# Colorado Gives Foundation

Consolidated Financial Report December 31, 2023

# **Colorado Gives Foundation**

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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Directors Colorado Gives Foundation

### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Colorado Gives Foundation and its subsidiary (the "Foundation"), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the related consolidated statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Colorado Gives Foundation and its subsidiary as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the changes in their net assets, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities* for the Audits of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Foundation and to meet our ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Emphasis of Matter

As described in Note 4, the consolidated financial statements include investments valued at \$131,819,613 (30 percent of net assets) at December 31, 2023 and \$139,265,532 (33 percent of net assets) at December 31, 2022, whose fair values are not based on readily determinable fair values. Management's estimates are based on monthly and quarterly statements received from the fund managers for the period end. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the consolidated financial statements are issued or available to be issued.



#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and, therefore, is not a guarantee that audits conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the consolidated financial statements.

In performing audits in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audits.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, 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 amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial
  statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audits 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
  Foundation's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting
  estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial
  statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audits, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audits.

Flante & Moran, PLLC

July 18, 2024

# Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

	December 31, 2023 and 2022				
		2023		2022	
Assets					
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	9,639,809 210,832	\$	9,318,540 175,599	
Total current assets		9,850,641		9,494,139	
Investments		484,968,067		461,921,359	
Impact Investments		984,171		1,430,803	
Property and Equipment - Net		3,089,918		3,333,761	
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance		1,620,474		1,554,024	
Total noncurrent assets		490,662,630	_	468,239,947	
Total assets	\$	500,513,271	\$	477,734,086	
Liabilities and Net Assets					
Current Liabilities Accounts payable Grants payable Accrued expenses  Total current liabilities	\$	819,630 6,026,200 836,464 7,682,294	\$	775,001 5,561,184 632,100 6,968,285	
Deferred Gift Annuity Liability		27,338		28,855	
Agency Funds		54,931,827		44,952,896	
Total liabilities		62,641,459		51,950,036	
Net Assets Without donor restrictions: Undesignated Donor advised Board designated	_	366,339,655 19,572,097 15,149,948		352,732,973 21,236,513 15,234,592	
Total net assets without donor restrictions		401,061,700		389,204,078	
With donor restrictions		36,810,112		36,579,972	
Total net assets		437,871,812		425,784,050	
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	500,513,271	\$	477,734,086	

# Consolidated Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

		2023			2022	
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Revenue, Gains, and Other Support						
Contributions	\$ 8,943,138	\$ 86,838			120,254 \$	10,688,854
Contributions - ColoradoGives.org	68,546,830	-	68,546,830	75,342,690	-	75,342,690
In-kind donations	410,039	-	410,039	583,620	-	583,620
Less contributions received for agency funds	(75,800,547)	-	(75,800,547)	(85,042,068)	-	(85,042,068)
Other income	2,059,798	-	2,059,798	1,826,647	-	1,826,647
Investment return received from agency funds Less investment return received from agency funds	5,923,501 (5,923,501)	-	5,923,501 (5,923,501)	(7,537,302) 7,537,302	-	(7,537,302) 7,537,302
Gain on sale of fixed assets	(5,923,501)	-	(3,923,301)	1,331,302	-	1,551,502
Net assets released from restrictions	3,718,427	(3,718,427)	5,725	8,063,781	(8,063,781)	-
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Total revenue, gains, and other	7,881,410	(2 624 500)	4 240 924	11 212 270	(7.042.507)	2 200 742
support	7,881,410	(3,631,589)	4,249,821	11,343,270	(7,943,527)	3,399,743
Expenses						
Program services:						
ColoradoGives.org	72,513,336	-	72,513,336	78,939,117	-	78,939,117
Community impact and outreach	24,706,087	-	24,706,087	23,590,181	-	23,590,181
Management fees	925,650	-	925,650	930,080	-	930,080
Less grants and management fees made from agency funds	(71,745,117)	_	(71,745,117)	(79,181,512)	_	(79,181,512)
agency funds	(11,110,111)		(11,110,111)	(10,101,012)		(10,101,012)
Total program services	26,399,956	-	26,399,956	24,277,866	-	24,277,866
Support services:						
Management and general	2,343,938	-	2,343,938	1,986,456	-	1,986,456
Fundraising	1,256,655	-	1,256,655	1,117,431	-	1,117,431
Total support services	3,600,593	-	3,600,593	3,103,887	-	3,103,887
Total expenses	30,000,549		30,000,549	27,381,753		27,381,753
Decrease in Net Assets - Before investment return (loss)						
- Net	(22,119,139)	(3,631,589)	(25,750,728)	(16,038,483)	(7,943,527)	(23,982,010)
Investment Return (Loss)	33,976,761	3,861,729	37,838,490	(51,100,863)	(6,586,586)	(57,687,449)
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	11,857,622	230,140	12,087,762	(67,139,346)	(14,530,113)	(81,669,459)
Net Assets - Beginning of year	389,204,078	36,579,972	425,784,050	456,343,424	51,110,085	507,453,509
Net Assets - End of year	\$ 401,061,700	\$ 36,810,112	\$ 437,871,812	\$ 389,204,078 \$	36,579,972 \$	425,784,050

# Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses

# Year Ended December 31, 2023

	F	Program Services					
	ColoradoGives .org	Community Impact and Outreach	Total	Management and General	Fundraising	Total	Total
Grants	\$ 70,272,415	\$ 22,035,270 \$	92,307,685	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 92,307,685
Salaries and benefits	796,172	1,480,991	2,277,163	1,561,518	827,317	2,388,835	4,665,998
Professional fees	1,216,953	911,380	2,128,333	583,512	318,184	901,696	3,030,029
Fund management fees	<u>-</u>	925,650	925,650	-	-	-	925,650
Occupancy	5,516	59,179	64,695	15,102	8,439	23,541	88,236
Depreciation	16,781	157,060	173,841	50,367	30,122	80,489	254,330
Insurance	-	-	-	64,117	-	64,117	64,117
Postage and printing	180,544	21,594	202,138	25,646	27,400	53,046	255,184
Travel, conferences, and education	19,923	31,134	51,057	27,510	37,220	64,730	115,787
Miscellaneous	5,032	9,479	14,511	16,166	7,973	24,139	38,650
Total	72,513,336	25,631,737	98,145,073	2,343,938	1,256,655	3,600,593	101,745,666
Less grants and management fees made from agency funds	(70,819,467)	(925,650)	(71,745,117)				(71,745,117)
Total functional expenses	\$ 1,693,869	\$ 24,706,087	26,399,956	\$ 2,343,938	\$ 1,256,655	\$ 3,600,593	\$ 30,000,549

# Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses

# Year Ended December 31, 2022

	P	rogram Services	5				
	ColoradoGives .org	Community Impact and Outreach	Total	Management and General	Fundraising	Total	Total
Grants	\$ 77,294,095	\$ 21,596,100	\$ 98,890,195	\$ -	\$ - \$	- :	\$ 98,890,195
Salaries and benefits	630,616	1,215,341	1,845,957	1,241,672	747,445	1,989,117	3,835,074
Professional fees	957,122	504,637	1,461,759	571,710	242,905	814,615	2,276,374
Fund management fees	-	930,080	930,080	-	-	-	930,080
Occupancy	5,940	76,004	81,944	21,419	45,627	67,046	148,990
Depreciation	12,369	150,503	162,872	33,502	20,296	53,798	216,670
Insurance	-	-	-	72,600	-	72,600	72,600
Postage and printing	7,629	7,567	15,196	6,647	10,502	17,149	32,345
Travel, conferences, and education	28,309	31,121	59,430	31,201	46,684	77,885	137,315
Miscellaneous	3,037	8,908	11,945	7,705	3,972	11,677	23,622
Total	78,939,117	24,520,261	103,459,378	1,986,456	1,117,431	3,103,887	106,563,265
Less grants and management fees made from agency funds	(78,251,432)	(930,080)	(79,181,512)			<u> </u>	(79,181,512)
Total functional expenses	\$ 687,685	\$ 23,590,181	\$ 24,277,866	\$ 1,986,456	\$ 1,117,431 \$	3,103,887	\$ 27,381,753

# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

# Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

		2023	2022
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Change in net assets Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash and cash	\$	12,087,762 \$	(81,669,459)
equivalents from operating activities: Depreciation Change in cash surrender value of life insurance Change in value of deferred gift annuity Endowment interest and dividends restricted for reinvestment Realized gains on sale of investments Unrealized (gains) losses on investments Contributions restricted for endowment Changes in operating assets and liabilities that (used) provided cash		254,330 (66,450) (1,517) (621,131) (150,682) (30,503,689) (464,006)	216,670 (85,337) (2,177) (446,111) (2,955,380) 74,790,729 (798,191)
and cash equivalents: Prepaid expenses and other assets Accounts payable Grants payable Accrued expenses Agency funds		(35,233) 44,629 465,016 204,364 9,978,931	(5,718) 454,431 (5,213,938) 65,516 (1,676,746)
Net cash and cash equivalents used in operating activities		(8,807,676)	(17,325,711)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Proceeds from sales of investments Purchases of investments Redemption (issuance) of impact investments Purchase of property and equipment		141,528,048 (133,920,385) 446,632 (10,487)	173,735,732 (164,754,127) (468,991) (323,668)
Net cash and cash equivalents provided by investing activities		8,043,808	8,188,946
Cash Flows from Financing Activities  Endowment interest and dividends restricted for reinvestment Proceeds from restricted endowment contributions		621,131 464,006	446,111 798,191
Net cash and cash equivalents provided by financing activities		1,085,137	1,244,302
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		321,269	(7,892,463)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of year	_	9,318,540	17,211,003
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of year	\$	9,639,809 \$	9,318,540

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## Note 1 - Nature of Business

Colorado Gives Foundation (formerly, Community First Foundation) has been connecting donors and Colorado nonprofits since 1975. We believe that a community is built by connection, and everyone can make good happen. Through ColoradoGives.org, we make it easy for people to donate to the causes they care about, enabling meaningful change to help our neighbors thrive. We achieve this by connecting people, ideas, and nonprofits based on a shared purpose; helping donors with philanthropic planning; and supporting nonprofits with grants and resources. Together, we strive to build resilient, connected, and thriving communities. Our work is rooted in radical listening and a commitment to equity and inclusion. Colorado Gives Foundation is where donors find and discover the community impact that matters most to them, which is good for everyone.

Purpose: To make good happen Vision: All of Jeffco is thriving

Mission: Connect people, ideas, and nonprofits

As the community foundation serving Jefferson County (Jeffco), Colorado, we believe it is hard to thrive when you cannot meet your most essential needs and that when our neighbors are economically secure, everyone benefits. We believe that resilient and connected neighborhoods are the backbone of a strong community and that civil discourse and social justice are key to strengthening this place we call home. We are also the creators of and continue to operate the ColoradoGives.org online giving platform that connects donors to the nonprofits they want to support.

CFF Arvada, LLC (CFF Arvada) was formed in 2014 as a single-member limited liability company, of which Colorado Gives Foundation is the sole member. CFF Arvada owns the land and building that is used as the headquarters of Colorado Gives Foundation.

# **Note 2 - Significant Accounting Policies**

### Reporting Entity

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Colorado Gives Foundation and CFF Arvada. All intercompany transactions have been eliminated upon consolidation. The consolidated entity herein is collectively referred to as the "Foundation."

## Basis of Presentation

The Foundation is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: net assets without donor restrictions and net assets with donor restrictions.

Net assets without restrictions are those currently available at the discretion of the board for use in the Foundation's operations. Board-designated funds are net assets that the board has set aside for specific purposes. Donor-advised funds are net assets where the Foundation has been granted variance power in connection with contributions received under donor-advised agreements.

Net assets with donor restrictions are moneys restricted by donors specifically for certain projects, programs, and time limitations or assets that must be maintained permanently by the Foundation, as required by the donor, but the Foundation is permitted to use or expend part or all of any income derived from those assets in accordance with donor specifications.

## Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, the Foundation considers all highly liquid debt instruments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents unless held for reinvestment as part of the investment portfolio. As of December 31, 2023, the Foundation had approximately \$10,704,000 of bank deposits in excess of FDIC-insured limits.

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# **Note 2 - Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

#### Investments

Investments are composed of equities, debt securities, money market funds, commodities, hedge funds, real estate, private equity, and private debt. Investments in marketable equity and fixed-fund securities with readily determinable market values are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Investments in alternative investments are reported at fair value when statements are received, which may have a lag of one to three months, and recorded net of capital contributions and distributions through December 31, due to the timing of when valuation information is available. The Foundation believes that there is no significant impact to the consolidated financial statements due to this method of reporting and provides timely reporting to fund holders. Unrealized gains and losses are included in investment return in the accompanying consolidated statement of activities and changes in net assets.

Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that change in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the consolidated statement of financial position.

### Impact Investments

The Foundation makes impact investments that specifically support its mission and vision, in addition to generating some financial return.

These impact investments include loans receivable made to various organizations. The loans range from \$74,500 to \$120,000, with interest at 2 percent per annum and payments due through June 2029. No discount on loans receivable has been recorded, as the amount is considered insignificant.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Foundation created the Metro Denver COVID Nonprofit Loan Fund (MDCNLF), an impact investment with a commitment of \$1,000,000. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Foundation had funded \$1,000,000 under this agreement. Loans receivable also include a net investment in the MDCNLF in the amount of \$891,669 and \$915,363 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The Foundation also considers a reserve for uncollectible loans receivable. Loans are evaluated for collectibility, and, if full principal or interest payments are not anticipated in accordance with contractual terms, an allowance is charged using an expected loss model that considers the Foundation's actual historical loss rates adjusted for current economic conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts. The Foundation considers industry and economic market conditions when making adjustments for reasonable and supportable forecasts. Uncollectible amounts are written off against the allowance for credit losses in the period they are determined to be uncollectible. The total reserve for all impact investments as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$170,508 and \$141,881, respectively.

### Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are reported at cost or estimated fair value for donated assets, net of accumulated depreciation. The Foundation follows the practice of capitalizing all expenditures for property and equipment over \$5,000. Expenditures for maintenance, repairs, and minor replacements are charged to operations. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which range from 3 to 30 years.

Donations of property and equipment are recorded as contributions at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Such donations are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions unless the donor has restricted the donated assets for a specific purpose.

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# **Note 2 - Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

## **Deferred Gift Annuity Liability**

Split-interest agreements are recorded as an asset, revenue, and a liability at the time of the gift. The liability amount is based upon the fair value of the underlying gift, the actuarial facts of the annuitant, and a present value discount rate for the expected life of the annuitant. The difference between this present value and the fair value of the gift is recorded as revenue at the time of the gift. Subsequent changes in the present value due to life expectancy or other actuarial facts are recognized as an increase or decrease of net assets in the year the change is detected.

## Agency Endowments and Designations

The Foundation follows accounting standards for transactions in which a community foundation accepts a contribution from a donor and agrees to transfer those assets, the return on investments of those assets, or both back to the donor nonprofit organization as a reciprocal transfer between the organization and the Foundation. Accordingly, the Foundation must account for the transfer of such assets as a liability. The Foundation has two types of such funds that are treated as liabilities: (a) agency endowments and (b) agency designations, including ColoradoGives.org. The Foundation has elected to present the agency transactions on a grossed-up basis in the consolidated statement of activities and changes in net assets. See Notes 6 and 7 for activity of agency funds.

#### **Contributions**

Contributions receivable that are expected to be collected within one year are recorded at net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of their estimated future cash flows. The discounts on those amounts are computed using risk-free interest rates applicable to the years in which the promises are received. Amortization of the discounts is included in contribution revenue. An allowance for uncollectible contributions is provided when evidence indicates amounts promised by donors may not be collectible.

All contributions are considered available for general use unless specifically restricted by the donor. The Foundation reports gifts of cash and other assets as donor-restricted if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use or timing of the donated assets. When the donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends and/or purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the consolidated statement of activities and changes in net assets as net assets released from restrictions.

#### Revenue Recognition

Other income includes management fees that are recognized by the Foundation over time as the service is provided.

### **Donated Services**

Contributed nonfinancial assets include donated media and advertising services and other in-kind contributions that are recorded at the respective fair values of the services received.

Contributed services are recognized as in-kind revenue at their estimated fair value if they create or enhance nonfinancial assets or they require specialized skills that would need to be purchased if they were not donated. The Foundation receives contributed advertising and media services used in program services that are reported at current rates charged for such services. The Foundation received donated media and advertising services of \$410,039 during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, which are included in in-kind donations on the consolidated statement of activities and changes in net assets.

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# **Note 2 - Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

## Functional Allocation of Expenses

The financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributable to more than one program or supporting function. Therefore, these expenses require allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. Expenses incurred directly for a service are charged to such service. Salaries and related fringe benefits are allocated to all services based on time and effort. Occupancy costs and depreciation are allocated on square footage. IT costs are allocated based on equipment counts. Costs have been allocated between the various program and support services based on estimates determined by management.

#### **Grants**

Unconditional grants are recorded as expenses and liabilities when they are approved. Most grants are expected to be paid within one year. Conditional grants that are expected to be paid in future years are expensed when such conditions are substantially met.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of additions and deductions during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Income Taxes

The Foundation is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). The Foundation is not a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code. Income from activities not directly related to the Foundation's tax-exempt purpose is subject to taxation as unrelated business income. Any tax expense incurred is estimated and recognized as management and general expense in the period the income tax return is filed.

### Subsequent Events

The Foundation has evaluated all subsequent events through July 18, 2024, which is the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued.

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# Note 3 - Liquidity and Availability of Resources

The following reflects the Foundation's financial assets as of December 31, reduced by amounts not available for general use because of contractual or donor-imposed restrictions within one year of the consolidated statement of financial position date:

	2023	 2022
Cash and cash equivalents Investments (Note 4) Impact investment Cash surrender value of life insurance	\$ 9,639,809 484,968,067 984,171 1,620,474	\$ 9,318,540 461,921,359 1,430,803 1,554,024
Total financial assets	497,212,521	474,224,726
Less those unavailable for general expenditures within one year due to:    Donor-restricted funds    Agency funds    Donor-advised funds    Board-designated funds    Contractual restrictions:    Impact investments not due within one year    Cash surrender value of life insurance	36,810,112 54,931,827 19,572,097 15,149,948 965,661 1,620,474	36,579,972 44,952,896 21,236,513 15,234,592 1,037,982 1,554,024
Total contractual or donor-imposed restrictions	129,050,119	120,595,979
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year	\$ 368,162,402	\$ 353,628,747

The Foundation's endowments consist of donor-restricted funds and funds without donor restrictions. Distributions from donor-restricted endowments are restricted for specific purposes and, therefore, are not available for general expenditure. The endowment without donor restrictions consists of funds that are not subject to any existing donor-imposed restrictions or board-imposed designations and, therefore, are available to support the operations and grant making of the Foundation.

The Foundation maintains liquidity based on projected short-term cash requirements. The Foundation maintains a cash balance in its endowment without donor restrictions.

Annually, a budget is approved that authorizes transfers of no less than 3 percent and no more than 5 percent from endowments without donor restrictions to operating and nonoperating funds to support operations and grantmaking.

## Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements

## Fair Value Measurements

The Foundation has adopted accounting standards that establish a framework for measuring fair value and require enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements. The guidance establishes a hierarchal disclosure framework that prioritizes and ranks the level of market price observability used in measuring financial assets at fair value. Market price observability is impacted by a number of factors, including the type of investment and the characteristics specific to the investment. Investments with readily available active quoted prices or for which fair value can be measured from actively quoted prices generally will have a higher degree of market price observability and a lesser degree of judgment used in measuring fair value.

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# Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The Foundation categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the assets. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets, Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs, and Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. Investments that are measured at fair value using net asset value per share (or its equivalent) as a practical expedient are not classified in the fair value hierarchy.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. These classifications (Levels 1, 2, and 3) are intended to reflect the observability of inputs used in the valuation of investments and are not necessarily an indication of risk or liquidity.

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Foundation uses net asset value per share or its equivalent (the "practical expedient"), such as member units or an ownership interest in partners' capital, to estimate the fair value of an alternative investment and requires additional fair value disclosures of the Foundation's alternative investments.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value:

Equities and mutual funds: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded

Debt securities: Valued based on prices currently available on comparable securities

Absolute return, real estate, hedged equity, private equity, and private debt funds: Valued based on net asset value per share of the investments

There were no changes in valuation methodology during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, certain investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value practical expedient are not classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in the following table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the consolidated statement of financial position.

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# Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy the Foundation's investment assets measured on a recurring basis at fair value:

	Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis at December 31, 2023							
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Balance at December 31, 2023				
Equities: Large-cap equity Mid-cap equity Small-cap equity International equity	\$ 110,209,195 22,600,900 416,184 79,655,029	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ 110,209,195 22,600,900 416,184 79,655,029				
Total equities	212,881,308	-	-	212,881,308				
Fixed income: Mutual funds Debt securities	87,143,012 34,298,103	12,516,908	<u>-</u>	87,143,012 46,815,011				
Total fixed income	121,441,115	12,516,908	-	133,958,023				
Money market mutual funds	6,309,123		_	6,309,123				
Total	\$ 340,631,546	\$ 12,516,908	\$ -	353,148,454				
Investments measured at NAV				131,819,613				
Total assets				\$ 484,968,067				
	Assets	s Measured at Fair Va Decembe	alue on a Recurring r 31, 2022	Basis at				
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Balance at December 31, 2022				
Equities: Large-cap equity Mid-cap equity Small-cap equity International equity	\$ 94,837,924 23,011,469 440,737 67,634,065	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ 94,837,924 23,011,469 440,737 67,634,065				
Total equities	185,924,195	-	-	185,924,195				
Fixed income:								
Mutual funds Debt securities	86,168,587 27,809,811	14,976,173		86,168,587 42,785,984				
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Debt securities	27,809,811	14,976,173	- - -	42,785,984				
Debt securities  Total fixed income	27,809,811 113,978,398 7,777,061	14,976,173	- - - - \$	128,954,571				
Debt securities  Total fixed income  Money market mutual funds	27,809,811 113,978,398 7,777,061	14,976,173	- - - - \$ -	42,785,984 128,954,571 7,777,061				

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# Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

#### Investments in Entities that Calculate Net Asset Value per Share

At year end, the fair value, unfunded commitments, and redemption rules of those investments valued at net asset value are as follows:

	2023	2022			
	Fair Value	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency, if Eligible	Redemption Notice Period
Absolute return (a) Real estate (b) Hedged equity (c) Private equity (d) Private debt (e)	\$ 29,198,879 25,838,276 15,219,305 34,279,080 27,284,073	\$ 27,271,816 39,776,195 14,594,849 32,543,718 25,078,954	\$ - - - -	Semiannual Quarterly Monthly N/A Quarterly, none	90-95 days 30-90 days 90 days N/A 90 days
Total	\$ 131,819,613	\$ 139,265,532	\$ -	<u>:</u>	

- (a) This category includes investments in absolute return funds that pursue multiple strategies to diversify risk and reduce volatility. The absolute return funds' composite portfolio for this category includes investments in public equities, private equities, public equity derivatives, treasurys, and fixed-income derivatives. Investments representing an insignificant amount cannot be redeemed at net asset value because the investments include holdings that are part of an illiquid market.
- (b) This category includes investments in private real estate assets. Included are holdings in real assets; mortgages may also be included.
- (c) This category includes investments in hedge funds that invest both long and short, primarily in common stocks, both domestic and international. Management of the hedge funds has the ability to shift investments from value to growth strategies, from small- to large-capitalization stocks, and from a net long to a net short position.
- (d) This category includes investments in private companies, both domestic and international. Certain investments can be liquidated in secondary markets within one year at a discount.
- (e) This category includes investments in the debt of private companies.

#### Investment Return

The following schedules summarize the net investment return and its classification in the consolidated statement of activities and changes in net assets:

		2023						
	-	/ithout Donor Restrictions	_	With Donor Restrictions		Agency		Total
Investment income, less portfolio management fees of \$342,437 Realized gains (losses) on sale of	\$	10,894,414	\$	983,673	\$	1,229,533	\$	13,107,620
investments Unrealized gains on investments		599,042 22,483,305		(230,474) 3,108,530		(217,886) 4,911,854		150,682 30,503,689
Total investment return	\$	33,976,761	\$	3,861,729	\$	5,923,501	\$	43,761,991

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# Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

		2022							
	-	Vithout Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions		Agency		Total		
Investment income, less portfolio management fees of \$322,768 Realized gains on sale of	\$	5,106,159	5 717,879	\$	786,560	\$	6,610,598		
investments Unrealized losses on investments		2,564,055 (58,771,077)	177,125 (7,481,590)		214,200 (8,538,062)		2,955,380 (74,790,729)		
Total investment return	\$	(51,100,863)	6 (6,586,586)	\$	(7,537,302)	\$	(65,224,751)		

# Note 5 - Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are summarized as follows:

	 2023	 2022
Land Land improvements Building and building improvements Furniture and fixtures Computer equipment and software	\$ 423,060 513,099 3,086,039 568,686 227,672	\$ 423,060 513,099 3,086,039 548,198 237,672
Total cost	4,818,556	4,808,068
Accumulated depreciation	 1,728,638	1,474,307
Net property and equipment	\$ 3,089,918	\$ 3,333,761

# Note 6 - ColoradoGives.org

ColoradoGives.org is a year-round, online giving platform featuring approximately 3,700 Colorado nonprofit organizations. Made possible by Colorado Gives Foundation since 2007, ColoradoGives.org encourages charitable giving by providing comprehensive, objective, and up-to-date information about Colorado nonprofits and an easy way to support them online. Since inception, the platform has raised approximately \$643 million for Colorado nonprofits, which includes dollars raised from Colorado Gives Day.

Colorado Gives Day is an annual statewide celebration to increase online giving. Donations are accepted at ColoradoGives.org. Colorado Gives Day is one of the most successful events of its kind in the nation. Since its inception in 2010, the event has raised approximately \$469 million for Colorado nonprofits.

In 2023, the Foundation raised approximately \$54 million through Colorado Gives Day for nonprofits, including incentive contributions of \$762,500. In addition, the Foundation contributed \$500,000 of its unrestricted funds to be used for incentive contributions.

In 2022, the Foundation raised approximately \$53 million through Colorado Gives Day for nonprofits, including incentive contributions of \$847,000. In addition, the Foundation contributed \$500,000 of its unrestricted funds to be used for incentive contributions.

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Foundation raised and distributed approximately \$69 million and \$76 million, respectively.

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# Note 7 - Funds Held as Agency Endowments and Designations

The following summarizes the Foundation's agency fund activity during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. The funds are included in investments in the consolidated statement of financial position. Due to the fact that they are agency transactions, all activity is recorded in liability accounts rather than in the consolidated statement of activities and changes in net assets:

	<u>E</u>	Agency Indowments	 Agency Designations	_	Total
Balance - December 31, 2021 Contributions Matching contributions Investment return Grant distributions Management fees	\$	46,063,657 8,235,822 250,000 (7,512,700) (2,404,585) (373,028)	\$ 565,985 76,556,246 - (24,602) (76,400,563) (3,336)	\$	46,629,642 84,792,068 250,000 (7,537,302) (78,805,148) (376,364)
Balance - December 31, 2022		44,259,166	693,730		44,952,896
Contributions Matching contributions Investment return Grant distributions Management fees		6,260,561 472,424 5,899,780 (2,014,492) (394,029)	68,943,613 123,949 23,721 (69,332,797) (3,799)		75,204,174 596,373 5,923,501 (71,347,289) (397,828)
Balance - December 31, 2023	\$	54,483,410	\$ 448,417	\$	54,931,827

## Note 8 - Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance

The Foundation is the owner and beneficiary of certain life insurance contracts. Upon a donor's death, the life insurance proceeds will be paid to the Foundation. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, these contracts had total face values of \$4,900,000, with related cash surrender values of \$1,620,474 and \$1,554,024, respectively.

# Note 9 - Deferred Gift Annuity Liability

The Foundation has charitable gift annuity assets of \$158,000 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. Present values of discounted actuarially based liabilities are \$27,338 and \$28,855 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, using discount rates ranging from 6.2 percent to 9.0 percent and actuarial life expectancy tables and are included in deferred gift annuity liability in the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position.

## Note 10 - Net Assets

### Net Assets without Donor Restrictions

## **Donor-advised Net Assets**

The Foundation has entered into donor-advised fund agreements where the Foundation received contributions from other entities and individuals. The Foundation was granted variance power to manage, invest, and ultimately decide how these funds are contributed to other organizations. These net assets are classified as donor-advised net assets without donor restrictions on the consolidated statement of financial position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

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# **Note 10 - Net Assets (Continued)**

## **Board-designated Net Assets**

Board-designated net assets are funds set aside by the Foundation's board and are released through policy or specific board action.

Board-designated net assets consist of the following:

	 2023	2022
Field of interest Community impact Social impact Other	\$ 3,780,319 9,552,964 1,442,522 374,143	\$ 3,688,739 7,274,939 3,468,349 802,565
Total	\$ 15,149,948	\$ 15,234,592

#### Net Assets with Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions as of December 31 are available for the following purposes:

	2023	2022
Subject to expenditures for a specified purpose Endowment earnings subject to the Foundation's spending policy and	\$ 11,497,601	\$ 13,091,602
appropriation Funds held in perpetuity	 254,902 25,057,609	277,684 23,210,686
Total	\$ 36,810,112	\$ 36,579,972

# Note 11 - Donor-restricted and Board-designated Endowments

The Foundation's endowments consist of various individual funds established for a variety of purposes. The endowments include both donor-restricted endowment funds and funds designated by the board of directors to function as endowments. Net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the board of directors to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

#### Interpretation of Relevant Law

The Foundation is subject to the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) and, thus, classifies amounts in its donor-restricted endowment funds as net assets with donor restrictions because those net assets are time restricted until the board of directors appropriates such amounts for expenditures. Most of those net assets are also subject to purpose restrictions that must be met before reclassifying those net assets to net assets without donor restrictions. The Foundation has interpreted UPMIFA as not requiring the maintenance of purchasing power of the original gift amount contributed to an endowment fund unless a donor stipulates the contrary.

	Endowment Net Asset Composition by Type of Fund as of December 31, 2023		
	Without Dono Restrictions	r With Donor Restrictions	Total
Donor-restricted endowment funds Board-designated endowment funds	\$ - 9,898,56	\$ 25,312,511 2 -	\$ 25,312,511 9,898,562
Total funds	\$ 9,898,56	2 \$ 25,312,511	\$ 35,211,073

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# Note 11 - Donor-restricted and Board-designated Endowments (Continued)

Changes in Endowment Net Assets for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2023		
Without Donor With Donor Restrictions Restrictions Total		
\$ 9,275,431 \$ 23,488,370 \$ 32,763,801		
29,544 376,830 406,374 254,667 2,264,250 2,518,917		
284,211 2,641,080 2,925,291		
338,920 464,006 802,926 - (1,280,945) (1,280,945		
\$ 9,898,562 \$ 25,312,511 \$ 35,211,073		
Endowment Net Asset Composition by Type of Fundament as of December 31, 2022		
Without Donor With Donor Restrictions Restrictions Total		
\$ - \$ 23,488,370 \$ 23,488,370 9,275,431 - 9,275,431		
<u>\$ 9,275,431</u> <u>\$ 23,488,370</u> <u>\$ 32,763,801</u>		
Changes in Endowment Net Assets for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2022 Without Donor With Donor Restrictions Restrictions Total		
\$ 9,469,925 \$ 32,006,506 \$ 41,476,431		
4,076 182,715 186,791 (513,401) (5,228,605) (5,742,006		
(509,325) (5,045,890) (5,555,215		
314,831 798,191 1,113,022 - (4,270,437) (4,270,437		
\$ 9,275,431 \$ 23,488,370 \$ 32,763,801		

#### **Underwater Endowment Funds**

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no funds with deficiencies.

#### Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The board is responsible for defining the investment goals and objectives and for establishing asset allocation parameters, downside risk limitations, growth expectations, and liquidity guidelines. The board works with an outsourced chief investment officer who is responsible for managing the endowment portfolios within those board-developed investment goals and objectives. The Foundation has multiple investment portfolios, each with unique strategies, in which funds can be invested. Funds are invested in the appropriate portfolio based on purpose and time horizon.

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# Note 11 - Donor-restricted and Board-designated Endowments (Continued)

## Spending Policy and How the Investment Objectives Relate to Spending Policy

The board approves distributions from the funds designated by the board to function as endowments through the annual budget process. Expenditures from the donor-restricted endowment funds are controlled by the Foundation's board in concert with the donors' intent.

## Note 12 - Retirement Plan

The Foundation sponsors a 401(k) safe harbor plan (the "401(k) Plan") effective April 19, 2019, which covers substantially all employees. The 401(k) Plan allows employees to make pretax and post-tax contributions. The Foundation matches employees' deferrals at a rate of 120 percent up to 5 percent of employee income, which amounted to \$175,571 and \$167,233 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.