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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Board of Directors  
St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc.  
St. Lucie County, Florida

### Report on Audit of the Financial Statements

#### ***Opinion***

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Foundation's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc. as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### ***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). 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 Foundation and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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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 Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for one year beyond the financial statement date, including currently known information that may raise substantial doubt thereafter.

***Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS 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 GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 Foundation'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 judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Foundation'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.



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### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis 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 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 a report dated March 11, 2025 on our consideration of the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts.

The purpose of that report is 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 Foundation'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 St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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March 11, 2025

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Our discussion and analysis of St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.'s (the "Foundation") financial performance provides an overview of the Foundation's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2024. The overview provides summary information for the Foundation and should be read in conjunction with the Foundation's basic financial statements.

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Foundation's basic financial statements comprise three components; 1) *Government-wide financial statements*, 2) *Fund financial statements*, and 3) *Notes to financial statements*. The *Government-wide financial statements* present an overall picture of the Foundation's financial position and results of operations. The *Fund financial statements* present financial information for the Foundation's major funds. The *Notes to financial statements* provide additional information concerning the Foundation's finances.

The *Government-wide financial statements* are the **statement of net position** and the **statement of activities**. These statements use accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. Emphasis is placed on the net position of governmental activities and the change in net position. Governmental activities are primarily supported by contributions.

The **statement of net position** presents information on all assets and liabilities of the Foundation, with the difference between assets and liabilities reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories; 1) net investment in capital assets, 2) restricted, and 3) unrestricted. Assets, liabilities, and net position are reported for all Governmental activities.

The **statement of activities** presents information on all revenues and expenses of the Foundation and the change in net position. Expenses are reported by major function and program revenues relating to those functions are reported, providing the net cost of all functions provided by the Foundation. To assist in understanding the Foundation's operations, expenses have been reported as governmental activities. Governmental activities financed by the Foundation include community service, instructional related services and general administration.

*Fund financial statements* present financial information for governmental funds. These statements provide financial information for the major funds of the Foundation. Governmental fund financial statements provide information on the current assets and liabilities of the funds, changes in current financial resources (revenues and expenditures), and current available resources.

*Fund financial statements* include a **balance sheet** and a **statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances** for all governmental funds. A **statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances – budget and actual** is provided for the Foundation's General Fund. *Fund financial statements* provide more detailed information about the Foundation's activities.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

*Notes to financial statements* provide additional detail concerning the financial activities and financial balances of the Foundation. Additional information about the accounting practices of the Foundation and detail of net asset restrictions are some of the items included in the *notes to financial statements*.

**Financial Highlights**

The following are the highlights of financial activity for the year ended June 30, 2024.

- ◆ Net position decreased \$(72,233).
- ◆ Total cost of all programs was \$1,293,919 in 2024 compared to \$519,992 in 2023.

**Financial Analysis of the Foundation**

The following schedule provides a summary of the assets, liabilities and net position of the Foundation and is presented by category for comparison purposes.

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Current assets	\$ 364,511	\$ 221,407
Restricted Assets	2,884,033	2,903,629
Total Assets	3,248,544	3,125,036
Current Liabilities	195,741	-
Net Position		
Restricted	\$ 3,052,803	\$ 3,125,036

The increase in current assets is primarily related to the increase in accounts receivable in the current year.

The increase in current liabilities is related to the increase in accounts payable in the current year.

Restricted net position decreased from \$3,125,036 at June 30, 2023 to \$3,052,803 at the end of 2024. The decrease in net position is related to expenses in excess of revenues in the current year.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

**Financial Analysis of the Foundation (Continued)**

The following schedule provides a summary of the changes in net position of the Foundation and is presented by category for comparison purposes.

**Changes in Net Position**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Revenues		
Program Revenues		
Community service	\$ 441,017	\$ 3,030,467
Instructional related services	276,830	120,546
General administration	298,789	241,237
General Revenues		
Miscellaneous contributions	72,757	71,786
State shared revenues	6,762	7,456
Interest and investment earnings	125,531	51,805
Total Revenues	1,221,686	3,523,297
Expenses		
Program Expenses		
Community service	546,592	133,876
Instructional related services	343,059	128,625
General administration	404,268	257,491
Total Expenses	1,293,919	519,992
Change in Net Position	\$ (72,233)	\$ 3,003,305

The Foundation's total revenues decreased by approximately 65 percent, \$(2,301,611). The total cost of all programs increased by approximately 149 percent, \$773,927. The decrease in program revenues is attributable to the internet essential grant received in the prior year. The increase in program expenses is attributable to increases in grant expenses.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The June 30, 2024 budgeted expenditures were exceeded by actual expenditures due to grant and general administration being more than anticipated.

**Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget**

The Foundation does not expect any economic factors to have a significant effect on the financial position or the results of operations in fiscal year 2025.

**Request for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens and members with a general overview of the Foundation's finances and to show the Foundation's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or request for additional financial information, should be addressed to the St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc., 9461 Brandywine Lane, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**June 30, 2024**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 171,585
Accounts receivable	192,926
Total Current Assets	<u>364,511</u>
Restricted Assets	
Cash	<u>2,884,033</u>
Non-Current Assets	
Intangible assets	6,500
Less: accumulated amortization	<u>(6,500)</u>
Total Non-Current Assets	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	<u>3,248,544</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	<u>195,741</u>
 <b>NET POSITION</b>	
Restricted	<u><u>\$ 3,052,803</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**BALANCE SHEET – GENERAL FUND**  
**June 30, 2024**

<b>Assets</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Cash	\$ 171,585
Accounts receivable	192,926
Total Current Assets	<u>364,511</u>
<b>Restricted Assets</b>	
Cash	<u>2,884,033</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 3,248,544</u>
 <b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 195,741</u>
 <b>Fund Balances</b>	
Restricted:	
Scholarships	82,729
Programs	2,970,074
Total Fund Balances	<u>3,052,803</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 3,248,544</u>

There are no reconciling items between total governmental funds fund balances and governmental activities net position.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GENERAL FUND**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Revenues	
Contributions	\$ 1,016,636
State program revenues	6,762
Miscellaneous income	72,757
Interest and investment earnings	125,531
Total Revenues	1,221,686
Expenditures	
Current	
General administration	404,268
Community services	546,592
Instructional related services	343,059
Total Expenditures	1,293,919
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	(72,233)
Fund Balances - July 1, 2023	3,125,036
Fund Balances - June 30, 2024	\$ 3,052,803

There are no reconciling items between the net change in fund balances and the change in net position.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES**  
**IN FUND BALANCES – 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 With Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
Revenues				
Contributions	\$ 386,700	\$ 302,535	\$ 1,016,636	\$ 714,101
State program revenues	7,500	7,500	6,762	(738)
Miscellaneous income	59,000	129,863	72,757	(57,106)
Interest and investment earnings	100	100	125,531	125,431
Total Revenues	<u>453,300</u>	<u>439,998</u>	<u>1,221,686</u>	<u>781,688</u>
Expenditures				
Current				
General administration	138,800	146,150	404,268	(258,118)
Community services	205,940	201,942	546,592	(344,650)
Instructional related services	100,000	20,000	343,059	(323,059)
Total Expenditures	<u>444,740</u>	<u>368,092</u>	<u>1,293,919</u>	<u>(925,827)</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	8,560	71,906	(72,233)	(144,139)
Fund Balances - July 1, 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,125,036</u>	<u>3,125,036</u>
Fund Balances - June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 8,560</u>	<u>\$ 71,906</u>	<u>\$ 3,052,803</u>	<u>\$ 2,980,897</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements of the St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc. (the “Foundation”), have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (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. The Foundation’s more significant accounting policies are described below.

**1. Reporting Entity**

The Foundation is a direct-support organization of the St. Lucie County District School Board and the Board of Directors is approved by the District's Board. The St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit corporation. The Foundation's purpose, as stated in its bylaws, is to broaden educational opportunity, encourage creativity in the school system, and reward initiative exercised for the benefit of public school students in St. Lucie County.

The Foundation's financial accounts are administered by the Community Outreach Department of the St. Lucie County District School Board. The Foundation was organized as a direct-support organization under the provisions of Section 1001.453, Florida Statutes. The financial statements herein present only the transactions of the Foundation and do not represent any other activity of the District School Board.

In accordance with Section 1001.453, Florida Statutes, the District School Board authorizes the use of its property, facilities, and personnel to administer the program.

The fiscal year of the St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc. is from July 1 to June 30, as established by the articles of incorporation. The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Foundation, a component unit of the St. Lucie County District School Board as a whole.

**2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The basic financial statements of the Foundation are composed of the following:

- Government-wide financial statements
- Fund financial statements
- Notes to financial statements

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

**a. Government-wide Financial Statements**

Government-wide financial statements report all non-fiduciary information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the governmental activities of the primary government.

Governmental activities are supported by donations and interest. Program revenues include donations. Program revenues are netted with program expenses in the statement of activities to present the net cost of each program.

Amounts paid to acquire capital assets are capitalized as assets, rather than reported as an expenditure. Proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as liabilities in the government-wide financial statements, rather than as other financing sources.

Amounts paid to reduce long-term indebtedness of the reporting government are reported as a reduction of the related liability, rather than as an expenditure.

**b. Fund Financial Statements**

The underlying accounting system of the Foundation is organized and operated on the basis of separate funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Fund financial statements for the primary government's governmental funds are presented after the government-wide financial statements. These statements display information about major funds individually.

**Governmental Funds**

The Foundation classifies fund balance according to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 54 – Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. The Statement requires the fund balance for governmental funds to be reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

**b. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)**

**Governmental Funds (Continued)**

The Foundation has various policies governing the fund balance classifications.

*Nonspendable Fund Balance* – This classification consists of amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted Fund Balance* – This classification consists of amounts that are restricted to a specific purpose. The restriction is externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations.

*Assigned Fund Balance* – This classification consists of the Board of Supervisors' intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.

*Unassigned Fund Balance* – This classification is the residual classification for the government's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. Unassigned fund balance is considered to be utilized first when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are combined in a fund, qualified expenses are considered to be paid first from restricted resources, and then from unrestricted resources. Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Foundation considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

**b. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)**

**Governmental Funds (Continued)**

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. Interest associated with the current fiscal period is considered to be an accrual item and so has been recognized as revenue of the current fiscal period.

Under the current financial resources measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The reported fund balance is considered to be a measure of “available spendable resources”. Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of “available spendable resources” during a period.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types excludes amounts represented by non-current liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities.

Amounts expended to acquire capital assets are recorded as expenditures in the year that resources are expended, rather than as fund assets. The proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as an other financing source rather than as a fund liability.

**3. Basis of Presentation**

**a. Governmental Major Funds**

General Fund – The General Fund is the Foundation’s primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**b. Non-current Governmental Assets/Liabilities**

GASB Statement 34 requires that non-current governmental assets, such as intangible assets, and non-current governmental liabilities, such as long-term debt be reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Position.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**4. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity**

**a. Cash and Investments**

For financial reporting purposes, the Foundation considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, the Foundation's general policy is to report money market investments and short-term participating interest-earning investment contracts at amortized cost and to report nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts using a cost-based measure. However, if the fair value of an investment is significantly affected by the impairment of the credit standing of the issuer or by other factors, it is reported at fair value. All other investments are reported at fair value unless a legal contract exists which guarantees a higher value. The term "short-term" refers to investments, which have a remaining term of one year or less at time of purchase. The term "nonparticipating" means that the investment's value does not vary with market interest rate changes.

**b. Restricted Net Position**

Certain net positions of the Foundation are classified as restricted assets on the statement of net position because their use is limited either by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation; or by restrictions imposed externally by creditors. In a fund with both restricted and unrestricted net position, qualified expenses are considered to be paid first from restricted net position and then from unrestricted net position.

**c. Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include intangible assets, are reported in the governmental activities column.

The Foundation defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$1,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. The valuation basis for all assets is historical cost.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend its useful life are not capitalized.

Amortization of software is computed and recorded by utilizing the straight-line method. The estimated useful life of the intangible capital asset is 5 years.

**St. Lucie County Education Foundation, Inc.**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**NOTE B – CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

Deposits (cash and money market) are carried at cost, which approximates fair value.

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Foundation's deposits may not be returned. The Foundation's investment policy does not specifically address custodial credit risk; however, they follow the provisions of Chapter 280, Florida Statutes, regarding deposits and investments. As of June 30, 2024, the Foundation's total bank balance was \$3,138,334 and the carrying value was \$3,055,618. Exposure to custodial credit risk was as follows. As of June 30, 2024, the Foundation's uninsured deposits by the Federal Depositors Insurance Corporation, National Credit Union Administration, and Securities Investor Protection Corporation were \$32,601, \$790,446, and \$950,046, respectively.

Investments

As of June 30, 2024, the Foundation had no investments.

**NOTE C – CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	Balance July 1, 2023	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2024
Capital assets, being amortized:				
Intangibles	\$ 6,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,500
Less accumulated amortization for:				
Intangibles	(6,500)	-	-	(6,500)
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**NOTE D – RESTRICTED NET POSITION**

Net Position is restricted as follows:

Scholarships	\$ 82,729
Programs	2,970,074
Total	<u>\$ 3,052,803</u>



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To the Board of Directors  
St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc.  
St. Lucie 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, as listed in the table of contents, of St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc., as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 11, 2025.

### Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc.'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 St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc.'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 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 have not been identified.



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### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether St. Lucie Education Foundation, Inc.'s financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.

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