

Financial Statements and Report of Independent
Certified Public Accountants

The University of Cincinnati Foundation

June 30, 2015 and 2014



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We have reviewed the *Report of Independent Certified Public Accountants* of The University of Cincinnati Foundation, Hamilton County, prepared by Grant Thornton LLP, 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 University of Cincinnati Foundation is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Dave Yost
Auditor of State

December 18, 2015

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

The Board of Trustees
The University of Cincinnati Foundation

Report on the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The University of Cincinnati Foundation (a nonprofit organization) (the “Foundation”), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years 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 audits. We conducted our audits 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 Foundation’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 Foundation’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.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The University of Cincinnati Foundation as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, 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.

Supplementary information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The Supplemental Schedule of Detail of Operating Expenses for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the Supplemental Schedule of Activities – Unrestricted Net Assets (Deficit) for the year ended June 30, 2015, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures. These additional procedures included comparing and reconciling the information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other reporting required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 30, 2015, on our consideration of the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and 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 effectiveness of 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.

Grant Thornton LLP

Cincinnati, Ohio
September 30, 2015

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

June 30, 2015 and 2014

ASSETS	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,743,549	\$ 2,969,010
Due from University of Cincinnati	1,726,778	1,920,872
Accrued interest receivable	841,451	433,507
Stock proceeds receivable	21,092	206,271
Prepaid expenses	478,062	96,440
Pledges receivable, net of allowance	77,781,480	75,603,368
Trusts held by others	9,457,458	9,494,916
Cash surrender value of life insurance policies	1,164,945	1,100,726
Other	16,457	3,262
Investments:		
Mutual funds	21,538,293	22,433,845
Common stocks and exchange traded funds	14,692,874	12,026,194
U.S. Government and agency obligations	3,655,349	3,323,088
Corporate bonds	10,927,129	10,705,380
Other	5,507,699	3,990,384
University pooled investments	291,617,756	283,422,208
Total investments	<u>347,939,100</u>	<u>335,901,099</u>
Property and equipment:		
Leasehold improvements, net of accumulated amortization of \$1,155,756 in 2015 and \$1,065,446 in 2014	300,467	280,809
Equipment and software, net of accumulated depreciation of \$1,925,155 in 2015 and \$1,953,774 in 2014	<u>3,479,047</u>	<u>1,714,489</u>
	<u>\$ 449,949,886</u>	<u>\$ 429,724,769</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,397,876	\$ 690,903
Accrued liabilities	811,771	460,534
Accrued compensated absences	685,559	622,749
Agency payable	11,735,496	972,000
Trusts held for the benefit of others	916,818	1,053,266
Refundable deposits	785,917	807,915
Accrued interest income due to investment pool	544,092	176,703
Present value of annuities payable	<u>7,033,366</u>	<u>7,318,904</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>23,910,895</u>	<u>12,102,974</u>
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)		
Unrestricted	(18,720,405)	(14,000,514)
Temporarily restricted	136,520,280	142,840,850
Permanently restricted	<u>308,239,116</u>	<u>288,781,459</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 449,949,886</u>	<u>\$ 429,724,769</u>

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

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year ended June 30, 2015

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues and other additions:				
Contributions:				
University	\$ 1,449,537	\$ 39,801,024	\$ 18,435,624	\$ 59,686,185
Foundation	-	11,823	-	11,823
University fee	5,829,238	1,703,006	-	7,532,244
UC Alumni Association Fee	530,397	-	-	530,397
UC Health Foundation Fee	802,058	-	-	802,058
Assessment fee	11,338,351	-	-	11,338,351
Change in value of split interest agreements	3,788	(43,087)	1,841	(37,458)
Other income	550	727,054	275,385	1,002,989
Investment income:				
Dividend and interest income	326,288	10,499,497	51,540	10,877,325
Net unrealized and realized gains (losses)	(6,456,604)	(1,679,069)	1,142,695	(6,992,978)
Pledge loss	-	(10,564,371)	(606,126)	(11,170,497)
Net assets released from restrictions - satisfaction of donor restrictions	46,328,212	(46,328,212)	-	-
Total revenues and other additions	<u>60,151,815</u>	<u>(5,872,335)</u>	<u>19,300,959</u>	<u>73,580,439</u>
Expenses and other deductions:				
Distributions to University of Cincinnati	42,050,907	-	-	42,050,907
Operating expenses	17,853,434	-	-	17,853,434
Assessment fee	4,967,365	-	-	4,967,365
Total expenses	<u>64,871,706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,871,706</u>
Change in present value of annuities payable	-	448,235	(156,698)	291,537
Total expenses and other deductions	<u>64,871,706</u>	<u>448,235</u>	<u>(156,698)</u>	<u>65,163,243</u>
Change in net assets	(4,719,891)	(6,320,570)	19,457,657	8,417,196
Net assets (deficit) at beginning of year	<u>(14,000,514)</u>	<u>142,840,850</u>	<u>288,781,459</u>	<u>417,621,795</u>
Net assets (deficit) at end of year	<u>\$ (18,720,405)</u>	<u>\$ 136,520,280</u>	<u>\$ 308,239,116</u>	<u>\$ 426,038,991</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year ended June 30, 2014

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues and other additions:				
Contributions:				
University	\$ 125,204	\$ 53,232,911	\$ 14,243,312	\$ 67,601,427
Foundation	-	47,716	-	47,716
University fee	1,926,930	1,554,604	-	3,481,534
Assessment fee	11,297,354	-	-	11,297,354
Change in value of split interest agreements	60,079	(264,171)	773,524	569,432
Other income	1,656	990,791	69,049	1,061,496
Investment income:				
Dividend and interest income	374,503	10,208,478	60,865	10,643,846
Net unrealized and realized gains	8,801,202	18,540,384	1,949,927	29,291,513
Pledge Loss	-	(2,171,493)	(365,724)	(2,537,217)
Net assets released from restrictions - satisfaction of donor restrictions	40,354,088	(40,354,088)	-	-
Total revenues and other additions	<u>62,941,016</u>	<u>41,785,132</u>	<u>16,730,953</u>	<u>121,457,101</u>
Expenses and other deductions:				
Distributions to University of Cincinnati	37,243,602	-	-	37,243,602
Operating expenses	14,325,809	-	-	14,325,809
Assessment fee	4,337,821	-	-	4,337,821
Total expenses	<u>55,907,232</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,907,232</u>
Change in present value of annuities payable	-	774,904	243,919	1,018,823
Total expenses and other deductions	<u>55,907,232</u>	<u>774,904</u>	<u>243,919</u>	<u>56,926,055</u>
Change in net assets	7,033,784	41,010,228	16,487,034	64,531,046
Net assets (deficit) at beginning of year	(21,034,298)	101,830,622	272,294,425	353,090,749
Net assets (deficit) at end of year	<u>\$ (14,000,514)</u>	<u>\$ 142,840,850</u>	<u>\$ 288,781,459</u>	<u>\$ 417,621,795</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Operating activities:		
Payments to the University of Cincinnati	\$ (41,181,986)	\$ (37,202,387)
University fees, assessment fees and other	16,037,952	10,839,069
Cash paid for compensation	(12,569,751)	(9,648,337)
Cash received for gifts	35,787,740	24,865,181
Investment income available for distribution	9,874,160	9,096,923
Cash paid for operating expenses	(4,477,917)	(4,158,987)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	3,470,198	(6,208,538)
Investing activities:		
Proceeds from sale of investments	21,462,940	23,868,754
Purchase of investments	(40,493,919)	(49,069,497)
Purchase of property and equipment	(1,994,313)	(1,639,773)
Net cash used in investing activities	(21,025,292)	(26,840,516)
Financing activities:		
Proceeds from contributions to endowment and similar funds	20,734,412	29,615,922
Investment income restricted for reinvestment	595,221	1,575,620
Net cash provided by financing activities	21,329,633	31,191,542
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	3,774,539	(1,857,512)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	2,969,010	4,826,522
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 6,743,549	\$ 2,969,010
Reconciliation of change in net assets to net cash provided by (used) in operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 8,417,196	\$ 64,531,046
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Provision for losses on pledges receivable	11,177,795	2,543,608
Depreciation and amortization	185,457	153,381
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	24,640	580
Decrease (increase) in due from University of Cincinnati	194,094	(855,912)
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable	(407,944)	28,697
Decrease (increase) in stock proceeds receivable	185,179	(167,110)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(381,622)	179,428
Increase in pledges receivable	(13,355,907)	(10,078,322)
Increase in cash surrender value of life insurance policies	(64,219)	(184,531)
(Increase) decrease in other assets	(13,195)	12,990
Increase in accounts payable	706,973	229,887
Increase in accrued liabilities	351,237	163,617
Increase in accrued compensated absences	62,810	135,532
Increase (decrease) increase in agency payable	10,763,496	(1,607,663)
(Decrease) increase in trusts held for the benefit of others	(136,448)	61,481
Decrease in refundable deposits	(21,998)	(708,743)
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest income due to investment pool	367,389	(7,848)
(Decrease) increase in present value of annuities payable	(285,538)	413,831
Contributions to endowment and similar funds	(20,734,412)	(29,615,922)
Change in value of split interest agreements	37,458	(569,432)
Investment income restricted for reinvestment	(595,221)	(1,575,620)
Net unrealized and realized losses (gains)	6,992,978	(29,291,513)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 3,470,198	\$ (6,208,538)

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

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2015 and 2014

NOTE A – DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

The University of Cincinnati Foundation (the Foundation) is a not-for-profit organization that operates exclusively for the benefit of the University of Cincinnati (the University). Its principal function is to solicit, receive, hold, invest and administer funds and to make distributions to the benefit of the University.

NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Foundation are presented on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP). Balances and transactions are presented based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Resources for various purposes are classified into net assets classes that are in accordance with activities or objectives specified by donors.

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

Unrestricted – Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

Temporarily restricted – Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met either by actions of the Foundation and/or the passage of time, and the portion of perpetual endowment funds subject to a time restriction under an enacted version of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA).

Permanently restricted – Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that must be maintained permanently by the Foundation. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the Foundation to use all or part of the income earned on related investments for general or specific purposes.

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by occurrence of events specified by the donors or by the change of restrictions specified by the donors. In 2015, the Foundation released approximately \$46,328,000 in restricted assets (\$6,149,000 for operations, maintenance, plant, \$20,408,000 for college programs, \$3,176,000 for instruction, \$3,140,000 for auxiliary, \$6,241,000 for scholarship, \$1,961,000 for academic support, \$3,958,000 for research and \$1,295,000 for other). In 2014, the Foundation released approximately \$40,354,000 in restricted assets \$5,820,000 for operations, maintenance, plant, \$16,210,000 for college programs, \$3,361,000 for instruction, \$4,110,000 for auxiliary, \$5,851,000 for scholarship, \$1,628,000 for academic support, \$2,417,000 for research and \$957,000 for other).

Contributions received by the Foundation for the benefit of the University are classified as University contributions on the Statements of Activities. Revenues from sources other than contributions are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets unless use of the related assets is limited by donor-imposed restrictions. Contributions are reported as increases in the appropriate category of net assets. Expenses are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets. Expirations of temporary restrictions recognized on net assets (i.e., the donor-imposed purpose has been fulfilled and/or the stipulated time period has elapsed) are reported as released from restriction from temporarily restricted net assets to unrestricted net assets. The Foundation recognizes temporarily restricted contributions and investment income in which donor-imposed restrictions

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

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NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1. Basis of Presentation (continued)

are met within the same period as temporarily restricted net assets and then reclassifies the revenue to unrestricted net assets through net assets released from restriction on the accompanying Statements of Activities. Temporary restrictions on gifts to acquire long-lived assets are considered met in the period in which the assets are acquired or placed in service.

Occasionally, the Foundation receives modifications or clarifications to gift agreements or pledges made in previous years. These modifications and clarifications are reviewed by Foundation management for approval, and once approved, may result in a reclassification among net asset classes or a pledge loss if the donor specifies a beneficiary other than the Foundation or the University. During the year ended June 30, 2015, a pledge loss and agency payable were recorded in the amount of \$10,428,807 related to such modifications and clarifications. No such modifications or clarifications occurred in 2014.

Gains and losses on investments are reported as increase or decreases in unrestricted net assets unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulations or by law.

Contributions, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as revenues in the period received. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of gift. Contributions to be received after one year are discounted at a rate commensurate with the risk involved. Amortization of the discount is recorded as additional contribution revenue and used in accordance with donor-imposed restrictions, if any, on the contributions.

Allowance is made for uncollectible contributions based upon management's judgment and analysis of the creditworthiness of the donors, past collection experience and other relevant factors. Unconditional promises to give of \$10,000 or more, and more than one year old, are evaluated annually for collectability. An appropriate reserve for each pledge is established based on the evaluation. Pledges of this size are not written off without senior management approval. Unconditional promises to give of less than \$10,000, expected to be satisfied by multiple payments, are generally completely reserved once twelve months have elapsed from receipt of the last pledge payment. These pledges are written off once the development officer assigned to the donor believes that further collection efforts will not be successful. Finally, unconditional promises to give arising from Telefund and other annual giving programs are generally written off to pledge loss once the donor has failed to respond to eleven consecutive monthly pledge reminders.

Contributions in the form of charitable gift annuities are recognized as revenue at fair value when received, and an annuity payment liability is recognized at the present value of future cash flows expected to be paid to the donors. Payments made to donors reduce the annuity liability. Adjustments to the annuity liability to reflect changes in the life expectancy of the donor are recognized in the Statements of Activities as a change in present value of annuities payable.

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June 30, 2015 and 2014

NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2. Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist principally of overnight funds, money market securities and certificates of deposit. As of June 30, 2015 and 2014, approximately \$7,806,000 and \$3,900,000 respectively, of cash and cash equivalents were in excess of federally insured limits. The overnight funds were collateralized by U.S. government backed securities. Cash equivalents are carried at amortized cost, and mature in 90 days or less.

3. Investment Securities

The Foundation's investments are reported at fair value. 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.

4. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost (or fair market value in the case of a gift) less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Software under development is capitalized at cost, which includes direct costs of materials and services consumed during development. Depreciation of software development costs will begin when development is substantially complete and ready for its intended use. The estimated useful lives are principally four years for automobile and computer equipment, five years for office equipment, and five years for software. All assets are depreciated/amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

5. Agency Transactions

The Foundation has received funds whereby the Foundation is named as the trustee of the related assets. The gift arrangements direct the Foundation to distribute portions of the related assets to other charitable organizations when restrictions are met. A portion of the assets will benefit the Foundation. The amount of assets that are due to other third party organizations is recorded as a payable of approximately \$11,735,000 and \$972,000 at June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

6. Income Taxes

The Foundation is a not-for-profit organization as defined under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, as such, is exempt from federal income taxes.

The Foundation evaluates its uncertain tax positions as to whether it is more likely than not a tax position could be sustained in the event of an audit by the applicable taxing authority. Accordingly, a loss contingency is recognized when it is probable that a liability has been incurred as of the date of the financial statements, and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. The amount recognized is subject to estimate and management judgment with respect to the likely outcome of each uncertain tax position. The amount that is ultimately sustained for an individual uncertain tax position or for all uncertain tax positions in the aggregate could differ from the amount recognized. Open tax years for the Foundation include 2014, 2013 and 2012. As of June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Foundation has no assets or liabilities recorded related to uncertain tax positions.

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NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

7. Use of Estimates

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

8. Risks and Uncertainties

The Foundation holds a variety of investments, the underlying securities of which are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of investment securities would occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

9. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is generally determined based on quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. If quoted market prices are not available, the Foundation uses valuation techniques that place greater reliance on observable inputs and less reliance on unobservable inputs. In measuring fair value, the Foundation may make adjustments for risks and uncertainties, if a market participant would include such an adjustment in its pricing.

11. New Accounting Standards

During 2014, the Foundation adopted Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2012-05, *Not-For-Profit Entities: Classification of the Sale Proceeds of Donated Financial Assets in the Statement of Cash Flows*. ASU 2012-05 requires that sale proceeds of donated financial assets converted nearly immediately to cash are classified as operating activities in the Statement of Cash Flows unless certain donor restrictions exist. Adoption of ASU 2012-05 did not have a material impact on the accompanying financial statements.

12. Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the 2014 supplemental schedules have been reclassified to conform with the 2015 presentation.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

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NOTE C – TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets as of June 30 are restricted for the following purposes:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Capital projects	\$ 28,242,962	\$ 36,230,701
College programs	62,371,662	57,905,055
Instruction	6,204,319	6,833,293
Scholarships	20,143,781	20,152,494
Academic support	5,367,439	4,610,129
Auxiliary	1,115,701	1,550,221
Research	4,279,539	6,007,038
Annuity and life income funds	4,410,871	4,957,307
Other	4,384,006	4,594,612
Total temporarily restricted net assets	<u>\$ 136,520,280</u>	<u>\$ 142,840,850</u>

Endowment funds included in temporarily restricted net assets are \$78,754,894 and \$82,626,183 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

NOTE D – PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Permanently restricted net assets as of June 30 are restricted for the following purposes:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
College programs	\$ 142,217,928	\$ 136,844,282
Instruction	30,028,932	29,500,589
Scholarships	68,764,643	63,263,575
Academic support	33,494,952	35,063,474
Auxiliary	6,963,660	6,544,771
Research	19,989,773	10,651,596
Annuity and life income funds	2,566,600	2,567,054
Other	4,212,628	4,346,118
Total permanently restricted net assets	<u>\$ 308,239,116</u>	<u>\$ 288,781,459</u>

Endowment funds included in permanently restricted net assets are \$273,076,168 and \$253,684,457 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

NOTE E – PLEDGES RECEIVABLE

Contributors to the Foundation have made unconditional pledges totaling approximately \$90,419,000 and \$90,065,000 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. For payments that extend beyond one year, these pledges receivable have been discounted at rates ranging from 0.8% to 6% to a net present value of approximately \$80,776,000 and \$79,563,000 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE E – PLEDGES RECEIVABLE (continued)

As of June 30, the unpaid pledges are due as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Less than one year	\$ 28,378,632	\$ 20,618,033
One to five years	27,206,305	31,470,423
More than five years	<u>34,834,227</u>	<u>37,976,751</u>
	90,419,164	90,065,207
Less discount to present value	(9,642,684)	(10,501,839)
Less allowance for uncollectible pledges	<u>(2,995,000)</u>	<u>(3,960,000)</u>
	<u>\$ 77,781,480</u>	<u>\$ 75,603,368</u>

The Foundation records unconditional promises to give at fair value on the date the promise to give is received using the expected present value technique (“EPV”). EPV calculates present value by discounting risk-adjusted expected cash flows using a risk-free interest rate (yield to maturity on U.S. Treasuries representing the average pledge term). Amortization of the discount is recorded as additional contribution revenue.

Amounts due from irrevocable bequests, which are unconditional promises to give, as of June 30, 2015 and 2014 of approximately \$14,423,000 and \$16,235,000, respectively, are included in the total amount of unconditional pledges due in more than five years. The allowance for uncollectible pledges includes approximately \$32,000 and \$36,000 associated with the irrevocable bequests, as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Nine donors currently have outstanding conditional pledges to the Foundation. As of June 30, 2015, the conditions were not substantially met, therefore, the net present value of the pledges is not included in the carrying amount of pledges receivable. The net present value of the conditional pledges approximated \$1,088,000 as of June 30, 2015. There were ten donors with outstanding conditional pledges as of June 30, 2014. The net present value of the conditional pledges at June 30, 2014 was approximately \$1,315,000.

NOTE F – ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Endowment assets are invested in a manner consistent with statutory fiduciary responsibilities and policies adopted by the Foundation’s Board of Trustees. The primary objective is to produce long-term real growth in assets, net of administrative and investment fees, by generating a total endowment rate of return which is greater than the spending rate plus the Consumer Price Index. Strategies to achieve the primary objective at a prudent level of risk include: (a) diversification of assets among various classes; (b) diversification of investment styles within asset class; and (c) ongoing review of investment manager performance with respect to rate of return, adherence to investment style and compliance with investment guidelines.

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NOTE F – ENDOWMENT FUNDS (continued)

The Foundation’s endowment pool and separately invested endowment funds include donor restricted endowment funds, funds designated by the Board of Trustees for reinvestment in the endowment funds, and investment income on the endowment funds that have been appropriated for expenditure. As required by US GAAP, net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the Board of Trustees to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the absence or existence of donor-imposed restrictions.

The Board of Trustees has interpreted the State of Ohio’s UPMIFA as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment fund 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.

In accordance with the Foundation’s interpretation of UPMIFA, investment income and appreciation/depreciation earned on investments held in the permanently restricted endowment funds are credited to either unrestricted or temporarily restricted net assets, unless otherwise stipulated by the donor. Financial assets are to be invested in a manner consistent with statutory fiduciary responsibilities and policies adopted by the Foundation’s Board of Trustees.

There are 1,009 and 964 endowment funds, at June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. As of June 30, 2015 and 2014, the fair value of these funds collectively was \$27,999,305 and \$21,604,686 less than the original gift amounts, respectively.

The Foundation has adopted a spending rate policy that limits the distribution of endowment income. The spending rate in fiscal years 2015 and 2014 was 4.5% and 4.75%, respectively, of the moving average market value for the twelve-quarter period ended each December. Earnings above the spend rate limit are reinvested in the endowment fund for the purposes of promoting endowment fund growth. During 2015 and 2014, income earned in the investment pool was less than the amount allocated for expenditure by approximately \$6,074,000 and \$7,104,600, respectively. This shortfall was funded by cumulative capital gains in the investment pool for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

The endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of June 30, 2015, was as follows:

	2015			
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Donor restricted endowment funds	\$ -	\$ 78,754,894	\$ 273,076,168	\$ 351,831,062
Board designated endowment funds	(23,890,377)	-	-	(23,890,377)
Total	\$ (23,890,377)	\$ 78,754,894	\$ 273,076,168	\$ 327,940,685

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NOTE F – ENDOWMENT FUNDS (continued)

The change in endowment fund net assets for the year ended June 30, 2015, is as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ (17,477,637)	\$ 82,626,183	\$ 253,684,457	\$ 318,833,003
Investment income (loss):				
Interest and dividend income	326,288	10,177,632	11,579	10,515,499
Net realized/unrealized loss	<u>(6,418,970)</u>	<u>(6,698,158)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,117,128)</u>
Total investment income (loss)	(6,092,682)	3,479,474	11,579	(2,601,629)
Contributions and other transfers	-	2,303,869	18,430,543	20,734,412
Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure	(325,876)	(10,574,629)	(91,364)	(10,991,869)
Other changes:				
Other income	-	741,691	700,569	1,442,260
Income reinvestment	<u>5,818</u>	<u>178,306</u>	<u>340,384</u>	<u>524,508</u>
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ (23,890,377)</u>	<u>\$ 78,754,894</u>	<u>\$ 273,076,168</u>	<u>\$ 327,940,685</u>

The endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of June 30, 2014, was as follows:

	2014			
	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Donor restricted endowment funds	\$ -	\$ 82,626,183	\$ 253,684,457	\$ 336,310,640
Board designated endowment funds	<u>(17,477,637)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,477,637)</u>
Total	<u>\$ (17,477,637)</u>	<u>\$ 82,626,183</u>	<u>\$ 253,684,457</u>	<u>\$ 318,833,003</u>

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NOTE F – ENDOWMENT FUNDS (continued)

The change in endowment fund net assets for the year ended June 30, 2014, is as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ (25,885,729)	\$ 55,672,402	\$ 236,267,082	\$ 266,053,755
Investment income:				
Interest and dividend income	374,500	9,884,602	15,530	10,274,632
Net realized/unrealized gain	8,400,469	12,796,899	-	21,197,368
Total investment income	8,774,969	22,681,501	15,530	31,472,000
Contributions and other transfers	-	13,873,195	15,742,727	29,615,922
Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure	(373,954)	(10,343,153)	(1,250,557)	(11,967,664)
Other changes:				
Other income	-	605,222	1,179,828	1,785,050
Income reinvestment	7,077	137,016	1,729,847	1,873,940
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$ <u>(17,477,637)</u>	\$ <u>82,626,183</u>	\$ <u>253,684,457</u>	\$ <u>318,833,003</u>

Permanently restricted endowment assets appropriated for expenditure relate primarily to contributions received where a donor originally permanently restricted the donation and subsequently changed the nature of the restriction.

NOTE G – INVESTMENTS

The Foundation combines its pooled investment securities with the investment pool of the University in order to maximize investment diversification and realize economies of scale with respect to costs of managing the investments. The Foundation continues to serve as trustee for these assets. The Foundation maintains individual records of each fund included in the transfer of assets to the investment pool of the University. Each fund subscribes to, or disposes of, units in the pool at the unit market value at the end of each month. Income is allocated to each fund in the pool based on units of participation. As of June 30, 2015 and 2014, the University is holding approximately \$4,188,000 and \$2,563,000, respectively, that is to be invested in the University pooled investments. These amounts are recorded as other investments in the Statements of Financial Position.

The Foundation also manages other investments, which amounted to approximately \$52,133,000 and \$49,916,000 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. These funds represent separately invested endowments, temporary cash investments, and split-interest trusts where the Foundation is the remainderman.

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NOTE G – INVESTMENTS (continued)

The following presents investments held by the Foundation as of June 30, 2015 and 2014:

	<u>2015</u>		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>		<u>2014</u>
	Fair Value		Cost		Fair Value		Cost
Cash equivalents	\$ 5,507,699	\$	5,507,699	\$	3,990,384	\$	3,990,545
U.S. Government and agency obligations	3,655,349		3,629,709		3,323,088		3,257,538
Corporate bonds	10,927,129		11,099,614		10,705,380		10,786,594
Mutual funds	21,538,293		19,656,681		22,433,845		19,406,764
Common stocks and exchange traded funds	14,692,874		11,693,687		12,026,194		7,564,068
University pooled investments	<u>291,617,756</u>		<u>306,414,857</u>		<u>283,422,208</u>		<u>285,509,758</u>
Total	<u>\$ 347,939,100</u>	\$	<u>358,002,247</u>	\$	<u>335,901,099</u>	\$	<u>330,515,267</u>

The number of units in the University pooled investments owned by the Foundation totaled 3,527,734 and 3,279,319, which represents 33% and 34% share of the University investment pool, as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The University pooled investments holds primarily common stock, mutual funds, and corporate and government fixed income obligations, which are stated at fair value as determined by market prices. In addition, the pool invests in loans to certain not-for-profit entities for the purpose of developing residential and commercial facilities near the University's main campus. These loans are secured by mortgages, some of which are subordinated to external financing arrangements, on parcels of land purchased by these not-for-profit entities for development. Certain investments in the University pooled investments are stated at fair value, as provided by the investment managers. Audited financial statements of the underlying investments in the University pooled investments as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, are used as a basis for fair value when available. When not available, the fair value is based upon financial information as of an interim date, adjusted for cash receipts, cash disbursements and other distributions made through June 30, 2015 and 2014. The Foundation believes that the carrying value of these investments is a reasonable estimate of fair value at June 30, 2015 and 2014. Certain underlying investments in the University pooled investments are not readily marketable; therefore, the estimated values of these investments are subject to certain risks. As a result, the fair value of the University pooled investments could differ from the value that may have been determined had a market for certain investments in the University investment pool existed.

The underlying investments that comprise University pooled investments as of June 30 are as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
U.S. and international equity securities	21%	21%
Fixed income securities	14	14
Hedge funds and private equity capital	57	56
Real estate and community development	8	9
Total	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

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NOTE H – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the price that will be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements and disclosures are based on a three level hierarchy as follows:

Level 1 Inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical investments that the Foundation has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2 Inputs are quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; other-than-quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

Level 3 Inputs are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

Financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using quoted prices for identical instruments in an active market (or level 1 inputs) include publicly-traded equity securities, mutual funds, certain U. S. Treasury and agency obligations, and certain corporate obligations. Financial instruments measured at fair value using inputs based on quoted market prices for similar instruments in active markets (or level 2 inputs) include certain common stock, U.S. Treasury and agency obligations and certain corporate obligations. U. S. Treasury and agency obligations are priced using auction data or yield curve analysis. Corporate obligations are priced using trading data if available, or when trading data is unavailable, pricing models, matrix pricing, or discounted cash flows using inputs such as weighted-average coupon rate, weighted-average maturity, and consideration of credit ratings. Financial instruments measured at fair value using inputs based on quoted prices for identical assets in inactive markets (or level 2 inputs) include certain equity investments in privately-held corporations. The Foundation also invests in the University pooled investments which is stated at fair value using primarily the net asset value of the underlying investments. For those investments in the pool where pricing information is not available as of the measurement date, the fair value is determined based on information as of an interim date, adjusted for distributions, redemptions, market changes, and other financial and operational information obtained by the Foundation's management. These fair value instruments are measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (or level 3 inputs).

Trusts held by others include the Foundation's beneficial interest in trusts held by other trustees. The Foundation calculates the fair value of these trusts using the investment statement from the trustee at the balance sheet date, adjusting the balance for projected future investment income at a rate based on historical returns for the each trust's mix of assets. The projected future income is then discounted back to the balance sheet date using a discount rate commensurate with the risks involved. The trusts primarily consist of common stock, mutual funds, corporate bonds and other fixed income obligations. Due to the assumptions involved in determining the fair value, these trusts are classified as level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

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NOTE H – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The following table summarizes the valuation of financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis on the Statement of Financial Position at June 30, 2015:

	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)
Investments:				
Equity securities:				
Consumer	\$ 2,155,260	\$ 2,155,260	\$ -	\$ -
Health Care	1,489,590	1,489,590	-	-
Financial	5,325,850	2,126,121	3,199,729	-
Technology	2,038,875	2,038,875	-	-
Materials	114,363	114,363	-	-
Energy	1,344,890	1,344,890	-	-
Industrial	1,880,586	1,880,586	-	-
Utilities	39,175	39,175	-	-
Telecommunication	228,669	228,669	-	-
Other	75,616	75,616	-	-
Total equity securities	<u>14,692,874</u>	<u>11,493,145</u>	<u>3,199,729</u>	<u>-</u>
Mutual funds:				
Fixed	7,446,545	7,446,545	-	-
Value	3,542,364	3,542,364	-	-
Growth	1,755,599	1,755,599	-	-
Index	1,073,759	1,073,759	-	-
Blended	7,447,932	7,447,932	-	-
Other	272,094	272,094	-	-
Total mutual funds	<u>21,538,293</u>	<u>21,538,293</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Corporate bonds	10,927,129	1,933,522	8,993,607	-
U.S. treasury and agency obligations	3,655,349	-	3,655,349	-
University pooled investments	291,617,756	-	-	291,617,756
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 342,431,401</u>	<u>\$ 34,964,960</u>	<u>\$ 15,848,685</u>	<u>\$ 291,617,756</u>
Trusts held by others	<u>\$ 9,457,458</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 9,457,458</u>
Trusts held for the benefit of others	<u>\$ 916,818</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 916,818</u>

The Foundation's investments in cash equivalents are carried at amortized cost. These investments do not qualify as securities as defined in FASB ASC 320, *Investments – Debt and Equity Securities*, thus the fair value disclosures required by US GAAP are not provided.

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NOTE H – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The following table summarizes the valuation of financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis on the Statement of Financial Position at June 30, 2014:

	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)
Investments:				
Equity securities:				
Consumer	\$ 1,953,518	\$ 1,953,518	\$ -	\$ -
Health Care	1,148,144	1,148,144	-	-
Financial	2,045,066	2,045,066	-	-
Technology	2,022,590	2,022,590	-	-
Materials	115,376	115,376	-	-
Energy	1,853,766	1,853,766	-	-
Industrial	2,280,467	2,280,467	-	-
Utilities	3,934	3,934	-	-
Telecommunication	197,622	197,622	-	-
Other	405,711	405,711	-	-
Total equity securities	<u>12,026,194</u>	<u>12,026,194</u>	-	-
Mutual funds:				
Fixed	7,708,278	7,708,278	-	-
Value	3,372,367	3,372,367	-	-
Growth	1,939,947	1,939,947	-	-
Index	1,017,113	1,017,113	-	-
Blended	8,174,100	8,174,100	-	-
Other	222,040	222,040	-	-
Total mutual funds	<u>22,433,845</u>	<u>22,433,845</u>	-	-
Corporate bonds	10,705,380	-	10,705,380	-
U.S. treasury and agency obligations	3,323,088	-	3,323,088	-
University pooled investments	<u>283,422,208</u>	-	-	<u>283,422,208</u>
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 331,910,715</u>	<u>\$ 34,460,039</u>	<u>\$ 14,028,468</u>	<u>\$ 283,422,208</u>
Trusts held by others	<u>\$ 9,494,916</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 9,494,916</u>
Trusts held for the benefit of others	<u>\$ 1,053,266</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,053,266</u>

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NOTE H – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

Realized and unrealized (losses) and gains related to these fair value instruments total (\$6,992,978) and \$29,291,513 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and are included in net unrealized and realized gains (losses) in the accompanying Statements of Activities, except for those fair value instruments where the Foundation is not the beneficiary.

A reconciliation of the balance of level 3 financial instruments for the year ended June 30, 2015, is as follows:

	<u>University pooled investments</u>	<u>Trusts held by others</u>	<u>Trusts held for the benefit of others</u>
Beginning balance	\$ 283,422,208	\$ 9,494,916	\$ 1,053,266
Purchases/contributions	22,611,639	-	197
Interest and dividend income	5,153,036	-	43,929
Reinvested income	564,903	-	-
Liquidations	(13,311,514)	-	(148,929)
Net realized and unrealized losses	(6,822,516)	(37,458)	(31,645)
Ending balance	<u>\$ 291,617,756</u>	<u>\$ 9,457,458</u>	<u>\$ 916,818</u>

A reconciliation of the balance of level 3 financial instruments for the year ended June 30, 2014, is as follows:

	<u>University pooled investments</u>	<u>Trusts held by others</u>	<u>Trusts held for the benefit of others</u>
Beginning balance	\$ 232,816,844	\$ 8,925,484	\$ 991,785
Purchases/contributions	32,524,420	100,000	72,660
Interest and dividend income	4,777,734	-	54,243
Reinvested income	1,530,893	-	-
Liquidations	(12,438,357)	-	(159,243)
Net realized and unrealized gains	24,210,674	469,432	93,821
Ending balance	<u>\$ 283,422,208</u>	<u>\$ 9,494,916</u>	<u>\$ 1,053,266</u>

Gains and losses for these Level 3 fair value instruments are included in net unrealized and realized gains (losses) in the accompanying Statements of Activities. The total amount of gains (losses) above included in changes in net assets that is attributable to assets held at June 30, 2015 and 2014 is (\$6,822,516) and \$24,210,674, respectively.

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NOTE H – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

Quantitative information about significant unobservable inputs used in level 3 fair value measurements

The Foundation’s share of University pooled investments is categorized as level 3 in the fair value hierarchy due to several significant unobservable inputs related primarily to loans made to neighborhood development corporations (“NDC”). The remaining investments are categorized as level 1 or level 2 in the fair value hierarchy if active trading data are available for similar or identical financial instruments at or near the balance sheet date, or in the case of hedge funds, the net asset value is provided via annual audited financial statements at or near the balance sheet date, and redemption provisions are not prohibitive. The pool also contains private equity funds, which are categorized as level 3 in the fair value hierarchy due to prohibitive redemption provisions, and are recorded at net asset value based on the most recently available audited financial statements and fund manager information as of March 31, 2015 or 2014, as applicable. NDC loans, which comprise approximately 10% of the University’s investment pool, are stated at the principal amount plus accrued interest less an allowance for loan losses. As of June 30, 2015 and 2014, approximately 40% of the principal and accrued interest was offset by an allowance for loan losses. The valuation technique, significant unobservable inputs and the ranges of input values for the loan loss reserve are as follows:

<u>Valuation technique</u>	<u>Unobservable inputs</u>	<u>Range</u>
Expected future cash flows	Future occupancy rates	91% - 96%
	Future operating expenses (as a percentage of total revenue)	35% - 52%

Management obtains current cash flow information from each NDC. Based upon either the expected completion date of construction, or current occupancy rates if the property is actively rented, management then projects the approximate date when principal payments will begin and conclude. If, based upon this analysis, it appears unlikely that the loan principal and accrued interest can be repaid, an increase to the loan loss reserve is recorded.

On an annual basis, the Foundation estimates the fair value of its beneficial interest in trusts held by other trustees. Management obtains trust statements as of the balance sheet date, and calculates the fair value of their beneficial interest based on expected investment returns, and the life expectancies of any other income beneficiaries, discounted at a 6% interest rate. The following table represents the Foundation’s valuation technique, significant unobservable inputs, and ranges of values of those inputs for trusts held by others which are \$9,457,458 and \$9,494,916 at June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

<u>Valuation technique</u>	<u>Unobservable inputs</u>	<u>Range</u>
Discounted cash flows	Projected investment income	0% – 8%
	Life expectancy of beneficiaries	3 – 24 years
	Discount rate	6%

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NOTE H – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

Trusts held for the benefit of others are included as a liability on the accompanying June 30, 2015 and 2014 Statements of Financial Position. The trusts are stated at fair value, which is an equal and offsetting amount to the trusts' underlying investments which are included in University pooled investments at fair value on the accompanying June 30, 2015 and 2014 Statements of Financial Position. As University pooled investments are also categorized as a level 3 financial instrument, the significant unobservable inputs for this investment are disclosed previously in this footnote.

NOTE I – FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate fair value:

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, due from the University, receivables (other than pledges), prepaid expenses, cash surrender value of life insurance policies, other assets, accounts payable, agency payable, accrued liabilities, accrued compensated absences, and refundable deposits approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments. The fair value of pledges receivable and annuities payable have been estimated by management to approximate carrying value using a current discount rate commensurate with the risk involved.

The fair values of investments and trusts held for the benefit of others are generally estimated based on quoted market prices for those investments. Certain investments held in the University's investment pool do not have readily determinable market values. These investments are carried at estimated fair value provided by the investment managers. The majority of these investments are valued based upon independently audited financial information or other information provided as of an interim date, which is adjusted for cash receipts, cash disbursements, and other distributions made through June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The fair value of trusts held by others is based upon the discounted cash flows at a rate commensurate with the risk involved. The Foundation believes that the carrying value of investments in the University pooled investments is a reasonable estimate of fair value at June 30, 2015 and 2014. See also Notes G, H, and M.

NOTE J – EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE

Equipment and software as of June 30 consist of the following:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Office equipment	\$ 668,494	\$ 611,714
Software	1,465,405	1,105,873
Automobile	22,320	22,320
Computer equipment	387,295	373,752
Software under development	<u>2,860,688</u>	<u>1,554,604</u>
	5,404,202	3,668,263
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>(1,925,155)</u>	<u>(1,953,774)</u>
	<u>\$ 3,479,047</u>	<u>\$ 1,714,489</u>

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NOTE K – LEASES

Rental expense for operating leases was \$239,470 for both 2015 and 2014. The Foundation leases certain office space directly from the University. The lease expires on September 30, 2024, and is renewable for two additional terms of 20 years each.

Future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating leases (with initial or remaining terms in excess of one year) as of June 30 are:

2016	\$	239,470
2017		239,470
2018		239,470
2019		239,470
2020		239,470
Thereafter		<u>1,017,750</u>
Total minimum lease payments	\$	<u>2,215,100</u>

NOTE L – LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES

The Foundation is the beneficiary of certain life insurance policies that are recorded at their cash surrender value in the Statements of Financial Position. The cash surrender value represents the amount the Foundation, as beneficiary, would realize if such policies were surrendered as of June 30, 2015 and 2014. The face value of these policies, which would be paid only upon death of the insured and maturity of the contracts, is \$5,716,627 and \$5,713,127 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

NOTE M – BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN TRUSTS – OTHER TRUSTEES

The Foundation has been notified of thirteen trusts held by other trustees where the remainder interest will irrevocably benefit the University. In addition, the Foundation has been notified of two charitable lead unitrusts held by other trustees where annual payments are received by the Foundation. The Foundation values these assets by projecting the value of the trust assets to future periods and then discounting the anticipated cash flows at a rate reflective of the credit risk involved.

Beneficial interest in trusts held by other trustees amounted to approximately \$9,457,000 and \$9,495,000 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

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NOTE N – UNIVERSITY FEE

In accordance with an agreement with the University, operating support of \$5,154,295 and \$998,562 was provided by the University during the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The Foundation also receives interest income earned on unexpended gift fund balances held at the University and reimbursement from certain colleges of the University for salaries and fringe benefits paid to college development employees. For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, interest income and salary and benefits were \$270,735 and \$928,368, respectively. During the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, the University provided operating support and contributions for costs incurred related to software development in the amount of \$2,107,214 and \$1,554,604, respectively.

NOTE O – ASSESSMENT FEE

The Foundation is primarily funded by a fee assessed on certain endowment funds held by the University and the Foundation. Funds that are eligible for the fee assessment include quasi-endowment funds, funds that are broadly restricted by college or department, funds whereby the donor has given permission to assess the fee, and unrestricted funds that do not have an internal designation. The gross assessment rate was 1.75% and 2%, respectively, in 2015 and 2014. Revenue to the Foundation from the fee was approximately \$9,132,000 and \$10,322,000 in 2015 and 2014, respectively, and is used to fund Foundation operations. Approximately \$3,255,000 and \$3,705,000 of this fee was recorded from funds held by the Foundation in 2015 and 2014, respectively.

The Foundation charges an endowment administrative fee to recover gift stewardship costs incurred by the Foundation for those endowments which are not charged the general endowment assessment fee. The endowment administrative rate was 5% and 4% in 2015 and 2014, respectively, of the spending policy distribution made to the endowment spending account. Revenue to the Foundation from the fee was approximately \$485,000 and \$427,000 in 2015 and 2014, respectively. Approximately \$134,000 and \$110,000 of this fee was recorded from funds held by the Foundation in 2015 and 2014, respectively.

The Foundation charges a fee to be assessed upon all spendable, cash gifts made to either the University or the Foundation. The gift administrative rate was 5% and 2% in 2015 and 2014, respectively, upon the receipt of cash to gift, plant and loan funds. Revenue to the Foundation from the fee was approximately \$1,721,000 and \$548,000 in 2015 and 2014, respectively. Approximately \$1,579,000 and \$522,000 of this fee was recorded from funds received by the Foundation in 2015 and 2014, respectively.

NOTE P – ANNUITY AND LIFE INCOME FUNDS

The Foundation actively markets annuities and life income agreements as part of the development program. These agreements include gift annuities and split-interest trusts where the income beneficiaries receive an income stream for their lifetimes, or a fixed number of years, and the Foundation is the remainderman. Present value of annuities payable is recorded using the Foundation's estimated borrowing rate. Changes in future payments due to the life expectancy of beneficiaries and amortization of the discount are reflected in change in present value of annuities payable on the accompanying Statement of Activities. The assets and liabilities of these funds as of June 30 are:

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NOTE P – ANNUITY AND LIFE INCOME FUNDS

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Annuities		
Investments, at fair value	\$ 2,465,646	\$ 2,547,048
Less present value of annuities payable	<u>(1,186,821)</u>	<u>(1,297,433)</u>
	<u>\$ 1,278,825</u>	<u>\$ 1,249,615</u>
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Trusts		
Investments, at fair value	\$ 11,881,517	\$ 12,970,647
Less present value of annuities payable	<u>(5,846,545)</u>	<u>(6,021,471)</u>
	<u>\$ 6,034,972</u>	<u>\$ 6,949,176</u>

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the Foundation received contributions of approximately \$235,000 and \$136,000 for annuities and trusts, respectively. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the Foundation received contributions of approximately \$105,000 and \$343,000 for annuities and trusts, respectively.

The Foundation monitors applicable state laws related to legally-mandated reserves for charitable gift annuities, and maintains reserves for various states, as appropriate.

NOTE Q – RETIREMENT PLANS

The Foundation participates in a retirement plan (TIAA/CREF) covering employees who meet length of service requirements. Under this arrangement, the Foundation and plan participants make annual contributions to purchase individual annuities equivalent to retirement benefits earned. The Foundation's share of the cost of these benefits was approximately \$637,000 and \$503,000 for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

The Foundation also maintains a Section 457 plan for highly compensated employees. Accounts for other participating employees are currently funded solely by salary reduction contributions. The plan is structured to permit Foundation contributions on behalf of the participants, as defined. There were no amounts contributed by the Foundation for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

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NOTE R – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year ended June 30, 2015, the Foundation entered into agreements with the University of Cincinnati Alumni Association (UCAA) to provide administrative services and with the University of Cincinnati Health Foundation (UCHF) to provide executive, administrative and fund raising services for a monthly fee. The fee is reimbursement for the cost incurred by the Foundation for providing support to UCAA and UCHF. During 2015, the Foundation incurred \$1,332,455 in expenses and recognized corresponding revenue under the terms of the agreements. These expenses and revenues are reported in operating expenses and fees in the accompanying 2015 Statement of Activities. No such agreements were in place during 2014.

Certain board members of the Foundation made contributions of \$8,193,535 and \$8,597,128 during fiscal year 2015 and 2014, respectively. In addition, certain board members are employees of organizations which provide services to the Foundation. Total fees paid to these organizations were \$158,665 and \$144,454 for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

See also the description of various related party transactions with the University in Notes G, H, K, M, N, and O.

NOTE S – PURCHASE COMMITMENT

During the year ended June 30, 2014, the Foundation entered into a purchase commitment with a vendor for software and services related to a donor database and financial reporting system. Future minimum purchases remaining under the purchase commitment are approximately \$575,000 and will be paid primarily over the next three fiscal years depending upon the implementation of the software, which is expected to occur during the year ended June 30, 2016.

NOTE T – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Foundation evaluated its June 30, 2015 financial statements for subsequent events through September 30, 2015, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The Foundation is not aware of any subsequent events which would require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF DETAIL OF OPERATING EXPENSES

Years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

	Foundation Operations	College/ University Expenses	Total 2015	Total 2014
Salaries and wages	\$ 9,884,341	\$ 36,194	\$ 9,920,535	\$ 7,684,081
Fringe benefits	3,057,432	5,831	3,063,263	2,297,127
Professional services	1,280,063	18,776	1,298,839	1,170,920
Promotional materials and events	530,708	-	530,708	855,897
Computer and word processing	484,734	-	484,734	88,530
Business meetings	374,212	-	374,212	288,261
Telephone and postage	320,802	-	320,802	272,919
Cultivation	314,999	-	314,999	164,059
Travel	309,654	-	309,654	249,046
Building lease	239,470	-	239,470	239,470
Direct marketing	204,143	-	204,143	160,268
Depreciation and amortization	185,457	-	185,457	153,381
Cleaning	111,476	-	111,476	103,684
Development and recruiting	89,540	-	89,540	147,604
Utilities, repairs and maintenance	66,234	-	66,234	59,269
Membership dues	53,624	-	53,624	44,149
Miscellaneous	48,552	4,557	53,109	80,248
Parking	45,293	-	45,293	41,033
Supplies	40,150	-	40,150	62,537
General support - Alumni Association	37,854	-	37,854	37,371
Insurance	35,053	-	35,053	34,742
Resource materials	25,764	-	25,764	39,968
Copying charges	24,366	-	24,366	20,880
Gift annuity reserve	24,155	-	24,155	30,365
	\$ <u>17,788,076</u>	\$ <u>65,358</u>	\$ <u>17,853,434</u>	\$ <u>14,325,809</u>

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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES - UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)

Year ended June 30, 2015

	Gifts and Transfers	Foundation Operations	Total
Revenues and other additions:			
Contributions	\$ 1,449,537	\$ -	\$ 1,449,537
University fee	-	5,829,238	5,829,238
UC Alumni Association Fee	-	530,397	530,397
UC Health Foundation Fee	-	802,058	802,058
Assessment fee	-	11,338,351	11,338,351
Change in value of split interest agreements	3,788	-	3,788
Other income	550	-	550
Investment income:			
Dividend and interest income	272,057	54,231	326,288
Net unrealized and realized gains	(6,414,851)	(41,753)	(6,456,604)
Net assets released from restrictions - satisfaction of donor restrictions	45,931,290	396,922	46,328,212
Total revenues and other additions	41,242,371	18,909,444	60,151,815
Expenses and other deductions:			
Distributions to the University of Cincinnati	42,050,907	-	42,050,907
Operating expenses	65,358	17,788,076	17,853,434
Assessment fee	4,967,365	-	4,967,365
Total expenses and other deductions	47,083,630	17,788,076	64,871,706
Change in net assets	(5,841,259)	1,121,368	(4,719,891)
Net assets (deficit), beginning of year	(14,359,692)	359,178	(14,000,514)
Net assets (deficit), end of year	\$ (20,200,951)	\$ 1,480,546	\$ (18,720,405)



**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
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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 The University of Cincinnati 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, and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2015.

Internal control over financial reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Foundation’s internal control over financial reporting (“internal control”) to design 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 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 the Foundation’s internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and other matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the 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*.

Intended purpose

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 report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Grant Thornton LLP

Cincinnati, Ohio
September 30, 2015



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UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI FOUNDATION

HAMILTON 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

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DECEMBER 31, 2015**