

CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT
FEDERAL SINGLE AUDIT REPORT
JUNE 30, 2024



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FEDERAL PROGRAM, REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE,
AND REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF
FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council
City of New Britain, Connecticut

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the City of New Britain, Connecticut's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City of New Britain, Connecticut's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The City of New Britain, Connecticut's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the City of New Britain, Connecticut complied, in all material respects, with the 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, 2024.

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 (GAAS); 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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the City of New Britain, Connecticut 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 the City of New Britain, Connecticut'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 the City of New Britain, Connecticut's federal programs.

Auditors' 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 the City of New Britain, Connecticut'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 GAAS, *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 the City of New Britain, Connecticut's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *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 the City of New Britain, Connecticut'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 the City of New Britain, Connecticut'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 the City of New Britain, Connecticut'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.

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council
City of New Britain, Connecticut

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' 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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of New Britain, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of New Britain, Connecticut's basic financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 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 basic 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.



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West Hartford, Connecticut
March 27, 2025

**CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
United States Department of Agriculture				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Education:</i>				
Child Nutrition Cluster:				
National School Lunch Program (Noncash)	10.555	12060-SDE64370-20560	\$ 320,579	
National School Lunch Program	10.555	12060-SDE64370-20560	5,116,957	
School Breakfast Program	10.553	12060-SDE64370-20508	2,166,122	
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	12060-SDE64370-20540	200,120	
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	12060-SDE64370-20548	16,941	
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582	12060-SDE64370-22051	288,900	
				\$ 8,109,619
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	12060-SDE64370-20518	402,195	
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	12060-SDE64370-20544	27,917	
				430,112
COVID-19 State Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer				
Administrative Costs	10.649	12060-SDE64370-29802		15,010
Total United States Department of Agriculture			\$ -	8,554,741
United States Department of Transportation				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation:</i>				
Highway Safety Cluster:				
State and Community Highway Safety	20.600	12062-DOT57513-20559	25,376	
National Priority Safety Programs	20.616	12062-DOT57513-22600	23,851	
				49,227
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	12062-DOT57141-22108	927,122	
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	12062-DOT57191-22108	171,015	
				1,098,137
Alcohol Open Container Requirements	20.607	12062-DOT57513-22091		86,232
Total United States Department of Transportation			-	1,233,596
United States Department of Education				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Education:</i>				
Special Education Cluster (IDEA):				
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	12060-SDE64370-20977-2024	2,935,073	
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	12060-SDE64370-20977-2023	520,835	
Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	12060-SDE64370-20983-2024	110,007	
Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	12060-SDE64370-20983-2023	15,494	
Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	12060-SDE64370-20983-2022	-	
				3,581,409
Education Stabilization Fund:				
COVID-19 ESSERF K-12 Fund	84.425D	12060-SDE64370-29571-2021	1,462,560	
COVID-19 American Rescue Plan - ESSER	84.425U	12060-SDE64370-29636-2021	15,000	
COVID-19 American Rescue Plan - ESSER	84.425U	12060-SDE64370-29636-2021	27,898,283	
COVID-19 Elementary & Secondary School	84.425W	12060-SDE64370-29650-2021	89,248	
				29,465,091
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679-2024	6,227,260	
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679-2023	95,497	
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679-2024	727,624	
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679-2023	285,633	
				7,336,014

See accompanying Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	12060-SDE64370-20742-2024		\$ 316,098
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	12060-SDE64370-20858-2024	\$ 515,352	
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	12060-SDE64370-20858-2023	29,200	544,552
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	84.287	12060-SDE64370-20863-2024		86,700
Title IV - Student Support	84.424	12060-SDE64370-22854-2024	427,888	
Title IV - Student Support	84.424	12060-SDE64370-22854-2023	41,179	469,067
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	12060-SDE64370-20868-2023	59,695	
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	12060-SDE64370-20868-2024	137,133	
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	12060-SDE64370-20868-2023	126,988	323,816
Education for Homeless Children and Youth	84.196	12060-SDE64370-20770-2023	30,000	
Education for Homeless Children and Youth	84.196	12060-SDE64370-20770-2022	30,000	60,000
Total United States Department of Education			\$ -	42,182,747
United States Department of Justice				
<i>Direct:</i>				
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	16.738			233,815
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection:</i>				
Missing Children's Assistance	16.543	12060-DPS32353-21917		2,165
Total United States Department of Justice			-	235,980
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development				
<i>Direct:</i>				
CDBG - Entitlement/Special Purpose Grants Cluster: Community Development Block Grants/Entitlement Grants	14.218		181,084	1,481,284
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239			22,978
Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant Program	14.905			652,004
Total United States Department of Housing and Urban Development			181,084	2,156,266
United States Department of Health and Human Services				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health:</i>				
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant funded solely with Prevention and Public Health Funds (PPHF)	93.758	12060-DPH48873-22664		32,995
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)	93.323	12060-DPH48551-29582		388,732
Immunization Cooperative Agreements (Noncash)	93.268		41,580	
Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268	12060-DPH48664-20911	58,862	
Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268	12060-DPH48664-29627	155,328	255,770
Injury Prevention and Control Research and State and Community Based Programs	93.136	12060-DPH48882-22954		12,850
Total United States Department of Health and Human Services			-	690,347

See accompanying Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
United States Department of Homeland Security				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection:</i>				
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	12060-DPS32981-21881		\$ 36,279
Total United States Department of Homeland Security			\$ -	36,279
United States Department of the Treasury				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management:</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027		\$ 8,433,387	
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Education:</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (FAFSA Completion)	21.027	12060-SDE64370-28092-2024		8,348
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Magnets - 1 Year Tuition)	21.027	12060-SDE64370-28112-2023		527,150
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Magnet Schools)	21.027	12060-SDE64370-28297-2024		306,105
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Right to Read)	21.027	12060-SDE64370-29732-2023		374,479
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Faith Acts PSDs)	21.027	12060-SDE64370-29733-2021		466,586
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health:</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Lead-Safe Homes)	21.027	12060-DPH48766-28159		45,760
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection:</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Violent Crimes Task Force)	21.027	12060-DPS32521-28125		33,576
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Office of Early Childhood:</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (School Readiness)	21.027	12060-OEC64845-28227		602,401
				10,797,792
Total United States Department of the Treasury			-	10,797,792
United States Environmental Protection Agency				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health:</i>				
Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	66.468	12060-DPH48770-22467		316,281
Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	66.468	21018-DPH48770-42319		969,898
				1,286,179
Total United States Environmental Protection Agency			-	1,286,179
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 181,084	\$ 67,173,927

See accompanying Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

**CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the City of New Britain, Connecticut, under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the 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).

Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the City of New Britain, Connecticut, it is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in fund balance, changes in net position or cash flows of the City of New Britain, Connecticut.

Basis of Accounting

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance. Under these principles certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE 2 INDIRECT COST RECOVERY

The City of New Britain, Connecticut, has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate provided under Section 200.414 of the Uniform Guidance

NOTE 3 NONCASH AWARDS

Donated commodities in the amount of \$320,579 are included in the Department of Agriculture's National School Lunch Program, Assistance Listing #10.555. The amount represents the market value of commodities received.

Noncash assistance vaccines in the amount of \$41,580 are included in the Department of Health and Human Services Immunization Cooperative Agreements Assistance Listing #93.268.



**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS***

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council
City of New Britain, Connecticut

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of New Britain, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of New Britain, Connecticut's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City of New Britain, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of New Britain, Connecticut's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of New Britain, Connecticut's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

We identified a deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-001 that we consider to be significant deficiency.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of New Britain, Connecticut's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

City of New Britain, Connecticut's Response to Finding

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the City of New Britain, Connecticut's response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. City of New Britain, Connecticut's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

West Hartford, Connecticut
March 27, 2025

**CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Section I – Summary of Auditors’ Results

Financial Statements

1. Type of auditors’ report issued: Unmodified
2. Internal control over financial reporting:
 - Material weakness(es) identified? _____ yes x no
 - Significant deficiency(ies) identified? x yes _____ none reported
3. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? _____ yes x no

Federal Awards

1. Internal control over major federal programs:
 - Material weakness(es) identified? _____ yes x no
 - Significant deficiency(ies) identified? _____ yes x none reported
2. Type of auditors’ report issued on compliance for federal programs: Unmodified
3. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? _____ yes x no

Identification of Major Federal Programs

Assistance Listing Number(s)	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
84.425D / 84.425U / 84.425W	COVID -19 Education Stabilization Fund
21.027	COVID -19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
10.555/10.553/10.559/10.582	Child Nutrition Cluster
14.218	Community Development Block Grants Entitlement/Special Purpose Grants Cluster

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:

\$ 2,013,970

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

_____ yes x no

**CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Finding No. 2024-001

Fiscal Year-End Close Procedures

Type of Finding:

Significant Deficiency in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Condition

The financial close process of the City did not include a timely final review of funds to record adjustments to account balances in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. This lack of final review caused delays in audit work and a number of client entries being prepared during the audit process as well as audit adjustments processed.

Criteria

Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) requires that revenue be recognized when it is both measurable and available and receivables and revenue within an Enterprise Fund should be recorded in accordance with full accrual basis of accounting.

Cause

Shortage in staffing within the finance department to review balances and lack of a formal financial close process.

Effect

Increased risk of material misstatement within the financial statements.

Repeat Finding

Yes, 2023-002.

Recommendation

We recommend that the City develop a formal financial close process to ensure each fund's year-end balances are analyzed timely and corrected appropriately.

Views of Responsible Officials

Management agrees with this finding

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs

Our audit did not disclose any matters required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a).



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