SHAWN CARTER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund Miami, Florida

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related statements of activities and changes in unrestricted net assets and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in its unrestricted net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

De La Hoz, Perez & Barbeito, P.A.

Coral Gables, Florida November 1, 2018

Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund Statements of Financial Position December 31,

	2017	2016		
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS Cash Accounts receivable	\$ 155,871	\$ 180,760 4,451		
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	164,601	185,211		
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET	440	714		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 165,041	\$ 185,925		
LIABILITIES AND UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS				
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 23,019	\$ 51,780		
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES				
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	142,022	134,145		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	\$ 165,041	\$ 185,925		

Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund Statements of Activities and Changes in Unrestricted Net Assets For The Years Ended December 31,

CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:	2017	2016
REVENUES		
Contribution Income	\$ 744,554	\$ 363,282
Registration Fee	6,400	6,650
In Kind Donations	95,343	13,460
Other Income	2,217	46
TOTAL REVENUES	848,514	383,438
EXPENSES		
Program Service Expenses:		
Donations and Grants	560,633	556,117
Programs	112,271	115,806
Total Program Service Expenses	672,904	671,923
Supporting Services Expenses:		
Management and General	112,130	98,738
Fundraising	55,603	61,374
Total Supporting Services Expenses	167,733	160,112
TOTAL EXPENSES	840,637	832,035
NET CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	7,877	(448,597)
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS - Beginning of Year	134,145	582,742
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS - End of Year	\$ 142,022	\$ 134,145

Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	 Program	Program Services		Supporting Services				
	onations nd Grants	P	rograms		nagement d General	Fur	ndraising	 Total
Scholarships awarded	\$ 407,250	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 407,250
Payroll expenses	-		111,516		72,907		48,703	233,126
Rent	89,000		-		-		-	89,000
Personnel	3,750		-		-		-	3,750
Other grants and assistance	58,040		-		-		2,494	60,534
Professional fees	-		-		23,419		-	23,419
Other expenses	2,593		755		8,050		4,060	15,458
Office expenses	-		-		3,430		-	3,430
Advertising and promotion	-		-		4,224		346	4,570
Merchandise costs and gifts	 -		-		100		-	 100
	\$ 560,633	\$	112,271	\$	112,130	\$	55,603	\$ 840,637

Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	 Program	Service	es	 Supporting	g Servic	es	
	onations nd Grants	F	Programs	nagement I General	Fu	ndraising	 Total
Scholarships awarded	\$ 499,438	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 499,438
Payroll expenses	-		111,655	58,137		58,137	227,929
Other grants and assistance	56,679		-	-		-	56,679
Professional fees	-		-	20,859		-	20,859
Other expenses	-		-	11,507		865	12,372
Office expenses	-		739	4,410		-	5,149
Advertising and promotion	-		-	3,682		-	3,682
Information technology	-		3,412	-		-	3,412
Travel	-		-	-		2,063	2,063
Supplies	-		-	-		309	309
Merchandise costs and gifts	 -		-	 143		-	 143
	\$ 556,117	\$	115,806	\$ 98,738	\$	61,374	\$ 832,035

Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund Statements of Cash Flows For The Years Ended December 31,

		2017	2016		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Net Change in Unrestricted Net Assets	\$	7,877	\$	(448,597)	
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Unrestricted Net Assets					
to Net Cash Used in Operating Activities Depreciation		274		449	
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities:					
Increase in accounts receivable		(4,279)		(4,451)	
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable		(29.761)		1 2 1 1	
accrued expenses		(28,761)		4,344	
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities		(24,889)		(448,255)	
Net Decrease in Cash		(24,889)		(448,255)	
CASH - Beginning of Year		180,760		629,015	
	•	455.074	•		
CASH - End of Year	\$	155,871	\$	180,760	

1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund (the "Fund") was established in 2002. The Fund helps individuals facing socio-economic hardships further their education at institutions of higher learning by providing them with educational scholarships and related educational support services to ensure their path toward success. Scholarships allocated to qualified applicant students in need, selected by an admissions committee is comprised by the Fund's management team, staff and volunteers.

The Fund holds annual goodwill programs during the holiday season and throughout the year to support youth and communities in need.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of Fund have been prepared on the accrual basis.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Financial Statement Presentation

The Fund reports information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets:

Unrestricted – Resources over which the Board of Directors has discretionary control. Designated amounts represent those net assets, which the Fund has set aside for particular purpose.

Temporarily Restricted – Resources subject to donor imposed restrictions that either expire by the passage of time or can be fulfilled and removed by actions of the Fund pursuant to the donors' stipulations.

Permanently Restricted – Resources from contributions and other inflows of assets whose use by the Fund is limited by donor-imposed stipulations that neither expire by passage of time nor can be fulfilled or otherwise removed by actions of the Fund. The donors of these resources permit the Fund to use all or part of the income earned, excluding capital appreciation, for unrestricted purposes.

Contribution Income

Contributions are unconditional and are recognized as revenues in the period received. Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of gift.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Cash Balances

Financial instruments that potentially expose the Fund to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash balances in excess of federally insured limits. The Fund had no material balances in excess of the insured limits as of December 31, 2017 and 2016. The Fund mitigates this risk by maintaining its cash balances at high quality financial institutions.

1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Concentration of Credit Risk (Continued)

Revenues

The majority of the Fund's revenues were derived from contribution income during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment are stated at cost and depreciated over the economic lives of the respective assets using the double declining method. The lives of the respective assets range from 5 to 7 years.

Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to income as incurred; replacements and betterments that extend the useful lives of the assets are capitalized.

Income Taxes

The Fund is exempt from income taxes as an organization (not a private foundation) formed for charitable purposes and is tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donors may deduct contributions made to the Fund within Internal Revenue Code regulations. The Fund is subject to federal and state tax on income from any unrelated business.

Income tax benefits are recognized for income tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, only when it is determined that the income tax position will more-likely-than-not be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. The Fund has analyzed tax positions taken for filing with the Internal Revenue Service and all state jurisdictions where it operates. The Fund believes that income tax filing positions will be sustained upon examination and does not anticipate any adjustments that would result in a material adverse effect on the Fund's financial condition, changes in unrestricted net assets or cash flows. Accordingly, the Fund has not recorded any reserves, or related accruals for interest and penalties for uncertain income tax positions at December 31, 2017 and 2016.

The Fund is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Fund's federal and state income tax returns are generally open to examination beginning with fiscal year ended 2015.

Donated Services

The value of contributed time by unpaid volunteers is not reflected in these statements to the extent that the services did not enhance non-financial assets or require specialized skills.

In Kind Donations

The Fund records various types of in-kind support for overhead expenses including personnel, office space, technology support, printing costs, office equipment and furniture, phones and computers. The amounts reflected in the accompanying financial statements as in-kind support are offset by like amounts included in donations and grants expenses. In kind donations for the year ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was approximately \$95,000 and \$13,000, respectively.

1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU No. 2016-02, Leases, which sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases. The standard requires lessees to apply a dual approach, classifying leases as either finance or operating leases. This classification will determine whether the lease expense is recognized based on an effective interest method or on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. A lessee is also required to record a right-of use asset and a lease liability for all leases with a term of greater than 12 months regardless of their classification. Leases with a term of 12 months or less will be accounted for similar to existing guidance for operating leases. The new standard requires lessors to account for leases using an approach that is substantially equivalent to existing guidance for sales-type leases, direct finance leases and operating leases. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019. The Fund does not anticipate this standard to have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

In August 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standard Update 2016-14 ("ASU"), "Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities". The ASU eliminates the distinction between resources with permanent restrictions and those with temporary restrictions from the face of not-for-profit financial statements by reducing the current three net asset classes (unrestricted, temporarily restricted, and permanently restricted) to two classes: net assets with donor restrictions and net assets without donor restrictions. Further, the ASU requires enhanced disclosures and also allows not-for-profits to present operating cash flows on the statement of cash flows using either the direct method or the indirect method. The ASU will be effective for fiscal years starting after December 15, 2017, and the interim periods within. Reporting entities should apply the ASU retrospectively to all periods presented. Earlier application is permitted, however, the Fund did not early adopt the ASU. Management is in the process of evaluating the ASU for the potential impact on its financial statements upon adoption.

Subsequent Events

In preparing the financial statements, management has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through November 1, 2018, the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

2. Property and equipment, net

Property and equipment include the following at December 31:

	 2017	2016		
Computers	\$ 5,890	\$	5,890	
Furniture & Fixtures	 649		649	
	6,539		6,539	
Less: accumulated depreciation	 (6,099)		(5,825)	
	\$ 440	\$	714	

2. Property and equipment, net (Continued)

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$274 and \$449, respectively, and is included under the caption management and general expenses - other expenses in the accompanying statements of activities and changes in unrestricted net assets.

3. Commitments and Contingencies

Litigation

The Fund, from time to time, may be subject to potential claims encountered in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management, the resolution of such claims will not have a material adverse effect on the Fund's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

4. Related Party Transaction

In 2017, the founder donated \$430,000 to the Fund in order to support the Fund's operations.

As of November 1, 2018, the founder donated an additional \$250,000 to the Fund.