

# **Aurora Public Schools Foundation**

(A Component Unit of the Joint School District No. 28-J of the  
Counties of Adams and Arapahoe, Colorado)

Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report

June 30, 2016 and 2015

**Aurora Public Schools Foundation**  
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## Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors  
Aurora Public Schools Foundation  
Aurora, Colorado

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Aurora Public Schools Foundation (the Foundation), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Board of Directors  
Aurora Public Schools Foundation

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*BKD, LLP*

Denver, Colorado  
October 13, 2016

**Aurora Public Schools Foundation**  
**Statements of Financial Position**  
**June 30, 2016 and 2015**

**Assets**

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,034,660	\$ 798,821
Contributions receivable	166,000	99,247
Prepaid and other assets	-	3,838
Total assets	<b>\$ 1,200,660</b>	<b>\$ 901,906</b>

**Liabilities and Net Assets**

Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 14,146	\$ 8,478
Deferred revenue	56,949	44,285
Funds held on behalf of others	-	3,000
Total liabilities	71,095	55,763
Net assets		
Unrestricted	205,411	156,573
Temporarily restricted	824,154	589,570
Permanently restricted	100,000	100,000
Total net assets	1,129,565	846,143
Total liabilities and net assets	<b>\$ 1,200,660</b>	<b>\$ 901,906</b>

**Aurora Public Schools Foundation**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2016**

	2016			Total
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	
<b>Revenues, Gains and Other Support</b>				
Contributions – general	\$ 322,436	\$ 412,023	\$ -	\$ 734,459
Special events revenue	55,940	60,000	-	115,940
Less special events direct expenses	(66,062)	-	-	(66,062)
Investment income	890	102	-	992
Net assets released from restrictions	237,541	(237,541)	-	-
	<u>550,745</u>	<u>234,584</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>785,329</u>
Total revenues, gains and other support				
<b>Expenses</b>				
Program services				
Scholarships	41,444	-	-	41,444
Special projects	296,307	-	-	296,307
Future Centers	60,927	-	-	60,927
	<u>398,678</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>398,678</u>
Total program services				
Support services				
General and administrative	97,568	-	-	97,568
Fundraising	5,661	-	-	5,661
	<u>501,907</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>501,907</u>
Total expenses				
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	48,838	234,584	-	283,422
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>156,573</u>	<u>589,570</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>846,143</u>
<b>Net Assets, End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 205,411</u>	<u>\$ 824,154</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,129,565</u>

**Aurora Public Schools Foundation**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2015**

	2015			Total
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	
<b>Revenues, Gains and Other Support</b>				
Contributions – general	\$ 233,407	\$ 134,480	\$ -	\$ 367,887
Special events revenue	78,050	45,590	-	123,640
Less special events direct expenses	(44,358)	-	-	(44,358)
Investment income	234	733	-	967
Net assets released from restrictions	460,130	(460,130)	-	-
	<u>727,463</u>	<u>(279,327)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>448,136</u>
Total revenues, gains and other support				
<b>Expenses</b>				
Program services				
Program fees	29,430	-	-	29,430
Scholarships	50,678	-	-	50,678
Special projects	494,746	-	-	494,746
Future Centers	5,443	-	-	5,443
	<u>580,297</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>580,297</u>
Total program services				
Support services				
General and administrative	114,665	-	-	114,665
Fundraising	31,019	-	-	31,019
	<u>725,981</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>725,981</u>
Total expenses				
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	1,482	(279,327)	-	(277,845)
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>155,091</u>	<u>868,897</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>1,123,988</u>
<b>Net Assets, End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 156,573</u>	<u>\$ 589,570</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 846,143</u>

**Aurora Public Schools Foundation**  
**Statements of Cash Flows**  
**Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015**

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>		
Change in net assets	\$ 283,422	\$ (277,845)
Changes in		
Contributions receivable	(66,753)	345,163
Prepaid expenses	3,838	1,210
Accounts payable	5,668	(841)
Deferred revenue	12,664	44,285
Funds held on behalf of others	<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>(27,000)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>235,839</u>	<u>84,972</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	235,839	84,972
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>798,821</u>	<u>713,849</u>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,034,660</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 798,821</u></u>

# Aurora Public Schools Foundation

## Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2016 and 2015

### Note 1: Organization

The Aurora Public Schools Foundation (the Foundation) was incorporated in 1987 as a nonprofit organization. The Foundation is a community-based advocate for high quality public education for all children in the Joint School District No. 28-J of the Counties of Adams and Arapahoe, Colorado (the District). The commitment to children is reflected in activities that facilitate understanding between schools and the community, foster innovations that enable schools and the District to meet the challenges of the future and secure resources from individuals, corporations and foundations to support programs for which federal, state and local funding is not available. Programs administered by the Foundation include grants, scholarships and special projects. These programs provide assistance to further the educational opportunities of District students.

### Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### ***Basis of Presentation***

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Net assets and revenue, expenses, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the Foundation and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

**Unrestricted net assets** – Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

**Temporarily restricted net assets** – Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met either by actions of the Foundation and/or the passage of time. When a restriction expires, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Gifts and investment income that are originally restricted by the donor for which the restriction is met in the same time period are recorded as temporarily restricted and then released from restrictions.

**Permanently restricted net assets** – Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that are maintained permanently by the Foundation. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the Foundation to use all or part of the income earned on any related investments for general or specific purposes.

#### ***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

Cash and cash equivalents consist of demand deposits and money market accounts. At June 30, 2016, the Foundation's cash accounts exceeded federally insured limits by approximately \$794,000.

#### ***Prepaid Expenses***

Payments during the current period for expenses that related to subsequent periods are reported as prepaid expenses.

# **Aurora Public Schools Foundation**

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

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#### ***Deferred Revenue***

The Foundation was awarded a three-year grant from the State of Colorado in 2015 for development of Future Centers in the District. Revenue from this grant is recognized as the services are performed and any grant funds that have not been expended are recorded in deferred revenue.

#### ***Revenue Recognition***

Exchange transactions are reciprocal transfers in which each party receives and sacrifices something of approximately equal value. Revenue is recognized when the benefits are provided.

Contributions, including unconditional promises to give, are considered to be non-exchange transactions and are recognized as revenue when the contributions are made. The Foundation reports contributions of cash and other assets as restricted support if they are received and donor stipulations limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor-stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Gifts having donor stipulations which are satisfied in the period the gift is received are reported as unrestricted revenue and net assets.

Conditional gifts depend on the occurrence of a specified future and uncertain event to bind the potential donor and are recognized as assets and revenue when the conditions are substantially met and the gift becomes unconditional.

#### ***Funds Held on Behalf of Others***

Funds held on behalf of others consist of monies received that are designated to be passed through to the various organizations within the District, which are not actively solicited by the Foundation.

#### ***Functional Allocation of Expenses***

The costs of providing the program and support services have been reported on a functional basis in the statements of activities. Indirect costs have been allocated between the various program and support services based on estimates, as determined by management.

#### ***Income Taxes***

The Foundation is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and a similar provision of state law. However, the Foundation is subject to federal income tax on any unrelated business taxable income. The Foundation is not considered a private foundation. The Foundation is no longer subject to federal or state income tax examinations by taxing authorities for years before 2013. The Foundation had no unrelated business taxable income for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015.

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***Use of Estimates***

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses and other changes in net assets during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

***Subsequent Events***

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date of the Independent Auditor's Report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Note 3: Contributions Receivable**

Contributions receivable, which are temporarily restricted, consist of unconditional promises to give. For the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, the contribution receivable balance is \$166,000 and \$99,247, respectively, and is all due within one year.

**Note 4: Related-party Transactions**

The Board of Directors for the Foundation contributed \$9,350 in restricted gifts and \$5,250 in unrestricted gifts and \$6,595 in restricted gifts and \$1,200 in unrestricted gifts for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

**Note 5: Contributed Services, Office Space, Supplies and General Operating Expenses**

The District contributes various services, office space, supplies and general operating expenses to the Foundation. In addition, the Foundation receives donations of supplies from various community members and organizations.

Additionally, the Foundation received contributed legal services from an ex-officio board member to update its policies and bylaws. The estimated fair value of the contributed services is reported as contribution revenue and as expense in the accompanying statements of activities.

The estimated fair value of the contributed services for specialized skills, office space, supplies and general operating expenses is reported as contributions revenue and as expenses in the accompanying statements of activities. The estimated fair value of such contributions for 2016 and 2015 is \$57,958 and \$57,610, respectively. The value of the support has been allocated to general and administrative expense.

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**Note 6: Fundraising Expenses**

Fundraising expenses are incurred to persuade potential donors to make contributions to the Foundation and are expensed as incurred. For the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, fundraising expenses were composed of the following:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Special event direct expenses	\$ 66,062	\$ 44,358
Gala and other fundraising salaries	<u>5,661</u>	<u>31,019</u>
Total	<u>\$ 71,723</u>	<u>\$ 75,377</u>

**Note 7: Temporarily Restricted Net Assets**

Temporarily restricted net assets are restricted to program services, which include specific grants, scholarships, and special projects, as indicated by the donor. In addition, some temporarily restricted net assets are restricted due to time restrictions, which include contributions received for special events. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, the amounts restricted for these purposes were \$824,154 and \$589,570, respectively. These categories are as follows:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Scholarships and endowed scholarships	\$ 417,753	\$ 403,444
Educator grants and classroom initiatives	6,717	6,867
Jamaica Child Development Center	-	86,497
Future centers	339,164	46,024
Special projects	520	1,148
Special events - Pathways to Success Gala	<u>60,000</u>	<u>45,590</u>
	<u>\$ 824,154</u>	<u>\$ 589,570</u>

**Note 8: Net Assets Released from Restrictions**

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring program service expenses satisfying the restricted purposes established by donors or expiration of time restrictions. Net assets released from restrictions for 2016 and 2015 were \$237,541 and \$460,130, respectively.

# Aurora Public Schools Foundation

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### Note 9: Permanently Restricted Net Assets

In 1995, the Foundation received a bequest of \$100,000. The bequest agreement states that the amount to be used by the Foundation is not to exceed the annual interest earned. The principal amount is to remain intact. Additionally, the bequest agreement specifies that contributions to the fund in excess of the \$100,000 are to be used for scholarship purposes and are thus temporarily restricted. The earnings on the principal amount are to be used to help women who have overcome obstacles in their lives and are determined to change their direction and better themselves by pursuing a course of education or training that will help them become self-reliant. The net assets of the endowment fund as of June 30, 2016 and 2015 were \$100,000.

### Note 10: Endowment

The Foundation's endowment consists of one fund for the purpose as discussed in Note 9. The endowment includes only donor-restricted endowment funds, as the Foundation does not have any funds designated by the governing body to function as endowments (board-designated endowment funds). As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP), net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

The Foundation has interpreted the State of Colorado's Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) as requiring preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Foundation classifies as permanently restricted net assets the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment. The remaining portion of donor-restricted endowment funds is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Foundation in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA.

The composition of net assets by type of endowment fund at June 30, 2016 and 2015 was:

		<b>2016</b>			
		<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Temporarily Restricted</b>	<b>Permanently Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>
	Donor-restricted endowment funds	\$ -	\$ 8,045	\$ 100,000	\$ 108,045
		<b>2015</b>			
		<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Temporarily Restricted</b>	<b>Permanently Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>
	Donor-restricted endowment funds	\$ -	\$ 7,943	\$ 100,000	\$ 107,943

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Changes in endowment net assets for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 were:

	<b>2016</b>			<b>Total</b>
	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Temporarily Restricted</b>	<b>Permanently Restricted</b>	
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ 7,943	\$ 100,000	\$ 107,943
Investment income	-	102	-	102
Contributions	-	-	-	-
Appropriation for expenditure	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,045</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 108,045</u>

  

	<b>2015</b>			<b>Total</b>
	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Temporarily Restricted</b>	<b>Permanently Restricted</b>	
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ 7,795	\$ 100,000	\$ 107,795
Investment income	-	148	-	148
Contributions	-	-	-	-
Appropriation for expenditure	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,943</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 107,943</u>

The Foundation has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs and other items supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the original donated value of the endowment. Endowment assets include only donor-restricted endowment funds the Foundation must hold in perpetuity or for donor-specified periods.

Under the Foundation's policies, endowment assets are deposited in a separate account with First Bank. These funds earn a low interest rate while assuming a low level of investment risk.

The Foundation has a spending policy of appropriating for expenditure each year the amounts needed and available for spending in accordance with the purpose restrictions as outlined by the donors.

# **Aurora Public Schools Foundation**

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

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### **Note 11: Significant Estimates and Concentrations**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require disclosure of certain significant estimates and current vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations.

Approximately 49% of general contributions were received from two donors during the year.

#### ***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

The Foundation maintains its cash balance in one financial institution located in Denver, Colorado. The Foundation's deposits at the financial institution at times exceed federally insured limits. The Foundation has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.