

(A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

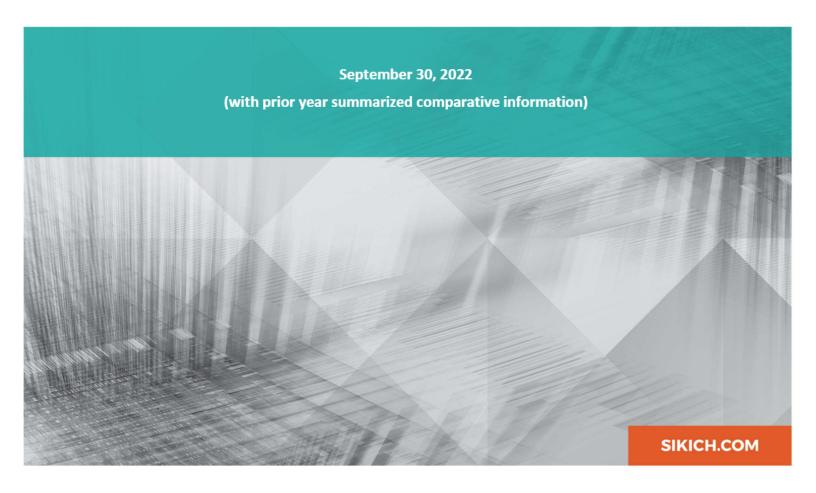


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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Girl Scouts of North East Ohio:

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Girl Scouts of North East Ohio (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year 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 Girl Scouts of North East Ohio as of September 30, 2022, and the changes in its net assets and their cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with acounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Girl Scouts of North East Ohio and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. 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 Girl Scouts of North East Ohio's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government 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 and *Government 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 Girl Scouts of North East Ohio'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 Girl Scouts of North East Ohio'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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 9, 2023, on our consideration of Girl Scouts of North East Ohio's (the Organization) internal control over financial reporting and and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectivness of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited Girl Scouts of North East Ohio's 2021 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified opinion on those audited statements in our report dated January 27, 2022. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

Sikich LLP

Akron, Ohio February 9, 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

September 30, 2022

ASSETS			
	 2022		2021
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,061,783	\$	4,783,022
Short-term investments	3,576,881		892,846
Accounts receivable, net	23,583		13,427
Grants receivable	34,117		29,845
Inventories	275,691		295,749
Prepaid expenses	 140,465	_	67,892
Total current assets	 5,112,520		6,082,781
NONCURRENT ASSETS			
Unconditional promises to give, net	1,030,774		196,500
Property, plant and equipment, net	20,877,466		19,753,929
Investments	7,444,519		8,332,421
Beneficial interests in trusts	 738,982		953,569
Total noncurrent assets	 30,091,741	_	29,236,419
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 35,204,261	\$	35,319,200
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 108,058	\$	104,121
Accounts payable, trade	420,113		197,704
Accrued expenses	368,100		349,341
Accrued payroll	137,537		141,322
Deferred revenue, deposits and custodial accounts	156,800		126,964
Refundable advance - PPP loan	 -		1,071,557
Total current liabilities	 1,190,608	_	1,991,009
LONG-TERM DEBT, NET OF CURRENT PORTION	 2,616,429	_	2,724,487
Total liabilities	 3,807,037		4,715,496
NET ASSETS			
Without donor restrictions	26,455,530		26,898,778
With donor restrictions	 4,941,694		3,704,926
Total net assets	 31,397,224		30,603,704
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 35,204,261	\$	35,319,200

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

for the year ended September 30, 2022

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	2022 Total	2021 Total
PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUES				
Public support:				
Contributions	\$ 286,668	\$ 1,687,942	\$ 1,974,610	\$ 467,947
Foundations, trusts and other	835,273	426,719	1,261,992	1,106,633
United Way allocations Sponsorships and special events, net	40,104 55,221	10,000	50,104 55,221	67,464 68,199
Total public support	1,217,266	2,124,661	3,341,927	1,710,243
Revenue:				
Product sales	11,716,644	-	11,716,644	9,471,204
Cost of product sales	(2,796,631)		(2,796,631)	(2,262,117)
	8,920,013		8,920,013	7,209,087
Retail operations	569,273	-	569,273	426,375
Cost of retail sales	(269,635)		(269,635)	(184,398)
	299,638		299,638	241,977
Program and camp fees	682,207	-	682,207	454,775
Interest and dividends, net	267,782	44,846	312,628	190,455
Government grants - PPP	1,071,557	-	1,071,557	1,133,600
Gain on sale of property, plant and equipment	207,776	-	207,776	5,000
Miscellaneous income	180,986		180,986	277,799
	2,410,308	44,846	2,455,154	2,061,629
Total revenues	11,629,959	44,846	11,674,805	9,512,693
Net assets released from restrictions	274,349	(274,349)		
Total public support and revenues	13,121,574	1,895,158	15,016,732	11,222,936
EXPENSES				
Program services	9,632,888	-	9,632,888	8,384,320
Supporting services:				
Management services	1,898,576	-	1,898,576	1,871,712
Fund development	593,959		593,959	456,206
Total expenses	12,125,423		12,125,423	10,712,238
Change in net assets from operations				
before gains and losses	996,151	1,895,158	2,891,309	510,698
Other gains and losses:				
Change in beneficial interest				
in trusts	-	(214,587)	(214,587)	127,677
Net appreciation (depreciation)				
on investments	(1,439,399)	(443,803)	(1,883,202)	1,423,114
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(443,248)	1,236,768	793,520	2,061,489
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	26,898,778	3,704,926	30,603,704	28,542,215
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 26,455,530	\$ 4,941,694	\$ 31,397,224	\$ 30,603,704

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

for the year ended September 30, 2022

			Supporting Serv	rices		
				Total		
	Program	Management	Fund	Supporting	Tota	ls
	Services	Services	Development	Services	2022	2021
PERSONNEL						
Salaries and wages	\$ 2,596,832	\$ 856,429	\$ 243,747	\$ 1,100,176	\$ 3,697,008	\$ 3,532,504
Fringe benefits and taxes	1,373,466	427,180	143,053	570,233	1,943,699	1,880,091
Total personnel	3,970,298	1,283,609	386,800	1,670,409	5,640,707	5,412,595
SUPPORT FOR TROOPS AND MEMBERS						
Troop and service unit support	2,038,595	-	-	-	2,038,595	1,643,480
Rewards for troops and members	355,018	-	-	-	355,018	279,085
Assistance and grants to members	183,525				183,525	97,478
Total support for troops and members	2,577,138				2,577,138	2,020,043
and members	2,5//,138				2,5//,138	2,020,043
OTHER EXPENSES						
Professional services and fees	266,086	184,028	65,823	249,851	515,937	250,799
Supplies, printing, and publications	579,774	34,245	60,937	95,182	674,956	571,677
Postage and shipping	68,862	1,593	9,672	11,265	80,127	71,236
Telecommunications	336,441	9,172	4,193	13,365	349,806	317,617
Occupancy	574,122	50,812	18,499	69,311	643,433	528,069
Equipment, rental and repair	77,714	4,389	892	5,281	82,995	87,297
Meetings and travel	174,923	36,683	16,688	53,371	228,294	119,236
Interest	-	102,846	-	102,846	102,846	103,515
Insurance	160,938	31,864	11,835	43,699	204,637	182,082
Other	100,337	108,184	2,636	110,820	211,157	228,568
Total other expenses	2,339,197	563,816	191,175	754,991	3,094,188	2,460,096
Total expenses before depreciation	8,886,633	1,847,425	577,975	2,425,400	11,312,033	9,892,734
Depreciation	746,255	51,151	15,984	67,135	813,390	819,504
TOTAL EXPENSES	9,632,888	1,898,576	593,959	2,492,535	12,125,423	10,712,238
ADDITIONAL COSTS						
Cost of product sales	2,796,631	-	-	-	2,796,631	2,262,117
Cost of retail sales	269,635	-	-	-	269,635	184,398
Cost of direct benefit to donors -						
food and beverage			51,084	51,084	51,084	6,262
TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES	\$ 12,699,154	\$ 1,898,576	\$ 645,043	\$ 2,543,619	\$ 15,242,773	\$ 13,165,015

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended September 30, 2022

		2022	_	2021
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Change in net assets	\$	793,520	\$	2,061,489
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash				
from operating activities:		912 200		910 F04
Depreciation Net depreciation (appreciation) on investments		813,390 1,883,202		819,504 (1,423,114)
Change in beneficial interests in trusts				
Gain on sale of assets		214,587		(127,677)
		(207,776)		(5,000)
Contributions restricted for investment in property, plant and equipment		(834,274)		-
Change in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable, grants receivable, and unconditional		(1.4.420)		(170.063)
promises to give		(14,428)		(170,062)
Inventories		20,058		110,556
Prepaid expenses		(72,573)		(43,963)
Trade accounts payable, accrued expenses, and accrued payroll		237,383		(154,547)
Refundable advances - PPP Ioan		(1,071,557)		(62,043)
Deferred revenue, deposits, and custodial accounts	_	29,836	_	28,921
Net cash from operating activities		1,791,368	_	1,034,064
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchases of investments		(7,164,633)		(2,110,877)
Proceeds from the sale of investments		3,485,298		2,010,859
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment		279,135		5,000
Purchases of property, plant, and equipment	_	(2,008,286)		(291,343)
Net cash from investing activities		(5,408,486)	_	(386,361)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Payments on long-term debt	_	(104,121)		(97,684)
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Net cash from financing activities	_	(104,121)	_	(97,684)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(3,721,239)		550,019
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	4,783,022	_	4,233,003
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$	1,061,783	\$	4,783,022
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION				
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$	102,846	\$	103,515
Non-cash activity:				
Capital expenditures included in accounts payable	Ś	203,145	\$	-
PPP Loan Forgiveness	\$	1,071,557	\$	1,133,600
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.				- 7 -

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended September 30, 2022

(with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended September 30, 2021

1. NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

The Girl Scouts of North East Ohio (GSNEO) (the Organization) is an Ohio nonprofit corporation that has been issued a charter by the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. granting it the right to develop, manage, and maintain the Girl Scout movement in a jurisdiction established by the National Board of Directors of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. that includes the Trumbull, Mahoning, Ashtabula, Columbiana, Stark, Tuscarawas, Carroll, Lorain, Erie, Sandusky, Seneca, Huron, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Summit, Portage, Medina, and Wayne counties in the State of Ohio.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation – The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The Organization presents information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets.

Net assets without donor restrictions include general net assets of the Organization and are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions. The net assets without donor restrictions of the Organization may be used at the discretion of management to support the Organization's purposes and operations.

Net assets with donor restrictions net assets are subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by the actions of the Organization or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

Comparative Financial Information — The financial statements include certain prior year summarized comparative information in total but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Organization's financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2021, from which the summarized information was derived.

Functional Allocation of Expenses – The costs of providing various programs and related supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. All salaries and most other costs are coded directly to the appropriate program or supporting service. However, occupancy and telecommunication costs have been allocated to the appropriate programs and supporting services using the full-time equivalent method of allocation.

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 reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the year ended September 30, 2022 (with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended September 30, 2021

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (Continued)

Cash and Cash Equivalents – The Organization considers all highly liquid investments without donor restrictions with remaining original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents, excluding those held in brokerage accounts.

Accounts Receivable – Accounts receivable are uncollateralized customer obligations due under normal trade terms requiring payment within 30 days of the invoice date and are stated at the amount billed to the customer. Accounts receivable are reduced by an allowance that reflects management's best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected, through a charge to expense and a credit to a valuation allowance account. Management individually reviews all accounts receivable balances that exceed 90 days from the invoice date and based on an assessment of current creditworthiness and estimates the portion, if any, of the balance that will not be collected. At September 30, 2022, the balance of allowance for doubtful accounts was \$21,000. At September 30, 2021, management recorded no allowance for doubtful accounts.

Support and Revenue Recognition — Grants and contributions are recognized when the donor makes a promise to give to the Organization, that is, in substance, unconditional. Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions if the restrictions expire in the fiscal year in which the contributions are recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions depending on the nature of the restrictions. Conditional promises to give are recognized only when the conditions on which depend are substantially met and the promises become unconditional.

The Organization received \$1,071,577 and \$1,133,600 under the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") in 2021 and 2020, respectively. The PPP was established as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"). The loans are forgivable over an established period of time as the Organization complies with certain requirements. During 2022 and 2021, the Organization received full forgiveness for the loans and recognized the forgiveness in Government Grants – PPP on the statement of activities.

Management individually reviews grants receivable to determine the need for an allowance for uncollectible accounts. At September 30, 2022 and 2021, management estimated that no such allowance was necessary. Unconditional promises to give due in the next year are recorded at net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give due in subsequent years are recorded at the present value of the net realizable value, using risk-adjusted interest rates applicable to the years in which the promises are received to discount the amounts.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the year ended September 30, 2022 (with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended September 30, 2021

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (Continued)

The Organization recognizes revenue from exchange transactions with customers that are bound by contracts or similar arrangements using a performance obligation approach to revenue recognition. The Organization records the following exchange transaction revenue in its statements of activities and changes in net assets for the years ending September 30, 2022 and 2021:

<u>Product sale program:</u> The Girl Scout Cookie Program helps the next generation of entrepreneurs get an important taste of what it takes to be successful: teamwork, planning, and a positive outlook. Because proceeds from the Cookie Program stay local, they also help create positive change in our community by powering life-changing experiences for Girl Scouts all year long. Troops sell cookies both in person and through the Digital Cookie platform. Cookie sales start in the winter of each year. The price for the cookies is established by Girl Scouts of the USA, and each item is individually priced, so no allocation of the transaction price is required. Cookies sold through the Digital Cookie platform require payment at the time of order placement while cookies sold in person require payment at the time the cookies are delivered. With cookie sales, the performance obligation is delivery of the product, which is fulfilled by the Troop at predetermined times and locations. Revenue recognition occurs when the product has been delivered. The Organization presents separately in its statement of activities and changes in net assets gross revenues from product sales, cost of goods sold, and commissions (retained by or paid to the unit).

Retail operations: The Organization operates retail shops at various locations, which sell scouting-related merchandise on a retail basis to customers. The performance obligation is the delivery of the good to the customer. The transaction price is established by the Organization based on retail prices suggested by the suppliers. As each item is individually priced, no allocation of the transaction price is necessary. The Organization recognizes revenue as the customer pays and takes possession of the merchandise. Some merchandise is sold with a right of return. If probable customer returns exist at the end of an accounting period, the Organization estimates and records in its financial statements a liability for such returns, which offsets revenue. No liability for probable customer returns was considered necessary as of September 30, 2022 and 2021.

<u>Program and Camp fees:</u> The Organization conducts program-related experiences where the performance obligation is delivery of the program. Fees for camps and activities are set by the Organization. For camps, fees include program supplies, meals, lodging, recognition items, staffing, and facility costs. As is customary, these items are not separately priced and are therefore considered to be one performance obligation. The Organization recognizes revenue over time as the performance obligation is met. Fees are collected in advance of delivery of the camp or activity and are initially recognized as liabilities (deferred revenue) and are only recognized in the statement of activities after delivery of the program has occurred.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued

for the year ended September 30, 2022

(with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended September 30, 2021

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (Continued)

Disaggregation of revenue as of the year ended September 30 is as follows:

	2022	2021
Point in time:		
Product sales	\$ 11,716,644	\$ 9,471,204
Retail operations	569,273	426,375
Over time a	\$ 12,285,917	\$ 9,897,579
Over time:		,
Program and camp fees	<u>\$ 682,207</u>	<u>\$ 454,775</u>

Various economic factors affect the recognition of revenue and cash flows. These economic factors consist of loss of basic utilities at camp sites, decrease in membership and prompt payment on receivables owed to the Organization.

<u>Contract Assets and Liabilities</u> – Timing of revenue recognition, billings and cash collections results in billed accounts receivable and deferred revenue (contract liabilities) on the statement of financial position. The Organization records these liabilities when it receives payment either prior to the delivery of services or prior to the completion of the earnings process. Monies received for the benefit of others are also recorded as liabilities (custodial accounts).

Contract assets, deferred revenue, deposits, and custodial accounts consist of the following at September 30:

	 2022	 2021	 2020
Accounts receivable	\$ 23,583	\$ 13,427	\$ 9,152
Program fees for programs not yet held Other contract liabilities	\$ 75,146 81,654	\$ 59,114 67,850	\$ 18,651 73,392
Total contract liabilities	\$ 156,800	\$ 126,964	\$ 92,043

Investments – Investments are stated at fair value in the statement of financial position. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are recognized as changes in net assets in the periods in which they occur and investment income is recognized as revenue in the period earned. Investment income and gains and losses restricted by a donor are reported as net increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions if the restrictions are met (either by passage of time or by use) in the reporting period in which the income and gains or losses are recognized. Investment return is reported net of external and direct internal investment expenses.

Inventories – Inventories are valued at the lower of cost (determined on a first-in, first-out basis) or net realizable value and consist of items purchased for resale.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the year ended September 30, 2022 (with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended September 30, 2021

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (Continued)

Property, Plant, and Equipment – Property, plant, and equipment are stated at cost, unless donated. Major additions and betterments are capitalized while maintenance and repairs, which do not improve or extend the lives of the respective assets, are expensed currently. Property, plant, and equipment is depreciated utilizing the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives ranging from two to forty-five years. Leasehold improvements are amortized utilizing the straight-line method over the remaining term of the lease. The Organization capitalizes purchases or donations of property, plant, and equipment that exceed \$5,000.

Depreciation expense was \$813,390 and \$819,504 for the years ending September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Donations of property, plant, and equipment are recorded at their estimated fair value. Such donations are reported as support without donor restrictions unless the donor has restricted the donated asset for a specific purpose. Assets donated with explicit restrictions regarding their use and contributions of cash that must be used to acquire property, plant, and equipment are reported as support with donor restrictions. Absent donor restrictions regarding how long those donated assets must be maintained, the Organization reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired assets are placed in service. The Organization reclassifies assets restricted for time or purpose to net assets without donor restrictions at that time.

National Membership Dues – The Organization collects monies from members to be remitted to the national organization, Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. As the Organization is acting as a pass-through entity, no revenue is recorded in the statement of activities related to the national membership dues. These amounts are included in accrued expenses on the statement of financial position.

Income Taxes – The Girl Scouts of North East Ohio is a nonprofit organization and is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, the Organization has not recorded provisions for federal and state income taxes. The Organization is not classified as a private foundation.

Advertising Fees – Advertising costs are expensed when incurred and are included in supplies, printing, and publications expense on the accompanying statement of functional expenses. Total advertising expense was \$85,063 in 2022 and \$118,925 in 2021.

Contributed Services – A portion of the Organization's functions are conducted by unpaid officers, board members, and volunteers. Contributed services are recognized as revenues at their estimated fair value only when they create or enhance nonfinancial assets or they require specialized skills which would need to be purchased if they were not donated. No amounts have been recognized in the statement of activities for contributed services because the criteria for recognition has not been satisfied.

Subsequent Events – Management has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through February 9, 2023, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued

for the year ended September 30, 2022

(with summarized comparative financial information for the year ended September 30, 2021

3. LIQUIDITY

The following represents the Organization's financial assets available for operating expenses and capital expenditures on fixed assets within one year of the statement of financial position date at September 30:

	2022	2021
Cash	\$ 1,061,783	\$ 4,783,022
Accounts receivable, net	23,583	13,427
Grants receivable	34,117	29,845
Investments	11,021,400	9,225,267
Beneficial interests in trusts	738,982	953,569
Unconditional promises to give	1,030,774	196,500
Total financial assets	13,910,639	15,201,630
Less donor restricted net assets	(4,941,694)	(3,704,926)
Less board-designated endowment fund	(4,528,980)	(5,901,726)
Total financial assets liquid within one year	\$ 4,439,96 <u>5</u>	\$ 5,594,978

The above reflects board-designated endowment funds as unavailable because it is the Organization's intention to invest those resources for the long-term support of the Organization as detailed in Note 10. However, in the case of need the Board of Directors could appropriate resources for another purpose. Note 1 provides further information on the spending policy surrounding the Organization's endowment.

The Organization's goal is to generally maintain financial assets to meet 90 days of operating expenses (approximately \$2.5 million), not including variable costs of the product sales program. As part of its liquidity plan, excess cash is invested in short-term investments. The Organization maintained a \$3 million line of credit during the fiscal years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021.

4. UNCONDITIONAL PROMISES TO GIVE

Unconditional promises to give represent promises to pay recorded at their present value of estimated future cash flows using a risk-adjusted interest rate of 1.3%. Unconditional promises to give are restricted to long lived assets and therefore presented as noncurrent assets on the statement of financial position. At September 30, 2022, the Organization estimated promises to give be collected as follows:

Less than one year	\$ 930,449
One to five years	 100,325
	\$ 1,030,774

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5. GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA OPERATING RESERVE

The Organization also maintains operating reserves in accordance with its Operating Reserve Policy as required by the Girl Scouts of the USA. The goal of this policy is to provide 6 months of operating reserves at each year end. Operating reserves at year-end total 9.7 months for 2022 and 12.9 months for 2021.

	2022	2021
Total net assets without donor restrictions Less: Equity in net fixed assets	\$ 26,455,530 (18,298,448)	\$ 26,898,778 _(17,074,426)
Available net assets without donor restrictions	8,157,082	9,824,352
Less: Board-designated funds for specific purposes (excluding operating reserves)	(194,434)	(236,474)
Undesignated net assets	\$ 7,962,648	\$ 9,587,878
Operating expenses (excluding variable costs of product sale program)	\$ 10,088,828	\$ 9,068,758
Less: Revenues released from restrictions (non-capital)	(274,349)	(185,089)
Total unrestricted actual expenses	\$ 9,814,479	\$ 8,883,669

6. INVESTMENTS AND BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN TRUSTS

The Organization has a one-seventh beneficial interest in a trust for which a financial institution is the trustee. As the Organization has an irrevocable interest in this trust, it has recorded its share of the trust as an asset in the statement of financial position. Income received from the trust is restricted for the maintenance and development of camp properties. The trust's fair value was \$2,574,502 and \$3,430,063 (the Organization's share of this trust is \$367,786 and \$490,009) at September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

The Organization also has a five percent interest in a trust for which a financial institution is the trustee. As the Organization has an irrevocable interest in this trust, it has recorded its share of the trust as an asset in the statement of financial position. Income received from the trust is restricted first for use for financial assistance in Elyria, then programming. The trust's fair value was \$2,461,520 and \$3,282,020 (the Organization's share of this trust is \$123,076 and \$164,101) at 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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6. INVESTMENTS AND BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN TRUSTS, (Continued)

The Organization also has an interest in a trust for which a financial institution is the trustee. As the Organization has an irrevocable interest in this trust, it has recorded its share of the trust as an asset in the statement of financial position. Income received from the trust is restricted first for use of operations at Camp Timberline and council operations. The trust's fair value was \$797,503 and \$960,654 (the Organization's share of this trust is \$248,120 and \$299,459) at 2022 and 2021, respectively.

In addition to those investments listed above, the Organization is the income beneficiary of various funds held at community foundations. The Organization does not control these assets and the community foundations are given variance powers in the gift instruments; as such, these investments totaling approximately \$1,600,000 at 2022 and \$1,900,000 at September 30, 2021, respectively, are not recorded on the Organization's statement of financial position.

The Organization transferred funds to Cleveland and Stark Community Foundations (the Community Foundations) to establish trusts with the Organization named as the beneficiary. The Community Foundations maintain variance power over these assets. The Organization reports the fair value of the assets held by Community Foundations as investments in the statement of financial position and reports distributions received as investment income.

7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GAAP establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework uses a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. GAAP requires the Organization to maximize the use of observable inputs when measuring fair value. The hierarchy describes three levels of inputs, which are as follows:

<u>Level 1</u> – Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

<u>Level 2</u> — Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets; or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

<u>Level 3</u> – Significant unobservable inputs.

In many cases, a valuation technique used to measure fair value includes inputs from more than one level of the fair value hierarchy. The lowest level of significant input determines the placement of the entire fair value measurement in the hierarchy. The categorization of an investment within the hierarchy reflects the relative ability to observe the fair value measure and does not necessarily correspond to the perceived risk of that investment.

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7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, (Continued)

If an investment that is measured using net asset value (NAV) has a readily determinable fair value (that is, it can be traded at the measurement date at its published NAV), it is included in Level 1 of the hierarchy. Otherwise, investments measured using NAVs are not included in Level 1, 2, or 3, but are separately reported.

Valuation Techniques

Following is a description of the valuation techniques used for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis. There have been no changes to the techniques used during the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021.

Corporate Stocks - Valued at the closing quoted price in an active market.

Mutual Funds - Valued at the NAV of shares on the last trading day of the fiscal year.

Corporate Bonds – The investment grade corporate bonds held by the Organization generally do not trade in active markets on the measurement date. Therefore, corporate debt securities are valued using inputs including yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings, recent market price quotations (where observable), bond spreads, and fundamental data relating to the issuer.

U.S. Treasury Notes – U.S. Treasury notes in which the Organization invests are usually "off the run" on the measurement date. Thus, they are valued by a pricing service using a model that incorporates market observable data such as reported sales of similar securities, broker quotes, yields, bids, offers, and reference data. U.S. Treasury bonds and notes that are "on the run" are measured at quoted prices in active markets for the same security.

Common collective funds - Investments are valued using the net asset value (NAV) provided by the administrator of the fund. The NAV is based on the value of the underlying assets owned by the fund, minus its liabilities, and then divided by the number of shares outstanding. The NAV is classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy, because the NAV's unit price is quoted on a private market that is not active; however, the unit price is based on underlying investments which are traded on an active market.

Beneficial Interest In Trusts - Valued using the fair value of the assets held in the trust reported by the trustee as of September 30, 2022 and 2021. The Organization considers the measurement of its beneficial interest in the perpetual charitable trust to be a Level 3 measurement within the hierarchy because even though that measurement is based on the unadjusted fair value of trust assets reported by the trustee, the Organization will never receive those assets or have the ability to direct the trustee to redeem them.

Investments Held By Community Foundations – Valued at NAV per unit as reported by the Community Foundation.

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7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, (Continued)

Recurring Measurements

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30 are as follows:

	2022				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
Corporate bonds	\$ -	\$ 99,426	\$ -	\$ 99,426	
Corporate stocks	785,878	-	-	785,878	
U.S. Treasury notes	-	3,129,397	-	3,129,397	
Mutual funds - fixed income	1,240,878	-	-	1,240,878	
Mutual funds - equities	2,466,338	-	-	2,466,338	
Mutual funds – other	615,465	-	-	615,465	
ETF Equity	436,030	-	-	436,030	
Common collective funds Investments held by	-	606,662	-	606,662	
community foundations		282,312	-	282,312	
Total investments at fair value	5,544,589	4,117,797	-	9,662,386	
Beneficial interest in trusts			738,982	738,982	
Total assets at fair value	\$ 5,544,589	\$ 4,117,797	\$ 738,982	10,401,368	
Investments in money market (a	a)			1,359,014	
Total				\$11,760,382	

a) The amount presented is at cost. The amount presented in this table is intended to permit reconciliation to the line item presented in the statement of financial position.

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7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, (Continued)

	2021			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Corporate bonds Corporate stocks Mutual funds - fixed income	\$ - 643,233	\$ 102,747 -	\$ -	\$ 102,747 643,233
Mutual funds - fixed income Mutual funds - equities Investments held by	1,718,989 5,970,628	-	-	1,718,989 5,970,628
community foundations		354,769		354,769
Total investments at fair value	8,332,850	<u>457,516</u>	=	8,790,366
Beneficial interest in trusts			953,569	953,569
Total assets at fair value	\$ 8,332,850	\$ 457,516	\$ 953,569	9,743,935
Investments in money market (k	p)			434,901
Total				\$10,178,836

b) The amount presented is at cost. The amount presented in this table is intended to permit reconciliation to the line item presented in the statement of financial position.

Unobservable (Level 3) Inputs

The activity for the beneficial interest in trusts, which are measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 inputs), are as follows:

Beneficial Interest in Trusts:

	_	2022	_	2021
Balance, beginning of year	\$	953,569	\$	825,892
Change in beneficial interest in trusts	_	(214,587)	_	127,677
Balance, end of year	\$	738,982	\$	953,569

The change in value of the beneficial interest in the trust is reported in that line of the statement of activities and the change in the value of investments held by community foundations are included in net appreciation (depreciation) on investments in the statement of activities.

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8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant, and equipment consist of the following at September 30:

	2022	2021
Land	\$ 767,573	\$ 797,573
Land improvements	3,017,071	2,887,965
Buildings and improvements	22,607,580	22,650,096
Pool	1,749,906	1,733,994
Camp and office equipment	2,699,006	2,630,834
Automobiles and trucks	406,753	273,476
Construction in progress	1,645,340	46,187
	32,893,229	31,020,125
Less accumulated depreciation	12,015,763	11,266,196
Property, plant, and equipment, net	\$ 20,877,466	\$ 19,753,929

Estimated costs to complete open projects is \$7,000,000 at September 30, 2022.

9. LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following at September 30:				
		2022		2021
Note payable due to a bank, secured by certain real estate, payable in 119 monthly installments of \$16,606 through May 2030. The interest rate is fixed at 3.70%.	\$	2,579,018	\$	2,679,502
Note payable due to a bank, payable in monthly installments of \$641 for 30 years. The interest rate is fixed at 2.75%	_	145,469	_	149,106
Total long-term debt Less current portion	_	2,724,487 108,058	_	2,828,608 104,121
Long-term debt, net of current portion	\$	2,616,429	\$	2,724,487

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9. LONG-TERM DEBT, (Continued)

Aggregate maturities on long-term debt are as follows:

2023	\$ 108,058
2024	112,143
2025	116,384
2026	120,785
2027	125,353
Thereafter	 2,141,764
Total payments	\$ 2,724,487

The Organization has a line of credit with maximum borrowing limit of \$3,000,000 collateralized by certain investments. The line of credit bears interest at the prime rate (prime as September 30, 2022 is 3.25%) and expires on May 31, 2023. There are no outstanding borrowings at September 30, 2022 or 2021.

10. NET ASSETS

Board-designated net assets consist of the following as of September 30:

		2022	_	2021
Fund V – operating reserves	\$	981,658	\$	1,277,630
Great Trails service area		172,100		210,412
Adult training		4,040		5,367
Fund XII – operating reserves		22,865		29,008
Scholarship XI		18,294		20,695
Fund for Girls - operating reserves	_	3,330,023	_	4,358,594
Total board-designated quasi-endowment funds	\$	4,528,980	\$	5,901,706

Net assets with donor restrictions are restricted for time and/or purpose:

	_	2022	_	2021
Time restricted within endowment funds STEM Center Grant-funded projects in progress	\$	789,361 2,201,436 50,291	\$	1,265,674 239,854 84,205
	\$	3,041,088	\$	1,589,733

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10. NET ASSETS (Continued)

Net assets with donor restrictions were released from restrictions for the following purposes during the years ended September 30:

	 2022	_	2021
Grant-funded programs from prior year Grant funded programs in current year	\$ 76,080 119,429	\$	49,096 55,170
Funds with time and/or purpose restriction released	113,423		33,170
in accordance with spending policy	 78,840	_	80,823
	\$ 274,349	\$	185,089

Net assets with donor restrictions in perpetuity, the income from which is restricted for the following purposes as of September 30:

	 2022		2021
Endowment funds restricted in perpetuity:			
Operations and camperships	\$ 76,545	\$	75,545
Fund I – General operations	25,000		25,000
Fund II – General operations	80,000		80,000
Fund III – General operations	60,000		60,000
Fund IV – General operations	12,956		12,956
Fund for the Future - operations	75,815		75,815
Youth enrichment fund – new projects	500,000		500,000
College Scholarship Fund	100,000		100,000
Campership	9,464		9,464
Wider opportunity fund - travel	18,800		18,800
Western Reserve PE Trust - operations	 203,044	_	203,044
Total endowment funds restricted in perpetuity	1,161,624		1,161,624
Beneficial interest in trusts	 738,982		953,569
Total endowment funds restricted in perpetuity	\$ 1,900,606	\$	2,115,193

11. NET ASSET CLASSIFICATION OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS

The Organization's endowment funds consist of collectively invested funds established to fund a variety of programs. The fund contains both donor-restricted and board-designated funds. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the Board of Directors to function as quasi-endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

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11. NET ASSET CLASSIFICATION OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS, (Continued)

The Organization has interpreted the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Fund Act (UPMIFA) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Organization classifies as net assets with donor restrictions (a) the original value of gifts donated, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. In accordance with UPMIFA, the Organization considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- (1) The duration and preservation of the fund.
- (2) The purpose of the Organization and the donor-restricted endowment fund.
- (3) General economic conditions.
- (4) The investment policies of the Organization.

Endowment Net Asset Composition by Type of Fund

	2022			
	Board <u>Designated</u>	Restricted for Purpose	Restricted in Perpetuity	Total
Donor-restricted funds	\$ -	\$ 789,361	\$ 1,161,624	\$ 1,950,985
Board-designated funds	4,528,980			4,528,980
Total funds	\$ 4,528,980	<u>\$ 789,361</u>	\$ 1,161,624	\$ 6,479,965
		207	21	
	Board	Restricted for	Restricted in	
	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	Perpetuity	Total
Donor-restricted funds	\$ -	\$ 1,265,674	\$ 1,161,624	\$ 2,427,298
Board-designated funds	5,901,706			5,901,706
Total funds	\$ 5,901,706	\$ 1,265,674	\$ 1,161,624	\$ 8,329,004

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11. NET ASSET CLASSIFICATION OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS (Continued)

Changes in Endowment Net Assets

With Donor Restriction

	Without Donor Restriction	Restricted for Purpose	Restricted in Perpetuity	Total
Endowment net assets, September 30, 2020	\$ 5,053,836	970,683	1,159,624	7,184,143
Investment return: Interest and dividends Net appreciation on	84,537	21,767	-	106,304
investments	946,454	<u>342,585</u>		1,289,039
Total investment return	1,030,991	364,352		1,395,343
Contributions	500		2,000	2,500
Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure	(183,621)	(69,361)		(252,982)
Endowment net assets, September 30, 2021	5,901,706	1,265,674	1,161,624	8,329,004
Investment return: Interest and dividends Net depreciation on	146,863	38,206	-	185,069
investments	(1,333,075)	(443,803)		(1,776,878)
Total investment return	(1,186,212)	(405,597)		_(1,591,809)
Contributions	1,500			1,500
Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure	(188,014)	(70,716)		(258,730)
Endowment net assets, September 30, 2022	<u>\$ 4,528,980</u>	<u>\$ 789,361</u>	<u>\$ 1,161,624</u>	<u>\$ 6,479,965</u>

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11. NET ASSET CLASSIFICATION OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS (Continued)

Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Organization has adopted investment and spending policies for the endowment fund with the understanding that those assets will be prudently invested to maximize the long-term total return of financial assets consistent with the current and future funding needs of the Organization. Assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Organization must hold in perpetuity or for a donor-specified period(s), as well as board-designated funds. Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Directors, investments of all endowment assets are directed by the Investment Committee of the Organization who is permitted to utilize investment managers to optimize the return on the assets within the established guidelines. The standard for the Investment Committee with regard to the endowment fund assets is achieving financial returns which preserve the real asset value and are competitive relative to those offered by the financial markets. Investment performance will be measured against comparative market indices including the MSCI All Country World Index and the Barkley's Aggregate Bond Index. The performance of the overall portfolio will be monitored quarterly and compared against appropriate benchmarks.

Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Organization 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 Organization 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

The amount available for spending by the Organization from endowment assets will be based on a percentage of the fund's assets on a multi-year moving average basis, unless otherwise specified by the donor at the time the gift was made. The Board of Directors will oversee the annual spending rate and adjust it as deemed appropriate.

Endowment Fund Deficiency

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with donor restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor or state law requires the Organization to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. In accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, deficiencies of this nature would be reported in net assets with donor restrictions. There were no deficiencies of this type as of September 30, 2022 and 2021. The Organization has interpreted UPMIFA to permit spending from underwater endowments in accordance with prudent measures required under law.

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12. RETIREMENT PLANS

The council participates in the National Girl Scout Council Retirement Plan (NGSCRP), a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan sponsored by Girl Scouts of the USA. The National Board of Girl Scouts of the USA voted to freeze the plan to new entrants and to freeze future benefit accruals for all current participants under the Plan effective July 31, 2010. The plan covers substantially all of the employees of various Girl Scout councils who were eligible to participate in the plan prior to the plan freeze. Accrued and vested benefits prior to July 31, 2010 are based on years of service and salary levels.

Net Plan assets grew during the year and are greater than the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits as of January 1, 2022. Based on the April 18, 2014 conditional approval by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), all existing amortization bases in the Plan's funding standard account as of January 1, 2013 were combined into one base and the resulting amortization period for that single base was extended to 10 years. Approval applies as long as at a minimum, beginning with the January 1, 2013 calendar year, \$30,000,000 is remitted. The \$30,000,000 calendar year minimum applies for each succeeding calendar year until the Plan is fully funded based upon the requirements of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (PPA). In addition, on April 8, 2014, President Obama signed H.R. 4275 into law, a relief package unanimously passed by Congress that gives NGSCRP the flexibility to adopt the Pension Protection Act (PPA) funding requirements immediately or not at all. NGSCRP has elected to adopt this relief and not be subject to PPA. In September 2020, the National Board of Girl Scouts of the USA approved to lower the minimum contributions from \$30 million for calendar years 2021 and 2022 to \$26 million starting in calendar year 2023, until the Plan is fully funded based upon the requirements of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (PPA). Aggregate annual contributions made in fiscal years 2021 and 2022 were \$32.7 million and \$32.2 million, respectively. Aggregate contributions to be made in fiscal 2023 are expected to be \$27.5 million. Contributions made by the Girl Scouts of North East Ohio in fiscal year 2022 and 2021 are \$644,760, respectively.

The Organization also maintains a 401(k) defined contribution plan. Employees can elect to make salary reduction contributions, subject to federal limitations. The plan was converted into a Safe Harbor plan on January 1, 2016. Upon employment, employee deferrals are matched 100% by the Organization up to the first 3% of the employee's compensation and matched 50% on the next 2%. An additional discretionary contribution from the Organization may be made. Total matching contributions to the plan by the Organization were \$119,135 in 2022 and \$109,885 in 2021.

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13. OBLIGATIONS UNDER LEASES

Future minimum lease payments due under non-cancellable operating leases expiring under various terms through January 2025 for equipment are as follows:

2023	\$ 20,120
2024	20,120
2025	 1,677
	\$ 41,917

Lease expense, net of lease incentive, was \$54,419 and \$58,338 for the years ended 2022 and 2021, respectively. A fixed payment of \$152,680 was received as a lease incentive in 2015 and was amortized over the life of the related new lease.

In February 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU No. 2016-02, "Leases (Topic 842)" ("ASU 2016-02"), to increase the transparency and comparability about leases among entities. The new guidance requires lessees to recognize a lease liability and a corresponding lease asset for virtually all lease contracts. It also requires additional disclosures about leasing arrangements. ASU 2016-02, as amended by ASU No. 2020-05, is effective for non-public entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021 and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022. ASU 2016-02 originally specified a modified retrospective transition method which requires the entity to initially apply the new leases standard at the beginning of the earliest period presented in the financial statements. In July 2018, FASB issued ASU No. 2018-11, "Leases (Topic 842): Targeted Improvements" providing a second, optional transition method which allows the entity to apply the new standard at the adoption date and recognize a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of net assets in the period of adoption. The Organization is currently assessing the impacts of this new standard, including the two option transition methods.

14. CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of its operation, the Organization is subjected to claims and legal actions. In the opinion of management, based upon information presently available, there exist no outstanding claims that are material to these financial statements.

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15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

GSNEO is a charter organization of Girl Scouts USA (GSUSA) and has all rights and privileges granted by GSUSA.

The Organization incurred the following expenses during the years ended September 30 with related parties:

	_	2022	_	2021
Purchases of product inventory Purchases of software	\$	214,520 83,482	\$	105,540 82,639
Total purchases	\$	298,002	\$	188,179

16. CONCENTRATIONS AND CREDIT RISK

The Organization's revenues are concentrated in the area of product sales and include the annual cookie and nut sales. These sales (net of costs of sales) represent 84% in 2022 and 79% in 2021 of the Organization's total public support and revenues as shown in the accompanying statement of activities.

The Organization maintains their cash and cash equivalents in accounts, which at times, may exceed federally insured limits. At September 30, 2022 the Organization's cash accounts exceeded federally insured limits by \$366,863. At September 30, 2021 the Organization's cash accounts exceeded federally insured limits by \$3,867,970. The Organization has not experienced any losses in such accounts. Management of the Organization believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

The Organization holds investment securities which are exposed to various risks including interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the Organization's investment account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of financial position.

Investments are managed by investment advisors in accordance with the investment policy established by the Board of Directors. Though the market value of investments is subject to fluctuations on a year-to-year basis, the Board believes that the investment policy is prudent for the long-term welfare of the Organization.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Directors of Girl Scouts of North East Ohio

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Girl Scouts of North East Ohio (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 9, 2023.

Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Girl Scouts of North East Ohio's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Girl Scouts of North East Ohio's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Girl Scouts of North East Ohio's internal control.

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

Akron, Ohio

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