

PROWERS COUNTY
SINGLE AUDIT PACKAGE

Financial Statement and
Report of Independent Auditor
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

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Board of Commissioners'
Prowers County, Colorado

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Opinion

We have audited the schedule of expenditures of federal awards of Prowers County, Colorado for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes (the schedule).

In our opinion, the accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards presents fairly, in all material respects, the expenditures of federal awards of Prowers County, Colorado for the year ended December 31, 2023, 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; 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 are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Prowers County, Colorado and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Schedule

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the schedule 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 the schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the schedule as a whole is 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, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance 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 schedule.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the schedule, 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 schedule.
- 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 Prowers County, Colorado'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 schedule.

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.

Blair and Associates, P.C.

Cedaredge, CO
August 22,2024

PROWERS COUNTY
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For The Year Ended December 31, 2023

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE	FEDERAL ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER	AGENCY OR PASS- THROUGH NUMBER	FEDERAL DISBURSEMENTS/ EXPENDITURES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES			
477 Cluster:			
Child Care Mandatory & Matching Funds	93.575	CO Dept. of Human Services	\$ 278,462
Child Care Mandatory & Matching Funds	93.596	CO Dept. of Human Services	52,107
Total 477 Cluster			<u>330,569</u>
TANF Cluster			
TANF- Colo Works	93.558	CO Dept. of Human Services	556,919
Medicaid Cluster			
Medical Assistance Program (Colo Single Entry Point)	93.778	# Health Care Policy & Fin.	267,403
Title XIX Medicaid	93.778	CO Dept. of Human Services	220,093
Total Medicaid Cluster			<u>487,496</u>
Guardianship Assistance	93.090	CO Dept. of Human Services	958
Child Support Enforcement	93.563	CO Dept. of Human Services	273,758
LEAP	93.568	CO Dept. of Human Services	3,283
Title IV-B Child Care	93.645	CO Dept. of Human Services	7,060
Title IV-E Foster Care	93.658	CO Dept. of Human Services	275,774
Title IV-E Adoption	93.659	CO Dept. of Human Services	52,885
CRF	93.747	CO Dept. of Human Services	7,476
Social Service Block Grant	93.667	CO Dept. of Human Services	34,786
			<u>655,980</u>
Public Health Emergency Preparedness	93.069	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	18,724
Injury Prevention, Control Research, State & Community Based Programs	93.136	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	25,000
Childhood Immunization Grant	93.268	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	84,193
Epidemiology & Lab Capacity for Infect. Diseases	93.323	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	174,901
OPPI Child Fatality	93.354	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	110,969
National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness	93.889	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	142,617
Block Grant for Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	164,602
OPHP LLPHA PBG	93.967	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	15,124
Preventives Health & Health Services Block Grant	93.991	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	1,000
Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant	93.994	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	13,018
Subtotal CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment			<u>750,148</u>
Aging Cluster			
Community Services Block Grant	93.044	LAVAA	40,228
CSBG Cluster			
Community Service Block Grant-Stephanie Tubbs Jones CWSP	93.569	Dept. of Local Affairs	41,492
Total US Department of Health & Human Services			<u>2,862,832</u>
US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			
Formula Gants for Other Than Urbanized Areas	20.509	Colo. Dept. of Transportation	405,057
Total US Department of Transportation			<u>405,057</u>
US DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY			
Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	CDOT	27,639
			<u>27,639</u>
Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.027	* CO Dept. of Human Services	34,925
Prowers County Regional Housing Planning Strategies	21.027	+ * SECED	625,650
DIRECT ASSISTANCE			
Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	* CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	435,443
			<u>1,096,018</u>
Total US Department of Treasury			<u>1,123,657</u>
US DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR			
Mineral Leasing Act	15.437	Depart of Local Affairs	17,775
			<u>17,775</u>
Total US Department of Interior			<u>17,775</u>
US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			
Women, Infant, & Children	10.557	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	108,618
WIC Non-Cash Assistance	10.557	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	366,657
Total WIC			<u>475,275</u>
Child & Adult Care Food Program	10.558	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	81,933
SNAP Cluster			
Food Stamp Administration	10.561	CO Dept. of Human Services	237,840
			<u>795,048</u>
Total US Department of Agriculture			<u>795,048</u>
US DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY			
Emergency Management Performance Grant	97.042	CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment	2,392
PASSED-THRU FUNDS:			
TEFAP Commodities	10.569	+ Colorado Department of Human Services	158,263
SFOO Rehabilitation Program	14.228	+ CO Dept. of Local Affairs	4,834
Subtotal Passed-Thru Funds			<u>163,097</u>
		TOTAL FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	<u>\$ 5,369,858</u>

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

NOTE 1: BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Note: The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of Prowers County under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2019, and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. 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).

Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

The 10% de Minimis rule is not used.

* Denotes Major Program

+ Pass thru funds to a sub-recipient

Sub-award contract number 21-1603940L7

PROWERS COUNTY
 Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs And
 Prior Years Findings and Questioned Costs
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor’s report issued: UNMODIFIED

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness identified. NONE NOTED

Significant deficiency identified
that is not considered material
weaknesses? NONE NOTED

Noncompliance material to financial
Statements noted? NONE NOTED

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:
Material weakness identified. NONE NOTED

Significant deficiency identified
that is not considered material
weaknesses? NONE NOTED

Type of auditor’s report issued: UNMODIFIED

Any auditing findings that are
required to be reported in
accordance with the Uniform Guidance NONE NOTED

Identification of major program:

21.027 Coronavirus State & Local Relief Funds

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between

Type A and Type B programs \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low risk auditee. YES

PROWERS COUNTY
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs And
Prior Years Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS
NONE NOTED

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
NONE NOTED

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

NONE



**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***

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners and Management
Prowers County
Lamar, Colorado 81052

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 Prowers County Department of Human Services (DHS), Colorado, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Prowers County Department of Human Services (DHS), Colorado, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Prowers County Department of Human Services (DHS), Colorado's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 31, 2024.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Prowers County Department of Human Services (DHS), Colorado's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Prowers County Department of Human Services (DHS), Colorado's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Prowers County Department of Human Services (DHS), Colorado'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 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 FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Commissioners
Prowers County

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Prowers County 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 Prowers County major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023. Prowers County 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, Prowers County Department of Human Services 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, 2023.

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 Prowers County Department of Human Services 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 Prowers County 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 Prowers County 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 Prowers County 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 Prowers County 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 Prowers County compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Prowers County 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 Prowers County 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, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance 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 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.

Blair and Associates, P.C.

Cedaredge, Colorado
May 31, 2024

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Prowers County Department of Human Services (DHS), Colorado's financial statements are free from 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 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 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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Blair and Associates, P.C.

Cedaredge, Colorado
May 31, 2024