

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

March 25, 2025

To the Board of Directors Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council Newark, Delaware

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

<u>Opinion</u>

We have audited the financial statements of Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc. as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS") and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the 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 audit opinion.

To the Board of Directors Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the 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 an audit 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 financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the 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 financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc.'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 financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

To the Board of Directors Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc.

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

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GIRL SCOUTS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY COUNCIL, INC. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

	2024	2023
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,379,999	\$ 966,269
Accounts receivable, net	-	53,380
Grants receivable	100,833	170,577
Pledges receivable, net	800	800
Interest receivable	8,006	8,495
Inventories	-	5,402
Prepaid expenses	86,103	81,992
Total Current Assets	3,575,741	1,286,915
Noncurrent Assets:	-,,	
Right-to-use asset, net	-	107,471
Property and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation		101,111
of \$4,437,843 and \$6,119,874, respectively)	3,019,704	9,095,634
Investments	4,850,531	3,625,762
Total Noncurrent Assets	7,870,235	12,828,867
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TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 11,445,976</u>	<u>\$ 14,115,782</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 60,466	\$ 132,769
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	94,385	112,333
Accrued salaries and wages	44,869	41,754
Council service fee, net	1,693	-
Deferred revenue	40,140	48,925
Current portion of lease liability	-	46,971
Total Current Liabilities	241,553	382,752
Long-term Liabilities:	2+1,000	502,152
Long term portion of notes payable	_	1,596,556
Total Long-term Liabilities	<u>_</u>	1,596,556
Total Long-term Liabilities		1,390,330
Total Liabilities	241,553	1,979,308
Net Assets:		
Without donor restrictions	10,182,835	11,293,546
With donor restrictions	1,021,588	842,928
Total Net Assets	11,204,423	12,136,474
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 11,445,976	\$ 14,115,782

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY COUNCIL, INC. STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

		2024				
	Without Donor	With Donor		Without Donor	With Donor	
	Restrictions	Restrictions	Total	Restrictions	Restrictions	Total
REVENUE, GAINS, LOSSES, AND OTHER SUPPORT						
Product program revenue, net	\$ 2,256,397	\$ -	\$ 2,256,397	\$ 2,372,227	\$ -	\$ 2,372,227
Retail shop sales and services, net	1,842	-	1,842	22,669	-	22,669
Camping and program fees, net	137,661	-	137,661	119,059	-	119,059
Contributions:						
Individual donations	328,899	-	328,899	59,591	-	59,591
Pledges and grants	130,640	101,500	232,140	40,698	147,700	188,398
Special events	298	-	298	116	-	116
United Way	13,853	-	13,853	104,944	-	104,944
Investment income (loss)	509,079	142,339	651,418	423,601	65,428	489,029
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	(276,525)	-	(276,525)	-	-	-
Other income	109,441	-	109,441	271,950	-	271,950
Net assets released from restrictions	65,179	(65,179)		186,289	(186,289)	
TOTAL REVENUE, GAINS, LOSSES, AND OTHER SUPPORT	3,276,764	178,660	3,455,424	3,601,144	26,839	3,627,983
EXPENSES						
Program Services:						
Membership development	464,553	-	464,553	700,976	-	700,976
Special programs	3,465,816	-	3,465,816	2,595,824	-	2,595,824
Camping services	-	-	-	291,137	-	291,137
Total Program Services	3,930,369	-	3,930,369	3,587,937	-	3,587,937
Supporting Services:						
Management and general	328,016	-	328,016	247,285	-	247,285
Public relations	-	-	-	299,516	-	299,516
Fund raising	129,090	-	129,090	122,201	-	122,201
Total Supporting Services	457,106	-	457,106	669,002	-	669,002
TOTAL EXPENSES	4,387,475	-	4,387,475	4,256,939	-	4,256,939
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(1,110,711)	178,660	(932,051)	(655,795)	26,839	(628,956)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	11,293,546	842,928	12,136,474	11,949,341	816,089	12,765,430
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 10,182,835	\$ 1,021,588	\$ 11,204,423	\$ 11,293,546	\$ 842,928	\$ 12,136,474

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY COUNCIL, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Program	Services	Supporting		
	Membership Development	Special Programs	Management and General	Fund Raising	Total
Salaries Employee health and retirement benefits Payroll taxes and related costs	\$ 177,629 60,518 16,110	\$ 1,431,688 316,828 121,773	\$ 54,647 24,132 6,478	\$ 103,570 9,132 7,154	\$ 1,767,534 410,610 151,515
Total Salaries and Related Expenses	254,257	1,870,289	85,257	119,856	2,329,659
Conferences Equipment rental and maintenance Fees Financial assistance Insurance Interest expense Miscellaneous expense Occupancy Postage Printing and publications Professional fees Supplies Telephone Travel	$\begin{array}{r} 4,213\\ 4,916\\ 7,123\\ 26,706\\ 11,917\\ 3,810\\ 321\\ 54,803\\ 931\\ 438\\ 40,327\\ 6,089\\ 10,307\\ 3,107\\ \end{array}$	38,780 40,861 28,808 37,152 90,890 29,056 687 425,568 12,712 23,974 338,615 215,158 79,681 34,484	$\begin{array}{r} 4,040\\ 79,219\\ 3,049\\ 50\\ 11,422\\ 3,651\\ 309\\ 52,530\\ 888\\ 418\\ 38,653\\ 2,281\\ 9,880\\ 2,544\\ \end{array}$	- 8,417 - - 725 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	47,033 124,996 47,397 63,908 114,229 36,517 2,042 532,901 14,531 24,830 417,595 223,528 99,868 40,227
Total Expenses Before Depreciation	429,265	3,266,715	294,191	129,090	4,119,261
Depreciation	35,288	199,101	33,825		268,214
Total Expenses	\$ 464,553	\$ 3,465,816	\$ 328,016	\$ 129,090	\$ 4,387,475

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY COUNCIL, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

		Program Services		:	Supporting Services		
	Membership Development	Special Programs	Camping Services	Management and General	Public Relations	Fund Raising	Total
Salaries Employee health and retirement benefits	\$ 307,693 73,763	\$ 1,118,272 229,886	\$ 102,361 22,008	\$ 69,682 28,367	\$ 156,595 28,237	\$	\$ 1,852,738 385,104
Payroll taxes and related costs	24,710	77,126	7,532	5,520	11,271	6,777	132,936
Total Salaries and Related Expenses	406,166	1,425,284	131,901	103,569	196,103	107,755	2,370,778
Conferences	1,481	6,715	1,265	912	642	-	11,015
Equipment rental and maintenance	5,023	23,462	2,594	3,088	2,178	-	36,345
Fees	2,572	9,500	1,044	1,581	1,116	700	16,513
Financial assistance	23,907	23,560	-	-	-	-	47,467
Insurance	20,756	76,652	8,424	12,759	9,001	-	127,592
Interest expense	18,183	67,150	7,380	11,178	7,885	-	111,776
Miscellaneous expense	23,139	41,264	5,385	6,176	4,424	493	80,881
Occupancy	41,057	155,571	19,537	25,169	17,756	-	259,090
Postage	1,618	9,850	2,955	872	616	960	16,871
Printing and publications	596	5,239	3,089	280	522	9,675	19,401
Professional fees	35,168	138,991	28,995	21,619	15,853	-	240,626
Supplies	26,750	235,869	36,855	2,039	1,439	2,182	305,134
Telephone	13,474	50,679	5,469	8,283	6,326	-	84,231
Travel	7,911	41,902	5,237	4,777	3,921	436	64,184
Total Expenses Before Depreciation/Amortization	627,801	2,311,688	260,130	202,302	267,782	122,201	3,791,904
Depreciation/amortization	73,175	284,136	31,007	44,983	31,734		465,035
Total Expenses	\$ 700,976	\$ 2,595,824	\$ 291,137	\$ 247,285	\$ 299,516	\$ 122,201	\$ 4,256,939

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY COUNCIL, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	¢ (000.054)	¢ (000.050)
Change in net assets Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to	\$ (932,051)	\$ (628,956)
net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation/Amortization	268,214	465.035
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments	(87,151)	(275,061)
Realized (gain) loss on investments	(656,956)	(138,709)
Realized loss on sale of fixed assets	276,525	-
(Increase) decrease in assets:		
Grants receivable	69,744	(38,802)
Accounts receivable	53,380	(41,953)
Inventory	5,402	(5,402)
Prepaid expenses	(4,111)	25,977
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		
Accounts payable	(70,610)	80,652
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	(17,948)	(9,278)
Accrued salaries and wages	3,115	4,094
Deferred revenue	(8,785)	3,210
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(1,101,232)	(559,193)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of land, building, and equipment	-	(5,221)
Proceeds from sale of land, building, and equipment	5,639,151	(0,==1)
Proceeds from sale of investments	288,685	1,524,498
Purchase of investments	(769,347)	(690,899)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	5,158,489	828,378
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Financing lease obligation payments	(46,971)	(117,470)
Payments on notes payable	(1,596,556)	(3,444)
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NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(1,643,527)	(120,914)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	2,413,730	148,271
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	966,269	817,998
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 3,379,999	\$ 966,269
CASH PAID FOR INTEREST	\$ 36,517	\$ 111,776
CASH PAID FOR TAXES	\$ -	\$ -
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 ORGANIZATION

Description of Entity

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc. ("the Council") is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, operating under a charter from the Girl Scouts of the United States of America ("GSUSA"). The Council provides programming and support to over 5,000 girls and 3,000 adult members throughout 14 counties between Delaware and the eastern shores of Maryland and Virginia (Delmarva Peninsula). The Council operates four camps and two resource centers, and its mission is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Financial Statement Presentation

The financial statements of the Council have been prepared on the accrual basis in accordance with the accounting principles applicable to Girl Scout councils which have been prescribed by Girl Scouts of the USA and which conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Financial statement presentation also follows the recommendations of relevant accounting standards which require the Council to report information regarding its financial position and its activities according to two classes of net assets: net assets with donor restrictions and net assets without donor restrictions.

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions

Net assets without donor restrictions account for all unrestricted resources over which the Board of Directors has discretionary control in transactions related to the Council's regular activities, and the assets and liabilities related to the Council's regular activities or held in trust for other funds in accordance with the provisions of the Council charter and bylaws.

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions represent net assets whose use is restricted or limited by the donor or grantor. Net assets with donor restrictions are financial resources restricted for certain needs or limited by donor-imposed stipulations. Such financial resources may come in the form of gifts, grants, endowment funds, interest from endowment funds, or similar sources. This includes net assets held by the Council and net assets held by various bank trust departments.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents does not include bank accounts held by Girl Scouts troops and service units under the federal identification number of the Council. Cash held in troops and associations operate under the federal identification number but not under the direct control

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (cont'd)

of the Council. The Council has no signature authority over and will not access the funds as long as a troop or association is functioning according to Girl Scout policy and procedure. Individual troops and associations have a responsibility to use funds in their control for the purposes of Girl Scouting as determined by the members and adult volunteers. If a troop or association disbands without having used all the funds in its accounts, the members have to turn the funds over to their local service unit, in anticipation of another troop or association starting up and taking its place, or return the funds to the Council. Annually, troops and associations are required to report to the Council the balance in their accounts, and the sources and uses of funds since the last reporting date.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Council considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Pledges and Grants Receivable

Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected within a year are recorded at their net realizable value. As required by the Not-for-Profit Entities Revenue Recognition topic of the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification ("FASB ASC"), management considers the amount and timing of future cash flows of unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years when applicable. No present value adjustment has been made for these unconditional promises to give.

An allowance is recorded for estimated uncollectible contributions based upon management's judgment and analysis of the creditworthiness of the donors, past collection experience, and other relevant factors as necessary. No allowance has been recorded for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are stated at unpaid balances, less an allowance for doubtful accounts. The Council provides for losses on accounts receivable using the allowance method. The allowance is based on experience, third-party contracts, and other circumstances, which may affect the ability of customers to meet their obligations. Receivables are considered impaired if full principal payments are not received in accordance with the contractual terms. It is the Council's policy to charge off uncollectible accounts receivable when management determines the receivable will not be collected.

Investments

Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are reported at fair value with gains and losses included in the statement of activities.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (cont'd)

Alternative investments are generally reported at the net asset value (NAV) provided by the fund manager, which is used as a practical expedient to estimate the fair value of the Council's interest therein. Individual investment holdings within the alternative investment may include investments in both nonmarketable and market-traded securities. Investment valuations may be based on estimates that require varying degrees of judgment where readily available fair values do not exist. Generally, fair value reflects net contributions to the investee and an ownership share of realized and unrealized investment income and expenses.

FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurement, provides the framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1 – Uses unadjusted quoted prices that are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the reporting date.

Level 2 – Uses inputs other than Level 1 that are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date through correlation with market data, including quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and quoted prices in markets that are not active. Level 2 also includes assets and liabilities valued using models or other pricing methodologies that do not require significant judgment because the input assumptions used in the models, such as interest rates and volatility factors, are corroborated by readily observable data.

Level 3 – Uses inputs that are unobservable, supported by little or no market activity and reflect significant management judgment. These values are generally determined using pricing models that utilize management's estimates of market participant assumptions.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Shop Inventory

Inventory consists of Girl Scouts merchandise and supplies held for resale and are stated at the lower of cost (principally first-in, first-out method) or market.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (cont'd)

Cookie Inventory

The Council has chosen not to record inventory for cookies. All activity for the annual cookie program normally occurs within the fiscal year, and any ending inventory would not be material.

Property, Equipment, and Depreciation/Amortization

Major additions and betterments in excess of \$5,000 are charged to land, buildings, and equipment accounts, while replacements, maintenance, and repairs which do not improve or extend the life of the respective assets are expensed currently.

Depreciation/amortization is computed on the straight-line method over the estimated lives of the assets as follows:

Buildings and improvements and land improvements	10 - 40 years
Furniture and equipment	3 - 10 years
Vehicles	5 - 10 years
Right-to-use asset	Life of lease

Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue consists of revenue collected for events that have not yet occurred or fees collected for future years.

Donated Materials

Donated materials and equipment are reflected as gifts in-kind and as expenses in the accompanying statements at their estimated fair values at date of receipt. These donated materials are not reflected in the financial statements since the services do not meet the criteria for recognition contained in applicable accounting standards. During the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, the Council did not recognize any donated materials.

Contributed Services

A substantial number of unpaid volunteers have made significant contributions of their time to the Council's programs, principally in membership development and educational programs. These contributed services are not reflected in the financial statements since the services do not meet the criteria for recognition contained in applicable accounting standards. During the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, the Council did not recognize any contributed services.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (cont'd)

Contributions and Donor Restrictions

The Council accounts for contributions in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In accordance with these principles, contributions received are recorded as support with donor restrictions or without donor restrictions depending on the existence or nature of any donor restrictions. All donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Product Sales

Girl Scout product sale activities help girls develop five essential skills such as goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and business ethics. Each troop or group that sells products earns money for its treasury and plans to spend that money for their activities to achieve their Girl Scout goals. The Council's share of proceeds from product sale activities helps to provide the financial assistance needed to make Girl Scouting available for all girls, to fund program events and activities, to improve and maintain camps, to recruit and train volunteer leaders, and to help pay Council operating expenses. Revenue is recognized when delivery of products occurs, the price is fixed and determinable, and collectability is reasonably assured. Product sales for the year ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 were:

	2024	2023
Product program income - cookies	\$ 3,916,659	\$ 3,834,947
Less: related cost of sales	1,829,428	1,626,750
Net program revenue - cookies	2,087,231	2,208,197
Product program income - other	315,695	304,163
Less: related cost of sales	146,529	140,133
Net program revenue - other	169,166	164,030
Total Product Program Income - Net	<u>\$ 2,256,397</u>	\$ 2,372,227

Merchandise Sales

Merchandise sales consist primarily of sales of Girl Scouts uniform components and related program supplies. Sales occur primarily at the Council's retail stores and through revenue sharing from the Girl Scouts official online store found on the Council's website. Revenue is recognized at the time of sale.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Program Fees

Program fees consist of fees for camp and programs for girls that are held throughout the year. Revenue from program fees is recognized when the service is provided.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The Council allocates its expenses on a functional basis among its various programs and support services. Expenses that can be identified with a specific program and service are allocated directly according to their corresponding expenditure classification. All other expenses are allocated in proportion with the benefits provided to the related program services.

<u>Advertising</u>

The Council uses advertising to promote its programs among the audiences it serves. The costs of advertising are expensed as incurred. Advertising expense for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$7,210 and \$10,361, respectively, and is included in printing and publications on the statement of functional expenses.

Income Taxes

The Council qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and its activities are not subject to income tax.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America prescribe rules for the recognition, measurement, classification, and disclosure in the financial statements of uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the Council's tax returns. Management has determined that the Council does not have any uncertain tax positions or associated unrecognized benefits that materially impact the financial statements or related disclosures. Since tax matters are subject to some degree of uncertainty, there can be no assurance that the Council's tax returns will not be challenged by the taxing authorities and that the Council will not be subject to additional tax, penalties, and interest as a result of such challenge.

<u>Use of Estimates</u>

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 financial statements. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 3 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts held in checking, savings, and money market funds. The book balance for these accounts as of September 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$3,379,999 and \$966,269, respectively.

As of September 30, 2024, bank balances in the amount of \$3,013,275 were uninsured as they exceeded the FDIC insurance limits. Bank balances in the amount of \$471,300 as of September 30, 2023 were uninsured as they exceeded the FDIC insurance limits.

Additionally, cash balances of \$257,795 and \$225,498 are held in investment accounts as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, which are not insured under the FDIC insurance.

NOTE 4 INVESTMENTS

Investment return, and its classification in the statements of activities, is summarized as follows:

	2024							
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total					
Interest and dividends Realized gain (loss) Unrealized gain (loss) Investment fees	\$ 100,067 471,493 (47,062) (15,419)	\$ 5,267 185,463 (40,089) (8,302)	\$ 105,334 656,956 (87,151) (23,721)					
Total	\$ 509,079	\$ 142,339	\$ 651,418					

	2023							
	Without Donor	With Donor	Total					
	Restrictions	Restrictions						
Interest and dividends	\$ 92,960	\$ 4,766	\$ 97,726					
Realized gain (loss)	270,740	4,321	275,061					
Unrealized gain (loss)	74,622	64,087	138,709					
Investment fees	(14,721)	(7,746)	(22,467)					
Total	\$ 423,601	\$ 65,428	\$ 489,029					

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 5 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

The Council recognizes its interest in the net assets of the Delaware Community Foundation (DCF), the Eastern Shore Foundation, and the Mid Shore Community Foundation as Level 3 investments in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The tables below set forth, by level, the Council's financial assets that were accounted for at fair value as of September 30, 2024 and 2023:

	2024							
	Fair Value at Report Date Using:							
	F	air Value		Level 1	-	Level 2		Level 3
U.S. treasuries	\$	622,242	\$	622,242	\$	-	\$	-
Corporate bonds		300,177		300,177		-		-
ETFs and REITs	2	2,936,685	2	2,936,685		-		-
Pooled investments in								
community foundations		991,427		-		991,427		-
Total Assets Valued at Fair Value	\$ 4	4,850,531	\$3	3,859,104	\$	991,427	\$	

	2023							
	Fair Value at Report Date Using:							
		Fair Value		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
U.S. treasuries	\$	779,062	\$	779,062	\$	-	\$	-
Corporate bonds		161,792		161,792		-		-
Equities	-	1,392,560	-	1,392,560		-		-
ETFs and REITs		452,192		452,192		-		-
Pooled investments in								
community foundations		840,156		-		840,156		
Total Assets Valued at Fair Value	\$ 3	3,625,762	\$ 2	2,785,606	\$	840,156	\$	-

NOTE 6 ENDOWMENT ASSETS

The Council's endowment consists of approximately seven individual funds established for a variety of purposes. Its endowment includes 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.

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NOTE 6 <u>ENDOWMENT ASSETS</u> (cont'd)

The Board of Directors has interpreted the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("UPMIFA") as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the date of gift of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Council classifies as donor-restricted net assets in perpetuity (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment; (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment; and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment at the time the accumulation is added to the fund.

Net assets restricted in perpetuity consist of one endowment fund to be held indefinitely, the income of which is expendable to support the charitable and educational purpose of the Council. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in donor-restricted net assets in perpetuity is classified as net assets with donor restrictions until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Council in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA.

In accordance with UPMIFA, the Council considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- 1. The duration and preservation of the fund
- 2. The Council's mission and purpose supported by the donor-restricted endowment fund
- 3. General economic conditions
- 4. The possible effect of inflation and deflation
- 5. The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments
- 6. The Council's other resources, and
- 7. The investment policies of the Council

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor or UPMIFA requires the Council to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. Deficiencies, if any, are the result of unfavorable market fluctuations that occurred after the investment of new permanently restricted contributions and continued appropriation for certain programs that was deemed prudent by the Board of Directors.

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NOTE 6 ENDOWMENT ASSETS (cont'd)

The Council has adopted investment and spending policies, approved by the Board of Directors, for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets over the long term. Accordingly, the investment process seeks to achieve an after-cost total rate of return, including investment income as well as capital appreciation, which exceeds the annual distribution with acceptable levels of risk. Endowment assets are invested in a well-diversified asset mix that is intended to result in a consistent inflation-protected rate of return that has sufficient liquidity to make an annual distribution, while growing the funds if possible.

Investment risk is measured across the total endowment fund; investment assets and allocation between asset classes and strategies are managed to not expose the fund to unacceptable levels of risk. The Council has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year the interest and dividends earned on the endowment fund investments. In establishing this policy, the Council considered the long-term expected return on its investment assets, the nature and duration of the individual endowment funds, which must be maintained in perpetuity because of donor restrictions, and the possible effects of inflation.

The Council expected the current spending policy to allow its endowment funds to continue to grow annually. This is consistent with the Council's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment return. Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of September 30 was as follows:

	Without Donor Restrictions	2024 With Donor Restrictions	Total
Endowment funds: Donor-restricted Board-designated	\$ - 3,913,968	\$ 936,563 	\$ 936,563 3,913,968
Total Endowment Assets	\$ 3,913,968	\$ 936,563	\$ 4,850,531
	Without Donor	2023 With Donor	
	Restrictions	Restrictions	Total
Endowment funds: Donor-restricted Board-designated	\$ - 2,831,539	\$ 794,223 	\$ 794,223 2,831,539
Total Endowment Assets	\$ 2,831,539	\$ 794,223	\$ 3,625,762

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 6 ENDOWMENT ASSETS (cont'd)

Changes in endowment net assets for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 were as follows:

	Without Donor Restrictions	2024 With Donor Restrictions	Total Endowment Assets
Endowment assets, beginning of year Earnings on investments Deposits Disbursements and expenses	\$ 2,831,539 509,078 892,279 (318,928)	\$ 794,223 142,340 - -	\$ 3,625,762 651,418 892,279 (318,928)
Endowment assets, end of year	<u>\$ 3,913,968</u>	<u>\$ 936,563</u>	\$ 4,850,531

		2023	
	Without	With	Total
	Donor	Donor	Endowment
	Restrictions	Restrictions	Assets
Endowment assets, beginning			
of year	\$ 3,316,476	\$ 728,795	\$ 4,045,271
Earnings on investments	423,601	65,428	489,029
Other charges	(22,467)	-	(22,467)
Disbursements and expenses	(886,071)		(886,071)
Endowment assets, end of year	\$ 2,831,539	\$ 794,223	\$ 3,625,762

NOTE 7 <u>NET ASSETS</u>

Net assets with donor restrictions consisted of the following as of September 30, 2024:

Specific program support		85,025
Endowment funds		936,563
Total Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	\$	1,021,588

Net assets with donor restrictions were released for the following purposes during the year ended September 30, 2024:

Specific program support	\$	65,179
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NOTE 7 <u>NET ASSETS</u> (cont'd)

Net assets with donor restrictions consisted of the following as of September 30, 2023:

Specific program support Endowment funds	\$ 48,705 794,223
Total Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	\$ 842,928

Net assets with donor restrictions were released for the following purposes during the year ended September 30, 2023:

Specific program support	\$	186,289
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NOTE 8 LAND, BUILDINGS, AND EQUIPMENT

At September 30, 2024 and 2023, land, buildings, and equipment consisted of the following:

	2024	2023
Land	\$-	\$ 724,489
Land improvements	447,751	477,965
Buildings and improvements	5,441,970	12,595,292
Equipment/furniture/vehicles	1,567,826	1,417,762
	7,457,547	15,215,508
Less: accumulated depreciation	(4,437,843)	(6,119,874)
Land, buildings, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 3,019,704	\$ 9,095,634

Depreciation expense for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$268,214 and \$465,035, respectively.

NOTE 9 LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES

The Council's financial assets consist of cash and cash equivalents, accounts, pledges and grants receivable, interest receivable, and investments.

The following reflects the Council's financial assets as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, reduced by amounts not available for general use because of contractual or donor-

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 9 LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES (cont'd)

imposed restrictions within one year of the statement of financial position date. Amounts not available include amounts set aside for contingency and maintenance reserves that could be drawn upon if the governing board approves that action.

	2024	2023
Financial assets, at year-end	\$ 8,340,169	\$ 4,825,283
Less those unavailable for general expenditures within one year due to:		
Donor-imposed purpose restrictions	1,021,588	842,928
Board-designated	3,913,968	2,831,539
Financial assets available to meet cash needs		
for general expenditures within one year	\$ 3,404,613	\$ 1,150,816

The Council has cash on hand to meet three months of normal operating expenses (excluding depreciation and amortization) which is approximately \$1,047,000 at September 30, 2024. As part of the Council's liquidity policy, its financial assets are managed in order to be available as necessary to fund its general expenditures and the discharge of its liabilities and other obligations as they become due.

NOTE 10 <u>PENSION PLAN</u>

The Council participates in the National Girl Scout Council Retirement Plan ("NGSCRP"), a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan sponsored by Girl Scouts of the USA. The National Board of Girl Scouts of the USA voted to freeze the plan to new entrants and to freeze future benefit accruals for all current participants under the plan effective July 31, 2010. The plan covers substantially all of the employees of various Girl Scout councils who were eligible to participate in the plan prior to the plan freeze. Accrued and vested benefits prior to July 31, 2010 are based on years of service and salary levels.

Net plan assets grew during the year and are greater than the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits as of January 1, 2023. On April 8, 2014, President Obama signed H.R. 4275 into law, a relief package unanimously passed by Congress that gives the NGSCRP the flexibility to adopt the Pension Protection Act ("PPA") funding requirements immediately or not at all. The NGSCRP has elected to adopt this relief and not be subject to the PPA. In September 2020, the National Board of Girl Scouts of the USA approved to lower the contributions from \$30 million to \$26 million starting in calendar year 2023 until the plan is fully funded on a market basis. Aggregate annual contributions made in fiscal years 2023 and 2024 were \$27.5 million and \$27.4 million, respectively. Aggregate contributions to be made in fiscal 2025 are expected to be \$26 million.

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NOTE 11 <u>403(b) PLAN</u>

In January 2007, the Council adopted a 403(b) thrift plan for all eligible employees. Participants are fully vested in employer contributions on the date of participation in the plan. Each participant who satisfies the age and service requirement of the plan is entitled to receive an employer contribution equal to \$20 per pay period. Contribution expense under this plan for the year ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$32,933 and \$31,010, respectively.

NOTE 12 COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Council employees are entitled to 10 to 20 days, depending on the number of years of continuous service, of paid time off ("PTO") each year. Unused PTO may be accumulated, up to a maximum of 10 days, into the next year. Any unused time in excess of the annual amount is forfeited as of January 1. Upon termination, employees are entitled to receive compensation for their PTO days up to 70 hours total. At September 30, 2024 and 2023, accrued PTO was estimated to be \$72,369 and \$75,751, respectively, and is included in accrued expenses and other liabilities on the statement of financial position.

NOTE 13 LEASE OBLIGATIONS

At September 30, 2023, the Council had various lease agreements in effect for various equipment. The Council calculated the present value of the lease agreement at the risk-free rate as of the incurrence of each lease. The weighted remaining life of the leases as of September 30, 2023 was 6.6 months, and the weighted discount rate as of September 30, 2023 was 3.54%. As of September 2023, the balance was \$46,971. The Council has paid off the lease obligation in the current year under audit and taken ownership of the asset as of September 30, 2024.

NOTE 14 NOTES PAYABLE

Notes payable consisted of the following as of September 30:

	2024	2023
Mortgage payable to WSFS Bank, requiring monthly interest payments at a fixed rate of 2.5% and a balloon payment due upon maturity in March 2026. As of September 30, 2024, the mortgage was paid off in total.	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 1,596,556
Total Notes Payable	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 1,596,556

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 15 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Council may become subject to various claims and legal matters covering a wide range of matters that arise in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management, all such matters are adequately covered by insurance, are without merit, or are of such kind or involve such amounts that would not have significant effect on the financial position or results of operations if disposed of unfavorably.

NOTE 16 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In October 2024, the Council sold their Belmont Avenue building for approximately \$650,000. The Council does not currently have intentions to sell additional properties.

The Council has evaluated all subsequent events through March 25, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.