EMPOWER TENNESSEE

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of Empower Tennessee Nashville, Tennessee

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Empower Tennessee (a not-for-profit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2019 and 2018, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

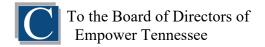
Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits 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 Empower Tennessee as of June 30, 2019 and 2018, 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 19, 2019, on our consideration of Empower Tennessee'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 Empower Tennessee'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 Empower Tennessee's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note A to the financial statements, Empower Tennessee adopted the amendments in Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-14, *Presentation of Financial Statements for Not-for-Profit Entities*. The ASU has been applied retrospectively to all periods presented with the exception of the disclosure of liquidity and availability of resources, which has been implemented prospectively as allowed under the provisions of ASU 2016-14. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Nashville, Tennessee December 19, 2019

Crosslin, PLLC

EMPOWER TENNESSEE STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS

ABBLIB				
	June	30,		
	2019	2018		
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CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 60,745	\$ 54,644		
Grants receivable	57,672	42,248		
Other assets	6,967	644		
Total current assets	125,384	97,536		
FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT, NET	737	5,667		
Total assets	\$ 126,121	\$ 103,203		
LIABILITIES AND NET ASS	ETS			
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and payroll taxes payable	\$ 13,488	\$ 14,163		
Accrued leave and payroll	17,921	19,231		
Total current liabilities	31,409	33,394		
NET ASSETS				
Without donor restrictions	94,712	69,809		
Total net assets	94,712	69,809		
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 126,121	\$ 103,203		

EMPOWER TENNESSEE STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 AND 2018

	Without Donor Restrictions				
	2019	2018			
REVENUES					
Grants	\$ 602,988	\$ 506,912			
Fees for services	8,857	61,070			
Contributions	32,162	21,248			
Total revenues	644,007	589,230			
EXPENSES					
Program services:					
Work incentives planning and assistance	221,694	221,841			
Independent living services	269,142	233,009			
Total program services	490,836	454,850			
Fundraising	12,225	6,861			
Management and general	116,043	159,845			
Total expenses	619,104	621,556			
Change in net assets	24,903	(32,326)			
Net assets at the beginning of the period	69,809	102,135			
Net assets at the end of the period	\$ 94,712	\$ 69,809			

EMPOWER TENNESSEE STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

		Program	Serv	ices							
		Work									
	I	ncentives	In	dependent		Total					
]	Planning		Living]	Program			Ma	nagement	
	A	ssistance		Services		Services	Fui	ndraising	an	d General	 Total
Salaries and benefits	\$	202,419	\$	228,320	\$	430,739	\$	-	\$	48,624	\$ 479,363
Insurance		-		-		-		-		9,056	9,056
Occupancy		3,600		10,314		13,914		-		13,722	27,636
Professional services		-		2,769		2,769		-		24,698	27,467
Telephone, computer and internet		6,239		33		6,272		-		-	6,272
Travel, conferences and meetings		4,507		14,596		19,103		-		6,763	25,866
Depreciation		-		-		-		-		4,930	4,930
Postage, printing and supplies		4,929		7,530		12,459		631		1,230	14,320
Specific assistance		-		300		300		-		-	300
Dues and subscriptions		-		5,280		5,280		-		7,020	12,300
Fundraising								11,594			 11,594
Total expenses	\$	221,694	\$	269,142	\$	490,836	\$	12,225	\$	116,043	\$ 619,104

EMPOWER TENNESSEE STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

		Program	Serv	ices							
		Work									
	Ir	ncentives	Inc	dependent		Total					
	I	Planning		Living	I	Program			Ma	anagement	
	A	ssistance		Services		Services	Fun	draising	an	d General	 Total
Salaries and benefits	\$	194,381	\$	191,836	\$	386,217	\$	-	\$	73,978	\$ 460,195
Insurance		-		-		-		-		5,556	5,556
Occupancy		3,600		10,314		13,914		1,620		23,718	39,252
Other expenses		483		1,148		1,631		-		2,414	4,045
Professional services		-		2,400		2,400		-		30,132	32,532
Telephone, computer and internet		5,982		1,166		7,148		-		83	7,231
Travel, conferences and meetings		9,615		13,089		22,704		682		2,534	25,920
Depreciation		-		2,666		2,666		-		19,091	21,757
Postage, printing and supplies		7,780		3,926		11,706		2,392		658	14,756
Dues and subscriptions		-		6,464		6,464		-		1,681	8,145
Fundraising								2,167			 2,167
Total expenses	\$	221,841	\$	233,009	\$	454,850	\$	6,861	\$	159,845	\$ 621,556

EMPOWER TENNESSEE STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Years Ended June 30,				
	2019			2018	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Change in net assets	\$	24,903	\$	(32,326)	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to cash					
provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation		4,930		21,757	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
(Increase) decrease in grants receivable		(15,424)		38,898	
Decrease in accounts receivable		-		6,243	
Increase in other assets		(6,323)		(644)	
Decrease in accounts payable and					
payroll taxes payable		(675)		(9,769)	
(Decrease) increase accrued leave and payroll		(1,310)		7,882	
Net cash provided by operating activities		6,101		32,041	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		6,101		32,041	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS					
AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		54,644		22,603	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS					
AT END OF YEAR	\$	60,745	\$	54,644	

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Organization

Empower Tennessee (the "Organization") serves a multi-county area in the central portion of Middle Tennessee. This area includes Davidson County, Cheatham County, Wilson County, Robertson County, Rutherford County, Sumner County, and Williamson County. The Organization is located in Nashville, Tennessee, which is near the center of its geographical area of service. The Organization is affiliated with over 400 other related organizations nation-wide through Center for Independent Living Associations.

A local Board of Directors (over 50% of whom have disabilities) governs Empower Tennessee. The Organization is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to advancing the independence of all persons with disabilities as well as to provide group educational, group guidance and advocacy services on behalf of these persons. The Organization has operated in Middle Tennessee since 1992. Empower Tennessee was previously known as The Center for Independent Living of Middle Tennessee.

A summary of the significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follow:

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Basis of Presentation

For reporting purposes, the Organization's financial statements have been prepared to focus on the organization as a whole. Resources are classified into two net asset categories based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, the 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 and 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 the board of directors.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions - Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by actions of the Organization or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Expirations of restrictions on net assets as the result of the passage of time and/or fulfilling donor-imposed stipulations are reported as net assets released from restrictions between the applicable classes of net assets in the statements of activities.

Empower Tennessee did not have assets that met the definition of net assets with donor restrictions at June 30, 2019 and 2018.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Organization considers all investment instrument purchases with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Allowance for Doubtful Account

The Organization considers all current accounts receivable to be fully collectible; therefore, no allowance is recorded.

Furniture and Equipment

Furniture and equipment are carried at cost. Items with an acquisition cost exceeding \$1,000 are capitalized and depreciated. Depreciation on purchased property is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which range from 3 to 5 years.

Income Taxes

Empower Tennessee is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made in the accompanying financial statements. The Organization is not classified as a private foundation.

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

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Fair Values of Financial Instruments

Empower Tennessee's financial instruments consist of grants receivable, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses. The recorded values of the financial instruments approximate their fair values based on their short-term nature.

Donated Services

Officers, members of the Board of Directors and other members of the Organization have assisted the Organization in the accomplishment of its goals and objectives by the donation of their time and services. No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements as it was not practicable to determine the valuation of such services to the Organization, and the Organization exercises no significant control over the major elements of donated services.

Revenue and Support

Empower Tennessee receives the majority of its income from contract services paid by the U.S. Department of Education, the U.S. Department of Human Services, and the Social Security Administration. The Organization records income due in the period that the applicable services were incurred.

Contributions

All contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Amounts received that are designated for future periods or restricted by the donor for specific purposes are reported as net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets with donor restrictions that are purpose/time restricted are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Unconditional promises to give in the future are recognized as assets with donor restrictions and as revenues and support in the period promised.

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

New Accounting Pronouncement

On August 18, 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-14, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958) - Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities. The update addresses the complexity and understandability of net asset classification, deficiencies in information about liquidity and availability of resources, and the lack of consistency in the type of information provided about expenses and investment return. The Organization has adjusted the presentation of these statements accordingly. The ASU has been applied retrospectively to all periods presented with the exception of the disclosure of liquidity and availability of resources, which has been implemented prospectively as allowed under the provisions of ASU 2016-14.

B. LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES

The table below represents financial assets available for general expenditures within one year at June 30, 2019:

Financial assets at year end: Cash and cash equivalents Grants receivable	\$ 60,745
Total financial assets	118,417
Less amounts not available to be used for general expenditures within one year	
Financial assets available to meet general expenditures within one year	<u>\$118,417</u>

C. <u>FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT</u>

Furniture and equipment consisted of the following:

	2019	2018
Office furniture and equipment Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 137,903 (137,166)	\$ 137,903 _(132,236)
Total	<u>\$ 737</u>	<u>\$ 5,667</u>

D. <u>OPERATING LEASE</u>

The Organization leases its office space under a noncancelable operating lease that requires a monthly payment of \$2,303. This lease is effective through June 30, 2019. Rent expense was \$27,636 and \$39,252 for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

E. <u>PENSION PLAN</u>

The Organization provides a deferred contribution retirement plan for all eligible employees. The Organization will match up to 3% of employee contributions during the year. Pension expense was \$6,953 and \$5,812 for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

F. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through December 19, 2019, the date the financial statements were available for issuance, and there are no items requiring disclosure.



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

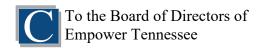
To the Board of Directors of Empower Tennessee Nashville, Tennessee

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 Empower Tennessee (a not-for-profit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2019, 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 December 19, 2019.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Empower Tennessee's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Empower Tennessee's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Empower Tennessee'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 may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Empower Tennessee'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 determination of financial statement amounts. 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 organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Nashville, Tennessee December 19, 2019

Crosslin, PLLC