

**NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**JUNE 30, 2015**





# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Board of Directors  
Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation  
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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation, Portage County, prepared by Plante & Moran, PLLC, for the audit period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Dave Yost  
Auditor of State

December 2, 2015

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NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors  
Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation (the "Foundation"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2015 and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

To the Board of Directors  
Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as of June 30, 2015 and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Report on Summarized Comparative Information**

We have previously audited the Foundation's 2014 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated October 13, 2014. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014 is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 5, 2015 on our consideration of the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Plante & Moran, PLLC*

October 5, 2015

NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION  
(A Component Unit of Northeast Ohio Medical University)  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

June 30, 2015  
(With Comparative Totals at June 30, 2014)

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 816,967	\$ 510,733
Prepays	600	3,273
Student notes receivable (Note 7)	35,100	41,892
Pledges receivable (Note 3)	458,957	446,411
Total current assets	1,311,624	1,002,309
LONG-TERM ASSETS		
Pledges receivable (Note 3)	1,429,367	1,554,652
Investments (Note 4)	14,892,619	14,300,756
Student notes receivable (Note 7)	249,689	238,424
Beneficial interest in trusts (Note 6)	208,644	489,179
Total long-term assets	16,780,319	16,583,011
Total assets	<b>\$ 18,091,943</b>	<b>\$ 17,585,320</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued liabilities	\$ 7,170	\$ 9,534
Related party payable (Note 13)	217,220	776,560
Annuity obligations (Note 8)	16,677	21,990
Deposits held in custody for others	68,068	54,651
Total current liabilities	309,135	862,735
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		
Annuity obligations (Note 8)	79,497	105,053
Total liabilities	388,632	967,788
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted		
Undesignated	321,415	171,724
Designated (Note 9)	758,051	730,160
Total unrestricted	1,079,466	901,884
Temporarily restricted (Note 10)	8,241,879	7,548,989
Permanently restricted (Note 12)		
Loan funds	874,430	860,620
Endowment funds	7,410,273	7,222,053
Annuity and life income funds	97,263	83,986
Total permanently restricted	8,381,966	8,166,659
Total net assets	17,703,311	16,617,532
Total liabilities and net assets	<b>\$ 18,091,943</b>	<b>\$ 17,585,320</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION  
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2015  
(With Comparative Totals for June 30, 2014)

	Operating Funds			Permanently Restricted	Total All Funds 2015	Total All Funds 2014
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total Operating			
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT</b>						
Contributions and bequests	\$ 344,495	\$ 2,316,489	\$ 2,660,984	\$ 189,085	\$ 2,850,069	\$ 2,928,937
In-kind support from NEOMED	<u>1,137,409</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,137,409</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,137,409</u>	<u>1,054,907</u>
Total contributions	1,481,904	2,316,489	3,798,393	189,085	3,987,478	3,983,844
Investment income						
Interest and dividend income	63,679	187,820	251,499	9,345	260,844	194,681
Realized gain on sale of investments	17,990	188,689	206,679	2,110	208,789	370,138
Unrealized (depreciation) appreciation of investments	(28,321)	(71,073)	(99,394)	6,921	(92,473)	1,148,485
Change in value of beneficial interest in a trust	<u>-</u>	<u>19,465</u>	<u>19,465</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,465</u>	<u>89,772</u>
Total investment income	53,348	324,901	378,249	18,376	396,625	1,803,076
Other income	165	55,767	55,932	7,846	63,778	115,133
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>2,004,267</u>	<u>(2,004,267)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total contributions, gains and other support	3,539,684	692,890	4,232,574	215,307	4,447,881	5,902,053
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Disbursed for charitable purposes						
Instructional	169,432	-	169,432	-	169,432	200,076
Research	294,560	-	294,560	-	294,560	636,153
Public services	550,356	-	550,356	-	550,356	159,782
Academic support	356,021	-	356,021	-	356,021	792,862
Institutional support	233,425	-	233,425	-	233,425	162,075
Operations and maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	250,001
Student financial assistance	<u>501,707</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>501,707</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>501,707</u>	<u>373,568</u>
Total disbursed for charitable purposes	2,105,501	-	2,105,501	-	2,105,501	2,574,517
Management and general	711,803	-	711,803	-	711,803	523,508
Fundraising	<u>544,798</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>544,798</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>544,798</u>	<u>532,373</u>
Total expenditures	3,362,102	-	3,362,102	-	3,362,102	3,630,398
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	177,582	692,890	870,472	215,307	1,085,779	2,271,655
NET ASSETS – BEGINNING	<u>901,884</u>	<u>7,548,989</u>	<u>8,450,873</u>	<u>8,166,659</u>	<u>16,617,532</u>	<u>14,345,877</u>
NET ASSETS – ENDING	<u>\$ 1,079,466</u>	<u>\$ 8,241,879</u>	<u>\$ 9,321,345</u>	<u>\$ 8,381,966</u>	<u>\$ 17,703,311</u>	<u>\$ 16,617,532</u>

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NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION  
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended June 30, 2015  
(With Comparative Totals for June 30, 2014)

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Increase in net assets	\$ 1,085,779	\$ 2,271,655
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to cash provided by operating activities:		
Noncash Items:		
Decrease (increase) in discount of pledges receivable	25,826	(124,118)
Increase in allowance of pledges receivable	(8,408)	(16,328)
Net change in value of annuity agreements	(14,192)	7,890
Increase in value of beneficial interest in a trust	(19,465)	(89,772)
Net realized gain on investments	(208,789)	(370,138)
Net unrealized depreciation (appreciation) of investments	92,473	(1,148,485)
Contributions restricted for endowment	(189,085)	(191,546)
Changes in current assets and liabilities:		
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses	2,673	(1,873)
Decrease (increase) in pledges receivable	95,321	(799,586)
(Decrease) increase in accrued liabilities	(2,364)	7,194
(Decrease) increase in related party payables	(559,340)	710,760
Increase in deposits held for others	13,417	10,369
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>313,846</u>	<u>266,022</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
(Decrease) increase in student notes receivable	(4,473)	11,553
Total purchase of investments	(2,511,822)	(2,071,383)
Total sale of investments	<u>2,036,275</u>	<u>1,199,479</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	(480,020)	(860,351)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Payments to beneficiaries of charitable gift annuities	(16,677)	(21,990)
Distribution of principal from beneficial interest in trusts	300,000	300,000
Contributions restricted for endowment	<u>189,085</u>	<u>191,546</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>472,408</u>	<u>469,556</u>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>306,234</b>	<b>(124,773)</b>
<b>CASH AND EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING</b>	<u><b>510,733</b></u>	<u><b>635,506</b></u>
<b>CASH AND EQUIVALENTS - ENDING</b>	<b>\$ <u><u>816,967</u></u></b>	<b>\$ <u><u>510,733</u></u></b>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION</b>		
In-kind support	<b>\$ <u><u>1,137,409</u></u></b>	<b>\$ <u><u>1,054,907</u></u></b>

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NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION  
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2015

**Note 1. Organization**

Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation, a discretely presented component unit of Northeast Ohio Medical University (hereinafter referred to as the "Foundation"), was incorporated on April 14, 1978 as a nonprofit tax-exempt corporation. The purpose of the Foundation is to raise funds for and make distributions to the Northeast Ohio Medical University (hereinafter referred to as the "University") and to assist in developing and increasing its resources to provide broader educational opportunities and services for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes.

The Foundation is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors consisting of a maximum 42 members.

**Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies**

*Basis of Accounting* - The Foundation has adopted the accrual method of accounting in accordance with not-for-profit accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Basis of Presentation* - The Foundation reports net assets based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the Foundation and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

**Unrestricted Net Assets** - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations. This category includes unrestricted assets and uncollected pledges.

**Temporarily Restricted Net Assets** - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that will be met either by actions of the Foundation and/or the passage of time.

**Permanently Restricted Net Assets** - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that will be maintained permanently by the Foundation. The donors of these assets permit the Foundation to use the income earned on related investments for general or specific purposes. This category includes loan funds, annuity funds restricted by the donor and true endowment principal.

*Cash and Equivalents* - The Foundation considers highly liquid instruments such as cash, certificates of deposit, and investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

The Foundation maintains its cash in bank deposits which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Foundation has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to significant risk on cash.

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**Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

*Pledge Receivables* - The Foundation records pledges and unconditional promises to give as receivables and revenue in the year the pledge is made. Those that are expected to be collected within one year are recorded at net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of their estimated future cash flows. The discounts on those amounts are computed using risk-free interest rates applicable to the years in which the promises are received. Amortization of the discounts is included in contribution revenue. Conditional promises to give are not included as revenue until the conditions are substantially met. Management's estimate of the allowance for doubtful pledges receivable is based on historical collectability.

*Investments* - Investments are carried at fair market value based on quoted market prices. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are reflected in the Statement of Activities.

Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are measured at fair value. The fair values of investments are based on quoted market prices. Investments not publicly traded are stated at cost, which approximates market. Donated investments including donated property are recorded as contributions at fair value on the date received. Realized gains (losses) on investments are the difference between the proceeds received and the average cost of investments sold. Net appreciation in the fair value of investments (including realized gains (losses) and unrealized gains (losses) and dividends and interest) is included in revenue, gains, and other income of unrestricted net assets, unless the net appreciation or investment income is restricted by the donor.

*Annuity and Life Income Accounts* - The amount of the contribution recorded by the Foundation from annuity trust agreements is the fair value of the trust assets received less the present value of the estimated annuity payments. The liability is determined based on actuarial assumptions and is included in the liabilities section of the Statement of Financial Position.

*Revenue Recognition* - Unrestricted contributions of cash and other assets are recognized as revenue when they are received. All other material restricted contributions are recognized when pledged.

The Foundation receives donated services which are specialized skills that would need to be purchased if not provided by donation. See Note 13 for further information for amounts for such services provided by the University. Such in-kind donations are reported as contributions in the Statement of Activities.

*Functional Allocation of Expenses* - Total expenses consisted of expenses relating to program services, management and general, and fundraising. Costs are allocated between the various programs and support services on an actual basis, where available, or based upon reasonable methods. Although methods of allocation are considered appropriate, other methods could be used that would produce different amounts.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2015

**Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

*Risks and Uncertainties* - The Foundation invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the Statement of Financial Position.

*Income Taxes* - The Foundation operates as a nonprofit corporation and has been determined to be exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code. As of June 30, 2015 and 2014, there were no unrecognized tax benefits, significant penalties, or interest recognized during the year or accrued at year end. The Foundation files income tax returns in U.S. federal jurisdiction and at year end, tax returns were open for examination for years 2012-2014.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require management to evaluate certain tax positions taken by the Foundation and recognize a tax liability if the organization has taken an uncertain tax position that more likely than not would be sustained upon examination by the IRS or other applicable taxing authorities. Management has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Foundation and has concluded that as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, there are no uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability or disclosure in the financial statements. The Foundation is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. Management believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to June 30, 2012.

*Use of Estimates* - The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenue, and expenses. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

*Comparative Financial Statements* - The financial statements include certain prior-year summarized comparative information in total but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Foundation's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2014 from which the summarized information was derived.

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**Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

*Upcoming Pronouncements* - In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)" (the "ASU"), which will supersede the current revenue recognition requirements in Topic 605, "Revenue Recognition". The ASU is based on the principle that revenue is recognized to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The ASU also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. The new guidance will be effective for the Foundation's year ending June 30, 2018. The ASU permits application of the new revenue recognition guidance to be applied using one of two retrospective application methods. The Foundation has not yet determined which application method it will use or the potential effects of the new standard on the financial statements, if any.

*Subsequent Events* - The financial statements and related disclosures include evaluation of events up through and including October 5, 2015, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Note 3. Pledges Receivable**

Unconditional promises to give are included in the financial statements as pledges receivable. Pledges are recorded at their approximate present value. The future expected cash flows from pledges receivable have been discounted using a discount rate of five percent for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

Pledges receivable at June 30, 2015 and 2014 are expected to be realized in the following periods:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Less than one year	\$ 467,814	\$ 455,517
Between one and five years	1,485,454	1,569,212
More than five years	<u>174,000</u>	<u>229,500</u>
Total outstanding pledges	2,127,268	2,254,229
Less net present value discount	(195,112)	(217,573)
Less allowance for uncollectible pledges	<u>(43,832)</u>	<u>(35,593)</u>
Net outstanding pledges	<u>\$ 1,888,324</u>	<u>\$ 2,001,063</u>

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2015

**Note 4. Investments**

Following is a summary of investments at June 30:

	<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>	
	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Market</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Market</u>
Money market funds	\$ 244,907	\$ 244,907	\$ 147,730	\$ 147,730
Cash surrender value of life insurance	236,646	236,646	239,230	239,230
Equities	6,162,732	8,378,903	5,430,217	7,606,180
Other	112,518	321,719	108,682	339,211
Fixed income	<u>4,443,370</u>	<u>5,710,444</u>	<u>4,576,345</u>	<u>5,968,405</u>
 Total long-term investments	 <u>\$11,200,173</u>	 <u>\$14,892,619</u>	 <u>\$10,502,204</u>	 <u>\$14,300,756</u>

The Foundation's board of directors has adopted an investment policy which is reviewed and updated on an annual basis and is used to determine asset allocation.

**Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

Accounting standards require certain assets and liabilities be reported at fair value in the financial statements and provide a framework for establishing that fair value. The framework for determining fair value is based on a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure fair value.

Level 1 - Uses unadjusted quoted prices that are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the reporting date. Active markets are those in which transactions for the asset or liability occur in sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

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

Level 3 - Uses inputs that are unobservable and are supported by little or no market activity and reflect the use of significant management judgment. These values are generally determined using pricing models and fund manager statements for which assumptions utilize management's estimates of market participant assumptions.

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**Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)**

The Foundation's policy is to recognize transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy as of the end of the reporting period. For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, there were no transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy.

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy the Foundation's financial assets that were accounted for at a fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2015 and 2014. The financial assets are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Foundation's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the valuation of fair value assets and their placement within the fair value hierarchy levels. The table does not include cash on hand or other assets and liabilities that are measured at historical cost or any basis other than fair value.

	Balance at June 30, 2015	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>Assets - Investments</b>				
Domestic Fixed Income	\$ 4,450,227	\$ 4,450,227	\$ -	\$ -
International Fixed Income	1,260,217	1,260,217	-	-
Domestic Equities	5,994,709	5,994,709	-	-
International Equities	2,384,194	2,384,194	-	-
Money market	244,907	-	244,907	-
Other investments	321,719	313,318	-	8,401
<b>Total Investments</b>	<u>\$ 14,655,973</u>	<u>\$ 14,402,665</u>	<u>\$ 244,907</u>	<u>\$ 8,401</u>
<b>Assets - Beneficial Interest in Trusts</b>				
Total Beneficial Interests in Trusts	<u>\$ 208,644</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 208,644</u>
<b>Total Fair Value Measurements</b>	<u>\$ 14,864,617</u>	<u>\$ 14,402,665</u>	<u>\$ 244,907</u>	<u>\$ 217,045</u>

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**Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)**

	Balance at June 30, 2014	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>Assets - Investments</b>				
Domestic Fixed Income	\$ 4,581,063	\$ 4,581,063	\$ -	\$ -
International Fixed Income	1,387,342	1,387,342	-	-
Domestic Equities	5,443,845	5,443,845	-	-
International Equities	2,162,335	2,162,335	-	-
Money market	147,730	-	147,730	-
Other investments	339,211	332,506	-	6,705
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$ 14,061,526</b>	<b>\$ 13,907,091</b>	<b>\$ 147,730</b>	<b>\$ 6,705</b>
<b>Assets - Beneficial Interest in Trusts</b>				
Total Beneficial Interests in Trusts	\$ 489,179	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 489,179
<b>Total Fair Value Measurements</b>	<b>\$ 14,550,705</b>	<b>\$ 13,907,091</b>	<b>\$ 147,730</b>	<b>\$ 495,884</b>

*Investments* - The Foundation invests in cash and equivalents, equities and bonds, with quoted prices in active markets, which are considered to be Level 1 inputs.

The Foundation has processes in place to select the appropriate valuation technique and unobservable inputs to perform Level 3 fair value measurements. These processes include quarterly meetings with the Foundation's investment committee for calibration and review of Level 3 investment monthly or quarterly fund manager statements and annual audited financial statements. The Foundation cannot independently assess the value of these underlying positions through a public exchange or over-the-counter market. The Foundation utilizes a third-party investment manager to monitor, participate in fund manager calls, and obtain underlying financial information on the Level 3 investments.

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**Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)**

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) are as follows:

	Beneficial Interest in Trust	Alternative Investments
Balance at 6/30/14	\$ 489,179	\$ 6,705
Contributions	-	-
Payments	(300,000)	-
Gift to University	-	-
Change in Value	19,465	1,696
Balance as of 6/30/15	\$ 208,644	\$ 8,401

	Beneficial Interest in Trust	Alternative Investments
Balance at 6/30/13	\$ 699,407	\$ 7,462
Contributions	-	-
Payments	(300,000)	-
Gift to University	-	-
Change in Value	89,772	(757)
Balance as of 6/30/14	\$ 489,179	\$ 6,705

*Beneficial Interest in Trusts* - The Foundation is the sole owner of equities and bonds that are held with a trustee. They have quoted prices in active markets and are considered to be Level 1 inputs. In addition, the Foundation is part owner of investments from a third party. Not all investment information is available, and it is considered to be Level 3 inputs.

	2015 Fair Value	2014 Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Significant Unobservable Input
Beneficial interest in trusts	\$ 208,644	\$ 489,179	Fair value of interest in underlying assets of the trusts and expected future distribution discounted at a rate of five percent	Values of underlying securities

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**Note 6. Beneficial Interest in Trusts**

The Foundation is a beneficiary of a charitable remainder trust. Upon the death of the donors, the Foundation will receive its share of the trust funds. The Foundation recorded an investment in this trust equal to the expected future distribution discounted at a rate of five percent. The value of the Foundation's interest in the trust at June 30, 2015 and 2014 totaled \$67,554 and \$68,113, respectively.

In addition, the Foundation is the sole beneficiary of an irrevocable grantor trust. According to the trust, the Foundation is to receive annually the sum of \$300,000 until such time that the trust is fully-liquidated. The value of the Foundation's interest in the trust has been recorded at its fair market value and at June 30, 2015 and 2014, the value totaled \$141,090 and \$421,066, respectively.

**Note 7. Student Notes Receivable**

The Foundation has established a revolving loan fund that disburses funds with an interest rate of five percent. The note receivable is reported at the original issue amount less principal repaid. Interest is recognized to the terms of the specific note.

The Foundation considers a student receivable to be impaired when, based upon current information and events, it believes it is probable that the Foundation will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. The Foundation did not have any notes receivable considered to be impaired or uncollectible as of June 30, 2015 or 2014.

**Note 8. Gift Annuity Obligations**

The Foundation is obligated under various annuity contracts, whereby donors have contributed cash to the Foundation with an agreement that the donor shall be the sole recipient of annual annuity payments. These annual payments, currently totaling \$16,677 per year, shall terminate on the last payment date preceding the death of the donor. In determining the net present value of the obligations as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, the discount rate is determined using the risk-free rate of return as of the date of the initial contract.

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**Note 9. Unrestricted Net Assets - Designated**

The following net assets have been designated to be available primarily for charitable purposes benefiting the Foundation's faculty, staff, and students in the following functional categories:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Charitable purposes:		
Instruction and departmental research	\$ 1,211	\$ 194
Academic support	54,682	54,682
Institutional support	677,510	651,331
Student scholarships and other student aid	18,598	5,500
Student loan funds	<u>6,050</u>	<u>18,453</u>
Total designated net assets, June 30	<u>\$ 758,051</u>	<u>\$ 730,160</u>

**Note 10. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets**

All temporarily restricted net assets are available for charitable purposes benefiting the Foundation's faculty, staff, and students in the following functional categories:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Instruction and departmental research	\$ 1,430,735	\$ 1,375,516
Separately budgeted research	477,473	727,404
Public service	431,156	768,616
Academic support	1,049,937	1,412,727
Institutional support	2,208,167	959,007
Plant operation and maintenance	11,243	8,785
Student scholarships and other student aid	2,424,786	2,085,970
Deferred gift annuity	236,648	239,230
Allowance for uncollectible pledges	<u>(28,266)</u>	<u>(28,266)</u>
Total temporarily restricted net assets, June 30	<u>\$ 8,241,879</u>	<u>\$ 7,548,989</u>

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**Note 11. Endowment Funds**

Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation's endowment includes donor-restricted endowment funds. Net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence of donor-imposed restrictions.

*Interpretation of Relevant Law*

The Board of Directors of Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation has interpreted the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the 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 permanently restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily 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:

- (1) The duration and preservation of the fund
- (2) The purposes of the Foundation and the donor-restricted endowment fund
- (3) General economic conditions
- (4) The possible effect of inflation and deflation
- (5) The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments
- (6) Other resources of the Foundation
- (7) The investment policies of the Foundation

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**Note 11. Endowment Funds (Continued)**

Endowments as of June 30:	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Endowment net assets as of June 30, 2014	\$ -	\$3,120,479	\$7,222,053	\$10,342,532
Investment return:				
Investment Income	-	170,993	-	170,993
Net appreciation (depreciation) (realized and unrealized)	-	138,059	-	138,059
Total investment return	-	309,052	-	309,052
Contributions	-	-	189,085	189,085
Appropriations for expenditures	-	(210,202)	(865)	(211,067)
Endowment net assets As of June 30, 2015	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$3,219,329</u>	<u>\$7,410,273</u>	<u>\$10,629,602</u>
Endowments as of June 30:	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Endowment net assets as of June 30, 2013	\$ -	\$1,865,863	\$7,031,083	\$8,896,946
Investment return:				
Investment Income	-	43,484	-	43,484
Net appreciation (depreciation) (realized and unrealized)	-	1,378,735	-	1,378,735
Total investment return	-	1,422,219	-	1,422,219
Contributions	-	-	191,546	191,546
Appropriations for expenditures	-	(167,603)	(576)	(168,179)
Endowment net assets As of June 30, 2014	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$3,120,479</u>	<u>\$7,222,053</u>	<u>\$10,342,532</u>

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**Note 11. Endowment Funds (Continued)**

*Funds with 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. In accordance with GAAP, there were no deficiencies of this nature that are reported in unrestricted net assets as of June 30, 2015 and 2014.

*Return Objectives and Risk Parameters*

Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Foundation must hold in perpetuity or for a donor-specified period(s). Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Directors, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield results of the S&P 500 Index while assuming a moderate level of investment risk. Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation expects its endowment funds, over time, to provide an average rate of return of approximately eight percent annually. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount.

*Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives*

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, Northeast Ohio Medical University 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). Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

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

Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year up to five percent of its endowment fund's average fair value over the prior three years through the preceding fiscal year in which the distribution is planned. In establishing this policy, the Foundation considered the long-term expected return on its endowment. Accordingly, over the long term, Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation expects the current spending policy to allow its endowment to grow at an average of three percent annually. 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.

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**Note 12. Permanently Restricted Net Assets**

Permanently restricted net assets are held in perpetuity for the following functional purposes:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Student loans	\$ 874,430	\$ 860,620
Endowments requiring earnings only be made available for:		
Student scholarships and awards	3,639,440	3,462,221
Student loans	100,236	100,236
Anatomy endowed chair	1,002,471	1,002,471
Psychiatry endowed chair	2,000,000	2,000,000
General and other	671,780	664,452
Deferred gift annuity	97,263	83,986
Allowance for uncollectible pledges	<u>(3,654)</u>	<u>(7,327)</u>
 Total permanently restricted net assets, June 30	 <u>\$ 8,381,966</u>	 <u>\$ 8,166,659</u>

**Note 13. Related Party Transactions**

For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Foundation made disbursements of \$2,105,500 and \$2,574,517, respectively, in direct support of charitable, educational, and scientific purposes benefiting the University and its students. In addition, the Foundation granted loans of \$85,442 and \$67,480 to college students for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

The Foundation provided reimbursements of \$161,141 and \$224,231 to the University for management, fund raising, services, and office space during the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. At June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Foundation had accounts payable to the University totaling \$217,220 and \$776,560, respectively, related to the unpaid reimbursements for similar purposes. Amounts for such services provided by the University which are not reimbursed by the Foundation are reported as in-kind contributions in the Statement of Activities. The University's in-kind support for these services was valued at \$1,137,409 and \$1,054,907 for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance  
and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements  
Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Independent Auditor's Report

To Management and the Board of Directors  
Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation (the "Foundation"), which comprise the basic statement of financial position as of June 30, 2015 and the related basic statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 5, 2015.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Foundation's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

To Management and the Board of Directors  
Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Foundation's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Plante & Moran, PLLC*

October 5, 2015



# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

**NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION (NEOMED)**

**PORTAGE COUNTY**

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

**This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.**

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
DECEMBER 15, 2015**