
TRANSPORTATION RIDERS UNITED, INC.

(A MICHIGAN NON-PROFIT CORPORATION)

**Financial Reports
For The Year Ended
December 31, 2023
(With Comparative Totals for 2022)**



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

The Board of Directors
Transportation Riders United, Inc.
Detroit, Michigan

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Transportation Riders United, Inc. (a not-for-profit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of entity management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

We are required to be independent of Transportation Riders United, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matter - Summarized Comparative Information

The 2022 financial statements were audited by us and we expressed an unmodified opinion on them in our report dated November 14, 2023. The summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023 is consistent with the reviewed financial statements from which it has been derived.

Gordon Advisors, P.C.

November 14, 2024

TRANSPORTATION RIDERS UNITED, INC.

Statements of Financial Position

	<u>ASSETS</u>	
	December 31,	
	2023	2022
	Unaudited	Audited
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 60,453	\$ 135,601
Grants receivable	24,500	0
Pledges receivable	16,201	0
Other receivables	1,041	1,963
Prepaid expenses	1,513	1,745
Total Current Assets	<u>103,708</u>	<u>139,309</u>
Property and equipment - At cost:		
Computers and equipment	11,000	48,138
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(11,000)</u>	<u>(48,138)</u>
Total Fixed Assets - At cost,		
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>\$ 103,708</u>	<u>\$ 139,309</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
Liabilities		
Accrued liabilities	<u>\$ 18,488</u>	<u>\$ 7,460</u>
Net Assets all without donor restrictions		
Net assets without donor restrictions	60,720	131,849
Net assets with donor restrictions	<u>24,500</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>85,220</u>	<u>131,849</u>
	<u>\$ 103,708</u>	<u>\$ 139,309</u>

See Independent Accountant's Review Report and Accompanying Footnotes.

TRANSPORTATION RIDERS UNITED, INC.
Statements of Activities

	Year Ended December 31, 2023			2022 Audited Total
	Without Donor Restrictions	Unaudited With Donor Restrictions	Total	
Revenue and Other Support				
Grants	\$ 149,200	\$ 24,500	\$ 173,700	\$ 208,000
Membership dues and contributions	60,205	0	60,205	38,631
	209,405	24,500	233,905	246,631
Net assets released from restrictions - Satisfaction of program restrictions	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue and Other Support	209,405	24,500	233,905	246,631
Expenses				
Program expenses	239,651	0	239,651	183,160
Supporting services - Management and general	13,575	0	13,575	7,226
Fundraising	30,363	0	30,363	13,499
Total Expenses	283,589	0	283,589	203,885
Other Income				
Other income (expense)	3,055	0	3,055	1,006
Total Other Income	3,055	0	3,055	1,006
Change In Net Assets	(71,129)	24,500	(46,629)	43,752
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	131,849	0	131,849	88,097
Net Assets - End of Year	\$ 60,720	\$ 24,500	\$ 85,220	\$ 131,849

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TRANSPORTATION RIDERS UNITED, INC.
Statements of Functional Expenses
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023
(With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended December 31, 2022)

	2023				
	Unaudited				
	Program Services				
	Bus Improvement Advocacy	Climate Advocacy	Community Outreach & Engagement	Funding Advocacy	Total Program Services
Salaries and payroll taxes	\$ 39,771	\$ 31,223	\$ 74,229	\$ 19,177	\$ 164,400
Employee benefit program	1,860	1,581	3,547	837	7,825
Total Compensation	41,631	32,804	77,776	20,014	172,225
Contractual and professional services	5,070	4,249	9,548	4,468	23,335
Occupancy	1,821	1,549	3,507	820	7,697
Telephone	177	151	338	80	746
Printing, postage & supplies	179	133	2,124	70	2,506
Meetings and educational material	1,048	831	3,950	703	6,532
Office expenses and miscellaneous	2,452	4,010	13,299	1,014	20,775
Transportation	945	689	1,455	305	3,394
Insurance	578	491	1,112	260	2,441
Subtotal	12,270	12,103	35,333	7,720	67,426
Depreciation	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenses	\$ 53,901	\$ 44,907	\$ 113,109	\$ 27,734	\$ 239,651

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Statements of Functional Expenses (Continued)
For The Year ended December 31 2023
(With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended December 31, 2022)

	2023			
	Unaudited			
	Supporting Services			
	Management & General	Fundraising	2023 Unaudited Total	2022 Audited Total
Salaries and payroll taxes	\$ 10,101	\$ 19,958	\$ 194,459	\$ 126,108
Employee benefit program	496	977	9,298	9,941
Total Compensation	10,597	20,935	203,757	136,049
Contractual and professional services	1,352	2,661	27,348	25,250
Occupancy	486	926	9,109	6,616
Telephone	47	93	886	782
Printing, postage & supplies	42	199	2,747	6,525
Meetings and educational material	115	1,364	8,011	4,161
Office expenses and miscellaneous	601	3,536	24,912	12,805
Transportation	181	356	3,931	3,936
Insurance	154	293	2,888	2,480
Subtotal	2,978	9,428	79,832	62,555
Depreciation	0	0	0	5,281
Total Expenses	\$ 13,575	\$ 30,363	\$ 283,589	\$ 203,885

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TRANSPORTATION RIDERS UNITED, INC.
Statements of Cash Flows

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022
	Unaudited	Audited
Operating Activities		
Change in net assets	\$ (46,629)	\$ 43,752
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	0	5,281
(Increase) Decrease in operating assets:		
Other receivables	922	110
Prepaid expenses	232	181
Increase (Decrease) in operating liabilities:		
Accrued liabilities	11,028	(2,404)
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Operating Activities	<u>(34,447)</u>	<u>46,920</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash	(34,447)	46,920
Cash		
Beginning of Year	<u>135,601</u>	<u>88,681</u>
End of Year	<u><u>\$ 101,154</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 135,601</u></u>

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TRANSPORTATION RIDERS UNITED, INC.
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

NOTE

1. Organization and Purpose

Description of Organization – Transportation Riders United, Inc. “the Organization” is a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Michigan. The Organization’s mission is: Transportation Riders United, Inc. believes everyone should be able to get where they need to go. We educate, mobilize, and advocate for more and better public transit and other affordable mobility options throughout Metro Detroit.

Bus Improvement Advocacy – Monitoring, promoting, and advocating for improvements in existing bus service and funding, and seeking to provide bus riders a voice in transit decisions.

Regional Transit Advocacy – Monitoring, supporting, and advising the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) and otherwise advocating for improved transit throughout southeast Michigan with and through the RTA.

Transportation Advocacy (Other) – Monitoring and seeking to improve non-bus and non-RTA transportation projects including M-1 Rail streetcar and highway expansion proposals.

Transit Education Project – Educating voters about and making the case to support the Regional Transit funding ballot measure to invest in transit expansion.

Community Outreach and Engagement – Informing and engaging transit stakeholders and the broader public about transit news, events and opportunities for involvement.

Management and General – This includes the functions necessary to maintain an adequate working environment, provide proper administrative support of the Organization’s programs, planning, and manage the financial and budgeting responsibilities of the Organization.

Fundraising – This provides the structure necessary to encourage and secure support from individuals, foundations, corporations, and government agencies.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The following are accounting principles and policies followed by the Organization:

Basis of Accounting – The accrual basis of accounting has been adopted for purposes of financial reporting.

Classification of Net Assets – Net assets of the Organization are classified as without donor restrictions and with donor restrictions depending on the presence and characteristics of donor-imposed restrictions limiting the Organization’s ability to use or dispose of contributed assets or the economic benefits embodied in these assets. Donor-imposed restrictions that expire with the passage of time or can be removed by meeting certain requirements result in net assets with donor restrictions. Earnings, gains and losses on net assets with donor restrictions are classified as unrestricted unless specifically restricted by the donor or by applicable state law.

Cash Equivalents – The Organization considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Investments – Purchased and donated securities are valued at fair market value.

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

NOTE

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Property and Equipment – It is the Organization's policy to capitalize property and equipment over \$500. Lesser amounts are expensed. Purchased property and equipment is capitalized at cost. Donations of property and equipment are recorded as contributions at their estimated fair value. Depreciation is computed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

Contributed Support – Contributions of cash and other assets, including unconditional promises to give in the future, are recorded as with donor restrictions or without donor restrictions, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or the purpose restriction is accomplished, donor restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activity as net assets released from restrictions. If a restriction is fulfilled in the same time period in which the contribution is received, the contribution is reported as unrestricted. All pledges and grants receivable at December 31, 2023 are expected to be collected within one year. The Organization evaluates pledges and grants receivable for collectability and records a valuation allowance for anticipated uncollectible contributions based on management's judgment, past collection experience, and other relevant factors. For the year ended December 31, 2023, no valuation allowance was considered necessary.

The Organization records various types of in-kind support. The Organization records the value of donated goods or services when there is an objective basis available to measure their value. Contributions of tangible assets are recognized at estimated fair values when received. Donated services are recognized as contributions if the services (a) create or enhance non-financial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are performed by people with those skills, and would otherwise be purchased by the organization.

Also, a number of volunteers donated significant amounts of their time in the Organization's program services. The value of these services is not disclosed since no objective basis is available to measure the value of such services.

Estimates in the Financial Statements – 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 certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Concentrations of Credit Risk – The Organization maintains its checking and savings accounts at a financial institution whose balances are insured up to limits established by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Organization at times maintains balances in excess of federally insured limits. Management does not believe the Organization is exposed to any unusual credit risk on uninsured balances.

Subsequent Events – The Organization has evaluated events and transactions that occurred through November 14, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available for issue.

Advertising – Advertising costs are expensed as incurred.

Uncertain Tax Positions – Management evaluates, at least annually, whether any tax positions reported on a tax return are more likely than not to be sustained if challenged. Management believes no such positions exist that would have a significant impact on the Organization's financial position and statement of activities. As of December 31, 2023, no liability for unrecognized tax benefits was recorded.

Comparative Financial Information – The financial information presented for comparative purposes for the year ended December 31, 2022 is not intended to be a complete financial statement presentation in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the 2022 financial statements from which the summarized information was derived.

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

NOTE

3. Federal Income Taxes

The Organization has applied to the Internal Revenue Service and has received a favorable determination letter for tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, a provision for federal income taxes is not required. In addition, the Organization has been determined not to be a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(A) of the code.

4. Functional Allocation of Expenses

Expenditures incurred in connection with the Organization's operations are summarized on both a functional basis and using natural expense categories in the statement of activities to segregate program service expenses from administrative and fundraising costs.

The costs of providing programs, fundraising, and supporting services are reported in the statement of functional expenses. Indirect costs have been allocated between the various programs, supporting services, and fundraising based on estimates by management.

5. Unconditional Promises to Give

There were no unconditional promises to give as of December 31, 2023.

6. Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions represent certain grants and contributions that have been received that are either time restricted or purpose restricted for a particular Organization project. As of December 31, 2023, there was \$24,500 in net assets with donor restrictions due to time restrictions.

7. Liquidity Management

The Organization has \$60,453 of cash assets and accounts receivable of \$41,742 available within one year of the balance sheet date to meet cash needs for general expenditures. Of this amount \$24,500 is subject to donor or other contractual restrictions that make them unavailable for general expenditure within one year of the balance sheet date.

The Organization has a goal to maintain enough cash to meet all anticipated operating expenses throughout the year.

8. Leases

The Organization has a month-to-month lease on office space with an unrelated party, for monthly rent ranging from \$795 to \$865. Lease expenses were \$9,109 and \$6,617 for December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The Organization has elected to apply the short-term lease exemption to one of the Organization's classes of underlying assets: building leases. In 2023, the Organization had only a small number of leases within this class of underlying asset that qualify for the exemption. The short-term lease cost recognized and disclosed for those leases in 2023 and 2022 is \$9,109 and \$6,617, respectively.