

COLBY'S CREW RESCUE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022



Certified Public Accountants



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors
Colby's Crew Rescue

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Colby's Crew Rescue** (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Colby's Crew Rescue** as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, 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.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 required to be independent of **Colby's Crew Rescue** and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **Colby's Crew Rescue's** ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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 absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. 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. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

To the Board of Directors
Colby's Crew Rescue

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- 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 **Colby's Crew Rescue's** internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **Colby's Crew Rescue's** ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Kositzka, Wicks and Company

Alexandria, Virginia
May 7, 2025

Colby's Crew Rescue, Inc.

Statements of Financial Position December 31,

2023**2022****Assets****Current assets**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 544,339	\$ 132,132
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	40,840	-
Total current assets	<u>585,179</u>	<u>132,132</u>

Property and equipment, net

553,380 200,378

Other assets

Security deposit	13,000	8,000
Operating lease right-of-use asset	286,959	232,334
Total other assets	<u>299,959</u>	<u>240,334</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,438,518</u>	<u>\$ 572,844</u>

Liabilities and net assets**Current liabilities**

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 98,472	\$ 46,055
Note payable, vehicle	18,257	-
Operating lease liability, current	75,661	48,200
Total current liabilities	<u>192,390</u>	<u>94,255</u>

Long-term liabilities

Note payable, vehicle, long-term	4,705	-
Operating lease liability, long-term	210,004	182,488
Total long-term liabilities	<u>214,709</u>	<u>182,488</u>
Total liabilities	<u>407,099</u>	<u>276,743</u>

Net assets

Without donor restrictions	<u>1,031,419</u>	<u>296,101</u>
Total net assets	<u>1,031,419</u>	<u>296,101</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 1,438,518</u>	<u>\$ 572,844</u>

See accompanying notes and independent auditor's report.

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Statements of Activities for the years ended December 31,

2023**2022**

	Without donor restrictions and total	Without donor restrictions and total
Support and revenue		
Contributions	\$ 6,256,848	\$ 2,352,486
Adoption fees	281,908	110,355
Rental income	10,941	6,843
Miscellaneous revenue	19,462	4,327
Total support and revenue	<u>6,569,159</u>	<u>2,474,011</u>
Expenses		
Program services	5,212,107	2,037,508
Supporting services		
Management and general	256,125	130,100
Fundraising	365,609	162,677
Total expenses	<u>5,833,841</u>	<u>2,330,285</u>
Change in net assets	735,318	143,726
Net assets, beginning of year	296,101	152,375
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 1,031,419</u>	<u>\$ 296,101</u>

See accompanying notes and independent auditor's report.

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Statement of Functional Expenses for the year ended December 31, 2023

	Total program services	Management and general	Fundraising	Total
Expenses				
Accounting fees	\$ -	\$ 56,906	\$ -	\$ 56,906
Advertising	-	-	34,403	34,403
Bank and processing fees	-	-	155,571	155,571
Depreciation	59,944	-	-	59,944
Direct rescue expenses	4,575,825	-	-	4,575,825
Dues and subscriptions	-	7,324	-	7,324
Employee benefits	15,611	-	-	15,611
Insurance	-	11,844	-	11,844
Interest expense	1,398	-	-	1,398
Legal fees	-	67,406	-	67,406
Occupancy costs	76,422	8,491	-	84,913
Office expenses	-	44,381	-	44,381
Other expenses	4,182	-	263	4,445
Payroll taxes	21,838	2,241	12,225	36,304
Repairs and maintenance	131,624	3,387	-	135,011
Salaries	276,483	44,496	162,314	483,293
Shipping and postage	-	4,316	-	4,316
Travel and meetings	29,090	2,312	-	31,402
Utilities	19,690	3,021	833	23,544
Total expenses by function	\$ 5,212,107	\$ 256,125	\$ 365,609	\$ 5,833,841

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Statement of Functional Expenses for the year ended December 31, 2022

	Total program services	Management and general	Fundraising	Total
Expenses				
Accounting fees	\$ -	\$ 13,784	\$ -	\$ 13,784
Advertising	-	-	30,999	30,999
Bank and processing fees	942	103	71,161	72,206
Depreciation	15,031	-	-	15,031
Direct rescue expenses	1,756,733	-	-	1,756,733
Dues and subscriptions	-	612	-	612
Employee benefits	6,938	1,031	-	7,969
Equipment rental	5,211	-	-	5,211
Insurance	-	2,236	-	2,236
Legal fees	-	17,500	-	17,500
Occupancy costs	54,426	6,047	-	60,473
Office expenses	-	29,422	92	29,514
Other contracted services	-	9,527	-	9,527
Payroll taxes	13,072	1,852	4,887	19,811
Repairs and maintenance	9,732	2,747	-	12,479
Salaries	146,744	20,793	54,858	222,395
Shipping and postage	-	8,786	-	8,786
Travel and meetings	15,053	13,466	-	28,519
Utilities	13,626	2,194	680	16,500
Total expenses by function	\$ 2,037,508	\$ 130,100	\$ 162,677	\$ 2,330,285

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Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31,

2023**2022****Cash flows from operating activities**

Change in net assets	\$ 735,318	\$ 143,726
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash flows from operating activities		
Depreciation	59,944	15,031
Change in operating lease assets and liabilities	352	(1,646)
(Increase) decrease in operating assets		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(40,840)	34,000
Security deposit	(5,000)	-
Increase in operating liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	52,417	27,775
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>802,191</u>	<u>218,886</u>

Cash flows from investing activities

Purchase of property and equipment	<u>(377,031)</u>	<u>(178,694)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(377,031)</u>	<u>(178,694)</u>

Cash flows from financing activities

Repayment on vehicle note payable	<u>(12,953)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(12,953)</u>	<u>-</u>

Net change in cash and cash equivalents

412,207 40,192

Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year

132,132 91,940

Cash and cash equivalents, end of year\$ 544,339 \$ 132,132**Supplemental disclosure of cash activity**

Interest paid	\$ 1,398	\$ -
Income taxes paid	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Noncash investing and financing activities

Vehicle acquired under note payable	<u>\$ 35,915</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
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Colby's Crew Rescue

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2023 and 2022

1. Organization

Colby's Crew Rescue (the Organization) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization established in 2021 that is solely focused on the good and well-being of the horse. The Organization strives to provide rehabilitation, veterinary care, training, and eventually adoption of horses to forever homes. The Organization's revenue is predominately generated from contributions.

Program description

The Organization rescues horses with the least and most hope of survival from the slaughter pipeline. The Organization spares horses with the least hope from the cruel and painful death that awaits the horse, during the transport to slaughter, by ensuring a peaceful passing through veterinarian-administered compassionate euthanasia. The Organization saves horses with the most hope to medically treat, physically and psychologically rehabilitate, (re)train, and place in forever homes appropriate for their long-term health and well-being, rideability, and potential. The Organization's gates are also always open to surrendered, abandoned, neglected, and abused horses. Horses determined inappropriate for adoption find a lifelong haven at Colby's Crew Rescue.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The accompanying financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Net assets, revenues, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor or grantor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified and reported in two categories as described below.

Net assets without donor restrictions are net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor restrictions.

Net assets with donor restrictions are net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both. There were no net assets with donor restrictions as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those amounts.

Cash and cash equivalents

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Organization considers all cash and unrestricted highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

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Property and equipment

Property and equipment over \$2,000 and with an estimated useful life in excess of one year is capitalized at cost or its estimated value at the date of donation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset.

Other financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets with carrying values approximating fair value include cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and prepaid expenses. Financial liabilities with carrying values approximating fair value include accounts payable and accrued expenses. The carrying value of these financial assets approximates fair value due to their short maturities and any associated interest rates approximate current market rates.

Support and revenue recognition

Contributions are recognized when cash, securities, or other assets, an unconditional promise to give, or notification of a beneficial interest is received. Conditional promises to give, that is, those with a measurable performance or other barrier, and a right of return, are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been substantially met.

The Organization's adoption fees are based on the horse's age, breed, overall health and physical condition, among other factors, and are paid at the time of the adoption. The revenue is recognized at the point in time when the horse is transferred to the adopter's home.

The Organization also subleases a portion of its main lease for its headquarters in return for rental income. The rental income is recorded on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

Advertising costs

The Organization expenses advertising costs as they are incurred. The Organization incurred \$34,403 and \$30,999 in advertising costs for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Functional classification of expenses

The costs of program and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. The statements of functional expenses present the natural classification detail of expenses by function. Expenses are charged to programs and supporting services based on a combination of specific identification and allocation by management. Certain categories of expenses are attributed to more than one function and have been allocated on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. Expenses that are allocated on a time-and-effort basis predominately include salaries, payroll taxes, employee benefits and occupancy costs.

Leases

In the ordinary course of business, the Organization enters into a variety of lease arrangements, including operating and financing leases. The Organization determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. The operating lease right-of-use (ROU) assets are included within non-current other assets and lease liabilities are included in current or long-term liabilities on the Organization's statements of financial position. The Organization had no financing leases as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. ROU assets represent the Organization's right to use, or control the use of, a specified asset for the lease term. Lease liabilities are the Organization's obligation to make lease payments arising from a lease and are measured on a discounted basis. Operating lease ROU assets and operating lease liabilities are recognized based on the present value of the future minimum lease payments over the lease term on the commencement date.

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As most of the Organization's leases do not provide an implicit rate, the risk-free Treasury rate for the lease term was used based on the information available on the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments. The operating lease ROU asset includes any lease payments made and initial direct costs incurred and excludes lease incentives. The lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Organization will exercise that option. Lease expense for minimum lease payments continues to be recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Income taxes

The Organization is exempt from federal income tax as a nonprofit organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is classified as an organization other than a private foundation. The Organization did not have a liability for unrelated business income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The material jurisdictions subject to potential examination by taxing authorities include the U.S. and Virginia. Management does not believe that the ultimate outcome of any future examinations of open tax years will have a material impact on the Organization's results of operations. Tax years that remain subject to examination by the IRS are 2021 (year of incorporation) through 2023.

Concentrations of credit risk

The Organization is exposed to concentrations of credit risk through its cash and cash equivalents. Cash held in federally insured institutions may, at times, exceed federally insured limits. FDIC insurance on interest-bearing accounts is \$250,000 per depositor, per insured bank. At December 31, 2023, the Organization's cash and cash equivalents exceeded the FDIC limit by \$110,674. Cash balances were under the FDIC limit at December 31, 2022. The Organization has not experienced any losses in such accounts and does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk. Management performs periodic evaluations of the relative credit standing of these institutions.

3. Property and equipment

Property and equipment consisted of the following at December 31:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Useful life</u>
Computers	\$ 2,532	\$ 2,532	5 years
Leasehold improvements	11,751	8,470	15 years
Machinery and equipment	275,384	31,710	7 years
Trailers	87,275	87,275	7 years
Vehicles	251,413	85,422	7 years
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(74,975)</u>	<u>(15,031)</u>	
	<u>\$ 553,380</u>	<u>\$ 200,378</u>	

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 were \$59,944 and \$15,031, respectively.

4. Lease obligations

The Organization leases land and equipment under the terms of cancelable and noncancelable operating leases that expire at various dates through August 2027, some of which include options to extend the lease.

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The components of lease expense for the years ended December 31, are as follows:

	2023	2022
Operating lease expense	\$ 78,500	\$ 51,353
Short-term lease expense	6,000	6,100
Other lease related expenses	413	3,020
	<u>\$ 84,913</u>	<u>\$ 60,473</u>

For the years ended December 31, the Organization had the following cash and non-cash activities associated with leases:

	2023	2022
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities		
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 76,000	\$ 51,000
ROU assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease liabilities	\$ 124,405	\$ 278,231

The lease term and discount rates elected by the Organization at December 31, include:

	2023	2022
Weighted-average remaining lease term in years for operating leases	3.67	4.67
Weighted-average discount rate for operating leases	2.20%	1.37%

At December 31, 2023, the future payments due under operating leases are as follows:

2024	\$ 81,000
2025	81,000
2026	81,000
2027	54,000
Total undiscounted cash flows	<u>297,000</u>
Less: present value discount	<u>(11,335)</u>
Total lease liabilities	<u>\$ 285,665</u>

The Organization subleases a portion of its main operating lease for its headquarters to a related entity under common control by a member of the board. The sublease term is the same as the main operating lease. During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, total sublease income amounted to \$10,941 and \$6,843, respectively, and is recorded as rental income in the statements of activities.

The Organization also leases land from a member of the board of director's immediate family member. Rent expense related to this lease is \$500 per month. The lease exists on a year-to-year basis with the right to terminate by either party given written notice. Management has reviewed the requirements of ASC 842 on leases, along with ASU 2023-01, which provides a practical expedient for related party lease arrangements between entities under common control and the related accounting treatment for leasehold improvements. ASU 2023-01 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023. The Organization has early adopted ASU 2023-01 for the year ended December 31, 2022 and has not capitalized a right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability on the statements of financial position for this particular lease.

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5. Note payable, vehicle

In March 2023, the Organization purchased a vehicle, partly with funding provided from a vehicle note payable with GM Financial, with an original principal of \$35,915. The note bears interest of 5.99% and requires monthly payments of interest and principal totaling \$1,595 through March 2025. The purchased vehicle serves as collateral under the note. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Organization paid \$1,398 in interest, which is shown as interest expense in the statements of functional expenses. At December 31, 2023, the principal balance on the note was \$22,962.

Estimated principal payments on the note payable for future years ending December 31 are as follows:

2024	\$	18,257
2025		4,705
	\$	<u>22,962</u>

6. Related party transactions

In addition to the lease agreements with related parties as described in Note 4, the Organization also purchased a vehicle in the amount of \$50,000 from a member of the board of director's immediate family member during the year ended December 31, 2022. This purchase was capitalized as part of the property and equipment balance in the statements of financial position.

Hauling and farrier services were provided from separate related entities under common control by members of the board. During the year ended December 31, 2023, hauling and farrier services amounted to \$63,120 and \$14,200, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2022, hauling and farrier services amounted to \$66,699 and \$12,310, respectively. No balance remained unpaid at the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. These expenditures are included in direct rescue expenses in the statements of functional expenses.

7. Contingencies

The Organization is involved in various claims and litigation which arise in the normal course of business. While it is not possible to determine the ultimate outcome of such matters, management does not believe they will have a material adverse effect on the statements of financial position, results of operations, or cash flows of the Organization. As of December 31, 2023, there were no material, probable, or reasonably possible legal claims against the Organization. Subsequently, the Organization is involved with various ongoing legal claims, with no indication of probable outcome at this time. Legal fees to defend the Organization are expected to be material.

8. Liquidity and availability

The Organization's financial assets available for general expenditure, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the statements of financial position date as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 include cash and cash equivalents of \$544,339 and \$132,132, respectively.

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9. Subsequent events

Management has assessed events occurring subsequent to December 31, 2023 through May 7, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, for potential recognition and disclosure in the financial statements.

In October 2024, the Organization entered into a purchase settlement agreement with an unrelated party to buy a 43-acre equestrian facility for \$2,450,000. The purchase closed in December 2024. The activity related to the purchase and subsequent capitalization of the property asset will be reflected in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2024.

No other events have occurred that would require adjustment to, or disclosure in the financial statements.