# STATEMENT OF MISSION

The California Tax Education Council (CTEC) will continue to establish professional tax education standards, approve tax education providers who comply with these standards, and facilitate tax preparer compliance for the benefit of California taxpayers.

—California Tax Education Council

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## INTRODUCTION

The California Tax Education Council (CTEC) is the organization that registers non-exempt paid preparers, the second largest segment of tax preparation professionals serving California consumers.

Anyone who, for a fee, assists with or prepares a state or federal income tax return, excluding CPAs, attorneys and enrolled agents or their employees, must be registered with CTEC.

The responsibility for approving tax schools was transferred by the California State Legislature and the Governor from the California Department of Consumer Affairs to CTEC effective July 1, 1997. The Council is a nonprofit quasi public benefit corporation made up of CTEC Registered Tax Preparers, as well as appointees from nonprofit and for-profit organizations which represent tax professionals. Representatives to the Council are appointed as described in Section 22251 of the California Business & Professions Code.

The Council is charged with providing a list of approved curriculum providers, approving providers of tax education, verifying education and registering tax preparers who must also obtain a bond.

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## **MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR**

I believe we can all concur 2020 was a challenge. For the Council, the COVID-19 pandemic created tough decisions and fast actions to ensure new requirements to the Tax Preparation Act were accomplished by the July 1st deadline. Public Awareness also faced unforeseen challenges to reach taxpayers through the extended July 15th tax filing deadline.

I'm proud to say all was done. On time and within budget.

In keeping compliant with the new requirements to California Business and Profession Code Section 22251.3, new CTEC applicants are now undergoing background checks and submitting fingerprint images to CTEC before they can register. The Council and administrative staff worked endlessly to get systems up and running prior to the stated deadline.

The IT department implemented several changes to the registration system based on recommendations from the Tax Preparer Committee and the Council.

The new process also demanded a change to our in-house new application process. A paralegal, three background reviewers and three hearing officers are now assisting CTEC administrative staff with processing and reviewing new applicants.

The Council continues to work with the legislature to protect taxpayers from unregistered tax preparers. Our Public Awareness Committee works closely with the California Franchise Tax Board to inform the public on how to choose a tax preparer. Thanks to the Council's proactive approach, CTEC's message was extended to reach taxpayers through the July 15th deadline without an increase in budget.

It has been an honor to serve as Chair over the past two years. I am proud of the work the Council has been tasked with and completed during my tenure. Looking forward to continued service on the Council in the coming years.



Susie DiMaggio, EA

### 2019 - 2020 Council Members



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Service



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2008-2019



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Angela Flores
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Franchise Tax Board



**Sue Gaston**Representative, Internal
Revenue Service

### 2019 - 2020 CTEC Administrative Staff



**Tabitha Bolkish** 



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# **YEARLY REGISTRATIONS**

In January 1997 when CTEC took over the former Tax
Preparer Program from the
California Department of
Consumer Affairs, there were approximately 27,000
registered tax preparers in
California.

As of June 30, 2020, CTEC has registered 39,446 preparers.

The following table shows each year's annual registration numbers.

Registration Year	Total Registrations
07/01/97-06/30/98	28,831
07/01/98-06/30/99	29,009
07/01/99-06/30/00	29,773
07/01/00-06/30/01	28,444
07/01/01-06/30/02	29,943
07/01/02-06/30/03	32,093
07/01/03-06/30/04	34,391
07/01/04-06/30/05	36,931
07/01/05-06/30/06	39,226
07/01/06-06/30/07	40,565
07/01/07-06/30/08	41,881
07/01/08-06/30/09	44,888
07/01/09-06/30/10	44,147
07/01/10-06/30/11	43,674
07/01/11-06/30/12	41,934
07/01/12-06/30/13	38,481
07/01/13-06/30/14	39,201
07/01/14-06/30/15	41,564
07/01/15-06/30/16	39,965
07/01/16-06/30/17	39,306
07/01/17 - 06/30/18	39,904
07/01/18 – 06/30/19	39,770
07/01/19 – 06/30/2020	39,446



# PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN MAINTAINS MOMENTUM DURING COVID-19

CTEC expanded public awareness efforts to warn California taxpayers about ghost tax preparers during the 2020 tax season. The campaign was an addition to a second campaign focused on educating taxpayers about CTEC, CRTPs and how to find a California approved tax preparer.

In order to reach taxpayers on a larger statewide level, the Council increased its paid 2019/2020 advertising budget based on the following...

- Analytics reports continue to show interest from taxpayers regarding CTEC messages.
- An independent survey conducted by a research firm showed increased awareness over the past two years with a good percentage of taxpayers admitting to having issues with ghost tax preparers.
- A potential ghost tax preparer enforcement partnership with the Franchise Tax Board (FTB).

Outdoor advertisements, radio spots, Internet advertisements and boosted social media posts ran throughout the 2020 tax season in all major California markets, which included more focus on counties FTB identified as having issues with questionable tax preparers.

### **COVID-19 Challenges**

The CTEC campaign faced unforeseen challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Budget adjustments were made in order to continue awareness through the extended July 15, 2020 tax filing deadline.

This is new territory for empirical research and measurement. It is also difficult to compare 2019 to 2020 public awareness results because the pandemic monopolized the media and minds of taxpayers. Additionally, CTEC had to extend the

advertising budget past its shelf life.

OutFront Media (responsible for most of CTEC's 2020 outdoor advertising) conducted a study and reported an approximate 30% loss in traffic for most of its outdoor advertisements. The only exception was with San Francisco BART, which

### **Advertising Survey Results**

Due to the increased advertising budget, CTEC hired an outside research firm (this was decided before the pandemic) to measure the results of the campaign. The survey was conducted between March 23 through April 15, 2020 - at the height of the stay at home mandate. During that time, 1,000 taxpayers in Los Angeles were surveyed in English, Spanish and Mandarin.

According to the survey, CTEC awareness decreased by 4% compared to 2019. In comparing it to 2018 results, awareness remained the same. Of those surveyed, most recalled seeing CTEC's message on billboards and bus signs, followed by social media and then radio.

When asked how the pandemic impacted their travels, 6 out of 10 respondents claimed they "rarely" or "never" went out due to the Coronavirus. Of those, 70% were Hispanics, 58% English and 53% were Chinese.

Due to the unusual circumstances of the campaign, the research firm isolated those respondents in its report and found that those who claimed they "rarely" or "never" went out actually had a higher level of CTEC awareness at 22%. In 2019, CTEC awareness was at 19%, which was considered "strong."

The research firm attributed it to heightened levels of social media and radio time at home. According to the report, social media awareness doubled to 57%, YouTube tripled to 47% and radio doubled to 47%.

Based on OutFront Media research and the research firm study, experts concluded that given the situation and awareness not down too much, the results were not "shocking."

experienced an estimated 92% loss in traffic.

Space available bonuses were extended multiple times in all markets to make up for lost traffic.

More than 1.8 million

For the 2020 campaign, CTEC spent \$549,531 on outdoor,

Internet and social media advertising. Thanks to space available bonuses to make up for lost

traffic, plus negotiated discounts and bonuses, CTEC received more than \$1,347,911 in free

advertising. The number of actions taken by taxpayers (this includes video views, clicks, website visits and social media engagement) totaled 1,802,826 -

a new record high for public awareness efforts.

### 2019/2020 ENFORCEMENT RESULTS

taxpayers took action

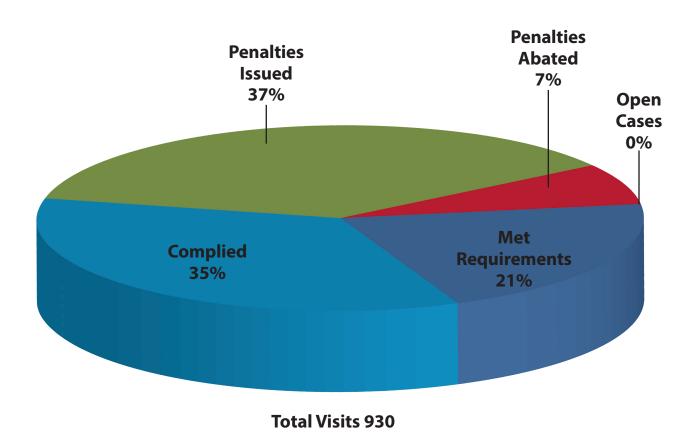
on the 2020 campaign

Unregistered tax preparers who are caught preparing, or assisting with preparing, tax returns for a fee will be issued a \$2,500 penalty letter from the Franchise Tax Board (FTB). They have 90 days to register with CTEC before the penalty is enforced.

If a tax preparer does not comply, the \$2,500 penalty is assessed. If a tax preparer still fails to

comply the next year, a \$5,000 penalty will be issued each year until they either register with CTEC or agree to stop preparing tax returns for a fee.

CTEC pays for the entire enforcement program. All penalties collected by FTB are deposited into the state's general fund.



■ Met Requirements ■ Complied ■ Penalties Issued ■ Penalties Abated ■ Open Cases

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#### **3IS TAX SCHOOL**

Northridge, CA 91343 (Phone) 855-620-7988 (Fax) 818-742-6248 www.3isschool.com CTEC Provider #: 6239

### **AARDVARK TAX ONLINE**

67782 E Palm Canyon Dr Ste B104249 Cathedral City, CA 92234-5433 (Phone) 877-212-1384 (Fax) 888-296-2736 www.aardvarktax.com/California CTEC Provider #: 3083

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4380 S Syracuse St Ste 110 Denver, CO 80237 (Phone) 720-389-5900 (Fax) 720-708-3246 www.aestax.com CTEC Provider #: 1066

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### FEDERAL DIRECT TAX SERVICES

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11200 Crenshaw Blvd Inglewood, CA 90303 (Phone) 323-757-6900 (Fax) 310-496-0109 www.gatewaytaxservice.com CTEC Provider #: 3058

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Gearup
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### **FEDERAL DIRECT TAX SERVICES**

11905 Pendleton Pike Indianapolis, IN 46236 (Phone) 866-357-2052 (Fax) 317-252-0360 www.federaldirecttax.com CTEC Provider #: 6245

### **FOOTHILL COLLEGE**

Los Altos Hills, CA 94022 (Phone) 650-949-7394 (Fax) 650-948-2845 www.foothill.edu CTEC Provider #: 3043

12345 El Monte Road

### FREEDOM TAX, INC.

9462 Brownsboro Rd #135 Louisville, KY 40241 (Phone) 510-564-4064 (Fax) 502-220-4868 www.freedomtaxusa.net CTEC Provider #: 6266

### **FULLERTON COLLEGE**, **BUSINESS, CIS & ECONOMIC WORKFORCE DIVISION**

321 E. Chapman Ave. Fullerton, CA 92832 (Phone) 714-992-7201 www.fullcoll.edu CTEC Provider #: 6267

### **GATEWAY TAX SERVICE**

Inglewood, CA 90303 (Phone) 323-757-6900 (Fax) 310-496-0109 www.gatewaytaxservice.com CTEC Provider #: 3058

11200 Crenshaw Blvd

### GOLD STAR TAX SERVICE LLC

202 N Riverside Ave., Unit H Rialto, CA 92376 (Phone) 909-258-2899 Goldstartaxservice.com CTEC Provider #: 6277

#### **GOLDEN STATE TAX** TRAINING INSTITUTE, INC.

14100 Madison Avenue Ne Bainbridge Island, WA 98110 (Phone) 877-674-9290 (Fax) 877-674-3472 www.gstti.com CTEC Provider #: 2040

#### **H&R BLOCK TAX SERVICES, INC.**

One H&R Block Wav Kansas City, MO 64105 (Phone) 816-854-4809 https://Hrblock.csod.com/Default. aspx?C=Seminar CTEC Provider #: 1040

#### **HIGH SPEED TAX SERVICE LLC**

3420 W. Slauson Avenue, Suite B Los Angeles, CA 90043 (Phone) 323-607-9010 (Fax) 323-607-9001 www.highspeedtax.com CTEC Provider #: 6264

#### **HOANG LE FAST TAX &** FINANCIAL PLANNING INC.

98 S. Abel Street Milpitas, CA 95035 (Phone) 510-697-9559 (Fax) 510-779-5588 CTEC Provider #: 6242

### **HORIZON PLANNING**

3954 Murphy Canyon Road, D105 San Diego, CA 92123 (Phone) 858-277-8780 (Fax) 858-277-4052 www.horizonplanning.com CTEC Provider #: 6281

### SCHOOLS APPROVED FOR QUALIFYING EDUCATION (60 HOURS)

#### **JACKSON HEWITT TAX SFRVICE**

501 N. Cattlemen Road, Suite 300 Sarasota, FL 34232 (Phone) 800-234-1040

www.jacksonhewitt.com CTEC Provider #: 1009

### **JDMAN TAX SCHOOL**

2008 W. Carson St., Ste. 202 Torrance, CA 90501 (Phone) 310-755-1256 (Fax) 424-558-3249 CTEC Provider #: 6278

#### L & R TAX TRAINING **SCHOOL**

109 West Transit Street Ontario, CA 91762 (Phone) 909-986-8372 (Fax) 909-986-8375 www.mdproservice.com CTEC Provider #: 3016

### **LATINO TAX PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION**

1588 Moffett Street Ste. F Salinas, CA 93905 (Phone) 866-936-2587 (Fax) 831-424-3218 www.latinotaxpro.org CTEC Provider #: 2080

#### **LIBERTY TAX SERVICE**

500 Grapevine Hwy, Suite 402 Hurst, TX 76054 (Phone) 817-796-9430 Ext. 319 www.libertytax.com CTEC Provider #: 2097

#### **LOS ANGELES VALLEY** COLLEGE

5800 Fulton Ave Valley Glen, CA 91401 (Phone) 818-947-2627 www.lavc.edu CTEC Provider #: 6274

### **LOS RIOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

8401 Center Parkway Sacramento, CA 95823 (Phone) 916-691-7226 (Fax) 916-691-7443 www.crc.losrios.edu CTEC Provider #: 3006

### **MIRA COSTA COLLEGE BUSINESS DEPT.**

Business Dept, 1 Barnard Drive Oceanside, CA 92056-3899 (Phone) 760-757-2121 X6488 (Fax) 760-795-6770 www.miracosta.edu/Instruction/ accounting CTEC Provider #: 1074

#### **MT. SAN ANTONIO** COLLEGE

1100 North Grand Avenue Walnut, CA 91789 (Phone) 909-274-6795 (Fax) 909-274-2936 www.mtsac.edu CTEC Provider #: 6256

#### **NORCO COLLEGE**

2001 Third Street Norco, CA 92860 (Phone) 951-372-7194 (Fax) 951-972-7192 www.norcocollege.edu CTEC Provider #: 6228

#### **OHLONE COLLEGE**

43600 Mission Blvd. Fremont, CA 94539 (Phone) 510-742-2301 www.ohlone.edu CTEC Provider #: 6279

### **PASADENA CITY COLLEGE**

1570 E. Colorado Blvd. C121i Pasadena, CA 91106 (Phone) 626-585-7945 (Fax) 818-242-3620 www.pasadena.edu CTEC Provider #: 6185

### **PLATINUM PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INC.**

3040 Seal Beach Blvd. Suite 300 Seal Beach, CA 90740 (Phone) 877-315-1772 (Fax) 877-317-9412 www.platinumprostudies.com CTEC Provider #: 2052

### PRONTO TAX SCHOOL, INC.

4501 S. Centinela Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90066 (Phone) 310-422-1283 www.prontotaxschool.com CTEC Provider #: 6201

### **R&VINCOMETAX SERVICES**

2998 Mission Street San Francisco, CA 94110 (Phone) 415-933-1104 www.randvincometaxservices.com CTEC Provider #: 3073

### **REDEEMED BUSINESS & TAX SERVICES**

3911 Long Beach Blvd Long Beach, CA 90807 (Phone) 562-888-9430 (Fax) 888-440-1379 www.getredeemednow.com

CTEC Provider #: 6249

### **SAN DIEGO CITY** COLLEGE

1313 Park Blvd. San Diego, CA 92101 (Phone) 619-388-3488 www.sdccd.edu CTEC Provider #: 2006

#### **SAN DIEGO MIRAMAR** & MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

10440 Black Mountain Road Attn: M107-P San Diego, CA 92126 (Phone) 619-388-7699 www.sdmiramar.edu CTEC Provider #: 6250

### **SANTA ANA COLLEGE**

1530 W. 17th Street Santa Ana, CA 92706 (Phone) 714-564-6771 (Fax) 714-564-6133 www.sac.edu CTEC Provider #: 2019

#### **SANTA MONICA COLLEGE**

1900 Pico Rlvd Santa Monica, CA 90405 (Phone) 310-434-4846 (Fax) 310-434-3603 http://www.smc.edu/Academicprograms/Businessdepartment/ Pages/Tax\_preparation.aspx CTEC Provider #: 6244

### **SKYLINE COLLEGE**

3300 College Drive San Bruno, CA 94066 (Phone) 650-738-4201 (Fax) 650-738-4205 www.skylinecollege.edu CTEC Provider #: 6253

### **SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

900 Otay Lakes Road Chula Vista, CA 91910 (Phone) 619-482-6376 (Fax) 619-482-6402 www.swccd.edu CTEC Provider #: 6265

### TAXRESOURCES, INC.

600 Coolidge Drive, Suite 300 Folsom, CA 95630 (Phone) 714-382-7732 (Fax) 916-904-8499 www.taxaudit.com CTEC Provider #: 3027

### THE INCOME TAX **SCHOOL**

201 N. King Of Prussia Rd., Suite 370 Radnor, PA 19087 (Phone) 804-204-1040 (Fax) 804-213-4248 www.theincometaxschool.com CTEC Provider #: 1071

# SCHOOLS APPROVED FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION (60 HOURS)

### UNIVERSAL ACCOUNTING CENTER

12441 South 900 East, #120 Draper, UT 84020 (Phone) 801-265-3777 (Fax) 801-265-3798 www.universalaccounting.com CTEC Provider #: 3060

### **WEBCE**

12222 Merit Dr, Suite 500
Dallas, TX 75251
(Phone) 877-488-9308
(Fax) 214-570-0213
https://www.webce.com/Cpe/Tax-Ce/CTEC-Ce
CTEC Provider #: 6216

### YUBA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Marysville, CA 95901 (Phone) 530-742-8201 www.yccd.edu CTEC Provider #: 2003

2088 N. Beale Road



### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors California Tax Education Council Sacramento, California

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the California Tax Education Council (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2020 and 2019, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses 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 Council'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 Council'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 California Tax Education Council as of June 30, 2020 and 2019, 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.

### **Other Matters**

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The statements of activities and changes in net assets – budget to actual on pages 30–31 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the 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 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 financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

### **STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

### FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

ASSETS	s <del>amenta arrago arrago</del>	2020	 2019
Current Assets Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 2) Certificates of Deposit (Note 3) Prepaid Expenses	\$	223,897 750,000 942	\$ 74,251 1,250,000 942
Total Current Assets	\$	974,839	\$ 1,325,193
Software and Equipment, Net (Note 4)	\$	191,139	\$ 149,331
Total Assets	\$	1,165,978	\$ 1,474,524
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$	54,619	\$ 68,287
Total Current Liabilities and Total Liabilities	\$	54,619	\$ 68,287
Net Assets			
Net Assets without Donor Restrictions	\$	1,111,359	\$ 1,406,237
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	1,165,978	\$ 1,474,524

### **STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

		2020	***************************************	2019
REVENUE				
Registration Fees	\$	1,305,051	\$	1,316,007
Late Registration Fees		391,765		389,125
Certificates		870		4,640
Provider Fees		27,100		25,800
Mailing List		3,500		4,250
Other Income		240		384
Interest	<del>42500 20 1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 10</del>	27,381	A	22,778
Total Revenues	\$	1,755,907	\$	1,762,984
EXPENSES				
Board Activities	\$	143,625	\$	170,360
Audit Oversight Committee		18,951		17,264
General and Administrative		115,422		112,279
Communication and Technology		119,003		64,327
Curriculum Provider Committee		124,932		116,009
<b>Budget and Finance Committee</b>				
Executive Committee		986		18,362
Governmental Relations Committee		341,811		386,641
Public Awareness Committee		875,254		597,817
Tax Preparer Committee	**************************************	310,800	-	312,628
Total Expenses	\$	2,050,785	\$	1,795,687
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(\$	294,878)	(\$	32,703)
Net Assets, Beginning of Fiscal Year	( <del>2 - 2 - 4 - 2 - 1</del>	1,406,237		1,438,940
Net Assets, End of Fiscal Year	\$	1,111,359	\$	1,406,237

### **STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

	Board Activities	Audit Oversight Committee	General & Administrative	Communication & Technology	Curriculum Provider Committee	Budget & Finance Committee	Executive Committee	Governmental Relations Committee	Public Awareness Committee	Tax Preparer Committee	Total Expenses
Accounting	\$ —	\$ 13,912	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 13,912
Advertising & Promotion	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	799,841	_	799,841
Amortization	_	_	_	_	2,757	_	_	_	19,910	10,412	33,079
Audit Review	_	_	_	_	4,175	_	_	_	_	_	4,175
Bank Service Charges	_	_	75	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	75
Credit Card Fees	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	47,409	47,409
Enforcement	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	257,067	_	_	257,067
Fees & Licenses	_	_	150	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	150
Insurance	_	_	3,049	1,698	_	_	_	_	_	_	4,747
Legal	_	_	24,846	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	24,846
Management Fee	82,350	_	82,350	27,450	27,450	_	_	82,350	27,450	219,600	549,000
Meetings & Conferences	40,124	_	_	_	1,000	_	986	_	_	_	42,110
Miscellaneous	_	_	1,658	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,658
Outside Consultants	_	_	_	47,855	89,550	_	_	_	_	_	137,405
Postage	_	_	234	_	_	_	_	_	9,055	13,813	23,102
Printing	_	5,039	3,061	_	_	_	_	_	13,349	19,567	41,016
Telephone & Fax	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,800	_	1,800
Travel	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	2,394	3,849	_	6,243
Mileage	1,627	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,627
Airfare	1,829	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,829
Hotel	14,150	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	14,150
Per Diem	1,850	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,850
Cab	422	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	422
Parking	1,273	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,273
Web Page	_	_	_	42,000	_	_	_	_	_	_	42,000
Total Expenses	\$ 143,625	\$ 18,951	\$ 115,422	\$ 119,003	\$ 124,932	\$ 0	\$ 986	\$ 341,811	\$ 875,254	\$ 310,800	\$ 2,050,785

### **STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

	Board Activities	Audit Oversight Committee	General & Administrative	Communication & Technology	Curriculum Provider Committee	Budget & Finance Committee	Executive Committee	Governmental Relations Committee	Public Awareness Committee	Tax Preparer Committee	Total Expenses
Accounting	\$ —	\$ 12,230	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 12,230
Advertising & Promotion	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	528,968	_	528,968
Amortization	_	_	_	_	2,757	_	_	_	19,910	10,412	33,079
Audit Review	_	_	_	_	9,800	_	_	_	_	_	9,800
Bank Service Charges	_	_	196	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	196
Credit Card Fees	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	48,216	48,216
Enforcement	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	301,490	_	_	301,490
Fees & Licenses	_	_	150	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	150
Insurance	_	_	3,148	1,674	_	_	_	_	_	_	4,822
Legal	_	_	19,483	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	19,483
Management Fee	82,350	_	82,350	27,450	27,450	_	_	82,350	27,450	219,600	549,000
Meetings & Conferences	49,958	_	_	_	1,500	_	_	_	_	_	51,458
Miscellaneous	_	_	551	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	551
Outside Consultants	_	_	_	7,403	74,502	_	3,362	_	_	_	85,267
Postage	_	_	214	_	_	_	_	_	4,966	13,998	19,178
Printing	_	5,034	6,187	_	_	_	_	_	12.332	20,402	43,955
Sunset Review	_	_	_	_	_	_	15,000	_	_	_	15,000
Telephone & Fax	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	255	_	255
Travel	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	2,801	3,936	_	6,737
Mileage	3,944	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	3,944
Airfare	5,015	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	5,015
Hotel	22,738	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	22,738
Per Diem	4,250	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	4,250
Cab	474	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	474
Parking	1,631	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,631
Web Page	_	_	_	27,800	_	_	_	_	_	_	27,800
Total Expenses	\$ 170,360	\$ 17,264	\$ 112,279	\$ 64,327	\$ 116,009	\$ 0	\$ 18,362	\$ 386,641	\$ 597,817	\$ 312,628	\$1,795,687

### **STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

### FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

		2020	2019
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Change in Net Assets Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:	(\$	294,878) (\$	32,703)
Amortization		33,079	33,079
(Decrease)/Increase in Accounts Payable		13,668)	24,331
Net Cash (Used)/Provided by Operating Activities	\$	(275,467) \$	24,707
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of Software and Equipment	(\$	74,887) (\$	6,151)
Proceeds from the Redemption of Certificates of Deposits		1,250,000	1,000,000
Purchase of Certificates of Deposits	(	750,000) (	1,250,000)
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	\$	425,113 (\$	256,151)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	149,646 (\$	231,444)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	\$	74,251 \$	305,695
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$	223,897 \$	74,251

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICES:

<u>Principles of Accounting and Nature of Operations</u> - The accompanying financial statements reflect the operations for the California Tax Education Council (CTEC), which was incorporated on January 14, 1997, and commenced active operations on July 1, 1997. CTEC is a public benefit corporation and use or distribution of its assets is subject to certain restrictions.

The State of California requires that all persons in California who prepare taxes for a fee meet certain education requirements and register annually, with exception to IRS Circular 230 tax preparers. CTEC collects registration fees, verifies that tax preparers have met the education and bond requirements, issues certificates, and approves education providers. CTEC registered 39,446 and 39,770 tax preparers in 2020 and 2019, respectively.

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> - The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions according to three classes of net assets as follows:

Net Assets without Donor Restriction - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met, either by actions of CTEC and/or the passage of time. CTEC had no net assets with donor restrictions at June 30, 2020 or 2019.

<u>Use of Estimates</u> - The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of 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 estimates.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> - Cash and cash equivalents include demand deposits and money market accounts.

<u>Investments</u> – Investments are comprised of certificates of deposit (CD's) and are recorded at fair value. Interest earned on the CD's is reported as revenue. The investments were managed through GSR Capital Management, Inc. for the year

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019** 

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICES (Continued):

<u>Investments (Continued)</u> - ended June 30, 2020 and Wells Fargo Bank for the year ended June 30, 2019, who purchased, reinvested, and redeemed the certificates on behalf of CTEC.

Equipment - All equipment is recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated assets are valued at estimated fair value on the date received. CTEC capitalizes equipment with a cost of over \$500 and an estimated life of one year or more. Costs of assets sold or retired (and the related amounts of accumulated depreciation) are eliminated from the statement of financial position in the year of sale or retirement, and the resulting gain or loss is recognized on the statement of activities and changes in net assets.

Depreciation and amortization is provided on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of assets as follows.

Description	Estimated Useful Life
Computer Equipment	5 Years
Software Development	7-10 Years

<u>Revenue Recognition</u> - Revenue is recognized when the required fee is received by CTEC.

Advertising and Promotion Costs - CTEC expenses advertising costs the first time the advertising occurs on a contract spanning less than a year in length. CTEC uses advertising to assure that the public is informed of the requirements for unlicensed tax preparers practicing in California to be registered. Advertising and promotion costs for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019 was \$799,841 and \$528,968, respectively. For the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019, \$75,000 was related to the hiring of an outside public relations firm. These amounts are included in advertising and promotion costs.

<u>Enforcement</u> - CTEC contracts with the State of California, Franchise Tax Board (FTB) for reimbursement of expenses incurred by the FTB's Fraud and Discovery Section while educating and enforcing the provisions of the Business and Professions Code Section 22250-22259 relating to the registration of tax preparers and California Revenue and Taxation Code 19167 (d) and (e).

### NOTE 1 <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICES (Continued)</u>:

For the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019, CTEC budgeted enforcement expenses were \$340,000 and \$310,000, respectively. Actual expenditures for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019 were \$257,067 and \$301,490, respectively.

<u>Income Taxes</u> - CTEC is exempt from income taxes under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Section 501 (c)(3) of the code provides for the exemption of organizations that organize and are operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or education purposes and whose net earnings do not inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual. The State of California recognizes this exemption.

CTEC applies the accounting principles related to accounting for uncertainty in income taxes and has determined that there is no material impact on the financial statements.

<u>Reclassifications</u> - Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2019 financial statements to conform to the 2020 financial statement presentation.

<u>Subsequent Events Review</u> - Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date of the audit report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### NOTE 2 CASH AND CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK:

CTEC considers short-term highly liquid investments to be cash equivalents if they are both readily convertible to cash and had an original maturity of three months or less when purchased.

CTEC maintains cash balances at Wells Fargo Bank and Raymond James & Associates, Inc. Cash accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000, money market investment accounts are insured by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) up to \$500,000. To reduce the concentration of credit risk, individual certificates of deposit are held with various banking institutions with no single certificate exceeding the FDIC limit.

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

### NOTE 2 <u>CASH AND CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK</u> (Continued):

The balance in cash and cash equivalents on June 30 include:

		2019		
Demand Deposits Money Market Funds	\$	189,506 34,391	\$	67,555 6,696
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	223,897	\$	74,251

### NOTE 3 <u>CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS</u>:

On June 30, 2020 and 2019, certificates of deposit totaled \$750,000 and \$1,250,000, respectively. They mature as follows for the year ended of June 30, 2020:

Institution	Maturity Date	Amount		
Bank of America NA	July 23, 2020	\$	250,000	
Bank of China New York, NY	September 18, 2020		250,000	
Morgan Stanley Private Bank	February 12, 2021		250,000	
		\$	750,000	

CTEC's certificates of deposit matured as follows for the year ended of June 30, 2019:

Institution	Maturity Date	Amount		
Hancock Whitney	July 25, 2019	\$	250,000	
Customers Bank	September 13, 2019		250,000	
Morgan Stanley Bank	October 25, 2019		250,000	
US Bank Natl Assoc	January 23, 2020		250,000	
Fifth Third Bank	March 13, 2020		250,000	
		\$	1,250,000	

### NOTE 4 <u>SOFTWARE AND EQUIPMENT:</u>

Software development costs are related to CTEC's internally developed software and are recorded at cost and depreciated over a 7-10-year period.

Software and equipment as of June 30, 2020 was as follows:

	June 30, 2019		Additions		Deletions	June 30, 2020	
Computer Equipment Software	\$	22,905 304,025	\$	74,887	\$	\$	22,905 378,912
Total Equipment		326,930	· America process	74,887	<i></i>		401,817
Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization	(	177,599)		33,079)		(	210,678)
Software and Equipment, net	\$	149,331	\$	41,808	\$	\$	191,139

Amortization expense for the year ended June 30, 2020 was \$33,079.

Software and equipment as of June 30, 2019 was as follows:

	June 30, 2018 Additions		Deletions	June 30, 2019			
Computer Equipment Software	\$	22,905 297,874	\$	6,151	\$	\$	22,905 304,025
Total Equipment		320,779	-	6,151		Sections	326,930
Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization		144,520)		33,079)			177,599)
Software and Equipment, net	\$	176,259	<u>(\$_</u>	26,928)	\$	\$	149,331

Amortization expense for the year ended June 30, 2019 was \$33,079.

### NOTE 5 MANAGEMENT COMPANY:

Advocation Strategies Inc. (Management Company) provides management services for CTEC. CTEC pays the Management Company a flat monthly fee

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

### NOTE 5 MANAGEMENT COMPANY (Continued):

under the current contract of \$45,750. CTEC's current contract with the Company expired on June 30, 2019. CTEC's board of directors approved a two-year contract extension through June 30, 2021. CTEC paid the Management Company \$549,000 for each of the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019.

The Management Company's fee covers all their employee related costs. CTEC has no employees.

### NOTE 6 LIQUIDITY:

As of June 30, 2020, CTEC has no legal or donor restrictions present on any financial assets and will use cash on hand and maturities from certificates of deposits to fund general expenditures within one year. CTEC has no existing debt or other long-term commitments as of June 30, 2020 and has a positive net asset balance of \$1,111,359.

### NOTE 7 CONTINGENCIES:

CTEC was created by the California State Legislature and was reauthorized pursuant to California Business and Professions Code Sections 22250 during 2018. This legislation remains in effect until January 1, 2023. Unless new legislation is enacted before January 1, 2023 to extend this date, this statute will be repealed.

The World Health Organization declared the worldwide coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak a public health emergency on January 30, 2020 and officially declared it as a pandemic as of March 11, 2020. The operations and business results of the Council could potentially be adversely affected by this global pandemic. The extent to which the coronavirus may impact business activity or investment results will depend on future developments which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted, including new information which may emerge concerning the severity of the coronavirus and the actions required to contain the coronavirus. The Council has not included any contingencies in the financial statement specific to this issue.

### NOTE 8 <u>FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES</u>:

The costs of providing the various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

### California Tax Education Council Statement Of Activities And Changes in Net Assets Budget To Actual

### For The Year Ended June 30, 2020

REVENUE	Budget			Actual		Variance Over Budget (Under Budget)	
Registration Fees Late Registration Fees	\$	1,302,000 363,500	\$	1,305,051 391,765	\$	3,051 28,265	
Certificates		7,500		870	(	6,630)	
Provider Fees		31,000		27,100	(	3,900)	
Mailing List		3,500		3,500		2 00	
Other Income		450		240	(	210)	
Interest	Production and a second	1,400	-	27,381	*	25,981	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	1,709,350	\$	1,755,907	\$	46,557	
EXPENSES							
Board Activities	\$	192,850	\$	143,625	(\$	49,225)	
Audit Oversight Committee		21,600		18,951	(	2,649)	
Bylaws Committee		250			Ò	250)	
General and Administrative		140,850		115,422	(	25,428)	
Communication and Technology		197,575		119,003	(	78,572)	
Curriculum Provider Committee		167,900		124,932	(	42,968)	
Budget and Finance Committee		250			(	250)	
Executive Committee		250		986		736	
Governmental Relations Committee		427,350		341,811	(	85,539)	
Governance Committee		26,500			(	26,500)	
Public Awareness Committee		866,246		875,254		9,008	
Tax Preparer Committee	S	322,600	Manage Control	310,800	(	11,800)	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	2,364,221	\$	2,050,785	(\$	313,436)	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(\$	654,871)	(\$	294,878)	\$	359,993	
Net Assets, Beginning of Fiscal Year	Marie Constitution of the	1,136,339		1,406,237			
Net Assets, End of Fiscal Year	\$	481,468	\$	1,111,359			

### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED)**

### California Tax Education Council Statement Of Activities And Changes in Net Assets Budget To Actual

### For The Year Ended June 30, 2019

		Budget		Actual		Variance Over Budget (Under Budget)	
REVENUE			-		-		
Registration Fees	\$	1,302,000	\$	1,316,007	\$	14,007	
Late Registration Fees	*	363,500	Ψ	389,125	ψ.	25,625	
Certificates		7,500		4,640	ĭ	2,860	
Provider Fees		31,000		25,800		5,200	
Mailing List		3,500		4,250	(	750	
Other Income		450		384	(	66	
Interest	-	1,400		22,778		21,378	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	1,709,350	\$	1,762,984	\$	53,634	
EXPENSES							
Board Activities	\$	193,100	\$	170,360	(\$	22,740	
Audit Oversight Committee	-	22,500	Ψ.	17,264	100	5,236	
Bylaws Committee				17,201	ν.	5,250	
General and Administrative		131,350		112,279	(	19,071	
Communication and Technology		72,150		64,327	Č	7,823	
Curriculum Provider Committee		137,900		116,009	Č	21,891	
<b>Budget and Finance Committee</b>		250		•	(	250	
Executive Committee		250		18,362	,	18,112	
Governmental Relations Committee		413,350		386,641	(	26,709	
Governance Committee		26,500			(	26,500	
Public Awareness Committee		624,950		597,817	(	27,133	
Tax Preparer Committee	-	311,600		312,628		1,028	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	1,933,900	\$	1,795,687	(\$	138,213	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(\$	224,550)	\$	(32,703)	\$	191,847	
Net Assets, Beginning of Fiscal Year		1,360,889	***************************************	1,438,940			
Net Assets, End of Fiscal Year	\$	1,136,339	\$	1,406,237			