AUDIT REPORT

JANUARY 1, 2007 - DECEMBER 31, 2008

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Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Family and Children First Council Morgan County Family and Children First Council 155 East Main Street, Room 205 McConnelsville, Ohio 43756

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of the Morgan County Family and Children First Council, Morgan County, prepared by Wolfe, Wilson & Phillips, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State. Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Auditors' Report* on your financial statements. While the Auditor of State does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Independent Auditors' Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the Auditor of State permits.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Morgan County Family and Children First Council is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL MORGAN COUNTY JANUARY 1, 2007 - DECEMBER 31, 2008

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Family and Children First Council Morgan County 4275 N. State Route 376 NW McConnelsville, Ohio 43756

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Family and Children First Council, Morgan County, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Family and Children First Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit 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 Unites States. 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 includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Family and Children First Council has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present for 2008 and 2007, the revisions require presenting entity wide statements and also to present its larger (i.e. major) funds separately for 2008 and 2007. While the Council does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The Council has elected not to reformat its statements. Since this Council does not use GAAP to measure financial statement amounts, the following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Family and Children First Council's combined funds as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and their changes in financial position.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Family and Children First Council, Morgan County, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

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The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also require the Council to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. The Council has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated August 11, 2009, on our consideration of the Family and Children First Council's internal control structure over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Wolfe, Wilson, & Phillips, Inc. Zanesville, Ohio August 11, 2009

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES-ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Governmental Fund Types				Totals	
	General		Special Revenue		(Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:						
Intergovernmental	\$	59,789	\$	-	\$	59,789
Total Cash Receipts		59,789		-		59,789
Cash Disbursements:						
Current:						
Contractual Services-Administration		9,938		-		9,938
Other		5,441		-		5,441
Contractual-Client Services		39,866		-		39,866
Total Cash Disbursements		55,245		-		55,245
Total Receipts Over/(Under)						
Cash Disbursements		4,544		-		4,544
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		15,141		756		15,897
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	19,685	\$	756	\$	20,441

See notes to financial statements.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES-ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	Governmental Fund Types				Totals (Memorandum Only)	
	Special General Revenue					
Cash Receipts:						
Intergovernmental	\$	26,666	\$	55,679	\$	82,345
Total Cash Receipts		26,666		55,679		82,345
Cash Disbursements: Current:						
Contractual Services-Administration		15,634		8,024		23,658
Audit		3,319		-		3,319
Other		16,789		4,633		21,422
Contractual-Client Services		1,720		35,101		36,821
Total Cash Disbursements		37,462		47,758		85,220
Total Receipts Over/(Under)						
Cash Disbursements		(10,796)		7,921		(2,875)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		25,937		(7,165)		18,772
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	15,141	\$	756	\$	15,897

See notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICAN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of the Entity

Ohio Revised Code Section 121.37 created the Ohio Family and Children First Cabinet Council and permitted the Board of County Commissioners in each County to establish County and Family First Councils. A Board of County Commissioners may invite any other public or private agency or group that funds, advocates, or provides services to children to have a representative become a permanent or temporary member of its County Council. Each County must include the following individuals.

- 1. At least three individuals whose families are or have received services from an agency which is represented on the Council or another County's Council. Where possible, the number of members representing families shall be equal to twenty percent of the Council's membership;
- 2. The Director of the Board of Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Services (ADAMH) that serves the County, or in the case of a County that has an ADAMH Board and a Community Mental Health Board, the Directors of both Boards. If the ADAMH Board covers more than one County, the Director may designate a person to participate on the County's Council;
- 3. The Health Commissioner, or the Commissioner's designee, of the Board of Health of each City and General Health District in the County. If the County has more than two Health Districts, the Health Commissioners of the two Districts with the largest population;
- 4. The Director of the County Department of Job and Family Services;
- 5. The Executive Director of the County agency responsible for the administration of children's services pursuant to the Ohio Rev. Code Section 5153.15;
- 6. The Superintendent of the County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities;
- 7. The County's Juvenile Court Judge senior in service or another judge of the Juvenile Court designated by the Administrative Judge or, where there is no Administrative Judge, by the Judge senior in service;
- 8. The Superintendent of the City, Exempted Village, or Local School District with the largest number of pupils residing in the County, as determine by the Ohio Department of Education at least biennially;
- 9. A School Superintendent representing all other School Districts with territory in the County, as designated at a biennial meeting of the Superintendents of those Districts;
- 10. A representative of the municipal corporation with the largest population in the County;
- 11. The President of the Board of County Commissioners, or an individual designated by the Board;
- 12. A representative from the regional office of the Ohio Department of Youth Services;
- 13. A representative of the County's Head Start Agencies, as defined in the Ohio Rev. Code Section 3301.31;
- 14. A representative of the County's Early Intervention Collaborative established pursuant to the federal early intervention program operated under the "Education of the Handicapped Act of 1986"; and,

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICAN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Description of the Entity (Continued)

15. A representative of a local nonprofit entity that funds, advocates or provides services to children and families.

A County Council's statutory responsibilities include the following:

- 1. Refer to the Cabinet Council those children for whom the Council cannot provide adequate services;
- 2. Develop and implement a process that annually evaluates and prioritizes services, fills service gaps where possible, and invents new approaches to achieve better results for families and children.
- 3. Participate in the development of a countywide comprehensive, coordinated, multidisciplinary, interagency system for infants and toddlers with developmental disabilities or delays and their families, as established pursuant to federal grants received and administered by the Department of Health for early intervention services under the "Education of the Handicapped Act Amendments of 1986";
- 4. Maintain an accounting system to monitor the Council's progress in achieving results for families and children; and,
- 5. Establish a mechanism to ensure ongoing input from a broad representative of families who are receiving services with the County system.

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

Fund Accounting

The Council uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Council classifies its funds into the following types:

General Fund

Administrative Grant Fund - This fund is used to account for state grant funds to be used for parental involvement, administrative support, or training.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICAN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Accounting (Continued)

Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Council had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

Help Me Grow Grant Fund - This fund is used to account for federal and state grant funds to be used for families and children ages birth to three years and pregnant women who are at risk for abuse, neglect, or developmental delay.

Fiscal and Administrative Agents

Morgan County serves as the fiscal agent for the Council.. The Morgan County Commissioners served as the administrative agent for the Council through June 30, 2008 and the Morgan County Health Department became the administrative agent as of July 1, 2008.. Council funds are maintained in a separate agency fund by the County.

Pooled Cash

The Council's cash is maintained by Morgan County in its cash pool as of December 31, 2008, its fiscal agent. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments and the Council is responsible for compliance. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Council's share of each cash and investment pool was as follows:

	2008		2007		
Demand Deposits	\$	20,441	\$ 15,897		

All risks associated with such deposits are the responsibility of the Council.

Budgetary Process

The Council is required by law to file an annual estimate of expenditures and revenue with Morgan County. This estimate is to be adopted by the Council and the Morgan County Commissioners. The Council and the County Commissioners ensure that the Council's expenditures do not exceed appropriations. the Council did file the required budget in 2008 and 2007. Budgets were filed based on the grant program year, which ends June 30. As a result, it was not practical to present calendar year information.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Council's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including post-retirement health care, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2008 and 2007, members of PERS contributed 10.0% and 9.5% of their gross salaries, respectively. The Council contributed an amount equal to 14.00% and 13.85% of participants' gross salaries, respectively. The Council has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2008.

3. CONTIGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the Council are subject to audit and adjustments. Grantors may require the Council to refund any disallowed costs. management cannot presently determine amounts which may be disallowed. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS.

Mayor and Council Council Family and Children First Council 4275 N. State Route 376 NW McConnelsville, Ohio 43756

We have audited the financial statements of The Family and Children First Council, Morgan County as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated August 11, 2009, wherein we noted the Council followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit 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.

Internal Control Over Financing Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Family and Children First Council's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Councils internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Council's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Council's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Council's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purposes described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

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Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters

Required by Government Auditing Standards

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Family and Children First Council's combined financial statements are free of 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 that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management in a separate letter dated August 11, 2009.

This report is intended for the information of the management, Council and the Auditor of State and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Wolfe, Wilson, & Phillips, Inc. Zanesville, Ohio August 11, 2009





MORGAN COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL

MORGAN COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED OCTOBER 19, 2009

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