

**MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE
TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024 AND 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors
Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana
Stafford, Texas

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of August 31, 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 Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana as of August 31, 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 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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana and to meet our other 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.

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 Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditors' 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 auditors' 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 Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana'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 Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana'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 audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Minneapolis, Minnesota
January 15, 2025

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AUGUST 31, 2024 AND 2023

	2024	2023
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,902,989	\$ 1,884,391
Investments	3,259,581	3,644,591
Due from Related Entities	185,210	175,717
Prepaid Expenses	318,955	306,025
Contributions Receivable, Net	1,245,400	874,860
Other Assets	117,151	244,762
Split-Interest Agreements	259,468	231,956
Investments Held for Long-Term Purposes	8,725,732	7,812,188
Right-of-Use Assets - Operating	70,643	93,297
Property and Equipment, Net	2,121,347	2,244,708
Total Assets	\$ 18,206,476	\$ 17,512,495
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 672,381	\$ 601,661
Due to Related Entities	120,679	73,802
Lease Liability - Operating	70,643	93,297
Total Liabilities	863,703	768,760
NET ASSETS		
Without Donor Restrictions	7,065,900	7,824,731
With Donor Restrictions	10,276,873	8,919,004
Total Net Assets	17,342,773	16,743,735
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 18,206,476	\$ 17,512,495

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
REVENUES, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT			
Public Support:			
Contributions, Cash	\$ 3,133,972	\$ 738,868	\$ 3,872,840
Contributions, Donated Goods and Services	2,554,988	701,531	3,256,519
Grants	277,009	-	277,009
Total Public Support	5,965,969	1,440,399	7,406,368
Internal Special Events, Cash	1,877,477	-	1,877,477
Internal Special Events, Donated Goods and Services	26,550	-	26,550
Less Costs of Direct Benefits to Donors	(336,483)	-	(336,483)
Total Special Events	1,567,544	-	1,567,544
Investment Income, Net	431,887	1,207,993	1,639,880
Other Income	7,350	-	7,350
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	1,318,035	(1,318,035)	-
Total Revenues, Gains, and Other Support	9,290,785	1,330,357	10,621,142
EXPENSES			
Program Services:			
Wish Granting	7,770,915	-	7,770,915
Support Services:			
Fundraising	1,351,251	-	1,351,251
Management and General	927,450	-	927,450
Total Support Services	2,278,701	-	2,278,701
Total Expenses	10,049,616	-	10,049,616
OTHER (GAINS) LOSSES			
Change in Split-Interest Agreements	-	(27,512)	(27,512)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(758,831)	1,357,869	599,038
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	7,824,731	8,919,004	16,743,735
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 7,065,900	\$ 10,276,873	\$ 17,342,773

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MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2023

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
REVENUES, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT			
Public Support:			
Contributions, Cash	\$ 3,567,495	\$ 408,750	\$ 3,976,245
Contributions, Donated Goods and Services	2,620,601	606,110	3,226,711
Grants	193,500	-	193,500
Total Public Support	6,381,596	1,014,860	7,396,456
Investment Income, Net	264,487	587,168	851,655
Other Income	8,979	-	8,979
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	640,984	(640,984)	-
Total Revenues, Gains, and Other Support	7,296,046	961,044	8,257,090
EXPENSES			
Program Services:			
Wish Granting	7,543,740	-	7,543,740
Support Services:			
Fundraising	910,699	-	910,699
Management and General	1,093,754	-	1,093,754
Total Support Services	2,004,453	-	2,004,453
Total Expenses	9,548,193	-	9,548,193
OTHER (GAINS) LOSSES			
Change in Split-Interest Agreements	-	(21,862)	(21,862)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS			
	(2,252,147)	982,906	(1,269,241)
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	10,076,878	7,936,098	18,012,976
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 7,824,731	\$ 8,919,004	\$ 16,743,735

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Program Services		Support Services		Direct Donor Benefits	Total
	Wish Granting	Fundraising	Management and General	Total Support Services		
Direct Costs of Wishes	\$ 6,359,051	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,359,051
Salaries, Taxes, and Benefits	946,584	903,053	739,659	1,642,712	-	2,589,296
Printing, Subscriptions, and Publications	1,529	28,119	2,681	30,800	-	32,329
Professional Fees	54,155	74,469	39,613	114,082	-	168,237
Rent and Utilities	33,672	21,779	16,309	38,088	-	71,760
Postage and Delivery	11,040	3,068	1,974	5,042	-	16,082
Travel	4,693	22,734	5,280	28,014	-	32,707
Meetings and Conferences	5,922	5,967	2,481	8,448	-	14,370
Advertising and Media (Cash)	2,000	11,820	1,000	12,820	-	14,820
Advertising and Media (In-Kind)	-	129,530	-	129,530	-	129,530
Office Supplies	37,947	5,442	3,499	8,941	-	46,888
Communications	14,677	9,783	7,260	17,043	-	31,720
Repairs and Maintenance	228	151	114	265	-	493
National Partnership Dues	224,115	51,226	44,823	96,049	-	320,164
Depreciation and Amortization	63,595	41,430	30,881	72,311	-	135,906
Miscellaneous	11,707	42,680	31,876	74,556	-	86,263
Special Event - Direct Donor Benefits	-	-	-	-	336,483	336,483
Total Expenses by Function	7,770,915	1,351,251	927,450	2,278,701	336,483	10,386,099
Less Expenses Netted Against Revenues on the Statement of Activities:						
Special Event Expenses	-	-	-	-	(336,483)	(336,483)
Total Expenses Included in the Expense Section of the Statement of Activities	\$ 7,770,915	\$ 1,351,251	\$ 927,450	\$ 2,278,701	\$ -	\$ 10,049,616

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MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2023

	<u>Program Services</u>	<u>Support Services</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Wish Granting</u>	<u>Fundraising</u>	<u>Management and General</u>	<u>Total Support Services</u>	
Direct Costs of Wishes	\$ 6,038,382	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,038,382
Salaries, Taxes, and Benefits	1,049,493	706,614	720,872	1,427,486	2,476,979
Printing, Subscriptions, and Publications	11,049	13,119	7,016	20,135	31,184
Professional Fees	34,898	35,212	242,062	277,274	312,172
Rent and Utilities	42,171	16,387	17,635	34,022	76,193
Postage and Delivery	18,994	1,135	1,605	2,740	21,734
Travel	26,138	17,779	9,749	27,528	53,666
Meetings and Conferences	17,511	19,138	6,513	25,651	43,162
Advertising and Media (Cash)	4,305	4,076	1,605	5,681	9,986
Office Supplies	17,171	3,930	4,005	7,935	25,106
Communications	14,322	6,642	7,754	14,396	28,718
Repairs and Maintenance	332	131	137	268	600
Membership Dues	568	212	210	422	990
National Partnership Dues	175,540	40,123	35,108	75,231	250,771
Depreciation and Amortization	80,622	31,432	33,355	64,787	145,409
Miscellaneous	12,244	14,769	6,128	20,897	33,141
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Total Expenses Included in the Expense Section of the Statement of Activities	<u>\$ 7,543,740</u>	<u>\$ 910,699</u>	<u>\$ 1,093,754</u>	<u>\$ 2,004,453</u>	<u>\$ 9,548,193</u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024 AND 2023

	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in Net Assets	\$ 599,038	\$ (1,269,241)
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	135,906	145,409
Contributions Restricted for Long-Term Investment	(195,000)	(140,000)
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains on Investments	(1,250,696)	(500,104)
Contributed Property and Equipment and Inventory	(85,260)	(47,576)
Loss on Disposal of Property and Equipment	-	671
Change in Value of Split-Interest Agreements	(27,512)	(21,862)
(Increase) Decrease in Assets:		
Contributions Receivable, Net	(370,540)	(233,876)
Due from Related Entities	(9,493)	(51,529)
Prepaid Expenses	(12,930)	(154,650)
Other Assets	211,371	(10,343)
Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	70,720	(247,603)
Due to Related Entities	46,877	(160,857)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(887,519)	(2,691,561)
 CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of Investments	(9,329,739)	(13,567,490)
Proceeds from Sales of Investments	10,051,901	16,818,101
Purchases of Property and Equipment	(11,045)	(25,666)
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	711,117	3,224,945
 CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Contributions Restricted for Long-Term Investment	195,000	140,000
 NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	18,598	673,384
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	1,884,391	1,211,007
 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$ 1,902,989	\$ 1,884,391
 SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Contributed Property and Equipment and Inventory	\$ 85,260	\$ 47,576
 Right-of-Use Assets Obtained in Exchange for New Operating Lease Liabilities	\$ -	\$ 115,195

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AUGUST 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 1 ORGANIZATION

Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana (the Foundation) is a Texas nonprofit corporation, organized for the purpose of creating life changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. The Foundation is an independently operating chapter of Make-A-Wish Foundation® of America (National Organization), which develops and implements national programs in public relations and fundraising for the benefit of all local chapters. To be a Make-A-Wish chapter, the local chapter is obligated to comply with a chapter agreement with the National Organization and such guidelines, resolutions, and policies as may be adopted by the National Organization's board of directors.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Foundation are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) applicable to nonprofit entities.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Foundation considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value. Investment income, including gains and losses on investments, is recorded as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions unless its use is limited by donor-imposed restrictions or law.

The Foundation's investments are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments, it is reasonably possible that those changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could be material to the amounts reported in the statements of financial position.

Contributions Receivable

Contributions receivable are unconditional promises to give. Such promises that are expected to be collected within one year are recorded at expected net realizable value when the promise is received. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of estimated future cash flows. Contributions receivable are discounted using fair value rates and contributions are written off when deemed uncollectible.

Leases

The Foundation determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. Operating leases are included in right-of-use (ROU) assets – operating and lease liability – operating, and finance leases are included in ROU assets – financing and lease liability – financing in the statements of financial position.

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST AND LOUISIANA
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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Leases (Continued)

ROU assets represent the Foundation's right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent the Foundation's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at the lease commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. Lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Foundation will exercise that option. Lease expense for operating lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease terms. The Foundation has elected to recognize payments for short-term leases with a lease term of 12 months or less as expense as incurred and these leases are not included as lease liabilities or right of use assets on the statements of financial position.

The individual lease contracts do not provide information about the discount rate implicit in the lease. Therefore, the Foundation has elected to use a risk-free discount rate determined using a period comparable with that of the lease term for computing the present value of lease liabilities.

The Foundation has elected not to separate nonlease components from lease components and instead accounts for each separate lease component and the nonlease component as a single lease component.

Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment having a unit cost of greater than \$1,000 and a useful life of more than one year are capitalized at cost when purchased. Donated assets are capitalized at the estimated fair value at the date of receipt and restrictions are released once the asset has been placed into service. Depreciation on property and equipment is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 2 to 30 years. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend its life are expensed as incurred.

Long-lived assets, such as property and equipment, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. If circumstances indicate a long-lived asset may be impaired, the asset value will be reduced to fair value. Fair value is determined through various valuation techniques including quoted market values and third-party independent appraisals, as considered necessary.

Fair Value Measurements

Fair value measurements of financial assets and financial liabilities and fair value measurements of nonfinancial items are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis. 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.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The Foundation utilizes valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs to the extent possible. The Foundation determines fair value based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability in the principal or most advantageous market. When considering market participant assumptions in fair value measurements, the following fair value hierarchy distinguishes between observable and unobservable inputs, which are categorized in one of the following levels:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (or liabilities) that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2 – Prices for a similar asset (or liability), other than quoted prices included in Level 1 inputs, that are observable for the asset (or liability), either directly or indirectly. If the asset (or liability) has a specified term, a Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset (or liability).

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset (or liability) used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset (or liability) at measurement date.

Net Assets

Net assets, revenues, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor- or grantor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions – Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor (or certain grantor) restrictions.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions – Net assets subject to donor- (or certain grantor-) imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Gifts of long-lived assets and gifts of cash restricted for the acquisition of long-lived assets are recognized as restricted revenue when received and released from restriction when the assets are placed in service. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both.

Contributions restricted by donors are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions if the restrictions expire (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends, or purpose restriction is accomplished) in the reporting period in which the revenue is recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires, 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.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized on the accrual basis and generally consists of contributions, in-kinds and other income.

An internal special event is a fundraising event coordinated and staffed by Foundation personnel rather than a third-party support group or organization. It is designed to attract people for the purpose of raising mission awareness, for increasing funding from existing donors, and the cultivation of future donors.

Special event revenue consists of registrations, sponsorships and other contributions. The exchange element of the special event revenue was approximately \$336,483 and \$-0- for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The portion that is considered to be exchange revenue is recognized as revenue when the performance obligations are met which is the occurrence of the event.

The Foundation receives auction items to be sold at its special events. Contributed auction items are valued at the gross selling price received and the value is included in internal special event revenue on the statement of activities. The amount of auction items received and sold during the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$202,885 and \$-0-, respectively.

Unconditional promises to give are recognized initially at fair value as contributions revenue in the period such promises are made by donors. Fair value is estimated giving consideration to anticipated future cash receipts (after allowance is made for uncollectible contributions) and discounting such amounts at a risk-adjusted rate commensurate with the duration of the donor's payment plan. Amortization of the discounts is recorded as additional contributions revenue.

Conditional promises are recorded as revenue once the conditions are substantially met. There were no conditional promises outstanding for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023.

Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at their estimated fair value. Contributions of services are recognized if the services received (a) create or enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Contributions: Donated Goods and Services

The Foundation received in-kind contributions of assets, services, and materials that are reported in the statements of activities as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Wish Related Travel, Goods, and Services	\$ 3,068,279	\$ 3,169,973
Advertising and Media	129,530	-
Special Events	26,550	-
Property and Equipment	1,500	13,500
Other	<u>57,210</u>	<u>43,238</u>
Total Contributed Nonfinancial Assets and Services	<u>\$ 3,283,069</u>	<u>\$ 3,226,711</u>

Wish-related travel, goods, and other services are used in the wish-granting program. The Foundation estimates the fair value of wish-related travel, goods, and services on the basis of estimates of the current market rates for similar travel, goods and other services in the Foundation's market.

Donated advertising and media is reported at the estimated fair value as provided by the donor based on rates charged for similar advertising or media. Advertising and media is used for both program and supporting services. Advertising and media is used to help the Foundation communicate its message or mission and includes fund raising materials, informational material, or advertising, and may be in the form of an audio or video tape of a public service announcement, a layout for a newspaper, media time or space for public service announcements, or other purposes.

Special event donated items are donated items recorded at fair value that are used in facilitating the event. Examples of such donated items are generally food, beverage, facility costs, and auction items. The Foundation estimates the fair value of these donated items based on the current market rates for similar items in the Foundation's market.

Property and Equipment items donated consist of a glass distraction band and glass wall installation and were valued using fair market value.

In-kind contributions related to wish granting are restricted to be used in granting wishes. In-kind contributions related to special events are restricted for use at those events. No other in-kind contributions were received with donor restrictions.

Income Taxes

The Foundation is a nonprofit organization exempt from federal income taxes under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). However, the Foundation remains subject to income taxes on any net income that is derived from a trade or business, regularly carried on and not in furtherance of the purpose for which it was granted exemption. No income tax provision has been recorded as the net income, if any, from any unrelated trade or business, in the opinion of management, is not material to the financial statements taken as a whole.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Income Taxes (Continued)

Management believes that no uncertain tax positions exist for the Foundation at August 31, 2024 and 2023. The Foundation files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and applicable state jurisdictions.

Functional Expenses

The Foundation performs three functions: wish granting, fundraising, and management and general. Definitions of these functions are as follows:

Wish Granting

Activities performed by the Foundation in granting wishes to children with critical illnesses.

Fundraising

Activities performed by the Foundation to generate funds and/or resources to support its programs and operations.

Management and General

All costs not identifiable with specific programs or fundraising activities, but indispensable to the conduct of such programs and activities and to the Foundation's existence, are included as management and general expenses. This includes expenses for the overall direction of the Foundation, business management, general recordkeeping, budgeting, financial reporting, and activities relating to these functions such as salaries, rent, supplies, equipment, and other expenses.

Expenses that benefit more than one function of the Foundation are allocated among the functions based generally on the amount of time spent by employees on each function.

Management Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make a number of 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 and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Adoption of Accounting Pronouncement

The Foundation has adopted ASU 2016-13, *Financial Instruments –Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, as amended, which modifies the measurement of expected credit losses. The Foundation adopted this new guidance utilizing the modified retrospective transition method. The adoption of this Standard did not have a material impact on the Foundation's financial statements but did change how the allowance for credit losses is determined.

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NOTE 3 LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY

The Foundation monitors liquidity regularly through the monthly financial package provided to the board and through the enterprise-wide Benchmarks of Excellence. Holding 6 to 24 months of liquidity is considered excellent based off the enterprise-wide published scale.

	2024	2023
Total Financial Assets	\$ 15,318,912	\$ 14,391,747
Donor-Imposed Restrictions:		
Restricted Funds	(1,291,673)	(874,860)
Endowments	(8,725,732)	(7,812,188)
Financial Assets Available to Meet Cash Needs for General Expenditures Within One Year	\$ 5,301,507	\$ 5,704,699

Financial assets include cash and cash equivalents, investments, due from related entities, contributions receivable, and investments held for long-term purposes. For purposes of analyzing resources available to meet general expenditures over one year, the Foundation considers all expenditures related to its ongoing program activities, as well as the functions in support of those activities, to be general expenditures.

Endowment funds consist of donor-restricted endowments. Income from donor-restricted endowments is restricted for specific purposes. Donor-restricted endowment funds are not available for general expenditure.

NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair value is defined as the amount 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.

The fair values of the financial instruments shown in the following tables as of August 31, 2024 and 2023 represent the amounts that would be received to sell those assets or that would be paid to transfer those liabilities in an orderly transaction between market participants at that date. Those fair value measurements maximize the use of observable inputs. However, in situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date, the fair value measurement reflects the Foundation's own judgments about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Those judgments are developed by the Foundation based on the best information available in the circumstances, including expected cash flows and appropriately risk-adjusted discount rates, and available observable and unobservable inputs.

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NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Investments

Overall Investment Objective

The overall investment objective of the Foundation is to invest its assets in a prudent manner that will achieve a long-term rate of return sufficient to fund a portion of its annual operating activities and increase investment value after inflation. The Foundation diversifies its investments among various asset classes incorporating multiple strategies and managers. Major investment decisions are authorized by the board's finance and audit committee, which oversees the Foundation's investment program in accordance with established guidelines.

Fair Value Hierarchy

The following table presents the fair value hierarchy of assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis, except those measured at cost, at August 31:

	2024				Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Assets Not Held at Fair Value	
Assets:					
Investments:					
Mutual Funds	\$ 3,561,891	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,561,891
Exchange-Traded Funds	6,342,944	-	-	-	6,342,944
Equity Securities	307,251	-	-	-	307,251
Debt Securities	1,595,787	-	-	-	1,595,787
Cash	-	-	-	177,440	177,440
Total Investments	11,807,873	-	-	177,440	11,985,313
Split-Interest Agreements	-	-	259,468	-	259,468
Total Assets	<u>\$ 11,807,873</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 259,468</u>	<u>\$ 177,440</u>	<u>\$ 12,244,781</u>
	2023				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Assets Not Held at Fair Value	Total
Assets:					
Investments:					
Mutual Funds	\$ 2,476,421	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,476,421
Exchange-Traded Funds	6,537,752	-	-	-	6,537,752
Equity Securities	1,059,108	-	-	-	1,059,108
Debt Securities	888,044	-	-	-	888,044
Cash	-	-	-	495,454	495,454
Total Investments	10,961,325	-	-	495,454	11,456,779
Split-Interest Agreements	-	-	231,956	-	231,956
Total Assets	<u>\$ 10,961,325</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 231,956</u>	<u>\$ 495,454</u>	<u>\$ 11,688,735</u>

For the valuation of Level 3 investments at August 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation used significant unobservable inputs, particularly the present value of the expected future amounts to be received.

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NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

There were no purchases, sales, transfers in or transfers out of Level 3 investments for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023.

The following table describes the valuation techniques used to calculate fair value for assets in Level 3. There were no changes in valuation techniques and related inputs from the prior year.

Quantitative Information About Level 3 Fair Value Measurements			
Type of Assets	Fair Value at August 31, 2024	Principal Valuation Technique	Unobservable Inputs
Split-Interest Agreements	<u>\$ 259,468</u>	Fair Market Value of Trust Assets	Amounts and Timing of Future Cash Flows
Type of Assets	Fair Value at August 31, 2023	Principal Valuation Technique	Unobservable Inputs
Split-Interest Agreements	<u>\$ 231,956</u>	Fair Market Value of Trust Assets	Amounts and Timing of Future Cash Flows

NOTE 5 CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE

The Foundation's contributions receivable as of August 31, 2024 and 2023 were \$1,245,400 and \$874,860, respectively. All contributions receivable are due within the next 12 months. Management determined that all contributions receivable are fully collectible; therefore, no allowance for uncollectible accounts is considered necessary at August 31, 2024 and 2023.

NOTE 6 SPLIT-INTEREST AGREEMENTS

Beneficial Interest in Trusts

The Foundation is a named income beneficiary in a perpetual trust, the corpus of which is not controlled by the management of the Foundation. Under this arrangement, the Foundation has the irrevocable right to receive a portion of the income earned on the underlying assets held in perpetuity. Accordingly, permanently restricted contribution revenue and the related assets are recognized at fair value in the period in which the Foundation received notice that the trust agreement conveys an unconditional right to receive benefits. Subsequent changes in the value of the underlying assets have been recorded in the accompanying statements of activities as a component of change in value of split-interest agreements with donor restrictions.

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NOTE 6 SPLIT-INTEREST AGREEMENTS (CONNNUED)

The Foundation’s beneficial interest in the trust is \$259,468 and \$231,956 as of August 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

NOTE 7 TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED ENTITIES

The National Organization conducts national fundraising efforts for which cash and in-kind donations are received and shared with the Foundation. These funds represent revenues associated with distributions from national partners, individual donation amounts collected via online and white mail donations, amounts for internal grants, travel, and training scholarships, amounts to fund the Adopt-A-Wish® program, and other miscellaneous revenues. During the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, the Foundation received \$1,042,012 and \$1,280,191 from these national revenue streams.

Conversely, the Foundation pays amounts to the National Organization for chapter dues, insurance, and other miscellaneous ancillary expenses that the National Organization pays on behalf of the Foundation and for services provided by the National Organization. Amounts totaling \$320,164 and \$273,940 were paid from the Foundation to the National Organization during the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Chapters who assist with the organization and granting of wishes from other chapters are paid a “fee for service” called the wish assist fee. Under this program, the originating chapter agrees to pay a fee to the chapter of the wish destination to assist with any planning, booking, and facilitating of the wish for the home chapter. Under this program, the Foundation received \$7,350 and \$9,650 respectively, for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, which is recorded in the accompanying statements of activities as other income.

Amounts due from and to related entities are as follows at August 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Due from National Organization	\$ 180,113	\$ 160,419
Due from Other Chapters	5,097	15,298
Total Due from Related Entities	<u>\$ 185,210</u>	<u>\$ 175,717</u>
Due to National Organization	\$ 12,236	\$ 4,772
Due to Other Chapters	108,443	69,030
Total Due to Related Entities	<u>\$ 120,679</u>	<u>\$ 73,802</u>

Amounts due from the National Organization represent contributions remitted to the National Organization that are identified for the Foundation’s use but were not yet transferred to the Foundation as of year-end. Amounts due from other chapters represent amounts paid in assisting other chapters with their wish granting. Amounts due to other chapters represent amounts owed to other chapters who have assisted in the granting of wishes for the Foundation. Amounts due to the National Organization generally represent unpaid chapter dues and services.

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NOTE 7 TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED ENTITIES (CONTINUED)

During the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation received contributions, both cash and in-kind, from board members totaling \$302,101 and \$145,794, respectively. At August 31, 2024 and 2023, amounts due from board members totaled \$100,000 and \$69,000, respectively, and are included in contributions receivable in the accompanying statements of financial position.

NOTE 8 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET

Property and equipment consist of the following as of August 31:

	2024	2023
Land	\$ 630,000	\$ 630,000
Buildings and Building Improvements	2,432,817	2,431,317
Computer Equipment and Software	64,922	53,877
Office Furniture	174,361	174,361
Total	<u>3,302,100</u>	<u>3,289,555</u>
Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization	<u>(1,180,753)</u>	<u>(1,044,847)</u>
Property and Equipment, Net	<u>\$ 2,121,347</u>	<u>\$ 2,244,708</u>

Depreciation and amortization expense totaled \$135,906 and \$145,409 for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023.

NOTE 9 LEASES

Lease Agreements - ASC 842

The Foundation leases office space under a long-term, noncancelable lease agreement. The lease expires in 2027.

The following tables provides quantitative information concerning the Foundation's leases.

	2024	2023
Operating Lease Cost	<u>\$ 25,404</u>	<u>\$ 25,404</u>
Other Information:		
Cash Paid for Amounts Included in the Measurement of Lease Liabilities		
Operating Cash Flows from Operating Leases	\$ 25,404	\$ 25,404
Right-of-Use Assets Obtained in Exchange for New Operating Lease Liabilities	\$ -	\$ 115,195
Weighted Average Remaining Lease Term - Operating Leases	2.9 Years	3.9 Years
Weighted-Average Discount Rate - Operating Leases	3.40%	3.40%

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NOTE 9 LEASES (CONTINUED)

Lease Agreements - ASC 842 (Continued)

A maturity analysis of annual undiscounted cash flows for lease liabilities as of August 31, 2024 is as follows:

<u>Year Ending August 31</u>	<u>Operating Leases</u>
2025	\$ 25,404
2026	25,404
2027	<u>23,287</u>
Total Lease Payments	74,095
Less: Imputed Interest	<u>(3,452)</u>
Present Value of Lease Liabilities	<u><u>\$ 70,643</u></u>

NOTE 10 NET ASSETS

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions are available for the following purposes or periods as of August 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Subject to Expenditure for Specified Purpose:		
Wish Granting	\$ 701,532	\$ 606,110
Building Maintenance	46,273	-
Total	<u>747,805</u>	<u>606,110</u>
Subject to Passage of Time:		
Promises to Give that are Not Restricted by Donors, but Which are Unavailable for Expenditure Until Due	<u>543,868</u>	<u>268,750</u>
Total	543,868	268,750
Endowments:		
Subject to Endowment Spending Policy and Appropriation:		
Earnings on Endowment Funds	3,310,921	2,592,377
Original Donor-Restricted Gift Amount to be Maintained in Perpetuity:		
Wish Granting and Building Maintenance	<u>5,414,811</u>	<u>5,219,811</u>
Total Endowments	8,725,732	7,812,188
Not Subject to Spending Policy:		
Assets Held Under Split-Interest Agreements	<u>259,468</u>	<u>231,956</u>
Total Donor-Restricted Net Assets	<u><u>\$ 10,276,873</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,919,004</u></u>

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NOTE 11 ENDOWMENTS

The Foundation is subject to the enacted version of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act of 2006 (UPMIFA) and is required to make disclosures about endowment funds, both donor-restricted endowment funds and board-designated endowment funds.

The Foundation’s endowment consists of 24 individual funds established for a variety of purposes including granting wishes and building maintenance. Net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Endowment assets which are donor-restricted are reflected as investments held for long-term purposes on the statements of financial position.

Interpretation of Relevant Law

The board of directors of the Foundation has interpreted the Texas UPMIFA as requiring preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary.

As a result of this interpretation, the Foundation classifies as donor-restricted net assets: (a) the original value of gifts donated to the donor-restricted endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the donor-restricted endowment, and (c) accumulated earnings on the donor-restricted endowment funds. The accumulated earnings on the endowment funds remain treated as donor-restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Foundation in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. In accordance with UPMIFA, the Foundation considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- The duration and preservation of the fund
- The purposes of the Foundation and the donor-restricted endowment fund
- General economic conditions
- The possible effect of inflation and deflation
- The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments
- Other resources of the Foundation
- The investment policies of the Foundation

Endowment fund composition by type of fund as of August 31 is as follows:

August 31, 2024	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Donor-Restricted Endowment Funds	\$ -	\$ 8,725,732	\$ 8,725,732
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August 31, 2023			
Donor-Restricted Endowment Funds	\$ -	\$ 7,812,188	\$ 7,812,188

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NOTE 11 ENDOWMENTS (CONTINUED)

Interpretation of Relevant Law (Continued)

Changes in endowment funds are as follows for the years ended August 31:

<u>August 31, 2024</u>	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Endowment Funds - Beginning of Year	\$ -	\$ 7,812,188	\$ 7,812,188
Investment Income, Net	-	1,207,993	1,207,993
Contributions	-	195,000	195,000
Appropriation of Endowment Asset for Expenditure	-	(489,449)	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>(489,449)</u>	<u>(489,449)</u>
Endowment Funds - End of Year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,725,732</u>	<u>\$ 8,725,732</u>
<u>August 31, 2023</u>			
Endowment Funds - Beginning of Year	\$ -	\$ 7,085,020	\$ 7,085,020
Investment Loss, Net	-	587,168	587,168
Contributions	-	140,000	140,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>140,000</u>	<u>140,000</u>
Endowment Funds - End of Year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,812,188</u>	<u>\$ 7,812,188</u>

Fund Deficiencies

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 Foundation to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. There are no fund deficiencies as of August 31, 2024 and 2023.

Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Foundation's unrestricted investments and its endowment investments are in separate accounts, with both falling under the Foundation's investment policy. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Foundation must hold in perpetuity. Under this policy, as approved by the board of directors, the overall investment objectives of the Foundation are to balance long-term capital appreciation with capital preservation. The asset value, exclusive of contributions or withdrawals, shall grow in the long-term through a combination of investment income and capital appreciation at a rate of return comparative to the benchmarks set forth in the Foundation's investment policy based on the asset category mix, while avoiding excessive risk. The Foundation does not have a specified average rate of return expectation.

Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Foundation relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Foundation targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent constraints.

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NOTE 11 ENDOWMENTS (CONTINUED)

Spending Policy and How the Investment Objectives Relate to Spending Policy

The Foundation implemented a policy of appropriating for distribution each year 7% of its endowment fund's average fair value over the prior 12 quarters, as long as such quarterly distribution would not put the endowment fund "underwater." In establishing this policy, the Foundation considered the long-term expected return on its endowment. Accordingly, over the long-term, the Foundation expects the current spending policy to allow its endowment to grow at a rate of return comparative to the benchmarks set forth in the policy based on the asset category allocations. This is consistent with the Foundation's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets held in perpetuity or for a specified term as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment return.

NOTE 12 RETIREMENT PLAN

The Foundation has a defined contribution 401(k) plan (the Plan). Employees are eligible for participation in the Plan upon completion of one year and 1000 hours of eligibility service. Under the provisions of the Plan, eligible employees may elect to defer a percentage of their salary subject to certain IRC limitations. The Foundation matches employee contributions at 100% up to 6% of the employee's salary. Foundation contributions to the Plan for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023 were \$85,374 and \$77,770, respectively.

NOTE 13 CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Foundation to concentration of credit risk consist principally of cash, cash equivalents, and investments. The Foundation places its cash and investments with high credit quality financial institutions and generally limits the amount of credit exposure not to exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance coverage limit of \$250,000. From time to time throughout the year, the Foundation's cash balances may exceed the amount of the FDIC insurance coverage.

Contributions totaling \$1,042,012 and \$1,890,739 were received from a single donor, respectively, for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, which represents 12% and 26% of raised revenue which consists of total public support and gross internal special event revenue. Should these contribution levels decrease, the Foundation may be adversely affected.

NOTE 14 LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

The Foundation is periodically involved in litigation and claims arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Foundation's financial position, change in net assets, or liquidity.

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NOTE 15 COMMITMENTS

The goal of the Foundation is to grant the wish of every eligible child. During the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation granted 602 and 575 wishes, respectively. As of August 31, 2024 and 2023 there were approximately 1,190 and 990 wish children who are eligible for a wish. The average cost of a wish for the year ended August 31, 2024 was \$5,713 in cash and \$4,831 in in-kind for a total cost of \$10,544. The average cost of a wish for the year ended August 31, 2023 was \$5,331 in cash and \$5,047 in in-kind for a total cost of \$10,378.

NOTE 16 RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

In December 2019, an outbreak of a novel strain of coronavirus (COVID-19) began. On March 10, 2020, in conjunction with the Make-A-Wish America National Medical Advisory Council (NMAC), Make-A-Wish America issued instructions to pause travel and large gathering wishes until deemed medically safe for our vulnerable population and their families. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic.

As of September 15, 2021, in consultation with the NMAC, the pause on domestic travel to large gatherings was lifted, if travel occurred by automobile. The pause on airline travel was lifted December 1, 2021 with a graduated approach with full domestic travel resuming June of 2022. Cruise wish travel resumed in June 2024 and international wish travel resumed effective September 1, 2024. Prior to fiscal year 2020, travel wishes have been approximately 77% of wishes granted and the number of granted wishes averaged approximately 452. The number of wishes granted during the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023 was 602 and 575, respectively.

NOTE 17 EMPLOYEE RETENTION CREDIT

During the year ended August 31, 2022, the Foundation applied for and recorded an Employee Retention Credit (ERC) of \$183,384, part of federal COVID-19 relief for employers, on eligible employee wages for calendar year 2021. This credit is included in Public Support Grants as a government grant, which is recognized when all conditions of such grants are fulfilled or there is reasonable assurance they will be fulfilled. Grant receivables were recorded in Other Assets as of August 31, 2024 and 2023 in the amount of \$-0- and \$183,384, respectively.

Eligibility and conditions for the ERC program may be audited by the Internal Revenue Service. The amount of liability, if any, from potential noncompliance cannot be determined with certainty; management is of the opinion that any audit will not have a material adverse impact on the Foundation's financial position.

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NOTE 18 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Foundation has evaluated subsequent events from the statement of financial position date through January 15, 2025, the date at which the financial statements were available to be issued.



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