CARROLL COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL

CARROLL COUNTY, OHIO

AUDIT REPORT

For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013





Council Members Carroll County Family and Children First Council PO Box 183 Carrollton, Ohio 44615

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Carroll County Family and Children First Council, Carroll County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Carroll County Family and Children First Council is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

June 19, 2015



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Carroll County Family and Children First Council Carroll County PO Box 183 Carrollton, Ohio 44615

To the Mandated Member Council:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements and related notes of the Carroll County Family and Children First Council, Carroll County, (the Council) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Council's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

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Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the Council prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the Council does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United State of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Council as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, or changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash balances of the Carroll County Family and Children First Council, Carroll County as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 15, 2015, 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 grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on 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 Council's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc.

May 15, 2015

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	 General	Special evenue	Totals morandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Intergovernmental - Local	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
Intergovernmental - State	15,750	31,332	47,082
Charges for Services	19,853	56,872	76,725
Administrative	750	-	750
Memberships	 13,100	 	 13,100
Total Cash Receipts	49,453	113,204	162,657
Cash Disbursements:			
Personal Services	12,242	51,167	63,409
Contractual Services	31,483	3,979	35,462
Travel Reimbursements	123	1,985	2,108
Supplies and Materials	368	14,885	15,253
Services and Charges	100	24,930	25,030
Other	2,345		2,345
Total Cash Disbursements	46,661	96,946	143,607
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	2,792	16,258	19,050
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements):			
Transfers In	_	6,188	6,188
Transfers Out	 (6,188)	 	 (6,188)
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)	 (6,188)	6,188	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	(3,396)	22,446	19,050
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	 37,260	36,659	73,919
Fund Cash Balances, December 31:			
Restricted	-	59,105	59,105
Unassigned	 33,864		33,864
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 33,864	\$ 59,105	\$ 92,969

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Fiduciary Fund Type Private Purpose Trust Funds		
<u>Cash Receipts:</u> Total Cash Receipts	\$	_	
<u>Cash Disbursements:</u> Total Cash Disbursements	\$		
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	\$	-	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	\$	5,294	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	5,294	

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

		General		pecial evenue		Totals morandum Only)
Cash Receipts:	•		•	00.000	•	00.000
Intergovernmental - Local	\$	- 45 750	\$	22,000	\$	22,000
Intergovernmental - State		15,750		35,286		51,036
Charges for Services Administrative		193 750		41,694		41,887 750
Memberships		10,250		-		10,250
Miscellaneous		130		-		130
Miscellarieous		130				130
Total Cash Receipts		27,073		98,980		126,053
Cash Disbursements:						
Personal Services		11,066		46,869		57,935
Contractual Services		17,138		9,376		26,514
Travel Reimbursements		262		1,117		1,379
Supplies and Materials		751		2,508		3,259
Services and Charges		5,075		22,286		27,361
Total Cash Disbursements		34,292		82,156		116,448
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(7,219)		16,824		9,605
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements):						
Transfers In		-		1,345		1,345
Transfers Out		(1,345)				(1,345)
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)		(1,345)		1,345		
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances		(8,564)		18,169		9,605
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		45,824		18,490		64,314
Fund Cash Balances, December 31:						
Restricted		-		36,659		36,659
Unassigned		37,260				37,260
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	37,260	\$	36,659	\$	73,919

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

	Fiduciary Fund Type Private Purpose Trust Funds		
<u>Cash Receipts:</u> Total Cash Receipts	\$		
<u>Cash Disbursements:</u> Total Cash Disbursements	\$	<u>-</u>	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	\$	-	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	\$	5,294	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	5,294	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Description of the Entity

Ohio Revised Code Section 121.37 created the Ohio Family and Children First Cabinet Council and required each Board of County Commissioners to establish a County Family and Children First Council. Statutory membership of County Council consists of the following individuals:

- a. At least three individuals representing the interest 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;
- b. 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. If a Board of Alcohol, Drug Addition, and Mental Health Services covers more than one County, the Director may designate a person to participate on the County's Council;
- c. The Health Commissioner, or the Commissioner's designee, of the Board of Health of each City or General Health District in the County. If the County has two or more health districts, the Health Commissioner membership may be limited to the Commissioners of the two districts with the largest populations;
- d. The Director of the County Department of Job and Family Services;
- e. The Executive Director of the public children services agency or the County agency responsible for the administration of children services pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Section 5153.15:
- f. The Superintendent of the County Board of Developmental Disabilities or if the Superintendent serves as Superintendent as more than one County Board of Developmental Disabilities, the Superintendent's designee;
- 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 Ohio 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 municipal corporation with the largest population in the County;
- The President of the Board of County Commissioners or an individual designated by the Board;
- k. A representative of the regional office of the Ohio Department of Youth Services;
- A representative of the County's Head Start agencies, as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 3301.32;
- m. A representative of the County's Early Intervention collaborative established pursuant to the federal early intervention program operated under the "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004"; and

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

n. A representative of a local nonprofit entity that funds, advocates, or provides services to children and families.

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.

The purpose of the County Council is to streamline and coordinate existing government services for families seeking services for their children. In seeking to fulfill its purpose, a County Council shall provide for the following:

- a. Referrals to the Cabinet Council of those children for whom the County Council cannot provide adequate services;
- b. Development and implementation of a process that annually evaluates and prioritizes services, fills service gaps where possible, and invents new approaches to achieve better results for families and children:
- c. Participation in the development of a countywide, comprehensive, coordinated, multidisciplinary interagency 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 "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004";
- d. Maintenance of an accountability system to monitor the County Council's progress in achieving results for families and children; and
- e. Establishment of a mechanism to ensure ongoing input from a broad representation of families who are receiving services within the County system.

B. Reporting Entity

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements are not misleading. The primary government of the Council consists of all funds, departments, and activities that are not legally separate from the Council. They comprise the Council's legal entity which provides services including human, social, health and education to families and children.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Council is financially accountable. The Council is financially accountable for an organization if the Council appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Council is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Council is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Council is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the Council is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Council in that the Council approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. The Council has no component units.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

B. Reporting Entity (continued)

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

C. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Council recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements 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).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

D. Fund Accounting

The Council uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The Council classifies its funds into the following types:

General Fund – The General Fund is the operating fund of the Council. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds – These funds are used to account for and report specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes. The Council had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

<u>Employment Preparation Program Fund</u> – This fund receives grant monies restricted for providing eligible participants with General Equivalency Diploma (GED) tuition and commonly referenced soft skills and other skill development determined to be necessary for employment.

Fiduciary Funds – Fiduciary funds include private purpose trust funds and agency funds. Trust funds account for assets held under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments which are not available to support the Council's own programs. The Council's private purpose trust fund is to pay the unemployment compensation of prior employees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

E. Administrative/Fiscal Agent

Ohio Revised Code Section 121.37(B)(5)(a) requires the Council to select an administrative agent to provide fiscal and administrative services to the Council. The Council has selected the Carroll County Auditor. The Council authorizes the Carroll County Auditor, as fiscal agent and administrative agent, to subcontract with, designate, and/or seek assistance from any agencies and/or organizations that it deems necessary in order to complete the obligations set forth in the agreement. The Carroll County Auditor agrees to be ultimately responsible for fulfilling the fiscal and administrative obligations of the agreement.

F. Budgetary Process

A Family and Children First Council established under Ohio Revised Code Section 121.37 is not a taxing authority and is not subject to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705. As of October 1, 1997, each Family and Children First Council is required to file an annual budget with its administrative agent. The Council filed an estimate of financial resources and an appropriation measure with the Carroll County Auditor as required by Ohio law. The Ohio Revised Coe does not require the Council to adopt itemized budgets for its governmental activities, thus no budgetary statements are presented as part of the financial statements.

G. Cash and Investments

The Council designated the Carroll County Auditor as the fiscal agent for all funds received in the name of the Council. Deposits of monies are made with the Carroll County Treasurer and fund expenditures and balances are reported through the Carroll County Auditor. Deposits and investments are made in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code and are valued at the fiscal agent's carrying amount.

H. Property, Plant and Equipment

The Council records cash disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant and equipment when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

I. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payouts for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

J. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Council must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable – The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Restricted – Fund balance is restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Council. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Council removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned – Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by Council for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the Council, which includes giving the administrative/fiscal agent the authority to constrain monies for intended purposes.

Unassigned – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is only used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from the overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

The Council applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

2. Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments

The Carroll County Auditor, as fiscal agent for the Council, maintains a cash and investments pool used by all of the Carroll County Auditor's funds, including those of the Council. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments and the Carroll County Auditor is responsible for compliance. The carrying amount of deposits and investments at December 31 was as follows:

Demand deposits 2014 2013 \$ 98,263 \$ 79,213

The fiscal agent is responsible for maintaining adequate depository collateral for all funds in the fiscal agent's pooled and deposit accounts. All risks associated with the above deposits are the responsibility of the fiscal agent.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

3. Retirement System

The Council participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The Traditional Pension Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The Member-Directed Plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20 percent per year). Under the Member-Directed Plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of the member and vested employer contributions plus any investment earnings. The Combined Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. Under the Combined Plan, OPERS invests employer contributions to provide a formula retirement benefit similar in nature to, but less than, the Traditional Pension Plan benefit. Member contributions, the investment of which is self-directed by the members, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the Member-Directed Plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost-of-living adjustments to members of the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report. Interested parties may obtain a copy by visiting https://www.opers.org/investments/cafr.shtml, writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 614-222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions and currently limits the employer contribution to a rate not to exceed 14 percent of earnable salary for state and local employer units. Member contribution rates, as set forth in the Ohio Revised Code, are not to exceed 10 percent of earnable salary for members in state and local divisions. Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual earnable salary and the Council is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The Council has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2014.

4. Risk Management

The Council is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft, damage to destruction of assets, errors and omissions, employee injuries, and natural disasters. To mitigate these risks, the Council is a covered party under Carroll County's insurance coverage policy.

The County is a member of County Risk Sharing Authority, Inc. (CORSA) which is a shared risk pool of sixty-one counties in Ohio. CORSA was formed as an Ohio nonprofit corporation for the purpose of establishing the CORSA Insurance/Self-Insurance Program, a group primary and excess insurance/self-insurance and risk management program. Member counties agree to jointly participate in coverage of losses and pay all contributions necessary for the specified insurance coverages provided by CORSA. These coverages include comprehensive general liability, automobile liability, certain property insurance and public officials' errors and omissions liability insurance.

Each member county has one vote on all matters requiring a vote, to be cast by a designated representative. The affairs of the CORSA are managed by an elected Board of not more than nine trustees. Only County Commissioners of member counties are eligible to serve on the Board. No county may have more than one representative on the Board at any one time. Each member county's control over the budgeting and financing of CORSA is limited to its voting authority and any representation it may have on the Board of Trustees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (Continued)

4. Risk Management (continued)

The County pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of employee compensation. The rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs.

There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year in any category of risk. Settled claims have not exceeded this insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Carroll County Family and Children First Council Carroll County P.O. Box 183 Carrollton, Ohio 44615

To the Mandated Member Council:

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Carroll County Family and Children First Council, Carroll County, (the Council) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 15, 2015, wherein we noted the Council followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Council's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider a material weakness.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Council's financial statements. 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. We consider finding 2014-001 described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a material weakness.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Council's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matter we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2014-001.

We also noted certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the Council's management in a separate letter dated May 15, 2015.

Entity's Response to Finding

The Council's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not audit the Council's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Council's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Charles Having Association

Charles E. Harris and Associates, Inc. May 15, 2015

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

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

Finding Number: 2014-001 - Material Weakness and Noncompliance

Materially Misleading Financial Statements

Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 requires that each public office, other than a state agency, shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. The auditor of state may prescribe forms by rule or may issue guidelines, or both, for such reports. If the auditor of state has not prescribed a rule regarding the form for the report, the public office shall submit its report on the form utilized by the public office. This code section also requires that filed annual reports be substantially complete.

During 2014 and 2013, the Council filed materially misleading annual financial statements with the Auditor of State. All funds were classified as fiduciary funds on the filed financial statements instead of a general fund and special revenue funds attributable to the Council. The accompanying financial statements have been adjusted to properly reflect these fund balances and the activity in these funds during the audit period.

Sound financial reporting is the responsibility of the Council and is essential to ensure the information provided to the readers of the financial statements is complete and accurate. We recommend that management review the annual financial statements for misleading or misstated items prior to filing with the Auditor of State. We also recommend that the templates for annual financial statements available on the Auditor of State's website be utilized to classify and report the Council's revenues and expenditures.

Management's Response:

Management agrees with the finding and has adjusted their internal controls to correct the issue.

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS December 31, 2014 and 2013

FINDING	FUNDING	FULLY	Not Corrected. Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; Explain
NUMBER	SUMMARY	CORRECTED?	
2012-01	GASB 54 Implementation	Yes	Finding No Longer Valid



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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 2, 2015