# 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, 2015 and 2014, 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, 2015 and 2014, 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 July 18, 2016

Crosslin + Associates, PLLC

# CUMBERLAND REGION TOMORROW STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

# **ASSETS**

	December 31,			
	2015		2014	
Cash Contributions and grants receivable (Note B) Prepaid insurance Equipment, net	\$	111,057 6,375 1,406 1,999	\$	210,273 13,050 284 3,246
Total assets	\$	120,837	\$	226,853
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	19,400	\$	8,417
<u>NET ASSETS</u>				
Unrestricted Temporarily restricted (Note E)		101,437		205,386 13,050
Total net assets		101,437		218,436
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	120,837	\$	226,853

# CUMBERLAND REGION TOMORROW STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended December 31, 2015				15		
	Un	Tempororarily Unrestricted Restricted		Tempororarily		Total	
Support and revenue:							
Contributions and grants	\$	151,597	\$	_	\$	151,597	
Interest and other income		111		_		111	
Net assets released from restrictions		13,050		(13,050)			
Total support and revenue		164,758		(13,050)		151,708	
Expenses:							
Program services:							
<b>Quality Growth Tool Box</b>		18,378		-		18,378	
Regional Communications and Outreach		61,260		-		61,260	
POWER OF TEN Regional Summit		31,573		-		31,573	
Rural Issues		24,504		-		24,504	
Tennessee Regions' Roundtable		18,378				18,378	
Total program services		154,093				154,093	
Supporting services:							
Administrative expenses		114,614				114,614	
Total expenses		268,707				268,707	
Net decrease in net assets		(103,949)		(13,050)		(116,999)	
Net assets at beginning of year		205,386		13,050		218,436	
Net assets at end of year	\$	101,437	\$	-	\$	101,437	

Year Ended December 31, 2014						
Tempororarily						
Ur	Unrestricted		Restricted		Total	
\$	120,845	\$	-	\$	120,845	
	255		-		255	
	88,500		(88,500)		-	
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	209,600		(88,500)		121,100	
	14,391		-		14,391	
	58,610		-		58,610	
	28,783		-		28,783	
	21,587		-		21,587	
	51,479		-		51,479	
	174,850				174,850	
	93,541				93,541	
	268,391		_		268,391	
	(58,791)		(88,500)		(147,291)	
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	264,177		101,550		365,727	
\$	205,386	\$	13,050	\$	218,436	

See notes to financial statements.

# CUMBERLAND REGION TOMORROW STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

		Year Ended December 31,			
		2015		2014	
Cash flows from operating activities:	Ф	(116,000)	Ф	(147.001)	
Decrease in net assets	\$	(116,999)	\$	(147,291)	
Adjustments to reconcile decrease in net assets to net cash used in operating activities:					
Depreciation		1,247		1,213	
Loss on disposal of equipment		-		45	
Direct write-off of uncollectible contributions and grants receivable		550		_	
Decrease in contributions and grants receivable		6,125		88,252	
Increase in prepaid insurance		(1,122)		-	
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and		(-,)			
accrued expenses		10,983		(1,885)	
Net cash used in operating activities		(99,216)		(59,666)	
Cash flows from investing activities					
Purchases of equipment				(2,725)	
Net cash used in investing activities		_		(2,725)	
Net decrease in cash		(99,216)		(62,391)	
Cash, beginning of year		210,273		272,664	
Cash, end of year	\$	111,057	\$	210,273	

#### A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 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 continued to provide local Sustainable Tourism project technical assistance services to support local tourism development, along with rural economic and community development, in support of effective rural economic development and open space conservation through its' GIS Greenprint Tools for Quality Growth, grant assistance, tools and technical assistance program efforts. In support of their efforts toward successful Regionalism and Collaborative Action, CRT facilitates the leading Middle Tennessee Annual Summit that, in 2015, brought together nearly 700 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 began 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 will continue through 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 state-wide quality growth implementation efforts, CRT continued to organize a new state-wide Tennessee Regions' Roundtable Network through Surdna Foundation grant funding that is creating the only integrated capacity building and leadership development, resource sharing, policy and funding alignment, and implementation incentives for use in Middle Tennessee and across four other Tennessee Partner regions in support of successful state-wide Quality Growth implementation. In support of each level of programming and implementation services, CRT creates and maintains three brands: Cumberland Region Tomorrow, POWER OF TEN, and Tennessee Regions' Roundtable Network. For each brand and accompanying programming, CRT maintains separate websites: cumberlandregiontomorrow.org, 10power.org and tnregionsroundtable.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. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - 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 permanently restricted net assets at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

# **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 2015 and 2014, Cumberland Region Tomorrow used office space donated by members of the Board of Directors. The fair value of donated rent is \$6,097 and \$6,782 for 2015 and 2014, respectively, and has been included in contribution revenue and general and administrative expense in the statements of activities.

# B. <u>CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANTS RECEIVABLE</u>

Contributions and grants receivable at December 31, 2015 and 2014, totaled \$6,395 and \$13,050, respectively. The outstanding balance at December 31, 2015, is expected to be collected in 2016. Management did not consider an allowance for uncollectible contributions receivable necessary at December 31, 2015 or 2014. During 2015 and 2014, \$550 and \$-0-, respectively, of contributions and grants receivable were written-off as uncollectible. There were no conditional promises to give as of December 31, 2015 or 2014.

#### C. EQUIPMENT

Equipment at December 31, 2015 and 2014, consisted of the following:

	_ 2015	2014
Equipment	\$ 11,595	\$ 11,595
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>( 9,596</u> )	( 8,349)
Equipment, net	\$ 1,999	\$ 3,246

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, was \$1,247 and \$1,213, respectively.

## D. GRANTS

During July 2013, CRT was awarded a grant totaling \$275,000 to be used in 2013 and 2014. The grant funds were to be distributed over the two-year project period. The purpose of the grant was to support a long-term organizational development strategy for CRT and continued build out of the Tennessee Regions' Roundtable Network. All grants funds related to this grant were used during 2013 and 2014. No additional grant funds were received during 2015.

# E. <u>NET ASSETS AND NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM DONOR RESTRICTIONS</u>

Temporarily restricted net assets at December 31, 2015 and 2014, consisted of the following:

G	2015	2014
Contributions and grants for operations		
in future periods	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$13,050</u>

Net assets of \$13,050 in 2015 and \$88,500 in 2014 were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purpose or by the passage of time restriction.

# F. 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, 2015, contributions from one major donor comprised approximately 33% of CRT's total support and revenue. In addition, amounts due from one organization comprised approximately 98% of CRT's total contributions and grants receivable.

# G. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through July 18, 2016, which is the date the financial statements were available for issuance, and has determined that there are no subsequent events requiring disclosure.