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## **The Springfield Foundation**

Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023

With Independent Auditors' Report

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Board of Trustees of  
The Springfield Foundation:

### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Springfield Foundation (a not-for-profit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Springfield Foundation as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of The Springfield Foundation and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.


### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about The Springfield Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

### **Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

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



In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

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

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

*Clark, Schaefer, Hackett & Co.*

Springfield, Ohio

June 24, 2025

**The Springfield Foundation**  
**Statements of Financial Position**  
**December 31, 2024 and 2023**

Assets

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,170,836	4,474,066
Contributions receivable	-	30,597
Prepaid expenses	<u>16,887</u>	<u>4,817</u>
	<u>2,187,723</u>	<u>4,509,480</u>
Investments		
Investments	139,532,111	125,706,159
Beneficial interest in trusts	367,693	327,986
Investment in limited liability company	<u>256,474</u>	<u>261,516</u>
	<u>140,156,278</u>	<u>126,295,661</u>
Property and equipment		
Office equipment	156,507	143,570
Leasehold improvements	<u>62,681</u>	<u>62,681</u>
	219,188	206,251
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>179,474</u>	<u>171,521</u>
Net property and equipment	<u>39,714</u>	<u>34,730</u>
Right-of-use assets	59,006	-
Other assets	<u>435,304</u>	<u>410,580</u>
	<u>494,310</u>	<u>410,580</u>
Total assets	\$ <u>142,878,025</u>	<u>131,250,451</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**The Springfield Foundation**  
**Statements of Financial Position (Continued)**  
**December 31, 2024 and 2023**

Liabilities and net assets

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 246	-
Grants payable	76,217	-
Compensated absences	76,811	54,340
Split interest agreements payable	214,165	216,403
Lease liabilities	59,923	-
Agency funds payable	<u>67,864,142</u>	<u>61,777,507</u>
Total liabilities	<u>68,291,504</u>	<u>62,048,250</u>
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions		
Operating	1,383,153	1,044,399
Discretionary funds	<u>12,666,809</u>	<u>11,893,695</u>
Total without donor restrictions	<u>14,049,962</u>	<u>12,938,094</u>
With donor restrictions		
Horizon funds	390,495	72,998
Donor designated funds	17,547,382	16,791,424
Scholarship funds	24,605,831	23,394,034
Field of interest funds	8,132,200	6,905,372
Donor advised funds	<u>9,860,651</u>	<u>9,100,279</u>
Total with donor restrictions	<u>60,536,559</u>	<u>56,264,107</u>
Total net assets	<u>74,586,521</u>	<u>69,202,201</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ <u>142,878,025</u>	<u>131,250,451</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**The Springfield Foundation**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2024**  
**With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total 2024	Total 2023
Support, revenues and gains				
Contributions	\$ 295,843	3,203,696	3,499,539	15,772,318
Endowment spend	64,888	-	64,888	62,720
Net investment return	1,195,844	5,543,184	6,739,028	6,184,451
Partners in Philanthropy	45,101	-	45,101	59,754
Miscellaneous income	225,505	-	225,505	203,765
Gain/(loss) on investment in limited liability company	(5,042)	-	(5,042)	1,674
Net assets released from restriction	<u>4,474,428</u>	<u>(4,474,428)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total support, revenues and gains	<u>6,296,567</u>	<u>4,272,452</u>	<u>10,569,019</u>	<u>22,284,682</u>
Expenses				
Program service	4,494,124	-	4,494,124	4,096,371
Management and general	348,130	-	348,130	269,917
Fundraising	<u>342,445</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>342,445</u>	<u>350,593</u>
Total expenses	<u>5,184,699</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,184,699</u>	<u>4,716,881</u>
Change in net assets	1,111,868	4,272,452	5,384,320	17,567,801
Net assets beginning of year	<u>12,938,094</u>	<u>56,264,107</u>	<u>69,202,201</u>	<u>51,634,400</u>
Net assets end of year	\$ <u>14,049,962</u>	<u>60,536,559</u>	<u>74,586,521</u>	<u>69,202,201</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**The Springfield Foundation**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Support, revenues and gains			
Contributions	\$ 119,532	15,652,786	15,772,318
Endowment spend	62,720	-	62,720
Net investment return	1,271,163	4,913,288	6,184,451
Partners in Philanthropy	59,754	-	59,754
Miscellaneous income	203,765	-	203,765
Gain on investment in limited liability company	1,674	-	1,674
Net assets released from restriction	<u>3,897,773</u>	<u>(3,897,773)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total support, revenues and gains	<u>5,616,381</u>	<u>16,668,301</u>	<u>22,284,682</u>
Expenses			
Program service	4,096,371	-	4,096,371
Management and general	269,917	-	269,917
Fundraising	<u>350,593</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350,593</u>
Total expenses	<u>4,716,881</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,716,881</u>
Change in net assets	899,500	16,668,301	17,567,801
Net assets beginning of year	<u>12,038,594</u>	<u>39,595,806</u>	<u>51,634,400</u>
Net assets end of year	\$ <u>12,938,094</u>	<u>56,264,107</u>	<u>69,202,201</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.



**The Springfield Foundation**  
**Statement of Functional Expenses**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<u>Program</u>	<u>Management and General</u>	<u>Fundraising</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Grants to others	\$ 3,633,791	-	-	3,633,791
Fund expenses	280,553	-	-	280,553
Payroll, taxes and benefits	353,496	230,424	188,475	772,395
Professional fees	-	40,723	-	40,723
Advertising and promotion	1,875	1,875	3,750	7,500
Office expenses	19,984	19,984	39,968	79,936
Maintenance	2,814	2,814	5,628	11,256
Information technology	12,023	12,023	24,046	48,092
Depreciation	1,988	1,988	3,977	7,953
Insurance	2,398	2,398	4,797	9,593
Miscellaneous fund expenses	149,301	-	-	149,301
Other	<u>35,901</u>	<u>35,901</u>	<u>71,804</u>	<u>143,606</u>
Total expenses	\$ <u>4,494,124</u>	<u>348,130</u>	<u>342,445</u>	<u>5,184,699</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**The Springfield Foundation**  
**Statement of Functional Expenses**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	<u>Program</u>	<u>Management and General</u>	<u>Fundraising</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Grants to others	\$ 3,341,555	-	-	3,341,555
Fund expenses	448,607	-	-	448,607
Payroll, taxes and benefits	213,251	178,355	230,501	622,107
Professional fees	-	31,514	-	31,514
Advertising and promotion	3,882	3,882	7,763	15,527
Office expenses	21,646	21,646	43,291	86,583
Maintenance	3,714	3,714	7,429	14,857
Information technology	11,831	11,831	23,660	47,322
Depreciation	3,481	3,481	6,961	13,923
Insurance	1,590	1,590	3,181	6,361
Miscellaneous fund expenses	32,910	-	-	32,910
Other	13,904	13,904	27,807	55,615
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Total expenses	\$ <u>4,096,371</u>	<u>269,917</u>	<u>350,593</u>	<u>4,716,881</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**The Springfield Foundation**  
**Statements of Cash Flows**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Cash flows from operating activities		
Change in net assets	\$ 5,384,320	17,567,801
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	7,953	13,923
Realized gain on sale of investments	(1,425,498)	(673,273)
Unrealized gain on investments	(3,924,447)	(4,370,662)
(Gain)/loss on investment in limited liability company	5,042	(1,674)
Amortization of right-of-use asset	24,026	-
Change in beneficial interest in trusts	(39,707)	(46,493)
Donated stock	(863,085)	(2,257,788)
Effects of change in operating assets and liabilities		
Contributions receivable	30,597	(20,972)
Prepaid expenses	(12,070)	20,402
Other assets	(24,724)	(32,262)
Other accrued liabilities	22,717	(21,954)
Grants payable	76,217	(227,446)
Split interest agreements payable	(2,238)	9,217
Lease liability	(23,109)	-
Agency funds payable	<u>6,086,635</u>	<u>4,404,220</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>5,322,629</u>	<u>14,363,039</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property and equipment	(12,937)	(9,799)
Purchases of investments	(22,077,618)	(20,831,279)
Proceeds from sale or maturity of investments	<u>14,464,696</u>	<u>7,272,744</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(7,625,859)</u>	<u>(13,568,334)</u>
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(2,303,230)	794,705
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>4,474,066</u>	<u>3,679,361</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ <u><u>2,170,836</u></u>	<u><u>4,474,066</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

## **1. DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION:**

The Springfield Foundation (the "Foundation") is an Ohio not-for-profit corporation. The Foundation was established in 1948 for the purpose of providing for advancement and support of charitable, benevolent or educational purposes in Springfield and Clark County, Ohio. The Springfield Foundation raises, strengthens, and distributes charitable funds to benefit Clark County. The Foundation is primarily supported by local charitable giving, earnings on funds and long-term investments.

## **2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

The following accounting principles and practices of the Foundation are set forth to facilitate the understanding of data presented in the financial statements:

### **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements of The Springfield Foundation have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities.

### **Financial statement presentation**

The financial statements of the Foundation have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP), which requires the Foundation to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to the following net asset classifications:

- Net assets without donor restrictions: Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Foundation. These net assets may be used at the discretion of the Foundation's management and the Board of Trustees.
- Net assets with donor restrictions: Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions that are likely to be met by actions of the Foundation or by the passage of time. The Foundation does not interpret any fund as perpetual in nature as the Foundation has variance power. Therefore, the Foundation did not have any perpetual net assets at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

### **Use of estimates**

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

### **Income taxes**

The Foundation has been granted tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is, therefore, generally exempt from federal and state income taxes. The Foundation qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and has been classified as an organization that is not a private foundation under Section 509(a)(1).

## **2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):**

The Foundation considers the accounting and recognition for income tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the Foundation's income tax returns. The Foundation participates in certain investments that generate unrelated business income. The Foundation believes there is no material tax liability at year end. The Foundation's policy with regards to interest and penalties is to recognize interest through interest expense and penalties through other expense. In evaluating the Foundation's tax provision and tax-exempt status, interpretations and tax planning strategies were considered. The Foundation believes its estimates are appropriate based on the current facts and circumstances.

### **Cash and cash equivalents**

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Foundation considers all unrestricted highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

### **Contributions receivable**

Unconditional contributions are recorded when the promise to give is received. The Foundation has not recorded its contributions receivable at net present value using a discount rate as all amounts are due within one year. Management establishes an allowance for doubtful contributions receivable based on past history with the donor and current economic conditions. No allowance for contributions receivable has been deemed necessary at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

### **Investments and net investment income**

The Foundation records investments in equity and debt securities, mutual funds, and alternative investments at their fair value. Realized and unrealized gains or losses are determined by the difference between carrying value and fair value. Gains and losses derived from investments and investment income are accounted for as income with donor restrictions or income without donor restrictions based on any restrictions imposed by donors. Net changes in fair value of investments and realized gains and losses on investments disposed are accumulated with interest and dividends received, net of investment expenses, and are reported in the statements of activities as net investment return.

### **Beneficial interest in trusts**

Beneficial interest in trusts are resources held and administered by outside trustees for the benefit of the Foundation. These accounts are reported at the estimated fair value of the Foundation's interest of assets within the trusts with changes in value included in the statements of activities. Under the terms of the trusts, the Foundation has the irrevocable right to receive the trust assets when the trusts terminate in accordance with the trust agreements. There no were distributions from trusts during 2024 or 2023.

### **Investment in limited liability company (LLC)**

The Foundation owns a one-third interest in Healthy City Investments, LLC. There is no established market for this investment and it is inappropriate to estimate future cash flows, which are largely dependent upon economic development. The investment is accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method, investments are initially recorded at cost and increased or decreased by the Foundation's pro-rata share of earnings or losses. The carrying cost of this investment is also increased or decreased to reflect additional contributions or withdrawals of capital.

## **2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):**

### **Unit share allocation**

Donations received are placed into funds based upon the wishes of the donors and are invested in pooled funds. Individual funds are compared with the current fair value of the pooled funds and a “daily unit value” is assigned. The “daily unit value” is the basis for allocating income, realized and unrealized gains or losses to the individual funds.

### **Split interest agreements**

The Foundation is the beneficiary of several charitable gift annuities and a charitable remainder trust. The Foundation values the split interest agreement liabilities using payment streams discounted at market rates over the remaining lives of the donors using standard mortality tables. The contribution recognized in the statements of activities is the difference between the assets received and the liabilities accepted.

### **Contributions**

Contributions received are recorded as support with donor restrictions or without donor restrictions. The expiration of a donor-imposed restriction on a contribution or on endowment income is recognized in the period in which the restriction expires and at that time the related resources are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions. A restriction expires when the stipulated time period has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both, and is reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restriction.

### **Property and equipment**

Property and equipment are recorded at cost, or fair value, if donated and depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets (5 to 15 years). It is the Foundation’s policy to expense equipment with initial cost of less than \$1,000.

### **Grants payable**

Grants payable in the accompanying statements of financial position are approved for payment and are payable within one year of the date of the financial statements of the Foundation.

### **Functional expense allocations**

The financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributable to one or more programs or supporting functions of the Foundation. Expenses are directly applied when applicable and are allocated to programs or support services based on the table shown below. The costs of providing program and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. Expenses are allocated as follows:

<u>Expense</u>	<u>Allocation Method</u>
Payroll, taxes and benefits	Time and Effort
Advertising and promotion	Full Time Equivalents
Office expenses	Full Time Equivalents
Maintenance	Full Time Equivalents
Information technology	Full Time Equivalents
Depreciation	Square Footage
Insurance	Full Time Equivalents
Other	Full Time Equivalents

## **2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):**

### **Advertising costs**

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred and totaled \$7,500 and \$15,527 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

### **Subsequent events**

The Foundation evaluates events and transactions occurring subsequent to the date of the financial statements for matters requiring recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 24, 2025, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.

## **3. NET ASSET CLASSIFICATIONS:**

The Board of Trustees, on the advice of legal counsel, has determined that the majority of the Foundation's net assets do meet the definition of an endowment under Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) as adopted by the State of Ohio in June 2009. The Foundation is governed subject to the governing documents for the Foundation and most contributions are subject to the governing documents. Certain contributions are received subject to other gift instruments or are subject to specific agreements with the Foundation.

### **Net Assets without donor restrictions**

Operating - Incurs administrative costs in the operation of the Foundation's office, as well as facilities, all property and equipment, and related depreciation and amortization.

Discretionary Funds - Recipients selected by the Foundation.

### **Net Assets with donor restrictions**

Horizon Funds - Allows donor to build a restricted fund to be transferred to a fund purpose listed below once the \$10,000 threshold has been reached.

Donor Designated Funds - Recipients designated by the donor in instrument of conveyance.

Scholarship Funds - Benefiting students attending high school and college.

Field-of-Interest Funds - Benefiting activities preferred by donors.

Donor Advised Funds - Recipients recommended by the donor, with the final decision made by the Foundation.

### **Return objectives**

The Foundation's Investment Committee (the Committee) oversees the investment operations of the Foundation. The Committee is responsible for establishing asset allocation guidelines, selecting and monitoring investment managers to carry out the investment program, and monitoring the performance results for the Foundation on an ongoing basis.

### **3. NET ASSET CLASSIFICATIONS (CONTINUED):**

The Committee does not make specific investment decisions on a security-by-security basis. Qualified investment managers retained by the Committee exercise discretion within the parameters set forth by the Foundation's investment guidelines for the portfolios they manage on behalf of the Foundation.

In establishing investment guidelines for the Foundation, the Committee considers the long-term nature of the asset pool as well as the cash flow needs of the portfolio. In addition, the Committee has considered the risk and return characteristics of the various asset classes available to institutional investors and sought the guidance of outside consultants. Target asset allocations and permissible ranges have been set for each class of investments.

#### **Investment strategy**

The performance objective for the Foundation is to exceed, after investment management fees, a customized blended benchmark based on the Committee's established investment return guidelines. To evaluate success, the Committee compares the performance of the Foundation to the performance of a custom benchmark. The benchmark consists of a weighted average of market indices that represents a passive implementation of the investment guideline targets. In addition, the performance objective for the Foundation is to enhance the inflation-adjusted purchasing power of the Funds' assets. The Funds' total returns should exceed the growth in consumer prices by a positive 6% to 7% annually. The objective needs to cover the costs of payouts for grants and scholarships, inflation, investment fees, administrative costs and depreciation. By investing the Funds' assets in multiple asset classes and using outside investment managers with well-diversified portfolios, diversification accomplishes its goal of insulating the portfolio from the effects of substantial losses in any single security, or sector of the market. The Board of Trustees has adopted statements of investment guidelines to formalize investment strategies for the Committee to follow.

#### **Endowment spending policies**

Each donor of the Foundation will select a method to determine how to distribute dollars from the funds. When the funds are originally established, the donor will be asked to select a payout distribution method. Dollars that were allocated to be paid out in a given year, but were not distributed, can be carried over and distributed in subsequent years. All distributions will be made in compliance with UPMIFA.

#### **Income only spending policy**

The amount to be distributed is the sum of all earnings that have been allocated to the funds over the course of the year. The amount to be allocated is net of all fees the funds have incurred.

#### **Total return spending policy**

The payout amount for a fund is calculated by multiplying the average fair value of the preceding twelve quarters by a percentage approved by the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees will approve the percent to be allocated each year; 5% for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023. Under the Total Return Spending Policy, a fund may distribute both earnings and realized gains. The calculation will be based on the twelve quarters ending September 30. This establishes a spending budget for the upcoming year.



### **3. NET ASSET CLASSIFICATIONS (CONTINUED):**

#### **Agency method**

This method is for endowments established by not-for-profit agencies. Using the agency method of payout, the payout amount is determined by the needs of the agency that established the fund. The amount to be paid out can be distributed by any method that is mutually agreed to between the Foundation and the agency. All agency endowment funds and payouts must be approved by the Board of Trustees of the Foundation.

Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended December 31, 2024 consisted of the following:

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Endowment assets, beginning of year	\$ 11,841,957	52,918,369	64,760,326
Contributions	304,291	1,718,060	2,022,351
Net investment return	1,227,371	5,536,223	6,763,594
Transfers out	-	(68,981)	(68,981)
Appropriations	<u>(766,572)</u>	<u>(3,039,987)</u>	<u>(3,806,559)</u>
Endowment assets, end of year	\$ <u>12,607,047</u>	<u>57,063,684</u>	<u>69,670,731</u>

Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended December 31, 2023 consisted of the following:

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Endowment assets, beginning of year	\$ 11,239,892	36,461,117	47,701,009
Contributions	72,574	13,771,155	13,843,729
Net investment return	1,343,402	4,897,118	6,240,520
Transfers out	(65,932)	(221,728)	(287,660)
Appropriations	<u>(747,979)</u>	<u>(1,989,293)</u>	<u>(2,737,272)</u>
Endowment assets, end of year	\$ <u>11,841,957</u>	<u>52,918,369</u>	<u>64,760,326</u>

During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, "transfers out" represent a change in donor designation.

### **4. CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST AND CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES:**

The Foundation is the beneficiary of a charitable remainder trust. The Foundation recognized the asset at fair value and a related liability for this trust based upon present value calculations, including the life expectancy of the contributor, the investment rates of return on the assets, and the distribution percentages stipulated in the agreement. The underlying investments consist of money market funds, common stocks, corporate bonds, municipal bonds and mutual funds at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

#### **4. CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST AND CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES (CONTINUED):**

Under the trust agreement, net interest and dividend earnings from the investments will be distributed to the contributor on a quarterly basis. The present value of the estimated future payments is calculated using discount rates equal to the investment rates of return on the assets and the applicable mortality table.

The Foundation is also the beneficiary of several charitable gift annuities. The present value of the annuities was recognized as a contribution during the initial year of the annuity in the same manner as noted above for the charitable remainder trust. The difference between these annuities and the above trust is that the contributors receive set quarterly distributions as opposed to the net earnings on the investments. There were no changes in actuarial assumptions resulting in revaluations at December 31, 2024 and 2023. The present values of the estimated future payments from these annuities were calculated using discount rates ranging from 5.1% to 6.6% and the applicable mortality table.

The following schedule summarizes the investments and activity associated with the charitable remainder trust and charitable gift annuities for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Charitable Remainder <u>Trust</u>	Charitable Gift <u>Annuities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fair value, January 1, 2023	\$ 562,090	65,472	627,562
Net earnings	101,198	20,736	121,934
Distribution to donors	<u>(40,801)</u>	<u>(4,750)</u>	<u>(45,551)</u>
Fair value, December 31, 2023	622,487	81,458	703,945
Net earnings	63,217	16,188	79,405
Distributions to donors	<u>(18,011)</u>	<u>(10,648)</u>	<u>(28,659)</u>
Fair value, December 31, 2024	\$ <u>667,693</u>	<u>86,998</u>	<u>754,691</u>

#### **5. GROWTH:**

Partners in Philanthropy (the "Partners"), an auxiliary organization comprised of interested individuals, was created in 1995 to interpret the role of The Springfield Foundation as well as to increase its visibility. The Foundation's administrative and promotional costs are covered by the dues contributed by the Partners.

#### **6. OTHER ASSETS:**

Other assets consist primarily of insurance policies and annuities on the lives of local residents for which the Foundation has been irrevocably named as the beneficiary. The cash surrender value at December 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$435,304 and \$410,580, respectively.

## **7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS:**

GAAP establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements).

The hierarchy is broken down into three levels based on the ability to observe inputs as follows:

**Level 1-** Inputs are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets.

**Level 2-** Inputs are observable quoted prices for similar assets in active markets.

**Level 3-** Inputs are unobservable and reflect management's best estimate of what market participants would use as fair value. Certain types of investments are classified within Level 3 because they trade infrequently and therefore have little or no price transparency.

Fair value methods and assumptions for publicly traded securities and mutual funds are based on the Level 1 market approach. Investments in short-term investments, consisting of certificates of deposit and money market funds, corporate and municipal bonds are valued on Level 2 inputs using prices obtained from the Foundation's custodians, which used third party data service providers. Beneficial interest in trusts are valued on Level 3 inputs based on the underlying investments in the trust accounts based on the amounts provided by the trustees of the investments, without adjustment by management.

GAAP allows for the use of a practical expedient for the estimation of the fair value of investments in investment companies for which the investment does not have a readily determinable fair value. The practical expedient used by the Foundation to value alternative investments is the net asset value (NAV) per share, or its equivalent.

The Foundation values substantially all of its investments at amounts reported by the investment manager and as validated through consideration of the audited financial statements of such investments. Accordingly, the Foundation does not use separate quantitative information to value such investments.

The Foundation calculates the fair value of its beneficial interests in trusts based on the fair value of the underlying assets in the trusts as determined by the third-party trustees multiplied by the Foundation's percentage of ownership. The third-party trustees control the investments in the trusts and make all management and investment decisions. The trust assets are valued at quoted market prices for stocks, bonds, mutual, and exchange traded funds. The Springfield Foundation, as the beneficiary, does not have authority to manage these investments; however, the applicable trustee banks follow Ohio Trust Code for prudent asset management and diversification. The value of the beneficial interest in trusts will increase or decrease with an increase or decrease in the value of the underlying assets.

Because some of these investments are not readily marketable, their estimated value is subject to uncertainty and therefore may be different from the value that would have been used had a ready market for such investments existed. The net asset values provided by fund administrators consider variables such as the financial performance of underlying investments, recent sales prices of underlying investments and other pertinent information.

## 7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED):

In addition, actual market exchanges at year-end provide additional observable market inputs of the exit price. The Foundation, relying on the work of its investment consultants, reviews valuations and assumptions provided by fund administrators for reasonableness and believes that the carrying amounts of these financial instruments are reasonable estimates of fair value.

Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit and overall market volatility risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that a change in the value of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

The following tables present the assets as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	December 31, <u>2024</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>NAV</u>
Investments					
Short-term investments	\$ 3,663,565	-	3,663,565	-	-
Corporate and municipal bonds	83,777	-	83,777	-	-
Common and preferred stocks	9,192,308	9,192,308	-	-	-
Mutual funds	85,244,592	85,244,592	-	-	-
Alternative investments	41,347,869	-	-	-	41,347,869
Total investments	\$ <u>139,532,111</u>	<u>94,436,900</u>	<u>3,747,342</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,347,869</u>
Beneficial interest in trust	\$ <u>367,693</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>367,693</u>	<u>-</u>
	December 31, <u>2023</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>NAV</u>
Investments					
Short-term investments	\$ 2,057,697	-	2,057,697	-	-
Corporate and municipal bonds	269,691	-	269,691	-	-
Common and preferred stocks	9,806,099	9,806,099	-	-	-
Mutual funds	76,668,565	76,668,565	-	-	-
Alternative investments	36,904,107	-	-	-	36,904,107
Total investments	\$ <u>125,706,159</u>	<u>86,474,664</u>	<u>2,327,388</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,904,107</u>
Beneficial interest in trusts	\$ <u>327,986</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>327,986</u>	<u>-</u>

There were no purchases or withdrawals from Level 3 inputs for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

## 7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED):

The following table provides additional disclosures on the Foundation's investments measured at net asset value at December 31, 2024:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unfunded Commitments</u>	<u>Redemption Frequency</u>	<u>Redemption Notice Period</u>
RREEF American REIT (a)	\$ 8,624,275	-	Quarterly	45 days
High income private equity funds (b)	6,272,489	-	None	15 days
Private equity funds (c)	22,148,884	6,785,413	N/A	N/A
Fund of funds (d)	3,114,827	-	N/A	At the discretion of General Partner
Senior structured debt (e)	<u>1,187,394</u>	<u>1,325,522</u>	None	90 days
	\$ <u>41,347,869</u>	<u>8,110,935</u>		

The following table provides additional disclosures on the Foundation's investments measured at net asset value at December 31, 2023:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unfunded Commitments</u>	<u>Redemption Frequency</u>	<u>Redemption Notice Period</u>
RREEF American REIT (a)	\$ 9,015,269	-	Quarterly	45 days
High income private equity funds (b)	5,558,715	-	None	15 days
Private equity funds (c)	<u>22,330,123</u>	<u>7,005,413</u>	N/A	N/A
	\$ <u>36,904,107</u>	<u>7,005,413</u>		

- (a) This category includes investments in real estate investment trusts that invest in U.S. real estate, including multi-family, industrial, retail and office properties. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, all of the investments in this category can be redeemed with no restrictions.
- (b) This category includes investments in a multi-asset class, diversified portfolio of primarily below investment grade debt securities. The underlying assets are liquid and the fund's managers provide details of those assets. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, all of the investments in this category can be redeemed with no restrictions without exception.
- (c) This category includes several private equity funds that focus on buyout, growth equity and/or distressed debt. These investments are not redeemable. Instead, the nature of the investments in this category are that distributions are received through the liquidation of the underlying assets in the fund. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the practical expedient provided by the investment manager.
- (d) This category includes investments established in funds that invest substantially all of its assets in shares of other funds. The investment objectives of the fund are to grow the value of capital through allocating their capital directly and indirectly to investment funds and managed accounts and other entities managed by the manager. As of December 31, 2024, the fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the practical expedient provided by the investment manager.

**7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED):**

- (e) This category includes investments established as a perpetual life, open-ended, comingled investment fund to predominantly invest in directly originated, senior structured debt investments. As of December 31, 2024, the fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the practical expedient provided by the investment manager.

**8. AGENCY FUNDS PAYABLE:**

The Springfield Foundation holds and disburses funds as an agent for many organizations. During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the following transactions occurred:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Beginning agency funds payable	\$ <u>61,777,507</u>	<u>57,373,287</u>
Contributions	2,044,235	1,249,794
Interest income	632,754	465,396
Dividend income	832,850	861,617
Realized gain on investments	1,202,261	660,933
Unrealized gain on investments	<u>3,991,422</u>	<u>3,549,264</u>
Total received on behalf of agency organizations	<u>8,703,522</u>	<u>6,787,004</u>
Grants distributed	2,204,484	1,969,605
Trust and administration fees	<u>412,403</u>	<u>413,179</u>
Total disbursed on behalf of agency organizations	<u>2,616,887</u>	<u>2,382,784</u>
Net increase	<u>6,086,635</u>	<u>4,404,220</u>
Ending agency funds payable	\$ <u><u>67,864,142</u></u>	<u><u>61,777,507</u></u>

The above activity is not reported in the statements of activities.

**9. LIQUIDITY DISCLOSURES:**

The Foundation is substantially supported by contributions from donors and investment income. As part of the Foundation's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. In addition, the Foundation invests cash in excess of daily requirements in investments as deemed appropriate.

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**9. LIQUIDITY DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED):**

The following table presents the financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year at December 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Financial assets:		
Cash	\$ 2,170,836	4,474,066
Contributions receivable	-	30,597
Investments	<u>139,532,111</u>	<u>125,706,159</u>
Financial assets available at year-end	<u>141,702,947</u>	<u>130,210,822</u>
Less those unavailable for general expenditures within one year due to:		
Agency funds	67,864,142	61,777,507
Restricted by donor with purpose restriction	3,472,875	3,345,738
Investments held in board designated endowment	12,607,047	11,841,957
Investments held in donor restricted endowment	57,063,684	52,918,369
Estimated agency and foundation grants to be disbursed from endowment funds in subsequent year	<u>(5,500,000)</u>	<u>(5,500,000)</u>
Total limitations on available resources	<u>135,507,748</u>	<u>124,383,571</u>
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year	\$ <u>6,195,199</u>	<u>5,827,251</u>

**10. CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK:**

Financial instruments which subject the Foundation to a concentration of credit risk include cash and investments. The Foundation maintains cash and investment balances at several financial institutions located in Ohio. Bank accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation had uninsured cash balances totaling \$2,258,814 and \$4,794,008, respectively. To limit these risks, the Foundation places its cash investments with high credit quality financial institutions.

During 2024, the Foundation had no material concentration from donors. During 2023, the Foundation received approximately 77% of contributions from three donors.

The Foundation's investments are subject to the normal risks associated with financial markets. The Foundation manages the risk with regards to investments by adhering to an investment policy, which requires professional investment management, the distribution of investment funds among asset managers and the overall diversification of managed investment portfolios.

## **11. OPERATING LEASES:**

The determination of whether an arrangement is a lease is made at the lease's inception. Under Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 842, a contract is (or contains) a lease if it conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Control is defined under the standard as having both the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the asset and the right to direct the use of the asset. Management only reassesses its determination if the terms and conditions of the contract are changed.

Operating leases are included in operating lease right-of-use ("ROU") assets, and operating lease liabilities in the statements of financial position. The Organization has no financing leases.

ROU assets represent the right to use an underlying asset for the lease term, and lease liabilities represent an obligation to make lease payments. Operating lease ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at the lease commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. Since the Organization's leases do not provide an implicit rate, to determine the present value of lease payments, management uses the risk-free rate based on the information available at lease commencement. Operating lease ROU assets also includes any lease payments made and excludes any lease incentives. Lease expense for lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The Organization's lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Organization will exercise the option.

The Organization has lease agreements with lease and non-lease components, which are generally accounted for separately with amounts allocated to the lease and non-lease components based on stand-alone prices.

The Organization leases office space that expires in June 2026. Included within the lease are additional renewal periods, which are not accounted for under ASC 842 due continuing assessment of the changing needs of the Organization's stakeholders. Annual rental payments made on a monthly basis will be \$4,146 through the initial term.

The components of lease expense are as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Lease expense:		
Total operating lease expense	\$ 29,938	-
Short term lease expense	<u>15,709</u>	<u>40,256</u>
Total	\$ <u>45,647</u>	<u>40,256</u>

Other information related to leases is as follows:

Net cash used for operating activities related to operating leases	\$ 29,021	-
Assets obtained in exchange for operating lease liabilities	\$ 83,032	-
Weighted average remaining operating lease terms (years)	1.42	-
Weighted average discount rate for operating leases	4.24%	-%



**11. OPERATING LEASES (CONTINUED):**

Future minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2024 are as follows:

2025	\$ 42,750
2026	18,875
Less: Imputed interest	<u>(1,702)</u>
Total lease liabilities	\$ <u>59,923</u>

**12. RETIREMENT PLAN:**

The Foundation has a qualified deferred compensation plan under section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. Under the plan, employees who meet eligibility requirements may elect to defer a portion of their salary, subject to statutory limits. The Foundation contributes 5 ¾% of each eligible employee's compensation to the plan, which includes a safe harbor of 3%. Foundation contributions under the plan vest with employees on a five-year graded scale. The Foundation's contributions to the plan were \$35,387 and \$27,853 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

**13. RELATED PARTIES:**

One member of the Board of Trustees was employed by an investment advisor and this company was consulted by the Foundation during 2024 and 2023 for the retirement plan assets.

Members of the Board of Trustees and employees of the Foundation are related to individuals who have established Funds with the Foundation.

**14. CONTINGENCIES:**

During 2023, the Company secured a loan of the Global Impact STEM Academy which is collateralized by a Certificate of Deposit (CD) that The Springfield Foundation has opened with a bank. The value of the CD at December 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$394,250 and \$375,000, respectively.

