

*Report of Audit*

*on the*

*Financial Statements*

*of the*

*Educational Leadership  
Foundation of  
New Jersey, Inc.*

*for the*

*Years Ended  
June 30, 2024 and 2023*

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION OF NEW JERSEY, INC.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Members of the Board of Trustees  
Educational Leadership Foundation of New Jersey, Inc.  
Trenton, New Jersey 08618

***Opinion***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Educational Leadership Foundation of New Jersey, Inc., which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activity, functional expenses and cash flows for the years 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 the Educational Leadership Foundation of New Jersey, Inc. as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 the Educational Leadership Foundation of New Jersey, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

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

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

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## ***Auditor's Responsibility***

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 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, 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 the Educational Leadership Foundation of New Jersey 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 the Educational Leadership Foundation of New Jersey 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.

February 25, 2025



EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION OF NEW JERSEY, INC.STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
<u>Current Assets:</u>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 135,990	\$ 208,804
Accounts Receivable	-	459
	<u>135,990</u>	<u>209,263</u>
<u>Total Current Assets</u>		
<u>Fixed Assets:</u>		
Computer Software	5,523	23,523
Less: Accumulated Amortization	<u>(4,603)</u>	<u>(14,762)</u>
	<u>920</u>	<u>8,761</u>
<u>Net Fixed Assets</u>		
	<u>\$ 136,910</u>	<u>\$ 218,024</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 421	\$ 759
Accrued Expenses	1,555	-
Deferred Revenue	-	50,000
	<u>1,976</u>	<u>50,759</u>
<u>Total Current Liabilities</u>		
<u>Net Assets</u>		
Without Donor Restrictions	<u>134,934</u>	<u>167,265</u>
	<u>134,934</u>	<u>167,265</u>
<u>Total Net Assets</u>		
	<u>\$ 136,910</u>	<u>\$ 218,024</u>
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		

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

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STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITY  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

	2024		2023			
	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	TOTAL	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	TOTAL
<u>REVENUES AND SUPPORT</u>						
Operating Activities						
Contributions	\$ 7,692	\$ 129,000	\$ 136,692	\$ 4,766	\$ 113,300	\$ 118,066
Grants		150,000	150,000		130,000	130,000
In-Kind Contributions	10,800		10,800			
Total Revenues and Support before Releases	18,492	279,000	297,492	4,766	243,300	248,066
Net Assets Released From Restrictions	279,000	(279,000)		243,300	(243,300)	
Less: Accumulated Amortization	297,492		297,492	248,066		248,066
Operating Expenses						
Program Services	319,735		319,735	211,750		211,750
Management and General	10,088		10,088	9,471		9,471
Total Operating Expenses	329,823	-	329,823	221,221	-	221,221
Change in Net Assets from Operating Activities	(32,331)		(32,331)	26,845		26,845
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(32,331)		(32,331)	26,845		26,845
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	167,265		167,265	140,420		140,420
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 134,934	\$ -	\$ 134,934	\$ 167,265	\$ -	\$ 167,265

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EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION OF NEW JERSEY, INC.STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$ (32,331)	\$ 26,845
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to Net Cash (Used) Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation and Amortization	7,841	19,841
Accounts Receivable	459	(459)
Accrued Expenses	1,555	-
Payroll Taxes Payable	(338)	-
Prepaid Expenses	-	485
Less: Accumulated Amortization	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operating Activities	<u>(72,814)</u>	<u>(3,288)</u>
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Purchase of Fixed Assets	<u>-</u>	<u>(18,000)</u>
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	<u>-</u>	<u>(18,000)</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(72,814)	(21,288)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	<u>208,804</u>	<u>230,092</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 135,990</u>	<u>\$ 208,804</u>

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EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION OF NEW JERSEY, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Activities

The Educational Leadership Foundation of New Jersey, Inc. (Foundation) is a New Jersey nonprofit corporation formed in 2008 organized and operated exclusively as an educational organization to advance, encourage and support the improvement of the public education system in the State of New Jersey by providing research, training and education to New Jersey school district boards of education, public charter school boards of trustees, and other public entities and nonprofit organizations working to improve educational affairs in the State of New Jersey.

Basis of Accounting

The Foundation prepares its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America, which involves the application of accrual accounting; consequently, revenues and gains are recognized when earned, and expenses and losses are recognized when incurred.

Financial Statement Presentation

Net assets and revenues, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, the net assets of the Foundation and changes therein are classified as follows:

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Foundation. The Foundation's Board may designate assets without restrictions for specific operational purposes from time to time.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions - Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by actions of the Foundation or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

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JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Contributions

Unconditional contributions are recognized when pledged and recorded as net assets without donor restrictions or net assets with donor restrictions, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor-imposed restrictions. Conditional promises to give are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Gifts of cash and other assets are reported with donor restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Income Tax Status

The Foundation qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, has no provision for federal income taxes.

The most significant tax position of the Foundation is its assertion that it is exempt from income taxes. Other significant tax positions include its determination of whether any amounts are subject to unrelated business tax (UBIT). Management has determined the Foundation had no activities subject to UBIT in the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023. All significant tax positions have been considered by management and it has determined that it is more likely than not that all tax positions would be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities.

The Foundation is required to file Form 990 (Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax) which is subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) up to three years from the extended due date of the tax return. The Forms 990 for 2021 through 2023 are open to examination by the IRS as of June 30, 2024.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Foundation considers all monies in banks and highly liquid investments with maturity dates of less than three months to be cash equivalents.

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JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Accounts Receivable

The Foundation considers all other receivables to be fully collectible; therefore, no allowance for doubtful accounts has been recorded. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be charged to operations when that determination is made.

Promises to Give

Unconditional promises to give, less an allowance for uncollectible amounts, are recognized as revenue in the period received and as assets, decreases of liabilities, or expenses depending on the form of the benefits received. Conditional promises to give are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met.

Contributed Goods and Services

The Foundation receives a substantial number of services donated by its members in carrying out the Foundation's activity. No amount has been reflected in the financial statements for these services.

Functional Expenses

The costs of providing program and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the services and missions served. Such allocations are determined by management on an equitable, direct basis.

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(2) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The cash and cash equivalents at June 30 were as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Checking Accounts	\$135,970	\$208,784
Petty Cash	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	<u>\$135,990</u>	<u>\$208,804</u>

The Foundation maintains its checking accounts in one financial institution. Accounts at the institutions are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000. The Foundation has not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Foundation believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on its cash accounts.

(3) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) is considered a related party to the Foundation due to common management. In addition, the NJSBA provides various administrative services and office space to the Foundation and its employees.

The Foundation applied for and received grants in the amount of \$150,000 and \$130,000 in the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, from the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES), which allows school districts to purchase deregulated electricity and gas. NJSBA was designated as a "governmental aggregator" by the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act of 1999. The grants are awarded to enable the Foundation to provide various training programs.

(4) FIXED ASSETS

Intangible assets, stated at cost, at June 30 are as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Computer Software	\$ 5,523	\$ 23,523
Less: Accumulated Amortization	<u>(4,603)</u>	<u>(14,762)</u>
Intangible Assets, Net	<u>\$ 920</u>	<u>\$ 8,761</u>

Amortization expense as of June 30, 2024 and 2023 amounted to \$7,841 and \$19,841 respectively.

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JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

(5) FINANCIAL DEPENDENCY

The Foundation's operating revenues are provided through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services grant and corporate and individual contributions. The Foundation is economically dependent on these revenues to carry on its operations.

(6) NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by occurrence of other events specified by donors.

Restricted purpose accomplished:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Programs	<u>\$279,000</u>	<u>\$243,300</u>

(7) LIQUIDITY

The Foundation's financial assets available within one year of the statement of financial position date for general expenditures are as follows:

Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$135,990</u>
Accounts receivable	<u>-0-</u>
Total Financial Assets	<u>135,990</u>
Donor-imposed restrictions or internal designations:	<u>-0-</u>
Total Donor-imposed restrictions or internal designations	<u>\$ -0-</u>
Financial Assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year	<u>\$135,990</u>

The Foundation's financial assets have been reduced by amounts not available for general use because of donor imposed restrictions, currently none.

The Foundation's primary sources of support are contributions. Some of the support received is required to be used in accordance with the purpose restrictions imposed by the donors. The Foundation monitors its financial assets for liquidity to be able to meet its operating needs.

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JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

(8) SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Foundation has evaluated subsequent events occurring after the financial statement date through February 25, 2025 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Based on this evaluation, the Foundation has determined that no subsequent events have occurred which require disclosure in the financial statements.

(9) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the ordinary conduct of its business, the Foundation may be a party to litigation. At June 30, 2024, in the opinion of management, there were no matters pending or threatened which would have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the Foundation.