

Tri-State Public Communications, Inc.

Audited Financial Statements

December 31, 2014 and 2013

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Independent Auditor's Report

Tri-State Pubic Communications, Inc.
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I have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of Tri-State Public Communications, Inc. as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements' presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Tri-State Public Communications, Inc. as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



Cathleen A. Caranci
Certified Public Accountant

May 13, 2015

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Statement of Financial Position
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	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 152,256	\$ 67,936
Furniture and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>272,281</u>	<u>292,054</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 424,537</u>	<u>\$ 359,990</u>
Liabilities and net assets:		
Liabilities:		
Credit cards payable	\$ 32,594	\$ 28,407
Payroll taxes payable	1,579	1,680
Line of credit payable	82,242	86,189
Loan from officer	<u>986,642</u>	<u>986,642</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,103,057</u>	<u>1,102,918</u>
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	(678,520)	(742,928)
Temporarily restricted	-	-
Permanently restricted	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total net assets	<u>(678,520)</u>	<u>(742,928)</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 424,537</u>	<u>\$ 359,990</u>

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Statement of Activities
For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

	2014	2013
Revenues, Gains and Other Support:		
Donations	\$ 439,531	\$ 165,304
Underwriting	197,455	196,715
Grants	168,772	166,117
Fundraising income	6,911	4,488
Air Time lease	37,000	38,000
Production income	-	450
Investment Income	-	-
	849,669	571,074
Expenses and Losses:		
Program Services		
Programming and Production	86,201	111,960
Program information/promotion	98,909	101,186
Broadcast and engineering	2,549	20,187
Support Services		
Fundraising/membership development	2,275	25,740
Management and General		
Administrative	60,943	128,582
Occupancy	151,246	153,998
Maintenance and supplies	192,694	194,429
Professional fees	8,709	21,749
Other management and general expenses	129,232	69,620
Underwriting/grant solicitation	19,482	55,547
Depreciation expense	33,021	30,621
	785,261	913,619
Change in net assets	64,408	(342,545)
Net assets, beginning of year	(742,928)	(400,383)
Net assets, end of year	\$ (678,520)	\$ (742,928)

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Statement of Cash Flows
For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 64,408	\$ (342,545)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense	33,021	30,621
Change in payroll taxes payable	(100)	(10,483)
Change in credit cards payable	<u>4,185</u>	<u>20,368</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>101,514</u>	<u>(302,039)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of fixed assets	<u>(13,247)</u>	<u>(10,750)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(13,247)</u>	<u>(10,750)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Loans from officer	-	294,500
Line of credit advances	-	-
Repayment of debt	<u>(3,947)</u>	<u>(7,213)</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities	(3,947)	287,287
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	84,320	(25,502)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>67,936</u>	<u>93,438</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 152,256</u>	<u>\$ 67,936</u>

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Note A – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Description of Programs

Tri-State Public Communications, Inc. (“Tri-State”) is a local not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to improve the quality of life in Northwest Connecticut communities through noncommercial, educational, informational and entertaining television and radio programs that are produced for and by residents of Northwest Connecticut. For the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, Tri-State provided television and radio broadcasts of daily news and information programs, as well as local weather alerts, sports and school activities and local government meetings.

Basis of Presentation

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards board in its Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, *Financial Statements of Not-For-Profit Organizations*. Under SFAS No. 117, Tri-State is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets.

Contributions and Promises to Give

Tri-State follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board in its SFAS No. 116, *Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made*. Under SFAS No. 116, contributions received are reported as unrestricted, temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

Contributions are recognized when a donor makes a promise to give to Tri-State that is, in substance, unconditional. Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets if the restrictions expire or are met in the fiscal year in which the contributions are recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in temporarily restricted or permanently restricted net assets depending on the nature of the restrictions. When a restriction expires, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets.

As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, Tri-State had no temporarily or permanently restricted net assets.

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Note A – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – continued

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles 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 revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, Tri-State considers all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Income Taxes

Tri-State is exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, Tri-State qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170 (b)(1)(A) and has been classified as an organization that is not a private foundation under Section 509 (a)(2).

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost or, if donated, at the approximate fair value at the date of donation. Assets donated with explicit restrictions regarding their use and contribution of cash that are restricted by donors to acquire property and equipment are reported as restricted support. Absent donor stipulations regarding how long these donated assets must be maintained, Tri-State reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired assets are placed in service as instructed by the donor. Tri-State reclassifies temporarily restricted net assets to unrestricted net assets at that time. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from five to twenty five years using straight line methods.

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Note B – Property and Equipment

Property and Equipment consists of the following:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Station Purchase	\$ 236,724	\$ 236,724
Transmitter Site work	42,904	42,904
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	284,416	271,168
Automobile	<u>29,900</u>	<u>29,900</u>
Total	593,944	580,696
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(321,663)</u>	<u>(288,642)</u>
	<u>\$ 272,281</u>	<u>\$ 292,054</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 was \$ 33,021 and 30,621, respectively.

Note C – Line of Credit Payable

Tri-State has a line of credit with a local bank to help finance short term cash flow needs. As of December 31, 2014 and 2013 the outstanding balance was \$ 82,242 and \$ 86,189. Interest is based on the bank's prime lending rate. The interest rate as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 was 4.0% and 4.0%, respectively.

Note D – Classification of Expenses

Tri-State has allocated expenses to program and supporting services as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Program Services	\$ 749,235	\$ 783,545
Supporting Services		
Management and General	<u>36,068</u>	<u>130,074</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 785,303</u>	<u>\$ 913,619</u>

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Note F – Relate Party Transactions

During the year an officer of Tri-State made loans to the organization to fund cash flow shortages and asset purchases. The total amount of the loans and balance as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 was \$ 986,642 and \$ 986,642, respectively. No interest was paid on the loans during the year.