FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 30, 2024



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ROSTER OF THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT OFFICIALS

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. Chattanooga, Tennessee

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) (the Organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, 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.

Basis for Opinion

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management 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, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.



Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal and state awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal and state awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.



Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual financial report. The other information comprises the Roster of Those Charged with Governance and Management Officials but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 29, 2025, on our consideration of Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'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 the Organization'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 Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Chattanooga, Tennessee January 29, 2025

Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
ASSETS		
Cash Inventories Accounts receivable, net Contributions receivable Grant receivable Investments Prepaid expenses and other assets Land, building and equipment, net	\$ 7,071,136 1,245,111 212,447 239,411 526,354 2,549,903 194,789 4,937,704	\$ 6,314,008 1,699,106 202,291 68,065 423,806 2,061,552 201,706 4,709,599
Total assets	\$ 16,976,855	\$15,680,133
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Accounts payable Accrued liabilities	\$ 277,852 226,588	\$ 480,757 255,754
Total liabilities	504,440	736,511
NET ASSETS		
Without donor restrictions With donor restrictions	14,573,326 1,899,089	13,320,053 1,623,569
Total net assets	16,472,415	14,943,622
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 16,976,855</u>	\$15,680,133

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Support and revenue:			
Support: Contributed nonfinancial assets Contributed financial assets Grants	\$ 29,418,122 4,818,724 2,825,487	\$ - 239,414 1,826,233	\$ 29,418,122 5,058,138 4,651,720
Total support	37,062,333	2,065,647	39,127,980
Revenue: Shared maintenance fees Commodity service revenue - USDA Commodity service revenue - other Agency fees Interest income Investment income, net of investment expenses Miscellaneous income	2,753,663 96,500 73,454 10,162 273,176 104,238 19,416	- - - - - -	2,753,663 96,500 73,454 10,162 273,176 104,238 19,416
Total revenue	3,330,609		3,330,609
Net assets released from restrictions	1,790,127	(1,790,127)	
Total support and revenue	42,183,069	275,520	42,458,589
Expenses: Program services: Food distribution services	38,739,073		38,739,073
Supporting services: Management and general Fund-raising	1,027,780 1,162,943	- -	1,027,780 1,162,943
Total supporting services	2,190,723		2,190,723
Total expenses	40,929,796		40,929,796
Increase in net assets	1,253,273	275,520	1,528,793
Net assets, beginning of year	13,320,053	1,623,569	14,943,622
Net assets, end of year	\$ 14,573,326	\$ 1,899,089	\$ 16,472,415

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Support and revenue:			
Support: Contributed nonfinancial assets Contributed financial assets Grants	\$ 23,096,182 4,236,406 1,893,278	\$ - 447,369 950,088	\$ 23,096,182 4,683,775 2,843,366
Total support	29,225,866	1,397,457	30,623,323
Revenue: Shared maintenance fees Commodity service revenue - USDA Commodity service revenue - other Agency fees Interest income Investment income, net of investment expenses Miscellaneous income	2,830,815 326,752 73,457 969 79,870 25,020 2,879	- - - - - -	2,830,815 326,752 73,457 969 79,870 25,020 2,879
Total revenue	3,339,762		3,339,762
Net assets released from restrictions	1,586,009	(1,586,009)	
Total support and revenue	34,151,637	(188,552)	33,963,085
Expenses: Program services: Food distribution services	30,955,141		30,955,141
Supporting services: Management and general Fund-raising	831,914 1,006,914	<u>-</u> -	831,914 1,006,914
Total supporting services	1,838,828		1,838,828
Total expenses	32,793,969		32,793,969
Increase (decrease) in net assets	1,357,668	(188,552)	1,169,116
Net assets, beginning of year	11,962,385	1,812,121	13,774,506
Net assets, end of year	\$ 13,320,053	\$ 1,623,569	\$ 14,943,622

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Pro	gram Services		Supporting	g Ser	vices	
		Food	Man	agement	Г	. 4	Total
	1	Distribution	and	General	Fui	nd-raising	Expenses
Cost of food distribution	\$	35,003,685	\$	_	\$	-	\$35,003,685
Freight and packaging		281,566		-		-	281,566
Salaries		1,877,702		506,317		588,991	2,973,010
Employee benefit		190,441		48,775		53,020	292,236
Payroll taxes		132,783		36,889		42,732	212,404
Special events		<u>-</u>		_		22,108	22,108
Warehouse supplies and expenses		203,492		_		_	203,492
Vehicle expense		172,835		_		_	172,835
Utilities		83,134		11,775		5,737	100,646
Office supplies		16,894		9,641		8,372	34,907
Advertising		4,743		_		41,020	45,763
Printing and postage		817		9,941		2,027	12,785
Telephone		33,631		3,957		1,978	39,566
Rental expenses		86,356		1,208		_	87,564
Repairs and maintenance		45,134		39,532		36,623	121,289
Miscellaneous		50		88,748		12,469	101,267
Bad debt expense		17,678		_		<u>-</u>	17,678
Contracted services		-		_		3,000	3,000
Professional services		_		77,604		_	77,604
Dues and subscriptions		18,816		25,117		25,128	69,061
Education and training		5,301		5,299		5,299	15,899
Fund-raising		-		-		296,000	296,000
Programs		104,148		_		-	104,148
Travel and lodging		5,874		18,439		18,439	42,752
Insurance		87,183		22,268		-	109,451
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Total expenses before depreciation		38,372,263		905,510	1	1,162,943	40,440,716
Depreciation		366,810		122,270			489,080
Total expenses	\$	38,739,073	\$ 1,	027,780	\$ 1	1,162,943	\$40,929,796

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Pro	gram Services		Supporting	g Ser	vices	
	I	Food Distribution	Ma an	nagement d General	Fu	nd-raising	Total Expenses
Cost of food distribution	\$	27,483,878	\$	_	\$	_	\$27,483,878
Freight and packaging	*	404,361	~	-	•	_	404,361
Salaries		1,609,097		411,573		374,932	2,395,602
Employee benefit		179,540		49,562		40,760	269,862
Payroll taxes		114,775		30,392		28,091	173,258
Special events		-				15,341	15,341
Warehouse supplies and expenses		174,794		-		-	174,794
Vehicle expense		187,797		-		_	187,797
Utilities		73,521		24,507		_	98,028
Office supplies		10,745		5,334		5,258	21,337
Advertising		-		1,865		34,681	36,546
Printing and postage		3,940		1,307		1,385	6,632
Telephone		36,823		4,332		2,166	43,321
Rental expenses		90,083		2,395		-,	92,478
Repairs and maintenance		70,528		8,297		4,149	82,974
Miscellaneous		226		52,487		121,993	174,706
Bad debt expense		4,545		-		-	4,545
Contracted services		- -		-		59,188	59,188
Professional services		_		75,013		-	75,013
Dues and subscriptions		60,566		10,329		7,945	78,840
Education and training		2,639		2,640		2,639	7,918
Fund-raising		-		-		298,627	298,627
Programs		16,729		-		-	16,729
Travel and lodging		2,646		9,244		9,759	21,649
Insurance		100,802		33,601		-	134,403
Total expenses before depreciation		30,628,035		722,878		1,006,914	32,357,827
Depreciation		327,106	_	109,036			436,142
Total expenses	\$	30,955,141	\$	831,914	\$	1,006,914	\$32,793,969

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Year Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	\$ 1,528,793	\$ 1,169,116
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets	Ψ 1,520,775	ψ 1,100,110
to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation Process of Process o	489,080	436,142
Bad debt expense	17,678	4,545
Net realized/unrealized gains on investments	(104,238)	(24,951)
Change in operating assets and liabilities:	` ' '	, , ,
Accounts receivable, net	(27,834)	(6,782)
Contributions receivable	(171,346)	429,400
Grant receivable	(102,548)	(100,440)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	6,917	(12,883)
Inventories	453,995	(449,788)
Accounts payable	(202,905)	(45,828)
Accrued liabilities	(29,166)	36,932
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,858,426	1,435,463
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(717 105)	(1.42(.122)
Purchase of land, building and equipment	(717,185)	(1,426,132)
Purchase of investments	(389,094)	(2,080,762)
Proceeds from sale of investments	4,981	44,161
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,101,298)	(3,462,733)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	757,128	(2,027,270)
CASH, beginning of year	6,314,008	8,341,278
CASH, end of year	\$ 7,071,136	\$ 6,314,008
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Lease liability arising from obtaining right-of-use asset	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 197,981

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting and reporting policies of the Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. (the Organization) conform with United States generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and practices within the not-for-profit industry. The policies that materially affect financial position and results of operations are summarized as follows:

Nature of operations:

The Organization operates as a nonprofit entity that receives donations of food which it distributes to other tax-exempt organizations in Tennessee and Georgia to eliminate hunger and promote better nutrition for the region. The Organization is also a certified member of Feeding America, the Nation's Food Bank Network.

Use of estimates:

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

Basis of presentation and revenue recognition:

To ensure observances of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to the Organization, resources are classified for accounting and financial reporting purposes into categories established according to their nature and purpose in the two categories as follows:

Basis of presentation:

Net assets without donor restrictions — Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor restrictions. The only limits on net assets without donor restrictions are those resulting from the nature of the Organization and its purposes.

Net assets with donor restrictions – Net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has passed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Revenue recognition:

The Organization follows the guidance in Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606), which affects contracts with customers to transfer goods or services and contracts for the transfer of non-financial assets (unless those contracts are within the scope of other standards). The core principle of this ASU is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for the good or services. This ASU requires entities to make new judgements and estimates and provide expanded disclosures about revenue.

The majority of the Organization's revenues come from grants and contributions which are outside the scope of ASC 606. Revenues within the scope of ASC 606 include shared maintenance fees, commodity service revenues, agency fees, and miscellaneous income. The Organization recognizes shared maintenance fees and commodity service revenues, at a point in time, which is at the point the Organization distributes food products to agencies and individuals. Agency fees and miscellaneous income is recognized at a point in time, which is at the point the Organization provides the service. Payments for shared maintenance, agency fees, and miscellaneous income are received at the time the product or service is provided or within a short time period thereafter.

Revenue is reported as increases in net assets without donor restriction unless use of the related asset is limited by donor-imposed restrictions. Expenses are reported as decreases in net assets without donor restrictions. Gains and losses on other assets and liabilities are reported as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulation or by law. Expirations of donor-imposed restrictions in net assets (i.e., the donor-stipulated purpose has been fulfilled and/or the stipulated time period has elapsed) are reported as reclassifications between the applicable classes of net assets.

Contributed financial assets are recorded as revenue in the period received or upon the receipt of an unconditional promise to give. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until they become unconditional, that is, when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Contributions of appreciated assets are recorded at the estimated fair value at the date of receipt by the Organization.

The Organization also receives grant revenue from various federal and state agencies. Grant revenue is recognized in the period the liability is incurred for eligible expenditures under the terms of the grant. Grant funds received prior to expenditure are recorded initially as deferred revenue.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Cash:

Cash consists principally of checking account balances. The Organization considers all cash and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Money market funds held as a portion of the Organization's investment portfolio, are classified as investments and are not considered to be cash equivalents for the statements of cash flows.

Concentrations of credit risk:

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Organization to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and investments. The Organization places its cash with financial institutions and limits the amount of credit exposure to any one financial institution. From time to time, the Organization's cash balances exceed federal depository insurance coverage and management considers this to be a normal business risk. The Organization has not experienced any losses on its cash. The Organization's investments do not represent significant concentrations of market risk inasmuch as the Organization's investments are diversified among many issuers.

Investments:

Investments are reported at their fair values in the statements of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assets. Fair values of marketable securities with readily determinable fair values are based on quoted market prices. Investment income or loss (including gains and losses on investments, interest, and dividends, net of investment expenses) is included in the statements of activities as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions unless the income or loss is restricted by donor or law.

Land, building and equipment:

Land, building and equipment are stated at cost if purchased or fair value if donated. Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred while major additions and improvements are capitalized. Depreciation is provided on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Building	40 years
Vehicles	5 years
Office furniture and fixtures	5-20 years
Greenhouse	6-15 years
Warehouse equipment	5-15 years

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Leases:

Leases are classified as operating or finance leases at the lease commencement date. The Organization leases space for its Foxwood location, a mail machine, and several vehicles. The Organization records leases on the statements of financial position in the form of a lease liability for the present value of future minimum payments under the lease terms and a right-of-use asset equal to the lease liability adjusted for items such as deferred or prepaid rent, lease incentives, and any impairment of the right-of-use asset. The discount rate used in determining the lease liability is based upon the risk free rate or the implicit rate, when known, as of the date of commencement or renewal. The Organization does not record leases on the statements of financial position that are classified as short term (less than one year).

At lease inception, the Organization determines the lease term by considering the minimum lease term and all optional renewal periods that the Organization is reasonably certain to renew. The lease term is also used to calculate straight-line rent expense. The Organization's lease does not contain residual value guarantees or material variable lease payments that will cause the Organization to incur additional expenses.

Operating lease expense consists of a single lease cost allocated over the remaining lease term on a straight-line basis, variable lease payments not included in the lease liability, and any impairment of the right-of-use asset. Rent expense is included in rental expenses on the Organization's statements of functional expenses. The Organization has elected not to treat property leases that include both lease and non-lease components as a single component and account for it as a lease.

Contributed nonfinancial assets:

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, contributed nonfinancial assets recognized within the statements of activities included:

	2024	2023
Donated food commodities	\$29,418,122	\$23,096,182

The Organization recognized contributed nonfinancial assets within revenue. Unless otherwise noted, contributed nonfinancial assets did not have donor-imposed restrictions.

The Organization receives substantial in-kind contributions, in the form of donated food. The food is recorded at market value on the date of donation that has been determined by Feeding America and management to be \$1.74 and \$1.57 per pound during 2024 and 2023, respectively. Feeding America is a nationwide network of approximately 200 food banks.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Contributed nonfinancial assets (continued):

The market values for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, have been calculated by an independent accountant under agreed-upon-procedures. The valuations were established as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. Contributed food commodities was utilized in the various food programs administered by the Organization.

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, a substantial number of unpaid volunteers have made significant contributions of approximately 35,730 and 32,200 hours, respectively, to the operations of the Organization. The value of this contributed time is not reflected in these statements since it does not meet the criteria recognition under GAAP.

Inventories:

Food inventories include donated food, purchased inventory, and undistributed USDA commodities. Donated food received from food drives, food companies, grocery stores, Feeding America, and the USDA is valued at \$1.74 per pound for the year ending June 30, 2024 and \$1.57 per pound for the year ending June 30, 2023. These values represent the estimated average market value at the date of gift, based on studies commissioned by Feeding America. Purchased inventory is reported at cost.

Accounts receivable:

The Organization charges a share maintenance fee to recover a portion of the cost of food purchasing, storage, handling and delivery to other not-for-profit agencies. Accounts receivable are reported at gross sales price less any applicable payments, adjustments or allowances for uncollectible accounts. The Organization extends credit based on evaluation of those agencies' financial condition and generally does not require collateral.

The Organization estimates an allowance for uncollectible accounts based on its knowledge of agencies' individual credit circumstances, the Organization's historical loss experience, and other current economic conditions. Accounts determined to be uncollectible are charged-off against the allowance in the period of determination. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously charged-off are credited to the allowance in the period received.

Functional expenses:

Expenses that can be directly attributed to a particular function are charged to that function. Certain costs have been allocated among more than one program or activity based on objectively evaluated financial and non-financial data or reasonable subjective methods determined by management.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Income tax status:

The Organization is a not-for-profit corporation as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code) and is exempt from Federal income taxes on related income pursuant to Section 501 of the Code. However, any income from certain activities not directly related to the Organization's tax-exempt purpose is subject to taxation as unrelated business income.

The Organization accounts for income taxes in accordance with income tax accounting guidance in ASC Topic 740, *Income Taxes*. The Organization follows the statutory requirement for its income tax accounting and generally avoids risks associated with potentially problematic tax positions that may be challenged upon examination. Management believes any liability resulting from taxing authorities imposing additional income taxes from activities deemed to be unrelated to the Organization's non-taxable status would not have a material effect on the Organization's financial statements. The Organization is subject to routine audits from taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for tax periods in progress.

Advertising costs:

Advertising costs are charged to expense as incurred.

Recent accounting pronouncement:

On July 1, 2023, the Organization adopted ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments, which introduces a new impairment model: the current expected credit loss (CECL) model. Topic 326 applies to most financial assets that are measured at amortized cost and requires those assets to be presented at net amounts expected to be collected. The adoption of Topic 326 did not have a significant or material impact on the Organization's financial statements.

Subsequent events:

Management performed an evaluation of subsequent events through January 29, 2025, the date these financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 2. Liquidity and Availability

Financial assets available for general expenditure, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the statement of financial position date, comprise the following:

	2024	2023
Cash	\$6,317,488	\$5,844,132
Accounts receivable	212,447	202,291
Grants receivable	526,354	423,806
Contributions receivable	239,411	68,065
Investments	2,549,903	2,061,552
	\$9,845,603	\$8,599,846

As part of the Organization's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. In general, the Organization maintains sufficient assets on hand to meet 6 months of normal operating expenses. The Organization also has a \$500,000 line of credit available. The line of credit bears interest at one month Secured Overnight Financing Rule (SOFR) plus 2.00 percent and matures January 31, 2025. No amounts were outstanding at June 30, 2024 and 2023.

Note 3. Inventories

Inventories consist of the following as of June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023
Donated inventory Purchased inventory	\$ 906,030 <u>339,081</u>	\$1,153,695 545,411
	<u>\$1,245,111</u>	\$1,699,106

Note 4. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist of the following at June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023
Member agencies Other customers Allowance for uncollectible accounts	\$231,963 5,105 (24,621)	\$171,354 40,874 (9,937)
	<u>\$212,447</u>	\$202,291

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 5. Contributions Receivable

Contributions receivable were \$239,411 and \$68,065 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and substantially all are due within one year. No discount has been recorded as management has determined any amounts were not material. Management believes that all contributions receivable are fully collectible at June 30, 2024 and 2023; therefore, there are no allowances for uncollectible contributions receivable.

Note 6. Investments

A summary of investments at June 30, 2024 and 2023, is as follows:

•	2024	2023
Money market funds U.S. Treasury Bills Mutual funds Certificates of deposits	\$1,604,302 485,301 460,300	\$ 214,604 1,385,715 - 461,233
	<u>\$2,549,903</u>	\$2,061,552

Note 7. Land, Building and Equipment

A summary of land, building and equipment at June 30, 2024 and 2023, is as follows:

	2024	2023
Land and land improvements Building Vehicles Office furniture and fixtures	\$ 801,936 2,914,593 1,699,071 332,762	\$ 789,488 2,818,737 1,527,864 370,240
Greenhouse Warehouse equipment Construction in progress	26,741 1,808,050 <u>1,275,636</u>	26,741 1,663,849 1,107,047
Accumulated depreciation	8,858,789 (3,921,085)	8,303,966 (3,594,367)
	<u>\$4,937,704</u>	<u>\$ 4,709,599</u>

At June 30, 2024, estimated cost to complete construction in progress was not significant.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 8. Leases

A lease is defined as a contract, or part of a contract, that covers the right to control the use of identified property, plant, or equipment for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

The Organization leases space for its Foxwood facility, a mail machine, and several vehicles under operating lease agreements. Under ASC Topic 842, operating lease agreements are required to be recognized on the statements of financial position as a right-of-use (ROU) asset and a corresponding lease liability. In accordance with ASC Topic 842, the Organization does not recognize short-term leases with a term of less than one year but instead recognizes lease payments as an expense over the lease term as appropriate.

The following table represents the statements of financial position classification of the Organization's ROU asset and lease liability:

Lease Right of Use Asset	Classification on Statement of Financial Position	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023
Operating Lease			
ROU Asset	Prepaid expense and other assets	\$69,736	\$134,734
Lease Right of Use Liability	Classification on Statement of Financial Position	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023
Operating Lease Liability	Accrued liabilities	\$69,929	\$133,731

The calculated amount of the ROU asset and lease liability in the table above are impacted by the length of the lease term and the discount rate used to present value the minimum lease payments. The Organization's lease agreements do not include one or more options to renew at the Organization's discretion. Regarding the discount rate, Topic 842 requires the use of the rate implicit in the lease whenever this rate is readily determinable. As the rates were not determinable, the Organization utilized the risk free rate at July 1, 2022, the adoption date of ASC 842, over a similar term as the discount rate.

At June 30, 2024 and 2023, the weighted average lease term and weighted average discount is as follows:

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	June 30, 2023
Weighted-Average		
remaining lease term for operating lease	1.1 Years	2.1 Years
Weighted-Average		
discount rate for operating lease	2.82 %	2.82 %

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 8. Leases (continued)

Future minimum payments for operating leases with initial or remaining terms of one year or more as of June 30, 2024, were as follows:

	<u>Operating Leases</u>
2025	\$68,278
2026	2,418
Amounts representing interest	(767)
Net lease liabilities	<u>\$69,929</u>

Total rent expense for 2024 and 2023, was \$87,564 and \$92,478, respectively, and is included in rental expenses in the statements of functional expenses.

In June 2022, the Organization received an in-kind conditional promise to give with Dalton-Whitfield County Joint Development Authority to lease a distribution facility in Dalton, Georgia. Under the terms of the lease the Organization does not pay monthly rents and includes a purchase obligation whereby the Organization will purchase the facility at the end of the lease term for \$10. The Organization is required to operate the facility as a food bank for the period of the lease. As prescribed by FASB's not-for-profit contribution recognition and measurement guidance, management has determined the in-kind promise to give to be conditional based on the requirement to operate the facility as a food bank. The Organization estimates the fair market value of the in-kind rent and recognizes in-kind contribution revenues annually. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Organization recorded \$24,000 of in-kind contribution and rent expense.

Note 9. Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions are restricted for the following purposes at June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023
Undistributed food inventory	\$ 906,030	\$1,153,695
Capital improvements	485,684	109,566
Food distribution programs	141,713	260,411
Other restrictions	365,662	99,897
Total net assets with donor restrictions	<u>\$1,899,089</u>	\$1,623,569

Net assets with donor restrictions are included in cash, inventory, and contributions receivable.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 9. Net Assets With Donor Restrictions (continued)

During the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by the occurrence of events specified by donors as follows:

	2024	2023
Undistributed food inventory Capital improvements Food distribution programs Other restrictions	\$ 247,665 302,882 1,086,331 	\$ - 383,691 1,070,700 131,618
	\$1,790,127	\$1,586,009

Note 10. Retirement Plan

The Organization has established a deferred salary reduction plan covering employees who have attained the age of 21 and have completed six months of service. The Organization matches contributions by eligible employees up to 3% of compensation. Employer contributions immediately vest. The Organization's matching contributions were \$38,592 and \$27,888 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Note 11. Fair Value Measurements

The Organization utilizes fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and liabilities and to determine fair value disclosures. In accordance with ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, the fair value of a financial instrument is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value is best determined based upon quoted market prices. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. Those techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. Accordingly, the fair value estimates may not be realized in an immediate settlement of the instrument.

ASC Topic 820 provides a consistent definition of fair value, which focuses on exit price in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions. If there has been a significant decrease in the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability, a change in valuation technique or the use of multiple valuation techniques may be appropriate. In such instances, determining the price at which willing market participants would transact at the measurement date under current market conditions depends on the facts and circumstances and requires the use of significant judgment. The fair value is a reasonable point within the range that is most representative of fair value under current market conditions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 11. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

ASC Topic 820 also establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value, as follows:

Level 1 - Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Organization has the ability to access.

Level 2 - Significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices in markets that are not active, and other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3 - Significant unobservable inputs that reflect the Organization's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at June 30, 2024 and 2023.

Donated inventory: Valued based on poundage times a standard rate. The standard rate is updated annually based on a study commissioned by Feeding America, which is classified as Level 3. The inputs used in the valuation include twenty-nine product types calculating a weighted average value for the year based on actual donated pounds by type on a national level.

U.S. Treasury Bills: The fair value for debt securities are determined by quoted market prices, if available (Level 1). For securities where quoted prices are not available, fair values are calculated based on market prices of similar securities, using matrix pricing. Matrix pricing is a mathematical technique commonly used to price debt securities that are not actively traded, values debt securities without relying exclusively on quoted prices for specific securities but rather by relying on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted securities (Level 2). For securities where quoted prices or market prices of similar securities are not available, fair values are calculated using discounted cash flows or other market indicators (Level 3).

Money market funds: Valued at the carrying amount based on the short term nature of the assets.

Mutual funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Organization are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Organization are deemed to be actively traded.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 11. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Certificates of deposit: Valued at the carrying amount based on the short term nature of the assets.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Organization believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The table below presents the recorded amount of assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

recoxtag case.	Balance as of June 30, 2024	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Other Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Money market funds U.S. Treasury Bills Mutual funds Donated inventory	\$1,604,302 485,301 460,300 906,030	\$1,604,302 460,300	\$ - 485,301 - -	\$ - - - 906,030
Total assets at fair value	\$3,455,933	<u>\$2,064,602</u>	<u>\$485,301</u>	\$906,030
	Balance as of June 30, 2023	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Other Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Money market funds U.S. Treasury Bills Certificates of deposits Donated inventory	June 30,	Active Markets for Identical Assets	Other Observable Inputs	Other Unobservable Inputs

The table below presents additional information about assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis by reliance on Level 3 inputs to determine fair value at June 30, 2024 and 2023.

	Donated Inventory		
	2024	2023	
Beginning balance Food received Food distributed	\$ 1,153,695 29,418,122 (29,665,787)	\$ 992,009 23,096,182 (22,934,496)	
Ending balance	<u>\$ 906,030</u>	\$ 1,153,695	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 11. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. In such instances, the transfer is reported at the beginning of the period. For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, there were no transfers in or out of Levels 1, 2 or 3.



SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS Year Ended June 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	(Accrued) Deferred Grant Revenue June 30, 2023	Grant Revenue Received	Expenditures	(Accrued) Deferred Grant Revenue June 30, 2024
FEDERAL GRANTS U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Passed through Tennessee Department of Agriculture: Food Distribution Cluster:						
Emergency Food Assistance Program (Food Commodities)	10.569	GR-20802	\$ 165,738	\$ 5,515,984	\$ 5,501,149	\$ 180,573
Emergency Food Assistance Program (Administrative Costs) October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024 Emergency Food Assistance Program (Administrative Costs)	10.568	GR-94755	-	62,980	83,000	(20,020)
October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023	10.568	GR-90028	(135,200)	148,700	13,500	
Total Food Distribution Cluster			30,538	5,727,664	5,597,649	160,553
Trade Mitigation, Food Purchase and Distribution Program (Administrative Costs)	10.187	N/A	(26,063)	26,063		
Passed through Tennessee Department of Human Services: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023	10.561	GY23-235TN408S2514	(706) (706)	24,788 24,788	33,373 33,373	(9,291) (9,291)
Passed through Georgia Department of Human Services: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023	10.561	42700-040-0000108905	(5,074)	5,074	-	-
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024	10.561	42700-040-0000113841	(5,074)	10,363 15,437	13,495 13,495	(3,132) (3,132)
Total SNAP Cluster			(5,780)	40,225	46,868	(12,423)
Passed through Tennessee Department of Agriculture: Local Food Purchase Assistance Cooperative Agreement Program	10.182	AM22LFPA0000C055		411,803	793,769	(381,966)
Passed through Georgia Department of Agriculture: Local Food Purchase Assistance Cooperative Agreement Program	10.182	N/A		16,507	18,015	(1,508)
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Passed through Georgia Department of Human Services via the Atlanta Community Foc Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023	od Bank: 93.558	42700-040-0000111425 42700-040-0000113398	(32,933)	877,557	844,624	
Total 477 Cluster			(32,933)	877,557	844,624	

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS Year Ended June 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	(Accrued) Deferred Grant Revenue June 30, 2023	Grant Revenue Received	Expenditures	(Accrued) Deferred Grant Revenue June 30, 2024
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT Passed through Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development Community Development Block Grant - Food Bank Support	14.228	PO 15060	(223,776)	978,012	773,379	(19,143)
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY Passed through Georgia Department of the Treasury via Whitfield County, GA Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds -American Rescue Plan Act	21.027	SLFRP2853		82,403	82,403	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			(258,014)	8,160,234	8,156,707	(254,487)
STATE GRANTS TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES Second Harvest Food Bank	N/A	N/A		100,000	100,000	
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Georgia Department of Agriculture	N/A	N/A	<u> </u>		86,430	(86,430)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS				100,000	186,430	(86,430)
TOTAL FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS			<u>\$ (258,014)</u>	\$ 8,260,234	\$ 8,343,137	\$ (340,917)

The Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards are an integral part of this schedule.

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal and state awards includes the federal and state grant activity of the Organization under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Organization, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the Organization.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursements.

Note 3. Deferred Grant Revenue

The amount of deferred grant revenue for contract GR-20802 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, represents the amount of USDA inventory on hand.

Note 4. Indirect Cost Rate

The Organization has elected to not use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 5. Payments to Subrecipients

There were no payments made to subrecipients during the year ended June 30, 2024.



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 Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. Chattanooga, 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 the Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2024, 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 January 29, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization'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 Organization'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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.



Report on Compliance and Other Matters

Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Organization's financial statements are free of 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 financial statements. 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.

Chattanooga, Tennessee

January 29, 2025



Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance For Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

To the Board of Directors Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. Chattanooga, Tennessee

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s (the Organization) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Organization's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Organization's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, the Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.



Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Chattanooga Area Food Bank, Inc.'s internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.



Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Chattanooga, Tennessee January 29, 2025

Mauldin & Jerkins, LLC

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS Year Ended June 30, 2024

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

SECTION I SOMMING	of Meditor Stebelis			
Financial Statements				
Type of auditor's report issustatements audited we with GAAP:	ned on whether the financial re prepared in accordance	Unmodifie	d	
Internal control over financi	al reporting:			
Material weaknesses ide	ntified?	Yes	<u>X</u>	No
• Significant deficiencies considered to be materia		Yes	X	None reported
Noncompliance material to	financial statements noted?	Yes	X	No
Federal Awards				
Internal control over major p	programs:			
Material weaknesses ide	ntified?	Yes	<u>X</u>	No
• Significant deficiencies considered to be materia	Yes	X	None reported	
Type of auditor's report issumajor programs:	ned on compliance for	Unmodifie	d	
Any audit findings disclosed to be reported in accordant Section 200 516(a)?		Yes	<u>X</u>	No
Identification of major prog	rams:			
Federal Assistance Listing Numbers	Name of Federal	Program or Cl	<u>uster</u>	
	U.S. Department of Agricult	ture – Food Dis	stributio	n Cluster
10.569 10.568	Emergency Food Assistar Emergency Food Assistar			
10.182	Local Food Purchase Assista	ance Cooperati	ve Agre	ement Program
	U.S. Department of Housing	; and Urban De	velopm	ent

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS Year Ended June 30, 2024

14.228	Community Development Block Grant – Food Bank Support	
	U.S. Department of Health	and Human Services – 477 Cluster
93.558	Temporary Assistance	for Needy Families Program
Dollar threshold used to d and type B programs:	istinguish between type A	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		YesX No
SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS None.		
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SECTION III - FINDING	S AND QUESTIONED COST	S FOR FEDERAL AWARDS
None.		

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS Year Ended June 30, 2024

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None.

SECTION III - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None.