

The accompanying notes to this schedule are an integral part of this schedule.

**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL
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**NOTE TO THE SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
DECEMBER 31, 2002**

NOTE A--SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures (the Schedule) summarizes activity of the Council's federal award programs. The Schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Stark County Family Council
Stark County
800 Market Ave., N.
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To Members of the Board:

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of the Stark County Family Council, Stark County, Ohio, (the Council) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated June 25, 2003. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted by 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.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Council's financial statement is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. 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 that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Council's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statement and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated June 25, 2003.

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Stark County
Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance and on
Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards*
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This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Council, the Fiscal Oversight Committee, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

June 25, 2003



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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133**

Stark County Family Council
Stark County
800 Market Ave., N.
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Canton, Ohio 44702-1075

To Members of the Board:

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Stark County Family Council, Stark County, Ohio, (the Council) with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2002. The Council's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Council's compliance based on our audit.

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 OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance occurred with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Council's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Council's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Council complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2002. However, we noted a certain immaterial instance of noncompliance that does not require inclusion in this report that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated June 25, 2003.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Council is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Council's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Council, the Fiscal Oversight Committee, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



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Auditor of State

June 25, 2003

**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL
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**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
OMB CIRCULAR A-133 § .505
DECEMBER 31, 2002**

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other reportable control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any other reportable internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under § .510?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/CFDA # 93.558 Early Intervention/CFDA # 84.181
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs	Type A: > \$ 300,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	Yes

**2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

None

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
JULY 29, 2003**