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Findings in the audit of Children's Trust Fund Board

Findings

The audit identified no significant deficiencies in internal controls, no significant noncompliance with legal provisions, and no significant deficiencies in management practices and procedures. No findings resulted from the audit.

In the areas audited, the overall performance of this entity was Excellent.*

*The rating(s) cover only audited areas and do not reflect an opinion on the overall operation of the entity. Within that context, the rating scale indicates the following:

- **Excellent:** The audit results indicate this entity is very well managed. The report contains no findings. In addition, if applicable, prior recommendations have been implemented.
- **Good:** The audit results indicate this entity is well managed. The report contains few findings, and the entity has indicated most or all recommendations have already been, or will be, implemented. In addition, if applicable, many of the prior recommendations have been implemented.
- **Fair:** The audit results indicate this entity needs to improve operations in several areas. The report contains several findings, or one or more findings that require management's immediate attention, and/or the entity has indicated several recommendations will not be implemented. In addition, if applicable, several prior recommendations have not been implemented.
- **Poor:** The audit results indicate this entity needs to significantly improve operations. The report contains numerous findings that require management's immediate attention, and/or the entity has indicated most recommendations will not be implemented. In addition, if applicable, most prior recommendations have not been implemented.

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Honorable Michael L. Parson, Governor and Members of the General Assembly and Sarah Steelman, Commissioner Office of Administration and Members of the Children's Trust Fund Board and Emily van Schenkhof, Executive Director Children's Trust Fund Board Jefferson City, Missouri

We have audited certain operations of the Children's Trust Fund Board in fulfillment of our duties under Chapter 29, RSMo. The scope of our audit included, but was not necessarily limited to, the 2 years ended June 30, 2019. The objectives of our audit were to:

- 1. Evaluate the board's internal controls over significant management and financial functions.
- 2. Evaluate the board's compliance with certain legal provisions.
- 3. Evaluate the economy and efficiency of certain management practices and operations, including certain financial transactions.

Our methodology included reviewing minutes of meetings, written policies and procedures, financial records, and other pertinent documents; interviewing various personnel of the board; and testing selected transactions. We obtained an understanding of internal controls that are significant within the context of the audit objectives and assessed whether such controls have been properly designed and placed in operation. We tested certain of those controls to obtain evidence regarding the effectiveness of their design and operation. We also obtained an understanding of legal provisions that are significant within the context of the audit objectives, and we assessed the risk that illegal acts, including fraud, and violations of contract, grant agreement, or other legal provisions could occur. Based on that risk assessment, we designed and performed procedures to provide reasonable assurance of detecting instances of noncompliance significant to those provisions.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards applicable to performance audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform our audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides such a basis.

The accompanying Organizational and Statistical Information is presented for informational purposes. This information was obtained from the board's management and was not subjected to the procedures applied in our audit of the board.

For the areas audited, we identified (1) no significant deficiencies in internal controls, (2) no significant noncompliance with legal provisions, and (3) no significant deficiencies in management practices and procedures. No findings resulted from our audit of the Children's Trust Fund Board.

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Children's Trust Fund Board Organization and Statistical Information

The Children's Trust Fund Board (CTFB) was established by Sections 210.170 to 210.173, RSMo, to provide child abuse and neglect public awareness and prevention programs throughout the state using resources of the Children's Trust Fund (CTF). Receipts of the CTF are comprised of dedicated fees on marriage licenses and vital records, voluntary contributions of state income tax refunds, sales of the specialty CTF license plate, federal grants, general donations, and interest income.

Section 210.170, RSMo, provides that the CTFB shall consist of 17 members. Thirteen public members are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate and are appointed to serve 3-year terms, limited to two consecutive terms. Members serve until their successor is appointed. Two members of the Missouri House of Representatives are appointed by the Speaker of the House and two members of the Missouri Senate are appointed by the President Pro Tem of the Senate. Members of the Senate and House of Representatives serve on the CTFB until their term in the House or Senate expires. On June 30, 2019, the CTFB had 15 members and 2 vacancies. Members serving on the Board as of June 2019 were:

Member	City	Term Expires
John B. Heskett, Ed.D., Chair	Chesterfield	September 2020
Amy Beechner-McCarthy, Chair Elect	Rolla	September 2019
James D. Anderst, M.D. MSCI	Kansas City	September 2020
Melissa Birdsell	St. Joseph	September 2020
Nanci A. Bobrow, Ph. D.	St. Louis	September 2019
Monica Davis, Ed.D.	Rolla	September 2018
Sharon Faulkner	Springfield	September 2018
Michael Howard	Crestwood	September 2020
Margaret Peggy Krokstrom	Chesterfield	September 2019
Sharon E. Rohrbach	Fenton	September 2019
Cherisse Thibaut, LCSW	Kirkwood	September 2018
Derek Wiseman	St. Louis	September 2018
Representative Cody Smith	Carthage	
Senator Jeanie Riddle	Holts Summit	
Senator Jill Schupp	St. Louis	
Vacant		
Vacant		

The CTFB is empowered to enter into contracts with public or private agencies, schools, or qualified individuals to establish community-based educational and service programs focused on the prevention of child abuse and neglect. The programs include home visiting, crisis care, safe sleep promotion, collective impact, parent education and engagement, and other child abuse prevention initiatives. The CTFB also provides public education about the problem of child abuse and neglect and how Missouri citizens can contribute to prevention efforts.



Children's Trust Fund Board Organization and Statistical Information

The CTFB may appoint an executive director to perform administrative duties. Emily van Schenkhof was appointed Executive Director in July 2017. Four other employees perform various administrative duties and responsibilities.

Appendix A

Children's Trust Fund Board

Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash and Investments

	Year Ended June 30,			
	2019	2018		
5	2,196,086	2,298,141		
	2,089,143	1,862,027		
	106,943	436,114		
	41,810	63,813		
	(142,952)	(104,695)		
	5,801	395,232		
	4,076,509	3,681,277		
5	4,082,310	4,076,509		
		2019 2,196,086 2,089,143 106,943 41,810 (142,952) 5,801 4,076,509		

¹ Transfers In include donations of individual or corporation state income tax refunds.

² Transfers Out generally include payments for fringe benefits and the state's cost allocation plan.

Appendix B

Children's Trust Fund Board

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures

	Year Ended June 30,							
	_	2019			2018			
	-	Appropriation		Lapsed	Appropriation		Lapsed	
		Authority	Expenditures	Balances	Authority	Expenditures	Balances	
CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND	_							
Program disbursements	\$	2,800,000	1,749,123	1,050,877	2,800,000	1,552,404	1,247,596	
Administrative, promotional, and programmatic costs of								
the Children's Trust Fund Board:								
Personal service		282,266	263,500	18,766	222,996	214,614	8,382	
Expense and equipment		112,092	56,129	55,963	112,092	72,904	39,188	
Operation of state-owned facilities, utilities, systems								
furniture, and structural modifications - expense								
and equipment		13,592	13,572	20	13,059	13,059	0	
Refunds	_	13,495	6,203	7,292	13,495	6,065	7,430	
Total Children's Trust Fund	\$	3,221,445	2,088,527	1,132,918	3,161,642	1,859,046	1,302,596	

Appendix C

Children's Trust Fund Board

Comparative Statement of Expenditures (From Appropriations)

	Year Ended June 30,							
		2019	2018	2017	2016	2015		
Salaries and wages	\$	263,500	214,614	230,547	215,873	214,548		
Travel, in-state		17,286	11,938	6,346	4,928	5,293		
Travel, out-of-state		15,275	3,942	2,549	1,946	3,299		
Supplies		11,811	5,281	3,919	8,859	3,725		
Professional development		9,897	4,577	4,640	3,092	3,718		
Communication services and supplies		2,012	1,966	1,730	2,197	3,706		
Services:								
Professional		217,097	177,667	34,041	43,958	24,967		
Maintenance and repair		417	255	163	63	407		
Equipment:								
Computer		0	0	1,543	0	0		
Office		4,460	288	499	40	0		
Other		7,627	1,488	151	0	0		
Property and improvements		635	0	0	0	0		
Building lease payments		16,159	14,389	13,483	12,952	13,343		
Equipment rental and leases		569	0	0	0	0		
Miscellaneous expenses		18,623	3,022	2,208	1,879	1,067		
Refunds		6,203	6,065	6,772	7,060	6,090		
Program distributions		1,496,956	1,413,554	1,960,130	1,859,917	2,557,806		
Total Expenditures	\$	2,088,527	1,859,046	2,268,721	2,162,764	2,837,969		