
TOWN OF WINCHESTER, CONNECTICUT

State Single Audit

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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**

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Winchester, Connecticut

We have audited, in accordance with 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 the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Winchester, Connecticut (the "Town"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 22, 2021.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town'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 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 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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town'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 financial statements. 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 result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town'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 Town's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



King, King & Associates, CPAs
Winsted, CT
December 22, 2021

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR STATE PROGRAM;
REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON THE
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
REQUIRED BY THE STATE SINGLE AUDIT ACT**

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Winchester, Connecticut

Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program

We have audited the Town of Winchester, CT's (Town) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the Office of Policy and Management's *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Town's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its state programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Town's major state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. 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 State Single Audit Act (C.G.S. Sections 4-230 to 4-236). Those standards and the State Single Audit Act require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major State Program

In our opinion, the Town, 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 state programs for the year ended June 30, 2021.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Town is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Town's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major state program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for each major state program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the State Single Audit Act, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's 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 state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or 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 state 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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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 State Single Audit Act. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance Required by the State Single Audit Act

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated December 22, 2021, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the State Single Audit Act, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.



King, King & Associates, CPAs
Winsted, CT
December 22, 2021

TOWN OF WINCHESTER, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	State Grant Program Core-CT Number	Expenditures
Department of Education		
Alliance District	11000-SDE64370-17041-82164	\$ 208,160
Healthy Foods Initiative	11000-SDE64370-16212	5,976
Health Services	11000-SDE64370-17034	11,077
Child Nutrition State Match	11000-SDE64370-16211	3,774
Family Resource Centers	11000-SDE64370-16110	101,530
Adult Education	11000-SDE64370-17030	9,049
School Breakfast	11000-SDE64370-17046	5,431
After School Program	11000-SDE64370-17084	127,245
Low Performing Schools	11000-SDE64370-43728	149,551
Commissioner's Network	11000-SDE64370-12547	500,000
Office of Early Childhood		
School Readiness and Child Care in Competitive Grant Municipalities	11000-OEC64845-16274-83013	275,764
Child Care Quality Enhancement	11000-OEC64845-16158	3,881
Department of Administrative Services		
Alliance District General Improvements	12052-DAS27635-43651	418,771
Judicial Department		
Parking Fines	34001-JUD95162-40001	1,531
Office of Policy and Management		
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) on State- Owned Property	11000-OPM20600-17004	59,944
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) on Private Colleges and General/Chronic Disease Hospitals	11000-OPM20600-17006	27,324
Reimbursement of Property Taxes - Disability Exemption	11000-OPM20600-17011	1,116
Local Capital Improvement Program	12050-OPM20600-40254	194,033
Distressed Municipalities	12052-OPM20600-43750	12,719
Municipal Grants-in-aid	12052-OPM20600-43587	306,204
Property Tax Relief for Veterans	11000-OPM20600-17024	1,677
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection		
Drug Asset Forfeiture	12060-DPS32155-35142	2,640
Telecommunications Fund	12060-DPS32700-35190	105,132
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection		
Responsible Growth Incentive	12052-DEP43153-43130	55,594

See notes to schedule.

TOWN OF WINCHESTER, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	State Grant Program Core-CT Number	Expenditures
Department of Transportation		
Town Aid Road Grants - Municipal	12052-DOT57131-43455	\$ 149,906
Town Aid Road - STO	13033-DOT57131-43459	149,906
Temporary Holding Account	34003-DOT57131-42350	710
Department of Development Services		
Employment Opportunities & Day Services	11000-DDS50148-16108	<u>284,308</u>
Total State Financial Assistance Before Exempt Programs		\$ 3,172,953
EXEMPT PROGRAMS		
Office of Policy and Management		
Municipal Stabilization Grant	11000-OPM20600-17104	105,432
Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund	12009-OPM20600-17005	49,474
Department of Education		
Educational Cost Sharing	11000-SDE64370-17041-82010	7,862,973
Excess Costs Student Based and Equity	11000-SDE64370-17047	568,099
Department of Administrative Services		
School Construction Grant	13010-DAS27635-43744	<u>1,551,290</u>
Total Exempt Programs		<u>10,137,268</u>
Total State Financial Assistance		<u>\$ 13,310,221</u>

See notes to schedule.

TOWN OF WINCHESTER, CONNECTICUT
 NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance includes state grant activity of the Town of Winchester, Connecticut under programs of the State of Connecticut for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Various departments and agencies of the State of Connecticut have provided financial assistance through grants and other authorizations in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. These financial assistance programs fund several programs including education, public safety, veterans and environmental programs.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Town of Winchester, Connecticut conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

The information in the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance is presented based upon regulations established by the State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements contained in the Town of Winchester, Connecticut's annual report are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The following is a summary of such basis:

Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable.

The expenditures reported on the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. In accordance with Section 4-236-22 of the Regulations to the State Single Audit Act, certain grants are not dependent on expenditure activity, and accordingly, are considered to be expended in the fiscal year of receipt. These grant program receipts are reflected in the expenditures column of the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance.

2. LOAN PROGRAMS

In accordance with Section 4-236-23(a)(4)(F) of the Regulations to the State Single Audit Act, the notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance shall include loans and loan activities. The following is a summary of the various loan program activity for the year ended June 30, 2021:

Department of Environmental Protection:

Clean Water Funds:

<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Balance Beginning</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Retired</u>	<u>Balance Ending</u>
1/08	2%	\$ 642,019	\$ 237,987	\$ -	\$ 34,164	\$ 203,823

TOWN OF WINCHESTER, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

The following schedule reflects the major programs included in the audit:

<u>State Grantor and Program</u>	<u>State Core - CT Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
Office of Policy and Management		
Municipal Grants-in-aid	11000-OPM20600-43587	\$ 306,204
Department of Education		
Family Resource Centers	11000-SDE64370-16110	\$ 101,530
After School Programs	11000-SDE64370-17084	\$ 127,245
Commissioner's Network	11000-SDE64370-12547	\$ 500,000
Department of Administrative Services		
Alliance District General Improvements	12052-DAS27635-43651	\$ 418,771
Department of Transportation*		
Town Aid Road Grants - Municipal	12052-DOT57131-43455	\$ 149,906
Town Aid Road - STO	13033-DOT57131-43459	\$ 149,906

*Note - While these grants have different State Core CT Numbers, they are considered one major program for testing purposes.

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs \$ 200,000

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

- We issued reports, dated December 22, 2021, on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters based on our audit of financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Our report on compliance indicated no reportable instances of noncompliance.
- Our report on internal control over financial reporting indicated no matters were reported.

III. STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

- No findings or questioned costs are reported relating to State Financial Assistance Programs.