



**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL  
STARK COUNTY**

**SINGLE AUDIT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000**



**JIM PETRO**  
**AUDITOR OF STATE**  

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STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL  
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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

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To the Members of the Board:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Stark County Family Council, Stark County, (the Council) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000. 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 reserve for encumbrances of the Council as of December 31, 2000, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the year then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

As more fully discussed in Note 7, previously reported cash fund balances have been restated as a result of the reclassification of certain funds from the General Fund to the Special Revenue Fund Type.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 15, 2001 on our consideration of the Council's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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

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

**Jim Petro**  
Auditor of State

August 15, 2001

**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL  
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**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		<u>Totals (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>			
Intergovernmental	\$68,692	\$1,817,983	\$1,886,675
Local Agency Contributions		792,904	792,904
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Total Cash Receipts	68,692	2,610,887	2,679,579
<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>			
Current:			
Salaries and Benefits	29,851	326,553	356,404
Contracts - Services/Consultations	17,446	1,947,570	1,965,016
Supplies	278	4,758	5,036
Rent and Maintenance	2,560	19,178	21,738
Other	6,306	27,765	34,071
Capital Outlay	4,408	14,667	19,075
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Total Cash Disbursements	60,849	2,340,491	2,401,340
Excess of Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	7,843	270,396	278,239
<b>Fund Cash Balances, January 1, 2000, as restated (see Note 7)</b>	<hr/> <u>(109,384)</u>	<hr/> <u>349,661</u>	<hr/> <u>240,277</u>
<b>Fund Cash Balances, December 31, 2000</b>	<hr/> <u><b>(\$101,541)</b></u>	<hr/> <u><b>\$620,057</b></u>	<hr/> <u><b>\$518,516</b></u>
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	<hr/> <u>\$70,518</u>	<hr/> <u>\$504,871</u>	<hr/> <u>\$575,389</u>

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

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**STARK COUNTY FAMILY COUNCIL  
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2000**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**A. Description of the Entity**

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

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

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2000  
(Continued)**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**A. Description of the Entity (Continued)**

A county council's statutory responsibilities include the following:

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

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

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

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

**B. Basis of Accounting**

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.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2000  
(Continued)**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**C. Fund Accounting**

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

**1. General Fund**

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

**2. Special Revenue Funds**

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

The Early Start Expansion Fund - This fund receives federal grant money for the purpose of providing services to families with young children at greater risk who are recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Ohio Works First (OWF) as well as Prevention, Retention and Contingency (PRC) individuals.

Wellness Block Grant Fund - This fund receives state grant money for the purpose of providing services to families and young children from at-risk environments.

**D. Budgetary Compliance**

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

A summary of 2000 budgetary activity is documented in Note 2.

**E. Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments**

The Stark County Treasurer maintains a cash pool used by all of the County's funds, including those of the Council. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The Council's carrying amount of cash on deposit with the County at December 31, 2000 was \$518,516. The Stark County Treasurer is responsible for maintaining adequate depository collateral for all funds in the Stark County's pooled and deposit accounts and ensuring that all monies are invested in accordance with Ohio Revised Code.

**F. Property, Plant and Equipment**

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements (capital outlays) 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.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2000  
(Continued)**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**H. Contracted Services**

The Council has 3 part-time and 9 full-time employees. All workers are paid employees of Stark County. The Grant Coordinator and one part-time employee's salaries are derived partly from the Early Start Expansion grant and the other revenue sources received by the Council. The funds used to pay the remaining employees salaries are derived from other sources received by the Council.

**2. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2000 follows:

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
Council	\$2,970,593	\$2,679,579	(\$291,014)

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Budgeted Expenditures	Actual Expenditures Plus Encumbrances	Variance
Council	\$3,076,023	\$2,976,729	\$99,294

**3. RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

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

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2000, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Council contributed an amount equal to 10.84% of participants' gross salaries. The Council has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2000.

**4. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

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

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2000  
(Continued)**

**5. LEASE AGREEMENT**

The Council has exercised its option to renew a lease agreement with McKinley, Ltd. for the use of office space for the term November 1, 1999 through October 31, 2001. The annual rent payment is \$19,320 payable in monthly installments of \$1,610.

**6. RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Council has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- General liability
- Automobile liability
- Excess liability

The Council provides health insurance and medical and dental coverage to employees through programs offered by the Stark County Schools Council of Government.

**7. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS**

The General and Special Revenue Fund balances as of December 31, 1999 have been adjusted to reflect the proper treatment of outstanding checks and the reclassification of restricted funds. The balances were adjusted as follows:

	General <u>Fund</u>	Special <u>Revenue Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fund Balance as previously reported - December 31, 1999	\$40,655	\$266,465	\$307,120
Adjustment for outstanding warrants	5,743	(72,586)	(66,843)
Adjustment for fund classification	<u>(155,782)</u>	<u>155,782</u>	<u>0</u>
Restated Fund Balance	<u>(\$109,384)</u>	<u>\$349,661</u>	<u>\$240,277</u>

**8. DEFICIT FUND BALANCE**

The General Fund had a deficit fund cash balance of \$101,541 as of December 31, 2000. Management believes this deficit is a result of timing differences in the recognition of allowable administrative charges to various grants (Special Revenue Funds). The Council's management is currently evaluating procedures to recognize and allocate these charges in a more timely manner in order to avoid this situation in the future.

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**SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000**

<b>FEDERAL GRANTOR PASS THROUGH GRANTOR PROGRAM TITLE</b>	<b>PASS THROUGH ENTITY NUMBER</b>	<b>CFDA NUMBER</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>
<b><u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</u></b>			
<i>(Passed Through Stark County Department of Job and Family Services)</i>			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Not Available	93.558	\$692,105
<b><u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</u></b>			
<i>(Passed Through Stark County Department of Health)</i>			
Special Education - Grants for Infants and Families with Disabilities	Not Available	84.181	8,463
<b><u>CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE</u></b>			
<i>Direct</i>			
Americorps Grant		94.006	<u>3,178</u>
TOTAL FEDERAL ASSISTANCE			<u><u>\$703,746</u></u>

*The accompanying notes to this schedule are an intergral part of this schedule.*

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**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES  
DECEMBER 31, 2000**

**NOTE A - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

**NOTE B - FIFO METHOD**

Federal funds were commingled with General Fund revenue for the Special Education-Grants for Infants and Families with Disabilities and Americorps grant. A first-in, first-out (FIFO) method was used to arrive at grant expenditures for those federal programs.





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

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To the Members of the Board:

We have audited the financial statements of Stark County Family Council, Stark County, (the Council) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated August 15, 2001, which included an emphasis of a matter related to the reclassification of restricted funds from the General Fund to the Special Revenue Fund Type. 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 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 a certain immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated August 15, 2001.

**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 would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated August 15, 2001.

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

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August 15, 2001



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

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To the Members of the Board:

**Compliance**

We have audited the compliance of the Stark County Family Council, Stark County, (the Council) with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2000. The 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 the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Council's compliance based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the Council complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2000. However, we noted a certain immaterial instance of noncompliance that does not require inclusion in this report that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated August 15, 2001.

**Internal Control Over Compliance**

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

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Applicable to Each Major Federal Program and Internal Control Over  
Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133  
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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. However, we noted another matter involving the internal control over federal compliance that does not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated August 15, 2001.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Council, the Fiscal Oversight Committee, management, and 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.

**Jim Petro**  
Auditor of State

August 15, 2001

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**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS  
OMB CIRCULAR A-133 § .505  
DECEMBER 31, 2000**

**1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

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

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

None

**3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS**

None





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**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
OCTOBER 4, 2001**