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Carroll County Family and Children First Council Carroll County 111 East Main Street Carrollton, OH 44615

To the Family and Children First Council:

Mary Taylor

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to an interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an adverse opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

August 8, 2008

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Carroll County Family and Children First Council Carroll County 111 East Main Street Carrollton, OH 44615

To the Family and Children First Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Carroll County Family and Children First Council, Carroll County, (the Council) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005. 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure 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 our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Council has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP requires presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the Council's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. While the Council does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require Council to reformat their statements. The Council has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. The following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Council as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

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Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Carroll County Family and Children First Council, Carroll County, as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The Council has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 8, 2008, 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. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

August 8, 2008

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

<u>-</u>	Governmental F	- 		
<u>-</u>	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts: Intergovernmental Other Revenue	\$22,500 1,535	\$252,997	275,497 1,535	
Total Cash Receipts	24,035	252,997	277,032	
Cash Disbursements: Salaries Supplies Contract Services Travel/Dues PERS Workers Compensation Insurance Mandatory Medicare Utilities Miscellaneous	19,144 6,206 5,409 2,814 278 17,909 250	76,638 116,668 1,618 10,308 1,277 16,941 1,112	95,782 6,206 122,077 1,618 13,122 1,277 16,941 1,390 17,909 250	
Total Cash Disbursements	52,010	224,562	276,572	
Total Receipts Over/ (Under) Disbursements	(27,975)	28,435	460	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	28,330	16,849	45,179	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$355	\$45,284	\$45,639	

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

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - AGENCY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

	Agency Fund
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services Miscellaneous	\$0 0
Total Operating Cash Receipts	0
Operating Cash Disbursements: Claims	
Unemployment Compensation	0
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	0
Operating Income/(Loss)	0
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	9,720
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$9,720

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Governmental			
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts: Intergovernmental Other Revenue	\$20,000 5,895	\$149,274	169,274 5,895	
Total Cash Receipts	25,895	149,274	175,169	
Cash Disbursements: Salaries Supplies Contract Services Rentals Travel/Dues PERS Workers Compensation Insurance Mandatory Medicare Utilities Miscellaneous	8,951 30 22,406 14,300 1,616 1,213 130 5,830 175	20,086 958 91,634 2,722 53 2,442 291	29,037 988 114,040 14,300 1,616 3,935 53 2,442 421 5,830 230	
Total Cash Disbursements	54,651	118,241	172,892	
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(28,756)	31,033	2,277	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	57,086	(14,184)	42,902	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$28.330	\$16.849	\$45.179	

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

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - AGENCY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Agency Fund
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services Miscellaneous	\$0 0
Total Operating Cash Receipts	0
Operating Cash Disbursements: Claims	
Unemployment Compensation	2,394
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	2,394
Operating Income/(Loss)	(2,394)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	12,114
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$9,720

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Section 121.37, Revised Code, created the Ohio Family and Children First Council and permitted counties to establish county family and children first councils. Statutory membership of county council consists of the following individuals.

- 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 job and family 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;
- 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 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005 (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:

- 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 county wide, 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 presentation of families who are receiving services within the county system.

The Carroll County Family and Children First Council was organized with the statutory membership on October 1, 1996. 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. 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 prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

No investments were held by the Council during the current audit period.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005 (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 that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The grants included in the Special Revenue Funds are Employment Preparation, Help Me Grow, ABLE, Training & Quality Control and Nonbehavioral Funding.

3. Agency Fund

Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurement of results of operations. This fund is used to account for unemployment compensation for Family and Children First Employees.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that Council file an annual budget with its administrative agent, with copies filed with the county auditor and with the board of county commissioners, unless the board is serving as the Council's administrative agent. The Council's administrative agent is to ensure that all expenditures are handled in accordance with policies, procedures, and activities prescribed by State departments in rules or interagency agreements that are applicable to the Council's functions.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

G. 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005 (Continued)

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Council maintains a cash pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was as follows:

 2006
 2005

 Deposits with Carroll County Treasurer
 \$55,359
 \$54,899

Deposits: Deposits are either insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, or collateralized by financial institutions public entity deposit pool.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2006 and 2005 follows:

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$24,035	\$24,035	\$0
Special Revenue	252,997	252,997	0
Total	\$277,032	\$277,032	\$0

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$33,975	\$52,010	(\$18,035)
Special Revenue	\$191,776	\$224,562	(\$32,786)
Total	\$225,751	\$276,572	(\$50,821)

2005 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$25,895	\$25,895	\$0
Special Revenue	149,274	149,274	0
Total	\$175,169	\$175,169	\$0

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005 (Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY - (Continued)

2005 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$20,290	\$54,651	(\$34,361)
Special Revenue	166,741	118,241	48,500
Total	\$187,031	\$172,892	\$14,139

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Council's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) of Ohio. OPERS is a cost sharing, multiple-employer plan. The 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 2006 and 2005, OPERS members contributed 9.05 and 8.5% of their gross salaries, respectively. The Council contributed an amount equal to 13.7% and 13.55% of participant's gross salary for 2006 and 2005, respectively. The Council has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2006.

5. ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

Prior Period Adjustment

Beginning fund balances have been restated in order to properly record the FCFC Trust fund that was included in County maintained fund balances but omitted from FCFC financial statements prior fiscal years. The restatement has the following effect on governmental fund balances at December 31, 2004:

	General		Special Revenue		Expendable Trust		Total Governmental Funds	
Fund balance at December 31, 2004	\$	57,086	\$	(14,184)	\$	-	\$	42,902
Addition of FCFC Trust Fund						12,114		12,114
Fund balance at December 31, 2004, restated	\$	57,086	\$	(14,184)	\$	12,114	\$	55,016

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' 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 111 East Main Street Carrollton, OH 44615

To the Family and Children First Council:

We have audited 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, 2006 and 2005 and have issued our report thereon dated August 8, 2008, wherein we noted the Council prepared its financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Council's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Council's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Council's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Council's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

We noted a certain matter that we reported to the Council's management in a separate letter dated August 8, 2008.

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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, providing an opinion 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the Family and Children First Council and management. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Saylor

August 8, 2008



CARROLL COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL

CARROLL COUNTY

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 NOVEMBER 6, 2008