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**WAYNE COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL
WAYNE COUNTY
JUNE 30, 2021**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Wayne County Family and Children First Council
Wayne County
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To the Council:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type combined total as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 and related notes of the Wayne County Family and Children First Council, Wayne County, Ohio (the Council).

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Council, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and related notes of the Council, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit, described in Note 1.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 6 to the financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the Council. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 1, 2022, on our consideration of the Council's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Council's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

September 1, 2022

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WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	General	Special Revenue	Combined
<i>Cash Receipts:</i>			
Intergovernmental	\$836,349	\$402,741	\$1,239,090
Other			\$0
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	\$836,349	\$402,741	\$1,239,090
<i>Cash Disbursements:</i>			
Contractual Services	\$706,422	\$471,877	\$1,178,298
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	\$706,422	\$471,877	\$1,178,298
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	\$129,927	(\$69,135)	\$60,792
<i>Fund Cash Balances, July 1, 2020</i>	\$1,056,080	(\$4,144)	\$1,051,936
<i>Fund Cash Balances, June 30, 2021</i>	\$1,186,007	(\$73,279)	\$1,112,728

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

**WAYNE COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL
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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021
(Continued)

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Description of the Entity

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

- a. The director of the board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services that services 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 developmental disabilities;
- f. 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;
- g. A school superintendent representing all other school district with territory in the county, as designated at a biennial meeting of the superintendents of those districts;
- h. A representative of the largest city in the county;
- i. The president of the board of county commissioners, or an individual designated by the board;
- j. A representative of the regional office of the department of youth services;
- k. A representative of the county's head start agencies, as defined in section 3301.32 of the Revised Code;
- l. A representative of the county's early intervention collaborative established pursuant to the federal early intervention program operated under the "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004";
- m. 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; and
- n. A representative of a local nonprofit entity that funds, advocates, or provides services to children and families.

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

A. Description of the Entity (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 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. Development and implementation of a process that annually evaluates and prioritizes services, fills service gaps where possible, and invents new approaches to achieve better results for families and children;
- c. Participate in the development of a countywide, comprehensive, coordinated, multi-disciplinary, 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 every intervention services under the "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004";
- d. Maintain an accountability system to monitor the Council's progress in achieving its purpose; and
- e. Establish a mechanism to ensure ongoing input from a broad representation of families who are receiving service within the county system.

B. Reporting Entity

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

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

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

C. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Council recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

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

D. Fund Accounting

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

General Fund - The General Fund accounts for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

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

FCSS - This fund receives federal grant monies restricted for the purposes of the grant provisions.

Help Me Grow – This fund receives state and federal grant monies restricted for the purposes of the grant provisions.

E. Administrative/Fiscal Agent

Ohio Revised Code Section 121.37(B)(5)(a) requires the Council to select an administrative agent to provide fiscal and administrative services to the Council. The Wayne County Auditor serves as the fiscal agent for the Council's Funds, including but not limited to grants and for the Council's Pooled Funds. Council funds are deposited with the Wayne County Treasurer and fund expenditures and balances are reported through the Wayne County Auditor. The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Wayne and Holmes Counties serves as administrative agent.

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

F. Budgetary Process

A Family and Children First Council established under Ohio Revised Code Section 121.37 is not a taxing authority and is not subject to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705. As of October 1, 1997, all Family and Children First Councils are required to file an annual budget with its administrative agent. The Council filed an estimate of financial resources and an appropriation measure with the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Wayne and Holmes Counties as required by Ohio law.

G. Cash and Investments

As required by the Ohio Revised Code, the Wayne County Treasurer is custodian for the Council's cash. The County's cash and investment pool holds the Council's cash, valued at the County Treasurer's carrying amount.

H. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

I. Fund Balance

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

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

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

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

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

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

I. Fund Balance (Continued)

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

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

Note 2 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ended June 30, 2021, follows:

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$645,000	\$836,349	\$191,349
Special Revenue	472,427	\$402,741	(69,686)
Total	\$1,117,427	\$1,239,090	\$121,663

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$1,001,150	\$756,026	\$245,124
Special Revenue	698,247	589,756	108,492
Total	\$1,699,397	\$1,345,782	\$353,616

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Note 3 - Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments

The Wayne County Auditor, as fiscal agent for the Council, maintains a cash and investments pool used by all of the Wayne County funds, including those of the Council. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments and the Wayne County Auditor is responsible for compliance. The carrying amount of deposits and investments at June 30 was as follows:

	<u>2021</u>
Demand Deposits with Wayne County Treasurer	<u>\$1,112,728</u>

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

Note 4 - Risk Management

Commercial Insurance

The Council has obtained commercial insurance with the Cincinnati Insurance Company for the following risks:

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

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the last three fiscal years. There has not been a significant reduction in this coverage from the prior fiscal year.

Note 5 - Contingent Liabilities

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the Council are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor. The grantor may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

Note 6 – COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Council. The impact on the Council's future operating costs, revenues, and any recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

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Note 7 - Fund Balances

Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilities effective cash planning and control. At year end the balances of these amounts were as follows:

<u>Fund Balances</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Total</u>
Outstanding Encumbrances	\$104,163	\$63,320	\$167,483
Total	\$104,163	\$63,320	\$167,483

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. These restricted or committed amounts in the special revenue funds would include the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned.

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

Wayne County Family and Children First Council
Wayne County
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Wooster, Ohio 44691

To the Members of the Council:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type combined total as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 and related notes of the Wayne County Family and Children First Council, Wayne County, (the Council) and have issued our report thereon dated September 1, 2022, wherein we noted the Council followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Rev. Code §117.38 and by Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(C) permit. We also noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures, which may affect subsequent periods of the Council.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Council's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider a significant deficiency. We consider finding 2021-001 to be a significant deficiency.

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 financial statements. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

September 1, 2022

WAYNE COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL
WAYNE COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
JUNE 30, 2021

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

FINDING NUMBER 2021-001

Financial Reporting - Significant Deficiency

In our audit engagement letter, as required by AU-C Section 210, *Terms of Engagement*, paragraph .06, management acknowledged its responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of their financial statements; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error as discussed in AU-C Section 210 paragraphs .A14 & .A16.

Due to the lack of internal controls in place to ensure receipts, expenditures, and fund balances are properly classified on the financial statements, adjustments were posted to the financial statements and applicable footnote disclosures to remove fund balance classification presented on the financial statements for the general and special revenue funds in the amount of \$1,186,007 and (\$73,279), respectively, to comply with the reporting requirements disclosed in Auditor of State Bulletin 2020-008.

Lack or failure of controls over financial reporting can result in errors and irregularities that may go undetected and decreases the reliability of financial data throughout the year.

We recommend the Council's Fiscal Officer to implement or improve internal controls over financial reporting to help ensure accurate posting of all transactions to the financial statements.

Officials' Response: We were not aware of the release of this bulletin and therefore going forward we will make sure to review all accounting updates and reference materials provided by the Auditor of State.

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AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

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



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