# CUMBERLAND REGION TOMORROW

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# Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Cumberland Region Tomorrow Nashville, Tennessee

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Cumberland Region Tomorrow, which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related statements of activities 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 audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of 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 Cumberland Region Tomorrow as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, 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.

Nashville, Tennessee

Crosslin, PLLC

July 12, 2017

# CUMBERLAND REGION TOMORROW STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

# **ASSETS**

	December 31,			
	2016		2015	
Cash Contributions and grants receivable (Note B) Prepaid insurance Equipment, net	\$	149,361 5,000 1,406 814	\$	111,057 6,375 1,406 1,999
Total assets	\$	156,581	\$	120,837
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	6,804	\$	19,400
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted		149,777		101,437
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	156,581	\$	120,837

# CUMBERLAND REGION TOMORROW STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended December 31, 2016				
	Unrestricted		Temporarily Restricted		Total
Support and Revenue:					
Contributions and grants	\$	244,841	\$	_	\$ 244,841
Interest and other income		55		-	55
Net assets released from restrictions (Note D)					 
Total support and revenue		244,896			 244,896
Expenses:					
Program services:					
Quality Growth Tool Box		10,800		-	10,800
Regional Communications and Outreach		36,001		-	36,001
POWER OF TEN Regional Summit		37,015		-	37,015
Rural Issues		14,402		-	14,402
Tennessee Regions' Roundtable		10,800			 10,800
Total program services		109,018			109,018
Supporting services:					
Administrative expenses		87,538		-	 87,538
Total expenses		196,556			 196,556
Net increase (decrease) in net assets		48,340		-	48,340
Net assets at beginning of year		101,437			101,437
Net assets at end of year	\$	149,777	\$	-	\$ 149,777

Year Ended December 31, 2015					
		Te	mporarily		
Ur	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total
\$	151,597	\$	-	\$	151,597
	111		-		111
	13,050		(13,050)		-
	164,758		(13,050)		151,708
	18,378		-		18,378
	61,260		-		61,260
	31,573		-		31,573
	24,504		-		24,504
	18,378				18,378
	171000				454000
	154,093		-		154,093
	114,614				114,614
	114,014				114,014
	268,707		_		268,707
	200,707				200,707
	(103,949)		(13,050)		(116,999)
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	205,386		13,050		218,436

<u>\$ 101,437</u> <u>\$ - \$ 101,437</u>

See notes to financial statements.

# CUMBERLAND REGION TOMORROW STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2016			2015	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$	48,340	\$	(116,999)	
Adjustments to reconcile increase (decrease) in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:					
Depreciation		898		1,247	
Loss on disposal of equipment		287		-	
Direct write-off of uncollectible contributions					
and grants receivable		-		550	
Decrease in contributions and grants receivable		1,375		6,125	
Increase in prepaid insurance		-		(1,122)	
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses		(12,596)		10,983	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		38,304		(99,216)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash		38,304		(99,216)	
Cash, beginning of year		111,057		210,273	
Cash, end of year	\$	149,361	\$	111,057	

# A. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u>

#### Nature of Activities

Cumberland Region Tomorrow ("CRT") is a private sector non-profit organization founded in 2000, working with the Greater Nashville Regional Council and others in the public and private sectors. CRT's goal is to support and encourage growth planning and implementation with emphasis in land use, transportation planning, along with preservation of open space and the distinctive character of the region's communities. CRT seeks to bring together diverse interests; enhance the quality of decision making through education, research, and discussion; foster regional thinking and planning; and encourage citizens to become involved in growth planning for the future of the region. CRT is supported primarily through donor contributions.

In support of the Middle Tennessee regional issue of Land Use and Quality Growth, CRT continued to provide local Quality Growth Toolbox training and technical assistance services to enhance the quality of planning and development of decision making through updated local and regional comprehensive planning through its Quality Growth Toolbox education tools, and technical assistance program efforts. In support of the Middle Tennessee regional issues of Economic Competitiveness and Open Space Conservation, CRT secured final funding to begin the Open Space Conservation initiative. In support of their efforts toward successful Regionalism and Collaborative Action, CRT facilitates the leading Middle Tennessee Annual Summit that, in 2016, brought together nearly 300 Middle Tennessee Regional leaders and thinkers that support shared regional and its' organizational goals of education, communication, and collaboration on Middle Tennessee's Six Issues of Regional Importance. CRT also continued working with the Regional Transportation Authority of Middle Tennessee ("RTA") in a fee-for-service contract to engage the 9 surrounding counties in transportation/transit community conversations. The contract continued through June 2016. This RTA contract continues CRT's efforts to educate local leaders and partners on Land Use and Quality Growth, Transportation, and Infrastructure issues. In support of each level of programming and implementation services, CRT creates and maintains two brands: Cumberland Region Tomorrow and POWER OF TEN. For each brand and accompanying programming, CRT maintains separate websites: cumberlandregiontomorrow.org and 10power.org. These websites produce accompanying regional outreach, education and, communications products through e-newsletters. There are accompanying social media accounts in an integrated communications platform.

# A. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> - Continued

#### Accrual Basis and Financial Statement Presentation

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

CRT 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 CRT and changes therein are classified as follows:

<u>Unrestricted net assets</u> - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

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

<u>Permanently restricted net assets</u> - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations require that the assets be maintained permanently by CRT. Generally, the donors of these assets permit CRT to use all or part of the income earned on related investments for general or specific purposes.

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. There were no temporarily restricted or permanently restricted net assets at December 31, 2016 and 2015.

# **Contributions**

CRT 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.

# A. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> - Continued

# **Equipment**

Equipment is 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 3 to 5 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 area includes the collectibility of contributions and grants receivable. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

# **Financial Instruments**

CRT'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.

#### **Income Taxes**

Cumberland Region Tomorrow 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

CRT 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 CRT include, but are not limited to, the tax-exempt status and determination of whether income is subject to unrelated business income tax; however, CRT has determined that such tax positions do not result in an uncertainty requiring recognition.

#### **Donated Rent**

For 2016 and 2015, Cumberland Region Tomorrow used office space donated by members of the Board of Directors. The fair value of donated rent is \$6,814 and \$6,097 for 2016 and 2015, respectively, and has been included in contribution revenue and general and administrative expense in the statements of activities.

# B. CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANTS RECEIVABLE

Contributions and grants receivable at December 31, 2016 and 2015, totaled \$5,000 and \$6,395, respectively. Management did not consider an allowance for uncollectible contributions receivable necessary at December 31, 2016 or 2015. During 2016 and 2015, \$-0- and \$550, respectively, of contributions and grants receivable were written-off as uncollectible. There were no conditional promises to give as of December 31, 2016 or 2015.

#### C. EQUIPMENT

Equipment at December 31, 2016 and 2015, consisted of the following:

		2015
Equipment	\$ 8,798	\$ 11,595
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(7,984</u> )	<u>(9,596</u> )
Equipment, net	<u>\$ 814</u>	<u>\$ 1,999</u>

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, was \$898 and \$1,247, respectively.

## D. NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM DONOR RESTRICTIONS

Net assets of \$-0- in 2016 and \$13,050 in 2015 were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purpose or by the passage of time restriction.

#### E. CONCENTRATIONS OF RISK

#### Cash Balances

Cumberland Region Tomorrow maintains its cash in financial institutions at balances, which at times, may exceed federally insured limits. Cumberland Region Tomorrow has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant concentration risk on cash.

# Contributions from Major Donors

For the year ended December 31, 2016, contributions from three major donors comprised approximately 39% of CRT's total support and revenue. In addition, amounts due from four individual comprised approximately 100% of CRT's total contributions and grants receivable.

# F. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through July 12, 2017, which is the date the financial statements were available for issuance, and has determined that there are no subsequent events requiring disclosure.