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### **STOKES PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN**

KING, NORTH CAROLINA

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

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#### AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL

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

We have completed a financial statement and compliance audit of the Stokes Partnership for Children, Inc., (Stokes Partnership) for the year ended June 30, 2006, and our audit results are included in this report. You will note from the independent auditor's report that we determined that the financial statements are presented fairly in all material aspects.

The audit of the Stokes Partnership was made in conjunction with the Early Childhood Initiatives (Smart Start) program authorized by General Statutes 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 Stokes Partnership is one of these local partnerships. As such, the Stokes Partnership is a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization and is subject to audit and review by the State Auditor under Article 5A of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes and as authorized in General Statute 143B-168.12(a)(7).

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and other matters based on an audit of the financial statements resulted in no audit findings.

*North Carolina General Statutes* require the State Auditor to make audit reports available to the public. Copies of audit reports issued by the Office of the State Auditor may be obtained through one of the options listed in the back of this report.

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Directors Stokes Partnership for Children King, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets – Modified Cash Basis of the Stokes Partnership for Children (Stokes Partnership) as of June 30, 2006, and the related Statement of Functional Expenditures – Modified Cash Basis for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Stokes 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 Stokes Partnership for Children as of June 30, 2006, 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 April 12, 2007, on our consideration of the Stokes 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 our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONCLUDED)**

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 Stokes Partnership for Children'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 basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on Schedule 2.

Leslie W. Merritt, Jr.

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April 12, 2007

#### Stokes Partnership for Children Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

Exhibit A

	Unrestricted Funds Temporarily			Temporarily			
	5	Smart Start Fund		Other Funds		Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Receipts: State Awards Federal Awards Private Contributions Special Fund Raising Events Interest and Investment Earnings Sales Tax Refunds Other Receipts	\$	676,251	\$	548,393 161,266 60,236 438 5,705 2,423 96,852	\$	0 1,860	\$ 1,224,644 161,266 62,096 438 5,705 2,423 96,852
Total Receipts		676,251		875,313		1,860	 1,553,424
Net Assets Released from Restrictions: Satisfaction of Program Restrictions		676.251		2,667		(2,667)	 1,553,424
Expondituros						()	 .,,.
Expenditures: Programs: AmeriCorps and Children Together Child Care and Education Affordability Child Care and Education Quality Family Support Health and Safety More at Four Support: Fund Raising Management and General Program Evaluation Other: Sales Tax Paid Total Expenditures Excess of Receipts Over Expenditures Net Assets at End of Year	\$	22,163 59,940 204,407 67,700 134,575 29,172 115,213 43,081 676,251		148,150 61,552 8,998 39,237 521,550 489 73,343 43 3,324 856,686 21,294 (19,561) 1 733		(807) 2,667 1 860	 170,313 59,940 265,959 76,698 173,812 550,722 489 188,556 43,124 3,324 1,532,937 20,487 (16,894) 3,593
Net Assets at End of Year	\$	0	\$	1,733	\$	1,860	\$ 3,593
Net Assets Consisted of: Cash and Cash Equivalents Refunds Due From Contractors	\$	18,203 1,038 19,241	\$	1,733	\$	1,860	\$ 21,796 1,038 22,834
Less: Due to the State		19,241					 19,241
	\$	0	\$	1,733	\$	1,860	\$ 3,593

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

#### Stokes Partnership for Children Statement of Functional Expenditures - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

_	Total	Personnel		contracted Services	Supplies and Materials	Other Operating spenditures	Fixed Charges and Other xpenditures	Property and Equipment Outlay	Services/ Contracts/ Grants	Tr	ticipant aining anditures
Smart Start Fund:											
Programs:											
AmeriCorps and Children Together	,	\$ 14,826	\$	17	\$ 100	\$ 3,574	\$ 1,455	\$ 2,191	\$ 0	\$	0
Child Care and Education Affordability	59,940	777			7		20		59,136		
Child Care and Education Quality	204,407	110,175		1,050	3,684	11,342	11,013	4,361	62,782		
Family Support	67,700								67,700		
Health and Safety	134,575	20,699			429	5,708	2,207	490	104,902		140
More at Four	29,172	 			 	 	 	 	 29,172		
	517,957	146,477		1,067	4,220	20,624	14,695	7,042	323,692		140
Support:	· · · · ·	 			 <u> </u>	 <u> </u>	 · · · · ·	 · · · · ·	 		
Management and General	115,213	86,046		8,021	1,410	8,840	10,761	135			
Program Evaluation	43,081	33,701		1,887	588	2,569	4,236	100			
-	158,294	 119,747		9,908	 1,998	11,409	14,997	 235			
-	130,294	 119,747	-	9,900	 1,990	 11,409	 14,997	 235	 		
Total Smart Start Fund Expenditures	676,251	\$ 266,224	\$	10,975	\$ 6,218	\$ 32,033	\$ 29,692	\$ 7,277	\$ 323,692	\$	140
Other Funds: Programs:											
AmeriCorps and Children Together		\$ 131,374	\$	1,109	\$ 2,009	\$ 11,169	\$ 2,489	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$	0
Child Care and Education Quality	61,552	43,873		516	3,247	9,635	3,298	93			890
Family Support	8,998	4 000		5,751	1,285	1,829	133		00.007		00
Health and Safety More at Four	39,237 521,550	1,200 23,894			833 167	829 2,266	118 574	1,504	36,237 493,145		20
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Current:	779,487	 200,341		7,376	 7,541	 25,728	 6,612	 1,597	 529,382		910
Support: Fund Raising	489				471	12	6				
Management and General	73,343	56,818		943	2,075	5,792	6,534	1,181			
Program Evaluation	43	00,010		010	43	0,702	0,001	1,101			
	73,875	 56,818		943	 2,589	 5,804	 6,540	 1.181	 		
Other:	73,875	 50,616		943	 2,309	 5,604	 0,540	 1,101	 		
Sales Tax Paid	3,324	 			 3,324	 	 	 	 		
Total Other Funds Expenditures	856,686	\$ 257,159	\$	8,319	\$ 13,454	\$ 31,532	\$ 13,152	\$ 2,778	\$ 529,382	\$	910

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

#### **NOTE 1** - **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

- **A. Organization and Purpose** The Stokes Partnership for Children (Stokes Partnership) is a legally separate nonprofit organization incorporated on August 25, 1994. The Stokes Partnership was established to develop and provide, through public and private means, early childhood education and developmental services for children and families. The Stokes 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 Stokes 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, and permanently restricted net assets. As permitted by this Statement, temporarily restricted 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 Stokes Partnership did not have any permanently restricted net assets at June 30, 2006.

**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 all demand and savings 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. Property and Equipment** Under the modified cash basis of accounting, purchases of property and equipment are reported as expenditures in the year occurred. However, Stokes Partnership is required by contract regulation to track and maintain property and equipment items as presented in Schedule 4 of this report. The Stokes 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, 2006. Donated items are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.
- **H.** 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.
- **I.** Use of Estimates The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting used by the Stokes 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** - **FUNDING FROM GRANT AWARDS**

**Smart Start Program** - The Stokes 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 Inc.) 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 Stokes Partnership and represents a concentration of credit risk as to the generation of revenue.

Associated with these contracts, the Stokes 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, NCPC and the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) entered into contracts with and made payments to service providers selected by the Stokes 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 Stokes Partnership was awarded and has received \$695,492 under a current year Smart Start contract with NCPC. The unexpended balance of this contract is subject to reversion to the State. The Stokes Partnership has returned \$19,241 of this contract to the State based on financial status reports submitted to NCPC subsequent to June 30, 2006.

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

**More at Four** – The Stokes Partnership also received revenue and support from the State of North Carolina for the More at Four Program. The Stokes Partnership was awarded \$544,020 and received \$533,904 under a current year contract. The Stokes Partnership expects to receive continued funding through new More at Four contracts with the State.

AmeriCorps and Children Together (ACT) – The Stokes Partnership for Children also received revenue and support from the State of North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service. The Stokes Partnership was awarded \$297,098 and has received \$132,192 under a current year cost-reimbursement contract. The unexpected balance of this contract is subject to reversion to the State. The Stokes Partnership expects to receive continued funding through a new AmeriCorps contract with the Commission.

#### NOTE 3 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

**Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations** - The board members of the Stokes Partnership are representative of various organizations that benefit from actions taken by the Board. It is the policy of the Stokes Partnership that board members not be involved with decisions regarding organizations they represent. During the year, the Stokes 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 Stokes Partnership's Smart Start Allocation.

#### **NOTE 4** - **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**

AmeriCorps and Children Together (ACT) – ACT is a multi-county program made possible through a federal grant issued by the North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service. This is a national service program that places community service minded individuals in early childcare settings to provide release time for teachers who are continuing their education.

**Child Care and Education Affordability** - Used to account for service activities including public pre-K classes, Head Start wraparound/extended day, or part-day program.

**Child Care and Education Quality** - Used to account for service activities including quality enhancement grants for upgrades, quality enhancement grants for maintenance, child care resource and referral, professional development, child care support services, or provider training.

**Family Support** - Used to account for service activities including ongoing parent education, general family support, or community outreach information and resources.

**Health and Safety** - Used to account for service activities including comprehensive screenings, prenatal/newborn services, special needs – early intervention services/special education, or nutrition programs.

**More at Four** – Used to account for development and implementation of More at Four prekindergarten program for at-risk four-year-olds who are at risk of failure in kindergarten. The goal is to provide quality prekindergarten services in order to enhance kindergarten readiness.

#### **B.** Support Functions

**Fund Raising** - Expenditures that are incurred in inducing others to contribute money, securities, time, materials, or facilities for which the contributor will receive no direct economic benefit.

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

**Program Evaluation** - Expenditures that are incurred to monitor the effectiveness and feasibility of Partnership activities and contract agencies to determine if the short-term and long-term goals are being achieved.

#### 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 occupancy cost (rent, utilities and maintenance), supplies and materials, and communication costs (telephone and printing), and copier charges were indirectly allocated based on utilization data.

#### NOTE 5 - OPERATING LEASE OBLIGATIONS

Future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating leases consist of the following at June 30, 2006:

	Operating
Fiscal Year	 Leases
2007	\$ 40,380
2008	6,180
2009	5,130
2010	1,980
2011	 495
Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 54,165

Rental expense for all operating leases during the year was \$35,512.

#### NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN

**Deferred Compensation and Supplemental Retirement Income Plans** - **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 Plan is a defined contribution plan in which each employee of the Stokes Partnership, as a condition of employment, is provided an individual annuity through an outside insurance company. The Stokes Partnership contributed 7.5% of gross wages for the year ended June 30, 2006. 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. The Stokes Partnership contributed \$19,523 for retirement benefits during the year.

#### NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Stokes 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 Stokes 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 Stokes 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 Stokes 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, 2006, is \$16,154. 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, 2006, are available for the following purposes:

Purpose		Amount
Week of the Young Child - Little Folks Breakfast with Santa	\$	855 1,005
	\$	1,860

**B.** Net Assets Released From Donor Restrictions - Net assets were released from donor restrictions during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, by incurring expenditures satisfying the restricted purposes as follows:

Purpose	Amount				
Outreach and Education Grant - NCPC	\$	2,667			

#### Stokes Partnership for Children Schedule of Contract and Grant Expenditures - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

Schedule 1

		Smart	Other Funds					
Organization Name		Amount Advanced			Amount Advanced			fund Due
Paid to Organizations:								
Country Adventure Child Care	\$	3,742	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
Exchange Club Child Abuse Prevention of North Carolina	*	89,450						
Forsyth Technical Community College	*	37,806						
Germanton Christian Child Care		1,257						
Kidz Community		4,981						
King Moravian Preschool		6,196						
Northwest Child Development		5,611				135,068		
Northwestern Regional Library	*	18,350		(1,038)				
Stokes County Schools	*	44,637				244,738		
Stokes Family Health	*	79,902						
Stokes Family YMCA	*					35,955		
Yadkin Valley Economic Development District, Inc.	*	23,305				113,340	. <u> </u>	
		315,237		(1,038)		529,101		
Paid to Individuals:								
Family Support Stipends						281		
More at Four Teacher Supplements		8,558						
Non-Teach Scholarships		601						
Quality Enhancement Grants		334						
		9,493	. <u> </u>			281		
	\$	324,730	\$	(1,038)	\$	529,382	\$	0

\* These organizations are represented on the Partnership's Board as described in Note 3 - Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations.

Schedule 2

Organization Name		DHHS Contracts
Child Care Services Association - WAGE\$	\$	49,427
Stokes County Department of Social Services	*	268,159
	<u>\$</u>	317,586

\* These organizations are represented on the Partnership's Board as described in Note 3 - 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 2 - Funding from Grant Awards.

#### Stokes Partnership for Children Schedule of Federal and State Awards - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

Schedule 3

	Federal CFDA			
Federal/State Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program	Number	Contract #	Receipts	Expenditures
Federal Awards: Administration fro Children and Families , Department of Health and Human Services Pass-through from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Child Development Pass-through from Work Family Resource Center Child Care and Development Block Grant (Prior Year)	93.575	#6227-04	\$ 9,229	\$ O
Pass-through from Work Family Resource Center Child Care and Development Block Grant (Current Year)	93.575	#013-06-04	4,544	7,985
Corporation for National and Community Service Pass-through from the North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service AmeriCorps and Children Together (ACT) (Prior Year) AmeriCorps and Children Together (ACT) (Current Year)	94.006 94.006	03AFHNC9920012 * 03AFHNC0020016	15,301 132,192	148.150
Total Federal Awards			161,266	156,135
State Awards: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Child Development Pass-through from the North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc.		* NA	070.054	070.054
Early Childhood Initiatives Program (Current Year) Multi-County Accounting and Contracting Grant		NA	676,251 12,000	676,251 12,000
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services More at Four Pre-Kindergarten Program (Prior Year) More at Four Pre-Kindergarten Program (Current Year)		#2090004293 * #0078-06	533,904	841 520,709
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services Pass-through from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Family Support Network of North Carolina in the School of Medicine		2-42951-SUB-14	500	500
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services Pass-through from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Program for Central Directory of Resources, Training and Education Services (Prior Year) Program to Support Families with Children with Special Needs (Curren	nt Year)	5-46496 NA	339 1,100	1,200
North Carolina Arts Council's Grassroots Arts Program Stokes County Arts Council		NA	550	550
Total State Awards			1,224,644	1,212,051
Total Federal and State Awards			\$ 1,385,910	\$ 1,368,186

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

Note: The More at Four Pre-Kindergarten Program is contracted jointly by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of the Governor. The allocations for the More at Four program are included in the budget for the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services; therefore, the above schedule identifies that agency as the State Grantor. The Office of the Governor is responsible for oversight of the More at Four Program.

Stokes Partnership for Children
Schedule of Property and Equipment - Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

Furniture and Noncomputer Equipment Computer Equipment/Printers	\$ 17,420 39,884
Total Property and Equipment	\$ 57,304

Schedule 4

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:

Cash In-Kind Goods and Services	\$ 50,248 19,435
	\$ 69,683
Match Provided at the Contractor Level:	
Cash In-Kind Goods and Services	\$ 62,205 36,209
	\$ 98,414

Note: This schedule is presented in accordance with the program match requirement as provided for by North Carolina Session Law 2005-276, Section 10.64(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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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Stokes Partnership for Children King, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of the Stokes Partnership for Children (Stokes Partnership) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, and have issued our report thereon dated April 12, 2007. 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 Stokes 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 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 control over financial reporting that more at timely period by employees in the internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Stokes Partnership's 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 or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We noted certain additional matters that we reported to management of the Stokes Partnership in a separate letter dated May 15, 2007.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management of the Stokes 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. Merritt, Jr.

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April 12, 2007

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