



**REACHING ACROSS ILLINOIS
LIBRARY SYSTEM
BURR RIDGE, ILLINOIS**

SINGLE AUDIT REPORT

For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR
FEDERAL PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF
FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Members of the Board of Directors
Reaching Across Illinois Library System
Burr Ridge, Illinois

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Reaching Across Illinois Library System's (RAILS) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2025. RAILS's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, RAILS complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2025.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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 audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibility for the Auditor Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of RAILS and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of RAILS's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to RAILS's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on RAILS's compliance based on our audit. 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, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about RAILS's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 RAILS's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of RAILS's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of RAILS's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on 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 federal program on a timely basis.

A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a 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 federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of RAILS, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise RAILS's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated September 17, 2025, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Sikich CPA LLC

Naperville, Illinois
December 9, 2025

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

Federal Grantor	Pass-Through Grantor	Program Title	Federal ALN	Program/Grant Number	Expenditures
National Endowment for the Humanities	Illinois State Library	Grants to States	45.310	*	N/A
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS					<u>\$ 1,936,144</u>
					<u>\$ 1,936,144</u>

*Denotes major federal program.

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NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

Note A - Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards has been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). It is a summary of the activity of the RAILS's federal awards programs prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, expenditures are recognized when the liability has been incurred and revenues are recognized when the qualifying expenditure has been incurred.

Note B - Other Information

RAILS did not receive any federal insurance or noncash assistance and provided no Federal awards to subrecipients during the year ended June 30, 2025.

Note C- Indirect Cost Rate

RAILS did elect the federal 10% de minimis indirect cost rate for the year ended June 30, 2025.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued:	<i>Unmodified</i>		
Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weakness(es) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no

Federal Awards

Internal Control over major federal programs:			
Material weakness(es) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> none reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs:	<i>Unmodified</i>		
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Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CRF 200.516(a)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
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Identification of major federal programs:

<u>ALN Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
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45.310	Grants to States
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Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000
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Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no
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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (Continued)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

Section II - Findings - Financial Statement Audit

None

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None

Section IV - Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings

None