2014 Financial Statements With Auditor's Letter

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2014

(With Independent Auditor's Report Thereon)

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Certified Public Accountants

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Christian Community Services, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Christian Community Services, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2014, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year 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 audit. We conducted our audit 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 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 Christian Community Services, Inc. as of December 31, 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.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the Christian Community Services, Inc.'s 2013 financial statements, and our report dated February 28, 2014, expressed an unmodified opinion on those audited financial statements. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

February 2, 2015 Harder & Bellentine

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2014

WITH SUMMARIZED COMPARATIVE TOTALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013

	<u>ASSETS</u>				
			2014		2013
Current Assets:					
Cash		\$	44,017	\$	5,941
Prepaid expenses			1,284		964
Total current assets		-	45,301		6,905
Property and equipment, net		-	109,522		117,775
Assets whose use is limited by:					
Cash - board designated			59,756		61,049
Cash - temporarily restricted	t c		25,503		31,395
Restricted grant receivable			8,800		-
Total assets whose use	is limited		94,059	=	92,444
		\$	248,882	\$	217,124
	LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Current Liabilities:					
Accounts payable		\$	2,218	\$	4,101
Accrued payroll			1,495		737
Current portion of IDA paya	ible		20,000	W.L.	20,000
Total current liability		,,,,,	23,713		24,838
IDA payable, less current portion	on		42,544		43,291
Total liabilities			66,257	_	68,129
Net Assets:					
Unrestricted			88,566		56,551
Unrestricted - board design	nated		59,756		61,049
Total unrestricted net	assets		148,322		117,600
Temporarily restricted			34,303		31,395
Total restricted net as	ssets		34,303	-	31,395
Total net assets			182,625		148,995
		\$	248,882	_\$	217,124
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CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 WITH SUMMARIZED COMPARATIVE TOTALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013

		2014			
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total 2014	Total 2013
Public Support and Revenues:	POTENTIAL TOPOTON	: Na - 100 -			SO MASS WANT
Direct public support	\$ 229,758	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 229,758	\$ 193,464
Grants	9,802	33,691	<u> </u>	43,493	45,412
Program fees	7,010	905	97	7,915	10,247
Fundraising	21,101	E)	=	21,101	42,281
Interest income	20	-	-53	20	22
Net assets released from restrictions	31,688	(31,688)			
Total public support and revenues	299,379	2,908		302,287	291,426
Expenses:					
Program services	202,004	8	8	202,004	229,575
Management and general	29,827		-00	29,827	56,275
Fundraising	36,826			36,826	26,971
Total expenses	268,657			268,657	312,821
Increase (Decrease) in net assets	30,722	2,908	14	33,630	(21,395)
Net assets - beginning of year	117,600	31,395		148,995	170,390
Net assets - end of year	\$ 148,322	\$ 34,303	\$ -	\$ 182,625	\$ 148,995

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 WITH SUMMARIZED COMPARATIVE TOTALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013

		2014			
is T	Program Services	Management and General	Fundraising	Total 2014	Total 2013
Adult life basic skills	\$ 6,614	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,614	\$ 5,483
Bank and finance charges		90	4	90	196
Basic financial training	1,478	***	27	1,478	1,465
Communications - website	538	63	32	633	4,325
Consulting	1,370	50	7.0	1,420	734
Credit reports	666	4 9		666	1,295
Depreciation	7,428	660	165	8,253	8,929
Dues and subscriptions	781	87		868	1,953
Equipment	658	58	15	731	1,670
Family mentoring		~~_	///CSS	VONES II	623
Gifts	406	1,436		1,842	535
Golf tournament	- T	30	4,544	4,544	2,598
IDA matching expenses	9,220	70	7	9,220	318
Insurance	14,037	1,248	312	15,597	22,276
Janitorial service	300	1,525		1,825	2,405
Marketing	7,939	*	21,551	29,490	978
Office supplies	1,174	220	73	1,467	3,002
Payroll expenses	119,366	14,043	7,022	140,431	193,963
Postage and delivery	727	136	45	908	1,786
Printing and reproduction	2,969	556	186	3,711	3,855
Professional fees	4,810	4,810		9,620	7,469
Strategic plan expense		-	-	-	5,959
Supplies, materials and food	11,480	3,117	2,680	17,277	23,285
Telephone	3,409	401	201	4,011	3,586
Training	6,084	1,327	ALVA ()	7,411	10,642
THDA expense	147	100 miles	-	147	1,938
Transportation	403		-	403	1,553
	\$ 202,004	29,827	36,826	\$ 268,657	\$ 312,821

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 WITH SUMMARIZED COMPARATIVE TOTALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013

		2014	Table 1	2013
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		VIII.	1000	
Increase (Decrease) in net assets	\$	33,630	_\$_	(21,395)
Adjustments to reconcile increase (decrease) in net assets				
to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:				27
Depreciation		8,253		8,929
Changes in:				Si .
Prepaid expenses		(320)		(964)
Assets whose use is limited		(1,615)		15,533
Accounts payable		(1,883)		2,656
Accrued payroll		758		737
IDA payable	7	(747)		(22,482)
Total adjustments		4,446	1400	4,409
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		38,076		(16,986)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:				
Purchase of property and equipment				(4,751)
Net cash used in investing activities				(4,751)
Net increase (decrease) in cash		38,076		(21,737)
Cash - beginning of year	-	5,941		27,678
Cash - end of year	\$	44,017	\$	5,941

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Activities

The terms ""we", "us", or "our"" are used throughout these notes to the financial statements to identify the Christian Community Services, Inc., a non-profit organization. Our mission is to create inspiration for underserved families so they may achieve quality, productive lives and build a legacy of self-sufficiency. The Organization's vision is to build a community where no one is undeserved and all have achieved self-sufficiency.

We empower underserved families to achieve a legacy of economic self-sufficiency through a family centered, holistic approach that includes classroom workshops focusing on behaviors and practical financial tools, individual counseling, mentoring, asset development and a unique children's curriculum. These are provided through the Basic Financial Training (BFT) Workshops, Mentoring Towards Independence (MTI) program and Homebuyer Education Workshops.

Program Descriptions

Basic Financial Training Workshops

Basic Financial Training Workshops (BFT) are eight hour certificate based workshops that provide participants with basic financial management skills. The four-part series remind students how mainstream financial centers help build assets while predatory lenders destroy credit and provides tips and tricks on planning for large purchase assets such as auto, school and retirement. The second workshop focuses on the importance of establishing a savings account and the basics of budgeting. Participants must create a zero based budget and track daily expenses for the entire 4 week period. During the third session we actually pull their credit report and review why good credit is important, how credit scores are calculated, how to pull their own credit report and what transactions impact credit scores. The fourth class is a teaser for our homebuyer education workshop. Participants review steps to homeownership and are provided with an overview of options and importance of planning for purchase and the sustainability of that important purchase.

BFT workshops are open to the public at large but are a pre-requisite for the Mentoring Towards Independence program. BFT workshops are held approximately four times per year, with child care and a light meal provided for the Monday night classes. There is a \$10 registration charge.

Mentoring Towards Independence

Mentoring Towards Independence (MTI) is our flagship program. This nine month (September - May) program targets families earning between 100%-200% of the HHS Federal Poverty line. This program utilizes over one hundred and twenty volunteers each month to provide nutritious family style meals. The program mentors and tutors approximately 20 families per program year. Life Enhancing Topics are taught the first semester, and these topics address the behaviors that impact money management decisions. The second semester finds the participants thoroughly engaged in Financial Peace University. Throughout the week the participants (mentees) meet with their Mentor, and the Mentees meet once a month for budget coaching and goal progress.

Another great component of MTI is the Individual Development Accounts (IDA's). The IDA's are matched saving accounts in which we give \$2 for every \$1 saved up to \$3,334. An IDA participant has 5 years to save \$1,666 and receive our matched portion; giving mentees \$5,000 for the purchase of a house, micro-enterprise or higher education. To date we have 147 families who are self-sufficient, with 104 of those as first-time homeowners and the rest paying fair market rent.

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Program Descriptions (continued)

Mentoring Towards Independence (continued)

To keep IDA savers encouraged and engaged as they prepare for their asset purchase, we offer quarterly Savers Clubs. These meetings are for the MTI mentees who have completed the initial nine months of the Mentoring Towards Independence program but have not purchased their asset. The Savers Club offers guest lecture topics related to higher education, small business management and home purchases.

The children also learn many of the same concepts as the adults. The children are engaged with their Tutors in homework assistance and in character development, career exploration and Financial Fitness for Life curriculum. Additionally, the children are working on the "Earn It. Save It." initiative in which they are earning points which equals a monetary award, thus reinforcing rewards for earning income.

Homebuyer Education Workshops

To provide a continuum of care and provide a self-sufficient income program, we offer Tennessee Housing Development Agency Certified Homebuyer Education (THDA) workshops. These workshops are taught by certified pre and post-purchase home education counselors and serve as the financial education requirement for many home loan assistance programs such as THDA. This eight hour workshop dives deeply into the home buying process and helps the prospective homeowner to understand the mortgage process, determine how much of a house payment they can really afford, and show how proper budgeting and good credit can help obtain and sustain long-term home ownership. There is a \$15 fee for this class.

Basis of Presentation

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

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

<u>Temporarily restricted net assets</u> - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations, which may or will be met, either by our actions and/or by the passage of time. Restrictions fulfilled in the same accounting period in which the contributions are received are reported in the Statement of Activities as unrestricted.

<u>Permanently restricted net assets</u> - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations which require the assets to be permanently maintained. Generally, the donors of these assets permit us to use all or part of the income earned and any related investments for general or specific purposes. We had no permanently restricted net assets as of December 31, 2014 and 2013.

Prior Year Summarized Financial Information

While comparative information is not required under United States generally accepted accounting principles ("US GAAP"), we believe this information is useful and have included certain summarized financial information from our 2013 financial statements. Such summarized information is not intended to be a complete presentation in conformity with US GAAP. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with our financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, from which it was derived.

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications of prior year summarized amounts have been made to conform to the current year presentation.

Revenue

We receive contributions from foundations, churches, grantors and individuals. We recognize this revenue as it is received or promised to us in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for non-profit organizations. We also receive program revenues from participants in our Basic Financial Training and THDA Home Ownership Training.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, we consider all unrestricted cash and investment instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, we had no cash equivalents.

Promises to Give

Unconditional promises to give are recognized as support and revenues in the period promised and as assets, decreases in liabilities, or expenses depending on the form of the benefits received. Conditional promises to give are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met.

Prepaid expenses

Prepaid expenses consist of insurance premiums paid by us in advance.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost or, if donated, at the estimated fair market value as of the date of donation. Purchases or donations of equipment over \$500 are capitalized. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred. Depreciation is computed using the straight line basis over the following estimated useful lives of the respective assets:

	Years
Machinery and equipment	3-10
Furniture and fixtures	3-10
Building	40

Donated assets with donor stipulations as to specific purpose(s) are reported as restricted contributions until it is placed in the service for which it is restricted.

Long-lived assets to be held and used are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the related carrying amount may not be recoverable. At December 31, 2014, no assets were considered to be impaired.

Advertising

Advertising is expensed as incurred.

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Donated Services and Goods

Donated services are recognized if they create or enhance non-financial assets, or the donated service requires specialized skills, was performed by a donor who possesses such skills, and would have been purchased by us if not donated. Such services are recognized at fair value as support and expense in the period the services are performed.

Members of the Board of Directors have provided substantial assistance to us by donation of time and services. The value of this contribution is not reflected in the financial statements since it is not susceptible to objective measurement or valuation.

Income Tax Status

We are a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and are classified as an organization that is not a private foundation as defined in Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no provision for federal income taxes is included in the accompanying financial statements. We do not believe there are any uncertain tax positions. Further, we do not believe that we have any unrelated business income, which would be subject to federal taxes. We are not subject to examination by U.S. federal or state taxing authorities for years before 2011.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires us to make estimates and assumptions affecting certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The carrying values of current assets, current liabilities, and restricted cash approximate fair values due to the short maturities of these instruments.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

At December 31, 2014, we owed 84% of our payables to one vendor. At December 31, 2013, we owed 50% of our payables to four vendors.

We receive a large amount of general donations from two churches. A major reduction in contributions from these churches may have a significant effect on the future operations of our programs and activities. During the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, we received 34% and 35%, respectively, of total revenue from these two churches.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing program services and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the Statement of Functional Expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited. Expenses and support services that can be identified with a specific program are allocated directly to their natural expenditure classification. Other expenses that are common to several programs are allocated based on various relationships.

NOTE 2 - Property and Equipment

A summary of property and equipment at December 31, 2014 and 2013, is as follows:

	2014	2013
Building	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
Automobiles	17,833	17,833
Office equipment	35,682	35,682
	253,515	253,515
Less: accumulated depreciation	(143,993)	(135,740)
	\$ 109,522	\$ 117,775

NOTE 3 - Accounts Payable

A summary of accounts payable at December 31, 2014 and 2013, is as follows:

Accounts payable	\$	2014 2,218	\$	2013 2,394
Payroll taxes	*		-	1,707
	\$	2,218	\$	4,101

NOTE 4 - Individual Development Accounts Payable (IDA)

Mentoring Towards Independence (MTI) is one of our outreach programs. Individuals who are enrolled in the program are eligible to open an Individual Development Account (IDA). We will match every dollar the participant deposits into a savings account with two dollars (2:1), up to a maximum of \$3,334 to be used towards a down payment towards a home, further education, or starting a business. We maintain a separate cash account for this purpose. The balance of the board designated funds in the money market account as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, was \$59,756 and \$61,049, respectively.

We classified IDA payables likely to result in disbursement next fiscal year as short-term IDA payable and the remaining balance as long-term IDA payable. The classification is based on prior years' experience and our analysis of specific savings accounts. At December 31, 2014, short-term IDA payable and long-term IDA payable had a balance of \$20,000 and \$42,544, respectively. At December 31, 2013, short-term IDA payable and long-term IDA payable had a balance of \$20,000 and \$43,291, respectively.

NOTE 5 - Board Designated Unrestricted Net Assets

A summary of board designated unrestricted net assets at December 31, 2014 and 2013, is as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	2013
Individual development accounts (IDA) funding	\$ 59,756	\$ 61,049

NOTE 6 - Temporarily Restricted Net Assets

We receive restricted donations and restricted grants. These funds are restricted for donor or grantor selected purposes or restricted to a certain time period. All amounts received are recorded as restricted revenue when the amounts are received or promised and are released from restriction as the restrictions are fulfilled. A summary of temporarily restricted net assets at December 31, 2014 and 2013, is as follows:

	2014	2013
United Way grant	\$ 8,800	\$
Frist Tech grant	3	(<u>**</u>
Washington Foundation grant	13,115	11,417
Memorial grant	581	10,000
Bank of America grant	6,379	3,288
Technology and training	2	259
Predator's Foundation grant	1,223	1,229
Scholarships	4,202	5,202
Total temporarily restricted net assets	\$ 34,303	\$ 31,395

NOTE 7 - LEASES

We have lease agreements for office space and office equipment. We lease a postage machine under a month-to-month agreement. The total rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, was \$418 and \$562, respectively. Our office lease is encompassed in our agreement with Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency, described in Note 8.

NOTE 8 - Related Party Transactions

We have an agreement with Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency (MDHA) to provide day care services at the Community Center in Vine Hill Homes.

We have an agreement with Schrader Lane Child Care Services Center (Schrader Lane) through which Schrader Lane provides workforce and management services that are appropriate for fulfilling the obligations to maintain a child daycare center at the Community Center. Schrader Lane is fully responsible for the actions of the individuals who perform services related to the Schrader Lane Child Care Services Center.

Schrader Lane pays all expenses it incurs in performing its obligations under this agreement. We have no financial obligation to Schrader Lane. Activities and transactions related to the agreement have not been included in our financial statements.

We paid for healthcare insurance of one of our employees through the health insurance of Schrader Lane. All health insurance expenses related to this employee is fully funded by us. Health insurance expense paid to Schrader Lane for the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, was \$8,889 and \$16,970, respectively. This portion of our relationship with Schrader Lane was terminated on December 31, 2014.

NOTE 9 - Subsequent Events

We have evaluated events subsequent to the year ending December 31, 2014. As of February 2, 2015, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, no events subsequent to the Statement of Financial Position date are considered necessary to be included in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014.



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Certified Public Accountants .

February 2, 2015

To the Board of Directors Christian Community Services, Inc.

We have audited the financial statements of Christian Community Services, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2014, and have issued our report thereon dated February 2, 2015. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated December 23, 2014. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Christian Community Services, Inc. are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2014. We noted no transactions entered into by the Organization during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements were:

Management's estimate of the short-term Individual Development Accounts Payable is based on historical information. Management's estimate of the allocation of functional expenses is based on management's judgment. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the short-term Individual Development Accounts Payable and functional expense allocations in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements was:

The disclosure in Note 1 to the financial statements explaining the basis of allocation of functional expenses into their appropriate functional categories.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

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Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. The following material misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures were corrected by management: prior year audit adjusting entries, grant receivable and the adjustments to correct restricted revenues and restricted expenses.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated February 2, 2015.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

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In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Organization's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Organization's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

We noted certain matters that we reported to Management and the Board of Directors of Christian Community Services, Inc. in a separate letter dated February 2, 2015.

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors of Christian Community Services, Inc. and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,



PATTERSON, HARDEE & BALLENTINE, P.C.

Certified Public Accountants

February 2, 2015

To the Management of Christian Community Services, Inc.

In planning and performing our audit of your financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, we became aware of several matters that are opportunities for strengthening operating effectiveness for the Organization.

This letter does not affect our report dated February 2, 2015, on the financial statements of Christian Community Services, Inc. (CCSI). We will review the status of these comments during our next engagement. Our comments and recommendations are intended to improve your current accounting policies, operating effectiveness and internal controls. We will be pleased to discuss these comments in further detail at your convenience, perform any additional study of these matters, or assist you in implementing the recommendations.

Any of our suggestions outlined below may be converted into a paperless filing system. Also, please let us now if any of our suggestions are creating office inefficiencies. We will attempt to modify our suggestions to help elevate any difficulties.

Restricted Revenue Recognition

As a result of our audit, we observed the current procedures for restricted revenue recognition is to not record the revenue until the funds are spent for their restricted purpose. Generally accepted auditing standards for non-profit entities require revenue to be recognized when funds are received or pledged. We suggest that all contributions (restricted or unrestricted) be recorded in the period received or pledged.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

Our audit procedures disclosed that the Organization is recording some of its expenses on a functional basis in the chart of accounts and some of its expenses in a natural classification in the chart of accounts. The Organization is required to present its expenses by natural and functional classifications on the audited financial statements. QuickBooks is capable of recording expenses by natural and functional classifications through the "class" function. We recommend using the chart of accounts only for natural classifications and the class system only for functional classifications.

Direct costs should be split right away into their appropriate class. For normal operation, this requires Belita to code each invoice to both an expense and a class. Some examples of classes include: Grants, Programs, Management/General and Fundraising. Subclasses are further recommended to track revenue and expenses for each program or grant.

For expenses that benefit more than one program or functional classification, we recommend using the allocable-direct cost pools method outlined in Policy 03 – Cost Allocation. These expenses (i.e. payroll expense) should be pooled into an "unallocated" class during the normal course of business and then allocated out between program, management/general and fundraising either monthly, quarterly or annually. The method of allocation should be reasonable and consistent.

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Internal Accounting Records

During fieldwork, we noticed the memo section in QuickBooks is often not completed. The memos in QuickBooks adds details to your internal accounting records that may help the Organization's staff recall information about the transaction more easily. We recommend filling in the memo section of QuickBooks whenever possible.

In-kind Contributions

Currently the Organization does not have a formal policy for recording in-kind contributions of goods and contributed services. To define this area better and establish consistency of recording this revenue, we suggest the Organization formalize a written policy for recognizing in-kind contributions of goods and services. The policy should specify a minimum dollar amount to be recorded and the method used to determine the fair market value of donated services or assets. This policy will be most beneficial in that it will allow easier and more consistent accounting treatment for contributed goods and services.

As always, thank you for your business, and please call us with any questions!

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