FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA) / Centre D'Accès Équitable Aux Bibliothèques

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA) / Centre D'Accès Équitable Aux Bibliothèques (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2021, and the statements of revenues and expenditures, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as at March 31, 2021, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Organization in accordance with 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 opinion.

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 ASNPO, 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

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Organization'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 Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

Auditor's 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 auditor's 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.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA) / Centre D'Accès Équitable Aux Bibliothèques (continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout 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 Organization'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 Organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's 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 auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization 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.

Ancaster, Ontario June 11, 2021 GUYATT + MOFFATT
Chartered Professional Accountants
Licensed Public Accountants

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Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Year Ended March 31, 2021

	2021	2020
REVENUE		
Government grants	\$ 2,307,886	\$ 1,966,106
Subscription fees	582,338	574,380
Sponsorships and other services	34,256	23,726
Interest income	1,740	2,541
	2,926,220	2,566,753
DIRECT COSTS		
Remittance to CNIB	1,496,177	1,432,479
Bookshare library access	225,000	94,591
Materials	100,375	96,462
	1,821,552	1,623,532
	1,104,668	943,221
EXPENSES		
Advertising and promotion	690	4,693
Affiliation fees	715	6,406
Amortization	378,593	215,750
Bank charges and interest	663	2,739
Computer and internet	13,121	19,366
Consulting fees	3,000	800
Contracted staffing	114,451	193,738
Employee salaries and benefits	493,000	351,989
Insurance Meals & entertainment	3,230	2,258 248
Office expense	- 1,790	5,680
Professional fees	38,446	36,830
Telephone	30,440	30,830
Translating & interpretation	14,095	10,060
Travel	1,177	19,566
	1,062,971	870,428
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	41,697	72,793
TEMPORARY WAGE SUBSIDY (Note 8)	6,875	-
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ 48,572	\$ 72,793

Statement of Financial Position March 31, 2021

	2021	2020
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 1,367,097	\$ 1,311,768
Accounts receivable <i>(Note 3)</i> Harmonized sales tax recoverable	217,000 277,052	290,286 354,137
Prepaid expense	2,983	6,095
	1,864,132	1,962,286
LIBRARY AND EQUIPMENT (Note 4)	3,180,289	1,930,454
	\$ 5,044,421	\$ 3,892,740
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		A. 4.07.400
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Employee deductions payable	\$ 448,049 11,690	\$ 1,137,198 7,964
Deferred revenue (Note 5)	4,395,865	2,647,333
	4,855,604	3,792,495
CEBA LOAN (Note 6)	40,000	-
	4,895,604	3,792,495
NET ASSETS		
General fund	148,817	100,245
	\$ 5,044,421	\$ 3,892,740

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Director Director

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Year Ended March 31, 2021

	2021	2020
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 100,245	\$ 27,452
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	 48,572	72,793
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 148,817	\$ 100,245

Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended March 31, 2021

	2021	2020
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 48,572	\$ 72,793
Item not affecting cash:		045.750
Amortization	378,593	215,750
	427,165	288,543
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts receivable	73,286	(44,464)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(689,149)	1,047,843
Deferred revenue	1,748,532	2,228,315
Prepaid expense	3,112	7,824
Harmonized sales tax payable	77,085	(346,242)
Employee deductions payable	3,726	7,964
	1,216,592	2,901,240
Cash flow from operating activities	1,643,757	3,189,783
INVESTING ACTIVITY		
Purchase of library and equipment	(1,628,428)	(2,146,204)
FINANCING ACTIVITY		
CEBA loan	40,000	
INCREASE IN CASH FLOW	55,329	1,043,579
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,311,768	268,189
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 1,367,097	\$ 1,311,768

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended March 31, 2021

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS

Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA) was incorporated on September 1, 2013 pursuant to the Canada Not-for-Profit Corporation Act. Its purpose is to support public libraries in the provision of accessible collections for Canadians with print disabilities and to champion the fundamental right of Canadians with print disabilities to access reading materials in the format of their choice.

The corporation qualifies as a non-profit organization, which is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Act.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNFPO).

Fund accounting

Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA) / Centre D'Accès Équitable Aux Bibliothèques follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

The General Fund accounts for the organization's current operations and programs as well as other administrative activities. This fund reports unrestricted resources and restricted operating grants.

Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Government grants

Government grants are recorded when there is a reasonable assurance that the organization had complied with and will continue to comply with, all the necessary conditions to obtain the grants.

Revenue Recognition

CELA follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Endowment contributions are recognized as direct increases in net assets.

Government grants, subscription fees and program fees are recognized on an accrual basis and are deferred until earned.

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Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended March 31, 2021

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Equipment and Library Materials

Equipment and library materials are stated at cost or deemed cost less accumulated amortization and are amortized over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis at the following rates and methods:

Library materials 10 years straight-line method Computer equipment 3 years straight-line method

The organization regularly reviews its equipment and library materials to eliminate obsolete items. Government grants for library materials are deferred and recognized as revenue over the same period as the related assets are amortized.

Equipment and library materials acquired during the year but not placed into use are not amortized until they are placed into use.

Contributed services

Board members volunteer their time to assist in the organization's activities. These services materially benefit the organization; however, a reasonable estimate of the time spent and its fair market value cannot be made and accordingly, these contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	 2021	2020
Accounts Receivable Government assistance receivable	\$ 212,000 5,000	\$ 290,286
	\$ 217,000	\$ 290,286

4.	LIBRARY AND EQUIPMENT	 Cost	 cumulated nortization	2021 Net book value	2020 Net book value
	Library materials Computer equipment	\$ 3,769,789 4,843	\$ 591,115 3,228	\$ 3,178,674 1,615	\$ 1,927,225 3,229
		\$ 3,774,632	\$ 594,343	\$ 3,180,289	\$ 1,930,454

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended March 31, 2021

DEFERRED REVENUE

Subscription fees are typically paid in advance for one year of service. Amounts paid for services to be provided in future have been recognized as deferred revenue. The changes in the deferred revenue balance are as follows:

	2021	2020
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 2,647,333	\$ 419,018
Subscription amounts received during the year	537,757	642,677
Subscription amounts recognized as revenue during the		
year	(582,338)	(546,754)
Federal funding received utilized to acquire capital assets	1,931,193	2,141,361
Recognition of federal funding during the year	(394,975)	(214,136)
Federal funding received - project extension to May 2021	256,895	205,167
	\$ 4,395,865	\$ 2,647,333

The federal funding received utilized to acquire capital assets is amortized to income over a ten year period. The balance of this deferred funding at the end of the year was \$3,668,610 (2020 - \$1,927,225).

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the federal funding project completion date was extended from March 31, 2021 to May 31, 2021. The portion of the funding used for project disbursements related to the extended period was \$256,895 (2020 - \$205,167).

CEBA LOAN

The organization received a \$40,000 loan from TD Canada Trust as part of the Canada Emergency Business Account program. The loan is interest free until December 31, 2022 with no repayment terms, however if repaid by December 31, 2022, there will be \$10,000 in loan forgiveness.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The organization is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments and has a comprehensive risk management framework to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks. The following analysis provides information about the organization's risk exposure and concentration as of March 31, 2021.

(a) Credit risk

The organization is exposed to credit risk with respect to accounts receivable.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk of being unable to meet cash requirements or to fund obligations as they become due. The organization is exposed to liquidity risk with respect to the financial liabilities recognized in the statement of financial position.

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended March 31, 2021

8. TEMPORARY WAGE SUBSIDY

The organization was allowed to reduce employee income tax remittances equal to 10% of the remuneration paid from March 18 to June 19, 2020 to a maximum of \$1,375 per eligible employee. The subsidy is a program under the Canadian Federal Government's response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

MHSTC Project Revenue and Expenditures Year Ended March 31, 2021

(Schedule 1)

	2021	2020
REVENUE		
MHSTC transfer payment	<u>\$ 924,511</u>	\$ 924,511
DIRECT COSTS		
Collections	111,836	86,799
Member services	157,609	232,978
Patron support	188,693	196,090
Web & digital services	218,451	243,360
Bookshare library access	101,237	58,559
·	777,826	817,786
ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS		<u> </u>
Affiliation fees	116	893
Bank charges and interest	339	278
Contracted staffing	124,475	86,112
Insurance	568	1,245
Meals and entertainment	-	67
Office expense	17,593	13,503
Professional fees	3,467	1,366
Staff health benefits	-	-
Telephone	127	189
Travel		3,072
	146,685	106,725
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	924,511	924,511
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$ -	\$ -

Transfer payment revenue is included in Government Grants on the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures.