

Winthrop Charter School

A Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC
(A Component Unit of the School
Board of Hillsborough County, Florida)

**Basic Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Winthrop Charter School

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Winthrop Charter School
A Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC
Hillsborough County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Winthrop Charter School (the "School"), a Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC ("BACF"), and a component unit of the School Board of Hillsborough County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the School, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and Grants Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit 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 the School 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 opinions.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the School are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of only that portion of the governmental activities and each major fund of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC that is attributable to the transactions of the School. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC as of June 30, 2024 or the changes in its financial position, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities 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 opinions. 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 the School'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.

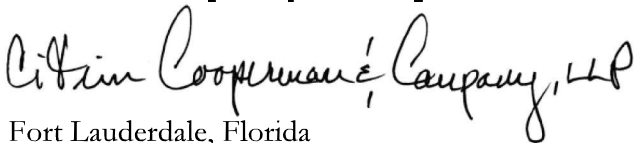
We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 8 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 4, 2024 on our consideration of the School'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 School'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 the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Fort Lauderdale, Florida
October 4, 2024

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of Winthrop Charter School (the "School"), a Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC, and a component unit of the School Board of Hillsborough County, Florida, we offer readers of the School's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

Management's discussion and analysis is included at the beginning of the School's basic financial statements to provide, in layman's terms, the current position of the School's financial condition. This summary should not be taken as a replacement for the audit, which consists of the basic financial statements.

Financial Highlights

Our basic financial statements provide these insights into the results of this year's operations.

- As of June 30, 2024, the School's fund balance was \$ 4,611,139 as compared to \$ 3,463,416 at June 30, 2023.
- As of June 30, 2024, the School had a net position of \$ 2,876,445 as compared to \$ 1,920,482 at June 30, 2023.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The School's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the basic financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements: The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School's finances, in a manner similar to a private sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the School's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference between the components reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the School is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the School's net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected revenues and services rendered but unpaid).

The government-wide financial statements include all governmental activities that are principally supported by grants and entitlements from the state for full-time equivalent funding. The School does not have any business-type activities. The governmental activities of the School primarily include instruction and instructional support services.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9 and 10 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements: A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds: Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the School's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the School's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The School maintains several individual governmental funds. Information is presented in the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances. The General Fund, Grants Fund, Capital Project Fund, Debt Service Fund and Club and Activities Fund are considered to be the School's major funds.

The School adopts an annual budget for its governmental funds except for the Club and Activities Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund and Grants Fund to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

The governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11 through 16 of this report.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements: The notes provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to basic financial statements can be found on pages 17 through 28 of this report.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position over time may serve as a useful indicator of financial position. In the case of the School, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$ 2,876,445 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

**Winthrop Charter School
Management's Discussion and Analysis
June 30, 2024**

Our analysis in the table below focuses on the net position of the School's governmental activities:

Winthrop Charter School Net Position			
	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	Variance
Assets:			
Current and other assets	\$ 6,133,427	\$ 4,341,044	\$ 1,792,383
Capital assets, net	14,271,183	14,902,424	(631,241)
Total assets	20,404,610	19,243,468	1,161,142
Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,865,913	1,937,679	(71,766)
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities	2,262,813	1,510,288	752,525
Noncurrent liabilities	17,131,265	17,750,377	(619,112)
Total liabilities	19,394,078	19,260,665	133,413
Net Position:			
Net investment in capital assets	(1,599,328)	(1,487,121)	(112,207)
Restricted	529,616	472,434	57,182
Unrestricted	3,946,157	2,935,169	1,010,988
Total net position	\$ 2,876,445	\$ 1,920,482	\$ 955,963

Current and other assets increased mainly due to a rise in the School's cash position and monies due from other governments. Capital assets, net of depreciation decreased mainly due to the current year depreciation expense of \$ 819,286 offset by the addition of assets of \$ 188,045. Current liabilities increased due to a rise in trade payables and monies owed to the management company. Noncurrent liabilities decreased due to payments on the School's lease payable.

Governmental Activities: The School's overall net position increased \$ 955,963 from the prior fiscal year. The reasons for this overall increase are discussed in the following section for governmental activities.

Winthrop Charter School Change in Net Position			
	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	Variance
Revenues:			
Program revenues			
Charges for services	\$ 527,537	\$ 455,070	\$ 72,467
Operating grants and contributions	3,419,208	1,541,385	1,877,823
Capital grants and contributions	878,738	733,253	145,485
General revenues:			
FTE and other nonspecific revenues	10,420,287	10,108,869	311,418
Interest income	246,021	105,087	140,934
Miscellaneous	2,265	2,462	(197)
Total revenues	15,494,056	12,946,126	2,547,930

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Management's Discussion and Analysis
June 30, 2024**

Governmental Activities: (continued)

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	Variance
Functions/Programs:			
Instruction	\$ 6,659,525	\$ 6,077,752	\$ 581,773
Student support services	555,591	310,802	244,789
General administration - District administrative fee	37,131	35,769	1,362
General administration - Management fee	1,406,337	879,940	526,397
Board	38,436	57,256	(18,820)
School administration	779,753	1,004,124	(224,371)
Fiscal services	7,533	8,906	(1,373)
Food services	380,449	330,702	49,747
Central services	198,446	216,595	(18,149)
Facilities rent	597,582	539,530	58,052
Operation of plant	1,648,369	1,606,233	42,136
Maintenance of plant	455,122	306,789	148,333
Community services	232,592	147,133	85,459
Extracurricular activities	398,997	359,864	39,133
Interest on long-term debt	<u>1,142,230</u>	<u>1,123,895</u>	<u>18,335</u>
 Total expenses	 <u>14,538,093</u>	 <u>13,005,290</u>	 <u>1,532,803</u>
 Change in net position	 955,963	 (59,164)	 1,015,127
 Net position - beginning	 <u>1,920,482</u>	 <u>1,979,646</u>	 <u>(59,164)</u>
 Net position - ending	 <u>\$ 2,876,445</u>	 <u>\$ 1,920,482</u>	 <u>\$ 955,963</u>

Program revenues increased from a rise in ESSER III, and capital outlay revenues. General revenues increased due to a rise in student funding and interest. Total expenses primarily increased due to increases in instruction, student support services, and general administration management expenses.

Financial Analysis of Governmental Funds

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the School. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$ 3,856,410, while total fund balance increased to \$ 4,081,523. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total General Fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 35.6% of total General Fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 37.7% of that same amount.

The fund balance of the School's General Fund increased by \$ 1,090,541 during the current fiscal year. The increase was due to monies received from grant funding for prior year expenditures.

The Grants Fund does not have an increase or decrease in fund balance during the current fiscal year as this fund reports federal and certain state expense reimbursement grants.

The Capital Project Fund does not have an increase or decrease in fund balance during the current fiscal year as this fund reports state and local capital outlay funding that is used to cover a portion of interest expense.

Financial Analysis of Governmental Funds (continued)

The Debt Service Fund does not have an increase or decrease in fund balance during the current fiscal year as this fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of principal and interest on long-term obligations of governmental funds.

The Club and Activities Fund had an increase in fund balance during the current fiscal year due to increased extracurricular revenues.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital assets: At June 30, 2024, the School had capital assets of \$ 14,271,183, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, invested in lease assets, furniture, fixtures and equipment, computer equipment. Major capital assets additions for the year included \$ 188,045 for construction in progress, improvements and equipment. Additional information on the School's capital assets can be found in Note 7 of this report.

Debt: At June 30, 2024, the School had outstanding debt of \$ 17,736,424 as compared to \$ 18,327,224 at June 30, 2023. The decrease is a result of scheduled debt payments in accordance with the lease agreement. Additional information on the School's debt can be found in Notes 8 and 9 of this report.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

State source revenue decreased from the budget due to the estimation of student funding and school recognition revenues. Local source revenue had an increase due to interest income. Expenditures were unfavorable to the budget primarily due to instruction, facilities acquisition and construction and maintenance of plant expenses.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

In fiscal year 2024, the State of Florida continued to include a teacher salary increase allocation (TSIA) of \$ 1.1 billion. The capital outlay funding pool ended up at \$ 213 million. In addition to the TSIA, teachers also received a compensation increase to align overall salaries with district levels.

For fiscal year 2025, the funding for teacher salaries and other instructional personnel will be \$ 1.25 billion. Additionally, the State of Florida approved an increase to the base funding allocation and capital outlay. A 3% merit increase for all staff was included in the budget. All other expenditures are budgeted in alignment with enrollment changes and the School's strategic objectives.

Requests for Information

If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, please write Michael Valdes, Controller - School Accounting; Charter Schools USA, 800 Corporate Drive, Suite 700, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33334.

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**Winthrop Charter School
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2024**

	Governmental Activities
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,494,493
Other receivables	37,451
Due from other governments	895,552
Due from related party	2,370
Prepaid items	125,390
Deposits	99,723
Investments	<u>1,478,448</u>
Total current assets	6,133,427
Noncurrent Assets:	
Capital assets (depreciable and amortizable), net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>14,271,183</u>
Total assets	<u>20,404,610</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources:	
Deferred amount on renegotiation of lease	<u>1,865,913</u>
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	188,082
Due to related parties	84,526
Salaries and wages payable	619,366
Accrued interest payable	80,802
Due to management company	630,314
Compensated absences	40,923
Lease payable	<u>618,800</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>2,262,813</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Compensated absences	13,641
Lease payable	<u>17,117,624</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>17,131,265</u>
Total liabilities	<u>19,394,078</u>
Net Position:	
Net investment in capital assets	(1,599,328)
Restricted for extracurricular activities	529,616
Unrestricted	<u>3,946,157</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 2,876,445</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**Winthrop Charter School
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Governmental Activities</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Net Revenue (Expense) and Change in Net Position</u>
Functions/Programs:					
Instruction	\$ 6,659,525	\$ -	\$ 2,496,121	\$ -	\$ (4,163,404)
Instruction support services	555,591	-	129,834	-	(425,757)
Board services	38,436	-	-	-	(38,436)
General administration - District administrative fee	37,131	-	-	-	(37,131)
General administration - Management fee	1,406,337	-	-	-	(1,406,337)
Administrative services	779,753	-	4,294	-	(775,459)
Facilities rent	597,582	-	-	-	(597,582)
Fiscal services	7,533	-	-	-	(7,533)
Food services	380,449	123,454	299,140	-	42,145
Central services	198,446	-	-	-	(198,446)
Operation of plant	1,648,369	-	40,919	-	(1,607,450)
Maintenance of plant	455,122	-	-	-	(455,122)
Community services - childcare or VPK, salaries, benefits, materials and supplies, etc.	232,592	404,083	270	-	171,761
Extracurricular activities	398,997	-	448,630	-	49,633
Interest on long-term debt	1,142,230	-	-	878,738	(263,492)
	<u>\$ 14,538,093</u>	<u>\$ 527,537</u>	<u>\$ 3,419,208</u>	<u>\$ 878,738</u>	<u>(9,712,610)</u>
Total governmental activities					
General revenues:					
FTE and other nonspecific revenue					10,420,287
Interest income					246,021
Other income					2,265
Total general revenues					<u>10,668,573</u>
Change in net position					955,963
Net position, July 1, 2023					<u>1,920,482</u>
Net position, June 30, 2024					<u>\$ 2,876,445</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

Winthrop Charter School
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
June 30, 2024

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Grants Fund</u>	<u>Capital Project Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Club and Activities Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,060,467	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 434,026	\$ 3,494,493
Other receivables	37,451	-	-	-	-	37,451
Due from other governments	-	826,860	68,692	-	-	895,552
Due from related party	2,370	-	-	-	-	2,370
Due from other funds	895,552	-	-	-	95,590	991,142
Investments	1,478,448	-	-	-	-	1,478,448
Prepaid items	125,390	-	-	-	-	125,390
Deposits	99,723	-	-	-	-	99,723
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 5,699,401</u>	<u>\$ 826,860</u>	<u>\$ 68,692</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 529,616</u>	<u>\$ 7,124,569</u>
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 188,082	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 188,082
Due to related parties	84,526	-	-	-	-	84,526
Salaries and wages payable	619,366	-	-	-	-	619,366
Due to management company	630,314	-	-	-	-	630,314
Due to other funds	95,590	826,860	68,692	-	-	991,142
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,617,878</u>	<u>826,860</u>	<u>68,692</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,513,430</u>
Fund Balances:						
Nonspendable:						
Prepaid items	125,390	-	-	-	-	125,390
Deposits	99,723	-	-	-	-	99,723
Restricted for extracurricular activities	-	-	-	-	529,616	529,616
Unassigned	3,856,410	-	-	-	-	3,856,410
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total fund balances	<u>4,081,523</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>529,616</u>	<u>4,611,139</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 5,699,401</u>	<u>\$ 826,860</u>	<u>\$ 68,692</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 529,616</u>	<u>\$ 7,124,569</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**Winthrop Charter School
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of the Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2024**

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds \$ 4,611,139

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

The cost of capital assets acquired is reported as an expenditure in the governmental fund statements. The statement of net position includes those capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, among the assets of the School as a whole.

Cost of capital assets	\$	21,953,940	
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		<u>(7,682,757)</u>	14,271,183

Liabilities not payable with current available resources are not reported as fund liabilities in the governmental fund statements. All liabilities, both current and long term, are reported in the government-wide statements.

Compensated absences	\$	(54,564)	
Accrued interest payable		(80,802)	
Lease payable		<u>(17,736,424)</u>	(17,871,790)

Governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts and refundings and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities.

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Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 2,876,445

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

Winthrop Charter School
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Grants Fund	Capital Project Fund	Debt Service Fund	Club and Activities Fund	Total
Revenues:						
Federal sources	\$ -	\$ 2,667,378	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,667,378
State sources:						
Florida Education Finance Program	10,420,287	-	-	-	-	10,420,287
State capital outlay and debt service	-	-	799,256	-	-	799,256
Other state revenue	267,265	-	-	-	-	267,265
Childcare revenue	404,353	-	-	-	-	404,353
Local capital outlay	-	-	79,482	-	-	79,482
Miscellaneous local source revenue	161,384	-	-	-	448,630	610,014
Interest income	238,472	-	-	-	7,549	246,021
	<u>11,491,761</u>	<u>2,667,378</u>	<u>878,738</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>456,179</u>	<u>15,494,056</u>
Expenditures:						
Current:						
Instruction	5,175,462	1,101,150	-	-	-	6,276,612
Instruction support services	425,757	129,834	-	-	-	555,591
Board services	38,436	-	-	-	-	38,436
General administration -						
District administrative fee	37,131	-	-	-	-	37,131
General administration -						
Management fee	1,406,337	-	-	-	-	1,406,337
Administrative services	775,459	4,294	-	-	-	779,753
Facilities rent	597,582	-	-	-	-	597,582
Fiscal services	7,533	-	-	-	-	7,533
Food services	81,309	299,140	-	-	-	380,449
Central services	198,446	-	-	-	-	198,446
Operation of plant	1,207,991	5,254	-	-	-	1,213,245
Maintenance of plant	455,122	-	-	-	-	455,122
Community services - childcare or						
VPK salaries, benefits, materials and supplies, etc.	232,592	-	-	-	-	232,592
Extracurricular activities	-	-	-	-	398,997	398,997
Facilities acquisition and construction	188,045	-	-	-	-	188,045
Debt service:						
Principal	-	-	-	590,800	-	590,800
Interest	-	-	878,738	110,924	-	989,662
	<u>10,827,202</u>	<u>1,539,672</u>	<u>878,738</u>	<u>701,724</u>	<u>398,997</u>	<u>14,346,333</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>664,559</u>	<u>1,127,706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(701,724)</u>	<u>57,182</u>	<u>1,147,723</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Transfer in	1,127,706	-	-	701,724	-	1,829,430
Transfer out	(701,724)	(1,127,706)	-	-	-	(1,829,430)
	<u>425,982</u>	<u>(1,127,706)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>701,724</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	1,090,541	-	-	-	57,182	1,147,723
Fund Balances, July 1, 2023	<u>2,990,982</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>472,434</u>	<u>3,463,416</u>
Fund Balances, June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 4,081,523</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 529,616</u>	<u>\$ 4,611,139</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**Winthrop Charter School
 Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues,
 Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of the
 Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Fund \$ 1,147,723

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities these costs are allocated over their estimated useful lives as a provision for depreciation and amortization.

Cost of capital assets	\$	188,045	
Provision for depreciation and amortization		<u>(819,286)</u>	(631,241)

Principal payments on long-term debt are reported as expenditures in governmental funds, but as a reduction of long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. 590,800

Certain items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.

Change in compensated absences	\$	1,249	
Change in accrued interest payable		(80,802)	
Amortization of deferred amount on renegotiation of lease		<u>(71,766)</u>	<u>(151,319)</u>

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 955,963

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**Winthrop Charter School
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures -
Budget and Actual - General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Revenues:				
State sources:				
Florida Education Finance Program	\$ 10,676,758	\$ 10,676,758	\$ 10,420,287	\$ (256,471)
Other state revenue	16,352	16,352	267,265	250,913
Childcare revenue	357,350	357,350	404,353	47,003
Interest income	70,666	70,666	238,472	167,806
Miscellaneous local source revenue	38,594	38,594	161,384	122,790
	<u>11,159,720</u>	<u>11,159,720</u>	<u>11,491,761</u>	<u>332,041</u>
Total revenues				
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction	4,475,823	4,475,823	5,175,462	(699,639)
Instruction support services	317,503	317,503	425,757	(108,254)
Board services	18,608	18,608	38,436	(19,828)
General administration - District administrative fee	39,838	39,838	37,131	2,707
General administration - Management fee	906,337	1,406,337	1,406,337	-
Administrative services	1,287,720	1,287,720	775,459	512,261
Facilities rent	597,582	597,582	597,582	-
Fiscal services	9,629	9,629	7,533	2,096
Food services	-	-	81,309	(81,309)
Central services	274,614	274,614	198,446	76,168
Operation of plant	1,291,343	1,291,343	1,207,991	83,352
Maintenance of plant	226,904	226,904	455,122	(228,218)
Community services - childcare or VPK salaries, benefits, materials and supplies, etc.	110,910	110,910	232,592	(121,682)
Facilities acquisition and construction	43,832	43,832	188,045	(144,213)
	<u>9,600,643</u>	<u>10,100,643</u>	<u>10,827,202</u>	<u>(726,559)</u>
Total expenditures				
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>1,559,077</u>	<u>1,059,077</u>	<u>664,559</u>	<u>(394,518)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfer in	-	-	1,127,706	1,127,706
Transfer out	(731,120)	(731,120)	(701,724)	29,396
	<u>(731,120)</u>	<u>(731,120)</u>	<u>425,982</u>	<u>1,157,102</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)				
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ 827,957</u>	<u>\$ 327,957</u>	<u>\$ 1,090,541</u>	<u>\$ 762,584</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**Winthrop Charter School
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures -
Budget and Actual - Grants Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Revenues:				
Federal sources:				
National School Lunch Program	\$ 222,873	\$ 222,873	\$ 299,140	\$ 76,267
Title IV	-	-	32,229	32,229
ESSER II	-	-	595,664	595,664
ESSER III	<u>641,856</u>	<u>641,856</u>	<u>1,740,345</u>	<u>1,098,489</u>
Total revenues	<u>864,729</u>	<u>864,729</u>	<u>2,667,378</u>	<u>1,802,649</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction	529,704	529,704	1,101,150	(571,446)
Instruction support services	-	-	129,834	(129,834)
Administrative services	-	-	4,294	(4,294)
Food services	226,386	226,386	299,140	(72,754)
Operation of plant	-	-	5,254	(5,254)
Facilities acquisition and construction	<u>108,639</u>	<u>108,639</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>108,639</u>
Total expenditures	<u>864,729</u>	<u>864,729</u>	<u>1,539,672</u>	<u>(674,943)</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	-	-	1,127,706	1,127,706
Other Financing Uses:				
Transfer out	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,127,706)</u>	<u>(1,127,706)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

Note 1 - Organization and Operations

Winthrop Charter School (the "School"), a Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC ("BACF"), and a component unit of the School Board of Hillsborough County, Florida, was established in 2011 as a public charter school to serve students from kindergarten to eighth grade in Hillsborough County. BACF is a Florida limited liability company organized in April 2011. Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. ("FCEF") is a Florida nonprofit corporation, organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and is the sole member of BACF. The governing board of the School consists of the officers and directors of BACF. FCEF operates Henderson Hammock Charter School, SouthShore Charter Academy, Waterset Charter School, Winthrop College Prep Academy and Creekside Charter Academy in Hillsborough County, Clay Charter Academy in Clay County, Keys Gate Charter School in Miami-Dade County, and Innovation Preparatory Academy and Union Park Charter Academy in Pasco County. BACF also operates Woodmont Charter School in Hillsborough County. There were 1,344 students enrolled for the 2023/2024 school year.

The basic financial statements of the School present only the balances, activity and disclosures related to the School. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of BACF or FCEF as of June 30, 2024 or the changes in its financial position, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting entity: The School operates under a charter granted by the sponsoring School Board of Hillsborough County (the "School Board"). The current charter is effective until June 30, 2031 and may be renewed by mutual written agreement between the School and the School Board. At the end of the term of the charter, the Board may choose not to renew the charter under grounds specified in the charter in which case the Board is required to notify the School in writing at least ninety days prior to the charter's expiration. During the term of the charter, the Board may also terminate the charter if good cause is shown. The School is considered a component unit of the School Board of Hillsborough County.

The School may also be financially accountable if an organization is fiscally dependent on the School regardless of whether the organization has a separately elected governing board, a governing board appointed by another government, or a jointly approved board. In addition, component units can be other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the School are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

As a result of evaluating the above criteria, management has determined that no component units exist for which the School is financially accountable which would require inclusion in the School's financial statements.

Basis of presentation: The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Government-wide financial statements: Government-wide financial statements, including the statement of net position and the statement of activities, present information about the School as a whole.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the School's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and are thereby clearly identifiable to a particular function.

Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the School.

Fund financial statements: Fund financial statements report detailed information about the School in the governmental funds. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is reported in a separate column. Because the focus of governmental fund financial statements differs from the focus of government-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is presented with each of the governmental fund financial statements.

The School's major governmental funds are as follows:

General Fund - This fund is used to account for all operating activities of the School except for those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Grants Fund - This special revenue fund is used to account for federal grants and certain state grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

Capital Project Fund - This fund is used to account for state and local capital outlay funding that is legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

Debt Service Fund - This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, principal and interest on long-term obligations of governmental funds.

Club and Activities Fund - This special revenue fund is used to administer funds raised and earned by the various clubs and activities that are part of the School.

During the course of operations, the School has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year-end are reported as due from/to other funds. While these balances are reported in the governmental fund financial statements, they are eliminated in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements.

Basis of accounting: Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures, or expenses, are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within one hundred twenty days of the end of the current period. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized when due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under leases are reported as other financing sources.

Cash and cash equivalents: The School considers all demand accounts and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash and cash equivalents. The School maintains its cash accounts with one financial institution. The School’s accounts at this institution, at times, may exceed the federal insured limit, however, the School is covered by Chapter 280 of the Florida Statutes (Note 3).

Prepaid items: Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

Revenue recognition: Student funding is provided by the State of Florida through the School Board. Such funding is recorded as entitlement revenue in the government-wide financial statements and state source revenue in the fund financial statements. This funding is received on a prorated basis over the twelve month period the School is in session and is adjusted for changes in full-time equivalent (FTE) student population.

Income taxes: The School is a Department of BACF. FCEF is a Florida nonprofit corporation and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. FCEF is the sole member of BACF. For federal income tax purposes, BACF is considered a “disregarded entity.” Because BACF is treated as a “disregarded entity,” BACF is considered to be, for federal income tax purposes, a division of FCEF and, therefore, BACF is considered to be a tax-exempt organization. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made in these financial statements.

Capital assets: Capital assets purchased or acquired are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Capital assets are defined by the School as assets with an initial cost equal to or greater than \$ 750 and useful life of over one year. Donated capital assets are reported at acquisition value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives as follows:

Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3 - 5 years
Computer equipment	3 years
Improvements other than buildings	10 years

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The School has recorded a right-to-use lease asset as required by GAAP. The right-to-use asset is initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability plus any lease payments made prior to the lease term, less lease incentives, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the lease into service. The right-to-use asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

Deferred outflows/inflows of resources: In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. The government-wide statement of net position reports a deferred amount on renegotiation of lease.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

Unearned revenue: Unearned revenue arises when the School receives resources before it has a legal claim to them.

Compensated absences: The School's policy permits employees to accumulate earned but unused paid time off, which is eligible for payment upon separation from service. The liability for such leave is reported as incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for those amounts is recorded in the governmental funds only if the liability has matured as a result of employee resignations or retirements. The liability for compensated absences includes salary-related benefits, where applicable. Payments for compensated absences are generally paid out of the General Fund.

Net position: Net position is classified in three categories. The general meaning of each is as follows:

- Net investment in capital assets - represents the difference between the cost of capital assets, less accumulated depreciation reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted - consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted - includes that portion of net position that is available to fund future operations.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the School's policy to use restricted resources first, then, unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Fund balance: The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on the provisions of GAAP which provides clearly defined fund balance classifications and also sets a hierarchy which details how the School may spend funds based on certain constraints. The following are the fund balance classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements:

- **Nonspendable** - this classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The School classifies inventories, prepaid items, long-term notes receivable and deposits as nonspendable since they are not expected to be converted to cash or are not expected to be converted to cash within the next year.
- **Restricted** - this classification includes amounts that are restricted for specific purposes by external parties such as grantors and creditors or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- **Committed** - this classification includes amounts that can be used for specific purposes voted on through formal action of the Board of Directors (the highest level of decision making authority). The committed amount cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors removes or changes the commitment through formal action.
- **Assigned** - this classification includes amounts that the Board of Directors intends to use for a specific purpose, but they are neither restricted nor committed. The School classifies existing fund balance to be used in the subsequent year's budget for elimination of a deficit as assigned.
- **Unassigned** - this classification includes amounts that have not been restricted, committed or assigned for a specific purpose within the General Fund.

The details of the fund balances are included in the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet on page 11.

When the School incurs expenditures for which restricted fund balance is available, the School would consider restricted funds to be spent first. When the School has expenditures for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balance is available, the School would consider committed funds to be spent first, then assigned funds and lastly unassigned funds.

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

Budget: An operating budget is adopted and maintained by the governing board for all governmental funds, except the Club and Activities Fund, pursuant to the requirements of Florida Statutes. The budget is adopted using the same basis of accounting that is used in the preparation of the basic financial statements. The General Fund's expenditures exceeded the budget by \$ 726,559 which was covered monies received from grant funding for prior year expenditures.

Reclassification: Certain amounts in the prior year financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Date of management review: Subsequent events were evaluated by management through October 4, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 - Cash and Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2024, the carrying amount of the deposits and cash on hand totaled \$ 3,494,493, with a bank balance of \$ 3,552,909.

State statutes require, and it is the School’s policy, that all deposits be made into, and be held by, financial institutions designated by the Treasurer of the State of Florida as “qualified public depositories” as defined by Chapter 280 of the Florida Statutes. This statute requires that every qualified public depository institution maintain eligible collateral to secure the public entity’s funds. The minimum collateral to be pledged by an institution, the collateral eligible for pledge, and the reporting requirements of the qualified public depositor to the Treasurer is defined by statute. Collateral is pooled in a multiple qualified public depository institution pool with the ability to assess members of the pool should the need arise. The School’s deposits of \$ 3,302,909 in excess of the federal insured level of \$ 250,000 are held in a qualified public depository and are covered by the collateral pool because the School has identified itself as a public entity.

Note 4 - Interfund Receivables and Payables and Interfund Transfers

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2024, is as follows:

Due To/From Other Funds		
Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	Grants Fund	\$ 826,860
General Fund	Capital Project Fund	68,692
Club and Activities Fund	General Fund	95,590
		<u>\$ 991,142</u>

The outstanding balances between funds results mainly from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

The composition of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2024, is as follows:

	Transfers In		Total
	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	
Transfers Out:			
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 701,724	\$ 701,724
Grants Fund	<u>1,127,706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,127,706</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,127,706</u>	<u>\$ 701,724</u>	<u>\$ 1,829,430</u>

During the year, transfers were used to move grant revenue received in the current year for prior year expenditures to the General Fund and to transfer funds to make debt service payments.

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Note 5 - Investments

In November 2020, Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. borrowed funds for acquisition facilities and refinancing of prior debt for three of their schools, including Winthrop Charter Academy (Note 8). The investments of the School are governed by the Bond Indenture and are reserved for ordinary and necessary operating expenses. The Bond Indenture authorizes the Trustee to invest in obligations of the United States or any state, obligations issued by a government sponsored agency, U.S. denominated deposit accounts, certificates of deposit and banker's acceptances, commercial paper, bonds, notes or debentures guaranteed by a corporation, investment agreements with banks, repurchase agreement secured by government obligations, investments in a money market fund and shares in any investment company, money market mutual fund, fixed income mutual fund or exchange traded fund. In accordance with the Bond Indenture, the Trustee has \$ 1,478,448 invested in a money market fund that is stated at amortized cost which approximates fair value.

Generally, *credit risk* is the risk that an issuer of a debt type investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized rating organization. The exposure to credit risk is limited because the money market fund is rated AAA-mf by Moody's.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rate will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The exposure to declines in fair values is limited because the weighted average maturity of the money market fund is 34 days.

Note 6 - Due From/To Related Parties

The School is a Department of FCEF. The due from/to balances represent amounts that are due from/to FCEF and other schools that share common board membership and are departments of FCEF and are expected to be repaid within the year.

Note 7 - Capital Assets

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 are as follows:

	Balance at July 1, 2023	Additions	Deletions	Balance at June 30, 2024
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress	\$ -	\$ 83,754	\$ -	\$ 83,754
Capital assets being depreciated/ amortized:				
Improvements other than building	285,439	64,073	-	349,512
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	799,852	12,315	-	812,167
Computer equipment	2,541,016	27,903	-	2,568,919
Lease assets:				
Building	<u>18,139,588</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,139,588</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized	<u>21,765,895</u>	<u>104,291</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,870,186</u>
Accumulated depreciation/ amortization:				
Improvements other than building	204,323	30,795	-	235,118
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	747,505	20,881	-	768,386
Computer equipment	1,839,491	363,281	-	2,202,772
Lease assets:				
Building	<u>4,072,152</u>	<u>404,329</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,476,481</u>
Total accumulated depreciation/ amortization	<u>6,863,471</u>	<u>819,286</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,682,757</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized, net	<u>14,902,424</u>	<u>(714,995)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,187,429</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 14,902,424</u>	<u>\$ (631,241)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 14,271,183</u>

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Note 7 - Capital Assets (continued)

Provision for depreciation and amortization was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Instruction	\$	384,162
Operation of Plant		<u>435,124</u>
Total	\$	<u><u>819,286</u></u>

Note 8 – Lease Payable

In 2020, the Florida Development Finance Corporation (the “Corporation”) issued \$ 29,770,000 in Tax Exempt Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2020A, \$ 32,480,000 in Taxable Convertible Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2020B and \$ 1,200,000 in Taxable Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2020C pursuant to an Indenture of Trust between the Corporation and a trustee to make a loan to FCEF, a division of which the School exists, and Red Apple Development, LLC and subsidiaries (“RAD”) to finance the acquisition of the facilities of three charter schools existing under FCEF. In order to secure the payment of the principal and interest on the bonds, the Corporation assigned all of its rights and interest in the loan agreement to the trustee. The bonds are payable from and secured by a lien upon and pledge of payments to be received by the trustee.

Concurrent with the preceding loan transaction, RAD, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, entered into three lease agreements with FCEF. The facilities which are owned by RAD are leased by FCEF on behalf of the schools under a 45-year lease. The lease for the School is deemed to be an intangible right-to-use lease and the lease payments are based on the debt service requirements of the bonds which extend through June 2050. These payments are made from the revenues received from the School Board of Hillsborough County for the operation of the Schools. FCEF is obligated under the Indenture to deposit all Charter revenues received from the School Board and additional revenues, if any, directly with the trustee during the term of the lease. The payments are applied by the trustee to make sinking fund payments and pay for operating expenses. The lease is through June 2065 and requires monthly principal and interest payments through June 2050.

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Note 8 – Lease Payable (continued)

The following is a schedule of the School’s future rent payments as of June 30, 2024:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 618,800	\$ 962,761	\$ 1,581,561
2026	646,800	934,600	1,581,400
2027	674,800	905,179	1,579,979
2028	708,400	874,435	1,582,835
2029	739,200	842,179	1,581,379
2030-2034	4,258,800	3,644,602	7,903,402
2035-2039	5,457,200	2,454,280	7,911,480
2040-2044	2,395,327	1,299,984	3,695,311
2045-2049	1,823,305	817,363	2,640,668
2050	413,792	98,055	511,847
	<u>\$ 17,736,424</u>	<u>\$ 12,833,438</u>	<u>\$ 30,569,862</u>

In addition to the debt service payments, the School is required to pay incremental rent payments to RAD. The incremental rent payments range from approximately \$ 655,633 to \$ 2,590,065 per year over the term of the agreement which is through June 2065. These incremental rent payments are contingent upon the School having available revenues. for the year ended June 30, 2024, \$ 597,582 of incremental rent was paid.

Note 9 - Long-Term Liabilities

Changes in the School’s long-term liabilities for fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, are as follows:

	Balance at July 1, 2023	Additions	Retirements	Balance at June 30, 2024	Amount Due Within One Year
Lease - building	\$ 18,327,224	\$ -	\$ 590,800	\$ 17,736,424	\$ 618,800
Compensated absences	55,813	169,366	170,615	54,564	40,923
	<u>\$ 18,383,037</u>	<u>\$ 169,366</u>	<u>\$ 761,415</u>	<u>\$ 17,790,988</u>	<u>\$ 659,723</u>

Note 10 - Federal, State and Local Revenue Sources

The School recorded the following revenues for the year ended June 30, 2024:

Federal:	
National School Lunch Program	\$ 299,140
Title IV	32,229
ESSER II	595,664
ESSER III	1,740,345
State:	
Florida Education Finance Program	10,420,287
State capital outlay and debt service	799,256
Other state revenue	267,265
Local:	
Local capital outlay	79,482
Food service revenue	123,454
Childcare revenue	404,353
Interest income	246,021
Miscellaneous local source revenue	<u>486,560</u>
	<u>\$ 15,494,056</u>

Note 11 - Employee Benefit Plan

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the School offered all of its full-time employees who had attained 21 years of age, a retirement plan (the "Plan") under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k). The employee is allowed to contribute up to a maximum of 100% of his/her annual gross compensation, subject to certain limitations. The Plan provides for a discretionary employer matching contribution of the participant's annual elective deferral to the Plan. As determined annually by the School's management, the School may also make a discretionary profit sharing contribution, which is allocated among the participants based on a pro rata formula. Participants are immediately vested in their own contributions and earnings on those contributions. Participants become vested in School contributions and earnings on School contributions according to the following schedule:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vesting Percentage</u>
1	25%
2	50%
3	75%
4	100%

Nonvested contributions are forfeited upon termination of employment and such forfeitures are used to reduce any employer contribution. For the Plan year ending December 31, 2023, the School had \$ 148 in forfeitures. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the School contributed a matching amount of \$ 45,452.

Note 12 - Commitments

Management agreement: The School has a formal agreement with Charter Schools USA at Hillsborough, LLC (“CSUSA”) to manage, staff, and operate the School through June 2031. The agreement automatically renews for additional five year periods on the day following the expiration date unless either party delivers a written notice of termination to the other at least twelve months prior to the then current expiration date. CSUSA shall be entitled to retain a fee for its services rendered pursuant to this agreement. The fees range from \$ 933,527 for 2025 to \$ 2,458,786 for 2036 or the budgeted amount approved by the Board of Directors based on enrollment. Total cost reimbursements and management fees amounted to \$ 1,406,337 for the year ending June 30, 2024.

The School has an amount of \$ 630,314 due to CSUSA for the year ending June 30, 2024, for expenses paid on behalf the School.

Post-employment benefits: The School does not provide post-employment benefits to retired employees.

Note 13 - Capital Appropriations Funding

The Florida Department of Education has approved a Charter School Capital Outlay (“CSCO”) Award for the School. In each year that funds are appropriated by the state for charter school capital outlay purposes those funds are allocated among eligible charter schools. The funds for the School’s allocation are transferred to the School once a CSCO Plan has been provided to and approved by the sponsoring Board. The School’s CSCO Award totaled \$ 799,256 for the 2023/2024 school year which has been recognized as revenue in the accompanying financial statements. If the CSCO funds are used to acquire tangible property assets, the School Board has a reversionary interest in those assets. In the event of nonrenewal, termination, or breach of the charter school agreement, ownership of the assets would automatically revert to the School Board. The School has elected to use these funds to pay a portion of the interest expense on the lease.

Local Capital Improvement Revenue (“LCIR”) funds are also appropriated by the School Board for charter school capital outlay purposes, with funds being allocated among eligible charter schools in a similar manner to the CSCO Award. The School’s LCIR Award totaled \$ 79,482 for the 2023/2024 school year which has been recognized as revenue in the accompanying financial statements.

Note 14 - Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) Funding

The basic amount of funding through the FEFP under Section 1011.62 is the product of (1) the School’s unweighted FTE, multiplied by (2) the cost factor for each program, multiplied by (3) the base student allocation established by the legislature. Additional funds for exceptional students who do not have a matrix of services are provided through the guaranteed allocation designated in Section 1011.62(1)(e)2., Florida Statutes. For the 2023/2024 school year, the School reported 1344.92 unweighted FTE. Weighted funding represented approximately 2.5% of total state funding.

FEFP funding may also be adjusted as a result of subsequent FTE audits conducted by the Florida Auditor General pursuant to Section 1010.305, Florida Statutes, and Rule 6A-1.0453, Florida Administrative Code (FAC). Schools are required to maintain the following documentation for three years or until the completion of an FTE audit:

Note 14 - Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) Funding (continued)

- Attendance and membership documentation (Rule 6A-1.044, FAC)
- Teacher certificates and other certification documentation (Rule 6A-1.0503, FAC)
- Procedural safeguards for weighted programs (Rule 6A-6.03411, FAC)
- Evaluation and planning documents for weighted programs (Sections 1011.62(1)(e), FS, and Rule 6A-6.03411, FAC)

Note 15 - Risk Management

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets and natural disasters. The School has obtained property insurance from commercial companies including, but not limited to, general liability and errors and omissions insurance. There have been no claims in excess of insurance coverage limits during the past three years. As disclosed in Note 12, CSUSA employs all of the employees of the School. As a result, the School is not exposed to medical or workers' compensation claims for these individuals.

OTHER INDEPENDENT
AUDITOR'S REPORTS

**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
Winthrop Charter School
A Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC
Hillsborough County, Florida

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 governmental activities and each major fund of Winthrop Charter School (the "School"), A Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC, and a component unit of the School Board of Hillsborough County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 4, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the School'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 opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control.

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

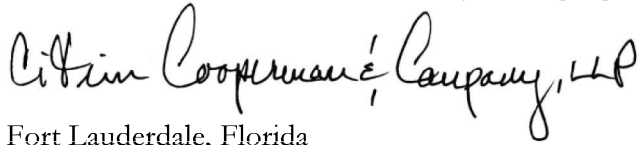
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Fort Lauderdale, Florida
October 4, 2024

MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.850 OF THE RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

To the Board of Directors
Winthrop Charter School
A Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC
Hillsborough County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Winthrop Charter School (the "School"), A Department of Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC, and a component unit of the School Board of Hillsborough County, Florida, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated October 4, 2024.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit 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 and Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated October 4, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.854(1)(e)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no recommendations made in the preceding audit report.

Official Title

Section 10.854(1)(e)5., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title of the entity and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education be disclosed in this management letter. The official title and the school code assigned by the Florida Department of Education are Winthrop Charter School and 296658.

Financial Condition and Management

Sections 10.854(1)(e)2. And 10.855(11), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate whether or not the School has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific conditions met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.854(1)(e)6.a. and 10.855(12), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the School. It is management's responsibility to monitor the School's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.854(1)(e)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Transparency

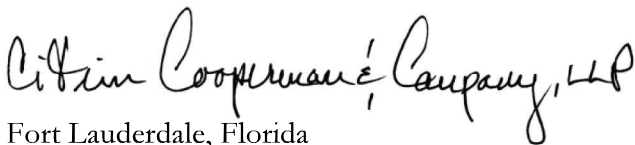
Sections 10.854(1)(e)7. and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether the School maintains on its website the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that the School maintained on its website the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes.

Additional Matters

Section 10.854(1)(e)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Board of Directors and applicable management and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Fort Lauderdale, Florida
October 4, 2024