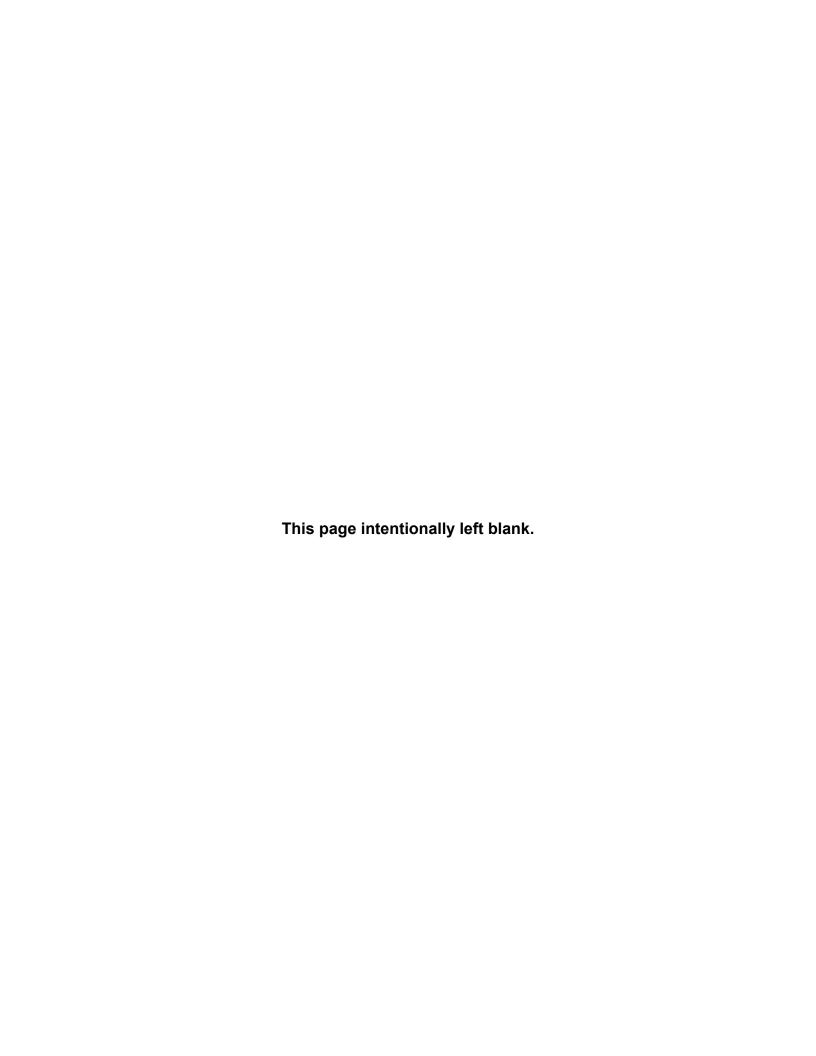




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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Family and Children First Council Hocking County 31630 Chieftain Drive Logan, Ohio 43138

To the Family and Children First Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of the Family and Children First Council, Hocking County, Ohio (the Council), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Council prepares its financial statement on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Family and Children First Council, Hocking County, as of December 31, 2002, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the year then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 8, 2003 on our consideration of the Council's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The accompanying Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures is presented for additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the financial statements. We subjected this information to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements. In our opinion, it is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Council and other officials authorized to receive this report under Section 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Betty Montgomery

Auditor of State

July 8, 2003

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	Government			
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:				
Intergovernmental	\$ 210,870	\$ 232,930	\$ 443,800	
Cluster Monies	252,572		252,572	
Other Revenue	42,180	9,184	51,364	
Total Cash Receipts	505,622	242,114	747,736	
Cash Disbursements:				
Personal Services	45,409	162,412	207,821	
Utilities	3,438	1,904	5,342	
Contractual Services	428,273	108,595	536,868	
Supplies and Materials	2,072	13,127	15,199	
Family Funds	,	2,268	2,268	
Miscellaneous	591		591	
Total Cash Disbursements	479,783	288,306	768,089	
Excess of Cash Receipts				
Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	25,839	(46,192)	(20,353)	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	118,101	110,587	228,688	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 143,940	\$ 64,395	\$ 208,335	
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$ 37,877	\$ 21,569	\$ 59,446	

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 2002

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Ohio Rev. Code Section 121.37 created the Ohio Family and Children First Cabinet Council and required the Board of County Commissioners in each County to establish County Family and Children First Councils. A Board of County Commissioners may invite any local public or private agency or group that funds, advocates, or provides services to children to have a representative become a permanent or temporary member of its County Council. Each County Council must include the following individuals:

- a. At least three individuals whose families are or have received services from an agency represented on the Council or another County's Council. Where possible, the number of members representing families shall be equal to twenty percent of the Council's membership;
- b. The Director of the Board of Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Services that serves the County, or, in the case of a county that has a Board of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services and a Community Mental Health Board, the Directors of both Boards. If a Board of Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Services covers more than one county, the Director may designate a person to participate on the County's Council;
- c. The Health Commissioner, or the Commissioner's designee, of the Board of Health of each city and general health district in the County. If the County has two or more health districts, the Health Commissioner membership may be limited to the Commissioners of the two districts with the largest populations;
- d. The Director of the County Department of Job and Family Services;
- e. The Executive Director of the county agency responsible for the administration of children services pursuant to Section 5153.15 of the Revised Code;
- f. The Superintendent of the County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities;
- g. The County's Juvenile Court Judge senior in service or another judge of the juvenile court designated by the administrative judge, or, where there is no administrative judge, by the judge senior in service;
- h. The Superintendent of the city, exempted village, or local school district with the largest number of pupils residing in the County, as determined by the Department of Education, which shall notify each Board of County Commissioners of its determination at least biennially;
- i. A School Superintendent representing all other school districts with territory in the County, as designated at a biennial meeting of the superintendents of those districts;
- j. A representative of the municipal corporation with the largest population in the County;
- k. The President of the Board of County Commissioners, or an individual designated by the Board;
- I. A representative of the regional office of the Department of Youth Services;

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 2002 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A. Description of the Entity (Continued)

- m. A representative of the County's Head Start agencies, as defined in Section 3301.31 of the Revised Code;
- n. A representative of the County's early intervention collaborative established pursuant to the federal early intervention program operated under the "Education of the Handicapped Act Amendments of 1986"; and
- o. A representative of a local nonprofit entity that funds, advocates, or provides services to children and families.

A County Council shall provide for the following:

- a. Referrals to the Cabinet Council of those children for whom the Council cannot provide adequate services;
- b. Development and implementation of a process that annually evaluates and prioritizes services, fills service gaps where possible, and invents new approaches to achieve better results for families and children:
- c. Participation in the development of a countywide, comprehensive, coordinated, multi-disciplinary, interagency system for infants and toddlers with developmental disabilities or delays and their families, as established pursuant to federal grants received and administered by the department of health for early intervention services under the "Education of the Handicapped Act Amendments of 1986":
- d. Maintenance of an accountability system to monitor the County Council's progress in achieving results for families and children; and
- e. Establishment of a mechanism to ensure ongoing input from a broad representation of families who are receiving services within the County system.

B. Basis of Accounting

This financial statement follows the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

This statement includes adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Fund Accounting

The Council uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Council classifies its funds into the following types:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 2002 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Fund Accounting (Continued)

1. General

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Council had the following Special Revenue Funds:

Early Start Fund – This fund receives federal monies to provide families with ongoing home visits.

Help Me Grow Fund – This fund receives federal monies to provide families with services and support such as prenatal visits, newborn visits, ongoing home visits and support from other parents.

D. Administrative/Fiscal Agent

The Hocking County Board of County Commissioners is the designated administrative agent for the Council. The Hocking County Auditor is the designated fiscal agent for the Council. The Council's funds are maintained by the County in separate agency funds.

E. Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments

The Council's cash and investments are maintained by the Hocking County Commissioners. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments and the County is responsible for compliance. As of December 31, 2002, the Council's share of the County's cash and investment pool was as follows:

	2002
Demand deposits	\$ 208,335

All risks associated with such deposits are the responsibility of Hocking County.

F. Budgetary Activity

The Council files an annual estimate of expenditures and revenue with Hocking County, as required by Ohio law. This estimate is adopted by the Council and the Hocking County Commissioners. The Council and County Commissioners approve any changes made to this estimate during the year. The County Commissioners ensure that the Council's expenditures do not exceed appropriations.

G. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statement.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 2002 (Continued)

2. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2002 follows:

Budo	eted	VS	Actual	Receipts	:

	Budgeted Actual					
Fund Type	Receipts		Receipts		V	'ariance
General	\$	428,863	\$	505,622	\$	76,759
Special Revenue		335,208		242,114		(93,094)
Total	\$	764,071	\$	747,736	\$	(16,335)

Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	App	Appropriation		Budgetary			
Fund Type		Authority Ex		Expenditures		Variance	
General	\$	520,198	\$	517,660	\$	2,538	
Special Revenue		388,530		309,875		78,655	
Total	\$	908,728	\$	827,535	\$	81,193	

3. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Council is insured through the Hocking County Commissioners for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Valuable papers and records; and
- Errors and omissions.

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Council's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2002, members of PERS contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Council contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Council has paid all employer contributions required through December 31, 2002.

5. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts received from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Any disallowed costs may require refunding to the grantor. Amounts which may be disallowed, if any, are not presently determinable. However, based on prior experience, management believes such refunds, if any, would not be material.

SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

FEDERAL GRANTOR Pass-through Grantor Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-through Entity Number	Disb	ursements
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Passed through Ohio Department of Health:				
Special Education - Grants for Infants and Families with Disabilities	84.181	84-1-002-1-EG-03	\$	44,826
Total United States Department of Education				44,826
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Passed through Hocking County Department of Job and Family Services:				
Promoting Safe and Stable Families	93.556			64,718
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	N/A		231,014
Total United States Department of Health and Human Services				295,732
Total Federal Awards Expenditures			\$	340,558

The Notes to the Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures are an integral part of this Schedule.

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

NOTE A - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures (the Schedule) summarizes activity of the Council's federal award programs. The Schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Family and Children First Council Hocking County 31630 Chieftain Drive Logan, Ohio 43138

To the Family and Children First Council:

We have audited the financial statement of the Family and Children First Council, Hocking County, Ohio (the Council), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated July 8, 2003. 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.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Council's financial statement is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, 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 that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Council's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statement and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Council in a separate letter dated July 8, 2003.

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Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

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July 8, 2003



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Family and Children First Council Hocking County 31630 Chieftain Drive Logan, Ohio 43138

To the Family and Children First Council:

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Family and Children First Council, Hocking County, Ohio (the Council), with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2002. The Council's major federal program is identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Council's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance occurred with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Council's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Council's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Council complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2002.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Council is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Council's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

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Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Council, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

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July 8, 2003

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A -133 § .505 DECEMBER 31, 2002

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other reportable control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material non-compliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any other reportable internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under § .510?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families – CFDA # 93.558
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$ 300,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	No

2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS	

None.

3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS	

None.

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A-133 §.315(b) DECEMBER 31, 2002

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i> :
2001-001	A material noncompliance citation was issued under O.M.B. Circular A-133 §200(a) for not having a single audit performed timely for the year ended December 31, 2001.	Yes	N/A



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED SEPTEMBER 2, 2003