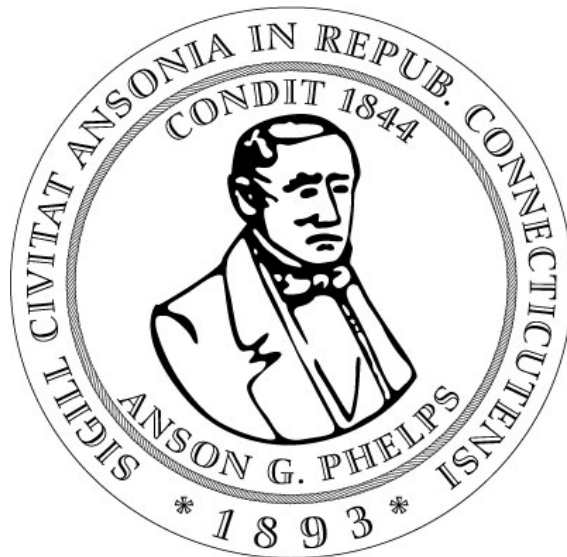


**FEDERAL SINGLE AUDIT
AND
STATE SINGLE AUDIT REPORTS
CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Honorable Mayor,
Members of the Board of Aldermen and
Members of the Board of Apportionment and Taxation
City of Ansonia, Connecticut

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Ansonia, Connecticut's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 11, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified a certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2024-001 and 2024-002 that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether City of Ansonia, Connecticut's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statement. 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*.

City of Ansonia, Connecticut's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the City of Ansonia, Connecticut's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying *schedule of findings and questioned cost*. The City of Ansonia, Connecticut's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City of Ansonia, Connecticut's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Accavallo & Company, LLC
Shelton, Connecticut
June 11, 2025

FEDERAL SINGLE AUDIT



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To the Honorable Mayor,
Members of the Board of Aldermen and
Members of the Board of Apportionment and Taxation
City of Ansonia, Connecticut

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program
Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of City of Ansonia, Connecticut's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. City of Ansonia, Connecticut's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, City of Ansonia, Connecticut complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of City of Ansonia, Connecticut and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to City of Ansonia, Connecticut's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of City of Ansonia, Connecticut's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Ansonia, Connecticut's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Ansonia, Connecticut's basic financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated June 11, 2025, which contained an unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Ansonia, Connecticut's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements.

The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditure of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Accavallo & Company, LLC
Shelton, Connecticut
June 11, 2025

CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Pass Through to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures
<u>Department of Agriculture:</u>				
Passed through the Connecticut Department of Education:				
School Nutrition Cluster:				
National School Lunch Program	10.555	12060-SDE64370-20560	\$ -	\$ 1,337,699
National School Lunch Program-USDA Commoditie	10.555	12060-SDE64370-20560	-	52,109
Cash in lieu of Commodities	10.555	12060-SDE64370-20544	-	1,318
School Breakfast Program	10.553	12060-SDE64370-20508	-	533,572
Summer Food Program	10.559	12060-SDE64370-20540	-	78,462
Summer Food Sponsor Admin	10.559	12060-SDE64370-20548	-	8,100
Supply Chain Assistance	10.560	12060-SDE64370-23126	-	-
Child Care Food Program	10.558	12060-SDE64370-20518	-	18,868
P-EBT Local Admin	10.649	12060-SDE64370-29802	-	3,918
Total Department of Agriculture			-	2,034,046
<u>Department of Education:</u>				
Passed through the Connecticut Department of Education:				
Title I Part A	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679-2024-82070	-	1,006,904
Title I Part A	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679-2023-82070	-	216,893
			-	1,223,797
Perkins Secondary Grant	84.048	12060-SDE64370-20742-2024-84010	-	59,371
Perkins Secondary Grant	84.048	12060-SDE64370-20742-2022-84010	-	36,958
			-	96,329
Improving Teacher Quality	84.367	12060-SDE64370-20858-2024-84131	-	76,092
Improving Teacher Quality	84.367	12060-SDE64370-20858-2023-84131	-	23
			-	76,115
Title III English Language	84.365	12060-SDE64370-20868-2024-82075	-	10,956
Title III English Language	84.365	12060-SDE64370-20868-2023-82075	-	5,110
			-	16,066
Title IV Part B 21st Century	84.287	12060-SDE64370-20863-2024-84131	-	87,946
Title IV Part B 21st Century	84.287	12060-SDE64370-20863-2022-84131	-	54,252
			-	142,198
Title IV Part A Student Support Grant	84.424	12060-SDE64370-22854-2024-82079	-	15,752
Title IV Part A Student Support Grant	84.424	12060-SDE64370-22854-2023-82079	-	48,154
Title IV Part A Student Support Grant	84.424	12060-SDE64370-22854-2019-82079	-	2,315
CT Stronger Connections Grant - 2024	84.424A	12060-SDE64370-23275-2024-82153	-	33,459
			-	99,680
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)				
IDEA Part B Section 611	84.027	12060-SDE64370-20977-2024-82032	-	564,303
IDEA Part B Section 611	84.027	12060-SDE64370-20977-2023-82032	-	185,028
IDEA Part B -CT SEDS	84.027	12060-SDE64370-20977-2020-82032	-	207
IDEA Part B Section 611	84.027	12060-SDE64370-20977-2023-82032	-	3,550
IDEA Part B Section 611	84.173	12060-SDE64370-20983-2024-82032	-	7,137
ARP IDEA 619 2021-23	84.173	12060-SDE64370-20983-2023-82032	-	836
			-	761,061
COVID 19-Education Stabilization fund				
ESSER II Funds	84.425D	12060-SDE64370-29571-2020-82079	-	589,107
American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary Scl	84.425U	12060-SDE64370-29636-2021-82079	-	2,689,948
ESSER II Funds SPED Recovery Act 2021-23	84.425D	12060-SDE64370-29571-2021-82032	-	9,927
ARP ESSER Homeless Children and Youth	84.425W	12060-SDE64370-29650-2021-82079	-	9,593
			-	3,298,575
Total Department of Education			-	5,713,821

See Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Pass Thoug to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures
<u>Department of Homeland Security:</u>				
Passed through the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services amd Public Protection:				
Emergency Performance Grant-2016 (FY 17-18)	97.042	12060-DPS32982-21881	-	5,602
Emergency Performance Grant-2016 (FY 17-18)	97.042	12060-DPS32982-21881	-	5,401
Emergency Performance Grant-2016 (FY 17-18)	97.042	12060-DPS32982-21881	-	138
			-	11,141
<u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:</u>				
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Office of Early Childhood Development:				
American Rescue Plan Act - Child Care Stabilization	93.575	12060-OEC64806-29647 -83027	-	56,614
American Rescue Plan Act - Child Care Stabilization	93.575	12060-OEC64806-29647 -83027	-	7,185
			-	63,799
<u>U.S. Department of Justice:</u>				
Passed through the State of Connecticut Office of Policy Management:				
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program	16.607	N/A	-	3,920
<u>Department of Transportation:</u>				
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation:				
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	12062-DOT57191-22108	-	78,753
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	12062-DOT57191-22108	-	10,250
Alcohol Open Containor Requirements	20.607	12062-DOT57513-22091	-	9,740
National Priority Safety Program	20.616	12062-DOT57513-22600	-	9,249
			-	107,992
<u>United States Department of the Treasury:</u>				
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Office of Early Childhood Development:				
COVID 19-CSLFRF School Readiness	21.027	12060-OEC64845-28227-83014	-	61,304
COVID 19-CSLFRF School Readiness	21.027	12060-OEC64845-28227-83014	-	47,440
			-	108,744
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection:				
COVID 19-CSLFRF Auto Theft and Violence	21.027	12060-DPS32155-28122	-	22,212
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Rehabilitation Services:				
COVID 19-CSLFRF Senior Centers	21.027	12060-SDR63901-28009	-	10,000
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management:				
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	21.027	12060-OPM20600-29669	-	793,126
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Education:				
COVID 19-CSLFRF Right to Read	21.027	12060-SDE64370-29732	-	116,000
COVID 19-CSLFRF FAFSA Completion	21.027	12060-SDE64370-28092	-	4,500
COVID 19-CSLFRF School Mental Health Specialist	21.027	12060-SDE64370-28095	-	87,437
COVID 19-CSLFRF Dual Credit Expansion	21.027	12060-SDE64370-29636	-	17,146
COVID 19-CSLFRF Priority School Districts and Fa	21.027	12060-SDE64370-29733	-	88,919
			-	1,248,084
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ -	\$ 9,182,803

See Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut, under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance).

Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut, it is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in fund balance, changes in net position or cash flows of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut.

Basis of Accounting

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance for all awards. Under these principles certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

2. NONCASH AWARDS

Donated commodities in the amount of \$52,109 are included in the Department of Agriculture's National School Lunch Program, CFDA #10.555. This amount represents the market value of commodities received.

3. INDIRECT COST RECOVERY

The City of Ansonia, Connecticut has elected to not use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate provided under Section 200.414 of the Uniform Guidance.

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness (es) identified? _____ Yes X No
- Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? X Yes _____ None reported
- Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? _____ Yes X No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? _____ Yes X No
- Significant Deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)? _____ Yes X None reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? _____ Yes X No

Identification of major programs:

Federal Grantor/Pass Through <u>Grantor/Program Title</u>	Federal Assistance <u>Listing Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	84.425D/84.425U/84.425W 21.027	3,298,575 1,248,084 <u>\$ 4,546,659</u>

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? _____ Yes X No

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

Our report on internal control over financial reporting indicated the following significant deficiencies:

***2024-001 Availability of financial information**

Finding: During the audit process, information from various departments related to numerous audit schedules and related information was unavailable in a timely manner. The City's audit for the year ended June 30, 2024, did not start until October 2024. In addition, some schedules and required information were not available for audit until June 2025.

Criteria: Information related to financial statements should be presented at the close of the fiscal year or at a reasonable time thereafter.

Cause: The causes are as follows:

- Unplanned turnover in key personnel and management level personnel for several months,

Effect: The timely availability of information related to the financial statements has delayed the completion of the audited financial statements and other submissions that rely upon the audited financial statements.

Recommendation: The preparation of information relative to the financial statements in accordance with the City's reporting requirements should be provided in a timely manner. Schedules, reports and other financial information related to the City's financial condition should be maintained monthly throughout the year. A review of the audited financial statements should be done by accounting personnel so that all supporting schedules and records are prepared timely and available to be audited within a reasonable period after year-end.

Management's

Response: Management's response is as follows:

- The City Finance Department staff continues to work on establishing more efficient job functions and is becoming more proficient with the new software. On the Board of Education side, staffing levels continue to be negatively impacted by changes in personnel.
- Additional training on the new purchase order software continues to be completed by staff outside of Finance and additional hours of training are planned to bring additional departments onboard.
- Overtime hours for the Finance Department was requested and approved during the FY25 and FY26 budget processes.
- We continue the process of cross-training with the Board of Education staff to allow us to assist them in covering for unexpected absences.
- A Debrief of the FY24 Audit will be scheduled to review and look for additional areas of improvement.

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

2024-002 Board of Education Procedures

Finding: The Board of Education currently does not have regular operating procedures that allow for complete and accurate reporting. The operating fund is not reconciled to the City on a regular monthly basis and the remaining Board of Education funds (Educational Grants, School Lunch, School Readiness and Student Activities) needed significant corrections prior and after being given to the auditor in June 2025.

Criteria: All funds should be maintained using a double entry accounting with a complete and accurate full trial balance. Those respective trial balances should be reconciled monthly utilizing the reconciliation system that is integrated within the software. Once reconciled, the information should be given to the City's finance office.

Cause: The causes are as follows:

- Turnover in the Business Manager position during the audit process,
- Lack of policy and procedural manual, and
- Underutilization of current accounting system.

Effect: Audit process was significantly delayed. Cash flow planning and budgeting for subsequent periods is almost impossible if information is not reconciled timely.

Recommendation: An implementation system needs to be put in place to account for vacancies in key financial positions. We recommend overlapping hiring in key positions and cross-training of individuals to allow for the regular reconciliation process to take place even though the Business Manager position is vacant. We also recommend that a policy and procedure manual be completed and utilized.

Management's Response: Management's response is as follows:

- Focus on long term solution to filling Business Manager position. This may involve search firm or consulting firm to find viable candidate. Candidate may need to come from outside education field with experience in audit, financial and accounting processes and procedures and diverse ERP knowledge.
- Study, formulate and publish policy documentation and procedures across job function within accounting/finance departments in Central Office. Policy and procedures should focus not only on monthly reconciliation but also job function coverage amongst employees. Also, policy documentation should be created in concert with the City Finance Department.
- Support and fund professional development of existing ERP system, School ERP Pro, for staff. This should go beyond just annual closing procedures and should span across job function.

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

* Indicates that this is a repeat finding from prior year.

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Our report on compliance and other matters indicated no findings or questioned costs.

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR'S FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

2023-001 Availability of financial information

Finding: During the audit process, information from various departments related to numerous audit schedules and related information was unavailable in a timely manner. The City's audit for the year ended June 30, 2023, did not start until October 2023. In addition, some schedules and required information were not available for audit until December 2023.

Disposition: This finding is repeated as 2024-001.

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

To the Honorable Mayor,
Members of the Board of Aldermen and
Members of the Board of Apportionment and Taxation
City of Ansonia, Connecticut

Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program
Opinion on Each Major State Program

We have audited the City of Ansonia, Connecticut, Connecticut's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the Office of Policy and Management's *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut, Connecticut's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The City of Ansonia, Connecticut's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the City of Ansonia, Connecticut, Connecticut complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis of Opinion on Each Major State Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the State Single Audit Act (C.G.S. Sections 4-230 to 4-236). Our responsibilities under those standards and the State Single Audit Act are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of City of Ansonia, Connecticut and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major state program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to City of Ansonia, Connecticut's state programs.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the State Single Audit will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance with the requirements of each major state program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the State Single Audit Act, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding City of Ansonia, Connecticut's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of City of Ansonia, Connecticut's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the State Single Audit Act, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Ansonia, Connecticut's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program on a timely basis. A *material weakness* in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, in a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion in the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the State Single Audit Act. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut, Connecticut, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Ansonia, Connecticut's basic financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated June 11, 2025, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the State Single Audit Act and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of state awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Accavallo & Company, LLC
Shelton, Connecticut
June 11, 2025

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF
STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	State Grant Program Identification Number	Pass Through to Subrecipients	Expenditures
<u>State Department of Education:</u>			
Alliance Grant	11000-SDE64370-17041	\$ -	\$ 4,329,576
Alliance Grant	11000-SDE64370-17041	-	30,313
Priority School District	11000-SDE64370-17043	-	818,051
Adult Education	11000-SDE64370-17030	-	120,823
School accountability summer school	11000-SDE64370-17109	-	50,970
Extended School Hours	11000-SDE64370-17108	-	42,519
Talent Development	11000-SDE64370-12552	-	4,083
Healthy foods grant	11000-SDE64370-16212	-	24,861
Child Nutrition	11000-SDE64370-16211	-	14,357
State School Breakfast	11000-SDE64370-17046	-	10,609
Open Choice Program	11000-SDE64370-17053	-	2,472
Hlth & Welfare-Priv Schl Pupil	11000-SDE64370-17034	-	13,535
	Total State Department of Education	-	5,462,169
<u>Office of Early Childhood:</u>			
Early Care and Education	11000-OEC64845-16274	-	1,136,867
Smart Start -operations	11000-OEC64845-16279	-	74,688
Early Care and Education	11000-OEC64845-16274	-	52,995
School Readiness Quality enhancement	11000-OCE64845-16158	-	6,447
Early Childhood-Wage Support Grant	11000-OEC64806-12639	-	26,904
	Total Office of Early Childhood	-	1,297,901
<u>Department of Administrative Services:</u>			
Community Based Prevent Program	11000-DCF91141-16092	-	5,716
Youth Service Bureau	11000-DCF91141-17052	-	16,021
Youth Service Bureau Enhancement	11000-DCF91141-17107	-	10,755
	Total Department of Administrative Services	-	32,492
<u>Office of Policy and Management:</u>			
Local Capital Improvement Program	12050-OPM20600-40254	-	117,209
Tiered PILOT	11000-OPM20600-17111	-	231,055
Body and Dash Cameras	12052-OPM20350-43760	-	71,233
Exemption	11000-OPM20600-17011	-	1,447
Property Tax Relief for Veterans	11000-OPM20600-17024	-	6,808
Municipal Purposes and Projects	12052-OPM-20600-43587	-	85,419
	Total Office of Policy and Management	-	513,171
<u>Department of Economic and Community Development:</u>			
DECD Brownfield Grant Supply Funding	12052-ECD46000-46260	-	173,289
Brownfield Remediation and Development Round 13	12052-ECD46000-46260	-	56,178
Brownfield Remediation and Development Round 15	12052-ECD46000-46260	-	199,378
	Total Department of Economic and Community Development	-	428,845

See Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance.

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF
STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

<u>State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title</u>	<u>State Grant Program Identification Number</u>	<u>Pass Though to Subrecipients</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
<u>Department of Energy and Environmental Protection:</u>			
Connecticut Bikeways	12052-DEP44321-43314	-	810
PEGPETIA	12060-DEP44620-35363	-	90,981
Solid Waste Management Account	11000-DEP44920-12488	-	29,576
		-	121,367
<u>Department of Public Safety:</u>			
Volunteer Firefighter Training	11000-DPS32251-17110	-	1,350
Volunteer Firefighter Training	11000-DPS32251-17110	-	2,546
		-	3,896
<u>Secretary of State:</u>			
Early Voting	1100-SOS12500-12651	-	2,388
<u>Department of Transportation:</u>			
Local Transport Capital Program	13033-DOT57197-43584	-	21,611
Town Road Aid Grants-Municipal	12052-DOT57131-43455	-	157,609
Town Road Aid-STO	13033-DOT57131-43459	-	157,609
		-	336,829
TOTAL STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BEFORE EXEMPT PROGRAMS			8,199,058
EXEMPT PROGRAMS:			
<u>Department of Education:</u>			
Education Cost Sharing	11000-SDE-64370-17041	-	14,975,139
Special Education - Excess Cost Student Based	11000-SDE-64370-17047	-	2,014,291
		-	16,989,430
<u>Office of Policy and Management:</u>			
Municipal Transition	11000-OPM20600-17103	-	855,746
Municipal Revenue Sharing	12060-OPM20600-35458	-	555,160
Grants to Towns	12009-OPM20600-17005	-	113,045
		-	1,523,951
TOTAL EXEMPT PROGRAMS			18,513,381
TOTAL STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE		\$ -	\$ 26,712,439

See Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance.

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES
OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance includes state grant activity of the City of Ansonia, Connecticut under programs of the State of Connecticut for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. Various departments and agencies of the State Government have provided financial assistance to the City of Ansonia, Connecticut through grants and other authorizations provided by the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. These financial assistance programs fund several programs including housing, education, health and human services and general government activities.

Basis of Accounting

The accounting policies of the City conform to generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governments. The information in the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance is presented based upon regulations established by the State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management.

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

2. LOAN PROGRAM

In accordance with Section 4-236-23(a)(4)(F) of the Regulations to the State Single Audit Act, the notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance shall include loans and loan activities. The following is a summary of the loan program activity for the year ended June 30, 2024:

Department of Environmental Protection:

Clean Water Funds 21014-OTT14230-4001:

<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Balance July 01, 2023</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Retired</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2024</u>
311-DC	9/30/2007	2%	\$ 5,082,808	\$ 602,009	\$ -	\$ 296,217	\$ 357,792
554-DC	6/29/2012	2%	\$ 35,822,895	\$ 15,915,363	\$ -	\$ 1,853,061	\$ 14,062,302

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

I. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness (es) identified? Yes No
- Significant Deficiencies identified? Yes None reported
- Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? Yes No

State Financial Assistance

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? Yes No
- Significant deficiencies identified? Yes None reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are Required to be reported in accordance with Section 4-236-24 of the Regulations to the State Single Audit Act?

Yes No

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

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	State Grant Program Identification Number	Expenditures
<u>Department of Education:</u>		
Alliance Grant	11000-SDE64370-17041	\$ 4,329,576
Alliance Grant	11000-SDE64370-17041	30,313
Priority School District	11000-SDE64370-17043	818,051
<u>Office of Early Childhood:</u>		
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<u>Department of Transportation:</u>		
Town Road Aid Grants-Municipal	12052-DOT57131-43455	157,609
Town Road Aid-STO	13033-DOT57131-43459	157,609
		<u>\$ 7,289,925</u>

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

**CITY OF ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FINDINGS

Our report on internal control over financial reporting indicated the following significant deficiencies as items 2024-001 and 2024-002 as listed on pages 13 and 14.

III. STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

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

