Financial Statements June 30, 2024 and 2023 The Diocese of Crookston Catholic Community Foundation



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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Directors The Diocese of Crookston Catholic Community Foundation Crookston, Minnesota

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Diocese of Crookston Catholic Community Foundation (Foundation), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities and functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Basis for Opinion**

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

## Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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 Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for 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 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.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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

Erde Bailly LLP

Fargo, North Dakota March 19, 2025

	2024	2023
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Notes receivable Other receivables Cash surrender value of life insurance Prepaid expenses	\$ 1,242,256 32,658,257 3,146,832 - 30,873 25,233	\$ 1,592,297 26,452,485 2,492,790 6,552 30,873 -
Total assets	\$ 37,103,451	\$ 30,574,997
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable Funds invested for others Grants and collections held for others Charitable gift annuities payable Total liabilities	\$ 44,150 14,693,377 593,173 100,098 15,430,798	\$ - 10,130,148 1,256,290 101,016 11,487,454
Net Assets Without donor restrictions With donor restrictions	66,879 21,605,774	37,751 19,049,792
Total net assets	21,672,653	19,087,543
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 37,103,451	\$ 30,574,997

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Revenues and Support			
Donations	\$-	\$ 709,417	\$ 709,417
Diocesan Service Revenue	25,000	-	25,000
Interest and dividends on investments and notes receivable	223,745	281,809	505,554
Unrealized and realized gain on	223,743	201,005	565,554
investments	-	2,340,881	2,340,881
Change in split interest			<i>.</i>
agreements - annuities Net assets released from restrictions	(1,193)	(11,393)	(12,586)
Satisfaction of donor			
restrictions	764,732	(764,732)	-
Total revenues and support	1,012,284	2,555,982	3,568,266
Expenses			
Program earnings distributed	764,732	-	764,732
Management and general	,		
Administrative fee	92,258	-	92,258
Professional fees	15,397	-	15,397
Other	110,769		110,769
Total expenses	983,156		983,156
Change in Net Assets	29,128	2,555,982	2,585,110
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	37,751	19,049,792	19,087,543
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 66,879	\$ 21,605,774	\$ 21,672,653

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Revenues and Support Donations	\$-	\$ 8,272,360	\$ 8,272,360
Interest and dividends on investments and notes receivable	168,423	177,520	345,943
Unrealized and realized gain on investments	-	558,796	558,796
Change in split interest agreements - annuities Net assets released from restrictions	(2,210)	(12,099)	(14,309)
Satisfaction of donor restrictions	528,281	(528,281)	
Total revenues and support	694,494	8,468,296	9,162,790
Expenses Program earnings distributed Management and general	528,281	-	528,281
Administrative fee	78,994	-	78,994
Professional fees Other	14,153 72,238		14,153 72,238
Total expenses	693,666		693,666
Change in Net Assets	828	8,468,296	8,469,124
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	36,923	10,581,496	10,618,419
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 37,751	\$ 19,049,792	\$ 19,087,543

	2024	2023
Operating Activities Change in net assets Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash from (used for) operating activities	\$ 2,585,110	\$ 8,469,124
Unrealized and realized gain on investments Actuarial loss on recomputation of annuity	(3,321,650)	(663,989)
benefit obligations	12,586	14,309
Contributions restricted to endowment	(709,417)	(8,272,360)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(705,417)	(0,272,300)
Other receivables	6,552	(6,552)
Accounts payable	44,150	(0,552)
		-
Prepaids	(25,233)	-
Grants and collections held for others	(663,117)	727,766
Net Cash from (used for) Operating Activities	(2,071,019)	268,298
Investing Activities		
Purchase of investments	(15,574,573)	(17,699,632)
Proceeds from sale of investments	17,253,680	9,938,242
Collection of notes receivable	345,958	595,395
Issuance of notes receivable	(1,000,000)	(845,000)
	(1,000,000)	(0+3,000)
Net Cash from (used for) Investing Activities	1,025,065	(8,010,995)
Financing Activities		
Payments on charitable gift annuities	(13,504)	(13,504)
Collections of contributions restricted to endowment	709,417	8,272,360
	/05,41/	0,272,300
Net Cash from Financing Activities	695,913	8,258,856
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(350,041)	516,159
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	1,592,297	1,076,138
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 1,242,256	\$ 1,592,297

## Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## Organization

The Diocese of Crookston Catholic Community Foundation (Foundation) was organized on December 16, 1993, to receive donations of real and personal property including money by gift, grant, devise or bequest from any individual, foundation, corporation or government agency. The Foundation is operated exclusively for religious, charitable and educational purposes under Sections 170(c)(2) and 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended. It is operated and conducted in conformance with the Code of Canon Law of the Roman Catholic Church and the laws, theology, philosophy, teaching and doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church and the Diocese of Crookston. Donations are used to advance the ministries of the Catholic community within the Diocese of Crookston.

## **Basis of Accounting**

The Foundation uses the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, income is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when incurred.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Foundation considers all cash and highly liquid financial instruments with original maturities of three months or less, and which are neither held for nor restricted by donors for long-term purposes, to be cash and cash equivalents. Cash and highly liquid financial instruments restricted to the permanent endowment and other long-term purposes are excluded from this definition.

#### **Receivables and Credit Policies**

Notes receivable are secured by mortgages and/or guarantees by the Diocese of Crookston. Management reviews all notes receivable balances periodically and adjusts the allowance accounts based on current economic conditions and past experiences. The Foundation has not experienced losses on these receivables in the past. All notes receivables are considered collectible.

#### Investments

Investment purchases are recorded at cost, or if donated, at fair value on the date of donation. Thereafter, investments are reported at their fair values in the statement of financial position. Investment income is reported in the statement of activities and consists of interest and dividend income, realized and unrealized capital gains and losses, less investment management fees and custodial fees.

#### **Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance**

A donor transferred ownership of a life insurance policy to the Foundation with the stipulation that the Foundation will forward the amounts received from the policy to charities designated by the donor. The cash surrender value of the life insurance policy is recorded in grants and collections held for others as an agency type transaction.

## **Charitable Gift Annuities**

Under charitable gift annuity contracts, the Foundation receives immediate and unrestricted title to contributed assets and agrees to make fixed recurring payments over the stipulated period. Contributed assets are recorded at fair value on the date of receipt. The related liability for future payments to be made to the specified beneficiaries is recorded at fair value using present value techniques and risk-adjusted discount rates designed to reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the liability. The excess of contributed assets over the annuity liability is recorded as a contribution with or without donor restrictions as directed by the donor. In subsequent years, the liability for future payments to the donor is reduced by payments made to the specified beneficiaries and is adjusted to reflect amortization of the discount and changes in actuarial assumptions at the end of the year. Upon termination of the annuity contract, the remaining liability is removed and recognized as income.

## **Funds Invested for Others**

The Foundation acts as trustee for funds transferred from various organizations for investment management and administrative purposes. The funds are distributed back to these organizations upon their request. The Foundation records the deposits as a liability in the statement of financial position. The assets are included in cash and cash equivalents and investments on the statement of financial position.

## **Grants and Collections Held for Others**

The Foundation acts as custodian for various parishes and other entities. The Foundation collects and distributes the funds to the intended recipient as requested. The Foundation records the deposits as a liability in the statement of financial position. The assets are included in cash and cash equivalents and cash surrender value of life insurance on the statement of financial position.

## **Net Assets**

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

*Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions* - Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor (or certain grantor) restrictions.

*Net Assets With Donor Restrictions* - Net assets subject to donor (or certain grantor) restrictions. Some donor (or grantor) imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. The Foundation reports contributions restricted by donors as increases in net assets with donor restrictions if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends, or purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Net assets are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resources was restricted has been fulfilled, or both.

### **Revenue and Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is recognized when earned. The Foundation recognizes contributions when cash, securities or other assets; an unconditional promise to give; or a notification of a beneficial interest is received. Conditional promises to give - that is, those with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return - are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been met.

### **In-Kind Contributions**

In-kind contributions are recorded at fair value at the date of donation. The Foundation's policy is to sell contributed assets immediately upon receipt unless the asset is restricted for use in a specific program by the donor. No significant in-kind contributions were received during the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

### **Income Tax**

The Foundation is exempt from federal income tax under provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and by virtue thereof is also exempt from the payment of an income tax to the state of Minnesota.

### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of 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 and those differences could be material.

## **Financial Instruments and Credit Risk**

The Foundation manages deposit concentration risk by placing cash and investments with financial institutions believed by management to be creditworthy. The Foundation utilizes insured cash sweep (ICS) accounts with financial institutions to mitigate the credit risk for amounts on deposit exceeding insured limits. To date, the Foundation has not experienced losses in any of these accounts. Credit risk associated with notes receivable are considered to be limited due to high historical collection rates. Investments are made by diversified investment managers whose performance is monitored by management. Although the fair values of investments are subject to fluctuation on a year-to-year basis, management, the Investment Committee, and the Foundation's board believe that the investment policies and guidelines are prudent for the long-term welfare of the Foundation.

#### **Functional Expenses and Natural Classification**

The costs of program and supporting services activities have been detailed on a functional and natural basis in the statements of activities. The program expenses are generally directly attributable to a functional category with no significant allocations between program service activities and supporting service activities.

### **Subsequent Events**

The Foundation has evaluated subsequent events through March 19, 2025, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

## Note 2 - Liquidity and Availability

Financial assets available for general expenditure, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the statement of financial position date, comprise the following:

	2024	2023
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Notes receivable Cash surrender value of life insurance	\$ 1,242,256 32,658,257 3,146,832 30,873	\$ 1,592,297 26,452,485 2,492,790 30,873
Total assets	37,078,218	30,568,445
Less amounts not available to be used within one year Net assets with restrictions Funds invested for others Grants and collections held for others	(21,605,774) (14,693,377) (593,173)	(19,049,792) (10,130,148) (1,256,290)
Total liquidity and availability	\$ 185,894	\$ 132,215

Endowment funds consist of donor-restricted endowments. Income from donor-restricted endowments is restricted for specific purposes. Donor-restricted endowment funds are not available for general expenditure.

As part of a liquidity management plan, cash in excess of daily requirements is invested in various money market funds.

# Note 3 - Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures

Certain assets and liabilities are reported at fair value in the financial statements. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction in the principal, or most advantageous, market at the measurement date under current market conditions regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. Inputs used to determine fair value refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on the best information available. A three-tier hierarchy categorizes the inputs as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Foundation can access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, and marketcorroborated inputs.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. In these situations, the Foundation develops inputs using the best information available in the circumstances.

In some cases, the inputs used to measure the fair value of an asset or a liability might be categorized within different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In those cases, the fair value measurement is categorized in its entirety in the same level of the fair value hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to entire measurement requires judgment, taking into account factors specific to the asset or liability. The categorization of an asset within the hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the asset and does not necessarily correspond to the Foundation's assessment of the quality, risk or liquidity profile of the asset or liability.

A significant portion of the Foundation's investment assets are classified within Level 1 because they are comprised of individual equities and mutual funds with readily determinable fair values based on daily redemption values. The Foundation invests in fixed income bonds/securities traded in the financial markets. Those fixed income bonds/securities are valued by the custodians of the securities using pricing models based on credit quality, time to maturity, stated interest rates and market-rate assumptions and are classified within Level 2. Conversely, the funds invested for others are reported at fair value at the underlying investment balance.

	Fair Value Measurements at Report Date Using				
		Quoted Prices in	Significant		
		Active Markets	Other	Significant	
	<b>-</b>	For Identical	Observable	Unobservable	
	Total	Assets (Level 1)	Inputs (Level 2)	Inputs (Level 3)	
Equities					
Basic material	\$ 346,440	\$ 346,440	\$-	\$-	
Consumer cyclical	1,340,732	1,340,732	-	-	
Consumer non-cyclical	305,784	305,784	-	-	
Energy	586,550	586,550	-	-	
Financial	2,001,971	2,001,971	-	-	
Healthcare	1,474,033	1,474,033	-	-	
Industrials	1,270,080	1,270,080	-	-	
Technology	5,555,749	5,555,749	-	-	
Telecommunications	2,374,449	2,374,449	-	-	
Utility	121,971	121,971	-	-	
Mutual Funds					
Mutual fund-equity	3,521,462	3,521,462	-	-	
Mutual funds-international	6,020,386	6,020,386	-	-	
Bonds					
Asset backed bonds	23,870	-	23,870	-	
Collateralized mortgage obligation	1,445	-	1,445	-	
Corporate bonds	1,323,381	-	1,323,381	-	
Mortgage backed bonds	2,439,546	-	2,439,546	-	
Mortgage fund bonds	1,770,318	1,770,318	-	-	
US Federal Securities	1,620,876	-	1,620,876	-	
US Government Securities	348,957	348,957	-	-	
Alerus Financial Money Market (at Cost)	210,257				
Total assets, at fair value	\$ 32,658,257	\$ 27,038,882	\$ 5,409,118	\$-	
Funds Invested for Others	\$ (14,693,377)	\$ (12,243,975)	\$ (2,449,402)	\$-	

The following table presents assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, at June 30, 2024:

	Fair Value Measurements at Report Date Using				
		Quoted Prices in	Significant		
		Active Markets	Other	Significant	
		For Identical	Observable	Unobservable	
	Total	Assets (Level 1)	Inputs (Level 2)	Inputs (Level 3)	
Equities					
Basic material	\$ 289,280	\$ 289,280	\$ -	\$-	
Consumer cyclical	1,833,007	1,833,007	-	-	
Consumer non-cyclical	320,881	320,881	-	-	
Energy	658,282	658,282	-	-	
Financial	1,563,627	1,563,627	-	-	
Healthcare	1,806,854	1,806,854	-	-	
Industrials	1,254,271	1,254,271	-	-	
Technology	2,499,573	2,499,573	-	-	
Telecommunications	1,148,813	1,148,813	-	-	
Utility	298,509	298,509	-	-	
Mutual funds	,	,			
Mutual fund-equity	1,460,101	1,460,101	-	-	
Mutual funds-international	6,059,439	6,059,439	-	-	
Bonds	, ,	, ,			
Asset backed bonds	27,249	-	27,249	-	
Collateralized mortgage obligation	1,717	-	1,717	-	
Corporate bonds	758,779	-	758,779	-	
Mortgage backed bonds	1,498,216	-	1,498,216	-	
Mortgage fund bonds	1,576,493	1,576,493	-	-	
US Federal Securities	834,789	-	834,789	-	
US Government Securities	348,648	348,648	-	-	
Alerus Financial Money Market (at Cost)	2,213,957				
Total assets, at fair value	\$ 26,452,485	\$ 21,117,778	\$ 3,120,750	\$ -	
Funds Invested for Others	\$ (10,130,148)	\$ (8,825,875)	\$ (1,304,273)	\$ -	

The following table presents assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, at June 30, 2023:

# Note 4 - Net Investment Return (Loss)

Net investment return (loss) consists of the following for years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	 2024	 2023
Interest and Dividends on Investments and Notes Receivable Unrealized and Realized Gains on Investments, net	\$ 690,549 3,825,470	\$ 507,682 814,468
Total income on investments and notes receivable Less income allocated to funds invested for others	 4,516,019 (1,763,812)	 1,322,150 (482,894)
Net investment income reported by the Foundation	\$ 2,752,207	\$ 839,256
Classified on the report as follows:		
Interest and dividends on investments and notes receivable Unrealized and realized gains on investments, net	\$ 505,554 2,246,653	\$ 345,943 493,313
	\$ 2,752,207	\$ 839,256

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 total income on investments and notes receivable is net of investment expenses of \$94,228 and \$65,483, respectively.

## Note 5 - Notes Receivable

The Foundation assists various parishes and other entities by providing funds. Note agreements are signed between the parishes and the Foundation. As of June 30, 2024 and 2023, the outstanding balance of notes receivable was \$3,146,832 and \$2,492,790, respectively. The interest rates are at the current value of the 5-year government bonds, rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent, plus one full percentage point, and are subject to change every three years currently ranging from 2.2% to 5.2% and are due over various time periods from 1 to 20 years. The notes receivable are secured by mortgages and/or guarantees by the Diocese of Crookston. An allowance for credit losses is recorded annually based on historical experience and management's evaluation of notes receivable at the end of each year. There were no indicators of the need for an allowance during the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

## Note 6 - Grants and Collections Held for Others

The Foundation acts as custodian for various other agencies that disburse funds through the Foundation for specific ministries, parishes, and other entities. As of June 30, 2024 and 2023 the Foundation had the following funds held for others:

		2024	2023
Donations Received-Diocese of Crookston	\$	226,705	\$-
The Perfect Fit Proceeds From Sale of Land	*	50,000	100,000
Teal Donor-Advised Fund		45,000	-
Local Human Development		39,677	32,277
Cash surrender value of life insurance		30,873	30,873
Catholic Relief Services		30,726	24,817
Local Communications Project		26,042	22,556
Catholic Home Missions		15,146	12,206
Sexual Abuse Victim Help		14,435	14,435
Local Anti-Poverty-Rice Bowl		14,433	10,120
Holy Land		14,224	9,259
Retired Religious Fund		13,787	11,875
Extension-Miscellaneous Grants		10,000	-
Church of Africa		8,862	2,210
Retired Priest Collection-Father's Day		5,793	1,646
Catholic Communications		4,874	3,631
Catholic University		4,874	3,631
Argyle Food Shelf-Anonymous Gift		4,000	4,000
Propagation of the Faith		3,480	7,246
Fund for the Unborn		3,474	3,474
Extension Grant		3,000	3,000
Donations for Malawi		3,000	-
Donations Received		3,000	-
Latin America		2,572	3,951
Campaign for Human Development		2,558	4,040
Rice Bowl Collection		2,327	11,846
Project Genesis Donations		2,101	545
Luz de Maria Orphanage		2,010	12,415
Other Collections		1,582	19,488
Archdiocese for the Military Services		1,507	392
Holy Father		1,091	4,533
St. Mary's Mission Appeal		947	936
Black & Indian Collection		398	2,290
Mount St. Benedict Grant - Individual Scholarships		300	300
Other Special Collections		200	-
Disaster Relief		175	12,415
The Perfect Fit Proceeds		-	885,687
Central and Eastern Europe		-	196
	\$	593,173	\$ 1,256,290

# Note 7 - Endowment Funds

The Foundation's endowment (the Endowment) consists of approximately 95 individual funds established by donors to provide annual funding for specific activities and general operations. Net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

The Board of Directors of the Foundation has interpreted the Minnesota Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the date of the donor-restricted endowment funds, unless there are explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. At June 30, 2024 and 2023, there were no such donor stipulations. As a result of this interpretation, the Foundation retains in perpetuity (a) the original value of initial and subsequent gift amounts (including promises to give net of discount and allowance for doubtful accounts) donated to the Endowment, (b) any accumulations to the Endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added. Donor-restricted amounts not retained in perpetuity are subject to appropriation for expenditure in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. The following factors are considered in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- The duration and preservation of the fund
- The purposes of the donor-restricted endowment fund
- General economic conditions
- The possible effect of inflation and deflation
- The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments
- Other resources of the Foundation
- The investment policies of the Foundation

As of June 30, 2024, endowment net asset composition by type of fund is as follows:

	Without Donor Restrictions		With Donor Restrictions	Total
Donor-Restricted Endowment Funds Original donor-restricted gift amount and amounts required to be maintained in perpetuity by donor Accumulated investment gains	\$	-	\$ 18,922,535 2,632,491	\$ 18,922,535 2,632,491
	\$	-	\$ 21,555,026	\$ 21,555,026

As of June 30, 2023, endowment net asset composition by type of fund is as follows: With Donor

	Restrictions		Restrictions	Total
Donor-Restricted Endowment Funds Original donor-restricted gift amount and amounts required to be maintained in perpetuity by donor Accumulated investment gains	\$	-	\$ 18,213,118 795,284	\$ 18,213,118 795,284
	\$	-	\$ 19,008,402	\$ 19,008,402

From time to time, certain donor-restricted endowment funds may have fair values less than the amount required to be maintained by donors or by law (underwater endowments). The Foundation has interpreted UPMIFA to permit spending from underwater endowments in accordance with prudent measures required under law. At June 30, 2024, funds with original gift values of \$5,163, fair values of \$4,967 and deficiencies of \$196 were reported in net assets with donor restrictions. At June 30, 2023, funds with original gift values of \$10,390,356, fair values of \$10,097,321 and deficiencies of \$293,035 were reported in net assets with donor restrictions.

# **Investment and Spending Policies**

Investment and spending policies for the Endowment were adopted that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding for operations while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Over time, long-term rates of return should be equal to an amount sufficient to maintain the purchasing power of the Endowment assets to provide the necessary capital to fund the spending policy and to cover the costs of managing the Endowment investments. The target annual rate of return is that of a five-year moving average of various market indexes. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount. To satisfy this long-term rate-of-return objective, the investment portfolio is structured on a total-return approach through which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Foundation targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

The Foundation has adopted investment and spending policies for the Endowment and other investments. The Foundation pays out interest and dividends twice a year. For endowments, the Foundation will pay out the average market value of the endowment over the six most recent earnings periods, multiplied by the distribution rate of 2%. For other investments, the Foundation will pay out all realized gains, and will also pay out unrealized gains when the accumulated unrealized gain for the investment is greater than 15% of the corpus of the investment. The payout is equal to the amount over 15%.

Changes in endowment net assets for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

	Without Donor Restrictions		With Donor Restrictions	Total	
Endowment net assets, beginning of year Investment income Contributions Appropriation of endowment	\$	- - -	\$ 19,008,402 2,601,939 709,417	\$ 19,008,402 2,601,939 709,417	
Assets for Expenditure		_	(764,732)	(764,732)	
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$	-	\$ 21,555,026	\$ 21,555,026	

Changes in endowment net assets for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023:

	Without Donor Restrictions		With Donor Restrictions	Total	
Endowment net assets, beginning of year Investment income Contributions	\$	- - -	\$ 10,534,338 729,985 8,272,360	\$ 10,534,338 729,985 8,272,360	
Appropriation of endowment Assets for Expenditure		_	(528,281)	(528,281)	
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$	-	\$ 19,008,402	\$ 19,008,402	

# Note 8 - Net Assets with Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions are restricted for the following purposes or periods.

	2024	2023	
Subject to the Passage of Time			
Annuities	\$ 50,748	\$ 41,390	
Endowments			
Unspent appreciation of Endowment funds which must be			
appropriated for expenditure before use	2,632,491	795,284	
Perpetual in nature, earnings from which are subject to			
endowment spending policy appropriation			
General endowments	347,706	347,706	
General endowments - Diocese	280,000	280,000	
Education of seminarians - Diocese	3,335,292	3,293,383	
Continuing education of priests - Diocese	207,571	207,471	
Newman ministry - Diocese	29,133	29,133	
Catholic education	693,845	693 <i>,</i> 845	
Faith for Tomorrow	2,303,263	2,303,263	
Youth ministry - Diocese	11,308	11,308	
Sisters of St. Benedict Cemetery Endowment - Diocese	400,000	400,000	
Perfect fit endowment - Diocese	546,828	3,695	
St. Joseph's - Moorhead	1,529,866	1,507,937	
Mount St. Benedict	7,601,885	7,600,585	
Parish catholic education	870,038	870,038	
Other	765,800	664,754	
	18,922,535	18,213,118	
Total endowments	21,555,026	19,008,402	
	\$ 21,605,774	\$ 19,049,792	

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purpose or by occurrence of the passage of time or events specified by the donors as follows for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	2024		2023	
Satisfaction of Purpose Restrictions Grants paid out	\$	212,344	\$	255,262
Restricted-Purpose Spending Rate Distributions and Appropriations Distributions paid out		552,388		273,019
	\$	764,732	\$	528,281

# Note 9 - Related Party Transactions

The Foundation has common board members with the Diocese of Crookston. The Foundation provides investment custody and management services for the Diocese of Crookston (Diocese).

The Diocese has beneficial interest in endowments owned and held by the Foundation in the amount of \$5,116,168 and \$4,091,672 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, providing distributed earnings of \$168,443 and \$163,700 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

The Foundation paid the Diocese \$92,258 and \$79,000 for the years ending June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, for accounting and administrative services. As of June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation had a note receivable for \$179,405 and \$189,975, respectively, outstanding from the Diocese. The note is interest bearing and secured with a mortgage. The Diocese makes monthly payments on this note.

The Perfect Fit capital campaign was started in June 2021 to help the Diocese raise money for a new building and create an endowment to help cover the operating costs of the new building. All pledges for the campaign are recorded on the books of the Diocese, however, the cash received is being kept in the Foundation. The building was purchased by the Diocese during 2023 and the necessary funds were transferred to the Diocese. During the year ended June 30, 2024, funds were invested with the Foundation (included within the below invested funds held for the Diocese) and are available upon demand if any additional costs related to the building are incurred. As of June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Perfect Fit payable totaled \$50,000 and \$985,687 respectively.

The Foundation holds investment funds for the Diocese, which totaled \$1,817,845 and \$168,932 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The Foundation pays earnings semiannually, at a variable rate determined by the interest, dividends and gains or losses on its investments.