Lawton Arts & Humanities Council

Financial Statements June 30, 2013





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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Trustees Lawton Arts and Humanities Council Lawton, Oklahoma

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Lawton Arts and Humanities Council (the Council), a component unit of the City of Lawton, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statement as listed in the table of contents for the year then ended.

Management's Responsibility 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; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that

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are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Lawton Arts and Humanities Council as of June 30, 2013, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 through 7 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 25, 2013 on our consideration of the Council'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 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 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 Council's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Rahhal Renderson Johnson, PLLC

Ardmore, Oklahoma September 25, 2013

Lawton Arts and Humanities Council Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) June 30, 2013

Our discussion and analysis of the Lawton Arts & Humanities Council's (the Council) financial position and performance provides an overview of the Council's financial activities for the fiscal year ended **June 30, 2013**

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, the Council's total net position decreased by approximately \$4,324 or 4.6% from the prior year.
- For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, the Council's operating revenue decreased by approximately \$14,688 or 9.5% from the prior year, while operating expenses increased by approximately \$9,875 or 7.3% from the prior year.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, as amended, as they relate to special purpose governments engaged only in business-type activities.

As a result, the Council's financial statements include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows that provide information about the financial activities of the Council.

ABOUT THE COUNCIL

The Lawton Arts & Humanities Council is a public trust created pursuant to the laws of the State of Oklahoma, by the City of Lawton, the trust beneficiary, to encourage, coordinate and operate cultural endeavors and activities of the City, and to promote knowledge and appreciation of the fine arts and humanities with the City and surrounding areas. The Council is considered a component unit of the City of Lawton's financial reporting entity, and has also elected to present its own annual financial statements for the component unit itself.

A FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE AUTHORITY

One of the most important questions to ask about the Council's finances is:

"Has the Council's net position increased or decreased as a result of the year's activities?"

Over time, increase or decreases in the Council's net position provide one indicator of the financial health of the Council. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position include all of the Council's assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and

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expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. The following tables provide a summary of the changes in net position over the past year to help answer the above question.

Net Position and Changes in Net Position

The following is a condensed summary of the Statement of Net Position for the year ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the prior year:

	2013	2012	% Change
Current assets	\$ 88,757	\$ 93,081	-4.6%
Capital assets, net	-0-	-0-	-0-
Total assets	88,757	93,081	-4.6%
Current liabilities	7,519	6,984	7.7%
Total liabilities	7,519	6,984	7.7%
Net Position			
Invested in capital assets	-0-	-0-	-0-
Designated for equipment replacement fund	8,491	8,000	6.1%
Undesignated	72,747	78,097	-6.9%
Total Net Position	81,238	86,097	-5.6%

There were no capital asset additions and current equipment was fully depreciated at year ended June 30, 2013. Liabilities increased in 2013 by 7.7% from the prior year due to outstanding Publications Grant and two ad sales payments for the A&E Summer 2013 Edition which were received and deposited after July 1, 2013. In addition, sponsorships and brochure ads for the 2013 festival were received and deposited prior to June 30, 2013; therefore, the income is deferred and recorded as a liability as of June 30, 2013.

The following is a brief summary of the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position for the year ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the prior year:

	2013	2012	% Change
Operating revenues	\$ 139,814	\$ 154,502	-9.5%
Operating expenses	144,673	134,798	7.3%
Net operating income	(4,859)	19,704	-124.7%
Net Position - beginning of year	86,097	66,393	29.7%
Net Position – end of year	81,238	86,097	-5.6%

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Revenues decreased by approximately \$14,688 or 9.5% and expenses increased by approximately \$9,875 or 7.3% from the prior year. Net Position decrease by 5.6% as a result of expenses exceeding revenues by \$4,859. This is in part was due to revenue for FY12-13 being received and recorded after June 30, 2013 for the Publication Grant and two ads for the summer edition of the A&E Magazine.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

Due to the nature of the Council's activities, the Council has a limited amount of capital assets. Such capital assets consist primarily of equipment. At June 30, 2013 the balance of capital assets were fully depreciated. There were no capital additions in the current year.

Long-Term Debt

The Council has no long-term debt outstanding.

BUDGET

The Council is a public trust created pursuant to 60 O.S. § 176. Such public trusts are not required to prepare a legally adopted annual budget. Therefore, the Council does not operate under legal appropriations.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S ESTIMATES

The Council will continue to sell limited ad space in each issue of the A&E Magazine. However, we do not anticipate this to have a significant effect on the financial activities or financial position of the Council for the upcoming fiscal year. The internal budget adopted for the Council for the year ending June 30, 2013 is consistent with the prior year budget.

CONTACTING THE ARTS & HUMANITIES COUNCIL

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers, taxpayers, bondholders and creditors with a general overview of the Council's finances and to show accountability for the resources it receives. Financial information for the Council is also presented in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the primary government, the City of Lawton, Oklahoma. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact The Arts & Humanities Council Office by mail at 801 NW Ferris Ave., Lawton, OK 73502 or by telephone at (580) 581-3470/3471.

Lawton Arts and Humanities Council Statement of Net Position June 30, 2013

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$ 84,065
Grant receivable	4,100
Prepaid expenses	592
Total Current Assets	88,757
Capital assets being depreciated	
Equipment	18,456
Less accumulated depreciation	(18,456)
Net capital assets being depreciated	
Total Assets	\$ 88,757
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Current Liabilities	
Grants payable	\$ 1,750
Deferred event income	\$ 5,769
Total Current Liabilities	7,519
Net Position	
Designated for equipment replacement fund	8,491
Unrestricted, available for general activities	72,747
Total net assets	\$ 81,238
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 88,757

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

Lawton Arts and Humanities Council Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

OPERATING REVENUES	
Special events	\$ 50,543
Contributions	95
Contributions in-kind	63,821
Grant revenue	23,334
Reimbursements from City of Lawton	2,021
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 139,814
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Direct program expenditures	\$ 134,632
Office expense	 10,041
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 144,673
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$ (4,859)
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	 86,097
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ 81,238

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

Lawton Arts and Humanities Council Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Receipts from Customers	\$ 113,167
Receipts from Grantors	23,334
Payments to Vendors	(132,998)
Payments to the City of Lawton	(11,675)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (8,172)
NET CHANGE IN CASH	(8,172)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 92,237
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 84,065
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATION INCOME TO NET CASH	
PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Operating income	\$ (4,859)
Changes in assets and liabilities	
Grant Receivable	(3,850)
Prepaid Expenses	2
Grant Payable	1,750
Accrued Expenses	 (1,215)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	\$ (8,172)

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

NOTE 1 - PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Operations

The Lawton Arts and Humanities Council (the Council) is a public trust established pursuant to a Trust Indenture, as amended, which was originally adopted in April 1969. Under the Trust Indenture, the Council was created to benefit the City of Lawton. The Trust Indenture was last amended in 2003, with the approval of the City Council of the City of Lawton. The purpose of the Council is to encourage and coordinate cultural endeavors and activities, and to promote knowledge and appreciation of the fine arts and humanities in the City of Lawton, Oklahoma and the surrounding areas. The Council coordinates an annual International Festival and a variety of other programs, performances and special events with grant assistance from the Oklahoma Arts Council to further their endeavor.

The Council operates out of a facility owned and maintained by the City of Lawton (the City). All significant costs of operating and managing the facility are paid for by the City. Such costs are not included in these financial statements. Therefore, these financial statements are not intended to represent a complete presentation of the results of operations of the facility.

Management has applied the criteria set forth in Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, and has determined that the Council is a component unit of the City. The Council is financially dependent upon the City and the governing board of the City appoints the board of trustees to the Council.

Basis of Accounting

The Council accounts for its activities within a proprietary fund type. The Council's activities meet the definition of an enterprise fund because it is the intent of the Council to recover, primarily through grants and vendor fees, the reimbursements and costs of providing goods or services to the general public.

The proprietary fund type is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statement of net position. Proprietary fund operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total assets. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by the proprietary fund. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

NOTE 1 - PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Receivables

Accounts receivable includes a grant which was awarded on a reimbursement basis prior to yearend. The funds have been expended by the Council and reimbursement has been requested. This grant is typically the only outstanding receivable of the Council and is considered fully collectible.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Interest bearing checking accounts and certificates of deposit with maturities of less than three months are included in cash on the Council's financial statements.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles includes the use of estimates that affect the financial statements. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

In-Kind Donations

In-kind donations include contributions of noncash items such as services, property, or equipment. In-kind donations that can be used internally or sold are measured at fair value. During the year, the Council received \$63,821 in donated supplies, materials and services that were used in carrying out their programs. The revenue related to these in-kind donations has been recorded in the financial statements as Contributions in-kind and the expense has been recorded as direct program expenditures on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net position.

Capital Assets

The cost of capital assets over \$1,000 are capitalized and depreciated over the estimated useful life of the related asset. These assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the useful lives ranging from five to seven years.

Income Taxes

The Council does not pay income taxes due to its exemption as a municipal entity.

NOTE 1 - PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Budgetary Comparisons

The Council is not legally required to adopt a budget. Therefore, budget comparison information is not included in the Council's financial statements.

Fund Balance Disclosure

The Council implemented the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions* (GASBS No. 54) in 2011, as required. The purpose of GASB No. 54 is to improve the consistency and usefulness of the fund balance information to the financial user. The statement establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the organization is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in the funds can be spent.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Council's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources (committed, assigned, and unassigned) as they are needed.

The Council classifies net position in the proprietary fund financial statements as follows:

• **Net Investment in Capital Assets** includes the Council's capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) reduced by the outstanding balances of bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

• **Restricted Net Position** includes assets that have third-party (statutory, bond covenant, or granting agency) limitations on their use. The Council typically uses restricted assets first, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively defer the use until a future project.

• Unrestricted Net Position typically includes unrestricted liquid assets. The Council's board has the Council to revisit or alter this designation.

NOTE 2 – PROGRAMS

Program revenues and direct program expenditures consist of the following for the year ended June 30, 2013:

		An	nerican			Perf	ormance	1 00	in the second	-			Total
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\$	109,771	\$	3,217	\$	8,403	\$	8,619	\$	9,708	\$	-	\$	139,718
	119,368		2,639		4,151		3,848		4,278		349		134,632
	(9,597)		578		4,252		4,771		5,430		(349)		5,086
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NOTE 3 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Included in Direct Program Expenditures are payments to the City that represent reimbursements to the City for Council expenditures paid directly by the City because certain grant funds had not been received by the Council at the time the event occurred. Reimbursements to the City consist of the following for the year ended June 30, 2013:

International Festival	\$ 6,125	
Native American Prgram	1,000	
Children's Art Studio	1,500	
Student Performance	1,300	
Publications	 1,750	
Total City Reimbursements	\$ 11,675	

NOTE 4 - GRANT REVENUE

Grants were awarded by the Oklahoma Arts Council for all fiscal year 2013 programs. Grant revenue consists of the following for the year ended June 30, 2013:

International Festival	\$ 12,250
Native American Prgram	2,000
Children's Art Studio	3,000
Student Performance	2,584
Publications	3,500
Total Grant Revenue	\$ 23,334

NOTE 5 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Council receives its resources primarily from sources within Comanche County. Consequently, the Council's ability to operate as a going concern is dependent on the economic conditions of this area.

NOTE 6 - CUSTODIAL CREDIT RISK

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Council's deposits may not be returned to it. State law requires collateral for all deposits not covered by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Insurance. At June 30, 2013, the Council was not exposed to custodial credit risk.

NOTE 7-DESIGNATED FUNDS

The Council's Board of Trustees has designated \$8,491 for the Council's equipment replacement fund. This money has been designated and is not restricted.

NOTE 8- CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2013 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Equipment	\$ 18,456	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,456
Total capital assets being depreciated:	18,456			18,456
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Equipment	\$ (18,456)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (18,456)
Total accumulated depreciation	(18,456)			(18,456)
Total capital assets being depreciated	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

NOTE ; - NEW GASB STANDARD

In Fiscal year 2013, the Council implemented GASB Statement 63, *Reporting Deferred Outflows*, *Deferred Inflows, and Net Position*. This statement includes a title change from the "Statement of Net Assets" to "Statement of Net Position", requires deferred outflows to be reported in a separate section after assets, deferred inflows reported as a separate section after liabilities. Only those items specifically defined by GASB may be reported as deferred outflows or inflows. The only effect on the financial statements for the Council was the change in terminology "net assets" to "net position".



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 Trustees Lawton Arts and Humanities Council Lawton, Oklahoma

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 Lawton Arts and Humanities Council as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and have issued our report thereon dated September 25, 2013.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing out audit of the financial statements, we considered Lawton Arts and Humanities Council internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurance all deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses have been identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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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. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as 2013-1 to be a material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Lawton Arts and Humanities Council'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 an instance of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2013-2.

Lawton Arts and Humanities Council's Response to Findings

The Council's response to findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. We did not audit the Council's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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.

Rahhal Rlenderson Johnson, PLLC

Ardmore, Oklahoma September 25, 2013

Lawton Arts and Humanities Council Schedule of Findings and Responses June 30, 2013

2013-1 Preparation of financial statements and related material adjustments

Condition – The trial balance provided for the year-end financial reporting did not include all final journal entries.

Criteria – The development and implementation of a year-end financial reporting control system is the responsibility of management. Management should have a process in place to ensure that the trial balance used in the financial statement preparation process is final, contains all valid journal entries made, and is in balance

Cause – Current procedures do not incorporate all the necessary controls to ensure the trial balance is complete.

Effect – Material adjusting entries were necessary to record and adjust in-kind donations, accruals, and fund balance.

Recommendation – We recommend the Council's members to evaluate and weigh the cost against the benefits of enhancing the year-end financial reporting process through the hiring of an external consultant to assist in the process of ensuring the trial balance is complete and that the disclosures are accurate.

Management Response – Management will thoroughly review the financial statements, notes, and supporting schedules and compare to a current disclosure checklist prior to issuance of financial statements.

2013-2 Receipt and deposit compliance

Condition – Cash receipts are not being deposited within 1 business day.

Criteria – Title 62 Section 517.3 of Oklahoma state statues require the treasurer of every public entity shall deposit daily not later than the immediately next banking day, all funds, in either state or county depositories within Oklahoma.

Context – 17 of 25 cash receipts tested were not deposited within 1 business day of receipt

Cause – Historically receipts for events to be held in the future have been held and deposited in the year that the event occurs. New procedures were implemented midyear during fiscal year 2011 to be incompliance with state laws. However, the procedures were not consistently applied.

Effect – Deposits were not made within state statute requirements.

Recommendation - We recommend that LAHC continue to develop and enforce policies and

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procedures to ensure deposits are made in a timely manner.

Management Response – Management will continue to improve procedures to be in compliance with state laws.