

# Grand Victoria Foundation

Financial Statements  
Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

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# **Grand Victoria Foundation**

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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

The Board of Directors  
Grand Victoria Foundation  
Chicago, Illinois

### ***Opinion***

We have audited the financial statements of Grand Victoria Foundation (the Foundation), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, 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 accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, 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 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Foundation 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 the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.



### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

*BDO USA, P.C.*

July 2, 2024

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**Grand Victoria Foundation**  
**Statements of Financial Position**

<i>December 31,</i>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,918,929	\$ 776,672
Contribution receivables:		
Elgin Riverboat Resort (Note 1)	8,527,696	8,247,709
Other	890,970	101,000
Prepaid expenses	46,061	14,344
Investments (Note 3)	154,524,158	138,381,351
Equipment and leasehold improvements, net of accumulated depreciation of \$65,979 and \$656,135, respectively	34,885	36,656
Right-of-use asset (Note 5)	-	56,196
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 165,942,699</b>	<b>\$ 147,613,928</b>
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 228,507	\$ 256,748
Grants payable	2,822,500	1,795,000
Deferred federal excise tax (Note 4)	381,503	217,980
Lease liability (Note 5)	-	72,032
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>3,432,510</b>	<b>2,341,760</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Net assets without donor restrictions:		
Undesignated	161,510,189	145,272,168
Net assets with donor restrictions	1,000,000	-
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>162,510,189</b>	<b>145,272,168</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 165,942,699</b>	<b>\$ 147,613,928</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

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## Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

*Year ended December 31, 2023*

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
<b>Revenue</b>			
Contribution from Elgin Riverboat Resort	\$ 8,527,696	\$ -	\$ 8,527,696
Other contribution	-	1,000,000	1,000,000
Miscellaneous income	1,812	-	1,812
Interest and dividends	5,235,225	-	5,235,225
Net assets released from restrictions	-	-	-
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>13,764,733</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>14,764,733</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Program	8,923,936	-	8,923,936
Management and general	913,619	-	913,619
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>9,837,555</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,837,555</b>
<b>Change in Net Assets, before other items</b>	<b>3,927,178</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>4,927,178</b>
<b>Unrealized Gain on Investments</b>	<b>12,474,366</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,474,366</b>
<b>Deferred Federal Excise Tax Provision</b>	<b>(163,523)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(163,523)</b>
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>16,238,021</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>17,238,021</b>
<b>Net Assets, beginning of year</b>	<b>145,272,168</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>145,272,168</b>
<b>Net Assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 161,510,189</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,000</b>	<b>\$ 162,510,189</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*



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## Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

*Year ended December 31, 2022*

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
<b>Revenue</b>			
Contribution from Elgin Riverboat Resort	\$ 8,247,709	\$ -	\$ 8,247,709
Other contribution	72,143	1,010,000	1,082,143
Interest and dividends	4,115,390	-	4,115,390
Net assets released from restrictions	1,010,000	(1,010,000)	-
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>13,445,242</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,445,242</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Program	7,971,797	-	7,971,797
Management and general	687,996	-	687,996
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>8,659,793</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,659,793</b>
<b>Change in Net Assets, before other items</b>	<b>4,785,449</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,785,449</b>
<b>Unrealized Loss on Investments</b>	<b>(24,238,604)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(24,238,604)</b>
<b>Deferred Federal Excise Tax Benefit</b>	<b>341,865</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>341,865</b>
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>(19,111,290)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(19,111,290)</b>
<b>Net Assets, beginning of year</b>	<b>164,383,458</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>164,383,458</b>
<b>Net Assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 145,272,168</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 145,272,168</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

**Grand Victoria Foundation**  
**Statement of Functional Expenses**

*Year ended December 31, 2023*

	Program	Management and General	Total
Salaries	\$ 1,024,866	\$ 319,161	\$ 1,344,027
Employee benefits	160,881	42,266	203,147
Payroll taxes	80,392	23,728	104,120
Board expense	4,863	1,578	6,441
Current federal excise tax expense	-	54,400	54,400
Depreciation	10,605	793	11,398
Equipment, including service, and maintenance	141,886	49,258	191,144
Grant expense	6,895,671	-	6,895,671
Information technology/website	20,970	6,805	27,775
Insurance	10,094	3,276	13,370
Meetings hosted	43,697	1,696	45,393
Office supplies and expenses	27,458	8,910	36,368
Professional development	60,425	5,302	65,727
Professional fees	251,112	342,098	593,210
Professional memberships	12,162	-	12,162
Rent and utilities	93,521	30,348	123,869
Recruiting	66,000	24,000	90,000
Travel and entertainment	19,333	-	19,333
<b>Total Functional Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 8,923,936</b>	<b>\$ 913,619</b>	<b>\$ 9,837,555</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

**Grand Victoria Foundation**  
**Statement of Functional Expenses**

*Year ended December 31, 2022*

	Program	Management and General	Total
Salaries	\$ 956,201	\$ 264,287	\$ 1,220,488
Employee benefits	170,187	44,105	214,292
Payroll taxes	73,256	19,072	92,328
Community outreach	30,387	-	30,387
Current federal excise tax expense	-	64,982	64,982
Depreciation	5,171	4,946	10,117
Equipment, including service, and maintenance	26,750	63,136	89,886
Grant expense	5,922,191	-	5,922,191
Information technology/website	22,407	5,829	28,236
Insurance	14,721	11,375	26,096
Meetings hosted	34,940	-	34,940
Office supplies and expenses	9,463	3,694	13,157
Professional development	30,477	-	30,477
Professional fees	443,310	118,994	562,304
Professional memberships	18,400	-	18,400
Rent and utilities	141,513	36,813	178,326
Recruiting	41,538	50,000	91,538
Travel and entertainment	30,885	763	31,648
<b>Total Functional Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 7,971,797</b>	<b>\$ 687,996</b>	<b>\$ 8,659,793</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

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## Statements of Cash Flows

<i>Year ended December 31,</i>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>		
Change in net assets	\$ 17,238,021	\$ (19,111,290)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Deferred federal excise tax	163,523	(336,917)
Depreciation	11,398	10,117
Noncash lease expense	(15,836)	(31,181)
Loss (gain) on investments, net	(12,474,366)	24,238,604
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Contribution receivable	(1,069,957)	634,468
Prepaid expenses	31,339	2,646
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(28,241)	52,005
Grants payable	1,027,500	-
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	<b>4,820,698</b>	<b>5,458,452</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>		
Purchases of investments	(3,668,441)	(4,807,021)
Purchases of equipment and leasehold improvements	(10,000)	(32,785)
<b>Net Cash Used in Investing Activities</b>	<b>(3,678,441)</b>	<b>(4,839,806)</b>
<b>Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>1,142,257</b>	<b>618,646</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of year</b>	<b>776,672</b>	<b>158,026</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 1,918,929</b>	<b>\$ 776,672</b>
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Activities</b>		
Cash paid for income taxes	<b>\$ 75,000</b>	<b>\$ 35,000</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

# Grand Victoria Foundation

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### 1. Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies

#### *Nature of Activities*

Grand Victoria Foundation (the Foundation) is a private charitable foundation sponsored by the Elgin Riverboat Resort, which operates the Grand Victoria Casino. The Foundation primarily supports efforts and projects for the general benefit and welfare of the city of Elgin, and the state of Illinois, with a primary focus on programs related to education, environmental matters, and economic and community development.

#### *Basis of Presentation*

The accompanying financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

#### *Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### *Cash and Cash Equivalents*

The Foundation maintains bank deposit accounts that, at time, may exceed federally insured limits. Cash equivalents consist of interest-bearing investments with original maturities of three months or less. These investments are reflected at fair value.

#### *Investment Valuation*

Unless otherwise noted below, the investments of the Foundation are reported at fair value. The fair value of a financial instrument is 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 exit price).

*Mutual Funds* - Mutual funds represent investments with various investment managers. The fair values of these investments are determined by reference to the fund's underlying assets, which are principally marketable equity and fixed-income securities. Shares held in mutual funds that trade on national securities exchanges are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.

*Real Estate Investment Trust* - Interest in Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) is valued on the basis of the Foundation's equity in the net assets of such investments. Values for these investments, which may include investments in both nonmarketable and market-traded securities, are provided by the REIT and may be based on appraisals, market values discounted for concentration of ownership, or other estimates. Because of inherent uncertainty of valuing the investments in such REITs, the Foundation's estimate of fair value may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the investments existed. The financial statements of the Foundation's REIT investments are audited annually by an independent public accounting firm. These are valued at net asset value (NAV).

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*Money Market Funds* - Money market funds are valued using the amortized cost method, which approximates their fair value.

### ***Contribution Receivable***

Elgin Riverboat Resort has agreed to contribute to the Foundation 12.5% of its annual net operating income (as defined). The contributions are to be made no later than 120 days after the end of Elgin Riverboat Resort's fiscal year (which is also a calendar year) and are without donor restrictions.

Other receivable is comprised of amount due from other donors and are with donor restriction. Management closely monitors outstanding balances.

Allowance for credit losses is determined on the basis of loss experience, economic conditions in the industry, and forward looking information. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no allowance for credit losses.

### ***Equipment and Leasehold Improvements***

Equipment and leasehold improvements are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the respective asset (three to ten years). Depreciation of leasehold improvements is computed using the straight-line method over the shorter of the useful life of the property being amortized or the term of the lease.

### ***Grants Payable***

Grants specifically committed to designated grantees but not yet paid are accrued as grants payable.

### ***Net Assets***

The net assets of the Foundation are classified as follows:

*Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions* - Net assets without donor restrictions represent the portion of expendable net assets that are available for operations and those designated for specific purposes by action of the Board of Directors.

*Net Assets with Donor Restrictions* - Net assets with donor restrictions represent the portion of net assets that are subject to donor-imposed restrictions related to a time restraint or for a specific use. Net assets with donor restrictions amounted to \$1,000,000 as of December 31, 2023. The Foundation had no assets with donor restrictions as of December 31, 2022.

Some assets with donor restrictions include a stipulation that assets provided be maintained permanently (perpetual in nature) while permitting the Foundation to expend the income generated by the assets in accordance with the provisions of additional donor restrictions and the release of restrictions, respectively. The Foundation has no assets that are perpetual in nature as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

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### ***Revenue Recognition***

The Foundation recognizes revenue in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*.

### ***Contributions***

Contributions are recognized at a point in time when the donor makes a promise to give to the Foundation that is, in substance, unconditional. Contributions received are recorded as net assets without donor restrictions or net assets with donor restrictions, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. Donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires—that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends, or purpose restriction is accomplished—net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statements of activities and changes in net assets as net assets released from restrictions.

### ***Investment Income***

Realized gains and losses from changes in market values are reflected in the statements of activities and changes in net assets as net investment return. Investment sales and purchases are recorded on a trade-date basis, which results in both investment receivables and payables on unsettled investment trades. Dividend income is recorded based upon the ex-dividend date, and interest income is recorded as earned on an accrual basis. Income from investment activity is not within the scope of Topic 606.

### ***Income Taxes***

The Foundation is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable state law. However, as a private charitable foundation, the Foundation is subject to a federal excise tax based on net investment income. Deferred federal excise tax expense represents taxes provided on the net unrealized appreciation on investments, using a rate of 1.39% for both 2023 and 2022. The Foundation is still open to examination by U.S. tax authorities from tax years 2018 through the most current filing.

The Foundation recognizes any corresponding interest or penalties associated with its income tax position in income tax expense. There were no corresponding interest or penalties incurred for 2023 or 2022.

### ***Fair Value of Financial Instruments***

The fair values of cash and cash equivalents, contribution receivables, accounts payable, and accrued expenses approximate carrying amounts due to the immediate or short-term maturity of these instruments.

### ***Accounting Pronouncements Adopted During the Period***

In June 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-05, *Financial Instruments - Credit Losses: Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, which applies primarily to the Foundation's accounts receivable impairment loss allowances. The guidance provides a revised model whereby the current expected credit losses are used to compute impairment of financial

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instruments. The new model requires evaluation of historical experience and various current and expected factors, which may affect the estimated amount of losses and requires determination of whether the affected financial instruments should be grouped in units of account. The guidance was effective for the Foundation on January 1, 2023 and was adopted using the modified retrospective approach. Adoption of the ASU did not have a material impact to the statements of financial position, statements of activities and changes in net assets, statements of cash flows, or related disclosures.

### ***Subsequent Events***

In accordance with ASC 855-10, *Subsequent Events*, the Foundation evaluated subsequent events through July 2, 2024, which is the date the accompanying financial statements were available to be issued. No material subsequent events have occurred through that date that required recognition or disclosure in these financial statements.

## **2. Concentration of Credit Risk**

The Foundation maintains its primarily non-interest-bearing cash in bank deposit accounts that may, at times, exceed federally insured limits. The Foundation has not experienced any losses in such accounts. Management believes that the Foundation is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

## **3. Investments**

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

*Level 1* - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Foundation has the ability to access.

*Level 2* - Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets.
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets.
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability.
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

*Level 3* - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable inputs in situations where there is little or no market activity of the asset and liability and the reporting entity makes estimates and assumptions relating to the pricing of the asset or liability, including assumptions regarding risk.



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The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. There were no changes to the valuation methodologies during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Fair values for Level 1 investments are determined by reference to quoted market prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions.

ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurement*, defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. On May 1, 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-08, *Disclosures for Certain Entities That Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or Its Equivalent)*. ASU 2015-17 removes the requirement to categorize within the fair value hierarchy all investments for which fair value is measured using the NAV per share or its equivalent. As a result, the investments in REITs that are measured at fair value using NAV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy.

Fair values of assets measured on a recurring basis are as follows:

### ***December 31, 2023***

	Total	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Mutual funds:				
Large-blend fund	\$ 51,007,776	\$ 51,007,776	\$ -	\$ -
Foreign large-blend fund	29,757,413	29,757,413	-	-
Intermediate - term bond funds	40,507,971	40,507,971	-	-
Bank loan fund	15,423,005	15,423,005	-	-
Money market fund:				
Government portfolio fund	1,937,382	1,937,382	-	-
<b>Total, in the fair value hierarchy</b>	<b>138,633,547</b>	<b>\$ 138,633,547</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
Investment valued at NAV:				
REIT	<u>15,890,611</u>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 154,524,158</b>			

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	Total	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>Mutual funds:</b>				
Large-blend fund	\$ 40,477,435	\$ 40,477,435	\$ -	\$ -
Foreign large-blend fund	25,760,457	25,760,457	-	-
Intermediate - term bond funds	38,207,763	38,207,763	-	-
Bank loan fund	13,745,176	13,745,176	-	-
<b>Money market fund:</b>				
Government portfolio fund	3,323,463	3,323,463	-	-
<b>Total, in the fair value hierarchy</b>	<b>121,514,294</b>	<b>\$ 121,514,294</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Investment valued at NAV:</b>				
REIT	16,867,057			
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 138,381,351</b>			

The Company has revised the disclosure of the December 31, 2022 real estate investment trust valuation method. Previously, the real estate investment trust was disclosed as a level 2 investment within the fair value hierarchy and such disclosure has been revised to explain that the real estate investment trust is valued at net asset value (NAV).

Investments consist of the following:

December 31,

	2023		2022	
	Cost	Market Value	Cost	Market Value
<b>Mutual funds:</b>				
Large-blend fund	\$ 20,656,435	\$ 51,007,776	\$ 19,929,691	\$ 40,477,435
Foreign large-blend fund	25,665,603	29,757,413	24,722,924	25,760,457
Intermediate - term bond funds	46,990,825	40,507,971	45,521,198	38,207,763
Bank loan fund	16,451,126	15,423,005	15,187,694	13,745,176
Real estate fund	15,965,309	15,890,611	15,313,262	16,867,057
	125,729,298	152,586,776	120,674,769	135,057,888
<b>Money market fund:</b>				
Government portfolio fund	1,937,382	1,937,382	3,323,463	3,323,463
	\$ 127,666,680	\$ 154,524,158	\$ 123,998,232	\$ 138,381,351

#### 4. Federal Excise Taxes

The Foundation accounts for federal excise taxes in accordance with GAAP, where deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on differences between financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities and are measured using the enacted tax rates and laws that will be in effect when the differences are expected to reverse.

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Differences in the valuation of investments for excise tax and financial reporting purposes, due primarily to unrealized gains and losses on investments, result in deferred excise tax assets or liabilities. Using an estimated rate of 1.39%, the deferred excise tax liability at December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$381,503 and \$217,980, respectively.

### 5. Lease Commitments

The Foundation occupied its Chicago office under a lease that expired on June 30, 2023. The Foundation also had an office lease for the Elgin location that expired on September 30, 2023. The leases provided for monthly base rents ranging from \$3,157 to \$7,315. The Foundation entered into a 12-month co-workspace agreement to combine offices in September 2023. The new short-term lease provides for a monthly base rent of \$5,800.

The Foundation determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception of the arrangement. To the extent that it can be determined that an arrangement represents a lease, it is classified as either an operating lease or a finance lease. The Foundation does not currently have any finance leases. For leases with terms greater than 12 months, the Foundation records the related right-of-use (ROU) assets and ROU obligations at the present value of lease payments over the term. The Foundation uses the risk-free treasury rate to discount the lease payments at lease commencement. 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.

Lease expense for operating leases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Lease expense for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$119,258 and \$172,364, respectively, and is included in rent and utilities expenses in the statements of functional expenses.

ROU assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2022 are as follows:

#### *December 31, 2022*

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ROU assets	\$	909,122
Less: accumulated amortization		(852,926)
<b>Total ROU Assets</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>56,196</b>

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Operating lease obligations related to ROU assets are summarized below:

#### *December 31, 2022*

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Total operating lease liabilities	\$	909,122
Reduction of lease liabilities		(837,090)
<b>Operating Lease Liabilities</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>72,032</b>

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Other information:

#### *December 31, 2022*

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Weighted-average remaining lease term	0.5 years
Weighted-average discount rate	1%

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### 6. 401(k) Profit-Sharing Plan

The Foundation has a 401(k) Profit-Sharing Plan that allows employees to contribute up to 100% of their annual compensation to the plan, subject to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations. The Foundation matches participant deferrals at a rate of 50% of up to 4% of the employees' annual compensation, a net potential employer match of 2% of annual compensation. The Foundation also makes a discretionary contribution to employees based on salary and length of service. For both the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the discretionary contribution was 8% of eligible employees' annual compensation. The Foundation's matching contributions were \$22,371 and \$20,400, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and its discretionary contribution totaled \$86,688 and \$87,800, respectively. The discretionary contribution is included in accounts payable and accrued expenses on the statements of financial position.

### 7. Liquidity and Availability of Resources

The Foundation's financial assets available within one year of the statement of financial position date for general expenditure are as follows:

<i>December 31,</i>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,918,929	\$ 776,672
Contribution receivable - Elgin Riverboat Resort	8,527,696	8,247,709
Other contribution receivable	890,970	101,000
Investments*	154,524,158	138,381,351
<b>Total Financial Assets Available Within One Year</b>	<b>165,861,753</b>	<b>147,506,732</b>
Less: restricted by donors with purpose restriction	1,000,000	-
<b>Total Financial Assets Available Within One Year for General Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 164,861,753</b>	<b>\$ 147,506,732</b>

\* The Foundation maintains a policy of structuring its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. Investments are included in the table above, as these assets are available to be used should the Foundation deem necessary; however, the investments are not expected to be used within one year.