# Louisiana Educational Television Authority Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting

**Combined Annual Financial Report** 

June 30, 2024

*With Comparative Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2023* 

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# **Independent Auditor's Report**

To Management of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority Baton Rouge, Louisiana

## **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, and each major fund of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority, a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Louisiana Educational Television Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, and each major fund of Louisiana Educational Television Authority as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting, Inc. (the "Affiliate"), a nonprofit organization, which represents 1 percent, 1 percent, and 12 percent, respectively, of the combined assets, combined net position, and combined revenues as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Affiliate, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

## **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Louisiana Educational Television Authority, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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## **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 Louisiana Educational Television Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Louisiana Educational Television Authority'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 Louisiana Educational Television Authority'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.

### **Report on Summarized Comparative Information**

We have previously audited Louisiana Educational Television Authority's 2023 combined financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated January 14, 2025. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023 is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statement from which it has been derived.

## **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis; schedule of budgetary comparison – general fund; schedule of employer's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability; schedule of employer's proportionate share of net pension liability; and schedule of employer's pension contributions 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.

### **Supplementary and Other Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the combined financial statements of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority. The accompanying combining statement of functional expenditures, schedule of direct revenues, schedule of expenses, and revenue reconciliation are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

The combining statement of functional expenditures, schedule of direct revenues, schedule of expenses, and revenue reconciliation is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic combined financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic combined financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the combined financial statements or to the combined financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic combined financial statements as a whole.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 14, 2025, on our consideration of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority'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 Louisiana Educational Television Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

## **Restriction of Use**

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Louisiana Educational Television Authority and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Covington, Louisiana January 14, 2025

Management's Discussion and Analysis

## Introduction

The Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority ("LETA") presents a narrative overview and analysis of LETA's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2024. This section focuses on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts in comparison with the prior year's information.

As with other sections of this financial report, the information contained within this MD&A should be considered only a part of a greater whole. The readers of this statement should take time to read and evaluate all sections of this report, including the footnotes and the supplementary information that is provided in addition to the MD&A.

## **Financial Highlights**

The following financial highlights are derived from the financial statements included in this report and provide an overview into the financial status of LETA.

- LETA's liabilities exceeded assets at June 30, 2024 by \$17,773,748. Total assets decreased by \$3,844,211, approximately 46%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
- Capital assets acquired by LETA are not included in the accompanying financial statements, since LETA acts only as a custodian of these assets and title actually rests with the State of Louisiana.
- LETA had no debt instruments (notes payables or bonds) in the current fiscal year.

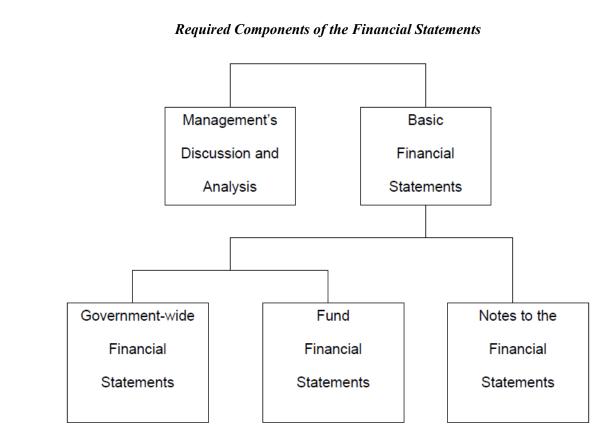
In addition to the information contained in this report that directly reflects LETA's financial status, a component unit, the Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting (the "Foundation") is also shown.

- Foundation's assets exceeded liabilities at June 30, 2024 by \$58,028,049. Total assets increased by \$4,342,559 from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
- The Foundation's net results from activities (change in net position) increased by \$4,905,203 from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

## **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to LETA's basic financial statements. LETA's basic financial statements consist of three components: government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements.

The basic financial statements present two different views of LETA through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of LETA.



### **Basic Financial Statements**

The first two statements in the basic financial statements are the government-wide financial statements. They provide both short and long-term information about LETA's financial status. The next statements are fund financial statements. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of LETA's operations and provide more detail than the government-wide statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the notes to financial statements. The notes to financial statements explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, supplemental information is provided to show greater details on LETA's operations. Budgetary information can be found in this part of the statements.

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of LETA's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about LETA's financial status as a whole.

The statement of net position presents the current and long-term portions of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. This may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of LETA is improving or deteriorating. The statement of activities presents information showing how LETA's net position changed as a result of current year operations. Regardless of when cash is affected, all changes in net position are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, there are transactions included that will not affect cash until future fiscal periods.

### Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at LETA's most significant activities. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. LETA, like all other governmental entities, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or noncompliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or LETA's budget requirements. LETA's fund financial statements consist of only governmental funds.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

The notes to financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

#### **Other Information**

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required and other supplementary information as listed in the table of contents.

### **Financial Analysis of the Entity**

#### Louisiana Educational Television Authority

The following is a condensed Statement of Net Position for LETA at June 30, 2024 with comparative amounts at June 30, 2023:

	2024	2023	Variance	% Variance
Assets				
Current assets	\$ 3,481,886	\$ 6,886,655	\$ (3,404,769)	-49.44%
Noncurrent assets	982,443	1,421,885	(439,442)	-30.91%
	4,464,329	8,308,540	(3,844,211)	-46.27%
Deferred outflows of resources	3,698,136	4,437,652	(739,516)	-16.66%
	\$ 8,162,465	\$ 12,746,192	\$ (4,583,727)	-35.96%
Liabilities				
Current liabilities	\$ 2,168,665	\$ 1,868,293	\$ 300,372	16.08%
Noncurrent liabilities	20,069,412	20,996,653	(927,241)	-4.42%
	22,238,077	22,864,946	(626,869)	-2.74%
Deferred inflows of resources	2,000,183	3,238,048	(1,237,865)	-38.23%
Net Position				
Net investment in capital assets	(10,985)	(6,413)	(4,572)	-71.29%
Restricted for capital projects	1,499,767	2,150,607	(650,840)	-30.26%
Unrestricted	(17,564,577)	(15,500,996)	(2,063,581)	-13.31%
	(16,075,795)	(13,356,802)	(2,718,993)	-20.36%
	\$ 8,162,465	\$ 12,746,192	\$ (4,583,727)	-35.96%

Restricted net position represents amounts that are not available for spending as a result of legislative requirements. Conversely, unrestricted net position represents amounts that do not have any limitations on how it may be spent.

Current assets decreased by \$3,404,769, approximately 49%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 due primarily from a decrease in cash since LETA incurred significant costs associated with capital projects. From June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 noncurrent assets decreased by \$439,442, approximately 31% due to the amortization of right to use assets.

From June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 deferred outflows of resources decreased by \$739,516, approximately 17%, due to changes in LETA's pension plan and other post-employment benefits plan valuations.

	2024	2023	Variance	% Variance	
Revenues					
Program revenues					
Charges for services	\$ 1,476,368	\$ 1,254,745	\$ 221,623	17.66%	
General revenues					
State appropriations	9,727,952	8,708,678	1,019,274	11.70%	
State appropriation - pension					
contribution	587,783	-	587,783	100.00%	
Support from component unit	1,278,822	644,377	634,445	98.46%	
	13,070,925	10,607,800	2,463,125	23.22%	
Expenses					
Program services	8,631,395	7,569,826	1,061,569	14.02%	
Management and general	1,456,094	1,231,785	224,309	18.21%	
	10,087,489	8,801,611	1,285,878	14.61%	
	2,983,436	1,806,189	1,177,247	65.18%	
Funds rescinded by the State	(1,428,894)	(726,429)	702,465	96.70%	
Change in net position	1,554,542	1,079,760	474,782	43.97%	
Capital assets purchased for					
the benefit of the State of LA	(4,273,535)	(2,796,549)	1,476,986	52.81%	
Net position, beginning of year	(13,356,802)	(11,640,013)	(1,716,789)	-14.75%	
Net position, end of year	\$(16,075,795)	\$(13,356,802)	\$ (2,718,993)	-20.36%	

The following is a condensed Statement of Activities for LETA for the year ended June 30, 2024 with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2023:

LETA's total revenues increased by \$2,463,125, approximately 23%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 due primarily from an increase in state appropriations. Operating expenses increased by \$1,285,878, approximately 15%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 due primarily from increased spending on capital projects.

### Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting

The following is a condensed Statement of Net Position for the Component Unit at June 30, 2024 with comparative amounts at June 30, 2023:

	2024	2023	Variance	% Variance	
Assets	¢ 59 127 020	¢ 52 705 280	¢ 4 2 4 2 5 5 0	0.070/	
Current assets	\$ 58,137,939	\$ 53,795,380	\$ 4,342,559	8.07%	
Liabilities					
Current liabilities	\$ 109,890	\$ 169,191	\$ (59,301)	-35.05%	
<b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>	-	503,343	(503,343)	-100.00%	
Net Position					
Restricted	249,143	-	249,143	100.00%	
Unrestricted	57,778,906	53,122,846	4,656,060	8.76%	
	58,028,049	53,122,846	4,905,203	9.23%	
	\$ 58,137,939	\$ 53,795,380	\$ 4,845,902	8.07%	

Restricted net position represents resources that are not available for spending as a result of grant or debt requirements. Conversely, unrestricted net position are resources that do not have any limitations on how these amounts may be spent.

Current assets increased by \$4,342,559, approximately 8%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024. The primary reason for the change is an increase in investments and endowment investments.

Current liabilities decreased by \$59,301, approximately 35%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 due primarily from a decrease in unearned underwriting revenues.

Deferred inflows of resources decreased by \$503,343, 100%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 as a result of the grant funds being received during the current fiscal year. \$249,143 of those funds are reported as restricted net position since the grant requirements have not been fully met at June 30, 2024.

The following is a condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position for the Component Unit for the year ended June 30, 2024 with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2023:

	2024	2023	Variance	% Variance
Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 1,308,737	\$ 2,057,521	\$ (748,784)	-36.39%
Operating grants	3,649,469	2,546,950	1,102,519	43.29%
Financial support from Affiliate	1,313,220	1,422,903	(109,683)	-7.71%
Investment returns (losses)	4,820,537	3,370,440	1,450,097	43.02%
Endowment returns (losses)	657,346	459,606	197,740	43.02%
	11,749,309	9,857,420	1,891,889	19.19%
Expenses				
Program services	4,595,970	4,512,276	83,694	1.85%
Management and general	715,114	702,449	12,665	1.80%
Support to LETA	1,278,822	644,377	634,445	98.46%
Grant to subrecipient	254,200	197,000	57,200	29.04%
	6,844,106	6,056,102	730,804	13.01%
Change in net position	4,905,203	3,801,318	1,161,085	29.04%
Net position, beginning of year	53,122,846	49,321,528	3,801,318	7.71%
Net position, end of year	\$ 58,028,049	\$ 53,122,846	\$ 4,962,403	9.23%

The Foundation's charges for services decreased by \$748,784, approximately 36%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 primarily from a decrease in projects and local productions.

Investment and endowment investment returns increased by a total of \$1,647,837, approximately 43%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 primarily from improved market conditions during the current fiscal year.

Capital assets are transferred from the Foundation to LETA at year-end and reported as "financial support transferred to LETA" since all capital assets are carried by the State of Louisiana. Support paid to LETA increased by \$634,445, approximately 98%, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024 primarily from an increase in broadcasting equipment and building assets being transferred to LETA.

### **Right to Use Assets**

As of June 30, 2024, LETA had \$982,443, net of accumulated amortization, invested in right to use assets to be used for television broadcasting. The following is a summary of right to use assets at June 30, 2024 with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2023:

	 2024	 2023	 Variance	% Variance		
Broadcasting equipment	\$ 982,443	\$ 1,421,885	\$ (439,442)	-30.91%		

The decrease in right to use assets is caused from the amortization of the right to use assets.

### **Noncurrent Liabilities**

As of June 30, 2024, LETA had \$992,821 of lease obligations outstanding. The following is a summary of lease obligations at June 30, 2024 with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2023:

	2024		 2023 Variance			% Variance		
Lease obligations	\$	992,821	\$ 1,427,545	\$	(434,724)	-30.45%		

The decrease in lease obligations is caused from LETA making the contractually required monthly principal payments on the three leases in effect during the current fiscal year.

## **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

For the year ended June 30, 2024, revenues on the budgetary basis exceeded expenses by \$692,154. The revenue balance consists of state appropriations of \$3,400,119 carried forward from the 2023 fiscal year and includes \$926,080 of state appropriations to be carried forward to the 2025 fiscal year to cover costs associated with building and transmittal tower repairs and maintenance.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, expenses on the budgetary basis exceeded revenues by \$58,442. The revenue balance consists of state appropriations carried forward from the 2022 fiscal year and includes \$3,400,119 state appropriations to be carried forward to the 2024 fiscal year to cover costs associated with building and transmittal tower repairs and maintenance.

## Factors Considered in the Development of Next Year's Budget and Goals

LETA's officials considered the following factors and indicators when setting next year's budget, establishing fiscal year goals, and addressing other issues that will impact LETA's operations. Included among the factors considered were:

- A fundamental shift in the broadcasting environment requiring new digital distributions.
- An increase in LETA's self-generated and IAT revenue budget appropriation with continued reliance on production projects for basic state operating budget.
- LETA's dedicated staff continues to shoulder increasing responsibilities as the staff has been reduced by 15% over the past 10 years from 71 employees in fiscal year 2014 to the current full-time staff of 60.
- Continued partnership with the Office of the Secretary of State to expand the Louisiana Digital Media Archive, a library of Louisiana's historical media collection.
- Continued work with the Louisiana Department of Transportation's Storm Water Campaign to educate the public about ways to protect our environment.
- Continued commitment to LETA's educational initiatives through an increased number of partnerships with Louisiana Department of Education and other statewide and local community entities.
- Continued partnership with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) to enhance GOHSEP's education and training programs and to expand community outreach and public awareness related to hurricane preparedness and other emergency situations.
- LETA will focus on a redundant Network Infrastructure Backup plan that will allow the uninterrupted delivery of our programming signal statewide. This will allow LETA to continue to deliver critical emergency information to the public such as the Governor's live press conferences during emergency events.
- In 2023 LETA was legislatively tasked with performing additional duties with the enactment of R.S. 17:2508, which established the Imagination Library of Louisiana under the administration of LETA, for the purpose of developing, implementing, promoting, and fostering a comprehensive statewide initiative for encouraging literacy in children from birth to five years of age.

## **Contacting the Louisiana Educational Television Authority**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of LETA's finances and to show LETA's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, please contact:

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# Louisiana Educational Television Authority Combined Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024 With Summarized Totals as of June 30, 2023

					Memorandum Only			
	Primary Government	5 1		Affiliate Total		Combined	2023 Combined	
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Current Assets	¢ 1.055.047	¢ 2,002,042	¢ 427.401	¢ 5 277 201	¢	¢ 5 277 201	¢ 7.040.020	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,955,947	\$ 2,993,943	\$ 427,401	\$ 5,377,291	\$ -	\$ 5,377,291	\$ 7,040,929 2,150,607	
Cash restricted for capital projects	1,499,767	-	-	1,499,767	-	1,499,767	2,150,607	
Certificates of deposit	-	-	136,231	136,231	-	136,231	133,742	
Investments	-	47,845,425	-	47,845,425	-	47,845,425	44,696,889	
Endowment investments	-	6,524,376	-	6,524,376	-	6,524,376	6,095,030	
Accounts receivable, net	22,554	14,292	-	36,846	-	36,846	132,811	
Grants and contributions receivable, net	-	300,343	32,274	332,617	-	332,617	580,385	
Due from related party	-	290,488	-	290,488	(290,488)	-	-	
Cost of programs not yet broadcast	-	169,072	-	169,072	-	169,072	133,711	
Prepaid expenses	3,618		500	4,118		4,118	34,829	
	3,481,886	58,137,939	596,406	62,216,231	(290,488)	61,925,743	60,998,933	
Noncurrent Assets								
Right to use assets, net	982,443	-	-	982,443	-	982,443	1,421,885	
Capital assets, net	-	-	22,997	22,997	-	22,997	25,501	
	982,443	-	22,997	1,005,440	-	1,005,440	1,447,386	
	4,464,329	58,137,939	619,403	63,221,671	(290,488)	62,931,183	62,446,319	
Deferred Outflows of Resources								
Deferred outflows related to pension plan	2,186,996	-	-	2,186,996	-	2,186,996	2,856,693	
Deferred outflows related to OPEB plan	1,511,140	-	-	1,511,140	-	1,511,140	1,580,959	
	3,698,136	-	-	3,698,136	-	3,698,136	4,437,652	
	\$ 8,162,465	\$ 58,137,939	\$ 619,403	\$ 66,919,807	\$ (290,488)	\$ 66,629,319	\$ 66,883,971	

# Louisiana Educational Television Authority Combined Statement of Net Position *(Continued)* June 30, 2024 With Summarized Totals as of June 30, 2023

					Memorandum Only		
	Primary Government	Component Unit	Affiliate	Total	Intercompany Eliminations	Combined	2023 Combined
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOW							
<b>RESOURCES, AND NET POSITIC</b>	N						
Current Liabilities							
Accounts payable	\$ 182,958	\$ 27,577	\$ 45,503	\$ 256,038	\$ -	\$ 256,038	\$ 842,993
Accrued salaries and wages	117,098	-	1,858	118,956	-	118,956	114,894
Accrued interest payable	607	-	-	607	-	607	753
Due to related party	47,456	-	243,032	290,488	(290,488)	-	-
Unearned revenues	837,258	82,313	20,500	940,071	-	940,071	131,609
Lease obligations, current	436,485	-	-	436,485	-	436,485	434,724
Accrued compensated absences	32,782	-	47,807	80,589	-	80,589	74,633
Other postemployment benefit liability, current	514,021	-	-	514,021	-	514,021	458,450
	2,168,665	109,890	358,700	2,637,255	(290,488)	2,346,767	2,058,056
Noncurrent Liabilities							
Lease obligations	556,336	-	-	556,336	-	556,336	992,821
Accrued compensated absences	376,989	-	-	376,989	-	376,989	409,738
Pension liability	10,448,397	-	-	10,448,397	-	10,448,397	11,394,118
Other postemployment benefit liability	8,687,690	-	-	8,687,690	-	8,687,690	8,199,976
	20,069,412	-		20,069,412	-	20,069,412	20,996,653
	22,238,077	109,890	358,700	22,706,667	(290,488)	22,416,179	23,054,709
Deferred Inflows of Resources	, ,			,,	( , )	, , .,	- ) )
Deferred inflows related to pension plan	32,828	-	-	32,828	-	32,828	261,375
Deferred inflows related to OPEB plan	1,967,355	-	-	1,967,355	-	1,967,355	2,976,673
Deferred inflows related to grants	-,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	-	-	-,, -,,	-	-,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	503,343
	2,000,183			2,000,183		2,000,183	3,741,391
Net Position	_,,			_,,100		_,,.00	-,,
Net investment in capital assets	(10,985)	-	-	(10,985)	-	(10,985)	(6,413)
Restricted	1,499,767	249,143	-	1,748,910	-	1,748,910	2,150,607
Unrestricted	(17,564,577)	57,778,906	260,703	40,475,032	-	40,475,032	37,943,677
	(16,075,795)	58,028,049	260,703	42,212,957		42,212,957	40,087,871
					¢ (200.499)		
	\$ 8,162,465	\$ 58,137,939	\$ 619,403	\$ 66,919,807	\$ (290,488)	\$ 66,629,319	\$ 66,883,971

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.* 

# Louisiana Educational Television Authority Combined Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2024 With Summarized Totals for the Year Ended June 30, 2023

								1	Memorandum On	ly	
		]	Program Revenue	es	Primary Govt.	Component Unit	Affiliate				
					Net Revenue	Net Revenue	Net Revenue				
			Operating	Capital	(Expense) and	(Expense) and	(Expense) and				
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Changes in	Changes in	Changes in		Intercompany		2023
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Net Assets	Net Assets	Net Assets	Total	Eliminations	Combined	Combined
Primary Government											
Programming and production	\$ 3,878,738	\$ 349,973	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,528,765)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,528,765)	\$ -	\$ (3,528,765)	\$ (2,437,817)
Broadcasting	4,373,958	476,395	-	-	(3,897,563)	-	-	(3,897,563)	(304,030)	(4,201,593)	(3,639,946)
Program information	378,699	650,000	-	-	271,301	-	-	271,301	-	271,301	(345,637)
Management and general	1,456,094	-	-	-	(1,456,094)	-	-	(1,456,094)	-	(1,456,094)	(1,231,785)
	10,087,489	1,476,368	-	-	(8,611,121)	-	-	(8,611,121)	(304,030)	(8,915,151)	(7,655,185)
Component Unit	6,844,106	1,308,737	3,649,469	-		(1,885,900)		(1,885,900)	1,552,476	(333,424)	(729,311)
Affiliate	3,192,721		3,129,017				(63,704)	(63,704)	1,343,596	1,279,892	1,369,382
General Revenues											
State appropriations					10,315,735	-	-	10,315,735	-	10,315,735	8,708,678
Financial support from related p	party				1,278,822	1,313,220	-	2,592,042	(2,592,042)		-
Interest and investment earnings	•					4,820,537	2,580	4,823,117	(2,0)2,0(2)	4,823,117	3,371,081
Interest and investment earnings					-	657,346	_,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	657,346	-	657,346	459,606
					11,594,557	6,791,103	2,580	18,388,240	(2,592,042)	15,796,198	12,539,365
					2,983,436	4,905,203	(61,124)	7,827,515		7,827,515	5,524,251
Funds rescinded by the State of	Louisiana				(1,428,894)	-	-	(1,428,894)	-	(1,428,894)	(726,429)
Increase (decrease) in net posi					1,554,542	4,905,203	(61,124)	6,398,621		6,398,621	4,797,822
Capital assets purchased for the		ate of Louisiana	L		(4,273,535)	-	-	(4,273,535)	-	(4,273,535)	(2,796,549)
Net position, beginning of year					(13,356,802)	53,122,846	321,827	40,087,871	-	40,087,871	38,086,598
Net position, end of year					\$ (16,075,795)	\$ 58,028,049	\$ 260,703	\$ 42,212,957	\$ -	\$ 42,212,957	\$ 40,087,871
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Fund Financial Statements

# Louisiana Educational Television Authority Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds June 30, 2024 With Comparative Amounts as of June 30, 2023

		2024						2023					
		General Fund		1		Total Funds		General Fund		Capital Projects Fund		Total Funds	
ASSETS													
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Prepaid lease	\$	1,955,947 22,554 3,618	\$	1,499,767 - -	\$	3,455,714 22,554 3,618	\$	4,667,765 42,966 25,317	\$	2,150,607	\$	6,818,372 42,966 25,317	
	\$	1,982,119	\$	1,499,767	\$	3,481,886	\$	4,736,048	\$	2,150,607	\$	6,886,655	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BA Current Liabilities Accounts payable Accrued salaries payable Due to component unit Due to LA Department of Treasury	\$	CES 182,958 117,098 47,456 <u>837,258</u> 1,184,770	\$	- - - -	\$	182,958 117,098 47,456 837,258 1,184,770	\$	760,743 111,131 	\$	- - - -	\$	760,743 111,131 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	
Fund Balances		1,104,770				1,104,770		<i>J</i> 50,750				,750,750	
Restricted		-		1,499,767		1,499,767		-		2,150,607		2,150,607	
Unassigned		797,349		-		797,349		3,797,312		-		3,797,312	
		797,349		1,499,767		2,297,116		3,797,312		2,150,607		5,947,919	
	\$	1,982,119	\$	1,499,767	\$	3,481,886	\$	4,736,048	\$	2,150,607	\$	6,886,655	

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## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Combined Statement of Net Position For the Year Ended June 30, 2024 With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	2024		2023	
Total fund balances as reflected on the governmental funds balance sheet	\$	2,297,116	\$	5,947,919
Right to use assets / leases used in the governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet				
Right to use assets, net of amortization		982,443		1,421,885
Contributions to the pension and OPEB plans in the current fiscal year and changes in assumptions and other inputs resulting from the plans' valuations are deferred outflows of resources on the statement of net position		3,698,136		4,437,652
Changes in assumptions and other inputs resulting from the pension and OPEB plans' valuations are deferred inflows of resources on the statement of net position		(2,000,183)		(3,238,048)
Liabilities that are not due and payable in the current period are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet; however, the liabilities are recorded in the combined statement of net position.				
Accrued interest payable		(607)		(753)
Lease obligations		(992,821)		(1,427,545)
Accrued compensated absences		(409,771)		(445,368)
Pension liability		(10,448,397)		(11,394,118)
Other postemployment benefits obligation		(9,201,711)		(8,658,426)
Net position as reflected on the statement of net position	\$	(16,075,795)	\$	(13,356,802)

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2024 With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	2024			2023				
	General Fund	CapitalTotalGeneralProjects FundFundsFund			Capital Projects Fund	Total Funds		
Revenues								
State appropriations	\$ 9,727,952	\$ -	\$ 9,727,952	\$ 8,708,678	\$ -	\$ 8,708,678		
Financial support from component unit	1,278,822	-	1,278,822	644,377	-	644,377		
Fees for services	999,973	-	999,973	677,716	-	677,716		
Lease and rental revenues	476,395	-	476,395	577,029	-	577,029		
	12,483,142	-	12,483,142	10,607,800		10,607,800		
Expenditures								
Programming and production	5,602,069	246,018	5,848,087	3,416,303	-	3,416,303		
Broadcasting	6,292,291	273,353	6,565,644	7,242,544	-	7,242,544		
Program information	570,180	27,335	597,515	379,056	-	379,056		
Management and general	2,177,454	104,134	2,281,588	1,349,222	32	1,349,254		
	14,641,994	650,840	15,292,834	12,387,125	32	12,387,157		
Excess(deficiency) of revenues over		<u>`</u>	· · ·			· · · · ·		
expenditures	(2,158,852)	(650,840)	(2,809,692)	(1,779,325)	(32)	(1,779,357)		
Other Financing Sources(Uses)								
State appropriation - pension allocation	587,783	-	587,783	-	-	-		
Funds rescinded by the state	(1,428,894)	-	(1,428,894)	(726,429)	-	(726,429)		
	(841,111)	-	(841,111)	(726,429)		(726,429)		
Change in fund balances	(2,999,963)	(650,840)	(3,650,803)	(2,505,754)	(32)	(2,505,786)		
Fund balances, beginning of year	3,797,312	2,150,607	5,947,919	6,303,066	2,150,639	8,453,705		
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 797,349	\$ 1,499,767	\$ 2,297,116	\$ 3,797,312	\$ 2,150,607	\$ 5,947,919		

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## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Combined Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2024 With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	2024		2023	
Increase (decrease) in fund balances as shown on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances	\$	(3,650,803)	\$ (2,505,786)	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. In the combined statement of activities, the cost of these assets should be allocated over the estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. However, Louisiana Educational Television Authority is only the custodian of these assets and the State of Louisiana is the owner. Neither the capital assets nor the depreciation expense are recorded in these financial statements.				
Capital assets purchased for the benefit of the State of Louisiana		4,273,535	2,796,549	
Governmental funds report the acquisition of right to use assets / leases as expenditures when lease expenses are incurred. On the statement of activities, the costs of these leases are reported as assets and allocated over the life of the lease as amortization expense.				
Change in right to use assets / leases		(439,442)	(439,442)	
Principal payments made on leases		434,724	432,606	
Change in accrued interest on leases		146	146	
Some expenses reported in the combined statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources; therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds:				
Change in accrued compensated absences		35,597	(27,626)	
Change in pension liability		945,721	(3,438,892)	
Change in other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability Changes in deferred outflows of resources related to the		(543,285)	2,944,402	
pension and OPEB plans		(739,516)	1,224,856	
Changes in deferred inflows of resources related to the				
pension and OPEB plans		1,237,865	 92,947	
Increase in net position as reflected				
on the statement of activities	\$	1,554,542	\$ 1,079,760	

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## 1. History and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### Organization

The Louisiana Educational Television Authority ("LETA") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana's executive branch. LETA is supervised by its members as provided in Louisiana Revised Statutes 17:2503.C. LETA is charged statutorily with making the benefits of educational and public television available to and promoting their use by citizens of Louisiana. LETA's operations are funded through an annual lapsing legislative appropriation. In addition, LETA has received funds from the State of Louisiana for the purpose of constructing and maintaining transmitter and tower facilities throughout the State. Amounts included within LETA's foregoing financial statements are also included in the State of Louisiana's comprehensive annual financial report.

The Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting (the "Component Unit") was established August 7, 1992 as a nonprofit Louisiana Corporation. It was organized to direct all of its efforts to the support of the LETA. The Component Unit provides for an endowment to support public television in the State of Louisiana and may serve as a "repository" for funds to be utilized for the promotion, development, enhancement and assistance of public television in Louisiana. Furthermore, the Component Unit operates under the authority of its Board of Directors. A majority of the Directors are nominated and appointed by the non-LETA Directors and a minority of the Directors are nominated by LETA's board.

Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting, Inc. (the "Affiliate") is a Louisiana non-profit corporation that was incorporated on April 30, 1991. The Affiliate solicits funds for the benefit of LETA which operates Louisiana Public Broadcasting ("LPB"). The Affiliate operates under authority of its autonomous Board of Directors. The administrative office of the Affiliate is located in the LPB broadcast center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### Financial Reporting Entity

Based upon an assessment by the Louisiana Division of Administration - Office of Statewide Reporting and Accounting Policy ("OSRAP"), the Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting is included as a component unit of LETA. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") issued Statement No. 61 (GASB 61), "*The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and 34*" to determine if a component unit is included in the financial reporting entity of its primary government. It has been determined that LETA is able to impose its will on the Component Unit and the Component Unit provides specific financial benefits to, and may impose specific financial burdens on, LETA. In addition, OSRAP has determined that exclusion of the Component Unit from the financial reporting entity would render LETA's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Therefore, LETA's financial statements present the operations of the Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting as a discretely presented component unit.

Management has determined that the assets and revenues of the Affiliate do not meet the threshold for reporting component units. Therefore, the funds of the Affiliate were not presented in LETA's statements for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 but are presented in this combined annual financial report for analysis purposes only for reporting to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting ("CPB"). The Affiliate's audited financial statements can be obtained from Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting's management.

The Component Unit and Affiliate are private nonprofit organizations that report under the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB"), including FASB Accounting Standards Codification 958, *Not-for-Profit Entities*. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. Nevertheless, the Component Unit and Affiliate follows LETA's - the primary government – financial reporting framework within these financial statements. Therefore, modifications have been made to the Component Unit and Affiliate's financial information for these differences. The Component Unit audited financial statements can be obtained from LETA's management.

#### **Financial Statement Presentation**

LETA's financial statements include both government-wide and fund financial statements which categorize all of LETA's activities as governmental.

• Government-Wide Financial Statements:

In the government-wide statement of net position, the governmental activity column is presented on a consolidated basis by column and is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis. This basis recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. LETA's net position is reported in two parts – restricted for capital projects and unrestricted.

In addition, the government-wide statement of activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of LETA's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenues; such as: appropriations from the State of Louisiana, earnings on the capital projects cash account, and support transferred from the Component Unit. The statement of activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues and grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital specific grants. The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenues. LETA does not allocate indirect costs. This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of LETA as an entity and the change in LETA's net assets resulting from the current year's activities.

• Net Position:

The statement of net position reports net position as the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position is displayed in three components:

- Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted consists of amounts with constraints placed on the use by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

LETA's restricted net position consists of cash held by the Louisiana State Treasury to be used for future capital projects.

The Foundation's restricted net position consists of federal grant funds to be used for a production.

• Unrestricted - all other amounts that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

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

• Fund Financial Statements:

The financial transactions of LETA are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

All of LETA's funds are reported as governmental funds. The focus of the governmental funds measurement – in the fund financial statements – is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of LETA:

- The general fund is the general operating fund of LETA. It is used to account for the legislative appropriations provided to fund the general operating expenses of LETA and those other expenses not funded through other specific legislative appropriations of revenues.
- The capital projects fund is used to account for specific legislative appropriations and state general obligation bond revenues for the construction and maintenance of transmitter and tower facilities at the stations and conversion to digital transmission comprising LETA's network.
- Fund Balance

In fund financial statements, fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy primarily on the extent to which LETA is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Fund balance is reported in the following five components:

- Nonspendable This component consists of amounts that cannot be spent because they are either
  (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted This component consists of amounts that have constraints placed on them either externally by third-parties (creditors, grantors, contributions, or laws or regulations of other governments) or by law, through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation authorizes LETA to assess, levy, change or otherwise mandate payment of resources (from external resource providers) and includes a legally enforceable requirement (compelled by external parties) that those resources be used only for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation.
- Committed This component consists of amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of LETA. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless LETA removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) it employed previously to commit those amounts.

- Assigned This component consists of amounts that are constrained by LETA's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The authority for assigning fund balance is expressed by LETA or the designee as established in LETA's fund balance policy.
- Unassigned This component consists of amounts that have not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is LETA's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources (committed, assigned and unassigned) are available for use.

It is LETA's policy to use committed resources first, then assigned, and then unassigned as they are needed.

### **Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus**

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

• Accrual

Governmental-type activities in the government-wide financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Modified Accrual

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available. "Measurable" means that the amount of the transaction can be determined, and "available" means that the amount of the transaction is collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all governmental fund type revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. Principal and interest on general long-term debt are recorded as fund liabilities when due.

### **Principles of Combination**

The accompanying Combined Statement of Net Position and Combined Statement of Activities are presented as combined financial statements for analysis purposes. The primary government, LETA, leases office space to the Component Unit and Affiliate. In addition, the Affiliate transfers funds in excess of specified amounts to the Component Unit, and the Component Unit provides financial support to LETA. The material transactions and accounts between the related entities have been eliminated. See Note 12 for further detail on related party transactions.

#### **Reclassifications**

Certain reclassifications have been made to the June 30, 2023 financial statements to conform to the current year presentation.

#### Memorandum Columns

The Affiliate, total, intercompany eliminations, and combined columns in the Combined Statement of Net Position and the Combined Statement of Activities are captioned "memorandum only" to indicate that this information is presented only to facilitate financial analysis as required by reporting guidelines established by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, a federal awarding agency.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and revenues and expenses reported during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

LETA's budgetary process incorporates a yearly appropriation process, which is valid for a period of one year. Louisiana statute provides for an extension period of 45 days in order to liquidate encumbrances established prior to June 30. Budget revisions are allowed and implemented by budgetary amendment with approval of the Legislative Budget Committee and by interim emergency appropriations granted by the Interim Emergency Board. The budgetary information presented in the financial statements represented the last approved budgetary revisions enacted as reflected by the last approved budgetary amendment.

This budgetary information was adjusted for prepaid lease expense, general fund transfers between the General Fund and the Capital Outlay Fund, and in-kind contributions since LETA does not budget for these transactions. In addition, this budgetary information was adjusted for encumbrances outstanding at year end, and for other miscellaneous adjustments which were in the original budget but not recorded in the financial statements.

Budgetary data for the Capital Project Funds has not been presented in the accompanying financial statements as such funds are budgeted over the life of the respective project and not on an annual basis.

### Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

### Encumbrances

Encumbrances representing purchase orders, contracts or other commitments are recorded in budgetary funds to reserve portions of applicable appropriations. Encumbrances are part of the budgetary process and are included in actual expenditures when a comparison with budget is necessary. Encumbrances at year-end are not considered expenditures in the financial statements presented on the GAAP basis.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

For financial statement purposes, cash includes demand deposits and cash equivalents include amounts in money market funds. All highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less are considered cash equivalents.

### Petty Cash Fund

LETA maintains a permanent petty cash fund of up to \$3,500 as authorized by the Commissioner of Administration in accordance with State law. The funds are permanently established and periodically replenished from LETA's operating fund when expenditure vouchers are presented.

### **Certificates of Deposit**

The Affiliate's certificates of deposit as reported in the statement of net position are measured at fair value (Level 1) on a recurring basis.

### Investments

Investments are carried at fair value. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on trade dates, and realized gains and losses are determined on the basis of average cost of securities sold. Investment return includes interest, dividends, administrative fees, and realized and unrealized gains and losses, and is included in the statement of activities as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets.

The Component Unit invests in alternative investments consisting of managed futures, commodities, private equity, private real estate, and other non-traditional investments. These investments utilize a variety of instrument strategies incorporating marketable securities and, in some cases, derivative instruments, all of which are reported at fair value by the fund managers.

Distributions of alternative investments are recognized as income to the extent of the Component Unit's share of undistributed income of such investments; distributions in excess of the amount recognized as income are recorded as a reduction of investment cost. Investments considered to be permanently impaired in value are written down to their estimated net realizable value and the write down is recorded as a realized loss on investments.

### Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists primarily of amounts owed by customers for educational, production, and uplink services provided. Management periodically reviews the status of all accounts receivable balances for collectability. Each receivable balance is assessed based on management's knowledge of the customer, the relationship with the customer, and the age of the receivable balance. As a result of these reviews, customer balances deemed to be uncollectible are charged to the allowance for doubtful accounts. The Component Unit has determined the \$19,500 of a customer balance and is uncollectible and reported as an allowance for doubtful accounts as of June 30, 2024.

### **Contributions Receivable**

The Affiliate's unconditional promises to give are primarily receivable from individuals and are carried at net realizable value, which approximates the present value of estimated future cash flows. Each receivable balance is assessed based on management's knowledge of the donor, the relationship with the donor, and the age of the receivable balance. As a result of these reviews, donor balances deemed to be uncollectible are charged to the allowance for uncollectible accounts in the amount of \$5,301 for the year ended June 30, 2024 and \$5,301 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

### Cost of Programs Not Yet Broadcast

Costs the Component Unit incurs for programs not yet broadcast are reported as prepaid expenses. Such costs relate to program rights purchased by the Component Unit that will be broadcast subsequent to June 30. Programs broadcasted within one year are classified as current assets whereas programs to be broadcasted in more than one year are classified as long-term. At June 30, 2024 and 2023, there were no long-term costs incurred for programs not yet broadcast. As the programs are broadcast, the costs incurred will be included in operating expenses. Program status is evaluated annually. Costs associated with programs not considered to have future benefit are adjusted to net realizable value.

### Capital Assets

Capital assets acquired by LETA are not included in the accompanying financial statements, but are reported in the State of Louisiana's comprehensive annual financial report. LETA acts only as a custodian of these assets and title actually rests with the State of Louisiana.

The Affiliate's policy is to capitalize property and equipment over \$1,000. The equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and is depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense as incurred.

Donations of property and equipment are recorded as contributions at their estimated fair value. Such donations are reported as unrestricted contributions unless the donor has restricted the donated asset to a specific purpose. The entities received no donated asset during the current fiscal year.

### Right to Use Assets

Right to use assets are reported at actual costs or estimated historical cost and amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset. Right to use assets consist of a broadcasting tower, satellite, and land which are amortized over an initial period of 5 to 12 years.

### Pensions

For purposes of measuring the Net Pension Liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) and additions to/deductions from LASERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by LASERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

### Post-Employment Health Care and Life Insurance Benefits

LETA provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. LETA recognizes the expense of providing these retiree benefits in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions.

### Accrued Compensated Absences

Employees of LETA, both classified and unclassified, earn annual and sick leave at various rates depending on the number of years of service. There is no limit on the amount of annual or sick leave that can be accumulated. LETA is legally liable to compensate an employee upon retirement or termination for up to 300 hours of unused annual leave. Upon retirement, the number of hours of unused annual leave in excess of 300 hours plus the number of hours of unused sick leave is computed into years or fraction of years and is added to the number of years of service earned by the retiree. The unused annual and sick leave is counted towards the number of years of service only for computing the rate of retirement pay due the retiree and does not count toward the number of years necessary for retirement. The liability for unused annual leave payable at June 30, 2024 and 2023 is \$409,771 and \$445,368, respectively.

The cost of leave privileges, computed in accordance with GASB Codification Section C60, is recognized as an expense and a liability in the financial statements in the period in which the leave is earned. The compensated absences liability is reported as a long-term liability with the portion expected to be paid within one year reported as a current liability and an expense allocated on a functional basis. The accrued compensated absences balance is not reported in the governmental fund-type financial statements at June 30, 2024 and represents a reconciling item between the fund and government-wide presentation.

### **Deferred Outflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This balance represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and is not recognized as an outflow of resources (expenses) until then. LETA has the following items that qualify for reporting in this category:

Pension plan – these deferred outflows result from pension contributions after the measurement date (deferred and recognized in the following fiscal year) and changes in assumptions, differences in projected and actual earnings on pension assets, and changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions (deferred and amortized over a closed five year period).

OPEB plan – these deferred outflows result from OPEB contributions after the measurement date (deferred and recognized in the following fiscal year).

### **Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Deferred inflows of resources are acquisitions of net position by LETA that is applicable to a future reporting period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until then. LETA has the following items that qualify for reporting in this category:

Pension plan – these deferred inflows result from differences between expected and actual experience and changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions (deferred and amortized over a closed five-year period).

OPEB plan – these deferred inflows result from changes in assumptions and changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions (deferred and amortized over a closed five-year period).

### Underwriting Contributions

The Component Unit records revenue from program underwriting on a pro rata basis for the period covered, and for production underwriting on an estimated percentage-of-completion basis.

#### Grants and Contributions

Grants and contributions restricted to support such programs are included in deferred inflows of resources if the donor requires commensurate value in return for their support. In such cases, the costs incurred will be reported as expenses and the revenue will be recognized when the programs are initially broadcast. If the donor's support is nonreciprocal in nature, the grants and contributions are included as revenue. Grants and contributions with time and/or compliance stipulations are recognized as deferred inflows of resources. Once those stipulations are met, the grants and contributions are recognized as revenues.

#### **Production Revenue and Expense**

The Component Unit uses the percentage-of-completion method of accounting for production revenue, whereby the cumulative production revenue earned equals the ratio of costs incurred to the estimated total costs at completion applied to the total committed revenues from outside sponsors. Production costs include charges by subcontractors plus all direct labor and other direct costs. Indirect and general and administrative expenses are charged to expense as incurred. Cost estimates on programs are reviewed periodically as the work progresses and adjustments, if needed, are reflected in the period in which the estimates are revised.

### Leases

LETA and the Foundation have implemented GASB Statement No. 87, Leases. This statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract.

LETA and the Foundation entered into contracts with T-Mobile USA, Inc., in accordance with Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules, to lease excess capacity on its educational broadband radio service ("EBS") frequencies. Under the terms of the contracts, the Foundation remains the licensee on the EBS frequencies and has responsibility for compliance with all educational and other requirements imposed by the FCC. LETA and the Foundation receive monthly lease payments and anniversary payments which are reported as charges for services on the statement of activities in the fiscal year the payment is due. LETA earned \$172,365 and the Component Unit earned \$98,712 from these leases during the year ended June 30, 2024. For the year ended June 30, 2023, LETA earned \$437,912 and the Component Unit earned \$277,532 from these leases

Under Statement No. 87, a capacity portion of an asset is an identified asset if it is physically distinct. A capacity or other portion of an asset that is not physically distinct is not an identified asset, unless it represents substantially all of the capacity of the asset and, therefore, provides the customer with the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the asset. Based upon these conditions, management has determined the leasing of the excess capacity is not physically distinct.

### Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Advertising expense for the Component Unit was \$34,923 and \$24,752 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

### Income Taxes

The Component Unit and Affiliate have been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as organizations exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been included in these financial statements. With few exceptions, the Component Unit and Affiliate are no longer subject to federal or state examinations by tax authorities for the years before 2021.

The accounting standard on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes addresses the determination of whether tax benefits claimed or expected to be claimed on a tax return should be recorded in the financial statements. Under this guidance, the Component Unit and Affiliate may recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. There were no unrecognized tax benefits identified or recorded as liabilities for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

### Adoption of Accounting Pronouncements

LETA implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 96, "Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements" for the year ended June 30, 2024. Management evaluated the requirements of this Statement and determined it has no material effect on LETA's financial reports.

### **Upcoming Accounting Pronouncements**

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") has issued statements not yet implemented by LETA. The statements, which may have an impact on LETA, are as follows:

GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*, enhances accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections. The Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023.

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, updates the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. The Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023.

Management is currently evaluating the effects of the new GASB pronouncements scheduled for implementation for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024.

### 2. Deposits

All monies of LETA are deposited with the Louisiana Department of Treasury, which is responsible for maintaining these deposits in accordance with Louisiana State Law. Consequently, management of LETA does not have any control over the cash balances. Deposits consist of the following at June 30, 2024:

Deposits per statement of net position (reconciled bank balance)	\$ 3	,455,714
Deposits held by Louisiana Treasury	\$ 3	,452,214
Deposits held by financial institution	\$	3,603
Category 3 bank balances:		
a. Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$	-
b. Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution		-
c. Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Foundation's name		_
Total category 3 bank balances	\$	-

#### Custodial Deposit Risk

The Louisiana Department of Treasury is responsible for maintaining the cash balances and securing such balances from risk through custodial agreements. The risk disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States are included with the State of Louisiana's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

In the normal course of operations, the Component Unit and Affiliate maintains cash deposits with major financial institutions which, from time to time, may exceed federally insured limits. Management periodically assesses the financial condition of the institutions and believes the risk of incurring material losses related to this credit risk is remote.

#### 3. Investments

The Component Unit's investments are measured at fair value and are comprised of the following at June 30:

	2024	2023
Money market	\$ 221,019	\$ 372,609
Government and agency securities	466,074	372,532
Corporate fixed income securities	303,615	236,544
Common and preferred stocks	6,628,909	6,221,406
Mutual funds	14,603,791	13,526,117
Exchange traded and closed end funds	13,559,488	12,404,140
Alternative investments	11,801,407	10,727,857
Pooled investments held by the Baton Rouge		
Area Foundation on behalf of the Foundation	261,122	835,684
	\$ 47,845,425	\$ 44,696,889

The following schedule summarizes the Component Unit's investment return, including interest and administrative fees, and its classification in the financial statements for the years ended June 30:

	2024			2023
Realized gains (losses)	\$	866,551	\$	672,622
Unrealized gains (losses)		3,078,676		1,821,456
Interest and dividend income		1,027,886		1,021,663
Investment fees		(152,576)		(145,301)
	\$	4,820,537	\$	3,370,440

#### Custodial Credit Risk

The risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction the Foundation will not be able to recover the value of investments that are in the possession of an outside party. At June 30, 2024, the Foundation's investments in common and preferred stocks and alternative investments are uninsured on the performance of the custodian and are exposed to custodial credit risk because they are held by the counterparty, but not in the Foundation's name. The Foundation's investments in mutual funds, money market funds, and external investment pools are not susceptible to custodial credit risk because its existence is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

#### Interest Rate Risk

The risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of investments. Also, investments can be highly sensitive to changes in interest rates due to their terms or characteristics. At June 30, 2024, the Foundation invested \$466,074 in government and government agency securities and \$303,615 in corporate fixed income securities which mature in one to five years. Within the board designated endowment, the Foundation invested \$63,556 in government and government agency securities and \$41,402 in corporate fixed income securities which mature in one to five years.

#### Credit Risk

The risk that the issuer or counterparty will not meet its obligations. This credit risk is measured by the credit quality ratings of investments in debt securities as described by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (rating agencies) such as Standard & Poor's (S&P) and Moody's. The Foundation limits its investment in bonds to those classified as investment grade by S&P (EBB or better) and Moody's (Baa or better). Investments in commercial paper must have a rating of not less than AI by S&P and PI by Moody's.

#### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

The risk of loss that may occur due to the amount of investment in a single issuer. The Foundation's investment policy establishes a target asset mix which is meant to diversify the portfolio and pose a lower risk that a concentration may exist.

## 4. Board Designated Endowment

The Component Unit's Board of Directors has designated 12% of total investments as a general endowment fund to support the mission of the Component Unit. Since the endowment resulted from an internal designation and is not donor-restricted, it is classified and reported as unrestricted.

The Component Unit has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while maintaining the purchasing power of the endowment assets. To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Component Unit relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Component Unit targets a diversified asset allocation to achieve its long-term return objectives within risk constraints.

Accordingly, over the long term, the Component Unit expects the current spending policies to allow its endowment to grow annually. This is consistent with the Component Unit's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets held in perpetuity or for a specified term as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment return.

The following schedule summarizes the changes in the Component Unit's endowment net assets for the years ended June 30:

	2024	 2023	
Beginning balance	\$ 6,095,030	\$ 5,635,425	
Purchases of investments	903,130	809,287	
Sales of investments	(1,011,770)	(689,783)	
Realized gains on sales of investments	118,166	91,721	
Unrealized gains on investments	419,820	 248,380	
Ending balance	\$ 6,524,376	\$ 6,095,030	

The Component Unit's board designated endowment was comprised of the following at June 30:

	2024			2023
Money market	\$	30,139	\$	50,810
Government and agency securities		63,556		50,800
Corporate fixed income securities		41,402		32,256
Common and preferred stocks		903,942		848,373
Mutual funds		1,991,426		1,844,470
Exchange traded and closed end funds		1,849,021		1,691,474
Alternative investments		1,609,283		1,462,890
Pooled investments held by the Baton Rouge				
Area Foundation on behalf of the Foundation		35,607		113,957
	\$	6,524,376	\$	6,095,030

The following schedule summarizes endowment investment return, including interest and administrative fees, and its classification in the financial statements for the years ended June 30:

	2024			2023
Realized gains (losses)	\$	118,166	\$	91,721
Unrealized gains (losses)		419,820		248,380
Interest and dividend income		140,166		139,319
Investment fees		(20,806)		(19,814)
	\$	657,346	\$	459,606

The investments note disclosure for custodial credit risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk at Note 3 also applies to the investments held as endowment net assets.

## 5. Fair Value Measurements

The Component Unit has categorized its applicable financial instruments into a required fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The standard describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value which are as follows:

- Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Component Unit has the ability to access.
- Level 2 inputs to the valuations methodology include: quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.
- Level 3 inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. Unobservable inputs reflect the Board's own assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk). Unobservable inputs are developed based on the best information available in the circumstances and may include the Board's own data.

The Component Unit uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. The asset's fair value measurement level with the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. When available, valuation techniques maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Money market funds and investments in common and preferred and mutual funds are valued at the quoted market prices in the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

The investments in the Baton Rouge Area Foundation (the "BRAF") pool represent various specific investments and various pools of funds held by BRAF for the benefit of the Component Unit and other non-profit organizations. These funds are measured on a recurring basis through estimates and assumptions made by the BRAF. All of the Component Unit's pooled investments held by the BRAF are considered level 2 investments.

Alternative investments include asset classes, strategies, and structures that can help diversify a traditional portfolio through the types of investments owned or the techniques employed. The Foundation's alternative investments are hedge funds and alternative mutual funds. Fair value is determined based on the fund's net asset value as provided by the fund management. The objective of the funds is to seek absolute total return over a complete market cycle. These underlying investments are subject to certain restrictions and, generally, have no active established trading market.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash equivalents				
Money market funds	\$ 110,211	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,211
Investments				
Money market	221,019	_	_	221,019
Government and agency securities	221,017	466,074	_	466,074
Corporate debt securities	_	303,615	_	303,615
Common and preferred stocks	6,628,909		-	6,628,909
Mutual funds	14,603,791	-	_	14,603,791
Exchange traded funds	13,559,488	_	_	13,559,488
Alternative investments		_	11,801,407	11,801,407
Pooled investments held by			11,001,107	11,001,107
Baton Rouge Area Foundation	-	261,122	-	261,122
2	35,013,207	1,030,811	11,801,407	47,845,425
Investments - endowment				
Money market	30,139			30,139
Government and agency securities	50,159	- 63,556	-	63,556
Corporate debt securities	-	41,402	-	41,402
Common and preferred stocks	903,942	41,402	-	903,942
Mutual funds	1,991,426	-	_	1,991,426
Exchange traded funds	1,849,021	_	_	1,849,021
Alternative investments	1,049,021	_	1,609,283	1,609,283
Pooled investments held by	-	-	1,009,285	1,009,285
Baton Rouge Area Foundation	_	35,607	_	35,607
Baton Rouge Area Poundation	4,774,528	140,565	1,609,283	6,524,376
	\$ 39,897,946	\$ 1,171,376	\$ 13,410,690	\$ 54,480,012

The following table sets forth by level the Component Unit's assets at fair value as of June 30, 2024:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash equivalents				
Money market funds	\$ 110,148	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,148
Investments				
Money market	372,609	-	-	372,609
Government and agency securities	-	372,532	-	372,532
Corporate debt securities	-	236,544	-	236,544
Common and preferred stocks	6,221,406	-	-	6,221,406
Mutual funds	13,526,117	-	-	13,526,117
Exchange traded funds	12,404,140	-	-	12,404,140
Alternative investments	-	-	10,727,857	10,727,857
Pooled investments held by				
Baton Rouge Area Foundation	-	835,684	-	835,684
	32,524,272	1,444,760	10,727,857	44,696,889
Investments - endowment				
Money market	50,810	-	-	50,810
Government and agency securities	-	50,800	-	50,800
Corporate debt securities	-	32,256	-	32,256
Common and preferred stocks	848,373	-	-	848,373
Mutual funds	1,844,470	-	-	1,844,470
Exchange traded funds	1,691,474	-	-	1,691,474
Alternative investments	-	-	1,462,890	1,462,890
Pooled investments held by				
Baton Rouge Area Foundation		113,957		113,957
	4,435,127	197,013	1,462,890	6,095,030
	\$ 37,069,547	\$ 1,641,773	\$ 12,190,747	\$ 50,902,067

The following table sets forth by level the Component Unit's assets at fair value as of June 30, 2023:

The following is a reconciliation of Level 3 investments for which significant unobservable inputs were used by the fund managers in determining the value June 30:

	2024	2023
Beginning balance	\$ 12,190,747	\$ 13,074,342
Purchases	1,499,860	621,890
Sales	(758,668)	(636,902)
Transfers in(out)	(537,720)	-
Unrealized gains (losses)	1,016,471	(868,583)
Ending balance	\$ 13,410,690	\$ 12,190,747

#### 6. Noncurrent Assets

#### Right-to-Use Assets

The following schedule summarizes LETA's right-to-use/lease assets and related accumulated amortization:

	Balance at June 30, 2023 Additi			Additions	Dele	etions	Balance at June 30, 2024	
Right to use assets		10 5 0, 2025		Idamons				10 30, 2021
Land	\$	216,252	\$	-	\$	-	\$	216,252
Broadcast tower and building		271,559		-		-		271,559
Satellite		1,812,958		-		-		1,812,958
		2,300,769		-		-		2,300,769
Less accumulated amortization		(878,884)		(439,442)		_		(1,318,326)
	\$	1,421,885	\$	(439,442)	\$	-	\$	982,443

Amortization of the right to use assets was \$439,442 for the year ended June 30, 2024 and reported within broadcasting expenses on the statement of activities.

#### Capital Assets

The Affiliate's property and equipment consist of the following:

	Balance at						Balance at		
	Jun	June 30, 2023		Additions		tions	June 30, 2024		
Property and equipment Accumulated depreciation	\$	190,135 (164,634)	\$	- (2,504)	\$	-	\$	190,135 (167,138)	
	\$	25,501	\$	(2,504)	\$	-	\$	22,997	

#### 7. Noncurrent Liabilities

The following is a summary of changes in LETA's noncurrent liabilities:

Balance at June 30, 2023				Additions		yments and eductions	Balance at ne 30, 2024	ue Within Dne Year
Lease obligations Accrued compensa	\$ ted	1,427,545	\$	-	\$	(434,724)	\$ 992,821	\$ 436,485
absences		445,368		128,360		(163,957)	 409,771	 32,782
	\$	1,872,913	\$	128,360	\$	(598,681)	\$ 1,402,592	\$ 469,267

Information relating to LETA's other post-employment benefits liability and pension liability is available at note 8 and note 9, respectively.

#### Right to Use Assets / Leases

LETA entered into an agreement on February 29, 2012 to lease a tract of land in Grant Parish, Louisiana for the purpose of maintaining a television broadcasting antenna tower and related television transmission facility. The lease was for an initial term of five years with renewal options through the year 2032 with monthly installments ranging from \$19,500 to \$22,574. The balance outstanding at June 30, 2024 is \$160,644.

LETA entered into an agreement on September 26, 2011 to lease satellite transmission for the purpose of program broadcasting. The lease has been renewed October 1, 2021 with a maturity date of January 31, 2026 with monthly installment of \$33,000. The balance outstanding at June 30, 2024 is \$625,487.

LETA entered into an agreement on November 11, 2016 to lease a television broadcasting antenna tower for the purpose of program broadcasting. The initial term of the lease is January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2022. LETA has the option and intention to renew the lease for 2 additional terms of five years each. The monthly lease payments are \$2,060 for the first term, \$2,122 for the second term, and \$2,186 for the third term. The balance outstanding at June 30, 2024 is \$206,690.

Year Ending June 30:	I	Principal Interest			 Total
2025	\$	436,485	\$	6,331	\$ 442,816
2026		273,178		4,677	277,855
2027		43,396		3,871	47,267
2028		45,155		3,211	48,366
2029		46,221		2,527	48,748
2030 - 2032		148,386		3,439	 151,825
	\$	992,821	\$	24,056	\$ 1,016,877

The following schedule summarizes the future principal and interest requirements for the leases at June 30, 2024:

#### 8. Other Postemployment Health and Life Insurance Benefits

#### Plan Description

The Office of Group Benefits ("OGB") administers the State of Louisiana's post-retirement benefits plan – a defined benefit, multiple-employer other postemployment benefit plan ("OPEB"). OPEB provides medical, prescription drug, and life insurance benefits to retirees, disabled retirees, and their eligible beneficiaries through premium subsidies. Current employees, who participate in an OGB health plan , while active, are eligible for plan benefits if they are enrolled in the OGB health plan immediately before the date of retirement and retire under one of the state sponsored retirement systems (Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System, Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, or Louisiana State Police Retirement System,) or they retire from a participating employer that meets the qualifications in the Louisiana Administrative Code 32:3.303. Benefit provisions are established under R.S. 42:851 for health insurance benefits and R.S. 42:821 for life insurance benefits. The obligations of the plan members, employer(s), and other contributing entities to contribute to the plan are established or may be amended under the authority of R.S. 42:802. There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria of paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75.

Effective July 1, 2008, an OPEB trust fund was statutorily established; however, this plan is not administered as a trust and no plan assets have been accumulated as of June 30, 2024. The plan is funded on a "pay-as-you-go basis" under which the contributions to the plan are generally made at about the same time and in about the same amount as benefit payments become due.

Employer contributions are based on plan premiums and the employer contribution percentage. Premium amounts vary depending on the health plan selected and if the retired member has Medicare coverage. OGB offers retirees four self-insured healthcare plans and one fully insured plan. Retired employees who have Medicare Part A and Part B coverage also have access to four fully insured Medicare Advantage plans.

The employer contribution percentage is based on the date of participation in an OGB plan and employee years of service at retirement. Employees who begin participation or rejoin the plan before January 1, 2002, pay approximately 25% of the cost of coverage (except single retirees under age 65, who pay approximately 25% of the active employee cost). For those beginning participation or rejoining on or after January 1, 2002, the percentage of premiums contributed by the employer and retiree is based on the following schedule:

Service	Employer Percentage	Employee Percentage
Under 10 years	19%	81%
10-14 years	38%	62%
15-19 years	56%	44%
20+ years	75%	25%

In addition to healthcare benefits, retirees may elect to receive life insurance benefits. Basic and supplemental life insurance is available for the individual retirees and spouses of retirees subject to maximum values. Employers pay approximately 50% of monthly premiums for individual retirees. The retiree is responsible for 100% of the premium for dependents. Effective January 1, 2018, the total monthly premium for retirees varies according to age group.

#### Total Collective OPEB Liability and Changes in Total Collective OPEB Liability

At June 30, 2024, LETA reported a liability of \$9,201,711 for its proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability. The total collective OPEB liability was measured as of July 1, 2023 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

LETA's proportionate share percentage is based on the employer's individual OPEB actuarial accrued liability in relation to the total OPEB actuarial accrued liability for all participating entities included in the State of Louisiana reporting entity. At the July 1, 2023, LETA's proportion was 0.1287%, an increase of 0.0004%.

The total collective OPEB liability in the July 1, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial methods, assumptions, and other inputs applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

- Inflation 2.40% for 2023 and 2024
- Actuarial cost method entry age normal, level percentage of pay
- Estimated remaining service lives 4.5 years
- Salary increase rate consistent with the State of Louisiana's pension plan
- Discount rate 4.13% based on the June 30, 2023 Standard & Poor's 20-year municipal bond index rate
- Mortality rates For active lives: the RP-2014 Blue Collar Employee Table, adjusted by 0.978 for males and 1.144 for females, and then projected on a fully generational basis by Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2018. For healthy retiree lives: the RP-2014 Blue Collar Healthy Annuitant Table, adjusted by 1.280 for males and RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Table, adjusted by 1.417 for females, projected from 2014 on a fully generational basis by Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2018. For disabled retiree lives: the RP-2000 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table, adjusted by 1.009 for males and 1.043 for females, not projected with mortality improvement.
- Healthcare cost trend rates 6.75% for pre-Medicare eligible employees grading down by 0.25% each year, beginning in 2021-2022, to an ultimate rate of 4.5% in 2030; 5.25% for post-Medicare eligible employees grading down by 0.25% each year, beginning in 2021-2022, to an ultimate rate of 4.5% in 2023-2024 and thereafter; the initial trend was developed using the National Health Care Trend Survey; the ultimate trend was developed using a building block approach which considers the Consumer Price Index, gross domestic product, and technology growth.
- Retirement the rates of retirement are consistent with the assumptions used in the June 30, 2023 pension valuations. The retirement rates for LASERS include DROP rates.

# Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents LETA's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability using the current discount rate as well as what LETA's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1.(	)% Decrease (3.13%)	 rent Discount ate (4.13%)	1.(	)% Increase (5.13%)
Proportionate share of total collective OPEB liability	\$	10,508,256	\$ 9,201,711	\$	8,138,139

# Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

The following presents LETA's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability using the current healthcare cost trend rates as well as what LETA's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rates:

	Current Cost 1.0% Decrease Trend Rate 1.0% Increase					.0% Increase
Proportionate share of total collective OPEB liability	\$	8,152,183	\$	9,201,711	\$	10,492,893

# **OPEB** Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to **OPEB**

For the year ended June 30, 2024, LETA recognized OPEB expense of \$117,807. At June 30, 2024, LETA reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

			]	Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	185,706	\$	-	
Changes in assumptions		580,091		1,924,444	
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		231,322		42,911	
Employer contributions subsequent to the					
measurement date		514,021		-	
	\$	1,511,140	\$	1,967,355	

Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from LETA's benefit payments subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the total collective OPEB liability in the next fiscal year.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Period Ended:	 Amount
6/30/2025	\$ (300,825)
6/30/2026	(484,377)
6/30/2027	(237,912)
6/30/2028	 52,878
	\$ (970,236)

#### Payables to the OPEB Plan

At June 30, 2024, LETA reported no contributions due to the plan.

## 9. Pension Liability

#### Plan Description

LETA is a participating employer in a statewide, public employee retirement system, the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System ("LASERS"). LASERS has a separate board of trustees and administers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, including classes of employees with different benefits and contribution rates ("subplans"). Article X, Section 29(F) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of all subplans administered by LASERS to the State Legislature. LASERS issues a public report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information, and a copy of the report may be obtained at www.lasersonline.org.

#### Plan Description and Benefits Provided

LASERS administers a plan to provide retirement, disability, and survivor benefits to eligible state employees and their beneficiaries as defined in R.S. 11:411-414. The age and years of creditable service ("service") required in order for a member to receive retirement benefits are established by R.S. 11:441 and vary depending on the member's hire date, employer and job classification. Act 992 of the 2010 Regular Legislative Session closed existing sub-plans for members hired before January 1, 2011, and created new subplans for regular members, hazardous duty members, and judges. The substantial majority of members may retire with full benefits at any age upon completing 30 years of service and at age 60 upon completing 5-10 years of service. Additionally, members may choose to retire with 20 years of service at any age, with an actuarially reduced benefit. Eligibility for retirement benefits and the computation of retirement benefits are provided for in R.S. 11:444.

The basic annual retirement benefit for members is equal to a percentage (between 2.5% and 3.5%) of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of service, generally not to exceed 100% of average compensation. Average compensation is defined as the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 36 consecutive months of employment for members employed prior to July 1, 2006, or highest 60 consecutive months of employment for members employed after that date. A member leaving service before attaining minimum retirement but after completing certain minimum service requirements, generally 10 years, becomes eligible for a benefit provided the member lives to the minimum service retirement age and does not withdraw the accumulated contributions.

Eligibility requirements and benefit computations for disability benefits are provided for in R.S. 11:461. All members with 10 or more years of service or members aged 60 or older regardless of date of hire who become disabled may receive a maximum disability benefit equivalent to the regular retirement formula without reduction by reason of age. Hazardous duty personnel who become disabled in the line of duty will receive a disability benefit equal to 75% of final average compensation.

Provisions for survivor benefits are provided for in R.S. 11:471-478. Under these statutes, the deceased member who was in state service at the time of death must have a minimum of five years of service, at least two of which were earned immediately prior to death, or who has a minimum of 20 years of service regardless of when earned in order for a benefit to be paid to a minor or handicapped child. Benefits are payable to an unmarried child until age 18 or age 23 if the child remains a full-time student. The minimum service requirement is 10 years for a surviving spouse with no minor children, and benefits are to be paid for life to the spouse or qualified handicapped child.

LASERS has established a Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). When members enter DROP, their status changes from active member to retiree even though they continue to work and draw their salary for a period up to three years. The election is irrevocable once participation begins. During participation, benefits otherwise payable are fixed and deposited in an individual DROP account. Upon leaving DROP, members must choose among available alternatives for the distribution of benefits that have accumulated in their DROP accounts.

#### Cost of Living Adjustments

As fully described in Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, LASERS allows for the payment of cost of living adjustments, or COLAs, that are funded through investment earnings when recommended by LETA of trustees and approved by the Legislature. These ad hoc COLAs are not considered to be substantively automatic.

#### **Contributions**

Article X, Section 29(E)(2)(a) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 assigns the Legislature the authority to determine employee contributions. Employer contributions are actuarially determined using statutorily established methods on an annual basis and are constitutionally required to cover the employer's portion of the normal cost and provide for the amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Employer contributions are adopted by the Legislature annually upon recommendation of the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee.

Employer contributions to LASERS for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 were \$1,520,590 and reported within the balance of deferred outflows of resources – pension plan in the statement of net position.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, active member contributions ranged from 7.5% to 8%, and employer contributions were 41.3%. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, active member contributions ranged from 7.5% to 8%, and employer contributions were 40.40%.

# Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, LETA reported a liability of \$10,448,397 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. LETA's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of LETA's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, LETA's proportion was 0.15610%, which was an increase of 0.00538% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, LETA's recognized pension expense was \$1,510,740. At June 30, 2024, LETA reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	-	DeferredDeferredOutflows ofInflows of		0101100
	R	esources	Re	esources
Differences between expected and				
actual experience	\$	226,177	\$	-
Changes of assumptions		-		-
Net difference between projected and actual				
actual earnings on pension plan investments		59,731		-
Changes in proportion and differences				
between employer contributions and				
proportionate share of contributions		380,498		32,828
Employer contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		1,520,590		-
Total	\$	2,186,996	\$	32,828

Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date totaled \$1,520,590. The balance is reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the next fiscal year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	Amount
2025 2026 2027 2028	\$ 516,617 (260,677) 514,615 (136,977)
-	\$ 633,578

#### Actuarial Assumptions

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability are as follows:

Valuation date	June 30, 2023
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal cost
Estimated remaining service life ("ERSL")	2 years
Investment rate of return	7.25% per annum, net of investment expenses
Inflation rate	2.3%
Salary increases, including inflation and merit increases	3.0% to 12.8%, including inflation
Cost of living adjustments	Not substantively automatic
Mortality rate Non-disabled members Disabled members	Mortality rates based on the RP-2014 Healthy Mortality Table using MP-2018 Improvement Scale Mortality rates based on the RP-2000 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table
Termination, disability, and retirement	Termination, disability, and retirement assumptions were projected based on a five-year (2014-2018) experience study of the System's members

#### Discount Rate

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expenses and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adjusting for expected inflation of 2.30% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term nominal rate of return is 8.19%.

Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term Expected Real
Asset Class	Rate of Return*
Cash	0.80%
Domestic equity	4.45%
International equity	5.44%
Domestic fixed income	2.04%
International fixed income	5.33%
Alternative investments	8.19%
Total fund	5.75%

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%.

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions from participating employers will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Employer's Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate The following presents the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.25%) or one percentagepoint higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

Current				
1.0% Decrease	Discount Rate	1.0% Increase		
(6.25%)	(7.25%)	(8.25%)		
\$ 13,681,314	\$ 10,448,397	\$ 7,709,433		
	(6.25%)	1.0% Decrease      Discount Rate        (6.25%)      (7.25%)		

#### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued LASERS 2023 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report at www.lasersonline.org.

#### **Payables to the Pension Plan**

At June 30, 2024, LETA had no payables due to LASERS for the employee and employer legally-required contributions.

#### Non-employer Pension Contributions

Per Legislative Act 397 of 2023, the State of Louisiana appropriated \$587,783 for the year ended June 30, 2024 to LASERS on LETA's behalf towards LETA's unfunded pension liability which reduced LETA's proportionate share of the net pension liability. The appropriation is reported as non-operating revenue with the correlating expense reported as employee benefits.

## 10. Retirement Plan

The Affiliate established a 401 (k) retirement plan (the "Plan") beginning on July 1, 2012. To be eligible to participate in the Plan an employee must be at least twenty-one years of age and complete 1,000 hours of service every year. Employer match is discretionary and can be changed from year to year. Employees can contribute between 3% and 10% of compensation and must be uniform for all affected participants. Participants are 100% vested upon entering the Plan.

## 11. Net Position – Deficient Balance

LETA has a deficit of \$16,075,795 in net position as of June 30, 2024. This is primarily due to the reporting of the net pension liability in accordance with GASB 68 in addition to recording of the net OPEB liability in accordance with GASB 75 which required LETA to record its proportionate share of the OPEB and net pension liabilities which is based on third party valuations. The board members will continue monitoring the deficit balance on an ongoing basis.

## 12. Related Party Transactions

An agreement was entered into between the Component Unit and the Affiliate. Under the terms of this agreement, the Affiliate transfers funds in excess of calculated amounts to the Component Unit to be used to pay for approved expenses. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Affiliate transferred \$1,313,220 to the Component Unit with \$243,032 of that amount reported as a related party receivable. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Affiliate transferred \$1,422,903 to the Component Unit with \$216,750 of that amount reported as a related party receivable.

The Component Unit was organized to support LETA, the primary government. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Component Unit provided financial support to LETA totaling \$1,278,822. For the year June 30, 2023, the Component Unit provided financial support to LETA totaling \$644,377.

Employees of LETA perform services for the Component Unit for productions, programming, broadcasting, and administrative services. In return, the Component Unit reimburses LETA for the services performed by those personnel. These transactions are recorded as a reduction in salaries and related benefits in LETA's accounting records and as personnel expenses in the Component Unit's accounting records. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Component Unit reimbursed LETA \$388,607 for personnel expenses. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Component Unit reimbursed LETA \$410,878 for personnel expenses.

The Component Unit reimburses LETA for the use of LETA's production, programming, and broadcasting equipment. For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 the Component Unit's equipment rental expense was \$265,362 and \$69,651, respectively. These amounts are reported by LETA as charges for services on the statement of activities.

The Component Unit rents office space from LETA on a monthly basis. Rental revenue from the Component Unit was \$8,292 for each of the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

The Affiliate rents office space from LETA on a monthly basis. Rental revenue from the Affiliate was \$30,377 each of the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

When necessary, the Component Unit pays invoices on behalf of LETA when LETA does not have the funds available. The Component Unit reported \$47,456 and \$66,862 due from LETA at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, for invoices paid on LETA's behalf.

#### 13. Contingency

LETA and the Component Unit participate in a number of federal and state programs. These programs require LETA and the Component Unit to comply with certain requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements applicable to the programs in which it participates. All funds expended in connection with government grants and contracts are subject to audit by government agencies. While the ultimate liability, if any, from such audits of government and contracts by government agencies is presently not determinable, should not, in the opinion of management, have a material effect on the financial position or results of operations. Accordingly, no provision for any such liability that may result has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

#### 14. Risk Management

Losses arising from judgments, claims, and similar contingencies are paid through the state's selfinsurance fund operated by the Office of Risk Management, the agency responsible for the state's risk management program, or by General Fund appropriation.

There is no pending litigation or claims against LETA at June 30, 2024, which if asserted, in the opinion of LETA's legal advisors, would have at least a reasonable probability of an unfavorable outcome or for which resolution would materially affect the financial statements.

## 15. Concentrations

In the normal course of operations, the Component Unit maintains cash deposits with major financial institutions which, from time to time, may exceed federally insured limits. Management periodically assesses the financial condition of the institutions and believes the risk of incurring material losses related to this credit risk is remote.

Included in receivables are amounts due from various entities for such items as underwriting agreements, educational services, and production services. Payment of these accounts is dependent upon the various entities' ability to fund their projects and programs.

LETA received general fund appropriations from the State of Louisiana totaling \$9,727,952 for the year ended June 30, 2024 and \$8,708,678 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

The Component Unit received revenue totaling \$3,093,076 from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and \$1,313,220 from the Affiliate, Friends for Louisiana Public Broadcasting, during the year ended June 30, 2024. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Component Unit received revenue totaling \$2,311,750, from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and \$1,422,903 from the Affiliate, Friends for Louisiana Public Broadcasting.

#### **16. Subsequent Events**

LETA evaluated subsequent events through January 14, 2025, which was the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Required Supplementary Information** 

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Budgetary Comparison – General Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Revenues	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Nonbudgeted Items and Adjustments	Actual Amounts Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
State appropriations	\$ 8,327,952	\$ 13,128,071	\$ 9,727,952	\$ 3,400,119	\$ 13,128,071	\$ -
Support from component unit	φ 0, <i>521</i> , <i>552</i>	• 15,120,071	1,278,822	(1,278,822)	¢ 15,120,071	Ψ _
Projects and local productions	2,660,118	3,310,118	999,973	1,775,629	2,775,602	(534,516)
Lease and rental revenues	2,000,110	5,510,110	476,395	(476,395)	2,775,002	(554,510)
Lease and rental revenues	10,988,070	16,438,189	12,483,142	3,420,531	15,903,673	(534,516)
Expenditures	10,700,070	10,150,107	12,103,112	5,120,551	15,905,075	(551,510)
Programming and production	3,945,106	6,306,520	5,602,069	591,224	6,193,293	113,227
Broadcasting	4,891,355	7,024,404	6,292,291	-	6,292,291	732,113
Program information	438,345	647,313	570,180	(21,699)	548,481	98,832
Management and general	1,713,264	2,459,952	2,177,454	-	2,177,454	282,498
6 6	10,988,070	16,438,189	14,641,994	569,525	15,211,519	1,226,670
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	-		(2,158,852)	2,851,006	692,154	692,154
Other Financing Sources(Uses)						
State appropriation - pension contri	-	-	587,783	(587,783)	-	-
Funds rescinded by the State	-	-	(1,428,894)	1,428,894	-	-
	-	-	(2,999,963)	3,692,117	692,154	692,154
Fund balances, beginning of year			3,797,312		(1,036,105)	
Fund balances, end of year			\$ 797,349		\$ (343,951)	

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Measurement Date	Proportion of the Total Collective OPEB Liability	Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability	Covered Employee Payroll	Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability as Percentage of the Covered Employee Payroll
June 30, 2016	0.1260%	\$ 11,435,950	\$ 3,455,704	330.93%
June 30, 2017	0.1260%	10,954,217	3,026,360	361.96%
June 30, 2018	0.1306%	11,146,734	3,207,924	347.48%
June 30, 2019	0.1255%	9,690,477	3,251,042	298.07%
June 30, 2020	0.1281%	10,614,193	3,183,632	333.40%
June 30, 2021	0.1267%	11,602,828	3,028,391	383.14%
June 30, 2022	0.1283%	8,658,426	3,013,293	287.34%
June 30, 2023	0.1287%	9,201,711	3,416,609	269.32%

\*Amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date (previous fiscal year end).

This schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Fiscal Year*	Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	Covered Employee Payroll	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Employee Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2015	0.20725%	\$ 12,959,055	\$ 3,818,137	339%	65.0%
2016	0.19769%	13,445,836	3,829,130	351%	62.7%
2017	0.17559%	13,788,374	3,510,761	393%	57.7%
2018	0.17350%	12,212,510	3,320,017	368%	62.5%
2019	0.16300%	11,116,140	3,176,020	350%	64.3%
2020	0.16391%	11,874,848	3,197,712	371%	62.9%
2021	0.15365%	12,707,468	3,294,656	386%	58.0%
2022	0.14454%	7,955,226	3,192,643	249%	72.8%
2023	0.15072%	11,394,118	3,093,341	368%	63.7%
2024	0.15610%	10,448,397	3,500,361	298%	68.4%

\*Amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date (previous fiscal year end).

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Employer's Pension Contributions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Fiscal Year*	Statutorily Required Contribution	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contribution	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Employee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll
2015	\$ 1,416,778	\$ 1,416,778	\$-	\$ 3,829,130	37.0%
2016	1,306,003	1,306,003	-	3,510,761	37.2%
2017	1,188,566	1,188,566	-	3,320,017	35.8%
2018	1,203,177	1,203,177	-	3,176,020	37.9%
2019	1,211,933	1,211,933	-	3,197,712	37.9%
2020	1,341,028	1,341,028	-	3,294,656	40.7%
2021	1,280,695	1,280,695	-	3,192,643	40.1%
2022	1,221,870	1,221,870	-	3,093,341	39.5%
2023	1,410,783	1,410,783	-	3,500,361	40.3%
2024	1,520,590	1,520,590	-	3,681,823	41.3%

\*Amounts presented were determined as of the end of LETA's fiscal year.

## **Other Post-Employment Benefits Plan**

There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the requirements in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75 to pay related benefits and there are no benefit changes.

Fiscal Discount Measurement Year Date Rate 2024 7/1/2023 4.13% 4.09% 2023 7/1/2022 2022 7/1/2021 2.18% 2021 2.66% 7/1/2020 2020 7/1/2019 2.79% 2019 7/1/2018 2.98% 2018 7/1/2017 3.13% 2017 7/1/2016 2.71%

Changes in the discount rate by year are as follows:

Additional changes of assumptions for the other post-employment benefits plan ("OPEB") include:

2019 – (a) baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2018 claims and enrollment and retiree contributions were updated based on 2019 premiums. The impact of the High Cost Excise Tax was revisited, reflecting updated plan premiums; (b) Demographic assumptions were revised for the Louisiana State Police Retirement System, the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana to reflect recent experience studies. The mortality assumption for LASERS was updated from the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant and Employee tables for males and females with generational projections using projection scale MP-2017 to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant and Employee tables for males and females using projection scale MP-2018; (c) the percentage of future retirees assumed to elect medical coverage was modified based on recent plan experience.

2020 – (a) baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2019 claims and enrollment and retiree contributions were updated based on 2020 premiums; (b) Life insurance contributions were updated to reflect 2020 premium schedules; (c) the impact of the High Cost Excise Tax was removed, and the High Cost Excise Tax was repealed in December 2019; (d) demographic assumptions were revised for LASERS to reflect the recent experience study.

2021 – (a) baseline per capita costs (PCCs) were updated to reflect 2020 claims and enrollment for the prescription drug costs and retiree contributions were updated based on 2021 premiums. 2020 medical claims and enrollment experience were reviewed but not included in the projection of expected 2021 plan costs. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, plan administrators do not believe this experience is reflective of what we can expect in future years; (b) the salary scale assumptions were revised for the LASERS and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; (c) medical participation rates, life participation rates, the age difference between future retirees and their spouses, Medicare eligibility rates, and medical plan election percentages have all been updated based on a review of OPEB experience from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Notes to Required Supplementary Information

2022 – (a) healthcare cost trend increased from 6.75% - 4.50% for 2020 to 7.00% - 4.50% for 2021. (b) the discount rate has decreased from 2.66% to 2.18%; (c) medical plan election percentages were updated based on the coverage elections of recent retirees; (d) the healthcare cost trend rate assumption was revised based on updated National Health Care Trend Survey information; (d) and inflation rate changed from 2.80% as of July 1, 2020 to 2.40% as of July 1, 2021.

2023 - (a) the discount rate increased from 2.18% to 4.09% which decreased the Plan's liability; (b) baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2022 claims and enrollment; (c) medical plan election percentages were updated based on the coverage elections of recent retirees.

2024 - (a) the discount rate increased from 4.09% to 4.13%; (b) life insurance premium rates were updated, resulting in a decrease in the plan's liability; (c) baseline per capita costs and medical plan election percentages were updated to reflect 2023 claims and enrollment; (d) the baseline trend was updated to more accurately reflect the current medical cost environment. Pre-Medicare trend has been revised to 7.0% for the first two years trending down 25 basis points per year to an ultimate rate of 4.5%. Medicare trend has been revised to 6.5% for the first two years trending down 25 basis points per year to an ultimate rate of 4.5%.

## **Pension Plan**

Fiscal Year	Discount Rate	Investment Rate of Return	Inflation Rate	Projected Salary Increase	Remaining Service Lives
2024	7.25%	7.25%	2.30%	3.0% to 12.8%	2 years
2023	7.25%	7.25%	2.30%	3.0% to 12.8%	2 years
2022	7.40%	7.40%	2.30%	3.0% to 12.8%	2 years
2021	7.55%	7.55%	2.30%	3.0% to 12.8%	2 years
2020	7.60%	7.60%	2.50%	3.2% to 13.0%	2 years
2019	7.65%	7.65%	2.75%	3.8% to 12.8%	3 years
2018	7.70%	7.70%	2.75%	3.8% to 12.8%	3 years
2017	7.75%	7.75%	3.00%	4.0% to 13.0%	3 years
2016	7.75%	7.75%	3.00%	4.0% to 13.0%	3 years

Changes of assumptions for LASERS by year are as follows:

Additional changes of benefit terms and assumptions include:

2015 – A 1.5% COLA, effective July 1, 2014, provided by Act 102 of the 2014 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session.

2017 – A 1.5% COLA, effective July 1, 2016, provided by Acts 93 and 512 of the 2016 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session.

2018 – Effective July 1, 2017, the LASERS board adopted a plan to gradually reduce the discount rate in 0.05% increments. Per Act 94 of 2016 the projected contribution requirements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, include direct funding of administrative expenses, rather than a reduction in the assumed rate of return.

2020 – The LASERS termination, disability, and retirement assumptions and methods were updated based on experience study for the fiscal years July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018

2021 – Termination, disability, and retirement assumptions were projected based on a five-year (2014-2018) experience study of LASERS' members for 2019 salary increases were projected based on a 2014-2018 experience study of the LASERS' members. The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by LASERS and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The projected benefit payments do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

2022 – The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by LASERS and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The projected benefit payments do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

2023 –Act 656 of 2022 provided a one-time supplemental payment equal to the lesser of (1) the retiree's or beneficiary's monthly benefit, or (2) \$2,000. Eligibility is to be determined based on the current statutory COLA requirements based on the retiree's age, where applicable, as of June 30, 2022. Funds are to be paid from the Experience account not later than September 15, 2022. Act 170 of 2022 provided a supplemental appropriation of \$21,831,939 to LASERS, which includes State surplus funds and litter fines, to be applied to the IUAL, which is a component of the Original Amortization Base.

2024 – Act 184 of 2023 provides a new mechanism for funding future Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs) via an account funding rate (AFC) paid directly by employers and changes the granting and eligibility criteria for COLAs funded by the new mechanism. The Act further provides that the Experience Account funding mechanism will end and the account will close in the fiscal year in which the OAB is paid off. The aggregate employer contribution rate established by the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee for fiscal year 2023/2024 was 41.9%. The restated employer contribution rate determined by this valuation for fiscal year 2023/2024 is 40.2%. Therefore, an employer contribution surplus of 1.7% of payroll is expected next year.

**Other Supplementary Information** 

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Combining Statement of Functional Expenditures For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Program	Services		Supportin	g Services			
	Programming and Production	Broadcasting	Program Information	Support to Related Party	Management and General	Fundraising	Total	Intercompany Eliminations	Total Combined
Primary Government Operating services	\$ 1,155,925	\$ 1,342,416	\$ 127,844	\$ -	\$ 425,807	\$ -	\$ 3,051,992	\$ -	\$ 3,051,992
Professional services	465,115	\$ 1,342,410	\$ 127,844	φ -	<sup>3</sup> 425,807 74,648	ф –	539,763	φ -	539,763
Rents and leases		83,547	_	_			83,547		83,547
Amortization of leased assets	_	439,442	_	_	-	-	439,442	_	439,442
Personnel	2,257,153	2,507,948	250,795	_	955,409	-	5,971,305	_	5,971,305
Travel	545	605	60	-	230	-	1,440	-	1,440
	3,878,738	4,373,958	378,699	-	1,456,094	-	10,087,489	-	10,087,489
C (U.)									
Component Unit Operating services	3,374,401	516,721	99,369	1,278,822	406,211	-	5,675,524	(1,278,822)	4,396,702
Professional services	302,405		30,851	-,	52,384	-	385,640	-	385,640
Rents and leases	265,362	-	-	-	69,814	-	335,176	(273,654)	61,522
Personnel	202,076	-	11,658	-	174,873	-	388,607	-	388,607
Travel	41,411	5,916	-	-	11,832	-	59,159	-	59,159
	4,185,655	522,637	141,878	1,278,822	715,114		6,844,106	(1,552,476)	5,291,630
Affiliate									
Operating services	-	-	-	1,313,220	60,481	939,850	2,313,551	(1,313,220)	1,000,331
Professional services	-	-	-	-,	36,188	19,566	55,754	-	55,754
Rents and leases	-	-	-	-	30,376	-	30,376	(30,376)	
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	2,504	-	2,504	-	2,504
Personnel	-	-	-	-	193,601	580,800	774,401	-	774,401
Travel	-	-	-	-	-	16,135	16,135	-	16,135
			-	1,313,220	323,150	1,556,351	3,192,721	(1,343,596)	1,849,125
Combined									
Operating services	4,530,326	1,859,137	227,213	2,592,042	892,499	939,850	11,041,067	(2,592,042)	8,449,025
Professional services	767,520		30,851	-	163,220	19,566	981,157	(2,3)2,042)	981,157
Rents and leases	265,362	83,547		-	100,190	-	449,099	(304,030)	145,069
		439,442	-	-	2,504	-	441,946	-	441,946
Amortization and depreciation		,				580,800			
		2,507,948	262,453	-	1,323,883	380,800	/,134,313	-	/,134.313
Amortization and depreciation Personnel Travel	2,459,229 41,956	2,507,948 6,521	262,453 60	-	1,323,883 12,062	16,135	7,134,313 76,734	-	7,134,313 76,734

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Direct Revenues For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Primary Government		Co	omponent Unit	Affiliate		Total
Source of Income							
Amounts provided directly by federal government agencies National Endowment for the Arts and Humanities	¢		¢	502 242	¢	¢	502 242
National Endowment for the Arts and Humanities	\$	-	\$	<u>503,343</u> 503,343	<u> </u>	\$	503,343 503,343
Amounts provided by Public Broadcasting Entities		-		303,343	-		505,545
CPB - Community Service Grants		_		2,847,423	_		2,847,423
CPB - all other funds from CPB		2		245,653			245,653
PBS - all payments except copyright royalties		_		56,250	_		56,250
Public broadcasting stations - all payments		-		13,746	-		13,746
		-		3,163,072			3,163,072
Local boards and departments of education	·						<i>, , ,</i>
NFFS Eligible							
Program and production underwriting		-		-	-		-
Other income eligible as NFFS							
Educational programming		-		460,000	-		460,000
Sale of recordings		-		431	-		431
		-		460,431	-		460,431
State boards and departments of education							
NFFS Eligible							
Program and production underwriting		-		91,871	-		91,871
Grants and contributions other than underwriting	9,715,73	5		-	-		9,715,735
Other income eligible as NFFS							
Sale of recordings	679,47	-		125,356	-		- 804,829
Educational programming and productions	10,395,20			217,227			10,612,435
NFFS Ineligible	10,393,20	0		217,227	-		10,012,435
Rental income	8,14	0		_	_		8,140
Fees for services	131,40			59,930	-		191,330
Other income ineligible for NFFS inclusion		-					
Insurance reimbursements	72,15	8		-	-		72,158
Passthrough of state appropriations	600,00			-	-		600,000
	811,69	8		59,930	-		871,628
	11,206,90	6		277,157	-		11,484,063
Foundations and nonprofit associations							
NFFS Eligible							
Program and production underwriting		-		26,563	-		26,563
Grants and contributions other than underwriting		-		-	-		-
Other income eligible as NFFS							
Educational Programming	·	-		59,000	-		59,000
NFFS Ineligible		-		85,563	-		85,563
	17.40	0					17 400
Rental income Fees for services	17,40	U		- 1,081	-		17,400 1,081
Other income ineligible for NFFS inclusion		-		1,001	-		1,001
Sale of recordings		_		9,110	_		9,110
Sale of recordings	17,40	0		10,191			27,591
	17,40			95,754	-	· —	113,154
	17,40	<u> </u>		75,754		· <u> </u>	110,101

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Direct Revenues *(Continued)* For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	(	Primary Government	(	Component Unit	Affiliate			Total
Business and Industry								
NFFS Eligible			<u>_</u>		<u>_</u>		<u>_</u>	
Program and production underwriting	\$	-	\$	209,147	\$	-	\$	209,147
Grants and contributions other than underwriting				-		5,100		5,100
NFFS Ineligible		-		209,147		5,100		214,247
Rental income		172,365		98,712				271,077
Fees for services		90,277		14,521				104,798
Other income ineligible for NFFS inclusion		90,277		14,521		-		104,798
Sale of recordings		_		504				504
Sale of recordings		262,642		113,737				376,379
		262,642		322,884		5,100		590,626
				- )		- /		
Memberships and subscriptions								
(less than \$1,000 per individual donor)		-		-		1,994,966		1,994,966
Form of Revenue								
Special fundraising activities								
Gross special fundraising revenues		-		-		569,952		569,952
Direct special fundraising expenses		-				(152,606)		(152,606)
		-		-		417,346		417,346
Passive income								
Interest and dividends		-		985,427		2,580		988,007
Royalties		-		1,389		-		1,389
		-		986,816		2,580		989,396
Gains and losses on investments								
Realized gains/losses on investments		-		866,551		-		866,551
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments		-		3,078,676		-		3,078,676
		-		3,945,227		-		3,945,227
Endowment revenue								
Interest and dividends on endowment funds		-		119,360		-		119,360
Realized net investment gains on endowment funds		-		118,166		-		118,166
Unrealized investment losses on endowment funds		<u> </u>		419,820		-		419,820 657,346
				057,540				037,340
Gifts and bequests from major individual donors (more than \$1,000 per individual donor)		-		-		544,701		544,701
Other Direct Revenue				12.550		200		12.040
Individual contribution (eligible)		-		13,550		399		13,949
Sales of products and services to individuals (not eligible)		1,125		10,509 24,059		13,899 14,298		25,533 39,482
		, -		/		<i>,</i>		,
Total Revenue	\$	11,488,073	\$	10,436,089	\$	3,131,597	\$	25,055,759

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Direct Revenues *(Continued)* For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Primary Government		Component Unit		Affiliate		Total	
Total Revenue	\$	11,488,073	\$	10,436,089	\$	3,131,597	\$	25,055,759	
Adjustments to Revenue									
Federal revenue from line 1		-		503,343		-		503,343	
Public broadcasting revenue		-		3,163,072		-		3,163,072	
Revenue on line 20 not meeting the source, form,									
purpose, or recipient criteria		1,125		10,509		13,899		25,533	
Other automatic subtractions from total revenue									
Special fundraising event expenses		-		-		152,606		152,606	
Realized gains/losses on investments		-		866,551		-		866,551	
Unrealized investment gains/losses		-		3,078,676		-		3,078,676	
Realized and unrealized net investment gains/losses									
on endowment funds		-		537,986		-		537,986	
Rental income		197,905		98,712		-		296,617	
Fees for services		221,677		75,532		-		297,209	
Other revenue ineligible as NFFS		672,158		9,614		-		681,772	
		1,092,865		8,343,995		166,505		9,603,365	
Total Direct Nonfederal Financial Support	\$	10,395,208	\$	2,092,094	\$	2,965,092	\$	15,452,394	

## **PROGRAM SERVICES**

Programming and productions	
TV CSG	\$ 2,860,780
TV Interconnection	37,642
Other CPB Funds	177,128
All Non-CPB Funds	4,715,189
	7,790,739
Broadcasting and engineering	
TV CSG	34,071
All Non-CPB Funds	4,862,524
	 4,896,595
Program information and promotion	1,050,050
TV CSG	54,314
All Non-CPB Funds	466,263
	 520,577
SUPPORT SERVICES	520,577
Management and general TV CSG	509 125
	508,435
All Non-CPB Funds	 1,848,487
	2,356,922
Fundraising and membership development	1 556 251
All Non-CPB Funds	 1,556,351
	1,556,351
Underwriting and grant solicitation	
TV CSG	 107,060
	 107,060
	\$ 17,228,244

## **TOTAL EXPENSES**

Total TV CSG	\$ 3,564,660
Total TV Interconnection	37,642
Total Other CPB Funds	177,128
Total All Non-CPB Funds	13,448,814
	 17,228,244
INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	
Total capital assets purchased or donated	
Equipment	
Capital assets purchased for the benefit of the State of Louisiana	 4,273,535
	\$ 21,501,779
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
	\$ 17,228,244
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Total expenses (direct only) Investment in capital assets (direct only)	\$ 17,228,244 4,273,535

## DATA FROM COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Combined Statement of Activities - Revenues Charges for services	\$ 2,785,105
Operating grants and contributions	6,778,486
Other revenues	 18,388,240
	\$ 27,951,831
DATA FROM CPB ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT	
Schedule A - Direct Revenue	
Total revenue from line 22	\$ 25,055,759
Reconciling Items	
Financial support provided by related parties eliminated for	
the CPB Annual Financial Report	2,592,042
Rent and lease fees charged to related parties eliminated for	
the CPB Annual Financial Report	 304,030
	\$ 27,951,831

Reports Required by Government Auditing Standards



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## Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

To Management of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, and each major fund, of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority ("LETA"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise LETA's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 14, 2025.

## **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered LETA's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the LETA's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of LETA'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 may exist that have not been identified.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

Timell & Martiney , 11c

Covington, Louisiana January 14, 2025

## A. Summary of Auditor's Reports

a. Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified		
b. Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weaknesses identified	yes	✓	no
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses	yes	✓	none noted
c. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted	yes	✓	no

## **B.** Findings in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

None noted.

## A. Findings in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

None