

**Toronto Foundation for Student Success**  
**Financial Statements**  
**Year ended July 31, 2023**

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## Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors of  
Toronto Foundation for Student Success

### *Qualified Opinion*

We have audited the financial statements of Toronto Foundation for Student Success (the "Foundation"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at July 31, 2023, and the statements of operations, changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Toronto Foundation for Student Success as at July 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

### *Basis for Qualified Opinion*

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Foundation derives revenue from cash donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Foundation. Therefore, we were unable to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, excess of revenues over expenses and cash flows provided by operating activities for the years ended July 31, 2023 and 2022, current assets as at July 31, 2023 and 2022, and fund balances as at August 1 and July 31 for both the 2023 and 2022 years. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended July 31, 2022 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation in scope.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

### *Emphasis of Matter - Amended Financial Statements*

We draw attention to Note 8 to the financial statements, which describes that the financial statements that we originally reported on December 5, 2023 have been amended and describes that matter that gave rise to the amendment of the financial statements. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### *Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Foundation's financial reporting process.

### *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism through the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Foundation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

*Lipton LLP*

Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants

Toronto, Ontario  
December 5, 2023, except as to Note 8, which is as of February 7, 2024

**Toronto Foundation for Student Success**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
**As at July 31, 2023**

	Administration	Student Nutrition Programs	Beyond 3:30	Vision and Hearing	Other Restricted Activities	Sight Initiative	Undesignated and Fundraising	Elimination of interfund balances	Total 2023	Total 2022
<b>Assets</b>										
Current										
Cash	\$ 3,400,483	\$ 12,561,888	\$ 1,639,505	\$ 62,977	\$ 112,464	\$ -	\$ 81,399	\$ -	\$ 17,858,716	\$ 12,182,210
Marketable securities	-	1,861,855	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,861,855	1,652,181
Other receivables	32,570	-	208,416	35,670	-	-	-	-	276,656	140,141
Prepaid expenses	27,918	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,918	12,650
Inventory	-	157,363	-	-	-	-	-	-	157,363	291,256
Scholarship funds	-	-	-	-	45,224	-	-	-	45,224	44,403
Interfund balances (Note 3)	-	-	84,350	-	79,531	-	2,460,530	(2,624,411)	-	-
	\$ 3,460,971	\$ 14,581,106	\$ 1,932,271	\$ 98,647	\$ 237,219	\$ -	\$ 2,541,929	\$ (2,624,411)	\$ 20,227,732	\$ 14,322,841
<b>Liabilities</b>										
Current										
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 223,006	\$ 177,054	\$ 16,685	\$ 4,263	\$ 558	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 421,566	\$ 455,150
Deferred contributions (Note 4)	160,451	13,638,101	1,915,586	146,607	236,661	-	953,691	-	17,051,097	11,656,802
Interfund balances (Note 3)	2,424,080	137,135	-	63,196	-	-	-	(2,624,411)	-	-
	2,807,537	13,952,290	1,932,271	214,066	237,219	-	953,691	(2,624,411)	17,472,663	12,111,952
Commitment (Note 6)										
<b>Fund Balances</b>										
Unrestricted	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,588,238	-	1,588,238	1,044,058
Restricted	653,434	628,816	-	(115,419)	-	-	-	-	1,166,831	1,166,831
	653,434	628,816	-	(115,419)	-	-	1,588,238	-	2,755,069	2,210,889
	\$ 3,460,971	\$ 14,581,106	\$ 1,932,271	\$ 98,647	\$ 237,219	\$ -	\$ 2,541,929	\$ (2,624,411)	\$ 20,227,732	\$ 14,322,841

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

These financial statements are approved on behalf of the Board of Directors:



Director



Director

**Toronto Foundation for Student Success**  
**Statement of Operations**  
**Year ended July 31, 2023**

	Administration (Note 8)	Student Nutrition Programs	Beyond 3:30	Vision and Hearing	Other Restricted Activities	Sight Initiative	Undesignated and Fundraising	Total 2023 (Note 8)	Total 2022
<b>Revenues</b>									
City of Toronto	\$ -	\$ 12,318,607	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,318,607	\$ 12,071,864
Ministry of Children, Community & Social Services	506,768	8,124,803	-	-	-	-	-	8,631,571	11,823,407
Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport	-	-	533,800	-	-	-	-	533,800	533,800
Toronto District School Board	400,000	-	-	22,100	-	-	-	422,100	400,000
Fundraising and donations (Notes 2(g) and 8)	160,038	7,339,514	1,628,436	87,301	880,356	-	-	10,095,645	4,649,138
Fee for service income	-	-	-	-	-	1,275	-	1,275	-
Interest and investment income	-	-	-	-	-	-	935,862	935,862	57,410
	1,066,806	27,782,924	2,162,236	109,401	880,356	1,275	935,862	32,938,860	29,535,619
<b>Expenditures</b>									
Project costs (Note 2(c))	75,965	26,322,938	281,571	34,117	880,356	-	19,031	27,613,978	25,732,951
Salaries and benefits (Note 5)	946,804	1,448,926	1,867,841	229,537	-	1,275	160,937	4,655,320	3,557,116
Professional services	101,017	-	9,840	-	-	-	-	110,857	158,871
Travel	16	11,060	2,984	205	-	-	260	14,525	4,324
	1,123,802	27,782,924	2,162,236	263,859	880,356	1,275	180,228	32,394,680	29,453,262
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>	\$ (56,996)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (154,458)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 755,634	\$ 544,180	\$ 82,357

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**Toronto Foundation for Student Success**  
**Statement of Changes in Fund Balances**  
**Year ended July 31, 2023**

	Administration	Student Nutrition Programs	Beyond 3:30	Vision and Hearing	Other Restricted Activities	Sight Initiative	Undesignated and Fundraising	Total 2023	Total 2022
<b>Fund balances - beginning of year</b>	\$ 653,434	\$ 628,816	\$ -	\$ (115,419)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,044,058	\$ 2,210,889	\$ 2,128,532
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(56,996)	-	-	(154,458)	-	-	755,634	544,180	82,357
Interfund transfers (Note 3(b))	56,996	-	-	154,458	-	-	(211,454)	-	-
<b>Fund balances - end of year</b>	\$ 653,434	\$ 628,816	\$ -	\$ (115,419)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,588,238	\$ 2,755,069	\$ 2,210,889

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**Toronto Foundation for Student Success**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**Year ended July 31, 2023**

	Administration	Student Nutrition Programs	Beyond 3:30	Vision and Hearing	Other Restricted Activities	Sight Initiative	Undesignated and Fundraising	Total 2023	Total 2022
<b>Operating activities</b>									
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ (56,996)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (154,458)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 755,634	\$ 544,180	\$ 82,357
Items not affecting cash:									
Accrued interest on scholarship funds	-	-	-	-	(821)	-	-	(821)	(210)
Unrealized loss (gain) on marketable securities	-	(209,674)	-	-	-	-	-	(209,674)	81,050
	(56,996)	(209,674)	-	(154,458)	(821)	-	755,634	333,685	163,197
Net changes in non-cash working capital:									
Decrease (increase) in other receivables	17,571	24,100	(155,036)	(23,150)	-	-	-	(136,515)	340,345
Increase in prepaid expenses	(15,268)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(15,268)	(1,602)
Decrease in inventory	-	133,893	-	-	-	-	-	133,893	35,350
Increase (decrease) in interfund balances	2,028,380	(303,956)	(1,078,804)	(63,669)	136,617	-	(718,568)	-	-
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	59,565	(101,661)	8,910	4,257	(4,655)	-	-	(33,584)	230,471
Increase (decrease) in deferred contributions	102,513	3,971,334	1,089,281	98,630	(41,835)	-	174,372	5,394,295	3,124,704
Cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities	2,135,765	3,514,036	(135,649)	(138,390)	89,306	-	211,438	5,676,506	3,892,465
<b>Financing activity</b>									
Interfund transfers	56,996	-	-	154,458	-	-	(211,454)	-	-
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activity	56,996	-	-	154,458	-	-	(211,454)	-	-
Net change in cash	2,192,761	3,514,036	(135,649)	16,068	89,306	-	(16)	5,676,506	3,892,465
Cash - beginning of year	1,207,722	9,047,852	1,775,154	46,909	23,158	-	81,415	12,182,210	8,289,745
<b>Cash - end of year</b>	<b>\$ 3,400,483</b>	<b>\$ 12,561,888</b>	<b>\$ 1,639,505</b>	<b>\$ 62,977</b>	<b>\$ 112,464</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 81,399</b>	<b>\$ 17,858,716</b>	<b>\$ 12,182,210</b>

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**1. Nature of business**

Toronto Foundation for Student Success (the "Foundation") is a charitable foundation incorporated as a not-for-profit organization under the laws of Canada. The primary purpose of the Foundation is to raise and disburse funds in support of educational and enrichment activities within the City of Toronto. The Foundation is a registered charity within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada) under paragraph 149(1)(f) and, as such, is exempt from income taxes.

**2. Significant accounting policies**

The financial statements of the Foundation are prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

(a) Management estimates

The preparation of these financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The significant estimate used in the preparation of these financial statements is the determination of accrued liabilities. Estimates are reviewed periodically and adjustments are made in the year they become known.

(b) Fund accounting

The accounts of the Foundation are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. Resources received and expenses incurred are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into the following funds according to activities taken on by the Foundation:

(i) Administration

This fund tracks the revenues and expenditures related to the general operations of the Foundation, which includes, for example, salaries and benefits of administration personnel, insurance, and office and general.

(ii) Student Nutrition Programs

This fund tracks the revenues and expenditures related to student nutrition programs across Toronto, including food and equipment costs.

(iii) Beyond 3:30

This fund tracks the revenues and expenditures related to an afterschool program in "at risk" inner city communities in the City of Toronto for middle school children between the hours of 3:30pm and 6:30pm in their local schools. Programs focus on healthy lifestyles including physical activities, food preparation training and nutrition studies.

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**2. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

(b) Fund accounting (continued)

(iv) Vision and Hearing

This fund tracks the revenue and expenditures related to the Vision and Hearing Screening Clinics, which are conducted in various schools across Toronto. These clinics help determine whether students need vision and hearing assistance, in order to allow them to achieve greater success in school.

(v) Other Restricted Activities

This fund tracks all the revenues and expenditures for smaller programs where contributions are designated for a specific purpose or fundraising event, campaign or initiative, the proceeds of which also help support the Foundation's various programs. Included in this fund are Emergency Fund, School Opportunity Fund, Scholarships and other donor designated donations i.e. direct donations to schools or community based programs which are received solely for this purpose.

(vi) Sight Initiative

This fund tracks the revenue and expenditures related to the Fees for Service Initiative, which is conducted in certain schools across Toronto. This initiative works to bring eye care services into priority school communities. As the program is a fee for service program, the fund is unrestricted.

(vii) Undesignated and Fundraising

This fund tracks the revenues and expenditures related to general fundraising activities and other undesignated contributions.

(c) Inventory

Inventory, which consists of undistributed gift cards and groceries, is measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined using the specific identification method. For gift cards, net realizable value represents the face value. The total gift cards recognized as an expense during the year was \$178,125 (2022 - \$1,567,267).

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**2. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

(d) Revenue recognition

The Foundation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred or the restrictions are met, if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Restricted contributions for which the related expenses are not yet incurred are reported in the statement of financial position as deferred contributions.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year received or receivable, if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Fee for service income earned is recognized as services are provided, if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Interest and investment income earned is recognized as revenue of the Undesignated and Fundraising fund on a time proportion basis, if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

(e) Financial instruments

The Foundation initially measures its financial instruments at fair value. All financial instruments are subsequently measured at amortized cost, except for marketable securities, which are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in the statement of operations.

Financial assets subsequently measured at amortized cost include cash, scholarship funds, interfund balances and other receivables. Financial liabilities subsequently measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities and interfund balances.

(f) Contributed services

The Foundation would not be able to carry out its programs without the services of many volunteers who donate a considerable number of hours. Because of the difficulty of determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

The Toronto District School Board donates the administrative office space occupied by the Foundation. Because of the difficulty of determining their fair value, contributed occupancy costs are not recognized in the financial statements.

(g) Gifts in kind

The Foundation records gifts in kind, which consist mainly of gift cards received, at the fair value of the assets or services received. The Foundation received \$382,877 (2022 - \$326,217) of gifts in kind, which have been included in fundraising and donations revenue.

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**2. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

(h) Allocation of expenses

The costs of each program include the costs of personnel, funding distributions and other expenses that are directly related to providing the program. The Foundation also incurs general support and program co-ordination salaries and benefits expenses that are common to the administration of the Foundation and each of its programs.

The Foundation allocates certain of its general support and program co-ordination salaries and benefits expenses by estimating the time certain employees spend on the administration of each program.

**3. Interfund balances**

(a) Interfund balances

Interfund balances are receivables or payables between the Foundation's funds. Any amounts outstanding are non-interest bearing and have no fixed terms of repayment.

(b) Interfund transfers

During the year, cash of \$56,996 (2022 - \$Nil) was transferred from the Undesignated and Fundraising fund to the Administration fund and cash of \$154,458 (2022 - \$Nil) was transferred from the Undesignated and Fundraising fund to the Vision and Hearing fund.

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**4. Deferred contributions**

	2023	2022
Deferred contributions - beginning of year	\$ 11,656,802	\$ 8,532,098
Add: contributions during year		
Contributions received from government sources	27,773,418	24,599,193
Contributions received from non-government sources	7,776,241	7,305,578
Less: amounts recognized as revenue during year		
Revenue from government sources	(21,483,978)	(24,429,075)
Revenue from non-government sources	(8,671,385)	(4,350,992)
<b>Deferred contributions - end of year</b>	<b>\$ 17,051,098</b>	<b>\$ 11,656,802</b>

	Administration	Student Nutrition Programs	Beyond 3:30
Deferred contributions - beginning of year	\$ 57,938	\$ 9,666,767	\$ 826,305
Add: contributions during year	1,163,557	29,835,565	3,320,298
Less: amounts recognized as revenue during year	(1,061,044)	(25,864,231)	(2,231,017)
<b>Deferred contributions - end of year</b>	<b>\$ 160,451</b>	<b>\$ 13,638,101</b>	<b>\$ 1,915,586</b>

	Vision and Hearing	Other Restricted Activities	Undesignated and Fundraising
Deferred contributions - beginning of year	\$ 47,977	\$ 278,495	\$ 779,320
Add: contributions during year	176,786	799,081	254,372
Less: amounts recognized as revenue during year	(78,156)	(840,915)	(80,000)
<b>Deferred contributions - end of year</b>	<b>\$ 146,607</b>	<b>\$ 236,661</b>	<b>\$ 953,692</b>

**5. Allocation of expenses**

General support and program coordination salaries and benefits have been allocated as follows:

	2023	2022
Salaries and benefits allocated to:		
Administration	\$ 946,804	\$ 737,650
Student Nutrition Programs	686,276	605,325
Beyond 3:30	244,184	231,532
Undesignated and Fundraising	91,993	23,608
Vision and Hearing	99,389	-
<b>Total salaries allocated</b>	<b>\$ 2,068,646</b>	<b>\$ 1,598,115</b>

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**6. Commitment**

The Foundation has a service contract with the Ministry of Children, Community & Social Services to administer the student nutrition program grant (detail code A513) for purchasing nutritious food items and/or community development. The contract is renewed for the 2024 fiscal year. Under the prior year's Ministry of Children, Community & Social Services contract, there was no surplus or deficit.

**7. Financial instruments**

In management's opinion, the Foundation is exposed to the following risks through its financial instruments:

(a) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of the Foundation's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. The Foundation is exposed to market risk as a result of its investments in equity instruments included in the Foundation's marketable securities. Management does not believe the Foundation's investments in equity instruments are high risk.

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Foundation is exposed to credit risk in the event of non-performance by its funders, but does not anticipate such non-performance. The maximum credit risk is the carrying value of its other receivables.

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Foundation will encounter difficulty in meeting its obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The Foundation is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Management does not anticipate a risk in meeting its current obligations as the Foundation has a sufficient working capital balance.

**8. Amendment to previously issued financial statements**

Subsequent to December 5, 2023, it was determined that revenues within the Administration fund of \$160,038 that were presented as Toronto Educational Opportunity Fund revenue should have been presented as fundraising and donations revenue. The Foundation has amended its financial statements for the year ended July 31, 2023 to correct the presentation of this revenue. There was no impact on total revenues or excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures for the year ended July 31, 2023.