

# RANDLE & ASSOCIATES, LLC Certified Public Accountants

## VETERANS FOR PEACE, INC.

**REVIEWED** 

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

Board of Directors Veterans For Peace, Inc. St. Louis, Missouri

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Veterans For Peace, Inc. (a Non-Profit Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related statements of activities, cash flows and functional expenses for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of Organization management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

#### 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.

#### Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurances as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

#### **Accountant's Conclusion**

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in note 1, the financial statements referred to above include only the activities of the national headquarters located in St. Louis, Missouri and do not include the activities of any other independent chapter and at-large member. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to present the financial position of any other independent chapter or at-large member as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, or its results of operations for the years then ended.

Florissant, Missouri June 11, 2018

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION December 31, 2017 and 2016

### SEE ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

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	2017	<u>2016</u>			
ASSETS					
Current Assets:     Cash and equivalents     Inventories     Prepaid expenses      Total current assets  Property and equipment, net	\$ 427,481 13,192 - 440,673 1,663	\$ 546,642 9,232 1,062 556,936			
Total assets	\$ 442,336	\$ 558,845			
LIABILITIES AND NET  Current Liabilities:	ASSETS				
Accounts payable	\$ -	1,435			
Accrued expenses	5,860	8,763			
Total current liabilities	5,860	10,198			
Net Assets:					
Unrestricted	351,511	452,232			
Temporarily restricted	84,965	96,415			
Permanently restricted		-			
Total net assets	436,476	548,647			
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 442,336	\$ 558,845			

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

## SEE ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

	2017							
	Uni	restricted	Temporarily				2016 (Comparative Total)	
Support:								
Contributions and bequests	\$	274,604	\$	58,895	\$	333,499	\$	811,377
Other income		6,983		-		6,983		4
Revenues:								
Member dues		134,606		-		134,606		126,564
Sales of educational and promotional items		36,180		-		36,180		31,353
Project management fees		2,488		-		2,488		5,818
Convention revenue		55,877		-		55,877		145,216
Fiscal sponsor		15,775				15,775		1,896
Interest income		2,373	-			2,373		1,082
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets		(93)		-		(93)		244
Total		528,793	-	58,895		587,688		1,123,554
Net assets released from restrictions	E-SATE SATE OF THE	70,345		(70,345)			<u> </u>	-
Total support and revenues		599,138		(11,450)		587,688	,	1,123,554
Expenses:								
Program services		477,225		-		477,225		694,344
Fundraising and special events		90,177		-		90,177		84,875
General and administrative		132,457		-		132,457		123,260
Total expenses		699,859		-		699,859		902,479
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets		(100,721)		(11,450)		(112,171)		221,075
Net Assets, Beginning of Year		452,232		96,415		548,647		327,572
Net Assets, End of Year	\$	351,511	\$	84,965	\$	436,476	\$	548,647

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

## SEE ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

	2017	<u>2016</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Increase (Decrease) in net assets	\$ (112,171)	\$ 221,075
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to		
net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation	245	245
(Increase) decrease in assets		
Accounts receivable	-	-
Inventories	(3,960)	(1,502)
Prepaid expenses	1,062	33
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		
Accounts payable	(1,434)	1,293
Accrued expenses	(2,903)	2,360
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Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	 (119,161)	 223,504
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Purchase of property and equipment	 -	 (1,434)
	-	(1,434)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash	(119,161)	222,070
Cash and equivalents - Beginning of Year	 546,642	 324,572
Cash and equivalents - End of Year	\$ 427,481	\$ 546,642
Supplemental Dislosures		
Interest paid	\$ -	\$ -

## STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

## SEE ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

		Suppo	ort Services		
	Program Services	Fundraising	undraising General and Administrative		2016 Comparative Total
Salaries	\$ 116,802	\$ 49,749	\$ 49,749	\$ 216,300	\$ 224,687
Payroll tax expense	10,439	4,446	4,446	19,332	20,392
Total personnel costs	127,241	54,195	54,195	235,632	245,079
Project expenditures	81,997	-	-	81,997	44,158
Educational and promotional items	23,533	-	-	23,533	14,534
Convention expenses	122,364	-	***	122,364	71,512
Advertising and marketing	6,359	-	-	6,359	926
Bank and processing charges	-	-	10,865	10,865	8,979
Computer services	25,290	6,826	2,730	34,846	27,304
Contracted services	(80)	-	24,336	24,256	1,533
Depreciation	-	-	245	245	245
Donations	2,137	· —	-	2,137	8,897
Dues and subscriptions	<del>-</del>	-	948	948	-
Entertainment and meals	1,824	-	-	1,824	283
Fiscal sponsor	17,516	-	-	17,516	1,950
Fundraising	-	4,211	-	4,211	20,637
Insurance	806	-	3,702	4,508	2,461
Interest	-	-	119	119	-
Legal and accounting	-	-	10,105	10,105	9,620
Miscellaneous	-	-	4,526	4,526	469
Moving expense	_	-	••	-	8,309
Office expense	3,249	1,300	1,949	6,498	4,807
Postage and mailing	-	11,497	2,534	14,031	7,644
Printing	11,304	2,418	4,701	18,423	21,577
Professional development	70	-	-	70	359
Rent	6,906	2,338	3,506	12,750	11,688
Telephone	4,055	905	1,508	6,468	6,030
Travel	40,249	5,923	5,923	52,095	25,945
Utilities	2,405	564	564	3,533	2,397
	\$ 477,225	\$ 90,177	\$ 132,457	\$ 699,859	\$ 547,343

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

#### Note 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Organization and Activities

Veterans For Peace, Inc. (the Organization) has independent chapters and at-large members located throughout the United States and Puerto Rico. These financial statements reflect only the activities of the national headquarters located in St. Louis, Missouri and do not purport to include any activity of other independent chapters or at-large members.

The national headquarters located in St. Louis, Missouri of the Veterans For Peace, Inc. was incorporated in 1985 under the non-profit statues of the State of Maine. Its purpose is to promote alternatives to war by addressing the issues of national and international policies through peaceful and non-violent means.

The Organization's principal sources of revenue are from the collection of members' dues, charitable contributions and sales of educational and promotional items. It also earns fees for administering funds for various projects sponsored by member chapters.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities.

#### Financial Statement Presentation

Financial statement presentation follows the requirements of Financial Accounting Standards Board. Therefore, the Organization reports its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets.

*Unrestricted net assets* consist of resources available for the various programs and administration of the Organization which have not been restricted by a donor.

Temporarily restricted net assets consist of donor restricted contributions. Temporarily restricted contributions may expire either by the passage of time or by certain actions taken by the Organization which fulfill the restriction.

Permanently restricted net assets consist of donor restricted contributions which are required to be held in perpetuity. Income from the assets held is available for either general operations or specific purposes in accordance with donor stipulations. The Organization did not have any permanently restricted net assets for the years ended December 31, 2017 or 2016.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

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

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

#### Note 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

The Organization's cash and cash equivalents consist of demand accounts, cash management funds and money market accounts. Cash and cash equivalents are stated at fair value. Earnings on the cash and equivalents are reflected in the statement of activities.

#### Contributions

Contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. The Organization reports gifts of cash, grants and other assets as restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is when a stipulated time restriction ends or a purpose restriction is fulfilled, temporarily restricted net assets, are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

#### Inventories

Inventories consist of books, videos and promotional items purchased for resale. Inventories are valued at average cost. No effort is made to determine whether cost exceeds market value.

#### **Fixed Assets**

Fixed assets are stated at cost, if purchased, and fair value at the time of donation, if donated. According to the Organization's capitalization policy, all fixed assets purchased or donated exceeding \$500 are capitalized. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the assets ranging from 3 to 10 years.

#### Functional Expenses

The Organization allocates its expenses on a functional basis among its various programs and support services. Expenses that relate directly to a specific program or support service are allocated according to their natural expenditure classification. Other expenses that are common to several functions are allocated by various statistical methods.

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Income Tax Status

Veterans For Peace, Inc. is tax-exempt under Section 501c (3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. As such, the Organization is only taxed on income from any activities unrelated to its charitable purpose. The Organization did not have any unrelated business income for 2016 or 2015; therefore, the statements do not include any provision for income taxes. Additionally, the Organization qualifies for charitable contribution deductions under Section 170(b) (1) (A).

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

#### Note 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

The Organization has adopted the standards for accounting for uncertainty in income taxes and management is not aware of any uncertain tax provisions of the Organization related to the tax filings.

The Organization continually evaluates the effects of all tax positions taken including expiring statues of limitations, tax examinations, unrelated business income and new authoritative rulings. The Organization files federal information returns (Form 990). The statutes of limitations for information returns filed for the years ended December 31, 2014, through 2017 have not expired and therefore are subject to examination.

#### Reclassifications

Certain summarized amounts in the prior year statement of functional expenses presented have been reclassified to conform to the current year financial statement presentation. These reclassifications have no effect on previously reported net assets.

#### **Comparative Financial Statements**

These financial statements include summarized comparative prior-year information in the statements of activities and statements of functional expenses. That information does not contain sufficient detail to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, this information should be read in conjunction with the Organization's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016.

#### **Evaluation of Subsequent Events**

The Organization has evaluated subsequent events through June 11, 2018, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### NOTE 2 – Concentration of Credit Risk

The Organization maintains cash deposits in bank accounts insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000 per institution. The Organization's cash deposit accounts, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Organization has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

#### **NOTE 3 – Fixed Assets**

Fixed assets, consists of the following at December 31, 2017 and 2016:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Office furniture and fixtures	\$ 2,465	\$ 2,465
Computer equipment	6,464	6,464
Total	8,929	8,929
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(7,266)</u>	<u>(7020)</u>
Fixed assets, net	\$ <u>1,663</u>	<u>\$ 1,909</u>

Depreciation charged to expense was \$246 for both the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

#### **NOTE 4 – Restrictions on Net Assets**

Temporarily restricted net assets relate to contributions and unexpended funds from projects managed by the Organization's national headquarters. Temporary restricted net assets are restricted for the use in the following projects:

	2017	<u>2016</u>
Communications	\$ 5	\$ 5
David Cline Memorial Fund	1,721	1,482
Delegation Fund	5,905	_
Deported Vets Chapter 176	(1,680)	(2,901)
Ferguson Travel Fund	_	504
Golden Rule	219	232
International Veterans Program	335	_
Iraq Water Project	8,141	8,658
Islamophobia	17,682	27,666
Korean Peace Campaign	2,594	1,949
National Campaign to End Korean War	148	442
Non-Violence Activist Training	1,000	1,000
Peace in Our Times	10,324	10,095
Stop These Wars	-	4,565
Travel Outreach	2,053	-
VFP Chapter 160	1,353	1,200
War Crimes Times	(463)	(463)
War Economy	-	251
Zinn Fund – Chapters' Portion	(5,456)	44
Zinn Fund for Peace and Justice	41,086	41,686
	\$ 84,965	\$ <u>96,415</u>

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

#### **NOTE 5 – Operating Lease Commitments**

The Organization entered into an operating lease for the location of its administrative office on December 11, 2014. The original lease term was for one year from January 2015 through December 31, 2015. On October 16, 2015, the Organization agreed to an extension of the lease for one year extending the lease period through December 31, 2016 and a second amendment was executed extending the lease through December 31, 2017 at monthly rentals of \$1,063. Payments made pursuant to the office space lease are reported as rent in the statement of functional expenses and totaled \$12,750 for both years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

#### **NOTE 6 – Subsequent Events**

The date to which events occurring after December 31, 2017 have been evaluated for possible adjustment to the financial statements or disclosure is June 11, 2018, which is the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.

Based on the evaluation, management has determined that there are no additional matters that would require an adjustment to the financial statements or additional disclosures.