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# THE TRARON CENTER

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> Independent Auditors' Report December 31, 2022

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# **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Board of Directors of The TraRon Center Washington, DC

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of TraRon Center as of December 31, 2022, and the related statements of income for the year then ended.

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 controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of TraRon Center. as of December 31, 2022 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Greenbelt, MD December 11, 2023

# TraRon Center STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2022

Assets		2022 Total	
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	54,787	
Endowment		32,000	
Total Assets		86,787	
Net Assets		86,787	
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See accompanying notes to financial statements

# TraRon Center Statement of Activities DECEMBER 31, 2022

	2022		
Income		Total	
Donations			
Business Donors		46,665	
Individual Donors		191,325	
Non Profit Donors		12,750	
Total Donations		250,740	
Grants		125,500	
Total Revenue		376,240	
<u>Expenses</u>			
General & Administrative		152,753	
Program Activities		314,047	
Total Expenses		466,800	
Net Income		(90,560)	
Net Assets, beginning of year		177,347	
Net Assets, end of year		86,787	

See accompanying notes to financial statements

# TraRon Center FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES DECEMBER 31, 2022

	General & Administrative	Program Activities	
Expenditures			
Supplies	\$ 4,201	\$ 3,534	
Educational Materials	-	5,258	
Food and Snacks	-	14,179	
Transportation	6,933	42,303	
Dues & Subscriptions	3,962	-	
Insurance	22,410	-	
Miscellaneous	275	2,457	
Professional Services	-	15,300	
Promotion and Recruitment	2,349	-	
Rent & Lease	14,234	-	
Special Events	-	24,739	
Art Therapist	-	3,150	
Salaries & Wages	64,894	180,919	
Taxes & Licenses	24,619	2,573	
Retirement & 401k	4,891	-	
Other Expenses	3,984	19,635	
Total Expenditures	\$ 152,753	\$ 314,047	

## A. ORGANIZATION

The TraRon Center (TTRC) was founded in 2017 by Ryane B. Nickens, a native Washingtonian who was raised in the Ward 8 section of the city. The TraRon Center was birthed out of Ryane's desire to help families that have endured the pain of gun violence. We help families find healing, and to empower them to actively seek ways to change the culture of violence in their communities.

## **PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:**

# (1) Creative Arts Afterschool Program

The Creative Arts After School Program integrates Art Therapy/Education, with mentoring and tutoring to facilitate a healthy learning environment, where our students are engaged in activities to further their educational achievements. Children and youth who have been directly affected by gun violence need an intentionally facilitated space to deal with their grief; and, art therapy is effective in helping children and youth process their grief.

# (2) Artful Summers -Eight-Week Summer Camp

Artful Summers is designed for primary and middle school students. The seven-week summer sessions offers a full day of engagement around art therapy and cultural arts programming. We integrate Art Therapy/Education, with emphasis on African and African Americans involvement in cultural arts with themed works such as music, dance, visual art, literature, photography, and cinema.

# (3) Jeremy Black Scholarship Fund

The Jeremy Black scholarship fund at the TraRon Center honors Jeremy Black whose life was taken prematurely by gun violence in Washington, DC. The scholarship is for high school students in Ward 5,7, and 8 in Washington, DC, who have lost a loved one to gun violence and who plan to continue their post-high school education.

## B. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Basis of Accounting

These financial statements were prepared using the cash basis of accounting. The cash flow statement is not included in the report.

## Cash Equivalents

TTRC considers cash equivalents as all highly liquid investments that, at the time of purchase, have a maturity of three months, or less.

#### Receivables

TTRC considers all accounts receivable to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is required. If amounts are confirmed as uncollectable, they will be charged to the operations. There are no receivables booked to the financial statements because the statements were produced using a cash basis.

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized when payments are received.

#### C. INCOME TAXES

TTRC is a nonprofit organization that is exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is made in the financial statements. However, any income from activities not directly related to the Organization's tax-exempt purposes would be subject to taxation as unrelated business income. The Organization paid no income taxes during the years ended December 31, 2022.

#### D. LEASE COMMITMENTS

The organization rents the facilities in which it operates. The appropriate rental expense is recorded on the TTRC financial statements.

## E. CONTINGENCIES

There are no contingencies that would require any additional liabilities to be disclosed in the financial statements and notes.