

WESTERN RESERVE COMMUNITY FUND, INC. (A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2021 (with summarized comparative information for December 31, 2020)



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Management of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. Akron, Ohio

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. (the Organization) (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. as of December 31, 2021, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

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 Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. 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 opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'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 Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards,* is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 27, 2022 on our consideration of the Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on 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 Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s 2020 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements in our report dated June 16, 2021. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

Sikich LLP

Akron, Ohio June 27, 2022

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION December 31, 2021 (with summarized comparative financial information for the period ended December 31, 2020)

ASSETS

ASSETS	2021	2020
CURRENT ASSETS	2021	2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,475,1	00 \$ 1,068,451
Accounts receivable, net	41,0	
Grants receivable	97,1	
Notes receivable, current	353,8	
Prepaid expenses	5,9	71 6,949
Total current assets	2,973,0	34 2,178,295
NONCURRENT ASSETS		
Notes receivable, long-term	1,394,0	10 888,023
Total noncurrent assets	1,394,0	10 888,023
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,367,0	44 \$ 3,066,318
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ 26,4	
Accruals	10,4	
Refundable advance	100,0	00 70,000
Total current liabilities	136,8	90 77,500
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		
Long term related party note payable	300,0	
Total liabilities	436,8	90 77,500
NET ASSETS		
Net assets, without donor restrictions	2,338,2	
Net assets, with donor restrictions	1,591,8	80 2,001,456
Total net assets	3,930,1	54 2,988,818
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 4,367,0	44 \$ 3,066,318

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

for the year ended December 31, 2021

(with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended December 31, 2020)

		2021		2020
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Total
REVENUE				
Grant revenue	\$ 354,554	\$ 1,143,644	\$ 1,498,198	\$ 1,931,500
Loan origination fee income	24,105	-	24,105	10,010
In-kind contributions	107,000	-	107,000	144,556
Interest income	32,779	-	32,779	25,907
Other income	29,908	-	29,908	17,976
Net assets released from restrictions	1,553,220	(1,553,220)		
Total revenue	2,101,566	(409,576)	1,691,990	2,129,949
EXPENSES				
Program services	630,371	-	630,371	142,951
Management and general operations	93,755	-	93,755	46,983
Fundraising	26,528		26,528	26,313
Total expenses	750,654		750,654	216,247
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	1,350,912	(409,576)	941,336	1,913,702
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	987,362	2,001,456	2,988,818	1,075,116
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 2,338,274	\$ 1,591,880	\$ 3,930,154	\$ 2,988,818

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

for the year ended December 31, 2021

(with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended December 31, 2020)

	2021				2020				
	Program Services	I	Management and General Operations	Fun	draising		Total		Total
Advertising and marketing expense	\$	- :	\$ 5,000	\$	-	\$	5,000	\$	100
Grant distribution expense	390,00	00	-		-	-	390,000		-
Loan return expense	74,54	45	-		-		74,545		-
Bank service charge		-	1,086		-		1,086		496
Insurance		-	8,122		-		8,122		6,552
In-kind management services and facilities	27,00)5	53,467		26,528		107,000		144,556
Management fee	100,00	00	-		-		100,000		15,000
Professional services	38,82	21	14,050		-		52,871		46,043
Miscellaneous			12,030		-		12,030		3,500
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 630,37	71	\$ 93,755	\$	26,528	\$	750,654	\$	216,247

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended December 31, 2021

(with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended December 31, 2020)

	2021			2020		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Change in net assets	\$	941,336	\$	1,913,702		
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets						
to net cash from operating activities:						
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:						
Accounts receivable		(21,258)		(19,404)		
Grants receivable		860,356		(887,500)		
Prepaid expenses		978		(1,737)		
Accounts payable		18,940		7,500		
Accruals		10,450		-		
Refundable advance		30,000		70,000		
Net cash from operating activities		1,840,802		1,082,561		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Advances on notes receivable		(936,080)		(455,250)		
Payment on notes receivable		201,927	927 89,1			
Proceeds from long term related party note payable		300,000		-		
Net cash from investing activities		(434,153)		(366,070)		
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		1,406,649		716,491		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD		1,068,451		351,960		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$	2,475,100	\$	1,068,451		

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

1. NATURE OF ACTIVITES

Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. (the Organization) is a nonprofit organization incorporated on March 7, 2019. It was created to help fill the gap in access to capital and provide support in disinvested areas where traditional lenders deem too risky to finance or be the sole lender. The Organization's target market is low-income populations and census tracts within Summit, Medina, Portage, Stark and Wayne counties.

As of January 2021, the Organization received certification as a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) from the CDFI Fund under the U.S. Department of the Treasury. This designation is given after evaluation of lending track record, mission, and board composition, and is reviewed on an annual basis.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting - The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Financial Statement Presentation – The Organization presents information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets as follows:

Net assets without donor restrictions are for general operations and board-designated net assets of the Organization and are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions. These net assets of the Organization may be used at the discretion of management to support the Organization's purposes and operations.

Net assets with donor restrictions are subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions are for actions of the Organization or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – All highly liquid investments with an original maturity when purchased of three months or less are considered cash equivalents.

The Organization maintains its cash in deposit accounts which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Organization's cash accounts exceeded federally insured limits by \$1,983,949 and \$599,651, respectively. The Organization has not experienced any significant losses in such accounts and management believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on its cash.

Accounts Receivable – Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from balances outstanding at year end. Receivables are considered past due based on various contractual terms. The Organization performs ongoing credit evaluations of customers and, generally, requires no collateral. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through a provision for bad debt expense and adjustment to a valuation allowance based on its assessment of the current status of individual accounts.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (Continued)

Balances that are still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a charge to the valuation allowance and a credit to accounts receivable. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, there was no allowance for doubtful accounts recorded by the Organization.

Grants Receivable – Grant contributions are recognized when the donor makes a promise to give to the Organization that is, in substance, unconditional. Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in net assets with donor restriction then released when the appropriate use of the grant is funded. Conditional promises to give are recognized only when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met and the promises become unconditional. The Organization had no allowance for grants receivable as of December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Grants and contracts with resource providers are recorded as exchange transactions or contributions. Once a transaction is deemed to be a contribution it is evaluated as to whether it is conditional and evaluates the possibility that a condition will not be met is remote. Unconditional contributions are recognized immediately and classified as either net assets with or without donor restrictions, while conditional contributions received are accounted for as a liability until the barriers to entitlement are overcome, at which point the transaction is recognized as unconditional and classified as either net assets with or without restrictions.

Notes receivable – Notes receivable are with organizations that conduct activities that fulfill the charitable purpose of the Organization. Note receivable are initially recorded on the statement of financial position at cost when approved and remitted. Notes receivable are repaid to the Organization in principal and interest at varying rates under specified arrangements with varying terms and interest rates through 2029. Interest income totaled \$32,779 and \$25,907 in 2021 and 2020 and is included on the statement of activities. Notes receivable outstanding totaled \$1,747,822 and \$1,013,669 as of December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Notes receivable are considered to be delinquent once they have reached 90 days past due and are placed on nonaccrual status at that time. No loans are considered delinquent at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The Organization's credit quality indicators are performing and nonperforming. Performing loans are those with one or more payments made during the fiscal year. Nonperforming loans are those with no payments made during the fiscal year. Each note is evaluated for impairment individually. Credit quality indicators are updated on a monthly basis for all notes receivable. In the event that a note is subsequently determined to be uncollectible or the value is permanently impaired, the Organization may reduce the carrying value of the investment by the uncollectible amount or record an impairment reserve. Losses notes as a result of reduction in carrying value are included in the statement of activities. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Organization had no allowance for notes receivable due to no nonperforming investments.

Refundable Advance – The Organization received \$100,000 in conditional contributions in 2021 and \$70,000 during 2020. The refundable advance will be reduced, and the contribution will be recognized as revenue once the related conditions are substantially met and right of return no longer exists.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (Continued)

Donated Services - Donated services are recognized as in-kind revenues at their estimated fair value when they create or enhance nonfinancial assets or they require specialized skills which would need to be purchased if they were not donated and are provided by individuals possessing such skills. Contributions are recorded as contributions and expenses and at their estimated fair values when received. The Organization received donated management services and contributed facilities valued at \$107,000 and \$144,556 as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, which are included in in-kind contributions and expense in the statement of activities.

Functional Expenses – The costs of providing program and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of functional expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated between program services, management and general, and fundraising expenses. Salaries and related expenses recorded as in-kind expenses are allocated on the basis of estimated time and effort. All other expenses are charged directly to the functional category in which they relate at the time the expense is incurred.

Advertising and Marketing Costs – Advertising and marketing costs are generally charged to operations in the year incurred and totaled \$5,000 and \$100 in 2021 and 2020, respectively.

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 disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. While actual results could differ from those estimates, management does not expect those differences to be significant to the financial statements.

Comparative Financial Information – The financial statements include certain prior year summarized comparative information in total but not by functional basis and net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Organization's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020, from which the summarized information was derived.

Tax Status – Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. is a nonprofit organization and is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, the Organization has not recorded provisions for federal and state income taxes. The Organization is not classified as a private foundation.

New Accounting Standards - In September 2020, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2020-07 on Topic 958, Presentation and Disclosures by Not-for-Profit Entities for Contributed Nonfinancial Assets. This standard requires nonprofits to change their financial statement presentation and disclosure of contributed nonfinancial assets, or gifts-in-kind. The standard is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021, and interim periods within annual reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022. The Organization is currently assessing the impact of this new standard.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (Continued)

Subsequent Events – Subsequent events are events or transactions that occur after year end but before the financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. These events and transactions either provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at year end, including estimates inherent in the process of preparing financial statements (that is, recognized subsequent events), or provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at year end but arose after that date (that is, non-recognized subsequent events).

Management has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through June 27, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined that there were no significant non-recognized subsequent events through that date.

3. LIQUIDITY

The following represents the Organization's financial assets available for operating expenses and capital expenditures on property and equipment within one year of the statement of financial position date at December 31:

	2021	2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,475,100	\$ 1,068,451
Accounts receivable, net	41,007	19,749
Grants receivable	97,144	957,500
Notes receivable, current	353,812	125,646
Total	2,967,063	2,171,346
Less net assets with donor restrictions	1,591,880	2,001,456
Total financial assets liquid within one year	<u>\$ </u>	<u>\$ 169,890</u>

Based on above the above financial assets and the Organization's \$200,000 line of credit available as described in Note 5, management believes the Organization has the resources to meet cash flow needs.

4. NOTES RECEIVABLE

Aggregate maturities of notes receivable are as follows:

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2022	\$	353,813
2023		305,627
2024		314,230
2025		451,144
2026		154,346
Thereafter		168,662
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

5. FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS

The Organization has a \$200,000 line of credit agreement with the County of Summit, Ohio, for MCCAP purposes. Advances outstanding on the credit line are due on demand with no interest. There were no outstanding advances outstanding at December 31, 2021 and 2020.

6. NET ASSETS

Net assets without donor restrictions are available for the follow purposes as of December 31:

		2021		2020
Operating surplus	<u>\$</u>	2,338,274	<u>\$</u>	987,362
Total	<u>\$</u>	2,338,274	<u>\$</u>	987,362

Net assets with donor restriction are available for the following purposes as of December 31:

		2021		2020
DFWR Regional Loan Fund (KSU)	\$	20,000	\$	70,000
Summit County Energy Efficient Fund		6,456		6,456
2019 Summit County CDBG Grant		25,000		100,000
DFWR Regional Loan Fund (LCH&D)		130,000		130,000
Minority Contractor Capital Access Program		-		125,000
DFWR Loan Loss Reserve		100,000		100,000
Akron Resiliency Fund		280,000		280,000
CDFI Fund – Technical Assistance Activities		13,924		60,000
Akron Development Corporation – Loan loss reserve		250,000		250,000
Summit County Affordable Housing Trust Fund		250,000		500,000
DFWR Regional Loan Fund (East End)		130,000		130,000
Summit County - Energy Efficiency Fund		250,000		250,000
Rapid Response Program		136,500		
Total	<u>\$</u>	1,591,880	<u>\$</u>	2,001,456

Net assets with donor restrictions totaling \$1,553,220 in 2021 and \$113,500 in 2020 were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by occurrence of other events specified by donors.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

7. RELATED PARTY

The Organization entered into a Management Services Agreement with the Development Finance Authority of Summit County (DFA) as of November 12, 2019 with quarterly payments beginning on March 15, 2020. Effective February 2021, amounts payable to the DFA total \$100,000 per year. The Organization receives management services, facilities and related utilities as part of the Management Services Agreement. The fair value of services and facilities received that exceed the management fee are recorded as in-kind contribution and related expenses. In 2020, the Organization received a \$14,000 unrestricted grant from the DFA.

During 2021, the Organization entered into a loan agreement with the DFA. Loan proceeds totaled \$300,000 with interest at 1.5%. Interest only payments are due each quarter and outstanding principal and accrued interest amounts are due in October 2031. Amounts outstanding totaled \$300,000 at December 31, 2021.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

for the year ended December 31, 2021

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Assistance Listing Number	Federal Expenditures						Pass Throu Subrec	gh To
Department of Housing and Urban Development									
Community Development Block Grant									
Passed through County of Summit, Ohio									
WRCF Loan Fund		\$	75,000	\$	-				
Minority Contractors Capital Access Program			60,755		-				
Passed through City of Akron, Ohio									
Akron Resiliency Fund - COVID			617,971		-				
Minority Contractors Capital Access Program - COVID			103,211		-				
Community Development Block Grant	14.218 *		856,937						
Community Development Financial Institutions fund									
CDFI-TA	21.020		96,076						
CDFI Rapid Response Program	21.024		263,500						
		\$	1,216,513	\$	_				

* Denotes major federal program

NOTE TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation – The accompanying supplemental schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal grant activity of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. (the Organization) under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2021. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc., it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.

Basis of Accounting – *Expenditures* reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

Indirect Cost Rate – The Organization has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Non-Cash Assistance, Loans Outstanding and Insurance – The Organization did not make or receive any federal loans or federal insurance for the year ended December 31, 2021.



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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 the Board of Directors and Management of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.:

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 Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2021, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 27, 2022.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion of the effectiveness of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or 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 the 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.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Institute'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 Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Sikich LLP

Akron, OH June 27, 2022



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Boards of Trustees of the Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Program

We have audited Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2021. The Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.'s major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc. complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

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

Sikich LLP

Akron, Ohio June 27, 2022

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS for the year ended December 31, 2021

SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements			
	Yes	No	None Reported
Type of auditor's report issued – unmodified			
Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weakness(es) identified?		<u> </u>	
 Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? 			V
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?		V	
Federal Awards			
Internal control over major programs:			
Material weakness(es) identified?			
 Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)? 			V
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs – unmodified			
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR Section 200.516(a)?		V	
Identification of major program: U.S. Department of Housing and urban Development Community Development Block Grant Passed through the County of Summit, Ohio: WRCF Loan Fund Minority Contractors Capital Access Fund Passed through the City of Akron, Ohio: Akron Resiliency Fund - COVID Minority Contractors Capital Access Fund - COVID ALN 14.218			
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: <u>\$ 750,000</u>	Yes	<u>No</u>	None <u>Reported</u>
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		V	

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS for the year ended December 31, 2021

Section II – Financial Statement Audit Findings - None

Section III – Major Federal Award Programs Findings and Questioned Costs - None

<u>Section IV – Prior Year Findings</u> - None