

# **Michigan Tech Fund**

**Audited Financial Statements  
June 30, 2023 and 2022**

# Michigan Tech Fund

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# Michigan Tech Fund

Administrative Officials

For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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# Michigan Tech Fund

Report of Independent Auditors  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors  
Michigan Tech Fund

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Michigan Tech Fund (the "Fund"), a component unit of Michigan Technological University, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Fund's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of Michigan Tech Fund as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 and the changes in its financial position and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Fund 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.

### **Emphasis of Matter**

As explained in Note 3, the financial statements include investments valued at approximately \$55,300,000 (26 percent of net assets) at June 30, 2023 and at approximately \$49,700,000 (26 percent of net assets) at June 30, 2022, whose fair values have been estimated by management in the absence of readily determinable market values. Management's estimates are based on information provided by the private equity and hedge funds.

### **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 Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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

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

# Michigan Tech Fund

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2023 and 2022

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To the Board of Directors  
Michigan Tech Fund

In performing audits in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audits.
- 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 audits 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 Fund'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 Fund'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 audits, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audits.

### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, which considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audits of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### ***Other Information***

Management is responsible for the other information included in the basic financial statements. The other information comprises the list of administrative officials but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the basic financial statements does not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements or whether the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

*Plante & Moran, PLLC*

September 28, 2023

# Michigan Tech Fund

Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2023 and 2022

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## Introduction

Following this discussion and analysis are the financial statements for The Michigan Tech Fund (the "Fund"). This management discussion and analysis will review the financial statements and their relationship to each other, and outline any additional facts, decisions, or conditions that have, or are expected to have, a significant effect on the financial position of the Fund.

## Mission and Impact

The Fund exists to support the mission, vision and values of Michigan Technological University ("the University" or "MTU"). On behalf of the University, the Fund serves as the steward for contributions, produces donor receipts, and prudently invests contributions until they are spent for their intended purposes.

During fiscal year 2023 and 2022, respectively, the Fund provided approximately \$13.7 million and \$14.9 million in grants to benefit the University, including over \$3.5 million and \$3.0 million in student financial aid to MTU students.

## Financial Statement Overview

The Fund is a not-for-profit organization that, because of its relationship to the University and governance structure, is considered a governmental entity and therefore, follows financial reporting guidance promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. This set of audited financial statements contains a management's discussion and analysis section, the basic financial statements which include the statement of net position, statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and statement of cash flows, and notes to the financial statements. The statement of net position includes all of the Fund's assets, liabilities and net position, and deferred outflows/inflows of resources. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position accounts for all of the current year's revenues and expenses when earned or incurred regardless of when cash is received or paid. Net position, the difference between the Fund's assets plus deferred outflows and liabilities plus deferred inflows, is one way to measure the Fund's financial health. Increases or decreases in the Fund's net position are one indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating.

# Michigan Tech Fund

Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2023 and 2022

## Financial Highlights: Statements of Net Position

Condensed Statements of Net Position			
As of June 30			
	2023	2022	2021
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current assets	\$ 13,827,017	\$ 11,687,013	\$ -
Noncurrent assets	208,396,349	198,901,701	204,223,625
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 222,223,366</b>	<b>\$ 210,588,714</b>	<b>\$ 217,061,508</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Current liabilities	\$ 465,741	\$ 745,722	\$ 633,000
Noncurrent liabilities	4,766,738	4,973,765	5,218,433
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>5,232,479</b>	<b>5,719,487</b>	<b>5,851,433</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS</b>	<b>11,070,270</b>	<b>10,989,955</b>	<b>12,115,805</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Restricted			
Nonexpendable	118,486,008	112,022,233	106,282,134
Expendable	77,517,839	72,667,830	84,012,420
Unrestricted	9,916,770	9,189,209	8,799,716
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>205,920,617</b>	<b>193,879,272</b>	<b>199,094,270</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 222,223,366</b>	<b>\$ 210,588,714</b>	<b>\$ 217,061,508</b>

### Changes from 2022 to 2023

Total assets of the Fund increased by \$11.6 million or 5.5%. The driver of this increase was investments. The Fund's investment portfolio rose by \$10.3 million due to healthier financial market conditions during fiscal year 2023.

Total liabilities decreased by \$487,000 or 9%. Liabilities of the Fund consisted of accounts payable and payments to beneficiaries of split-interest agreements (pooled income funds and charitable gift annuities). Accounts payable to Michigan Technological University decreased by \$274,000 in fiscal year 2023 due to the timing of payments made to the University.

Deferred inflows increased by \$80,000 or 1%. The increase was due to the appreciation of the market value of the investments held as irrevocable split-interest agreements (remainder trusts, pooled income funds and charitable gift annuities).

Total net position increased by \$12 million or 6%. Nonexpendable restricted net position increased by \$6.5 million from new gifts to the endowment and the expendable restricted category of net position increased by \$4.9 million from the net appreciation of endowment investments and from decreased spending during fiscal year 2023.

## Michigan Tech Fund

### Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2023 and 2022

#### Changes from 2021 to 2022

Total assets of the Fund decreased by \$6.5 million or 3%. The driver of this decrease was investments. The Fund's investment portfolio declined by \$5.7 million due to poor financial market conditions during fiscal year 2022 which resulted in net investment losses.

Total liabilities were consistent with the prior year, decreasing by \$132,000 or 2%. Liabilities of the Fund consisted of accounts payable to Michigan Technological University and payments to beneficiaries of split-interest agreements (pooled income funds and charitable gift annuities).

Deferred inflows decreased by \$1.1 million or 9%. The decrease was due to the decline in the market value of the investments held as irrevocable split-interest agreements (remainder trusts, pooled income funds and charitable gift annuities).

Total net position decreased by \$5.2 million or 3%. Whereas nonexpendable restricted net position increased by \$5.7 million from new gifts to the endowment, the expendable restricted category of net position decreased by \$11.3 million from the net depreciation of endowment investments and from increased spending during fiscal year 2022.

#### Financial Highlights: Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

##### Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position For the year ended June 30

	2023	2022	2021
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Grants to Michigan Technological University	\$ 13,689,913	\$ 14,873,381	\$ 11,114,994
Other operating expenses	452,527	484,524	560,764
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>14,142,440</b>	<b>15,357,905</b>	<b>11,675,758</b>
<b>Operating loss</b>	<b>(14,142,440)</b>	<b>(15,357,905)</b>	<b>(11,675,758)</b>
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES AND OTHER REVENUES</b>			
Contributions	9,651,844	10,581,204	25,717,004
Investment return, net	9,780,395	(7,226,708)	30,868,363
Other revenues	6,751,546	6,788,411	9,321,262
<b>Total nonoperating revenues and other revenues</b>	<b>26,183,785</b>	<b>10,142,907</b>	<b>65,906,629</b>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in net position</b>	<b>12,041,345</b>	<b>(5,214,998)</b>	<b>54,230,871</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Beginning of year, as restated	193,879,272	199,094,270	144,863,399
<b>End of year</b>	<b>\$ 205,920,617</b>	<b>\$ 193,879,272</b>	<b>\$ 199,094,270</b>

#### Changes from 2022 to 2023

Total operating expenses decreased by \$1.2 million or 8.6%. The decrease in expenses was in the grants to Michigan Technological University category. In fiscal year 2022, over \$1.0 million was expended by the University on renovations to the student ice arena, which was funded by donors. Nonoperating revenues and other revenues increased by \$16 million or 158%. Investments caused a \$17 million increase in investment return compared to fiscal year 2022.



## Michigan Tech Fund

### Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2023 and 2022

#### Changes from 2021 to 2022

Total operating expenses increased by \$3.7 million or 32%. The large swing in expenses was in the grants to Michigan Technological University category and was due to the return of more normal, pre-pandemic spending levels. Nonoperating revenues and other revenues decreased by \$55.8 million or 85%. Fundraising decreased by \$17.7 million (contributions for endowment purposes which is in the "other revenues" line are included with this total). Investment losses caused a \$38.1 million decline in investment return compared to fiscal year 2021.

#### Financial Highlights: Statements of Cash Flows

##### Condensed Statements of Cash Flows For the year ended June 30

	2023	2022	2021
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM</b>			
Operating activities	\$ (13,195,338)	\$ (15,265,328)	\$ (11,407,463)
Noncapital financing activities	7,456,270	7,081,874	5,520,640
Capital and related financing activities	6,362,193	6,768,877	9,062,989
Investment activities	993,167	473,910	(2,178,851)
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>1,616,292</b>	<b>(940,667)</b>	<b>997,315</b>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	10,227,593	11,168,260	10,170,945
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 11,843,885</b>	<b>\$ 10,227,593</b>	<b>\$ 11,168,260</b>

#### Changes from 2022 to 2023

Overall, cash and cash equivalents increased by \$1.6 million during fiscal year 2023. The cash item that differed the most from 2022 was in operating activities. Operating cash outflows decreased in fiscal year 2023, due to cash payments to the University declining by \$1.8 million.

#### Changes from 2021 to 2022

Overall, cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$941,000 during fiscal year 2022. The cash item that differed the most from 2021 was in operating activities. Operating cash outflows increased by \$3.9 million in fiscal year 2022, as spending levels returned to a more normal, pre-pandemic level at Michigan Technological University which in turn increased payments made to the University.

#### Economic Factors Impacting the Future

The Michigan Tech Fund's total contributions received during fiscal year 2023 decreased by \$975,000 and this decline could persist in future fiscal years as continuing high interest rates and inflation have eroded the amount of disposable income donors have available for charitable giving.

# Michigan Tech Fund

## Statements of Net Position

June 30, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,843,885	\$ 10,227,593
Pledges receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible amounts	1,975,457	1,452,494
Interest and dividends receivable	7,675	6,926
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>13,827,017</b>	<b>11,687,013</b>
Noncurrent assets		
Pledges receivable, net of discount, net of current portion	17,251,715	17,615,926
Amount due from Michigan Technological University	164,000	271,000
Cash surrender value, life insurance	1,690,588	2,228,402
Beneficial interest in remainder trusts	6,989,028	6,806,179
Investments	182,301,018	171,980,194
<b>Total noncurrent assets</b>	<b>208,396,349</b>	<b>198,901,701</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 222,223,366</b>	<b>\$ 210,588,714</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION</b>		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 18,721	\$ 292,965
Current portion of annuity obligations	447,020	452,757
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>465,741</b>	<b>745,722</b>
Noncurrent liabilities		
Annuity obligations, net of current portion	4,228,398	4,434,189
Pooled income obligations	538,340	539,576
<b>Total noncurrent liabilities</b>	<b>4,766,738</b>	<b>4,973,765</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>5,232,479</b>	<b>5,719,487</b>
<b>Deferred inflows</b>	<b>11,070,270</b>	<b>10,989,955</b>
<b>Net position</b>		
Restricted		
Nonexpendable	118,486,008	112,022,233
Expendable - net appreciation on endowment used for University programs and student financial aid	35,716,221	33,056,985
Expendable - University programs and student financial aid	41,801,618	39,610,845
Unrestricted	9,916,770	9,189,209
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>205,920,617</b>	<b>193,879,272</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 222,223,366</b>	<b>\$ 210,588,714</b>

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

## Michigan Tech Fund

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

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	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Grants to Michigan Technological University	\$ 13,689,913	\$ 14,873,381
Other operating expenses	452,527	484,524
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<u>14,142,440</u>	<u>15,357,905</u>
<b>Operating loss</b>	<b>(14,142,440)</b>	<b>(15,357,905)</b>
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES</b>		
Contributions	9,651,844	10,581,204
Investment return (loss), net	9,780,395	(7,226,708)
<b>Total nonoperating revenues</b>	<u>19,432,239</u>	<u>3,354,496</u>
<b>Income (loss) before other revenues</b>	5,289,799	(12,003,409)
<b>OTHER REVENUES</b>		
Gifts for permanent endowment and capital purposes	6,632,934	6,678,018
Other revenues	118,612	110,393
<b>Total other revenues</b>	<u>6,751,546</u>	<u>6,788,411</u>
<b>Change in net position</b>	<b>12,041,345</b>	<b>(5,214,998)</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Beginning	193,879,272	199,094,270
<b>Ending</b>	<u><b>\$ 205,920,617</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 193,879,272</b></u>

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

## Michigan Tech Fund

### Statements of Cash Flows

For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Payments to and on-behalf-of Michigan Technological University	\$ (13,112,620)	\$ (14,867,805)
Payments for other operating expenses	<u>(82,718)</u>	<u>(397,523)</u>
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>(13,195,338)</b>	<b>(15,265,328)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Contributions for other than endowment or capital purposes	7,791,753	7,405,009
Payments to annuitants	(454,095)	(433,528)
Other receipts	<u>118,612</u>	<u>110,393</u>
<b>Net cash from noncapital financing activities</b>	<b>7,456,270</b>	<b>7,081,874</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Contributions for endowment and capital purposes	<u>6,362,193</u>	<u>6,768,877</u>
<b>Net cash from capital and related financing activities</b>	<b>6,362,193</b>	<b>6,768,877</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds from the sale of investments	29,260,381	24,534,952
Purchase of investments	(31,443,575)	(26,889,371)
Income on investments, net of fees paid	<u>3,176,361</u>	<u>2,828,329</u>
<b>Net cash from investment activities</b>	<b>993,167</b>	<b>473,910</b>
<b>Net change in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>1,616,292</b>	<b>(940,667)</b>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Beginning	<u>10,227,593</u>	<u>11,168,260</u>
Ending	<b><u>\$ 11,843,885</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 10,227,593</u></b>
<b>Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash from operating activities</b>		
Operating loss	\$ (14,142,440)	\$ (15,357,905)
Adjustment to reconcile operating loss to net cash from operating activities		
Noncash gift-in-kind expense	1,221,346	-
Change in accounts payable and accrued expenses	<u>(274,244)</u>	<u>92,577</u>
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b><u>\$ (13,195,338)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (15,265,328)</u></b>

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

# Michigan Tech Fund

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

The **Michigan Tech Fund** (the "Fund") is a Michigan not-for-profit organization established to raise, receive, and maintain funds to use or apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom or the principal thereof exclusively to promote the best interest, purposes, and objectives of Michigan Technological University (the "University" or "MTU"). The Fund is a blended component unit of the University because the Fund's Board of Directors is comprised of ten directors, six of whom are either University trustees or University management, giving the University the controlling majority of the Fund's governing body. The Fund is organized under the provisions of the Michigan Corporation Act (Act 327, PA of 1931) as amended. The Fund has been granted tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Fund and the University have an arrangement in which the accounting function for the Fund is performed by University employees. The expenses for those employees totaled \$297,831 and \$324,967 for fiscal years 2023 and 2022 and are included in other operating expenses in the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

**Accounting and Reporting Principles:** The Fund follows accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. Accounting and financial reporting pronouncements are promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Based on these criteria, there are no component units of the Fund that are to be included in the reporting entity. Other organizations, including not-for-profit organizations, are considered governmental and required to comply with GASB if one or more of the following characteristics are met: (i) popular election of officers or appointment (or approval) of a controlling majority of the members of the organization's governing body by officials of one or more state or local governments; (ii) the potential for unilateral dissolution by a government with the net assets reverting to a government; or (iii) the power to enact and enforce a tax levy. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies used by the Fund:

**Basis of Accounting:** The Fund follows the "business-type" activities requirements of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*. The Fund meets the grandfather provisions under GASB 34, paragraph 147 for entities that were reporting under the AICPA NFP model as of the date of Statement No. 34. The Fund uses the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

**Report Presentation:** In accordance with government accounting principles, a government-wide presentation with program and general revenue is not applicable to special purpose governments engaged only in business-type activities.

**Net position:** Net position is classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, the net positions of the Fund have been grouped into the following three categories:

**Restricted for Nonexpendable Purposes:** Net position from gifts and other inflows of assets that represent permanent endowments. Use of these gifts is limited by donor-imposed stipulations that neither expire by the passage of time nor can be fulfilled or otherwise removed by the Fund.

# Michigan Tech Fund

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued:

**Restricted for Expendable Purposes:** Net position whose use is subject to externally imposed stipulations that can be fulfilled by actions of the Fund pursuant to those stipulations or that expire by the passage of time. Such net position includes net appreciation of permanent endowment funds and funds designated for student financial aid and other University programs.

**Unrestricted:** Net position that is not subject to externally imposed stipulations. Unrestricted net position may be designated for specific purposes by action of the Fund's Board of Directors or may otherwise be limited by contractual agreements with outside parties.

**Classification of Revenues and Expenses:** The Fund has classified its revenues and expenses as either operating or nonoperating on the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from exchange transactions. Nonoperating revenues and expenses have the characteristics of non-exchange transactions such as contributions and investment income.

**Use of Estimates:** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents:** Cash and cash equivalents include cash deposits, time deposits, money market funds, and highly liquid debt instruments with original maturities of three months or less.

**Investments:** Investments in marketable securities are carried at quoted fair market value whenever possible. Hedge funds' fair values are based on information provided by the administrators of each underlying fund. Private equity funds that do not have readily determinable market values as of June 30 are valued using net asset value as a practical expedient. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuations in the absence of a highly liquid market, private equity funds' estimated values may differ materially from the values that would have been used if a ready market for the securities existed. Gifts of securities are recorded at their fair value based on the mean of the high and low quoted price of stock transactions at the date of the gift. Except for investments that are not readily marketable or where donors specifically provide otherwise, investments are maintained by custodial institutions responsible for consummating investment transactions at the request of the Fund to facilitate cash flow requirements. The Fund employs an asset allocation investment policy and uses the services of an investment advisor to facilitate the implementation of this policy. Asset allocations are reviewed monthly and rebalanced as necessary. The Fund's Investment Committee of the Board of Directors provides oversight of the investment advisor and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors concerning any changes in the asset allocation. Each month, the Fund allocates and credits investment earnings (including realized and unrealized gains and losses) to departmental funds based on an average of each fund's beginning and ending monthly balances. Net investment return is reported in the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and consists of interest and dividends, realized and unrealized gains and losses, less external investment expenses.

**Deferred Inflows:** In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and as such, is not recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Deferred inflows consist of future revenue streams related to irrevocable split-interest agreements such as the beneficial interest in remainder trusts, pooled income funds and charitable gift annuities.

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### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued:

**Split-Interest Agreements:** Life income trusts, pooled income funds, remainder trusts, and certain other investments are maintained by separate trust companies. Trustee functions include management of the investments, distributions to donors, complying with tax filing requirements, and providing periodic trust statements to the Fund.

**Gifts-in-Kind:** Land, buildings, and equipment are recorded at acquisition value at the date of the gift based upon appraised values. In most cases, the Fund serves as an agent for the receipt of property and equipment and immediately transfers these gifts to the University. The Fund has a policy to list for sale any gifts-in-kind received and not subject to immediate transfer to the University.

**Contributions and Pledges Receivable:** Contributions received and unconditional promises to give are recognized at their fair values as revenues in the periods received once eligibility requirements have been met. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of their estimated future cash flows. All unconditional promises to give are recorded at their net realizable values.

**Asset-Based Management and Administrative Fees:** The Fund receives monthly management and administrative fees from the various departmental funds for managing the assets processed and maintained by the Fund. These fees are remitted to the University as expenses and are included with grants to Michigan Technological University on the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

### 2. Cash and Investments:

The Fund's cash and investments are subject to several types of risk which are addressed within the Fund's investment policy statement (IPS) as follows. The IPS provides guidelines based on the type of pool in which each investment is held. There are five separate pools which have their own investment objectives over a period of time which assumes acceptable risk levels commensurate with market volatility. Market volatility is defined as the trailing three-year standard deviation of investment returns. The pools each have a policy asset allocation mix which considers the universe of investments in two broad categories- return seeking assets and risk mitigating assets. Return seeking assets consist of US equity, international developed and emerging market equity, high yield bonds, international emerging market bonds, real estate and infrastructure, natural resources and commodities, hedge funds, and private equity. Risk mitigating assets consist of US investment grade bonds, inflation protected bonds, international developed market bonds, and cash. Within each return seeking/risk mitigating asset mix are approved norms along with lower to upper ranges of the individual assets held.

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#### 2. Cash and Investments, continued:

**Interest rate risk:** The Fund has an investment policy that focuses on the maturity of the pool along with the appropriate risk versus return percentage. The maturities of the Fund's fixed income investments as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 are categorized below:

	<b>2023</b>				
	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Less than 1 Year</b>	<b>1 to 5 Years</b>	<b>6 to 10 Years</b>	<b>Greater than 10 years</b>
Mutual funds - fixed income	\$ 55,214,789	\$ 6,384,935	\$ 7,042,925	\$ 41,766,784	\$ 20,145
Corporate bonds and notes	416,368	43,441	257,568	115,359	-
US government obligations	1,016,333	93,728	722,081	200,524	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 56,647,490</b>	<b>\$ 6,522,104</b>	<b>\$ 8,022,574</b>	<b>\$ 42,082,667</b>	<b>\$ 20,145</b>

  

	<b>2022</b>				
	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Less than 1 Year</b>	<b>1 to 5 Years</b>	<b>6 to 10 Years</b>	<b>Greater than 10 years</b>
Mutual funds - fixed income	\$ 55,209,564	\$ 9,164,503	\$ 46,018,982	\$ 26,079	\$ -
Corporate bonds and notes	363,076	35,024	209,615	118,437	-
US government obligations	967,425	126,580	678,425	162,420	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 56,540,065</b>	<b>\$ 9,326,107</b>	<b>\$ 46,907,022</b>	<b>\$ 306,936</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**Credit risk:** Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Credit risk is mitigated by limiting investments to those specified in the Board-approved investment policy statement; and diversifying the investment portfolio so that the failure of any one issuer or backer will not place an undue financial burden on the Fund.



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#### 2. Cash and Investments, continued:

The Fund had the following debt instruments subject to interest rate fluctuations at June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	<u>Market Value</u> <u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Rating</u> <u>Agency</u>	<u>Market Value</u> <u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Rating</u> <u>Agency</u>
Mutual funds - fixed income	\$ 1,125,370	5-star	Morningstar	\$ 803,496	5-star	Morningstar
Mutual funds - fixed income	12,442,122	4-star	Morningstar	17,292,683	4-star	Morningstar
Mutual funds - fixed income	41,436,413	3-star	Morningstar	36,723,708	3-star	Morningstar
Mutual funds - fixed income	182,892	2-star	Morningstar	-		
Mutual funds - fixed income	27,992	Not available		389,675	Not available	
Corporate bonds and notes						
Arrow Electrs Note	-	BBB-	S&P	10,038	BBB-	S&P
Abbvie Inc Sr Note	8,937	BBB+	S&P	9,028	BBB+	S&P
Boeing Co Debenture	23,485	BBB-	S&P	24,564	BBB-	S&P
Stryker Corp Sr Note	9,562	BBB+	S&P	9,834	A-	S&P
Walgreens Boots Alliance Inc Note	8,438	BBB	S&P	8,762	BBB	S&P
Coca Cola Enterprises Inc Debenture	9,724	A+	S&P	10,369	A+	S&P
Microsoft Corp Note	9,941	AAA	S&P	10,081	AAA	S&P
Raytheon Co Debenture	11,721	A-	S&P	12,331	A-	S&P
Celgene Corp Sr Note	14,041	A+	S&P	14,729	A+	S&P
Chevron Corp	24,564	AA-	S&P	24,937	AA-	S&P
Intel Corp	21,621	A+	S&P	22,307	A+	S&P
Pfizer	-	A+	S&P	24,986	A+	S&P
Royal Bank of Canada	23,855	A	S&P	24,130	A	S&P
Visa Inc	23,963	AA-	S&P	24,610	AA-	S&P
Comcast Corp	45,908	A-	S&P	46,608	A-	S&P
State Street Corp	43,139	A	S&P	43,610	A	S&P
Blackrock Inc	20,161	AA-	S&P	20,648		
Merck & Co Inc	20,714	A+	S&P	21,505		
Toyota Motor Credit Corp	22,353	A+	S&P	-		
UnitedHealth Group Inc	23,891	A+	S&P	-		
Westpac Banking Corp	25,371	AA-	S&P	-		
John Deere Capital Corp	24,979	A	S&P	-		
US government obligations						
Fed Farm Credit Bk	59,281	AA+	S&P	60,862	AA+	S&P
US Treasury Notes	933,977	AAA	Moody's	857,791	AAA	Moody's
Fed National Mortgage Assn	23,075	AA+	S&P	48,773	AA+	S&P
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 56,647,490</u></b>			<b><u>\$ 56,540,065</u></b>		

**Custodial credit risk – deposits:** For deposits, custodial credit risk is present if the Fund's deposits would not be covered by depository insurance or collateralized by the bank. Deposits were reflected in the accounts of the banks of \$11,877,526 and \$10,228,092 as of June 30, 2023 and 2022. The Fund had \$11,377,526 and \$9,738,372 exposed to custodial credit risk because the deposits were uninsured or uncollateralized as of June 30, 2023 and 2022.

**Custodial credit risk – investments:** For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Fund will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Investments in external investment pools and open-ended mutual funds are not exposed to custodial credit risk because their existence is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical and book entry form. All investments are in the name of the Fund, as applicable, and the investments are held in accounts with each financial institution from which they were purchased.

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#### 2. Cash and Investments, continued:

**Concentration of credit risk:** Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of investment in a single issuer. The Fund's investment policy does not have specific limits on concentration of credit risk.

The following investments comprise more than 5% of the total investments as of June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	\$ 19,440,591	\$ 18,496,454
Vanguard Total Bond Market	41,100,162	36,486,424
Vanguard International Equity Index Fund	17,968,957	16,690,276
American Core Realty Fund	9,120,697	9,524,267
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 87,630,407</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 81,197,421</u></b>

**Foreign currency risk:** Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. All of the Fund's foreign investments at June 30, 2023 and 2022 are valued in US dollars, therefore the Fund was not subject to foreign currency risk.

Investments, carried at fair value, at June 30, 2023 and 2022 are categorized as follows:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Marketable securities		
Equities	\$ 24,269,285	\$ 22,879,083
Mutual funds – equities	45,894,917	42,630,399
Mutual funds – fixed income	55,214,789	55,209,564
Corporate bonds and notes	416,368	363,076
US government obligations	1,016,333	967,425
Total marketable securities	126,811,692	122,049,547
Alternative investments		
Hedge funds	10,300,610	8,050,302
Real estate and natural resources	14,117,572	11,874,087
Private equity	28,555,520	27,509,045
Global credit	2,330,624	2,312,213
Total alternative investments	55,304,326	49,745,647
Other investments		
Land held for sale	165,000	165,000
Other	20,000	20,000
<b>Total investments</b>	<b><u>\$ 182,301,018</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 171,980,194</u></b>

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#### 2. Cash and Investments, continued:

Investment return (loss) is a net amount and is comprised of the following for the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

Interest and dividends	\$ 3,385,429	\$ 2,554,135
Net gain on sale of investments	916,536	3,094,095
Net unrealized gain (loss) on investments	5,963,986	(12,366,300)
Investment fees	<u>(485,556)</u>	<u>(508,638)</u>
<b>Total investment return (loss), net</b>	<b><u>\$ 9,780,395</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (7,226,708)</u></b>

The Fund invests in various securities including US government obligations, corporate debt instruments, mutual funds, corporate equities, and alternative investments. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of financial position and activities.

#### 3. Fair Value:

The Fund utilizes fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and liabilities and to determine fair value disclosures. Additionally, from time to time, the Fund may be required to adjust other assets and liabilities to fair value on a non-recurring basis.

The Fund groups its assets at fair value into three levels, based on the markets in which the assets are traded, and the reliability of the assumptions used to determine fair value. These levels are:

**Level 1:** Valuation is based upon quoted prices for identical instruments traded in active markets.

**Level 2:** Valuation is based upon quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market.

**Level 3:** Valuation is generated from model-based techniques that use at least one significant assumption not observable in the market. These unobservable assumptions reflect estimates that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets recorded at fair value on a recurring basis.

**Investments:** Fair value measurement is based upon quoted prices, if available. Level 1 investments include fixed income, equity securities (primarily mutual funds), and debt securities (primarily U.S. government obligations). Level 2 investments include corporate bonds and notes and debt securities (principally US government obligations). Level 3 investments include other investments. Other investments consist of closely held securities and the fair value is based on appraisals.

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### 3. Fair Value, continued:

**Beneficial Interest in Remainder Trusts:** Fair value measurement is based upon the fair value of the underlying investments in the trusts, an estimated rate of return, anticipated future payments to be made to beneficiaries, living beneficiaries' life expectancies, and an assumed discount rate.

The following tables present the recorded amount of the Fund's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	<b>2023</b>			
	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>
Marketable securities				
Equities	\$ 24,269,285	\$ 24,269,285	\$ -	\$ -
Mutual funds – equities	45,894,917	45,894,917	-	-
Mutual funds – fixed income	55,214,789	55,214,789	-	-
Corporate bonds and notes	416,368	-	416,368	-
US government obligations	1,016,333	1,016,333	-	-
Other investments				
Land held for sale	165,000	-	-	165,000
Other investments	20,000	-	-	20,000
<b>Total investments at fair value</b>	<b>126,996,692</b>	<b>\$ 126,395,324</b>	<b>\$ 416,368</b>	<b>\$ 185,000</b>
Alternative investments that calculate net asset value per share				
Hedge funds	10,300,610			
Real estate and natural resources	14,117,572			
Private equity	28,555,520			
Global credit	2,330,624			
<b>Total alternative investments that calculate net asset value per share</b>	<b>55,304,326</b>			
<b>Balance at June 30, 2023</b>	<b>\$ 182,301,018</b>			
<b>Beneficial interest in remainder trusts</b>	<b>\$ 6,989,028</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 6,989,028</b>
	<b>2022</b>			
	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>
Marketable securities				
Equities	\$ 22,879,083	\$ 22,879,083	\$ -	\$ -
Mutual funds – equities	42,630,399	42,630,399	-	-
Mutual funds – fixed income	55,209,564	55,209,564	-	-
Corporate bonds and notes	363,076	-	363,076	-
US government obligations	967,425	967,425	-	-
Other investments				
Land held for sale	165,000	-	-	255,000
Other investments	20,000	-	-	20,000
<b>Total investments at fair value</b>	<b>122,234,547</b>	<b>\$ 121,686,471</b>	<b>\$ 363,076</b>	<b>\$ 275,000</b>
Alternative investments that calculate net asset value per share				
Hedge funds	8,050,302			
Real estate and natural resources	11,874,087			
Private equity	27,509,045			
Global credit	2,312,213			
<b>Total alternative investments that calculate net asset value per share</b>	<b>49,745,647</b>			
<b>Balance at June 30, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 171,980,194</b>			
<b>Beneficial interest in remainder trusts</b>	<b>\$ 6,806,179</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 6,806,179</b>

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#### 3. Fair Value, continued:

In instances where inputs used to measure fair value fall into different levels in the above fair value hierarchy, fair value measurements in their entirety are categorized based on the lowest level input that is significant to the valuation. The Fund's assessment of the significance of particular inputs to these fair value measurements requires judgement and considers factors specific to each asset or liability.

#### Investments in Entities that Calculate Net Asset Value Per Share:

The Fund holds shares or interests in investment companies where the fair value of the investments are measured on a recurring basis using net asset value per share (or its equivalent) of the investment companies as a practical expedient.

The following table lists investments in other investment companies (in partnership format) by major category as of June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	<b>2023</b>			
	<b>Net Asset Value</b>	<b>Unfunded Commitments</b>	<b>Redemption Frequency</b>	<b>Redemption Notice Period</b>
Hedge Funds (1)	\$ 10,300,610	\$ -	Quarterly	90 calendar days + 5 business days
Real Estate and Natural Resources (2)	14,117,572	5,053,525	Quarterly for one fund - not redeemable for others funds	Quarterly for one fund - NA for other funds
Private Equity (3)	28,555,520	26,474,017	Not redeemable	NA
Global Credit (4)	2,330,624	-	Semi-annually	90 calendar days
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 55,304,326</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 31,527,542</u></b>		
	<b>2022</b>			
	<b>Net Asset Value</b>	<b>Unfunded Commitments</b>	<b>Redemption Frequency</b>	<b>Redemption Notice Period</b>
Hedge Funds (1)	\$ 8,050,302	\$ -	Quarterly	90 calendar days + 5 business days
Real Estate and Natural Resources (2)	11,874,086	5,058,399	Quarterly for one fund - not redeemable for others funds	Quarterly for one fund - NA for other funds
Private Equity (3)	27,509,046	14,710,553	Not redeemable	NA
Global Credit (4)	2,312,213	-	Semi-annually	90 calendar days
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 49,745,647</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 19,768,952</u></b>		

#### Strategy

- (1) This category includes two multi-strategy hedge fund.
- (2) This category includes funds that invest in commercial and residential real estate funds with U.S. properties and natural resource sector funds.
- (3) This category includes numerous private equity limited partnerships that invest in leverage buyouts, venture capital, growth equity financing, opportunistic situations, high yield, and subordinated debt across the primary and secondary markets.
- (4) This category includes one fund that invests in public and private credit markets, focusing on core, yield-oriented investments, supplemented by opportunistic positions with higher expected returns.

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#### 4. Pledges Receivable:

Pledges may be restricted by donors for scholarships and fellowships, faculty positions, property and equipment, or designated departments of the University. Pledges have been reported at their discounted, net realizable values. The Fund estimated the present value of future cash flows using .25% over the risk-adjusted rate at the date of the gift. For fiscal year 2023, rates range from 4.1% to 5.1%. The following table shows the balance due of unconditional promises to give to the Fund at June 30, 2023 and 2022.

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Pledges receivable in less than one year	\$ 3,501,854	\$ 2,644,292
Pledges receivable in one to five years	8,685,579	6,884,903
Pledges receivable in more than five years	<u>10,794,257</u>	<u>13,089,691</u>
	22,981,690	22,618,886
Less:		
Allowance for uncollectible pledges	(1,526,397)	(1,191,799)
Present value discount	<u>(2,228,121)</u>	<u>(2,358,667)</u>
<b>Net pledges receivable</b>	<b><u>\$ 19,227,172</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 19,068,420</u></b>

#### 5. Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance:

The Fund is the owner and beneficiary of life insurance policies with death benefit values of approximately \$2,664,230 at June 30, 2023 and \$3,860,000 at June 30, 2022. The assignments of these policies were received as gifts for various University programs, student financial aid, and other designations.

#### 6. Gifts-in-Kind:

The Fund accepts gifts-in-kind, including property, on behalf of the University and in most cases immediately transfers the gifts-in-kind to the University. Any gifted property accepted as a contribution and not subject to transfer to the University is listed for sale. It is the Fund's policy to offer such gifted property for sale based on appraised or acquisition value at the time of the gift. During the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Fund received gifts-in-kind in the amounts of \$1,221,346 and \$192,682, respectively. These amounts were recorded as contribution revenue. Amounts immediately transferred to the University and recorded as a grant to Michigan Technological University in the accompanying statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position were \$1,221,346 and \$192,682 for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

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#### 7. Functional Classification of Operating Expenses:

The Fund's operating expenses by functional classification were as follows for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	2023			
	Program Services	Management & General	Fundraising	Total
<b>Operating expenses</b>				
Scholarships and fellowships	\$ 3,567,901	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,567,901
Departmental and other program support	10,122,012	-	-	10,122,012
Contracted employee services	-	297,831	-	297,831
Other services	-	68,789	-	68,789
Supplies	-	20,907	65,000	85,907
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 13,689,913</b>	<b>\$ 387,527</b>	<b>\$ 65,000</b>	<b>\$ 14,142,440</b>

	2022			
	Program Services	Management & General	Fundraising	Total
<b>Operating expenses</b>				
Scholarships and fellowships	\$ 3,025,139	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,025,139
Departmental and other program support	11,848,242	-	-	11,848,242
Contracted employee services	-	324,967	-	324,967
Other services	-	70,386	-	70,386
Supplies	-	24,171	65,000	89,171
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 14,873,381</b>	<b>\$ 419,524</b>	<b>\$ 65,000</b>	<b>\$ 15,357,905</b>

#### 8. Endowment:

The Fund's endowment consists of 767 and 752 individual, donor-restricted funds at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, established for a variety of purposes and term endowments.

The Board of Directors of the Fund has interpreted the State of Michigan Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (SPMIFA) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Fund classifies as restricted nonexpendable net position the original value of gifts donated to a donor-endowed fund, the original value of subsequent gifts to a donor-endowed fund, and accumulations to a donor-endowed fund 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 SPMIFA, the Fund considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds: (1) the duration and preservation of the various funds, (2) the purposes of the donor-restricted endowment funds, (3) general economic conditions, (4) the possible effect of inflation and deflation, (5) the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments, (6) other resources of the Fund, and (7) the Fund's investment policies.

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#### 8. Endowment, continued:

Following is a summary of the Fund's endowment at June 30, 2023 and 2022 and changes therein:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Endowment, beginning of year	\$ 147,630,662	\$ 151,519,725
Investment return	5,507,040	(8,217,505)
Contributions	5,650,768	7,571,242
Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure	<u>(2,897,433)</u>	<u>(3,242,800)</u>
<b>Endowment, end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 155,891,037</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 147,630,662</u></b>

#### Funds with Deficiencies

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor or SPMIFA requires the Fund to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, deficiencies of this nature that were reported in expendable net position as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 amounted to \$905,761 and \$1,198,408, respectively.

#### Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Fund has adopted investment policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets, which includes those assets of donor-restricted funds that must be held in perpetuity. Under this policy, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that meet or exceed the price and yield results of established indexes for differing investment classes while assuming a moderate level of investment risk. The Fund expects its endowment funds, over time, to provide an average rate of return of 8.0% annually. Actual returns in any given year may vary.

#### Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Fund relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Fund targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

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

For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Fund had an annual spending policy of 3.6% and 3.8% of its endowment funds' average fair values over the prior 12 quarters through the fiscal year-end preceding the fiscal year in which the distribution is planned. In establishing this policy, the Fund considered the long-term expected return of its endowment. This policy is consistent with the Fund's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets held in perpetuity or for a specified term as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment returns.