

**ST. AMANT'S DCH, INC.**  
Denham Springs, Louisiana

Financial Report

Year Ended September 30, 2023

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Board of Directors  
St. Amant's DCH, Inc.  
Denham Springs, Louisiana

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### *Opinion*

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of St. Amant's DCH, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### *Basis for Opinion*

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### *Emphasis of Matter*

As described in Note 9 to the financial statements, in 2023, the nonprofit organization adopted new accounting guidance, ASU 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842). Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### *Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

## ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

## ***Supplementary Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

## **Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 29, 2024, on our consideration of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's 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 Organization's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

***Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC***  
Certified Public Accountants

Abbeville, Louisiana  
February 29, 2024

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

ST. AMANT'S DCH, INC.  
Denham Springs, Louisiana

Statement of Financial Position  
September 30, 2023

	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	
Administrative	\$ 34
General	11,781
Due from Department of Education	926,296
Prepaid expenses	1,583
Total current assets	939,694
Other assets:	
Security deposit	2,500
Right-of-use assets - operating lease, net	18,184
Right-of-use assets - finance lease, net	36,934
Total assets	\$ 997,312
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Outstanding checks in excess of bank balance	\$ 33,880
Due to providers	909,051
Other liabilities	5,139
Line of credit	18,000
Current portion of operating lease liabilities	19,762
Current portion of finance lease liabilities	9,111
Total current liabilities	994,943
Long-term liabilities:	
Finance lease liabilities, net of current portion and present value discount	28,695
Total long-term liabilities	28,695
Net assets:	
Without donor restrictions	(26,326)
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 997,312

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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Statement of Activities  
For The Year Ended September 30, 2023

	<u>Total</u>
Revenues, Gains and Other Support	
Fundraising	\$ 61,558
Reimbursements:	
Administrative	915,081
Program	5,196,693
Other income	<u>40,568</u>
Total revenues, gains, and other support	<u>6,213,900</u>
Expenses	
Program services	6,061,067
Supporting services:	
Fundraising expense	72,523
Management and general	<u>177,899</u>
Total expenses	<u>6,311,489</u>
Change in net assets	(97,589)
Net assets, beginning	<u>71,263</u>
Net assets, ending	<u>\$ (26,326)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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Statement of Functional Expenses  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Program Services	Management and General	Fundraising	Total Expenses
Advertising	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26	\$ 26
Amortization	9,635	-	-	9,635
Awards	-	-	19,824	19,824
Bank charges	-	885	-	885
Equipment rental & maintenance	-	-	105	105
Insurance	224,456	-	6,395	230,851
Interest	1,627	2,670	-	4,297
Minute Menu Software	452	-	-	452
Miscellaneous	-	10,531	-	10,531
Office and supplies	-	17,588	1,010	18,598
Office rent	-	3,362	19,760	23,122
Operating lease	-	31,579	-	31,579
Postage and printing	-	3,194	11,294	14,488
Professional fees	-	71,919	-	71,919
Provider payments	5,199,450	-	-	5,199,450
Salaries and benefits	508,684	15,425	4,541	528,650
Taxes - payroll	39,167	12,388	322	51,877
Telephone	-	350	-	350
Training/conference	-	469	-	469
Travel - monitoring	76,468	-	-	76,468
Utilities	-	7,539	9,246	16,785
Workers compensation	1,128	-	-	1,128
	<u>1,128</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,128</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,061,067</u>	<u>\$ 177,899</u>	<u>\$ 72,523</u>	<u>\$ 6,311,489</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.



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Statement of Cash Flows  
For The Year Ended September 30, 2023

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Change in net assets	\$ (97,589)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash flow from operating activities -	
Due from Department of Education	(501,536)
Prepaid expenses	14,471
Due to providers	491,636
Right-of-use asset - operating lease	30,224
Operating lease liability	(28,646)
Right-of-use asset - financing lease	9,635
Financing lease liability	(8,763)
Other liabilities	<u>830</u>
Total adjustments	<u>7,851</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(89,738)</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:	
Net change in outstanding checks in excess of bank balance	33,880
Payments on line of credit	(217,000)
Borrowings on line of credit	<u>205,000</u>
Net cash provided by capital and related financing activities	<u>21,880</u>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(67,858)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>79,673</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 11,815</u>
Administrative	34
General	<u>11,781</u>
Total	<u>11,815</u>
Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing activities:	
Right-of-use assets obtained from operating lease liabilities	\$ 48,408
Right-of-use assets obtained from finance lease liabilities	<u>46,569</u>
	<u>\$ 94,977</u>
Supplementary cash flow information:	
Interest paid	<u>\$ 4,297</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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Notes to Financial Statements

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Nature of Activities

St. Amant's DCH, Inc. (hereafter referred to as the Organization) operates a Family Day Care Home Program under the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Section 17 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act. Under the provisions of this program, individuals who care for a small number of children in their homes are reimbursed for the costs of meals served to the children. The Organization monitors the composition of the meals to assure nutritional values, makes routine inspections of the homes to assure safety of the children who stay there, and acts as intermediary between the state and federal agencies who administer funds and the providers who care for the children. This program is funded totally by federal funds received from the State of Louisiana Department of Education and is the primary source of the Organization's revenues.

B. Income Tax Status

The Organization qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, has no provision for federal income taxes. In addition, the Organization has been determined, by the Internal Revenue Service, not to be a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the code. The Organization received its latest determination letter on August 13, 1993, in which the Internal Revenue Service stated that the Organization was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Organization and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Organization has undertaken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. Management has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Organization, and has concluded that there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Organization is subject to routine audit by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

C. Financial Statement Presentation

The financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are classified on the existence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the Organization and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

*Net assets without donor restrictions* – Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Organization. These net assets may be used at the discretion of the Organization's management and board of directors.

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Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

*Net assets with donor restrictions* – Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that will be met, either (1) incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purpose (purpose restricted), and/or passage of time or other events (time restricted), or (2) will never expire (perpetual in nature). When restrictions expire, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Organization considers all highly liquid interest-bearing deposits with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

E. Receivables

Receivables are stated at unpaid balances. The Organization maintains allowances for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of its customers/vendors to make required payments. Because collection is expected at 100%, an allowance for doubtful accounts has not been recorded.

F. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are valued at historical cost for assets purchased and at fair market value at the date of donation for contributed assets. The Organization maintains a threshold level of \$500 or more for capitalizing capital assets. Depreciable assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the individual assets as follows:

Furniture and equipment	5 – 7 years
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G. Right-of-Use Assets and Lease Liabilities

Right-of-use assets are a result of leases in which the Organization has entered into a contract with a lessor that conveys control of the right-to-use the lessor's nonfinancial asset (the underlying asset) as specified by the contract for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Such assets are reported on the financial statements, net of amortization. Right-of-use assets are classified as finance or operating lease assets and are amortized at the lesser of the useful life or the lease term. Amortization is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the right-of-use assets.

H. Revenue and Expense Recognition

The Organization recognizes revenues on the accrual basis of accounting. Expenses are recognized in the period incurred in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting. Fundraising revenue is recorded at gross proceeds. Material and direct fundraising costs are reported as fundraising expense in the statement of activities and other amounts are reported as program expenses. Proceeds generated from fundraisers are used for the general exempt purpose of the

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Organization or to supplement funding provided by grantors, unless the donor explicitly indicates a particular use in writing at the time of the fundraising event.

I. Donated Services and Materials

The Organization recognizes donated services that (a) create or enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. Donated materials are valued at current market value at the time of the donation. Donated services and materials were considered to be immaterial.

J. Functional Allocation of Expenses

Expenses are summarized and categorized based on their function classification as either program or supporting services. Specific expenses that are readily identifiable to a single program or activity are charged directly to that function. Certain categories of expenses are attributable to more than one program or supporting function. Therefore, these expenses require allocation based on time used for those function.

K. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

L. Current Accounting Standards Implemented

The Organization implemented ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, effective October 1, 2022. The ASU's core principle is that a "lessee should recognize the assets and liabilities that arise from leases". The ASU considered that "all leases create an asset and a liability," and accordingly requires recording the assets and liabilities related to all leases with a term greater than 12 months. Concurrent with the implementation of ASU 2016-02, the Organization adopted ASU 2018-11, *Leases (Topic 842): Targeted Improvements*, which intended to simplify the transition requirement giving the Organization the option to apply the transition provisions of the new standard at the date of adoption instead of at the earliest comparative period. In implementing these ASU's, the Organization elected the practical expedient provided in ASU 2016-02 and applied to all lease agreements using the modified retrospective method, and when implemented with ASU 2018-11, allowed the Organization to recognize the right-of-use lease asset and lease liability on its balance sheet beginning on October 1, 2022, without restating prior periods. In adopting the standard on October 1, 2022, the Organization recognized a right-of-use asset – finance lease and a right-of-use asset – operating lease with a correlating lease liabilities totaling \$46,569 and \$48,408, respectively. See Note 5 and Note 6. Implementation of those standards had no material effect on net income; therefore, no adjustment to retained earnings was recorded. The adoption of the standards had no effect on cash flows.

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(2) Concentration of Credit Risk

The Organization's cash is deposited to two financial institutions. Cash accounts at banks are insured by the FDIC for up to \$250,000. The Organization's cash was not in excess of FDIC coverage as of September 30, 2023.

(3) Line of Credit

In July 2021, the Organization obtained a \$100,000 unsecured line of credit with a local bank, renewed on September 12, 2023. Amounts borrowed under this agreement bear interest at the rate of 8.5%. At September 30, 2023, \$18,000 was outstanding.

(4) Retirement Plan

The Organization offers employees, who meet predetermined eligibility requirements, to participate in the Organization's 401k. The Organization will match up to 3 percent of eligible employees' compensation for the fiscal year to the retirement account. The Organization's contribution was \$11,854.

(5) Right-of-Use Assets - Finance Lease

As of September 30, 2023, the Organization held operating and finance leases for land and buildings used in operations and various office equipment. The leases are reported on the statement of financial position as a right-of-use operating assets and right-of-use financing assets. The related liabilities resulting from the right-of-use assets are disclosed in Note 6.

Finance Lease Assets

The Organization leases a copier under a five-year lease term with the option to renew for three months periods. Upon the expiration of the five-year lease term, the lease will be considered a short-term lease. The initial date of this lease is August 30, 2022, with an implementation date of October 1, 2022.

Finance lease assets, related service life, and accumulated amortization at September 30, 2023 are as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Service Lives</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Equipment	5 years	\$ 46,569
Less accumulated amorization		<u>(9,635)</u>
Total		<u><u>\$ 36,934</u></u>

Amortization expense for the year ended September 30, 2023, was \$9,365.

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Right-of-Use Assets - Finance Lease (Continued)

Operating Lease Assets

The Organization leases land and a building under a three-year lease term with no options for renewal. The initial date of the lease is May 31, 2021, with an effective implementation date of October 1, 2022. Operating lease expense charge to operations under this agreement was \$31,579 for 2023.

(6) Lease Liabilities

Finance Lease Liabilities

The Organization has right-of-use lease assets for equipment through a finance lease. The lease is paid in monthly payments of \$866, maturing August 2027. While the lease agreement does not state an explicit rate, the carrying liability is recorded at the present value of the future lease payments using the U.S. Treasury rate (3.9%) as of October 1, 2022, which is when the initial valuation of the liabilities were recorded.

Operating Lease Liabilities

The Organization has right-of-use lease assets for land and a building through an operating lease. The lease is paid in monthly payments of \$2,500, maturing May 2024. While the lease agreement does not state an explicit rate, the carrying liability is recorded at the present value of the future lease payments using the U.S. Treasury rate (4.12%) as of October 1, 2022, which is when the initial valuation of the liabilities were recorded. The Organization has operating lease liabilities of \$19,762 as of September 30, 2023, maturing within a year.

The Organization incurred the following total lease costs for the year ended September 30, 2023:

	<u>Amount</u>
Finance lease expense	
Amortization of right-of-use assets	\$ 9,635
Interest on lease liabilities	1,627
Operating lease expense	<u>31,579</u>
Total	<u>\$ 42,841</u>

(continued)

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Lease Liabilities (Continued)

Future Maturities and Weighted Averages of Lease Liabilities

Future maturities of lease liabilities as of September 30, 2023 are as follows:

Year	Finance	Operating
2024	\$ 10,390	\$ 20,000
2025	10,390	-
2026	10,390	-
2027	9,526	-
Total undiscounted cash flows	40,696	20,000
Less: present value discount	(2,890)	(238)
Total lease liabilities	<u>\$ 37,806</u>	<u>\$ 19,762</u>

The weighted average remaining lease term and weighted average discount rate as of September 30, 2023 are as follows:

	Years
Weighted average remaining lease terms:	
Finance leases	3.92
Operating leases	0.67
	Percent
Weighted average discount rate:	
Finance leases	3.90%
Operating leases	4.12%

(7) Risk Management

The Organization is exposed to risks of loss in the areas of general liability and property hazards. All of these risks are handled by purchasing commercial insurance coverage. There have been no significant reductions in the insurance coverage during the year. Insurance settlements did not exceed insurance coverage.

(8) Commitments and Contingencies

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the Organization expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial. Also, a liability for findings and questioned costs is not established until final disposition of such matters by the funding agency.

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(9) Concentrations

The Organization received substantially all of its total revenue from the Department of Education, State of Louisiana through the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Services, Family Day Care Home Program, under 7 CFR Part 226. The revenue received is reported on the Statement of Activities as Reimbursements: Administrative and Program. The Organization does not expect that the support from this governmental agency will be lost in the near-term; however, a change in this funding could substantially affect the operations of the Organization.

(10) Subsequent Events

The Organization has evaluated subsequent events through February 29, 2024, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

(11) Executive Director Compensation

The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to William Miller, IV, Executive Director follows:

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ 92,492
Payroll taxes	7,017
Health, dental and other insurance	11,316
Bonus	500
Total	\$ 111,325

(12) Liquidity and Availability of Resources

The Organization's financial assets available within one year of the balance sheet date for general expenditures are as follows:

Purpose	Amount
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,815
Due from Department of Education	926,296
Total	\$ 939,694

As part of the Organization's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. In addition, the Organization has access to available liquidity of \$100,000 under a line of credit. (See Note 3).



**INTERNAL CONTROL,  
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

To the Board of Directors  
St. Amant's DCH, Inc.  
Denham Springs, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the financial statements of St. Amant's DCH, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 29, 2024.

### Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.

*A deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements, on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. 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 deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any

deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Organization’s financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. 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 or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization’s internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity’s internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. However, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

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To the Board of Directors  
St. Amant's DCH, Inc.  
Denham Springs, Louisiana

### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited St. Amant's DCH, Inc.'s (the Organization) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Organization's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2023. The Organization's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Organization complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2023.

#### *Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program*

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 the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Organization's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

#### *Responsibilities of Management for Compliance*

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Organization's federal programs.

#### *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Organization's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and

therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Organization's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Organization's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Organization's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. However, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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ST. AMANT'S DCH, INC.  
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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Name</u>	<u>CFDA Number</u>	<u>Pass - Through Identifying No.</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
<u>United States Department of Agriculture-</u>			
Passed through the Louisiana Department of Education			
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	N/A	<u>\$ 6,111,774</u>

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Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
Year Ended September 30, 2023

(1) Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule" includes the federal award activity of St. Amant's DCH, Inc. (the Organization) under programs of the federal government for the year ended September 30, 2023. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Organization, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the Organization.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

(3) Indirect Cost Rate

The Organization has elected to not use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
Year Ended September 30, 2023

Part I. Summary of Auditor's Results:

Financial Statements –

Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified	
Internal control over financial reporting:		
Material weakness(es) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Significant deficiencies identified?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Federal Awards –

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified	
Internal control over major programs:		
Material weakness(es) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Significant deficiencies identified?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None reported
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR section 200.516(a) of the Uniform Guidance?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Major Programs –

Assistance Listing Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
10.558	Child and Adult Care Food Program
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No



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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued)  
Year Ended September 30, 2023

Part II. Findings which are required to be reported in accordance with generally accepted governmental auditing standards:

A. Internal Control Findings –

None reported.

B. Compliance Findings –

None reported.

Part III. Findings and questioned costs for major Federal awards which include audit findings as defined in 2 CFR section 200 of the Uniform Guidance:

There are no findings and questioned costs related to federal programs that are required to be reported under the above guidance.

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Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings  
and Management's Corrective Action Plan (Continued)  
Year Ended September 30, 2023

Part I. Current Year Findings and Management's Corrective Action Plan:

A. Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There are no internal control findings to be reported.

B. Compliance

There are no compliance findings to be reported.

Part II: Prior Year Findings:

A. Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no internal control findings reported.

B. Compliance

There were no compliance findings reported.

**ST. AMANT'S DCH, INC.**  
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Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures

Fiscal period October 31, 2022 through September 30, 2023

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board Members of the  
St. Amant's DCH, Inc.  
and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period October 31, 2022 through September 30, 2023. St. Amant's DCH, Inc's (the Organization) management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The Organization has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period October 31, 2022 through September 30, 2023. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

### ***Written Policies and Procedures***

1. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
  - a) ***Budgeting***, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
  - b) ***Purchasing***, including (1) how purchases are initiated, (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list, (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders, (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law, and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.
  - c) ***Disbursements***, including processing, reviewing, and approving.
  - d) ***Receipts/Collections***, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

- e) **Payroll/Personnel**, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- f) **Contracting**, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- g) **Travel and Expense Reimbursement**, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- h) **Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards)**, including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).
- i) **Ethics**, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.
- j) **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- k) **Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity**, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.
- l) **Prevention of Sexual Harassment**, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

### ***Board or Finance Committee***

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- 2. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:
  - a) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
  - b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual, at a minimum on all special revenue funds. *Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.*
  - c) For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.
  - d) Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

### ***Bank Reconciliations***

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3. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
  - a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged);
  - b) Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
  - c) Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

### ***Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)***

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4. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).
5. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (e.g., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that
  - a) Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;
  - b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g. pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;
  - c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and
  - d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.
6. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in force during the fiscal period.
7. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedures #3 (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). *Alternately, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc.* Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
  - a) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
  - b) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.

- c) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.
- d) Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).
- e) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

***Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)***

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- 8. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).
  - 9. For each location selected under procedure #8 above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that
    - a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;
    - b) At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;
    - c) The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files;
    - d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and
    - e) Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.
- [Note: Findings related to controls that constrain the legal authority of certain public officials (e.g., mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality); should not be reported.]
- 10. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction and
    - a) Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and that supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and
    - b) Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9, as applicable.
  - 11. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.

### ***Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cars (Cards)***

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12. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.
13. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement). Obtain supporting documentation, and
  - a) Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved), by someone other than the authorized card holder (those instances requiring such approval that may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials, such as the mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality, should not be reported); and
  - b) Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.
14. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #13 above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (e.g. each card should have 10 transactions subject to inspection). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

### ***Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)***

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15. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:
  - a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration ([www.gsa.gov](http://www.gsa.gov));
  - b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;
  - c) Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by Written Policies and Procedures (procedure #1g); and
  - d) Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

### ***Contracts***

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16. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. *Alternately, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list.* Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and



- a) Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;
- b) Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);
- c) If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g. if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and
- d) Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

### ***Payroll and Personnel***

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17. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.
18. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under #17 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:
  - a) Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory). (Note: Generally, officials are not eligible to earn leave and do not document their attendance and leave. However, if the official is earning leave according to policy and/or contract, the official should document his/her daily attendance and leave.);
  - b) Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees/officials;
  - c) Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and
  - d) Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.
19. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee or official's cumulate leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.
20. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

### ***Ethics***

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21. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17 obtain ethics documentation from management, and:
  - a) Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170
  - b) Observe that the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.
22. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

### ***Debt Service***

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23. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each bond/note issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.
24. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

### ***Fraud Notice***

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25. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled. As required by R.S. 24:523.
26. Observe that the entity has posted on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

### ***Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity***

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27. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
  - a) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.
  - b) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
  - c) Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.
28. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #19. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

### ***Prevention of Sexual Harassment***

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29. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S 42:343.
30. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).

31. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that it includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
- a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
  - b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
  - c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
  - d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
  - e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

***Findings:***

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No exceptions were found as a result of procedures list above with the exception of:

**Policies & Procedures:**

*The Organization's policies and procedures regarding travel and expense reimbursements does not include dollar thresholds by category of expense.*

**Bank Reconciliations:**

*For four of the four bank reconciliations tested did not show evidence of management review.*

**Cash Collections:**

*Two of the three deposits that were selected did were not deposited in a timely manner.*

***Management's Response:***

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The Organization concurs with the exceptions and are working to address the deficiencies identified.

We were engaged by the Organization to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.

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