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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Family and Children First Council Logan County P.O. Box 710 1973 St. Rt. 47 W Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

To Members of the Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Family and Children First Council, Logan County (the "Council"), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2002 and 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements 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 statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. 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 statements 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 statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Council as of June 30, 2002 and 2001, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 4, 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.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Members of Council, and other officials authorized to receive this report under Section 117.26, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Betty Montgomery

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

April 4, 2003

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

	Governmental Fund Types		Tatala
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Intergovernmental	\$64,726	\$575,895	\$640,621
Cash Disbursements: Current: Personal Services Contractural Services Supplies Capital Outlay Miscellaneous	45,401 12,151 1,177 365	338,960 179,736 4,907 3,976 669	384,361 191,887 6,084 3,976 1,034
Total Disbursements	59,094	528,248	587,342
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	5,632	47,647	53,279
Fund Cash Balances, July 1	8,077	48,005	56,082
Fund Cash Balances, June 30	\$13,709	\$95.652	\$109.361
Reserves for Encumbrances, June 30	\$9,172	\$48,804	\$57.976

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

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Intergovernmental	\$70,592	\$497,030	\$567,622
Cash Disbursements: Current: Personal Services Contractural Services Supplies Capital Outlay Miscellaneous	56,430 15,567 1,833 1,562 5,415	292,274 206,835 6,230 443	348,704 222,402 8,063 1,562 5,858
Total Disbursements	80,807	505,782	586,589
Total Receipts (Under) Disbursements	(10,215)	(8,752)	(18,967)
Fund Cash Balances, July 1	18,292	56,757	75,049
Fund Cash Balances, June 30	\$8,077	\$48,005	\$56,082
Reserves for Encumbrances, June 30	\$15	\$22,946	\$22,961

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2002 AND 2001

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Section 121.37, Revised Code, created the Ohio Family and Children First Cabinet Council and permitted counties to establish county family and children first councils (the "Council"). 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 Section 5153.15 of the Revised Code;
- 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;
- I. A representative of the county's head start agencies, as defined in Section 3301.31 of the Revised Code;
- 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";
- 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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.

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, 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 "Education of the Handicapped Act Amendments of 1986";
- e. Maintain an accountability system to monitor the council's progress in achieving its purposes;
- f. Establish a mechanism to ensure ongoing input from a broad representation of families who are receiving services within the county system.

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

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow 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.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

The Logan County Education Service Center acts as fiscal agent for the Council and maintains a cash and investment pool used by all Center funds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting

The Council uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments 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 (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Council had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

Early Start – The fund receives Early Start Grant monies from the State of Ohio to be expended according to the requirements of the grant.

D. BUDGETARY PROCESS

The Center's by-laws require the adoption of an annual budget. A summary of this activity appears in Note 3.

E. FISCAL/ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

The Logan County Educational Service Center is the fiscal and administrative agent for the Council.

F. Unpaid Vacation and Sick Leave

Employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation and sick leave in certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment. Unpaid vacation and sick leave are not reflected as liabilities under the basis of accounting used by the Council.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments.

The Logan County Educational Service Center acts as fiscal agent and maintains a cash and investment pool used by all Center funds. The carrying amount for the Council's portion of cash and investments on the records of the Educational Service Center as of June 30, 2002 and 2001 was as follows:

	2002	2001	
Demand deposits	\$109,361	\$56,082	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending June 30, 2002 and 2001 follows:

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$93,558	\$64,726	(\$28,832)
Special Revenue	693,577	575,895	(117,682)
Total	\$787,135	\$640,621	(\$146,514)

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
Appropriation Budgetary				
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance	
General	\$93,270	\$68,266	\$25,004	
Special Revenue	716,200	577,052	139,148	
Total	\$809,470	\$645,318	\$164,152	

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$117,587	\$70,592	(\$46,995)
Special Revenue	580,135	497,030	(83,105)
Total	\$697,722	\$567,622	(\$130,100)

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$120,142	\$80,822	\$39,320
Special Revenue	607,510	528,728	78,782
Total	\$727,652	\$609,550	\$118,102

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Council employees belong to the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio ("SERS"). SERS is a cost-sharing multiple employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including post-retirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

SERS members contributed 9% of their gross salaries during 2002 and 2001. The Council contributed an amount equal to 14% of participants' gross salaries. The Council has paid all contributions required through June 30, 2002.

5. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Council received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Council at June 30, 2002 and 2001..

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Council has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Errors and omissions.

7. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

During March 2003, the Council received notification that they would no longer have a contract with the Logan County Department of Job and Family Services (LCDJ&FS) to provide services for the 3-5 Expansion Help Me Grow Subsidy. This contract with the LCD&JFS provided \$133,044 to the Council during 2002. As a result of this termination, the Council had to lay off four employees.

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

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To the Members of Council:

We have audited the financial statements of the Family and Children First Council, Logan County (the "Council"), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2002 and 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated April 4, 2003. 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.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Council's financial statements are 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*. However, we noted an immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated April 4, 2003.

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 statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of 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 a matter involving the internal control over financial reporting the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that does not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated April 4, 2003.

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April 4, 2003



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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 Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED MAY 22, 2003