

**EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF
MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS,
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

JUNE 30, 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc. (the "Organization") (a nonprofit 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.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as of June 30, 2024, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

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 Organization 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.

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.

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 the Organization'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 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 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 the Organization'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 the Organization'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 audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* and Chapter 10.650 Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida, the schedules of state earnings, cost center actual expenses and revenues as required by the Florida Department of Children and Families (the “Department”), Guide to Performance Contracting for Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Services are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are 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 information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 31, 2025, on our consideration of the Organization’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 the Organization’s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Verdeja - Alvarez, LLP

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Coral Gables, Florida
January 31, 2025

EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
JUNE 30, 2024

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,180,976
Grants receivable	17,928,056
Furniture and equipment, net	168,497
Other assets	312,351
Right-of-use asset - operating	<u>2,709,087</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 36,298,967</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 25,908,518
Other liabilities	2,813,697
Advances	2,430,000
Right-of-use liabilities - operating	2,744,668
Due to Office of Early Learning	<u>364,228</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>34,261,111</u>

NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restriction	<u>2,037,856</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>2,037,856</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 36,298,967</u>

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

EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

SUPPORT AND REVENUES	
Grants (federal, state, and local)	\$ 279,512,906
The Children's Trust	14,113,388
Contributions and other	3,500
In-kind contributions	582,595
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TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	294,212,389
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EXPENSES:	
Early education services	286,041,922
Management and general	8,342,778
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TOTAL EXPENSES	294,384,700
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CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(172,311)
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<hr/> 2,210,167
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	<hr/> <u>\$ 2,037,856</u>

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EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Early Education Service	Management and General	Total
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Dues and subscriptions	\$ 10,328	\$ 66,149	\$ 76,477
Enhancement projects	20,296,045	996	20,297,041
Educational materials (Quality Initiatives)	61,326,397	50,474	61,376,871
Insurance	201,631	66,501	268,132
Meetings and conferences	16,620	10,551	27,171
Occupancy costs	1,136,138	235,646	1,371,784
Office	630,876	694,409	1,325,285
Other	231,676	-	231,676
Postage and freight	3,582	26,717	30,299
Printing	32,107	23,244	55,351
Professional fees	954,694	1,047,885	2,002,579
Salaries and benefits	17,420,958	5,740,584	23,161,542
Direct child care	181,442,121	-	181,442,121
Sub-recipient contracts	1,414,527	-	1,414,527
Telephone	132,834	270,487	403,321
Travel and training	207,979	86,072	294,051
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	285,458,513	8,319,715	293,778,228
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES			
In-kind expense	582,595	-	582,595
Depreciation	814	23,063	23,877
TOTAL NON-OPERATING EXPENSES	583,409	23,063	606,472
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 286,041,922	\$ 8,342,778	\$ 294,384,700

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EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Change in net assets	<u>\$ (172,311)</u>
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	23,877
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Grants receivable	5,594,429
Due from providers	77,244
Other assets	280,908
Reduction of right-of-use asset	493,187
Accounts payable	1,511,439
Advances	1,480,000
Change in lease obligation	(461,653)
Other liabilities	<u>507,271</u>
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	<u>9,506,702</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>9,334,391</u>
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	9,315,657
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>5,865,319</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 15,180,976</u>

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EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1 - NATURE OF ORGANIZATION

Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc. f/k/a Miami-Dade School Readiness Coalition, Inc. (the “Organization”) was incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida on April 12, 2000, following the enactment of Florida State Statute 411.01 that established the Florida Partnership for School Readiness (the “Partnership”). The Organization has been entrusted to implement the Voluntary Pre-kindergarten (“VPK”) program in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations of the State of Florida particularly the Voluntary Pre-kindergarten Education Program Act, Chapter 1002, Part V, Florida Statutes. This program is designed to prepare all 4-year olds for kindergarten and build the foundation for future educational success.

The Organization’s mission is to promote school readiness and voluntary pre-kindergarten programs, thus increasing the probability for all children of achieving future educational success and becoming productive members of society. The Organization seeks to further the physical, social, emotional, and intellectual needs of Miami-Dade and Monroe County children beginning from birth through age five.

Substantially, all of the Organization’s support and revenue was received from a contract with the Partnership. The contract provides for a comprehensive program of readiness and services that enhances the cognitive, social, and physical development of children in order to achieve performance standards and outcome measures established by the Partnership. The Organization provides school readiness services to every eligible family, to the extent that funding resources are available. The Organization receives additional support and revenue from grants and donations from other sources.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The Organization prepares its financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting and has presented its financial statements in accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2016-14, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities. Accounting standards establish external financial reporting standards for not-for-profit organizations, which include four basic financial statements: the statement of financial position, the statement of activities, the statement of functional expenses, and the statement of cash flows. Accounting standards require that resources be classified for accounting and reporting purposes into the following two separate classes of net assets according to externally imposed restrictions:

- Net assets without donor restrictions: The portion of the net assets of the Organization that can be used subject only to the broad limits resulting from the nature of the Organization, the environment in which it operates, and the purposes specified in its articles of incorporation or bylaws. In some cases, the use of these resources is also subject to limits resulting from contractual agreements entered into by the Organizations with suppliers, creditors, and others in the course of its business. The Organization has the greatest ability to choose when using these resources. Net assets without donor restrictions generally result from grant revenues, contributions and support that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions reduced by expenses incurred in providing services, raising contributions, and performing administrative functions.
- Net assets with donor restrictions: The portion of the net assets of the Organization that is subject to either donor imposed time restrictions or donor-imposed purpose restrictions. These restrictions limit the Organization’s choices when using these resources because the Organization has a fiduciary responsibility to its donors to follow the donor’s instructions. Net assets with donor restrictions generally result from donor-restricted contributions.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Management Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures including, but not limited to, the determination of the net realizable value of receivables and the useful lives of donated and acquired assets. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Concentration

The Organization places its cash deposits with creditworthy, high-quality institutions. At times, cash balances may temporarily exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Coverage (“FDIC”) limit of \$250,000. At June 30, 2024, the Organization’s cash in excess of the federally insured limit approximated \$21,422,000. The Organization has not experienced losses to its cash and cash equivalents and management believes that it is not exposed to significant risks in this regard.

The Organization has \$2,073,856 in net assets as of June 30, 2024. Substantially, all of the Organization’s support was provided by the Federal government and the State of Florida under early childhood education and voluntary pre-kindergarten programs. A significant reduction in this level of support, if this were to occur, would have an adverse effect on the Organization’s programs and activities and its ability to satisfy its financial and program obligations and commitments. However, the payable obligations under the subcontracted service provider arrangements are only payable from the Organization upon support provided from the Federal government and the State of Florida. To the extent the subcontracted payment arrangements will not be forthcoming, the Organization will not be obligated. The Organization’s risk is limited to the support received from the federal and state grants.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The fair value of financial instruments is determined by reference to various market data and other valuation techniques, as appropriate. Unless otherwise disclosed, the fair value of financial instruments, including cash and cash equivalents, grants receivable, accounts payable, deferred revenues and other liabilities, approximates their recorded values due primarily to the short-term nature of their maturities.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Organization considers all highly-liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Furniture and Equipment, Net

Furniture and equipment are stated at cost at the date of acquisition. Major betterments and additions are capitalized, while replacements, maintenance, and repairs which do not improve or extend the lives of the respective assets are charged to expense as incurred. Donated furniture and equipment are recorded at their fair market value at the date of donation. Upon retirement or disposal of assets, the cost and accumulated depreciation are eliminated from the accounts and the resulting gain or loss is included in revenues or expenses. Depreciation is computed using the straight line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which generally range from 3 to 5 years.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist primarily of amounts due from governmental entities under the Organization’s grant agreements. The balances for accounts receivable were \$17,928,056 and \$23,599,729 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Income Taxes

The Organization is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for federal or state income taxes has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

The Organization recognizes and measures tax positions taken or expected to be taken in its tax return based on their technical merit and assesses the likelihood that the positions will be sustained upon examination based on the facts, circumstances, and information available at the end of each period. Interest and penalties on tax liabilities, if any, would be recorded in interest expense and other non-interest expense, respectively.

The U.S. Federal jurisdiction and Florida are the major tax jurisdictions where the Organization files tax returns. The Organization is generally no longer subject to U.S. Federal or State examinations by tax authorities for years before 2021.

Revenue Recognition

The Organization's principal source of revenue is derived from federal and state grants, which are conditioned upon certain performance requirements and/or the occurrence of allowable qualifying expenses. Amounts received are recognized as revenue when we have incurred expenditures in compliance with specific contract or grant provisions. Amounts received prior to incurring qualifying expenditures are reported as refundable advances in the statement of financial position. Based on the Organization's experience with the grantors, management has determined that the related grants receivable are fully collectible. Consequently, no allowance for doubtful accounts is included in the accompanying financial statements.

Contributions are recognized when an unconditional promise to give is received. Conditional promises to give, with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return, are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been met. Contributions are recorded as with donor restrictions or without donor restrictions, depending on the existence or nature of any donor-imposed restrictions. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Restrictions on gifts to acquire long lived assets are considered met in the period in which the assets are acquired or placed into service.

In-kind Contributions

In-kind contributions are recorded as revenue and expense in the accompanying statement of activities. In-kind contributions of donated non-cash assets are recorded at their fair value in the period received. They consist primarily of donated instructional aid services. Donated services are recorded at their fair value in the period received. See Note 6.

Allocation of Functional Expenses

Program expenses and management and general expenses have been summarized on a functional basis in the Statements of Activities and in the Statements of Functional Expenses. Directly identifiable expenses are charged to programs and supporting services. Management and general expenses include those expenses that are not directly identifiable with any other specific function but provide for the overall support and direction of the Organization.

EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Subsequent Events

The Organization has evaluated subsequent events through January 31, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

Lease Accounting

In February 2016, the FASB issued an accounting standard update which amends existing lease guidance. The update requires lessees to recognize a right-of-use asset and related lease liability for many operating leases now currently off-balance sheet under current U.S. GAAP. Also, the FASB has issued amendments to the update with practical expedients related to land easements, lessor accounting, and disclosures related to accounting changes and error corrections.

The update originally required transition to the new lease guidance using a modified retrospective approach which would reflect the application of the update as of the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented. A subsequent amendment to the update provides an optional transition method that allows entities to initially apply the new lease guidance with a cumulative effect adjustment to the opening balance of equity in the period of adoption. If this optional transition method is elected, after the adoption of the new lease guidance, the Organization's presentation of comparative periods in the combined financial statements will continue to be in accordance with current lease accounting. Refer to Note 4.

NOTE 3 - FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT, NET

Furniture and equipment is comprised of the following as of June 30, 2024:

Office equipment	\$	711,082
Furniture and fixtures		<u>153,305</u>
		864,387
Less: accumulated depreciation		<u>(695,890)</u>
	\$	<u><u>168,497</u></u>

Pursuant to the contract with the Partnership, upon termination of the contract, the Partnership retains title to all furniture and equipment purchased with funds provided by the Partnership. As of June 30, 2024, the Organization does not have net assets with donor restrictions.

Depreciation expense was \$23,877 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

NOTE 4 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Operating Leases

The Organization determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception and when the terms of an existing contract are changed. All leases are recorded on the balance sheet except for leases with an initial term less than 12 months for which the Organization made the short-term lease election.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 4 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

Operating Leases (Continued)

Lease right-of-use (ROU) assets and lease liabilities are recognized at the lease commencement date based on the present value of the lease payments over the lease term discounted using the rate implicit on the lease (if available) or the Organization's average incremental borrowing rate. Operating lease ROU assets are presented separately on the balance sheet. Operating lease cost is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term and is included within operating expenses in the statement of activities and changes in net assets.

The Organization leases its Miami-Dade and Monroe County facilities under noncancelable operating leases expiring at various dates through June 2029. Additionally, the Organization leases copiers. The following table shows the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities as of June 30, 2024:

<u>Lease-Related Assets and Liabilities</u>	<u>Financial Statement Line Items</u>	
Right-of-use assets:		
Operating leases	Assets	\$ 2,709,087
Total right-of-use assets		<u>\$ 2,709,087</u>
Lease liabilities:		
Operating leases	Liabilities	\$ 2,744,668
Total lease liabilities		<u>\$ 2,744,668</u>

Future minimum payments under operating and finance leases with long-term term payment arrangements at June 30, 2024, are as follows:

	<u>Operating Leases</u>
2025	\$ 789,761
2026	808,222
2027	826,995
2028	406,657
Thereafter	<u>135,342</u>
Undiscounted liabilities	2,966,977
Less: Imputed interest	<u>(222,309)</u>
	<u>\$ 2,744,668</u>

Rent expense for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$1,010,017. The following table represents the weighted average remaining lease term (years) and discount rate of the Organization's operating leases as of June 30, 2024:

	<u>Operating Leases</u>
Weighted average remaining lease term (years)	2.01
Weighted average discount rate	4.00%

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 4 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

Other

The Organization participates in a number of federal and state grant assistance programs. Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and compliance testing by those agencies to determine if activities undertaken by the Organization comply with the conditions of the grant. Any disallowed amounts may constitute a liability to the Organization. Management believes that no material liability will arise from any such audits.

Litigation

The Organization is exposed to various asserted and unasserted potential claims encountered in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management, the resolution of these matters will not have a material effect on the Organization's financial position or results of operations.

NOTE 5 - RETIREMENT PLAN

The Organization has a retirement plan available for eligible employees in which the Organization matches employee contributions. During the year ended 2024, the Organization contributed approximately \$530,000 as a match.

NOTE 6 - CONTRIBUTED NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS

For the year ended June 30, 2024, contributed non-financial assets recognized within the statement of activities included:

Services	\$	582,595
	\$	<u>582,595</u>

Services

The Organization receives in-kind contributions of time and pro bono services from members of the community and volunteers related to program operations, special events, and fund-raising campaigns. Donated services are recognized as contributions if the services (a) create or enhance non-financial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are performed by people with those skills, and would otherwise be purchased by the Organization. The Organization recognizes in-kind contribution revenue and a corresponding expense in an amount approximating the estimated fair value at the time of the donation.

NOTE 7 - NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

As of June 30, 2024, the Organization does not have net assets with donor restrictions.

EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 8 - LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

The Organization monitors its liquidity so that it is able to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments while maximizing the investment of its excess operating cash. The Organization has the following financial assets that could be readily made available within one year of the balance sheet to fund expenses without limitations:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,180,976
Grants receivable	<u>17,928,056</u>
Financial Assets available to meet cash needs for operating expenses within one year:	<u>\$ 33,109,032</u>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Federal/State Agency Federal Cluster/ Program/ State Project, Pass-through Entity	ALN/ CFSA Number	Number	Total Expenditures	Transfer to Subrecipients
FEDERAL AWARDS:				
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program:				
Passed Through Florida's Office of Early Learning	93.558	EL194	\$ 26,342,644	\$ -
Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) Cluster:				
CCDF Block Grant				
Passed Through Florida's Office of Early Learning	93.575	EL194	154,166,608	-
CCDF - Mandatory Matching				
Passed Through Florida's Office of Early Learning	93.596	EL194	29,306,565	-
CCDF Cluster Total			<u>183,473,173</u>	<u>-</u>
Social Services Block Grant				
Passed Through Florida's Office of Early Learning	93.667	EL194	81,401	-
Every Student Succeeds Act/Preschool Development Grants Program:				
Passed through Nemours Foundation	93.434	EL194	199,990	-
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			<u>210,097,208</u>	<u>-</u>
U.S. Department of Education				
Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	EL194	391,710	-
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>391,710</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			<u>\$210,488,918</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Federal/ State Agency Federal Cluster/ Program/ State Project, Pass-through Entity	ALN/ CFSA Number	Contract/ Grant Number	Expenditures	Transfer to Subrecipients
STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:				
Florida Department of Education and Commissioner of Education				
Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Education Program:				
Passed Through Florida's Office of Early Learning	48.108	EL194	\$ 58,014,662	\$ -
Program Total			<u>58,014,662</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE			<u>\$ 58,014,662</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE			<u>\$268,503,580</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

1. GENERAL

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance included herein represent all of the Federal Awards and State projects of the Organization during the year ended June 30, 2024.

2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance is presented using the accrual basis of accounting and includes expenses incurred by the Organization during the year ended June 30, 2024.

3. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance includes the federal and state grant activity of the Organization during its fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.650, Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

4. INDIRECT COST RATE

The Early Learning Coalition has elected not to use the de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance during the years ended June 30, 2024.



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**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
Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc.

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 Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc. (the "Organization") (a nonprofit 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 31, 2025.

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) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Organization's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our test 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.

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January 31, 2025



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE
FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND
CHAPTER 10.650, *RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL*

To the Board of Directors
Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc.

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and State Project

We have audited Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc.'s (the "Organization") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement*, and the requirements described in the *Department of Financial Services' State Projects Compliance Supplement*, that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Organization's major federal programs and state projects for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Organization's major federal programs and state projects are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs and state projects.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Organization's major federal programs and state projects based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above.

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) 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) and Chapter 10.650, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on federal programs and state projects occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Organization's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program and state project. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Organization's compliance.

Opinion on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and State Project

In our opinion, the Organization complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its federal programs and state projects for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Organization is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Organization's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on its federal programs and state projections to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for its federal programs and state projections and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.650, *Rules of the Auditor General*, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's 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 or state project 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 and state project 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 and state project 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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 and Chapter 10.650, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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January 31, 2025

**EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - FEDERAL AWARDS PROGRAMS AND
 STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor’s report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness(es) identified? ___ Yes X No

Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be a material weakness(es)? ___ Yes X No

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? ___ Yes X No

Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance

Internal control over major federal programs and state projects:

Material weakness(es) identified? ___ Yes X No

Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be a material weakness(es)? ___ Yes X No

Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major programs Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance or Chapter 10.650, *Rules of the Auditor General*? ___ Yes X No

Identification of major programs:

<u>CFDA/CFSA Number</u>	<u>Name of Federal/State Program or Cluster</u>
93.575, 93.596	Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) Cluster
93.558	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
48.108	VPK State General Funds

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:
 \$ 3,000,000 Federal
 \$ 1,740,440 State

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? X Yes No

**EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - FEDERAL AWARDS PROGRAMS AND
STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None

SECTION III - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARDS PROGRAMS

None

**SECTION IV – FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR STATE FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE PROJECTS**

None

SECTION V – OTHER ISSUES

1. No management letter was issued for the year ended June 30, 2024.
2. No Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings is required because there were no prior audit findings related to Federal awards programs or State financial assistance projects.
3. No corrective action plan is required because there were no findings required to be reported under the Uniform Guidance or the Department of Financial Services' State Project Compliance Supplement.