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**Lutheran Social Services –
National Capital Area
Financial Statements and
Reporting Required under
Government Auditing Standards
and Uniform Guidance
September 30, 2024 and 2023**

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of
Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area

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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area (LSSNCA) (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of LSSNCA as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of LSSNCA 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 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 LSSNCA'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 LSSNCA'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 LSSNCA'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 schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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 July 7, 2025 on our consideration of LSSNCA'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 LSSNCA'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 LSSNCA's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Prager Metis CPAs, LLC

Prager Metis CPAs, LLC
Tysons Corner, Virginia
July 7, 2025

Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area
Statements of Financial Position
September 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 932,280	\$ 185,076
Investments	105,962	496,336
Contract and grant receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$265,708 for 2024 and \$178,881 for 2023	7,310,716	6,843,048
Prepaid expenses	228,081	223,882
Deposits	452,196	121,891
Operating lease right-of-use asset	4,735,154	4,250,357
Financing lease right-of-use asset	280,782	431,975
Total assets	<u>\$ 14,045,171</u>	<u>\$ 12,552,565</u>
Liabilities and net assets		
Liabilities		
Bank overdraft	\$ 263,517	\$ 100,108
Accounts payable	1,609,159	1,554,429
Accrued expenses	587,626	626,597
Refundable advances	5,931	67,728
Line of credit	1,985,000	1,000,000
Financing lease liability	291,784	440,272
Operating lease liability	5,308,464	4,661,313
Total liabilities	<u>10,051,481</u>	<u>8,450,447</u>
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions	3,719,247	3,827,675
Without donor restrictions – board designated	274,443	274,443
Total net assets	<u>3,993,690</u>	<u>4,102,118</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 14,045,171</u>	<u>\$ 12,552,565</u>

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

Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area
Statements of Activities
Years Ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Changes in net assets without donor restrictions		
Support, revenue, and gains		
Government contracts and grants	\$ 36,540,338	\$ 27,589,307
Contributions	684,382	797,831
Donated goods	253,187	235,513
Adoption fees	14,146	12,525
Investment income, net	43,536	55,674
Other	3,363	7,296
	<u>37,538,952</u>	<u>28,698,146</u>
Total support, revenue and gains		
Expenses		
Program expenses		
Foster care services	4,065,689	3,830,361
Refugee and immigration	28,581,631	20,733,067
Community services	37,915	41,184
Total program expenses	<u>32,685,235</u>	<u>24,604,612</u>
Supporting services		
Management and general	3,967,590	3,828,342
Fundraising	994,555	950,173
Total supporting services	<u>4,962,145</u>	<u>4,778,515</u>
Total expenses	<u>37,647,380</u>	<u>29,383,127</u>
Change in net assets	(108,428)	(684,981)
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>4,102,118</u>	<u>4,787,099</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u><u>\$ 3,993,690</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,102,118</u></u>

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Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area
Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended September 30, 2024

	Program Services				Supporting Services			
	Foster Care Services	Refugee and Immigration	Community Services	Total Program Services	Management and General	Fundraising	Total Supporting Services	Total
Salaries and related expenses								
Salaries	\$ 2,504,150	\$ 11,353,795	\$ 34,467	\$ 13,892,412	\$ 2,175,908	\$ 481,937	\$ 2,657,845	\$ 16,550,257
Payroll taxes and benefits	341,517	1,383,970	3,132	1,728,619	283,611	59,944	343,555	2,072,174
Total salaries and related expenses	2,845,667	12,737,765	37,599	15,621,031	2,459,519	541,881	3,001,400	18,622,431
Other expenses								
Stipends	429,290	5,360	-	434,650	18,208	3,560	21,768	456,418
Assistance to individuals	121,025	12,770,160	-	12,891,185	-	-	-	12,891,185
Professional services	125,697	353,762	-	479,459	382,037	168,412	550,449	1,029,908
Donated goods and services	-	253,187	-	253,187	-	-	-	253,187
Telephone and communication	56,879	343,986	-	400,865	46,287	5,045	51,332	452,197
Interest expense	-	-	-	-	77,976	-	77,976	77,976
Insurance	34,314	77,246	-	111,560	29,898	1,123	31,021	142,581
Utilities and other occupancy	14,444	30,436	76	44,956	17,171	11,432	28,603	73,559
Rent	165,348	691,729	-	857,077	460,534	155,939	616,473	1,473,550
Supplies	35,653	78,817	-	114,470	147,404	17,406	164,810	279,280
Pre-employment expense	8,772	251	-	9,023	10,469	1,537	12,006	21,029
Vehicle expense	2,107	12,322	1	14,430	1,016	338	1,354	15,784
Travel	39,922	243,912	204	284,038	10,007	725	10,732	294,770
Bank service charges/other fees	13,328	27,012	-	40,340	29,568	6,085	35,653	75,993
Printing and copying	5,117	46,940	-	52,057	13,230	10,452	23,682	75,739
Postage	154	2,697	-	2,851	3,053	-	3,053	5,904
Equipment leases	88	4,343	-	4,431	1,729	-	1,729	6,160
Equipment	88,047	780,919	-	868,966	156,940	51,928	208,868	1,077,834
Contracted services	-	13,469	-	13,469	-	-	-	13,469
Staff development	26,772	25,399	35	52,206	39,576	1,915	41,491	93,697
Advertising	26,280	27,172	-	53,452	2,113	1,898	4,011	57,463
Dues and subscriptions	2,439	2,915	-	5,354	6,320	-	6,320	11,674
Meetings	23,413	10,126	-	33,539	53,187	2,160	55,347	88,886
Other	933	41,706	-	42,639	1,348	12,719	14,067	56,706
Total expenses	\$ 4,065,689	\$ 28,581,631	\$ 37,915	\$ 32,685,235	\$ 3,967,590	\$ 994,555	\$ 4,962,145	\$ 37,647,380

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Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area
Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Program Services				Supporting Services			
	Foster Care Services	Refugee and Immigration	Community Services	Total Program Services	Management and General	Fundraising	Total Supporting Services	Total
Salaries and related expenses								
Salaries	\$ 2,385,728	\$ 7,873,184	\$ 38,148	\$ 10,297,060	\$ 1,745,304	\$ 376,536	\$ 2,121,840	\$ 12,418,900
Payroll taxes and benefits	331,298	925,316	2,931	1,259,545	187,162	44,505	231,667	1,491,212
Total salaries and related expenses	2,717,026	8,798,500	41,079	11,556,605	1,932,466	421,041	2,353,507	13,910,112
Other expenses								
Stipends	295,572	4,724	-	300,296	14,215	3,278	17,493	317,789
Assistance to individuals	49,013	8,396,746	-	8,445,759	-	-	-	8,445,759
Professional services	88,601	268,903	-	357,504	628,251	288,819	917,070	1,274,574
Donated goods	-	235,513	-	235,513	-	-	-	235,513
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	808	-	808	808
Telephone and communication	49,402	176,927	-	226,329	132,032	4,194	136,226	362,555
Interest expense	-	-	-	-	50,767	-	50,767	50,767
Insurance	29,142	108,588	-	137,730	41,960	857	42,817	180,547
Utilities and other occupancy	61,844	14,096	-	75,940	8,188	10,145	18,333	94,273
Rent	317,980	470,519	-	788,499	367,463	43,597	411,060	1,199,559
Supplies	28,437	79,306	-	107,743	24,156	75,248	99,404	207,147
Summer camp	49	-	-	49	-	13,800	13,800	13,849
Pre-employment expense	4,430	879	-	5,309	12,322	1,205	13,527	18,836
Vehicle expense	2,687	12,607	-	15,294	4,759	111	4,870	20,164
Travel	19,031	171,868	38	190,937	3,176	250	3,426	194,363
Bank service charges/other fees	7,696	29,686	-	37,382	36,148	4,931	41,079	78,461
Printing and copying	6,767	17,117	-	23,884	31,442	6,354	37,796	61,680
Postage	12	11,389	-	11,401	830	-	830	12,231
Equipment leases	-	7,678	-	7,678	956	-	956	8,634
Equipment	100,115	460,680	-	560,795	159,748	37,354	197,102	757,897
Special events	-	1,329,736	-	1,329,736	-	-	-	1,329,736
Staff development	35,554	49,521	67	85,142	37,667	609	38,276	123,418
Advertising	4,900	32,872	-	37,772	-	14,391	14,391	52,163
Dues and subscriptions	1,251	626	-	1,877	9,772	11,421	21,193	23,070
Meetings	5,415	28,379	-	33,794	32,955	7,705	40,660	74,454
Other	5,437	26,207	-	31,644	3,177	4,863	8,040	39,684
Bad debt	-	-	-	-	295,084	-	295,084	295,084
Total expenses	\$ 3,830,361	\$ 20,733,067	\$ 41,184	\$ 24,604,612	\$ 3,828,342	\$ 950,173	\$ 4,778,515	\$ 29,383,127

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

Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area
Statements of Cash Flows
September 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities		
Change in net assets	\$ (108,428)	\$ (684,981)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash used in operating activities		
Depreciation	-	808
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	(35,235)	(49,945)
Amortization of operating lease right-of-use assets	746,699	889,885
Amortization of finance lease right-of-use assets	151,193	163,587
Change in allowance for doubtful accounts	86,827	(121,119)
(Increase) decrease in assets		
Contract and grant receivables	(554,495)	(456,034)
Prepaid expenses	(4,199)	(84,776)
Deposits	(330,305)	(38,668)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities		
Accounts payable	54,730	326,549
Accrued expenses	(38,971)	431,312
Refundable advances	(61,797)	67,004
Operating lease liability	(584,345)	(646,317)
Net cash used in operating activities	(678,326)	(202,695)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds from sales of investments	450,467	-
Purchases of investments	(24,858)	(28,363)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	425,609	(28,363)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Draws on the line of credit	1,985,000	1,000,000
Payments on line of credit	(1,000,000)	(300,000)
Repayments of finance lease liabilities	(148,488)	(155,290)
Bank overdraft	163,409	(563,616)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	999,921	(18,906)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	747,204	(249,964)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	185,076	435,040
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 932,280	\$ 185,076
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information		
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$ 77,976	\$ 50,767
Noncash investing and financing activities		
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for operating lease liabilities	\$ 1,231,496	\$ 5,307,630
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for finance lease liabilities	\$ -	\$ 595,562

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

Note 1 Nature of Organization

Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area (“LSSNCA”) is a not-for-profit organization which provides professional social services to individuals and families and assists congregations in responding to community needs through a variety of programs. These activities are funded primarily through government grants and contracts.

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

LSSNCA presents its financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenue is recognized when earned and expenses when the related liability for goods and services is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Financial Statement Presentation

GAAP requires LSSNCA to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to the following net asset classifications:

- Net assets without donor restrictions – Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the organization. Assets restricted solely through the actions of the board are reported as net assets without donor restrictions – board designated.
- Net assets with donor restrictions – Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by actions of LSSNCA or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

LSSNCA considers demand deposits and investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash and cash equivalents.

Investments and Investment Income

Investments in equities and mutual funds with readily determinable values are measured at fair value, based on quoted market prices in the statement of financial position. Donated investments are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt. Certificates of deposit are considered other investments and carried at cost. Investment income or loss (including realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments, interest, and dividends) is included in without donor restrictions unless income or loss is restricted by donor or law.

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Contract and Grant Receivables

Contract and grant receivables are generated from prime and subgrant arrangements with governmental agencies and private foundations. The provision for doubtful accounts is based on management's evaluation of the collectability of receivables. LSSNCA does not charge interest on outstanding balances.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost or at fair value if donated and are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives which range from 3 years to 25 years. LSSNCA capitalizes all property and equipment purchased with a cost of \$5,000 or more.

When an asset is sold or retired, the cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts. Maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred.

Refundable Advances

Amounts collected in advance of performing services under contracts for which the revenue has not been earned are recorded as refundable advances.

Support

Contributions received are recorded as with donor restricted or without donor restricted revenue, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

All donor-restricted revenue is reported as an increase in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose of the 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.

Government Contracts and Grants

LSSNCA has grants with U.S. Government agencies, as well as with state and local governments and private sources. Revenue from these grants is recognized as costs are incurred, on the basis of direct costs plus allowable indirect costs, subject to certain limitations based on stipulated level of effort requirements.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities of LSSNCA have been summarized on a functional basis in the accompanying statements of functional expenses. Costs that can be identified with a particular program or support function are charged directly to that program or function. LSSNCA allocates utilities, telephone and building expenses based on the square footage used by each program, and supporting services based on units of service or total program costs.

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Indirect Costs

Indirect costs are allocated to U.S. Government contracts and all other LSSNCA programs based on direct program costs.

Donated Goods

LSSNCA receives donated goods and its policy is to utilize assets given to carry out its mission. Donated goods are recorded as contributions at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. During the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, LSSNCA received and recognized \$253,187 and \$235,513, respectively, of donated household supplies that were used as part of the refugee and immigration program.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Income Taxes

LSSNCA is exempt from federal income taxes under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, LSSNCA qualifies for charitable contribution deductions and has been classified as an organization that is not a private foundation. Income which is not related to exempt purposes, less applicable deductions, is subject to federal and state corporate income taxes. LSSNCA did not have any unrelated business income for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023.

Management has analyzed the tax positions taken and has concluded that there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

Financial Risk

LSSNCA invests and manages an investment portfolio that may contain certificates of deposit, equities and mutual funds. Such investments are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market volatility and credit risks. Due to the level of risks associated with such investments and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of such investments, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in risks in the near term could materially affect investment balances and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Concentration of Credit Risk

LSSNCA maintains its cash, cash equivalents, and investment balances in accounts at two financial institutions. The balances are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) up to specified limits by each institution. At times throughout the year, the cash, cash equivalents and investment balances may exceed these limits. However, LSSNCA has not experienced any losses with respect to balances in excess of the FDIC or SIPC coverage.

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Leases

LSSNCA determines if an arrangement is a lease, or contains a lease, at inception and only reassesses its determination if the terms and conditions of the arrangement are changed. LSSNCA has elected to not recognize right-of-use (ROU) assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less at lease commencement; rather, LSSNCA recognizes lease cost associated with its short-term leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term. In addition, LSSNCA has elected to not separate lease and non-lease components and to use the rate implicit in the contract or the risk-free rate as the discount rate for all classes of underlying assets. The ROU assets represent LSSNCA's right to use the underlying assets.

Note 3 Investments

Investments consists of the following as of September 30:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Money market funds	\$ 2,462	\$ 4,481
Equities	10,648	11,443
Equity funds	-	10,619
Exchange traded funds	92,852	469,793
	<u>\$ 105,962</u>	<u>\$ 496,336</u>

Investment income, including interest and dividends, consists of the following at September 30:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Realized and unrealized gain, net	\$ 35,235	\$ 49,945
Interest and dividends, net of fees	8,301	5,729
	<u>\$ 43,536</u>	<u>\$ 55,674</u>

Note 4 Without Donor Restricted Net Assets – Board Designated

Board Designated Net Assets

The board has designated \$274,443 for the Stronger Together Centennial Investment Fund ("Centennial Fund"). The general purpose of the Centennial Fund is to help ensure the long-term financial viability of LSSNCA and to enable it to continuously carry out its mission.

Note 5 Line of Credit

LSSNCA had a line of credit in the amount of \$1,000,000. The line of credit bears interest at BSBY Daily Floating Rate (5.43% at September 30, 2023) plus 2.35%. The line of credit is secured by all inventory, including assets of LSSNCA and matured June 30, 2024. This line of credit was not renewed.

During 2024, LSSNCA entered into a line of credit in the amount of \$2,000,000. The line of credit bears interest at 8%. The line of credit is secured by all inventory, including assets of LSSNCA and matures June 30, 2025. Subsequent to year end this line of credit was extended through July 31, 2025.

Note 6 401(k) Plan

LSSNCA sponsors a 401(k) plan that covers its full-time employees. Under the plan, employees may make elective deferrals into the plan on the first of the month following the date of hire. For employees who make elective deferrals, LSSNCA may make a discretionary match. The discretionary match is calculated after the close of the plan year, which runs from July 1st to June 30th. To be eligible to receive the match, an employee must have been employed for one year and must have worked 1,000 hours.

There is a three-year vesting schedule for the employer match portion. Vesting is attained at 33 1/3% per annum for each of the three years. Contribution expense totaled \$83,657 and \$54,838 for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and is included as a component of payroll taxes and benefits on the statements of functional expenses.

Note 7 Major Grantors

LSSNCA receives a significant amount of its federal awards from three grantors. If a significant reduction in the level of this support should occur, it may have an adverse effect on LSSNCA programs.

Note 8 Risks and Contingencies

Federal Awards

LSSNCA participates in a number of federally funded programs which are subject to financial and compliance audits by federal agencies or their representatives. Management does not anticipate any significant adjustments as a result of such audits.

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

LSSNCA has acquired certain equipment for use in its programs with funding obtained as a pass-through from the Maryland Office of Refugees and Asylees (MORA) of the State of Maryland. Under the grant agreement, title of any assets purchased by LSSNCA using the funds received from MORA over \$50 will be vested in MORA, while a listing of these assets has to be submitted to MORA at the conclusion of the grant. MORA may require LSSNCA to deliver these assets to MORA. The assets purchased using these grant proceeds are included as a component of equipment on the accompanying statements of functional expenses.

Note 9 Lease Commitments

LSSNCA has operating leases for office space and financing leases for equipment. The following summarizes rent expense for the year ended September 30, 2024:

Lease expense

Amortization of ROU assets	\$ 151,193
Interest on lease liabilities	14,034
Operating lease expense	<u>1,290,153</u>

Total	<u><u>\$ 1,455,380</u></u>
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The following summarizes cash flow, remaining lease term, and discount rate information related to the leases for the year ended September 30, 2024:

Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:

Operating cash flows from finance leases (i.e. interest)	\$ 14,509
Financing cash flows from finance leases (i.e. principal portion)	\$ 148,013
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 1,147,791
Weighted-average remaining lease term in years for finance leases	2.69
Weighted-average remaining lease term in years for operating leases	4.32
Weighted-average discount rate for finance leases	3.94%
Weighted-average discount rate for operating leases	3.89%

The following schedule shows the aggregate future minimum lease payments required by year under these leases:

<u>Year Ending</u> <u>September 30,</u>	<u>Finance</u>	<u>Operating</u>
2024	\$ 137,954	\$ 1,416,744
2025	77,994	1,465,085
2026	77,994	1,372,082
2027	12,999	683,169
2028	-	460,558
Thereafter	-	373,446
Total undiscounted cash flows	<u>306,941</u>	<u>5,771,084</u>
Less: present value discount	<u>(15,157)</u>	<u>(462,620)</u>
Total lease liabilities	<u><u>\$ 291,784</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,308,464</u></u>

Note 10 Fair Value Measurement

In accordance with GAAP, LSSNCA has categorized its financial instruments, based on the priority of the inputs to the valuation technique, into a three-level fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). If the inputs used to measure the financial instruments fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the categorization is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the instrument. Investments recorded in the statement of financial position are categorized based on the inputs to the valuation technique as follows:

- Level 1 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted in an active market or exchanges for identical assets and liabilities.
- Level 2 – Significant other observable inputs, which may include, but are not limited to, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in markets that are active, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for assets and liabilities, or other market corroborated inputs.
- Level 3 – Significant unobservable inputs based on the best information available in the circumstances to the extent observable inputs are not available.

The tables below present LSSNCA's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, aggregated by the level in the fair value hierarchy within which those measurements fall:

	September 30, 2024			
	Fair Value Measurements Using			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money market funds	\$ 2,462	\$ 2,462	\$ -	\$ -
Equities	10,648	10,648	-	-
Exchange traded funds	92,852	92,852	-	-
Total investments at fair value	\$ 105,962	\$ 105,962	\$ -	\$ -

Note 10 Fair Value Measurement (continued)

	September 30, 2023			
	Total	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money market funds	\$ 4,481	\$ 4,481	\$ -	\$ -
Equities	11,443	11,443	-	-
Mutual funds	10,619	10,619	-	-
Exchange traded funds	469,793	469,793	-	-
Total investments at fair value	\$ 496,336	\$ 496,336	\$ -	\$ -

LSSNCA used the following methods and significant assumptions to estimate fair value for investments recorded at fair value:

- Money market funds – Fair value is based on the quoted daily net asset value of the invested funds. Where quoted prices are available in an active market, investments are classified as Level 1. Money market funds are traded on a major exchange and, therefore, disclosed in Level 1 of the hierarchy.
- Equities, exchange traded funds, and fixed income – Where quoted prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. Stocks and mutual funds are traded on a major exchange. Accordingly, such investments are disclosed in Level 1 of the hierarchy.
- Mutual funds – Mutual funds are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by LSSNCA are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the SEC. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price.

Note 11 Liquidity

As of September 30, 2024 and 2023, LSSNCA’s liquidity resources and financial assets available within one year for general expenditure, such as operating expenses, were as follows:

	2024	2023
Financial assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 932,280	\$ 185,076
Investments	105,962	496,336
Contract and grant receivables, net of allowance	7,310,716	6,843,048
	8,348,958	7,524,460
Less: amount not available within one year for general expenditures		
Board designated net assets	274,443	274,443
Financial assets available to meet general expenditures within one year	\$ 8,074,515	\$ 7,250,017

Note 11 Liquidity (continued)

LSSNCA has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as general expenditures, liabilities and other obligations become due. Management continually evaluates the timing of estimated collections of accounts receivable and manages cash disbursements to ensure the availability of cash to meet its operating needs. To help manage unanticipated liquidity needs, LSSNCA has a committed line of credit (Note 5). Additionally, LSSNCA has board designated net assets without donor restrictions that could be made available for current operations, if necessary, even if LSSNCA does not intend to spend these funds for purposes other than those identified.

Note 12 Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through July 7, 2025, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

In January 2025 the U.S. federal government implemented a funding freeze of federal grants and awards. Approximately \$4,000,000 of LSSNCA's grants receivable related to federal awards were subject to this funding freeze. As a result, LSSNCA terminated approximately 40 employees and furloughed an additional 20 employees in February 2025. LSSNCA ceased work on specific federal awards that were subject to the federal funding freeze. LSSNCA management has begun seeking alternative funding and new programs to focus on as a result of the federal funding freeze. Management intends on extending the line of credit (Note 5) and has implemented a plan to pay off the line of credit throughout 2025 and 2026.

Supplementary Information

Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
September 30, 2024

FEDERAL GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/PROGRAM TITLE OR CLUSTER TITLE	FEDERAL ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH IDENTIFYING NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH TO SUB- RECIPIENTS	TOTAL FEDERAL EXPENDITURES
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:				
Administration for Children and Families, Office of Refugee Resettlement Pass-through from Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services: Matching grant program	93.567	342-24-01	\$ -	<u>\$ 2,228,435</u>
Administration for Children and Families, Office of Refugee Resettlement Pass-through from Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services: Preferred Communities	93.576	90RP0124	-	1,489,649
Preferred Communities - Gap Services for Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees	93.576	354-23-00UKR	-	228,872
Preferred Communities - Intensive Care Management	93.576	354-23-00AFG	-	<u>4,450,382</u>
Total Assistance Listing 93.576				<u>6,168,903</u>
Administration for Children and Families, Office of Trafficking in Persons Pass-through from Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services: Trafficking Victim Assistance Program	93.598	90ZV0139-01-00	-	<u>48,763</u>
Administration for Children and Families, Office of Refugee Resettlement Pass-through from Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services: Residential Shelter/Transitional Foster Care for Unaccompanied Alien Children	93.676	90ZU0439-02	-	272,394
Residential Shelter/Transitional Foster Care for Unaccompanied Alien Children	93.676	358-23-01	-	476,893
Transitional Foster Care	93.676	358D-22-00	-	<u>1,322,186</u>
Total Assistance Listing 93.676				<u>2,071,473</u>
Refugee and Entrant Assistance State Administered Programs: Pass-through from the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Social Services, Office of Newcomer Services: Mentoring Youth in Virginia	93.566	CVS-24-025-02	-	58,561
Refugee Social Services Employment Program	93.566	CVS-24-025-02	-	505,929
Unaccompanied Refugee Minors	93.566	CVS-24-014	-	965,070
Refugee School Achievement Program	93.566	CVS-24-025-02	-	73,483
VRSAP, RHEO, RSS	93.566	CVS-22-112-02	-	7,840,157
Refugee Health Education and Outreach	93.566	CVS-24-025-02	-	75,739

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See accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
September 30, 2024

Pass-through from the State of Maryland, Department of Human Services, Office for New Americans:				
Refugee Support Services Supplemental Assistance	93.566	FIA/RSS-24-498	-	550,052
Pass-through from the State of Maryland, Department of Human Services, Office for Refugees and Asylees				
Refugee Transitional Cash Assistance	93.566	FIA/RTCA-24-508	-	987,531
Refugee TANF Coordination Program	93.566	FIA/RTCP-23-530	-	232,161
Afghan Support to School Impact	93.566	FIA/AS2SI-24-641	-	81,341
Extensive Case Management Program	93.566	FIA/ECMP-24-516	-	992,041
Ukrainian Refugee School Impact	93.566	FIA/URSI-23-633	-	279,740
Refugee Youth Mentoring Program	93.566	FIA/RYP-24-521	-	237,000
Ukraine Supplemental Assistance Program	93.566	FIA/USAP-24-629	-	630,288
Pass-through from the State of Maryland, Department of Health, Prevention and Health Promotion Administration, Center for Global Migration and Immigrant Health				
Immigrant Health Care Connection Services	93.566	PHPA-1946	-	250,963
Pass-through from District of Columbia Child and Family Service Agency Unaccompanied Refugee Minors	93.566	DCRL-2023	-	1,662,877
Total Assistance Listing 93.566				<u>15,422,933</u>
Administration for Children and Families LSSNCA's Love Notes Sexual Risk Avoidance EBP	93.787	90TS0094-02-00	-	141,569
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				<u>26,082,076</u>
U.S. Department of State:				
Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency Case Management Pilot Program	97.102	CWS_CMPP2023-02	36,134	646,178
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Community and Regional Integration Network Grant	97.010	#23CICIET00280		12,799
Pass-through from Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services:				
Refugee Reception and Placement Program	19.510	SPRMCO24CA0340	-	6,453,048
Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance	19.510	SPRMCO23CA0364	-	1,843,136
Total Assistance Listing 19.510				<u>8,296,184</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			<u>\$ 36,134</u>	<u>\$ 35,037,237</u>

See accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Note A Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal award activity of LSSNCA under programs of the federal government for the year ended September 30, 2024. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the 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”). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of LSSNCA, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of LSSNCA.

Note B Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

Note C Indirect Cost Rate

Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**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***

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To the Board of Directors
Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area (“LSSNCA”) (a non-profit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 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 July 7, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered LSSNCA’s internal control over financial reporting (“internal control”) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of LSSNCA’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of LSSNCA’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 LSSNCA'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 LSSNCA's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering LSSNCA's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Prager Metis CPAs, LLC

Prager Metis CPAs, LLC
Tysons Corner, Virginia
July 7, 2025

**Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on
Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance**

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Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Lutheran Social Services – National Capital Area's ("LSSNCA") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of LSSNCA's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2024. LSSNCA's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

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

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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



Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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



Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

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

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

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

Prager Metis CPAs, LLC

Prager Metis CPAs, LLC
Tysons Corner, Virginia
July 7, 2025

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of report the auditors issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP

Unmodified Opinion

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major federal programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal Programs:

Unmodified Opinion

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 2 CFR 200.516(a)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Identification of major federal program:

AL Number

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

19.510

Reception and Placement Program

93.567

Matching grant program

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs

\$1,051,117

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

None reported.

Section III - Federal Awards Findings and Questioned Costs

None reported.

Section I – Prior Year Financial Statement Findings

There were no prior financial statement audit findings.

Section II - Prior Year Federal Awards Findings and Questioned Costs

There were no prior federal awards audit findings or questioned costs.