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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

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AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL

The Honorable Michael F. Easley, Governor The General Assembly of North Carolina Board of Directors, Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc.

This report presents the results of our financial statement audit of the Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc., (Davie Partnership) for the year ended June 30, 2005. Our audit was made by authority of Article 5A of Chapter 147 of the *North Carolina General Statutes*.

The accounts and operations of the Davie Partnership were subject to audit procedures as we considered necessary for us to report on the accompanying financial statements and supplementary information. The audit procedures were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The audit of the Davie Partnership was made in conjunction with the Early Childhood Initiatives (Smart Start) program authorized by General Statute 143B-168.10-.16. These statutes created The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., and required the implementation of local demonstration projects (local partnerships). The Davie Partnership is one of these local partnerships. As such, the Davie Partnership is a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization and is required by General Statute 143B-168.14(b) to have a financial and compliance audit conducted by the Office of the State Auditor.

The purpose of this report is to present the results of our audit on the accompanying financial statements. A summary of our reporting objectives and audit results are:

1. Objective – To express an opinion on the accompanying financial statements.

Results – The accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the amounts and disclosures made in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

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2. Objective – To present significant deficiencies, if any, in internal control over financial reporting which could adversely affect the Davie Partnership's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data in the financial statements and present instances of noncompliance or other matters, if any, with laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements.

Results – Our tests disclosed no significant deficiencies in the internal control over financial reporting and no instances of noncompliance or other matters that require disclosure herein under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc. Mocksville, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets – Modified Cash Basis of the Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc., (Davie Partnership) as of June 30, 2005, and the related Statement of Functional Expenditures – Modified Cash Basis for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Davie Partnership'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 United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. 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 in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets of the Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc., as of June 30, 2005, and the results of its operations arising from modified cash basis transactions for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 15, 2006, on our consideration of the Davie Partnership's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of

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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 considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc.'s basic financial statements. The information in Schedules 1 through 5 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Schedules 1, 3, 4 and 5 have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information in Schedule 2 has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on Schedule 2.

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State Auditor

May 15, 2006

Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc. Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

Exhibit A

	Unrestricted Funds		Temporarily			
	 Smart Start Fund		Other Funds		Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Receipts: State Awards (less refunds of \$22,013) Private Contributions Interest and Investment Earnings Sales Tax Refunds Other Receipts	\$ 407,638	\$	2,919 5,327 32 1,453 1,855	\$	0 2,780	\$ 410,557 8,107 32 1,453 1,855
Total Receipts	 407,638		11,586		2,780	 422,004
Net Assets Released from Restrictions: Satisfaction of Program Restrictions Expiration of Time Restrictions	 		782		(782)	
	 407,638		12,368		1,998	 422,004
Expenditures: Programs: Child Care and Education Quality Family Support	257,758		595 3,872			258,353 3,872
Health and Safety Support: Management and General Program Evaluation Other:	30,242 113,910 18,660		12,431			30,242 126,341 18,660
Sales Tax Paid	 		1,013			 1,013
Total Expenditures	 420,570		17,911			 438,481
Excess of Receipts Over Expenditures Net Assets at Beginning of Year	 (12,932) 12,932		(5,543) 13,409		1,998 782	 (16,477) 27,123
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 0	\$	7,866	\$	2,780	\$ 10,646
Net Assets Consisted of: Cash and Cash Equivalents Refunds Due From Contractors	\$ 4,029 2,269	\$	7,867	\$	2,780	\$ 14,676 2,269
	 6,298		7,867		2,780	 16,945
Less: Due to the State Funds Held for Others	 6,370 (72)					 6,370 (72)
	 6,298					 6,298
	\$ (0)	\$	7,867	\$	2,780	\$ 10,647

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc. Statement of Functional Expenditures - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

Exhibit B

		Total	ĺ	Personnel	C	Contracted Services		Supplies and Materials	Other Operating penditures	а	Fixed Charges and Other penditures		operty and Equipment Outlay	Services/ Contracts/ Grants
Smart Start Fund:	_								•		•		•	-
Programs:														
Child Care and Education Quality Health and Safety	\$	257,758 30,242	\$	39,416	\$	0	\$	2,444	\$ 6,102	\$	321	\$	4,190	\$ 205,285 30,242
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		288,000		39,416				2,444	 6,102		321		4,190	 235,527
Support:														
Management and General		113,910		96,545		1,404		2,442	9,795		2,691		1,032	
Program Evaluation	-	18,660							 72			-		 18,588
		132,570		96,545		1,404		2,442	 9,867		2,691		1,032	18,588
Total Smart Start Fund Expenditures	\$	420,570	\$	135,961	\$	1,404	\$	4,886	\$ 15,969	\$	3,012	\$	5,222	\$ 254,115
Other Funds:														
Programs:	_		_	_			_			_		_		_
Child Care and Education Quality Family Support	\$	595 3,872	\$	0	\$		\$	595 2,569	\$ 0 1,303	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 0
		4,467						3,164	1,303					
Support: Management and General		12,431		4,746		5,376		118	 1,179		72		940	
Other: Sales Tax Paid		1,013						1,013	 					
Total Other Funds Expenditures	\$	17,911	\$	4,746	\$	5,376	\$	4,295	\$ 2,482	\$	72	\$	940	\$ 0

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

DAVIE COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, INC. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2005

NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- **A.** Organization and Purpose The Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc., (Davie Partnership) is a legally separate nonprofit organization incorporated on November 24, 1997. The Davie Partnership was established to develop and provide, through public and private means, early childhood education and developmental services for children and families. The Davie Partnership is tax-exempt as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- **B.** Basis of Presentation The accompanying financial statements present all funds for which the Davie Partnership's Board of Directors is responsible. Pursuant to the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, *Financial Statements of Not-For-Profit Organizations*, the accompanying financial statements present information according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets. As permitted by this Statement, temporarily restricted contributions received and expended in the same year are reported as unrestricted receipts rather than as temporarily restricted receipts.

Contributions that are temporarily restricted and not expended within the year received are reported as an increase in temporarily restricted net assets. When the restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets as net assets released from restrictions.

The Davie Partnership did not have any permanently restricted net assets at June 30, 2005.

C. Basis of Accounting – The accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting. This basis differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America primarily because it recognizes long lived assets and other costs which benefit more than one period as expended in the year purchased; it recognizes revenue when received rather than when earned; and it recognizes expenditures when paid rather than when incurred.

However, unexpended advances to contractors that revert back to the State of North Carolina are recognized as a reduction to expenditures and an increase to net assets. Amounts withheld from employee paychecks or other amounts received in an agency capacity are recorded as funds held for others. In addition, Smart Start funds advanced to the local Partnership that are unexpended and unearned at year-end are recorded as a Due to the State.

- **D.** Cash and Cash Equivalents This classification appears on the Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets Modified Cash Basis and includes petty cash and cash on deposit with private bank accounts.
- **E. Refunds Due From Contractors** Refunds due from contractors represent the unexpended amount of advances to contractors at year end that are to be refunded back to the State. As recoveries are collected, the receivable balance is reduced. Payments to the State for the recovered advances are recorded as a reduction to the State awards balance.
- **F. Due to the State** The funding provided by the State of North Carolina for the Smart Start program is funded on a cost reimbursement basis. The money is earned to the extent of allowable costs incurred. Any unexpended funds as of June 30 are required to be reverted to The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., to be returned to the State of North Carolina.
- **G. Funds Held For Others** Funds held for others includes amounts received that are fiduciary in nature in which the Davie Partnership acts in an agency capacity. For the year ended, the Davie Partnership was awaiting collection of short-term disability payments from employee paychecks to cover payments the Partnership had made to taxing authorities.
- **H.** Property and Equipment Under the modified cash basis of accounting, purchases of property and equipment are reported as expenditures in the year occurred. However, Davie Partnership is required by contract regulation to track and maintain property and equipment items as presented in Schedule 4 of this report. The Davie Partnership has a policy to track purchases of property and equipment items with an individual cost of \$500 or more and an estimated useful life greater than one year. Such items are valued at their original purchase price, which may be different from their valuation as of June 30, 2005. Donated items are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.
- **I.** Compensated Absences As a result of the use of the modified cash basis of accounting, liabilities related to accrued compensated absences

are not recorded in the financial statements. Expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded when paid. The amount of accrued compensated absences for accumulated, unpaid leave that would be due to employees upon termination is reported as a commitment in Note 8.

J. Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting used by the Davie Partnership requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures (such as allocation of joint costs); accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. It is management's belief that these estimates are reasonable and fair.

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS

All funds of the Davie Partnership are deposited with a commercial bank and insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$100,000. Deposits over this amount subjects the Davie Partnership to a concentration of credit risk. At June 30, 2005, the Davie Partnership's bank deposits were not in excess of the FDIC insured limit.

NOTE 3 - FUNDING FROM GRANT AWARDS

Smart Start Program – The Davie Partnership's major source of revenue and support is from the State of North Carolina based on cost-reimbursement contracts with The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., (NCPC) for the Smart Start Program. A significant reduction in the level of funding from the State could have an adverse effect on the operations of the Davie Partnership and represents a concentration of credit risk as to the generation of revenue.

Associated with these contracts, the Davie Partnership is responsible for developing a comprehensive, collaborative, long-range plan of services to children and families for the service-delivery area. During the year, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) entered into contracts with and made payments to service providers selected by the Davie Partnership. These service provider contracts are not reflected on the accompanying financial statements. However, a summary of the service provider contracts entered into by DHHS is presented on Schedule 2 accompanying the financial statements.

The Davie Partnership was awarded and has received \$426,940 under a current year Smart Start contract with NCPC. The unexpended balance of this contract is subject to reversion to the State. The Davie Partnership has returned \$6,370 of this contract to the State based on financial status reports submitted to NCPC subsequent to June 30, 2005.

The Davie Partnership expects to receive continued funding through new Smart Start contracts with the State.

NOTE 4 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations – The board members of the Davie Partnership are representative of various organizations that benefit from actions taken by the Board. It is the policy of the Davie Partnership that board members not be involved with decisions regarding organizations they represent. During the year, the Davie Partnership entered into contracts with board member organizations for program activities as identified on Schedule 1 accompanying the financial statements. In addition, Schedule 2 identifies contracts entered into by DHHS with board member organizations for activities funded by the Davie Partnership's Smart Start Allocation.

NOTE 5 - FUNCTIONAL EXPENDITURES

The costs of providing the various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets – Modified Cash Basis. Also, the Statement of Functional Expenditures – Modified Cash Basis, provides detail of the functional costs by their natural classification. Following are the services associated with the functional categories presented in the accompanying financial statements and the methods utilized to allocate joint cost:

A. Program Functions

Child Care and Education Quality – Used to account for service activities including quality enhancement grants for upgrades, child care resource and referral, professional development, learning materials and teaching aids, and kindergarten orientation/transition.

Family Support – Used to account for service activities including community outreach information and resources.

Health and Safety – Used to account for service activities including child care health consultants.

B. Support Functions

Management and General – Expenditures that are not identifiable with a single program or fund-raising activity but are indispensable to the conduct of those activities and to an organization's existence, including expenditures for the overall direction of the organization, its general board

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activities, business management, general recordkeeping, budgeting, and related purposes.

Program Evaluation – Expenditures that are incurred to monitor the performance of service providers as to the delivery of services and adherence to the specific terms and conditions of the contracts.

C. Allocation of Joint Costs

Expenditures benefiting more than one purpose were allocated as follows:

Salaries and Benefits – Direct allocation based on employee time reports.

Other Costs – Other costs including supplies and materials and communication costs (telephone and printing) were allocated based on estimates of utilization and utilization data.

NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN

- A. Retirement Plans The Davie Partnership has a Simplified Employee Pension plan (SEP Plan) covering all full-time employees. Each full-time employee of the Davie Partnership, as a condition of employment, is provided an Individual Retirement Account through an outside insurance company. The Davie Partnership contributed 5% of gross wages for the year ended June 30, 2005. The Davie Partnership does not own the accounts nor is liable for any other cost other than the required contribution. The Davie Partnership contributed \$5,204 for pension benefits during the year.
- **B.** IRC Section 403(b) Plan All permanent employees who are at least half time can participate in a tax sheltered annuity plan (Plan) created under Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b). The employee's eligible contributions, made through salary reduction agreements, are exempt from federal and State income taxes until the annuity is received or the contributions are withdrawn. These Plans are exclusively for employees of universities and certain charitable and other nonprofit organizations. All costs of administering and funding these Plans are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs were incurred by the Davie Partnership.

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NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Davie Partnership is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employees' health and life; and natural disasters. The Davie Partnership manages these various risks of loss as follows:

Type of Loss	Method Managed	Risk of Loss Retained
Torts, errors and omissions, health and life	Purchased commercial insurance	None
Workers Compensation – Employee injuries	Purchased commercial insurance	None
Physical property loss and natural disasters	Purchased commercial insurance	None

Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant losses to the Davie Partnership. Settled claims have not exceeded this insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 8 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Compensated Absences – As a result of the Davie Partnership's use of the modified cash basis of accounting, accrued liabilities related to compensated absences (vacation only; sick leave does not vest) and any employer-related costs earned and unpaid, are not reflected in the financial statements. The compensated absences commitment for vacation leave at June 30, 2005, is \$3,325. No funds or reservation of net assets has been made for this commitment.

NOTE 9 - RESTRICTIONS ON NET ASSETS

A. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets – Temporarily restricted net assets at June 30, 2005, are available for the following purposes:

Purpose	 Amount
Kid Fest Imagination Library Grant	\$ 1,280 1,500
	\$ 2,780

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В.	Net Ass	ets Re	leased	From	Donor	Restric	ctions	- Net	assets	were
	released	from	donor	restri	ctions	during	the	fiscal	year	ended
	June 30,	2005, b	y incuri	ing ex	oenditur	es satisfy	ying th	ne restric	cted pu	rposes
	as follow	s:	-		-	•			-	-

Purpose	A	mount
Kid Care Community Forum	\$	782

Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc. Schedule of Contract and Grant Expenditures - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

Schedule 1

	Sma	Other Funds			
Organization Name	Amount Advanced	Refund Due	Amount Advanced	Refund Due	
Compass Consulting Group Davie County Health Department Davie County Schools Various Childcare Providers Work Family Resource Center	\$ 18,588 * 30,242 * 126,775 4,000 * 34,979	2,269	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Individuals: Bonus Awards/Education Training Incentives	214,584	2,269			
	\$ 256,384	\$ 2,269	\$ 0	\$ 0	

^{*} These organizations are represented on the Partnership's Board as described in Note 4 - Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations.

Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc. Schedule of State Level Service Provider Contracts For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

Schedule 2

Organization Name		DHHS Contracts
Child Care Services Association - WAGES Program	\$	38,500
Davie County Department of Social Services	*	185,953
	\$	224,453

^{*} These organizations are represented on the Partnership's Board as described in Note 4 - Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations.

The information on this schedule provides a listing of service provider contracts entered into by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) as described in Note 3 - Funding from Grant Awards.

Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc. Schedule of State Awards - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

Schedule 3

State Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program		Contract #	 Receipts	Ex	Expenditures	
State Awards: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Child Development Pass-through from the North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. Early Childhood Initiatives Program (Prior Year) Early Childhood Initiatives Program (Current Year) Multi-County Accounting and Contracting Grant	*	Various N/A N/A	\$ (22,013) 420,570 12,000	\$	0 420,570 11,991	
Total State Awards			\$ 410,557	\$	432,561	

^{*} Programs with compliance requirements that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements.

Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc. Schedule of Property and Equipment - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

Schedule 4

Furniture and Noncomputer Equipment Computer Equipment/Printers Leasehold Improvements	\$ 14,823 13,583 17,500
Total Property and Equipment	\$ 45,906

Note: The information on this schedule provides a summary of property and equipment with acquisition or donated cost of \$500 or more which were held by the Partnership at year end. The valuations represent historical cost. On the modified basis of accounting, these items are expensed in the year of purchase.

Match Provided at the Partnership Level:

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Cash	\$ 9,187
In-Kind Goods and Services	 27,286
	\$ 36,473

Match Provided at the Contractor Level:

Cash In-Kind Goods and Services	\$ 34,844 37,409
	\$ 72,253

Note: This schedule is presented in accordance with the program match requirement as provided for by North Carolina Session Law 2003-284, Section 10.38(c). The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. and all local partnerships are required to match the total amount budgeted for the Smart Start Program in each fiscal year. The match is comprised of both cash and in-kind amounts. Only in-kind contributions that are verifiable, quantifiable, and related to the Smart Start Program can be applied to the in-kind match requirement, including volunteer services. The law allows for volunteer services to be valued for match purposes, a concept that deviates from generally accepted accounting principles. This schedule identifies those amounts allowable for this partnership in meeting the statewide match requirement.

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Board of Directors Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc. Mocksville, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of the Davie County Partnership for Children, Inc., (Davie Partnership) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated May 15, 2006. 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.

As described in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Davie Partnership's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purposes of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Davie Partnership's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with

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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*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management of the Davie Partnership, The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., the Governor, and the General Assembly and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Leslie W. Marriet, J.

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