

**TOWN OF MANSFIELD, CONNECTICUT**

**STATE SINGLE AUDIT REPORT**

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**Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance with Requirements That Could Have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major Program, on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with the State Single Audit Act and on the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance**

To the Members of the Town Council  
Town of Mansfield, Connecticut

**Compliance**

We have audited the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the Office of Policy and Management's *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2011. The Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major state programs is the responsibility of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's compliance based on our audit.

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 State Single Audit Act (C.G.S. Sections 4-230 to 4-236). Those standards and the State Single Audit Act 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 state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut'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. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2011.

## **Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to state programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program to determine the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the State Single Audit Act, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut'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 state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

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 deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

## **Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011 and have issued our report thereon dated December 27, 2011. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the State Single Audit Act and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Town Council and state awarding agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C.*

December 27, 2011

**TOWN OF MANSFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

<u>State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title</u>	<u>State Grant Program Core-CT Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
<b>Office of the State Comptroller</b>		
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) on State-Owned Property	11000-OSC15910-17004	\$ <u>7,265,843</u>
<b>Department of Economic and Community Development</b>		
Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)	11000-ECD46400-17012-039	9,749
Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP)	12052-ECD46000-42411-149	179,183
Urban Action Bonds	13019-ECD46440-41240	<u>343,417</u>
Total Department of Economic and Community Development		<u>532,349</u>
<b>Department of Education</b>		
School Readiness and Child Care in Competitive Grant Municipalities	11000-SDE64000-12113	105,901
Youth Services Bureau - Enhancement	11000-SDE84000-16201	4,500
Health Services	11000-SDE64000-17034	7,097
Youth Services Bureau	11000-SDE64000-17052	16,345
Child Nutrition Program - (School Lunch State Match)	11000-SDE64370-16211	7,316
Health Foods Initiative	11000-SDE64370-16212	<u>15,944</u>
Total Department of Education		<u>157,103</u>

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**TOWN OF MANSFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (CONTINUED)  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

<u>State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title</u>	<u>State Grant Program Core-CT Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
<b>Department of Environmental Protection</b>		
Protected Open Space Watershed Land Acquisition Grant Program	12052-DEP43153-40524	\$ 8,874
Boating Temporary Receivable	12060-DEP44434-34907	<u>2,026</u>
Total Department of Environmental Protection		<u>10,900</u>
<b>Connecticut State Library</b>		
Grants to Public Libraries	11000-CSL66051-17003	2,364
ConnectiCard Payments	11000-CSL66051-17010	17,578
Historic Documents Preservation Grants	12060-CSL66094-35150	<u>4,197</u>
Total Connecticut State Library		<u>24,139</u>
<b>Office of Policy and Management</b>		
Reimbursement of Property Taxes - Disability Exemption	11000-OPM20600-17011	1,337
Property Tax Relief for Elderly and Totally Disabled Homeowners	11000-OPM20600-17018	43,439
Property Tax Relief for Elderly Homeowners - Freeze Program	11000-OPM20600-17021	2,000
Property Tax Relief for Veterans	11000-OPM20600-17024	7,746
Property Tax Relief for Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment and Commercial Vehicles	11000-OPM20600-17031	5,502
Local Capital Improvement Program	12050-OPM20600-40254	<u>183,979</u>
Total Office of Policy and Management		<u>244,003</u>

**TOWN OF MANSFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (CONTINUED)  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

<u>State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title</u>	<u>State Grant Program Core-CT Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
<b>Department of Social Services</b>		
Medicaid	11000-DSS60000-16020	\$ 18,667
Child Day Care (CDC)	11000-DSS60794-17022	147,880
Community Services	11000-DSS60783-17083	<u>615</u>
Total Department of Social Services		<u>167,162</u>
<b>Department of Transportation</b>		
Town Aid Road - STO	13033-DOT57000-43459	<u>194,412</u>
<b>Total State Financial Assistance Before Exempt Programs</b>		<u>8,595,911</u>
<b>Exempt Programs</b>		
<b>Office of the State Comptroller</b>		
Mashantucket Pequot/Mohegan Fund	12009-OSC15910-17005	<u>193,911</u>
<b>Department of Education</b>		
Public School Transportation	11000-SDE64000-17027	135,357
Educational Cost Sharing	11000-SDE64000-17041	8,637,361
Excess Costs Student Based and Equity	11000-SDE64000-17047	<u>152,855</u>
Total Department of Education		<u>8,925,573</u>
Total Exempt Programs		<u>9,119,484</u>
<b>Total State Financial Assistance</b>		<u>\$ 17,715,395</u>

**TOWN OF MANSFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
NOTE TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

Various departments and agencies of the State of Connecticut have provided financial assistance to the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, through grants and other authorizations in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. The financial assistance programs fund several programs including education, property tax relief, social services, public works, public safety and public health.

**NOTE - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accounting policies of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to government entities. The following is a summary of the more significant policies relating to the aforementioned grant programs.

**Basis of Accounting** - The financial statements contained in the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's annual audit report are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The following is a summary of such basis:

Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable.

The schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance, contained in this report, is prepared based on regulations established by the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management. In accordance with these regulations (Section 4-236-22), certain grants are not dependent on expenditure activity and, accordingly, are considered to be expended in the fiscal year of receipt. These grant program receipts are reflected in the expenditures column of the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance.



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**Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting  
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements  
Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Members of the Town Council  
Town of Mansfield, Connecticut

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 27, 2011. We conducted our audit 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.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting.

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 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.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting 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 financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut's financial statements are free of 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*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, in a separate letter dated December 27, 2011.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Town Council and state awarding agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C.*

December 27, 2011

**TOWN OF MANSFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

**I. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS**

**Financial Statements**

Type of auditors' report issued: Unqualified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? \_\_\_\_\_ yes        X   no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? \_\_\_\_\_ yes        X   none reported
- Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? \_\_\_\_\_ yes        X   no

**State Financial Assistance**

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: Unqualified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 4-236-24 of the Regulations to the State Single Audit Act? \_\_\_\_\_ yes        X   no

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

<u>State Grantor and Program</u>	<u>State Core-CT Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
Office of the State Comptroller: Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) on State-Owned Property	11000-OSC15910-17004	\$ 7,265,843
Department of Economic and Community Development: Urban Action Bonds	13019-ECD46440-41240	343,417

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

**II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

No matters were reported.

**III. STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

No matters were reported.