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Integrity Monitor Firm Name: K2 Integrity
Quarter Ending: March 31, 2026
Expected Engagement End Date: December 31, 2026

A. General Info

1. Recovery Program Participant:

New Jersey Economic Development Authority (“NJEDA”).

2. Federal Funding Source (e.g. CARES, HUD, FEMA, ARPA):

American Rescue Plan State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (“ARP SLFRF”).

3. State Funding Source (if applicable):

N/A.

4. Deadline for Use of State or Federal Funding by Recovery Program Participant:

December 31, 2026.

5. Accountability Officer:

Elizabeth George-Cheniara, Director Legal Compliance.

6. Program(s) under Review/Subject to Engagement:

Urban Investment Fund Grant (“UIFG”) Program.

7. Brief Description, Purpose, and Rationale of Integrity Monitor Project/Program:

The Urban Investment Fund Grant (UIFG) Program is an initiative administered by NJEDA and funded through the ARP SLFRF. It is designed to support revitalization strategies in distressed urban municipalities by funding real estate projects that enhance commercial corridors. The program’s purpose is to stimulate economic recovery in areas impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic by increasing foot traffic, commercial activity, and equitable development. It targets underutilized or vacant properties

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and public spaces to transform them into vibrant, mixed-use, 24-hour economic centers. The rationale behind the program is to address the economic disruptions caused by remote work trends and reduced in-person commerce, ensuring that federal recovery funds are used effectively and in compliance with regulatory deadlines, with all projects to be completed by December 31, 2026.

8. Amount Allocated to Program(s) under Review:

\$38,198,148.00

9. Amount Expended by Recovery Program Participant to Date on Program(s) under Review:

\$24,197,685 are in the closed stage and \$14,000,000 are in the closing stage as of 3/18/2026 on CRM. \$0 has been disbursed as of 3/18/2026.

10. Amount Provided to Other State or Local Entities:

N/A.

11. Completion Status of Program (e.g. planning phase, application review, post-payment):

As of March 2026, the board has approved awards to all six eligible applicants. These include: 1) City of Paterson 2) City of Passaic 3) City of New Brunswick 4) City of Trenton 5) Invest Newark (for City of Newark) and 6) Cooper's Ferry Development Association/Camden Community Partnership, LLC (for City of Camden).

Four grant agreements have been executed: 1) Camden Community Partnership, LLC; 2) City of Passaic 3) City of New Brunswick; and 4) Invest Newark. Invoices are under review for one Grantee.

The program is funded with ~\$38 million from ARP SLFRF, and is structured as a pilot initiative.

The Project Completion date must not extend beyond December 31, 2026, unless the Grantee continues work on the Project by utilizing funding that

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originates from sources other than the Grant Award, in which case the Project Completion date will be no later than December 31, 2027.

12. Completion Status of Integrity Monitor Engagement:

On-going.

B. Monitoring Activities

13. If FEMA funded, brief description of the status of the project worksheet and its support:

a) IM Response

N/A.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

14. Description of the services provided to the Recovery Program Participant during the quarter (i.e. activities conducted, such as meetings, document review, staff training, etc.):

a) IM Response

The Monitor reviewed TOR-specific documentation for applicants and products with distributed funds. Specifically, the Monitor reviewed the CRM system to identify documentation submitted to date in support of those TORs and to inform document review and testing selections. The Monitor participated in a walkthrough with NJEDA's federal team to discuss the reporting process, including expenditure tracking, reporting requirements, and systems used for SLFRF and SSBCI programs.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

15. Description to confirm appropriate data/information has been provided by the Recovery Program Participant and description of activities taken to review the project/program:

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a) IM Response

See response to Question 14.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

16. Description of quarterly auditing activities conducted to ensure procurement compliance with terms and conditions of contracts and agreements:

a) IM Response

See response to Question 14.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

17. If payment documentation in connection with the contract/program has been reviewed, provide description.

a) IM Response

N/A.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

18. Description of quarterly activity to prevent and detect waste, fraud, and/or abuse:

a) IM Response

See response to Question 14.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

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19. Details of any integrity issues/findings, including findings of waste, fraud, and/or abuse:

a) IM Response

None.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

20. Details of any other items of note that have occurred in the past quarter:

a) IM Response

None.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

21. Details of any actions taken to remediate waste, fraud, and/or abuse noted in past quarters:

a) IM Response

N/A.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

C. Miscellaneous

22. List of hours (by employee) and expenses incurred to perform quarterly integrity monitoring review:

a) IM Response

Bradley Sussman	0.00 hours, no expenses
Tejah Duckworth	0.00 hours, no expenses
Michael Bernstein	0.00 hours, no expenses

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Naomi Pena	2.25 hours, no expenses
Michael Quevedo	0.00 hours, no expenses
Lucy Gonzales	0.00 hours, no expenses
Bruce Archer	0.00 hours, no expenses

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

N/A.

23. Add any item, issue, or comment not covered in previous sections but deemed pertinent to monitoring program:

a) IM Response

None.

b) Recovery Program Participant Comments

None.

Name of Integrity Monitor:
Name of Report Preparer:

K2 Integrity
Tejah Duckworth



Signature:
Date:

3/31/2026