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## **Independent Accountant's Review Report**

Board of Directors Kula Project, Inc.

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Kula Project, Inc. (a nonprofit corporation) which comprise of the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2021, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2021. A review involves primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of company 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 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.

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagements 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 assurance 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.

# **Independent Accountant's Review Report-Continued**

Based on our reviews, 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.

T Ridenour CPA, LLC Alpharetta, Georgia

May 23, 2022

# KULA PROJECT, INC. STATEMENT OF POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### **ASSETS**

Current Assets		
Cash	\$	248,302
Inventory		96,000
Investments-short term		100,472
Total current assets		444,774
Total Assets	\$	444,774
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities		
Credit card payable and other	\$	5,437
Total current liabilities	<u></u>	5,437
Net Assets		
Unrestricted		439,337
Total net assets		439,337
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Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	444,774

# KULA PROJECT, INC STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

Revenue and Support		
Product sales	\$	69,243
Investment income	\$	472
Contributions and grants		846,502
Total revenue and support		916,217
Expenses		
Program services		
Rwanda operations		544,918
Coffee supplies		79,578
Donor trips		4,175
Total program services		628,671
Supporting services		
Management and general		89,785
Fundraising and development		31,012
Total supporting services		120,797
Total expenses	1	749,468
Change in net assets	•	166,749
Net assets, beginning of year	Name of the last o	272,588
Net assets, end of year	\$	439,337

# KULA PROJECT, INC STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Program Services	Management and General		Fundraising		Total	
Rwanda operations	\$413,326	\$	_	\$	· <u>-</u>	\$413,326	
Salaries	122,239		38,015		-	160,254	
Payroll taxes	9,353		2,908		-	12,261	
Benefits and other	_		7,950		-	7,950	
Contract labor			16,870			16,870	
Professional fees	-		8,662		-	8,662	
Marketing	-		-		25,706	25,706	
Occupancy	_		-		-	-	
Interest	-		-		-	-	
Information technology	-		5,189		-	5,189	
Insurance	-		468		-	468	
Supplies	-		3,834		-	3,834	
Bank charges	-		4,383		-	4,383	
Postage	-		-		5,306	5,306	
Other			1,506			1,506	
	\$544,918	\$	89,785	\$	31,012	\$665,715	

# KULA PROJECT, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

# Cash flows from operating activities

Change in net assets  Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash from operating activities:	\$ 166,749
Credit card payable and other PPP loan forgiveness Inventory	4,392 (28,750) (73,500)
Net cash provided by operating activities	68,891
Cash flows from investing activities	
Investments purchased  Net cash provided by investing activities	 (100,472) (100,472)
Net change in cash	 (31,581)
Cash - beginning of year Cash - end of year	\$ 279,883 248,302

## KULA PROJECT, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION AND DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES

Kula Project, Inc. (Kula) is a Georgia non-profit corporation formed in May 2012. Through Kula's fellowship providing industry training, business investment, and life and leadership skills, our Fellows are empowered to build profitable business, raise healthy families and send their children to school. Operations are concentrated Rwanda, Africa.

Kula Project's approach to eradicating poverty through the development of entrepreneurs in Rwanda is implemented through the five steps of the Kula Fellowship Program. These steps build the capacity of Fellows to create and manage viable businesses that can improve their livelihoods and allow them to maintain positive outcomes in the long-term. In addition, the steps we provide allow Fellows to build the skills necessary to create holistic impact for themselves, their families, and their communities. The Kula Fellowship is structured along a 15-month cycle, followed by a graduation model that provides support to Fellowship Alumni and allows for long-term progress evaluation.

**Step One** of the Fellowship is Relationship Building. Kula's Rwandan staff conducts extensive baseline assessments with our cooperatives and spends relational time with Fellows and their families to know them both quantitatively and qualitatively. Beginning the project with a baseline is critical for Kula to be able to assess whether impacts are continuously generated over time and to be informed of how best to adapt training modules to the needs of Fellows.

**Step Two** is Industry Training. Fellows participate in consistent and in-depth industry training, support, and follow-up to each of our fellows in their specific industry: coffee farming for Coffee Fellows and tailoring, weaving and agribusiness for Artisan Fellows. These industry trainings equip Fellows with the skills, techniques, and equipment to continue to improve the performance and productivity of their businesses.

**Step Three** is Life and Leadership Skills, a holistic approach to livelihood and well-being that takes place alongside step two. Kula mentors conduct intensive training and one-on-one mentorship to Fellows in areas of Household Visioning and Action Planning, Financial Literacy, Business Leadership, Family Health and Nutrition, Family and Gender Equity, Self-Esteem, and Entrepreneurship. Kula mentors also provide personalized follow-up to each Fellow as they are applying lessons learned. By providing training that is not only aimed at increasing business capacity, but also aimed at increasing equity, inclusive leadership, and personal well-being, Kula is able to ensure that Fellows have the confidence, the community support, and the creative capacities to build better futures for themselves and for those around them.

**Step Four** is Business Investment. After completing the training, fellows have the opportunity to submit a business plan based on their learning which meets specific investment criteria. Selected Fellows are then provided a business investment ranging from \$100 USD to \$1,000 USD upon graduation, equipping them to improve their current businesses or launch new ones.

**Step Five** of the Fellowship is Impact Measurement. We collect qualitative and quantitative data to monitor and evaluate the impact of our work throughout the Fellowship and after graduation. We then determine the best way to amend the Fellowship to support each person towards empowerment. As a result, Kula will be able to demonstrate in the short, medium, and long-term, the capacity of Fellows to sustain livelihood improvements independently, and to spark positive outcomes for themselves, their families, and their communities.

#### NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of presentation

The financial statements of Kula have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP).

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Estimates also effect the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash

Kula considers all highly liquid instruments purchased with original maturities of three months or less to be cash. The Company maintains cash balances with financial institutions that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

From time to time throughout the year cash balances may exceed the federally insured limit. However, Kula has not experienced and does not expect to incur any losses in such accounts.

#### Investments

Kula has transferred some of its cash to an investment account. These investments include a total stock market fund, short term bond funds and cash. These are expected to be held on a short-term basis.

#### Functional Allocation of Expenses

Kula allocates its expenses on a functional basis among its programs and support services. Expenses that can be identified with a specific program and support service are allocated directly according to their natural classification. Other expenses that are common to several functions are allocated by other reasonable methods.

#### **NOTE 3 – INCOME TAXES**

Kula is a non-profit organization exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 501(c)(3). In addition, Kula qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170(b)(1)(a)(vi) and has been classified as other than a private foundation under Section 509(a)(1) of the IRC.

#### NOTE 4 – PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM (PPP)

Included as income under "Contributions and Grants" is PPP Loan forgiveness. On March 26, 2021, Kula's Paycheck Protection Program loan (PPP) was forgiven by the SBA as expected.

#### NOTE 5 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

None.