

**MID EAST OHIO
REGIONAL COUNCIL
KNOX COUNTY, OHIO**

***GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(AUDITED)
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2002***

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We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the Mid East Ohio Regional Council, Knox County, prepared by Trimble, Julian & Grube, Inc, for the audit period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002. 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 Mid East Ohio Regional Council is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Betty Montgomery

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January 21, 2003

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**MID EAST OHIO REGIONAL COUNCIL
KNOX COUNTY, OHIO**

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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors
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We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Mid East Ohio Regional Council, Knox County, (the "Council") as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose 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 general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Mid East Ohio Regional Council, Knox County, as of June 30, 2002, and the results of its operations for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 17, 2002, 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.

Board of Directors
Mid East Ohio Regional Council
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Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Council, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of 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 general purpose financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Trimble, Julian & Grube, Inc.
December 17, 2002

**MID EAST OHIO REGIONAL COUNCIL
KNOX COUNTY, OHIO**

**COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP
JUNE 30, 2002**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		<u>Account Group</u>	Totals
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>General Fixed Assets</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,999	\$ 10,199,430	\$ -	\$ 10,203,429
Due from other governments	-	485,401	-	485,401
Prepaid expenses	-	10,275	-	10,275
Property and equipment	-	-	112,579	112,579
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,999</u>	<u>\$ 10,695,106</u>	<u>\$ 112,579</u>	<u>\$ 10,811,684</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</u>				
<u>Liabilities:</u>				
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 532,327	\$ -	\$ 532,327
Contracts payable	-	3,232	-	3,232
Knox County Board of MRDD payable	-	748,611	-	748,611
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>1,284,170</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,284,170</u>
<u>Fund Equity:</u>				
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	112,579	112,579
Unreserved:				
Undesignated	3,999	-	-	3,999
Designated	-	9,410,936	-	9,410,936
Total fund equity	<u>3,999</u>	<u>9,410,936</u>	<u>112,579</u>	<u>9,527,514</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$ 3,999</u>	<u>\$ 10,695,106</u>	<u>\$ 112,579</u>	<u>\$ 10,811,684</u>

THE NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT.

**MID EAST OHIO REGIONAL COUNCIL
KNOX COUNTY, OHIO**

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	
<u>REVENUES</u>			
Intergovernmental - federal	\$ -	\$ 303,077	\$ 303,077
Intergovernmental - state	-	4,441,193	4,441,193
Intergovernmental - local	-	451,524	451,524
Interest	29	248,626	248,655
Other	-	67,606	67,606
Total revenues	<u>29</u>	<u>5,512,026</u>	<u>5,512,055</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Provider services	-	1,625,291	1,625,291
Rent	-	142,274	142,274
Room and board	-	368,691	368,691
Specialized residential services	-	371,483	371,483
Travel/training	-	49,777	49,777
Supported living	-	909,963	909,963
Equipment	-	24,492	24,492
County expense	-	35,000	35,000
IO waiver	-	507,334	507,334
Administration	-	406,147	406,147
Professional expenses	-	96,988	96,988
Miscellaneous	-	2	2
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>4,537,442</u>	<u>4,537,442</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	29	974,584	974,613
Fund balances - July 1, 2001	<u>3,970</u>	<u>8,436,352</u>	<u>8,440,322</u>
Fund balances - June 30, 2002	<u>\$ 3,999</u>	<u>\$ 9,410,936</u>	<u>\$ 9,414,935</u>

THE NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT.

**MID EAST OHIO REGIONAL COUNCIL
KNOX COUNTY, OHIO**

**NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002**

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL

Mid East Ohio Regional Council (the “Council”) is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by law. The Council is made up of the Boards of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities of 17 counties pursuant to Chapter 167 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Management believes the general purpose financial statements included in this report represent all of the funds of the Council over which it has the ability to exercise direct operating control.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The general purpose financial statements of the Council have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted (GAAP) in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Council's significant accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The Council's reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, “The Financial Reporting Entity”. The GPFS includes the funds for which the Council is “accountable”. Accountability as described in GASB Statement No. 14 was evaluated based on financial accountability, the nature and significance of the potential component unit's (PCU) relationship with the Council and whether exclusion would cause the Council's GPFS to be misleading or incomplete. Among the factors considered were separate legal standing; appointment of a voting majority of PCU's board; fiscal dependency and whether a benefit or burden relationship exists; imposition of will; and the nature and significance of the PCU's relationship with the Council.

Based on the foregoing criteria, there were no PCU's for the fiscal year reported on in the GPFS in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14.

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

B. Fund Accounting

The Council uses funds and an account group to report its financial position and the results of its operations. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain Council activities or functions. Funds are classified into two categories. Each category is divided into separate fund types.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Council are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the Council's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The following are the Council's governmental fund types:

General Fund - The general fund is the general operating fund of the Council and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Council for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of the State of Ohio.

Special Revenue Funds - The special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

ACCOUNT GROUP

General Fixed Assets Account Group - This account is established to account for all fixed assets of the Council.

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present revenues and expenditures in net current assets.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed for all funds. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period, which for the Council is 60 days after the June 30 year-end. Revenues accrued at the end of the year include interest and grants and entitlements (to the extent such grants and entitlements relate to the current fiscal year).

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Council receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements, and donations. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been met and the resources are available. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Council must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Council on a reimbursement basis.

D. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Council is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Council's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the combined balance sheet.

During fiscal year 2002, investments were limited to STAR Ohio. Investments are reported at fair value which is based on quoted market prices.

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2002.

For presentation on the combined balance sheet, investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Council are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

An analysis of the Council's investment account at year end is provided in Note 3.

E. Fixed Assets and Depreciation

General Fixed Assets Account Group

General fixed assets are capitalized at cost or estimated historical cost. No depreciation is recognized for assets in the general fixed assets account group. The Council has not included infrastructure in the general fixed assets account group.

F. Payroll and Related Fringe Benefits

Mid East Ohio Regional Council contracts with the Knox County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (MRDD) for payroll services and fringe benefit options, including Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio (PERS), consistent with Knox County policies and practices. Mid East Ohio Regional Council determines the salary, fringe benefits, and other options it elects to provide and notifies the Board.

G. Fund Equity

Designated fund balances indicate that portion of fund equity which is designated for a specific use. The fund equity reflected for the governmental funds are available for use within the specific purposes of those funds.

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The following is a breakdown of the specific purposes of the special revenue funds:

Supported Living	\$3,551,078
Sermak Fund	10,222
Residential Facility Waiver (RFW)	3,323,678
Reserve	318,325
Administrative	1,855,244
MUI Advisory Council	155,243
Accreditation Readiness Advisory Council (ARAC)	<u>197,146</u>
Total designated funds	<u><u>\$9,410,936</u></u>

H. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the general purpose financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

I. Memorandum Only - Total Columns

Total columns on the General Purpose Financial Statements are captioned (Memorandum Only) to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with GAAP. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

NOTE 3 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Council maintains a cash and investment pool used by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the combined balance sheet as "Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents". Statutes require the classification of monies held by the Council into three categories:

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the Council treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

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NOTE 3 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Inactive deposits are public deposits the Council has identified as not required for use within the current two year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings accounts, including passbook accounts.

Protection of the Council's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal or interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, Notes, Debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 3 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
6. The State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio);

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Council, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined in GASB Statement No. 3, "Deposits With Financial Institutions, Investments and Reverse Repurchase Agreements".

Deposits: At year end, the carrying amount of the Council's deposits was \$17,416 and the bank balance was \$52,333 which was all covered by federal depository insurance.

Investments: Investments are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the entity at year-end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or securities held by the Council. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Council's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty or by its trust department, but not in the Council's name.

The Council had an investment of \$10,186,013 in STAR Ohio. STAR Ohio is not categorized because it is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 3 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

The classification of equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents, and investments on the combined financial statements is based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 9, “Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Non-Expendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting”.

A reconciliation between the classifications of equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents and investments on the combined balance sheet (per GASB Statement No. 9) and the classifications of deposits and investments presented above (per GASB Statement No. 3) is as follows:

	<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents/Deposits</u>	<u>Investments</u>
GASB Statement No. 9	\$ 10,203,429	\$ -
Investments of the cash management pool:		
Investment in STAR Ohio	<u>(10,186,013)</u>	<u>10,186,013</u>
GASB Statement No. 3	<u>\$ 17,416</u>	<u>\$10,186,013</u>

NOTE 4 - FIXED ASSETS

A summary of the changes in the general fixed assets account group during the fiscal year follows:

	<u>Balance July 1, 2001</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Disposals</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2002</u>
Furniture/Equipment	<u>\$103,063</u>	<u>\$24,492</u>	<u>\$(14,976)</u>	<u>\$112,579</u>
Total	<u>\$103,063</u>	<u>\$24,492</u>	<u>\$(14,976)</u>	<u>\$112,579</u>

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 5 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Comprehensive

The Council is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2002, the Council retained property insurance and liabilities coverage.

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year.

B. Employee Dishonesty Bonds

The Council carries employee dishonesty bonds for the employees and Board Members in the amount of \$125,000.

NOTE 6 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The Council receives significant financial assistance from numerous federal, state and local agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material effect on any of the general purpose financial statements of the individual fund types included herein or on the overall financial position of the Council at June 30, 2002.

B. Litigation

The Council is not currently a party to legal proceedings.

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SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

**MID EAST OHIO REGIONAL COUNCIL
 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002**

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ SUB GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE	CFDA NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH GRANT NUMBER	(A) CASH FEDERAL RECEIPTS	(A) CASH FEDERAL DISBURSEMENTS
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PASSED THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES:				
Medicaid Waiver Administration and Targeted Case Management	93.778	N/A	<u>335,207</u>	<u>335,207</u>
Total Federal Financial Assistance			<u>\$ 335,207</u>	<u>\$ 335,207</u>

(A) This schedule was prepared on the cash basis of accounting.

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Report on Compliance and on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of General Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards*

Board of Directors
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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of Mid East Ohio Regional Council, Knox County, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated December 17, 2002. 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 Mid East Ohio Regional Council's general purpose 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 general purpose 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*.

Board of Directors
Mid East Ohio Regional Council

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Mid East Ohio Regional Council's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements 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 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 general purpose 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 certain matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to the management of Mid East Ohio Regional Council in a separate letter dated December 17, 2002.

This report is intended for the information and use of the management and Board of Directors of Mid East Ohio Regional Council, Knox County, 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.

Trimble, Julian & Grube, Inc.
December 17, 2002

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Report On Compliance With Requirements Applicable to Its Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance With *OMB CIRCULAR A-133*

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Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Mid East Ohio Regional Council, Knox County, 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 its major federal program for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002. Mid East Ohio Regional Council's major federal program is 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 its major federal program is the responsibility of Mid East Ohio Regional Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Mid East Ohio Regional 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, *Audit 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 with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Mid East Ohio Regional 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 Mid East Ohio Regional Council's compliance with those requirements.

Board of Directors
Mid East Ohio Regional Council

In our opinion, Mid East Ohio Regional Council complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Mid East Ohio Regional 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 Mid East Ohio Regional 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 for the information and use of management, the Board of Directors of Mid East Ohio Regional Council, 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.

Trimble, Julian & Grube, Inc.
December 17, 2002

**MID EAST OHIO REGIONAL COUNCIL
KNOX COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
OMB CIRCULAR A-133 § .505**

JUNE 30, 2002

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS
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<i>(d)(1)(i)</i>	<i>Type of Financial Statement Opinion</i>	Unqualified
<i>(d)(1)(ii)</i>	<i>Were there any material control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</i>	No
<i>(d)(1)(ii)</i>	<i>Were there any other reportable control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</i>	No
<i>(d)(1)(iii)</i>	<i>Was there any reported non-compliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</i>	No
<i>(d)(1)(iv)</i>	<i>Were there any material internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?</i>	No
<i>(d)(1)(iv)</i>	<i>Were there any other reportable internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?</i>	No
<i>(d)(1)(v)</i>	<i>Type of Major Program's Compliance Opinion</i>	Unqualified
<i>(d)(1)(vi)</i>	<i>Are there any reportable findings under § .510?</i>	No

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**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
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JUNE 30, 2002

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS (Continued)

<i>(d)(1)(vii)</i>	<i>Major Program:</i>	Medicaid Waiver Administration & Targeted Case Management, CFDA #93.778
<i>(d)(1)(viii)</i>	<i>Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs</i>	Type A: >\$300,000 Type B: all others
<i>(d)(1)(ix)</i>	<i>Low Risk Auditee?</i>	No

2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE 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
FEBRUARY 6, 2003**