

NASHVILLE ENTREPRENEUR CENTER
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

NASHVILLE ENTREPRENEUR CENTER

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Board of Directors
Nashville Entrepreneur Center
Nashville, Tennessee

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Nashville Entrepreneur Center ("NEC") which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Nashville Entrepreneur Center as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Crosslin + Associates, P.C.

Nashville, Tennessee
June 5, 2015

NASHVILLE ENTREPRENEUR CENTER
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS

	December 31,	
	2014	2013
Cash - unrestricted	\$ 604,117	\$ 224,034
Contributions and grants, net	336,675	831,709
Prepaid expenses	37,440	2,872
Leasehold improvements and equipment, net	3,918,953	4,145,011
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Total assets	\$ 4,897,185	\$ 5,203,626
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LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 71,008	\$ 80,684
Accrued expenses	16,778	96,029
Deferred revenue	36,530	51,166
Line of credit	380,225	380,250
Note payable - construction loan	-	621,998
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Total liabilities	504,541	1,230,127
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NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	4,249,944	3,968,499
Temporarily restricted (Note F)	142,700	5,000
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Total net assets	4,392,644	3,973,499
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Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 4,897,185	\$ 5,203,626
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See notes to financial statements.

NASHVILLE ENTREPRENEUR CENTER
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Support and Revenue:			
Contributions and grants	\$ 1,445,255	\$ 142,700	\$ 1,587,955
Program income	596,973	-	596,973
Interest and other income	23,034	-	23,034
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>5,000</u>	<u>(5,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total support and revenue	<u>2,070,262</u>	<u>137,700</u>	<u>2,207,962</u>
Expenses:			
Events	11,493	-	11,493
Education series	320	-	320
Program expenses	77,491	-	77,491
Administrative expenses	158,052	-	158,052
Salaries, benefits and taxes	828,645	-	828,645
Professional fees and contract services	250,892	-	250,892
Rent, parking and utilities	152,119	-	152,119
Depreciation	201,457	-	201,457
Interest expense	24,031	-	24,031
Other business expenses	<u>84,317</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>84,317</u>
Total expenses	<u>1,788,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,788,817</u>
Net increase in net assets	<u>281,445</u>	<u>137,700</u>	<u>419,145</u>
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>3,968,499</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>3,973,499</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u><u>\$ 4,249,944</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 142,700</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,392,644</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

NASHVILLE ENTREPRENEUR CENTER
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Support and Revenue:			
Contributions and grants	\$ 4,280,845	\$ 50,000	\$ 4,330,845
Program income	572,800	-	572,800
Interest and other income	17,174	-	17,174
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>45,000</u>	<u>(45,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total support and revenue	<u>4,915,819</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>4,920,819</u>
Expenses:			
Events	47,811	-	47,811
Education series	3,700	-	3,700
Mentor training	86	-	86
Program expenses	36,800	-	36,800
Administrative expenses	85,762	-	85,762
Salaries, benefits and taxes	645,270	-	645,270
Professional fees and contract services	399,603	-	399,603
Rent, parking and utilities	158,137	-	158,137
Depreciation	123,710	-	123,710
Interest expense	39,650	-	39,650
Other business expenses	<u>39,613</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,613</u>
Total expenses	<u>1,580,142</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,580,142</u>
Net increase in net assets	<u>3,335,677</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>3,340,677</u>
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>632,822</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>632,822</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u><u>\$ 3,968,499</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 3,973,499</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

NASHVILLE ENTREPRENEUR CENTER
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2014	2013
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Increase in net assets	\$ 419,115	\$ 3,340,677
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	201,457	123,710
Loss on disposal of assets	30,227	-
Decrease (increase) in contributions and grants receivable	495,034	(301,846)
Increase in prepaid assets	(34,568)	(1,557)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses	(88,927)	(109,051)
Decrease (increase) in deferred revenue	(14,636)	13,561
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>1,007,702</u>	<u>3,065,494</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of leasehold improvements and equipment	<u>(5,626)</u>	<u>(3,753,108)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(5,626)</u>	<u>(3,753,108)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net (payments) borrowings on line of credit	(25)	300,250
Proceeds from long-term debt	-	1,095,679
Payments on long-term debt	<u>(621,998)</u>	<u>(628,002)</u>
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	<u>(622,023)</u>	<u>767,927</u>
Net increase in cash	380,053	80,313
Cash, beginning of year	<u>224,034</u>	<u>143,721</u>
Cash, end of year	<u><u>\$ 604,087</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 224,034</u></u>
<i>Supplemental cash flow information:</i>		
Cash paid for interest during the year	<u><u>\$ 24,031</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 39,650</u></u>

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Activities

Nashville Entrepreneur Center (“NEC”) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 2007, as a vision out of the Partnership 2010 initiatives of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce. A partnership of local and state government support, private interests, and the Nashville business community at-large, the Center’s mission is to raise the quality of resources available to the Nashville entrepreneurial and small business communities.

NEC connects entrepreneurs with investors, mentors and the critical resources they need to accelerate the launch of startup businesses. NEC fosters innovation and entrepreneurship by turning ideas into reality, helping to start businesses and create jobs. NEC is funded through sponsorships, partnerships, donations and grants. NEC relies on support from leading corporations, successful entrepreneurs and those who have a vested interest in the Center’s success.

Accrual Basis and Financial Statement Presentation

NEC has presented its financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting.

NEC classifies its support, revenue, expenses, gains and losses into three classes of net assets based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Net assets of NEC and changes therein are classified as follows:

Unrestricted net assets - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

Temporarily restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met either by actions of NEC and/or the passage of time.

Permanently restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations require that the assets be permanently maintained by NEC. Generally, the donors of these assets permit NEC to use all or part of the income earned on related investments for general or specific purposes. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, there were no permanently restricted net assets.

The amount for each of these classes of net assets is displayed in the statements of financial position and the amount of change in each class of net assets is displayed in the statements of activities.

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A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For financial statement purposes, NEC considers all cash and all highly liquid investments not held for long-term investment, and which have original maturities of three months or less, to be cash equivalents.

Contributions

NEC reports gifts of cash and other assets as restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or the purpose of the restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Contributions Receivable

Contributions receivable are recorded at their estimated fair value and reflect discounts for payment terms greater than one year. Contributions receivable are considered to be either conditional or unconditional promises to give. A conditional contribution is one which depends on the occurrence of some specified uncertain future event to become binding on the donor. Conditional contributions are not recorded as revenue until the condition is met, at which time they become unconditional. Unconditional contributions are recorded as revenue at the time verifiable evidence of the pledge is received.

Leasehold Improvements and Equipment

Leasehold improvements and equipment are stated in the accompanying statements of financial position at cost, or if contributed, at fair market value at the date of the gift. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the various assets, ranging from three to forty years.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the financial statements and disclosures. The most significant areas include the collectibility of contributions and grants receivable, useful lives of leasehold improvements and equipment, and functional expenses. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

NEC's financial instruments consist of contributions and grants receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses and approximate their fair values based on their short-term nature. The carrying value of debt is not materially different from the estimated fair value of the instrument.

Income Taxes

Nashville Entrepreneur Center is exempt from income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3); accordingly, no provision for taxes has been made in the financial statements.

NEC accounts for the effect of any uncertain tax positions based on a *more likely than not* threshold to the recognition of the tax positions being sustained based on the technical merits of the position under examination by the applicable taxing authority. If a tax position or positions are deemed to result in uncertainties of those positions, the unrecognized tax benefit is estimated based on a *cumulative probability assessment* that aggregates the estimated tax liability for all uncertain tax positions. Tax positions for NEC include, but are not limited to, the tax-exempt status and determination of whether income is subject to unrelated business income tax; however, NEC has determined that such tax positions do not result in an uncertainty requiring recognition.

B. CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANTS RECEIVABLE

Contributions and grants receivable at December 31, 2014 and 2013, totaled \$336,675 and \$831,709, respectively. The outstanding balance at December 31, 2014, is expected to be collected through 2014. The allowance for doubtful accounts at December 31, 2014 and 2013 was \$77,643 and \$15,764, respectively. There were no conditional promises to give as of December 31, 2014 or 2013.

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C. LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

Leasehold improvements and equipment at December 31, 2014 and 2013, consisted of the following:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Furniture and equipment	\$ 747,807	\$ 748,808
Leasehold improvements	3,489,762	3,489,762
Computer software and website	<u>27,000</u>	<u>50,600</u>
	4,264,569	4,289,170
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(345,616)</u>	<u>(144,159)</u>
Leasehold improvements and equipment, net	<u>\$ 3,918,953</u>	<u>\$ 4,145,011</u>

D. DEBT

Debt as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 consisted of the following:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Construction loan, collateralized by NEC's equipment, required monthly interest installments at the bank's index rate, not to fall below 3.50% (3.50% at December 31, 2013), with full principal and unpaid interest due April 2014. The loan was paid in full during 2014.	\$ -	\$ 621,998
Line-of-credit, unsecured, required monthly interest installments at prime rate with a floor of 4.5% (4.50% at December 31, 2014), with full principal and unpaid interest due April 2015.	<u>380,225</u>	<u>380,250</u>
Total	<u>\$380,225</u>	<u>\$1,002,248</u>

The line of credit was renewed in April 2015. It remains an unsecured line of credit, requiring monthly interest installments at the prime rate, with a floor of 4.0%. Full principal and unpaid interest are due April 2016.

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E. LEASE

NEC subleases its building under an operating lease which expires on September 1, 2056. The lease arrangement requires NEC to pay their proportionate share of taxes, insurance premiums and common area maintenance. These expenses amounted to \$52,941 and \$114,668 in 2014 and 2013, respectively. NEC may elect at any time during the lease term to terminate the lease with the landlord and enter into a direct lease with the owner of the property.

F. NET ASSETS AND NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM DONOR RESTRICTIONS

In 2014 and 2013, net assets of \$5,000 and \$45,000, respectively were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purpose or by the passage of time restriction.

G. FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

Costs of providing NEC's programs and services are summarized and reported on a functional basis. Program expenses included costs directly associated with the program and other indirect costs determined to benefit that program. These costs have been allocated between program and supporting services as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Program	\$1,438,209	\$1,063,435
Management and general	350,608	243,342
Fundraising	<u>-</u>	<u>273,365</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$1,788,817</u>	<u>\$1,580,142</u>

H. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

NEC has related party transaction with several board members for accounting and payroll services. Fees paid to related parties were as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Accounting services	\$14,050	\$13,685
Legal	-	2,482
Payroll services	<u>3,493</u>	<u>1,463</u>
Total	<u>\$17,543</u>	<u>\$17,630</u>

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I. CREDIT RISK AND OTHER CONCENTRATIONS

For the year ended December 31, 2014, revenue from two major grantors comprised approximately 31% of NEC's total support and revenue. For the year ended December 31, 2013, revenue from one major grantor comprised approximately 46% of NEC's total support and revenue.

Financial instruments which potentially subject NEC to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents carry credit risk to the extent they exceed federally insured limits from time to time. Credit risk also extends to receivables, all of which are uncollateralized.

J. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 5, 2015, the date the financial statements were available for issuance. Management has determined that the following subsequent events require disclosure:

In April 2015, NEC extended its line-of-credit an additional year, as further described in Note D.