AMERICAN PRINTING HOUSE FOR THE BLIND, INC. Financial Statements, Additional Information and Supplementary Information Years Ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 with Report of Independent Auditors

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## Report of Independent Auditors

Board of Trustees American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. Louisville, Kentucky

## Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. (the Organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of September 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free 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 Trustees, American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. Report of Independent Auditors, continued

## Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. as of September 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.

#### Other Matters

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The additional information on pages 28 through 31 and the accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards as presented on pages 32 and 33, as required by Subpart F of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR Part 200), Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are 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 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 information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 17, 2017 on our consideration of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

January 17, 2017

Louisville, Kentucky

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## Statements of Financial Position

# September 30, 2016 and 2015

		<u>2016</u>		2015
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$	8,203,707 111,931,575	\$	5,655,963 109,530,297
Investments, the use of which is limited		4,061,889		3,870,578
Accounts receivable, trade, net of allowance for bad debts		1,233,409		1,096,388
Government programs receivable		5,186,909		4,497,211
Split-interest agreements		2,181,117		2,179,093
Inventories		7,423,274		7,408,823
Prepaid expenses		139,854		170,545
Other receivable		836,800		966,400
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	_	2,988,849	_	2,909,953
Total assets	\$	144,187,383	\$_	138,285,251
Liabilities and Net Assets				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable and customer deposits	\$	1,964,292	\$	2,033,858
Accrued payroll		365,090		273,074
Accrued taxes and payroll withholdings		97,575		172,666
Accrued vacation		912,027		941,296
Annuities payable		1,200,542		1,298,358
Underfunded benefit plan obligation		13,339,441		13,763,084
Deferred compensation liability		708,920		824,213
Other accrued expenses	-	257,028	_	224,633
Total liabilities		18,844,915		19,531,182
Net assets:				
Unrestricted:				
Board-designated - accessible textbook program		1,621,864		1,573,834
Invested in property and equipment		2,988,849		2,909,953
Undesignated		127,828,190		121,983,695
Funded status of benefit plan	_	(13,339,441)	=	(13,763,084)
Total unrestricted net assets		119,099,462		112,704,398
Temporarily restricted		4,068,504		3,899,992
Permanently restricted		2,174,502	-	2,149,679
Total net assets		125,342,468	-	118,754,069
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	144,187,383	\$	138,285,251

See accompanying notes.

# Statements of Activities

# Year ended September 30, 2016

Support, revenues and gains:	_	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted		Permanently Restricted		_	Total
Products distributed and sold	\$	29,998,695	\$		\$	_	\$	29,998,695
Contributions and bequests	Ψ	1,674,277	Ψ	2,024	Ψ	_	Ψ	1,676,301
Interest and dividends		3,971,559		123,162		24,823		4,119,544
Grants		993,176		-		- 1,020		993,176
Gain on investments, net		3,533,870		244,300		_		3,778,170
Miscellaneous income		1,332,052		=11,000		-		1,332,052
Net assets released from restrictions	_	200,974	-	(200,974)	_	-		-
Total support, revenues and gains		41,704,603		168,512		24,823		41,897,938
Expenses:								
Costs of products distributed and								
sold		23,660,717		=1		-		23,660,717
General and administrative		6,103,602		**		-		6,103,602
Program support		4,705,213		wi		-		4,705,213
Fund-raising and development		712,655		rd .		-		712,655
Miscellaneous expense		292,817		-				292,817
Investment fees	_	258,178	-		_	-	_	258.178
Total expenses		35,733,182		**		-		35,733,182
Net gain for the retirement plan	_	423.643	-	-		-	_	423,643
Change in net assets		6,395,064		168,512		24,823		6,588,399
Net assets, beginning of year	_	112,704,398	-	3,899,992	_	2,149,679		118,754,069
Net assets, end of year	\$_	119.099.462	\$_	4.068.504	<b>\$_</b>	2,174,502	\$	125,342,468

# Statements of Activities, continued

# Year ended September 30, 2015

	Unrestricted			Гетрогагіly Restricted		Permanently Restricted		Total
Support and revenues:								
Products distributed and sold	\$	28,481,986	\$	-	\$	-	\$	28,481,986
Contributions and bequests		1,090,462		5,539		-		1,096,001
Interest and dividends		2,026,279		50,108		27,306		2,103,693
Grants		438,871		ngele		-		438,871
Miscellaneous income		1,257,623		***		-		1,257,623
Net assets released from restrictions	-	176,764	_	(176,764)	_			<u> </u>
Total support and revenues		33,471,985		(121,117)		27,306		33,378,174
Expenses and losses:								
Costs of products distributed and								
sold		23,158,853		<b>→</b>		-		23,158,853
General and administrative		5,736,144		-		-		5,736,144
Program support		4,245,802		-		-		4,245,802
Fund-raising and development		735,044		-		-		735,044
Miscellaneous expense		104,283		-		-		104,283
Loss on investments, net		4,796,650		93,489				4,890,139
Investment fees	_	254,631	_	-	_	-	_	254,631
Total expenses and losses		39,031,407		93,489		-		39,124,896
Net loss for the retirement plan	_	(1,976,000)	_		_		_	(1,976,000)
Change in net assets		(7,535,422)		(214,606)		27,306		(7,722,722)
Net assets, beginning of year	_	120,239,820	_	4,114,598		2,122,373		126,476,791
Net assets, end of year	\$_	112,704,398	\$_	3,899,992	\$	2,149,679	\$	118,754,069

## Statements of Cash Flows

# Years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015

		2016		<u>2015</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Cash received from customers	\$	29,172,818	\$	28,009,574
Cash paid to suppliers, employees, and others		(35,110,172)		(33,112,241)
Cash received from gifts and bequests		1,652,405		1,045,836
Interest and dividends		4,118,702		2,104,577
Other income and support	-	2,325,228	-	1,696,494
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		2,158,981		(255,760)
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Proceeds from sales of marketable securities		56,615,215		49,417,311
Purchase of marketable securities		(55,429,634)		(52,652,654)
Purchase of property and equipment	_	(720,874)	34	(427,533)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		464,707		(3,662,876)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from contributions restricted for investment subject				
to annuity agreements		17,536		36,933
Payments of annuity obligations	_	(93,480)	-12	(97,927)
Net cash used in financing activities	-	(75,944)		(60,994)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		2,547,744		(3,979,630)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	:-	5,655,963	÷	9,635,593
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$_	8,203,707	\$_	5,655,963

# Statements of Cash Flows, continued

# Years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Reconciliation of change in net assets to net cash provided		
by (used in) operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 6,588,399	\$ (7,722,722)
Adjustments:		
Depreciation	641,978	672,803
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments held	(2,790,320)	8,084,456
Realized gain on investments	(987,850)	(3,194,317)
Increase (decrease) in cash due to changes in:		
Accounts receivable, trade	(137,021)	(191,003)
Other receivable	129,600	165,600
Government programs receivable	(689,698)	(280,525)
Split-interest agreements	(2,024)	(5,539)
Inventories	(14,451)	(42,711)
Prepaid expenses	30,691	6,943
Accounts payable and customer deposits	(69,566)	328,808
Accrued expenses	(127,637)	(233,560)
Annuities payable	(21,872)	(44,626)
Underfunded benefit plan obligation	(423,643)	1,976,000
Other accrued expenses	 32,395	 224,633
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 2,158,981	\$ (255,760)

#### Notes to Financial Statements

## 1. Nature of Organization

The American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. (the Organization) is a non-for-profit manufacturer and distributor of products and services for people who are blind or visually impaired. The Organization's primary products include Braille and large type printed materials, recorded books on cassette, specialized electronic equipment, and educational aids. These products are distributed to schools and agencies to educate blind or visually impaired students, individuals, and the National Library Service.

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Management's Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## **General Accounting Principles**

The accounts are maintained on the accrual basis.

Accounting standards for external financial reporting by not-for-profit organizations require that resources be classified for accounting and reporting purposes into three net asset categories according to externally (donor) imposed restrictions. A description of the three net asset categories follows:

**Unrestricted Net Assets** include the portion of expendable funds that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations and include the following:

<u>Board-Designated</u> - <u>Accessible Textbook Program:</u> These net assets represent unrestricted funds designated by the Board of Trustees for the accessible textbook program. Although the Board could release or revise the designation in the future, to the extent not externally restricted, there is no intent to do so.

<u>Invested in Property and Equipment:</u> These net assets represent cumulative resources expended for property and equipment, less accumulated depreciation recorded.

<u>Undesignated</u>: These net assets represent the portion of expendable funds available in operation of the Organization.

<u>Funded Status of Benefit Plan:</u> This represents the underfunded status of the Organization's defined benefit pension plan (see Note 11).

Temporarily Restricted Net Assets include gifts for which donor-imposed restrictions have not been met.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

## General Accounting Principles, continued

**Permanently Restricted Net Assets** include amounts for which the donor has stipulated that the corpus be invested in perpetuity and only the income be made available for program operations in accordance with donor restrictions.

The Organization reports gifts of cash and other assets as restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions. The Organization treats donor-restricted contributions whose restrictions are met in the same reporting period as unrestricted support.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents include all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less. Cash balances may exceed insured limits for federal deposit insurance. Management considers it very unlikely that any loss will result from the cash balance in excess of federal insurance limits.

#### Accounts Receivable and Other Receivable

Accounts receivable consist of amounts due from customers for sales of the Organization's products.

The other receivable is an advance made to a vendor of the Organization for development of a new product. The receivable is being repaid to the Organization based upon sales of the new product.

The Organization provides an allowance for bad debts based upon the anticipated collectibility of each specific account. An allowance for bad debts is recorded to the extent it is probable that a portion or all of a particular account will not be collected. In evaluating the collectibility of accounts receivable, the Organization considers a number of factors, including historical loss rates, the age of the accounts, changes in collection patterns, the status of ongoing disputes with third-party payers, and general industry conditions. Actual collections of accounts receivable in subsequent periods may require changes in the estimated provision. Changes in the estimate are charged or credited to expenses in the period of change. Receivables are considered past due based upon invoice terms, and are written off when deemed uncollectible. The Organization does not charge interest on past due accounts.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

#### Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market on the first-in, first-out identification method. Labor and overhead included in work-in-process and finished goods inventories are valued at standard hourly cost rates which approximate actual costs incurred. The Organization's reserve for obsolete inventory is based on the historical demand for product sales relative to inventory levels on hand at period end adjusted for known changes in forecasted demand, if necessary.

#### Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 5 for further discussion of fair value measurements. Receipts of donated investments are recorded at the quoted market value of the investments at the time of receipt.

The Organization invests in fixed income securities, including government and corporate bonds, in publicly-traded stocks and mutual funds, and in other investment vehicles such as hedge funds. These investments are subject to the risks common to financial markets, including interest rate risks, credit risks, and overall market risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of financial position.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Gain (loss) on investments includes the Organization's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

#### Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line basis over reasonably estimated useful lives of the various classes of assets.

#### Revenue Recognition

The Organization recognizes revenue upon transfer of title of products as goods are shipped. Shipping and handling costs incurred by the Organization are included in costs of products distributed and sold.

## <u>Functional Allocation of Expenses</u>

Certain costs have been allocated between program support, general and administrative, and fund-raising and development expenses.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

#### Donated Goods and Services

Property, materials, and other in-kind assets received as donations are recorded and reflected in the accompanying financial statements at their estimated fair values at the date of receipt.

## Research and Development

Research and development costs are expensed when incurred.

## **Advertising Costs**

Advertising costs are expensed when incurred. Advertising costs totaled \$25,405 and \$34,118 for the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Organization is a not-for-profit entity exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Although the Organization is exempt from income taxes, any income generated from activities unrelated to the Organization's exempt purpose is subject to tax under IRC Section 511. The Organization generated no material unrelated business income for the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*, requiring an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is to recognize revenues when a customer obtains control of a good or service, in an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity is expected to be entitled for those goods or services. The standard will replace most existing revenue-recognition-guidance in GAAP when it becomes effective and permits the use of either a full retrospective or retrospective with cumulative effect transition method. In August 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-14, which deferred the effective date of ASU 2014-09 by one year. The updated standard will be effective for the Organization for the year ending September 30, 2020. Early application is permitted. The Organization has not yet selected a transition method and is currently evaluating the effect that the updated standard will have on the financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements, continued

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, requiring all leases to be recognized on the Organization's balance sheet as a right-of-use asset and a lease liability, unless the lease is a short term lease (generally a lease with a term of twelve months or less). At the commencement date of the lease, the Organization will recognize: 1) a lease liability for Organization's obligation to make payments under the lease agreement, measured on a discounted basis; and 2) a right-of-use asset that represents the Organization's right to use, or control the use of, the specified asset for the lease term. Upon adopting the ASU, the Organization will be required to recognize and measure its leases at the beginning of the earliest period presented using a modified retrospective approach. ASU 2016-02 will be effective for the Organization for the year ending September 30, 2021, with early adoption permitted. The Organization is currently evaluating the effect that the new standard will have on its financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-14, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities, that changes how a not-for-profit organization classifies its net assets, as well as the information it presents in the financial statements and notes about its liquidity, financial performance, and cash flows. The ASU includes a reduction in the number of net asset categories from three to two, conforming requirements on releases of capital restrictions, several new requirements related to expense presentation and disclosure (including investment expenses), and new required disclosures communicating information useful in assessing liquidity. The ASU will be effective for the Organization for the year ending September 30, 2019. Early adoption is permitted. The Organization is currently evaluating the effects adoption of this guidance will have on the financial statements.

#### Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events for recognition or disclosure in the financial statements through January 17, 2017, which was the date at which the financial statements were available to be issued.

## 3. Split-Interest Agreements

The Organization has a lead interest in various split-interest agreements which provide periodic payments in perpetuity. The fair value of the contribution has been estimated based on the present value of estimated future distributions expected to be received, discounted at a rate of 4%. The present value of these agreements amounted to \$2,077,500 as of September 30, 2016 and 2015.

The Organization also has a remainder interest in a split-interest agreement from an irrevocable trust created by a donor. The fair value of the contribution from this agreement has been estimated and recorded based on the fair value of the assets contributed by the donor, adjusted for the present value of the payments expected to be made first to other beneficiaries. The adjusted payout rate to the beneficiaries is 5%. Actuarial assumptions are based on a single life expectancy. The beneficial interest under this agreement amounted to \$103,617 and \$101,593 at September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. These amounts are adjusted annually to reflect the amortization of discount and changes in actuarial assumptions.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

#### 4. Investments

Most long-term investments are held in three investment pools. Pool A is for amounts designated by the Board of Trustees for long-term investment, gifts creating annuity trusts, and also for permanent endowments and the net appreciation on those endowments. Pool B is for permanent endowments and the net appreciation of those endowments and for funding research and development. Pool C is for other investments.

The participation in the pools and ownership of the investments included in each type of net assets as reflected on the statements of financial position are as follows:

	Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Total
September 30, 2016				
Permanently restricted net assets	\$ 102,744	\$ 2,071,758	\$ -	\$ 2,174,502
Temporarily restricted net assets	•	1,887,387	-	1,887,387
Unrestricted net assets	90,360,949		21,570,626	111,931,575
Total	\$90,463,693	\$3,959,145	\$ <u>21,570,626</u>	\$ <u>115,993,464</u>
September 30, 2015				
Permanently restricted net assets	\$ 102,744	\$ 2,046,935	\$ -	\$ 2,149,679
Temporarily restricted net assets	-	1,720,899	-	1,720,899
Unrestricted net assets	86,380,964		23,149,333	109,530,297
Total	\$86,483,708	\$3,767.834	\$_23,149,333	\$ <u>113,400,875</u>

#### 5. Fair Value Measurements

The Organization classifies its investments based on a hierarchy consisting of: Level 1 (valued using quoted prices from active markets for identical assets), Level 2 (not traded on an active market but for which observable market inputs are readily available), and Level 3 (valued based on significant unobservable inputs). The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used to determine fair value at September 30, 2016 and 2015.

Money market funds and similar: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

#### 5. Fair Value Measurements, continued

<u>Mutual funds</u>: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Organization are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Organization are deemed to be actively traded.

<u>Corporate stocks and bonds and government securities</u>: Valued at unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets.

<u>Hedge funds</u>: Valued at the NAV of the units of participation in the fund. The hedge funds are valued at fair value based on audited financial information provided by the fund of the fair value of the underlying assets.

<u>Split interest agreements</u>: Valued based on the present value of the estimated future benefits expected to be received by the Organization (see Note 3).

<u>Annuities payable</u>: Valued based on the present value of the estimated future payments expected to be made by the Organization to the annuitants (see Note 12).

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Organization believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

# 5. Fair Value Measurements, continued

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy the Organization's assets and liabilities at fair value:

	Level 1			Level 2		Level 3	Total	
<u>September 30, 2016</u>								
Money market funds and similar:								
Fixed income	\$	16,425,680	\$	-	\$	-	\$	16,425,680
Mutual funds:		, ,						, ,
Fixed income		26,694,667				-		26,694,667
Equity		47,715,263		_				47,715,263
Other		708,920		-		-		708,920
Corporate stocks:		,						,
Healthcare		1,777,665		44		-		1,777,665
Financial		3,104,740		-				3,104,740
Technology		3,401,242		-		~		3,401,242
Utilities		33,496				-		33,496
Consumer discretionary		3,474,350		40-		-		3,474,350
Consumer staples		845,937		-		-		845,937
Real estate		12,868		-		-		12,868
Industrials		1,500,993		-		-		1,500,993
Materials		36,353		-		-		36,353
Energy		466,461		-		-		466,461
Telecommunications		215,233		-		-		215,233
Corporate bonds:								
AAA		-		90,405		•		90,405
AA		-		328,830		_		328,830
A		-		306,208		-		306,208
BBB				25,044		-		25,044
ВВ		-		24,604		-		24,604
Government securities:								
AAA		-		42,260		-		42,260
AA		-		166,125		-		166,125
A		-		155,924		-		155,924
Hedge funds:								
Rising and falling markets		_		-		6,063,319		6,063,319
Equity long/short hedge fund		-				2,376,877	_	2,376,877
Total investments		106,413,868		1,139,400		8,440,196		115,993,464
Split interest agreements		-		-		2,181,117		2,181,117
Annuities payable			_	-	_	(1,200,542)	_	(1,200,542)
Total assets and liabilities at fair								
value	\$	106,413,868	\$	1,139,400	\$	9,420,771	\$	116,974,039

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

# 5. Fair Value Measurements, continued

	Level 1			Level 2	_	Level 3		Total
<u>September 30, 2015</u>								
Money market funds and similar:								
Fixed income	\$	16,025,413	\$	-	\$	-	\$	16,025,413
Mutual funds:								
Fixed income		26,387,034		-		-		26,387,034
Equity		49,448,514		-		ga.		49,448,514
Other		1,657,632		-		-		1,657,632
Corporate stocks:								
Healthcare		1,318,446		-		-		1,318,446
Financial		2,618,035		-		-		2,618,035
Technology		2,597,105		-		-		2,597,105
Utilities		26,561		_		-		26,561
Consumer discretionary		2,936,254		-		_		2,936,254
Consumer staples		771,605		_		-		771,605
Industrials		1,204,190		_		-		1,204,190
Materials		27,936		_		-		27,936
Energy		341,139		-		~		341,139
Telecommunications		97,146		-		_		97,146
Corporate bonds:		·						,
AA1		-		50,279		<b>-</b>		50,279
AA2		-		38,418		-		38,418
AA3		-		25,020		-		25,020
A1		-		225,983		-		225,983
A		-		175,633				175,633
A3		-		151,044		-		151,044
BBB		-		125,615		-		125,615
Government securities:				,				
AAA		~		80,963		*		80,963
AA1		-		25,378		~		25,378
AA		-		101,919		_		101,919
AA3		-		205,723		-		205,723
Hedge funds:								
Rising and falling markets		-		_		4,386,993		4,386,993
Equity long/short hedge fund		97-		-		2,350,897		2,350,897
Total investments	_	105,457,010	_	1,205,975	_	6,737,890		113,400,875
Split interest agreements		=		-		2,179,093		2,179,093
Annuities payable	_		_	+*	_	(1,298,358)	_	(1,298,358)
Total assets and liabilities at								
fair value	\$	105,457,010	\$_	1,205,975	\$	7,618,625	\$_	114,281,610

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

#### 5. Fair Value Measurements, continued

The following table reconciles the beginning of year and end of year balances of the Level 3 assets and liabilities for the years ended September 30:

	<u>2016</u>	2015
Balance, beginning of year Purchases	\$ 7,618,625 1,500,000	\$ 5,393,668 2,000,000
Actuarial change	23,896	50,165
New annuitants	(17,536)	(36,933)
Payments to annuitants	93,480	97,927
Unrealized gains	 202,306	113,798
Balance, end of year	\$ 9,420,771	\$7,618,625

To assess the appropriate classification of assets and liabilities within the fair value hierarchy, the availability of market data is monitored. Changes in economic conditions or valuation techniques may require the transfer of assets and liabilities from one fair value level to another. In such instances, the transfer is reported at the beginning of the reporting period. The Organization's management evaluates the significance of transfers between levels based upon the nature of the assets and liabilities and size of the transfer relative to total net assets. For both the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, there were no significant transfers in or out of Level 3.

The fair values of the Organization's investments are based on third-party pricing information without adjustment. As permitted under the accounting guidance for fair value disclosures, the Organization has not provided quantitative information about the significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurements of these securities.

The table below sets forth the fair value of investments in certain entities that calculated net asset value per share (or its equivalent):

	F	air Value at	Sept	tember 30			
Investment		2016		2015	Infunded mmitment	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Multi-strategy hedge							
funds (a)	\$	8,440,196	\$	6,737,890	\$ •	Semi- annual	95 days

(a) This category consists of hedge funds that invest in a variety of managers and strategies. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value of the Organization's capital balance.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

## 6. Government Programs Receivable

The Organization receives Federal government subsidies each year designated for providing materials, research and development, and other services to schools and institutions for the blind or visually impaired. The subsidies granted amounted to \$25,431,000 and \$24,931,000 for the years 2016 and 2015, respectively. The balance of this account at September 30, 2016 and 2015 includes, in part, amounts drawn in excess of the available subsidies provided for the year to the schools and agencies but collectible from them from subsequent subsidies.

## 7. Inventories

Inventories consist of the following as of September 30:

		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
Finished goods	\$	4,815,452	\$	5,196,428
Work-in-process		423,926		793,672
Raw materials	-	2,183,896	-	1,418,723
Total inventories	\$	7,423,274	\$	7,408,823

## 8. Property and Equipment

The following is a summary of property and equipment, at cost, less accumulated depreciation as of September 30:

		2016		2015
Land	\$	92,433	\$	92,433
Buildings and improvements		8,129,762		8,063,453
Machinery and equipment		3,748,977		3,406,406
Office equipment	-	2,821,720	÷	2,706,361
		14,792,892		14,268,653
Less accumulated depreciation	S	(11,804,043)	-	(11,358,700)
Total	\$	2,988,849	\$_	2,909,953

Total depreciation expense was \$641,978 and \$672,803 for the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

#### 9. Net Asset Classifications

The Organization's temporarily restricted net assets were allocated as follows as of September 30:

	<u>201</u> 0	<u>2015</u>
Split- interest agreements Earnings on restricted endowment		81,117       \$ 2,179,093         87,387       1,720,899
Total	\$4,00	68,504 \$ 3,899,992

The Organization's permanently restricted net assets relate to amounts invested in perpetuity, the income from which is expendable to fund the research and development department.

#### 10. Net Asset Endowment

The Organization's endowment fund consists of Board-designated funds for the accessible textbook program and donor-imposed restricted funds. As required by GAAP, net assets associated with the endowment funds, including funds designated by the Board of Trustees to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

## Interpretation of Relevant Law

The Board of Trustees of the Organization has interpreted the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) as requiring the preservation of the spending power 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 Organization classifies, as permanently restricted net assets, the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument or to maintain spending power. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified as permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Organization in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. In accordance with UPMIFA, the Organization considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds: (1) the duration and preservation of the fund; (2) the purposes of the Organization and the donor-restricted endowment fund; (3) general economic conditions; (4) the possible effect of inflation and deflation; (5) the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments; (6) other resources of the Organization; and (7) the investment and spending polices of the Organization.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

## 10. Net Asset Endowment, continued

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund was as follows:

<u>September 30, 2016</u>	Uı	nrestricted_		emporarily Restricted		ermanently Restricted	_	Total
Donor-restricted endowment funds Board-designated endowment funds Total	\$ 	1,621,864 1,621,864	\$ - \$_	1,887,387 - 1,887,387	\$ _ \$_	2,174,502 - 2,174,502	\$ - \$_	4,061,889 1,621,864 5,683,753
<u>September 30, 2015</u>								
Donor-restricted endowment funds Board-designated endowment funds Total	\$ - \$	1,573,834 1,573,834	\$  \$	1,720,899 - 1,720,899	\$ - \$_	2,149,679	\$  \$	3,870,578 1,573,834 5,444,412

The changes in endowment net assets were as follows:

	U	nrestricted		emporarily Restricted	F	Permanently Restricted	_	Total
Endowment net assets, October 1, 2014	\$	1,580,950	\$	1,941,044	\$	2,122,373	\$	5,644,367
Withdrawals Investment return:		-		(166,438)		-		(166,438)
Investment income		26,621		50,108		27,306		104,035
Net depreciation - realized and unrealized		(21,553)		(93,489)		-		(115,042)
Amounts appropriated for expenditure	_	(12,184)	_	(10,326)	_	-	_	(22,510)
Endowment net assets, September 30, 2015		1,573,834		1,720,899		2,149,679		5,444,412
Withdrawals		-		(182,300)		-		(182,300)
Investment return:								
Investment income		30,796		123,162		24,823		178,781
Net appreciation - realized and unrealized		29,380		244,300		-		273,680
Amounts appropriated for expenditure	_	(12,146)	_	(18,674)	_		_	(30,820)
Endowment net assets, September 30, 2016	\$	1,621,864	\$	1,887,387	\$_	2,174,502	\$	5,683,753

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

## 10. Net Asset Endowment, continued

#### Funds with Deficiencies

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor or UPMIFA requires the Organization to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. In accordance with GAAP, deficiencies of this nature are reported in unrestricted net assets. There were no such deficiencies as of September 30, 2016 and 2015.

#### Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Organization has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Organization must hold in perpetuity or for a donor-specified period. Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Trustees, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield results to mirror those of major indexes while assuming a moderate level of investment risk.

#### Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Organization relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Organization targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

## Spending Policy and How the Investment Objectives Relate to Spending Policy

The Organization has a policy of appropriating distributions based on the endowment fund's average fair value over the prior three years through the year end preceding the fiscal year in which the distribution is planned. In establishing this policy, the Organization considered the long-term expected return on its endowment. Accordingly, over the long term, the Organization expects the current spending policy to allow its endowment to maintain the fair value of the original gift. This is consistent with the Organization's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets held in perpetuity or for a specified term, as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment return.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

#### 11. Retirement Plan

The Organization maintains a qualified, non-contributory defined benefit pension plan for eligible employees who have attained the age of 21. To remain eligible, an employee must work at least 1,000 hours each year after completion of one year of service. The plan was amended effective January 1, 2009 such that any employee hired or rehired after January 1, 2009 will not be eligible to participate in the plan. Employees rehired after January 1, 2009 may count additional years of service after rehire for purposes of vesting in any benefit earned prior to January 1, 2009 and for the purposes of determining eligibility for early retirement. Benefits paid to retirees are based on age at retirement, years of service credit, and average compensation. The Organization's funding policy is to contribute the larger of the amount required to fully fund the plan's current liability or the amount necessary to meet the funding requirements, as defined by the IRC. Employer contributions totaling \$3,527,941 and \$2,253,039 were made during the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, for the plan. Benefits of \$1,146,869 and \$978,737 were paid during the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, for the plan.

## Obligations and Funded Status

The benefit obligations, plan assets and funded status of the Organization's pension plan were as follows as of September 30:

<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
\$ 26,631,269	\$ 22,500,448
39,970,710	36,263,532
\$ (13,339,441)	\$(13,763,084)
\$ <u>13,339,441</u>	\$ 13,763,084
	\$ 26,631,269 39,970,710 \$ (13,339,441)

The accumulated benefit obligation for the plan was \$36,142,509 and \$32,404,572 at September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. In comparing the fair value of the plan's assets as of September 30, 2016 and 2015 to the accumulated benefit obligation, the plan is underfunded by \$9,511,240 and \$9,904,124, respectively.

Components of the annual net periodic benefit costs for the defined benefit plan were as follows as of September 30:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Service cost	\$ 872,921	\$ 839,722
Interest cost	1,688,246	1,603,633
Amortization of net loss	1,171,314	797,884
Expected return on plan assets	(1,687,241)	(1,706,398)
Net periodic benefit costs	\$ <u>2,045,240</u>	\$1,534,841

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

#### 11. Retirement Plan, continued

#### Assumptions

The following are the weighted-average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations and net periodic cost as of September 30:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
In computing ending obligations:		
Discount rate	4.25%	4.75%
Rate of compensation increase	3.00	3.00
In computing expected return on assets	7.50	8.00

#### Plan Assets

The Organization's Board of Trustees has established an investment policy for the plan. The general investment principles of the policy require that investments be made solely in the interest of the beneficiaries, that the plan be invested with care, skill, prudence, and diligence, that the plan be reasonably diversified to reduce the risk of large losses, that the Board may employ one or more investment managers to attain plan objectives, and that cash is to be employed productively at all times.

The investment management policy of the plan requires the investment managers to preserve capital, ensure that the risk is commensurate with the given investment style and objectives, and to adhere to the investment management styles for which the investment manager is hired. The goals of each investment manager are to meet or exceed the market index or benchmark selected by the Board and to display an overall level of risk in the portfolio that is consistent with the established benchmark.

The investment policy requires an asset mix of a minimum of 65% of equity securities and a maximum of 75% with a preferred target of 70% and for a minimum of 25% of fixed income securities and a maximum of 35% with a preferred target of 30%.

The long-term rate of return on assets is consistent with the historical performance of the plan assets as managed under the investment policy. Management anticipates that over a long period of time this will be the best estimate of future experience under the plan with regard to the explicit assumptions. Management anticipates that the current investment policy administered over a long period of time to current and future plan assets will result in plan assets accumulating at a rate consistent with the rate selected by management for the assumptions.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

## 11. Retirement Plan, continued

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy the Organization's pension plan assets by asset category at fair value as of September 30:

		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3	Total		
<u>September 30, 2016</u>	-								
Money market funds:									
Fixed income	\$	2,828,394	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,828,394	
Government securities:									
AAA		-		591,647		-		591,647	
AA1		-		52,788		-		52,788	
N/A		-		93,684		-		93,684	
Corporate bonds:									
A1		-		506,451		-		506,451	
A2		-		163,558		-		163,558	
A3		-		414,523		-		414,523	
AA1		-		76,804		-		76,804	
AA2		-		216,781		-		216,781	
AA3		-		76,776		-		76,776	
AAA		-		211,361		•		211,361	
BAA1		-		190,090		-		190,090	
BAA2		-		66,983		•		66,983	
N/A		-		3,775		-		3,775	
Mutual funds:									
Large cap		7,252,446		-		-		7,252,446	
Fixed income		-		6,316,140		-		6,316,140	
Corporate stocks:									
Healthcare		663,778		-		-		663,778	
Financial		1,703,735		-		-		1,703,735	
Technology		1,792,015		-		-		1,792,015	
Consumer discretionary		1,968,818		-		•		1,968,818	
Consumer staples		449,844		-		-		449,844	
Industrials		785,770		-		-		785,770	
Energy		205,108	_	-	_			205,108	
Total assets at fair value	\$	17,649,908	\$	8,981,361	\$_		_ \$	26,631,269	

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

# 11. Retirement Plan, continued

	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total	
September 30, 2015								
Money market funds:								
Fixed income	\$	602,082	\$ -	\$	-	\$	602,082	
Government securities:								
AAA		-	650,529		-		650,529	
AA1		**	52,080		-		52,080	
N/A		-	90,244		-		90,244	
Corporate bonds:								
A1			488,489		-		488,489	
A2		-	164,427				164,427	
A3		00	355,618		-		355,618	
AA1		<b>←</b>	77,100		-		77,100	
AA2		**	217,410		-		217,410	
AA3		-	141,913		-		141,913	
AAA		**	262,259		-		262,259	
BAA1		-	102,674		-		102,674	
BAA2		40	61,788		-		61,788	
N/A		-	5,125		-		5,125	
Mutual funds:								
Large cap		6,283,997	-		•		6,283,997	
Fixed income		-	6,134,276		-		6,134,276	
Corporate stocks:								
Healthcare		542,356	-		-		542,356	
Financial		1,623,006	-		-		1,623,006	
Technology		1,426,018	-		-		1,426,018	
Consumer discretionary		1,889,533	-		-		1,889,533	
Consumer staples		479,988	-		-		479,988	
Industrials		682,248	-		-		682,248	
Energy		167,288	 -	_			167,288	
Total assets at fair value	\$	13,696,516	\$ 8,803,932	\$	-	\$	22,500,448	

## Cash Flows

The Organization expects to contribute \$846,306 to its pension plan in 2017.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

#### 11. Retirement Plan, continued

Estimated future benefit payments from the plan, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid as follows for the year ending September 30:

2017	\$ 1,549,270
2018	1,689,969
2019	1,807,801
2020	1,964,082
2021	2,131,684
2022-2026	13,153,715

#### Deferred Compensation Plan

The Organization also has a non-qualified, executive deferred compensation plan covering certain key employees. The Organization may, at its option, make employer contributions to the key employees' deferral accounts. Employer contributions totaling \$69,324 and \$77,532 were made to the deferred compensation plan in the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The Organization's liability for the deferred compensation plan totaled \$708,920 and \$824,213 at September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### 12. Charitable Gift Annuities

The Organization, by action of its Board of Trustees, previously adopted a plan that allows the acceptance of charitable gifts from individual contributors through either single or two-life gift annuities.

A charitable gift annuity is a plan by which a gift of cash or property is made to a qualified organization in exchange for the organization's agreement to pay a life annuity to the donor. The present value portion of the annuity obligation is recorded as a payable and the difference between the present value of the obligation and the fair value of the principal contributed is recognized as a donor-restricted contribution. Income earned on this principal is unrestricted. The charitable gift annuities are discounted using the IRC's Applicable Federal Rate for the month the annuity is received by the Organization.

The Organization received \$17,536 and \$36,933 for the charitable annuities during the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

A total of \$93,480 and \$97,927 was paid out on annuity contracts during the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

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## 13. Employee Benefit Plan

The Organization established a 401(k) plan effective July 1, 1999 and all employees employed as of that date were eligible to participate. Employees hired after that date must complete a year of service and attain age 21 to be eligible to participate in the 401(k) plan. The plan was amended effective January 1, 2009 to allow all new employees and rehires to be automatically enrolled in the plan at a rate of 4% of eligible wages, including immediate eligibility for Organization matching funds. Participants in the plan may make voluntary deferrals by payroll deduction up to the maximum allowed under the IRC. The Organization makes matching contributions each year of up to 4% of pay. Discretionary contributions may also be made by the Organization each year for allocation to all eligible employees. The Organization's contributions to the plan were \$518,849 and \$501,719 for the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

## 14. Equipment Lease Obligations

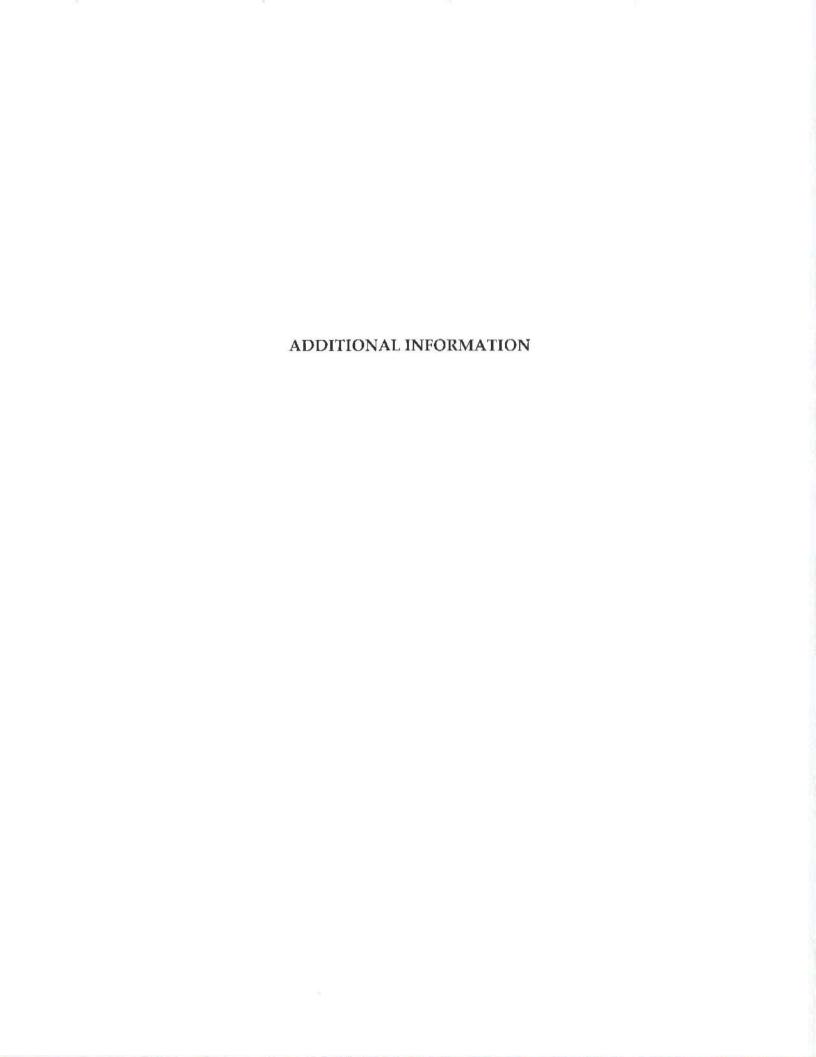
The Organization is obligated under leases for copiers used in the production process. The leases expire over various terms through 2018 and are accounted for as operating leases.

Minimum future lease payments under long-term equipment leases are as follows for the year ending September 30:

2017	\$ 43,864
2018	1,606
Total	\$ 45,470

## 15. Joint Costs

The Organization undertakes joint activities such as producing certain magazines for qualifying individuals that are blind or visually impaired. For the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, the Organization incurred joint costs of \$572,221 and \$533,145, respectively, for personnel, materials, supplies, and general expenses that included or supported fund-raising appeals. Of these costs, \$398,509 and \$378,151 were allocated to fund-raising and development expense and \$173,712 and \$154,994 were allocated to program support for the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.



# Schedules of Cost of Products Distributed

# Years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015

		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
Inventory, beginning of year	\$	7,408,823	\$	7,366,112
Costs of goods manufactured	_	23,675,168	_	23,201,564
Cost of goods available for distribution		31,083,991		30,567,676
Inventory, end of year	£=	7,423,274		7,408,823
Total cost of products distributed and sold	\$	23,660,717	\$	23,158,853

# Schedules of General and Administrative Expenses

# Years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015

		<u>2016</u>		2015
Public affairs	\$	484,556	\$	443,910
Administrative		5,619,046	_	5,292,234
Total general and administrative expenses	-	6,103,602	-	5,736,144
Detail of general and administrative expenses:				
Labor costs		4,494,646		4,205,918
Supplies		55,748		57,786
Dues and subscriptions		27,918		25,688
Travel		111,339		45,970
Professional service fees		612,339		531,779
Legal fees		43,112		6,484
Public relations		35,991		48,197
Public education		9,588		26,850
Utilities and telephone		51,668		40,687
Postage		33,745		40,069
Equipment rental and maintenance		172,093		192,779
Insurance		49,712		49,090
Depreciation		402,383		433,199
Rent		(16,800)		(16,800)
Other	-	20,120	_	48,448
Total general and administrative expenses by detail	\$	6,103,602	\$	5,736,144

Schedules of Costs of Products Distributed, General and Administrative, Program Support, Fund-Raising, and Development Functional Expenses

Year ended September 30, 2016

	Pr	ogram A	Program B		Fund-Raising		Development		Total	
Costs of materials and										
production	\$	-	\$	14,026,891	\$	43,995	\$ -	\$	14,070,886	
Labor costs		236,677		14,008,306		349,068	55,80	0	14,649,851	
Supplies		3,245		855,151		4,609	62	9	863,634	
Dues and subscriptions		1,481		30,968		7,788	17	1	40,408	
Travel		2,484		160,023		12,124	27	9	174,910	
Professional service fees		2,241		2,759,603		97,351	78	9	2,859,984	
Legal fees		-		48,153		-	-		48,153	
Public relations		3,726		36,141		2,003	186	0	42,050	
Public education		3,622		9,588		3,901	550	0	17,661	
Utilities and telephone		15		387,480		52		8	387,555	
Postage		940		157,555		101,887	2,17	8	262,560	
Equipment rental and										
maintenance		5,674		889,476		12,118	1,82	8	909,096	
Insurance		2,500		75,923		-	-		78,423	
Depreciation		4,882		637,096		-	-		641,978	
Rent		16,800		(16,800)		-	-		-	
Other		7,145		112,546		14,127	1,22	<u>D</u> .	135,038	
Total program expenses	\$	291,432	\$_	34,178,100	\$	649,023	\$63,632	2 \$_	35,182,187	

Program A: APH Museum

Program B: Production, support, and administrative expenses related to producing products for the blind and visually impaired.

Schedules of Costs of Products Distributed, General and Administrative, Program Support, Fund-Raising, and Development Functional Expenses, continued

Year ended September 30, 2015

	Pre	ogram A	Program B		Fund-Raising		Development		Total	
Costs of materials and										
production	\$	-	\$	13,875,080	\$	44,000	\$	-	\$	13,919,080
Labor costs		225,057		13,085,389		319,345		60,729		13,690,520
Supplies		5,523		709,202		3,157		569		718,451
Dues and subscriptions		1,062		32,323		18,746		73		52,204
Travel		2,706		143,438		7,662		298		154,104
Professional service fees		4,196		2,731,280		81,009		1,156		2,817,641
Legal fees		**		32,391		270		-		32,661
Public relations		2,634		78,764		2,910		-		84,308
Public education		3,335		26,850		1,255		163		31,603
Utilities and telephone		18		339,218		304		57		339,597
Postage		370		165,079		155,204		456		321,109
Equipment rental and										
maintenance		10,621		815,736		20,658		3,842		850,857
Insurance		2,500		77,985		-		-		80,485
Depreciation		7,129		665,674		-		_		672,803
Rent		16,800		(16,800)		-		-		-
Other		95	_	97,144	_	11,617		1,564	_	110,420
Total program expenses	\$	282,046	\$_	32,858,753	\$_	666,137	\$	68.907	\$_	33,875,843

Program A: APH Museum

Program B: Production, support, and administrative expenses related to producing products for the blind and visually impaired.



# Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

# For the Year ended September 30, 2016

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Federal Expenditures
Federal appropriation:		
United States Department of Education		
American Printing House for the Blind	84.906	\$ 26,067,003
Federal grant:		
United States Department of Education		
National Instructional Materials Access Center	84.327E	993,176
Total expenditures of federal awards		\$ 27,060,179

Note to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

For the Year ended September 30, 2016

#### 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the Organization and is presented on the cash basis. The information in this 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. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the financial statements.



# Report of Independent Auditors 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

Board of Trustees American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. Louisville, Kentucky

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2016, and the related statements of activities, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 17, 2017.

## **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization'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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

**Board of Trustees** 

American Printing House for the Blind, Inc.

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Report of Independent Auditors on IC, Compliance and Other Matters in Accordance With GAS, continued

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Organization'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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### 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 results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

January 17, 2017

Louisville, Kentucky



## Report of Independent Auditors on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and Internal Control Over Compliance Required by The Uniform Guidance

Board of Trustees American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. Louisville, Kentucky

## Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited American Printing House for the Blind, Inc.'s (the Organization) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Organization's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2016. The Organization's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

## Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Organization's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; 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). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Organization's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Organization's compliance.

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Organization 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 September 30, 2016.

**Board of Trustees** American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. Report of Independent Auditors on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program, continued

## Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Organization is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Organization's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program 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 internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's 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 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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.

January 17, 2017

Louisville, Kentucky

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

Year ended September 30, 2016

## I. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements						
Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP: <i>Unmodified</i>						
Internal control over financial reporting:						
• Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes _X_No				
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		Yes _X_None Reported				
Noncompliance material to financial stateme	ents noted?	Yes _X_No				
Federal Awards						
Internal control over major programs:						
• Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes _X_No				
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		Yes _X_None Reported				
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified						
Any audit findings disclosed that are require reported in accordance with section 2 CFI		Yes _X_No				
Identification of Major Programs:						
CFDA Numbers	Name of Fede	eral Program or Cluster				
84.906	American Pri	nting House for the Blind				
84.327E	National Insti	ructional Materials Access Center				
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between and type B programs:	n type A	\$811,805				
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		_X_YesNo				

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, continued

Year ended September 30, 2016

## II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters reported.

# III. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

No matters reported.