MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE HUDSON VALLEY 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 Hudson Valley
Tarrytown, New York

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Hudson Valley (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 Hudson Valley 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 Hudson Valley 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 Hudson Valley'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 Hudson Valley'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 Hudson Valley'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

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

Phoenix, Arizona December 20, 2024

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE HUDSON VALLEY STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AUGUST 31, 2024 AND 2023

		2024		2023
ASSETS				_
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	930,465	\$	829,866
Investments	•	1,277,597	•	1,144,136
Due from Related Entities		130,846		74,899
Prepaid Expenses		83,077		41,099
Contributions Receivable, Net		194,446		186,352
Other Assets		18,939		11,871
Right-of-Use Assets - Operating		446,165		556,305
Right-of-Use Assets - Finance		4,932		10,850
Investments Held for Long-Term Purposes		4,303		4,303
Property and Equipment, Net		6,101		7,365
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	3,096,871	\$	2,867,046
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$	179,038	\$	130,810
Due to Related Entities		15,990		20,634
Deferred Revenue, Internal Events		75,083		67,396
Lease Liability - Operating		459,506		569,697
Lease Liability - Financing		6,709		12,998
Total Liabilities		736,326		801,535
NET ASSETS				
Without Donor Restrictions		2,245,796		1,958,856
With Donor Restrictions		114,749		106,655
Total Net Assets		2,360,545		2,065,511
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	3,096,871	\$	2,867,046

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE HUDSON VALLEY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

REVENUES, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Public Support Contributions, Cash Contributions, Donated Goods and Services Grants Total Public Support	\$ 2,012,765 551,248 14,187 2,578,200	\$ - 110,446 - 110,446	\$ 2,012,765 661,694 14,187 2,688,646
Internal Special Events, Cash Internal Special Events, Donated Goods and Services	862,758 110,871	-	862,758 110,871
Less: Costs of Direct Benefits to Donors Total Internal Special Events	(316,948) 656,681	-	(316,948) 656,681
Investment Income, Net Other Income Net Assets Released from Restrictions	133,662 4,061 102,352	- - (102,352)	133,662 4,061
Total Revenues, Gains, and Other Support	3,474,956	8,094	3,483,050
EXPENSES Program Services Wish Granting	2,320,921	-	2,320,921
Support Services Fundraising Management and General Total Support Services	453,801 413,294 867,095	- - -	453,801 413,294 867,095
Total Expenses	3,188,016		3,188,016
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	286,940	8,094	295,034
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	1,958,856	106,655	2,065,511
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 2,245,796	\$ 114,749	\$ 2,360,545

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE HUDSON VALLEY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2023

	Without Donor With Donor Restrictions			Total		
REVENUES, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT						7 0 001
Public Support	_		_		_	
Contributions, Cash	\$	1,921,075	\$	400.050	\$	1,921,075
Contributions, Donated Goods and Services Grants		548,055 139,181		102,352		650,407 139,181
Total Public Support		2,608,311		102,352		2,710,663
Internal Special Events, Cash Internal Special Events, Donated Goods and		725,565		-		725,565
Services		99,905		-		99,905
Less: Costs of Direct Benefits to Donors		(293,654)		<u>-</u>		(293,654)
Total Internal Special Events		531,816		-		531,816
Investment Income, Net		26,893		-		26,893
Other Income		2,188		(00.070)		2,188
Net Assets Released from Restrictions		82,372		(82,372)		
Total Revenues, Gains, and Other Support		3,251,580		19,980		3,271,560
EXPENSES Program Services Wish Granting		2,182,347		-		2,182,347
Support Services						
Fundraising		427,137		-		427,137
Management and General		393,537				393,537
Total Support Services		820,674		-		820,674
Total Expenses		3,003,021				3,003,021
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		248,559		19,980		268,539
Net Assets - Beginning of Year		1,710,297		86,675		1,796,972
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$	1,958,856	\$	106,655	_\$_	2,065,511

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE HUDSON VALLEY STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Program Services			Supr	ort Services					
	 Wish				nagement	Total Suppo	rt	Direct Donor		
	Granting	E	ındraising		d General	Services	IL	Benefits		Total
	 Granting		inuraising	all	u General	Services		Denents	-	Total
Direct Costs of Wishes	\$ 1,512,563	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	1,512,563
Salaries, Taxes, and Benefits	515,018		255,535		217,539	473,07	74	-		988,092
Printing, Subscriptions, and Publications	3,983		32,630		7,340	39,97	70	-		43,953
Professional Fees	13		10,420		91,782	102,20)2	-		102,215
Rent and Utilities	66,072		32,783		28,785	61,56	38	-		127,640
Postage and Delivery	3,204		4,356		2,491	6,84	17	-		10,051
Travel	1,527		612		2,077	2,68	39	-		4,216
Meetings and Conferences	5,719		21,244		5,166	26,4	10	-		32,129
Office Supplies	28,407		3,712		1,596	5,30	08	-		33,715
Communications	3,146		1,300		1,100	2,40	00	-		5,546
Advertising and Media (Cash)	-		552		-	55	52	-		552
Advertising and Media (In-Kind)	-		5,500		-	5,50	00			5,500
Repairs and Maintenance	44		22		18	4	40	-		84
Insurance	-		100		-	10	00			100
Membership Dues	-		-		1,650	1,6	50	-		1,650
National Partnership Dues	170,697		39,016		34,139	73,15	55	-		243,852
Miscellaneous	3,943		42,752		16,848	59,60	00	-		63,543
Depreciation and Amortization	6,585		3,267		2,763	6,03	30	-		12,615
Special Event - Direct Donor Benefits	 							316,948		316,948
Total Expenses by Function	2,320,921		453,801		413,294	867,09	95	316,948		3,504,964
Less Expenses Netted Against Revenues										
on the Statement of Activities:										
Special Event Expenses	 						<u> </u>	(316,948)		(316,948)
Total Expenses Included in the										
Expense Section of the Statement										
of Activities	\$ 2,320,921	\$	453,801	\$	413,294	\$ 867,09	95	\$ -	\$	3,188,016

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE HUDSON VALLEY STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2023

		Program								
		Services			Support Services					
	Wish		Wish		Management		Total Support	Di	rect Donor	
		Granting	Fu	ındraising	an	d General	Services	Benefits		 Total
Direct Costs of Wishes	\$	1,395,145	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 1,395,145
Distributions to Related Entities		_		-		-	-		-	-
Salaries, Taxes, and Benefits		533,619		264,765		223,874	488,639		-	1,022,258
Printing, Subscriptions, and Publications		1,115		26,832		4,082	30,914		-	32,029
Professional Fees		1,065		7,941		68,101	76,042		-	77,107
Rent and Utilities		72,507		35,976		30,420	66,396		-	138,903
Postage and Delivery		3,103		2,647		1,013	3,660		-	6,763
Travel		205		732		4,447	5,179		-	5,384
Meetings and Conferences		1,246		16,160		6,363	22,523		-	23,769
Office Supplies		14,422		3,583		1,442	5,025		-	19,447
Communications		5,201		2,229		1,884	4,113		-	9,314
Advertising and Media (Cash)		-		582		-	582		-	582
Advertising and Media (In-Kind)		-		1,748		-	1,748		-	1,748
Membership Dues		104		52		1,074	1,126		-	1,230
National Partnership Dues		142,763		32,631		28,553	61,184		-	203,947
Miscellaneous		4,002		27,364		18,991	46,355		-	50,357
Depreciation and Amortization		7,850		3,895		3,293	7,188		-	15,038
Special Event - Direct Donor Benefits									293,654	 293,654
Total Expenses by Function		2,182,347		427,137		393,537	820,674		293,654	3,296,675
Less Expenses Netted Against Revenues										
on the Statement of Activities:										
Special Event Expenses		<u>-</u>							(293,654)	 (293,654)
Total Expenses Included in the										
Expense Section of the Statement										
of Activities	\$	2,182,347	\$	427,137	\$	393,537	\$ 820,674	\$		\$ 3,003,021

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF THE HUDSON VALLEY STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024 AND 2023

		2024		2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Change in Net Assets	\$	295,034	\$	268,539
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to Net Cash				
Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:				
Depreciation		6,697		9,119
Amortization of Right-of-Use Asset, Finance Lease		5,918		5,919
Net Realized and Unrealized Losses on Investments		(96,691)		5,588
Loss on Disposal of Property and Equipment		-		80
Contributed Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets		- (54)		3,094
Change in Operating Right-of-Use Assets and Lease Liabilities		(51)		13,392
(Increase) Decrease in Assets:		(0.004)		(400,000)
Contributions Receivable		(8,094)		(103,980)
Due from Related Entities		(55,947)		(15,799)
Prepaid Expenses		(41,978)		19,167
Other Assets		(7,068)		6,863
Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities:		40.000		40 452
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses Due to Related Entities		48,228		48,153
Other Liabilities		(4,644) 7,687		9,647
Deferred Rent		7,007		61,871 (13,777)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		149,091		317,876
Net Cash Florided by Operating Activities		149,091		317,070
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchases of Investments		(449,976)		(286,670)
Proceeds from Sales of Investments		413,206		604,233
Purchases of Property and Equipment		(5,433)		(1,798)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities		(42,203)		315,765
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Principal Payments on Finance Lease Obligations		(6,289)		(5,893)
Net Cash Used by Financing Activities		(6,289)		(5,893)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		100,599		627,748
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year		829,866		202,118
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$	930,465	\$	829,866
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION				
Cash Paid for Interest Expense	\$	660	\$	1,054
Right-of-Use Assets Obtained in Exchange for New Operating	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	1,001
Lease Liabilities	\$	_	\$	660,002
Right-of-Use Assets Obtained in Exchange for New Finance				,
Lease Liabilities	\$	_	\$	16,769
Contributed Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets	\$	_	\$	3,094
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NOTE 1 ORGANIZATION

Make-A-Wish Foundation® of the Hudson Valley (the Foundation) is a New York 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 (the 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 (U.S. 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.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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 right-of-use assets – financing and lease liability – financing in the statements of financial position.

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 \$500 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 3 to 5 years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the shorter of the estimated useful life of the asset or the remaining terms of the leases. 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.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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.

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.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Net Assets (Continued)

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 statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized on the accrual basis and generally consists of contributions, special event revenue, 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 \$317,000 and \$294,000 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 \$48,731 and \$98,780, respectively.

Donated advertising and media is reported as contribution revenue and fundraising expense when received and the reporting of such contributions is unaffected by whether the Foundation could afford to purchase or would have purchased the assets at their fair value.

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 to give are not recognized as contribution revenue and receivables until the conditions have been substantially met.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Revenue Recognition (Continued)

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.

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:

	 2024		2023
Wish Related Travel, Goods, and Services	\$ 648,770	\$	647,459
Advertising and Media	5,500		1,748
Special Events	110,871		99,905
Other	 7,424		1,200
Total Contributed Nonfinancial Assets	 _		
and Services	\$ 772,565	\$	750,312

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.

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.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Income Taxes

The Foundation is a nonprofit organization exempt from federal income and New York state income taxes under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and the New York State tax code. 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.

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 a 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 U.S. 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.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Adoption of Accounting Pronouncement

The Foundation has adopted Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-13, *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, as amended, which modifieds 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.

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	\$	2,537,657	\$ 2,239,556
Donor-Imposed Restrictions			
Restricted Funds		(110,446)	(102,352)
Endowments		(4,303)	 (4,303)
Financial Assets Available to Meet Cash Needs		_	
for General Expenditures Within One Year	_\$_	2,422,908	\$ 2,132,901

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.

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.

NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)

The fair values of the financial instruments shown in the following table 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.

<u>Investments</u>

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 audit and finance committee, which oversees the Foundation's investment program in accordance with established guidelines.

Allocation of Investment Strategies

In addition to traditional stocks and fixed income securities, the Foundation may also hold shares or units in traditional institutional funds as well as in alternative investment funds involving hedged strategies, private equity, and real asset strategies. Hedged strategies involve funds whose managers have the authority to invest in various asset classes at their discretion, including the ability to invest long and short. Funds with hedged strategies generally hold securities or other financial instruments for which a ready market exists and may include stocks, bonds, put or call options, swaps, currency hedges, and other instruments, and are valued accordingly. Private equity funds employ buy-out and venture capital strategies and focus on investments in turn-around situations. Real estate funds generally hold interests in public real estate investment trusts (REITS) or commercial real estate through sole-member entities. Private equity and real asset strategies therefore often require the estimation of fair values by the fund managers in the absence of readily determinable market values. Because of the inherent uncertainties of valuation, these estimated fair values may differ significantly from values that would have been used had a ready market existed, and the differences could be material. Such valuations are determined by fund managers and generally consider variables such as operating results, comparable earnings multiples, projected cash flows, recent sales prices, and other pertinent information, and may reflect discounts for the illiquid nature of certain investments held. Moreover, the fair values of the Foundation's interests in shares or units of these funds, because of liquidity and capital commitment terms that vary depending on the specific fund or partnership agreement, may differ from the fair value of the funds' underlying net assets.

NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Fair Value Hierarchy

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

			August 31, 2024		
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Assets Not Held at Fair Value	Total
Investments					
Mutual Funds	\$ 114,286	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 114,286
Exchange-Traded Funds	1,148,056	-	-	-	1,148,056
Cash	-	-	-	19,558	19,558
Total Investments	\$ 1,262,342	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,558	\$ 1,281,900
			August 31, 2023		
				Assets Not	
				Held at	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair Value	Total
Investments					
Mutual Funds	\$ 427,554	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 427,554
Exchange-Traded Funds	696,697	-	-	-	696,697
Cash				24,188	24,188
Total Investments	\$ 1,124,251	\$ -	\$ -		

NOTE 5 CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE

As of August 31, 2024, three donors account for approximately 100% of contributions receivable. As of August 31, 2023, two donor accounts for 94% of contributions receivable. All contributions receivable are due within the next twelve months.

NOTE 6 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 and other miscellaneous revenues. During the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, the Foundation received \$633,113 and \$400,707 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 \$317,873 and \$275,554 were paid from the Foundation to the National Organization during the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

NOTE 6 TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED ENTITIES (CONTINUED)

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 \$3,450 and \$1,500, 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:

	2024		 2023
Due from National Organization	\$	95,331	\$ 55,667
Due from Other Chapters		35,515	 19,232
Total Due from Related Entities	\$	130,846	\$ 74,899
Due to National Organization	\$	9,942	\$ 5,492
Due to Other Chapters		6,048	 15,142
Total Due to Related Entities	\$	15,990	\$ 20,634

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.

During the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023 the Foundation received contributions, both cash and in-kind, from board members totaling \$84,940 and \$44,745, respectively.

NOTE 7 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET

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

	2024		2023
Computer Equipment and Software	\$	79,590	\$ 77,674
Office Furniture and Other Equipment		15,387	11,871
Leasehold Improvements		31,045	 31,045
Total		126,022	 120,590
Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization		(119,921)	 (113,225)
Property and Equipment, Net	\$	6,101	\$ 7,365

Depreciation expense totaled \$6,697 and \$9,119, respectively, for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023.

NOTE 8 LEASES

The Foundation leases equipment and an office facility for various terms under long-term, non-cancelable lease agreements. The leases expire at various dates through fiscal year 2028.

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

	2024		2023	
Lease Cost				
Finance Lease Cost				
Amortization of Right-of-Use Assets	\$	5,918	\$	5,919
Interest on Lease Liabilities		338		561
Operating Lease Cost		127,039		123,756
Total Lease Cost	\$	133,295	\$	130,236
Other Information				
Cash Paid for Amounts Included in the Measurement				
of Lease Liabilities				
Operating Cash Flows from Financing Leases	\$	338	\$	561
Operating Cash Flows from Operating Leases	\$	127,089	\$	124,141
Financing Cash Flows from Financing Leases	\$	6,289	\$	5,893
Right-of-Use Assets Obtained in Exchange for New				
Financing Lease Liabilities	\$	-	\$	16,769
Right-of-Use Assets Obtained in Exchange for New				
Operating Lease Liabilities	\$	-	\$	660,002
Weighted-Average Remaining Leases Term -				
Financing Leases		1.0 Years		2.0 Years
Weighted Average Remaining Lease Term -				
Operating Leases		3.7 Years		4.7 Years
Weighted-Average Discount Rate - Financing Leases		3.43%		3.43%
Weighted-Average Discount Rate - Operating Leases		3.32%		3.32%

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

O	Operating		Finance			
	Leases		Leases		Leases	
\$	128,084	\$	6,948			
	127,874		-			
	126,824		-			
	105,687					
	488,469	•	6,948			
	(28,963)		(239)			
\$	459,506	\$	6,709			
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NOTE 9 NET ASSETS

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

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

Subject to Expenditure for Specified Purpose Wish Granting	2024		2023	
	\$	110,446	\$	102,352
Endowments Original Donor-Restricted Gift Amount to be Maintained in Perpetuity Investments in Perpetuity, the Income from Which is Expendable to Support any Activities				
of the Foundation		4,303		4,303
Total Donor-Restricted Net Assets	\$	114,749	\$	106,655

NOTE 10 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 one donor-restricted fund. 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. Endowment assets, both donor-restricted and board-designated, 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 New York 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.

NOTE 10 ENDOWMENTS (CONTINUED)

Interpretation of Relevant Law (Continued)

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	With Donor	
	Restrictions	Restrictions	Total
Donor-Restricted Endowment Funds	\$ -	\$ 4,303	\$ 4,303
		August 31, 2023	
	Without Donor	With Donor	
	Restrictions	Restrictions	Total
Donor-Restricted Endowment Funds	<u>\$</u>	\$ 4.303	\$ 4.303

There were no changes in endowment net assets for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023.

NOTE 11 RETIREMENT PLAN

The Foundation has a defined contribution retirement plan (the Plan). Employees are eligible for participation in the Plan after reaching 21 years of age and upon completion of one year of service. Under the provisions of the Plan, eligible employees may elect to defer a percentage of their salary subject to certain Internal Revenue Code limitations. The Foundation matches employee contributions up to 3% of the employee's salary. Foundation contributions to the Plan for the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023 were \$18,781 and \$17,497, respectively.

NOTE 12 CONCENTRATIONS

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.

One contribution totaling \$500,000 was received from a single donor for the year ended August 31, 2023, which represents 14% 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. No single donor was greater than 10% of raised revenue for the year ended August 31, 2024.

NOTE 13 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 142 and 125 wishes, respectively. As of August 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, there were approximately 175 and 220 wish children who are eligible for a wish. The average cost of a wish for the year ended August 31, 2024 was \$6,281 in cash and \$4,389 in in-kind for a total cost of \$10,670. The average cost of a wish for the year ended August 31, 2023 was \$6,129 in cash and \$4,851 in in-kind for a total cost of \$10,980.

NOTE 14 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 72% of wishes granted and the number of granted wishes averaged approximately 116. The number of wishes granted during the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023 was 142 and 125, respectively.

NOTE 15 EMPLOYEE RETENTION CREDIT

Grants from the government are recognized when all conditions of such grants are fulfilled or there is reasonable assurance that they will be fulfilled. During the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023 the Foundation applied for Employee Retention Credit (ERC) grant funding from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The Foundation recognized \$-0- and \$84,000, respectively, of grant revenue related to performance requirements being met in compliance with the program during the years ended August 31, 2024 and 2023.

Eligibility and conditions for the ERC program may be audited by the IRS. The amount of liability if any, form 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.

NOTE 16 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Foundation has evaluated subsequent events from the statement of financial position through December 20, 2024, the date at which the financial statements were available to be reviewed.

