



The Seattle Public Library Foundation

Financial Statements

For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

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Independent Auditor's Report

**To the Board of Directors
The Seattle Public Library Foundation
Seattle, Washington**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Seattle Public Library Foundation (the Foundation), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, 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 present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and 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 of 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 the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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



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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.

Clark Nuber P.C.

Certified Public Accountants
May 14, 2025

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Statements of Financial Position December 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,953,883	\$ 2,265,699
Promises to give, net	555,717	398,429
Other receivables	323	121,939
Prepaid expenses and other assets	31,969	7,587
Investments	95,241,475	86,791,202
Split interest agreement	423,154	460,523
Beneficial interest in assets held by Seattle Foundation	3,848,325	3,703,502
Equipment, net	<u>5,114</u>	<u>10,121</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$104,059,960</u>	<u>\$ 93,759,002</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 276,416	\$ 281,007
Grants payable to The Seattle Public Library	<u>1,788,530</u>	<u>1,972,812</u>
Total Liabilities	2,064,946	2,253,819
Net Assets:		
Without donor restrictions	34,273,988	29,271,053
With donor restrictions	<u>67,721,026</u>	<u>62,234,130</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>101,995,014</u>	<u>91,505,183</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$104,059,960</u>	<u>\$ 93,759,002</u>

See accompanying notes.

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Statements of Activities and Changes in Net Assets For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024			2023		
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Support and Revenue:						
Contributions and grants	\$ 5,595,007	\$ 2,179,024	\$ 7,774,031	\$ 3,555,137	\$ 4,146,059	\$ 7,701,196
In-kind contributions	4,819	645,195	650,014	23,891	579,280	603,171
Investment return, net	3,334,060	6,721,760	10,055,820	3,397,138	7,641,345	11,038,483
Total Support and Revenue Before Net Assets Released From Restrictions	8,933,886	9,545,979	18,479,865	6,976,166	12,366,684	19,342,850
Net Assets Released From Restrictions:						
Satisfaction of purpose restrictions	1,427,147	(1,427,147)		4,242,815	(4,242,815)	
Satisfaction of time restrictions	2,631,936	(2,631,936)		136,374	(136,374)	
Total Support and Revenue	12,992,969	5,486,896	18,479,865	11,355,355	7,987,495	19,342,850
Expenses:						
Grants made to The Seattle Public Library-						
Library programs and marketing	2,546,293		2,546,293	2,376,682		2,376,682
Collections and resources	1,975,799		1,975,799	2,042,742		2,042,742
Capital improvements	483,892		483,892	763,896		763,896
Library programs and marketing - In-kind	645,195		645,195	579,280		579,280
Other - In-kind	4,819		4,819	4,161		4,161
Total Grant Expenses	5,655,998		5,655,998	5,766,761		5,766,761
Other program expenses	810,606		810,606	642,074		642,074
Management and general	940,694		940,694	803,958		803,958
Fundraising	582,736		582,736	599,462		599,462
Total Expenses	7,990,034		7,990,034	7,812,255		7,812,255
Loss on uncollectable pledges				27,732		27,732
Total Expenses and Losses	7,990,034		7,990,034	7,839,987		7,839,987
Change in Net Assets	5,002,935	5,486,896	10,489,831	3,515,368	7,987,495	11,502,863
Net assets, beginning of year	29,271,053	62,234,130	91,505,183	25,755,685	54,246,635	80,002,320
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 34,273,988	\$ 67,721,026	\$101,995,014	\$ 29,271,053	\$ 62,234,130	\$ 91,505,183

See accompanying notes.

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Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Program	Management and General	Fundraising	Total
Grants to The Seattle Public Library	\$ 5,708,021	\$ -	\$ 4,819	\$ 5,712,840
Salaries and benefits	513,865	556,686	356,851	1,427,402
Accounting fees		37,150		37,150
Bank fees	34	2	54,020	54,056
Staff development	2,086	15,872		17,958
Equipment	36	1,291	451	1,778
Cultivation and stewardship	9,847	15,871	25,243	50,961
IT services	35,129	34,114	21,303	90,546
Legal fees		36,879	12	36,891
Insurance		17,807		17,807
Memberships and sponsorships	3,182	2,032	825	6,039
Postage	4,255	10,616	13,730	28,601
Printing	8,814	7,714	37,396	53,924
Professional services	177,799	115,388	51,993	345,180
Supplies	633	891	14,086	15,610
Telephone		325	325	650
Transportation	2,498	2,740	1,285	6,523
Depreciation		5,007		5,007
Other	405	80,309	397	81,111
Total Functional Expenses	\$ 6,466,604	\$ 940,694	\$ 582,736	\$ 7,990,034

See accompanying notes.

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Statements of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Program	Management and General	Fundraising	Total
Grants to The Seattle Public Library	\$ 5,766,752	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,766,752
Salaries and benefits	525,616	569,093	365,336	1,460,045
Accounting fees			33,100	33,100
Bank fees	88	204	50,651	50,943
Staff development	2,087	8,891	255	11,233
Equipment		514		514
Cultivation and stewardship	18,718	10,358	29,013	58,089
IT services	32,970	31,221	18,995	83,186
Legal fees		1,271	86	1,357
Insurance		17,879		17,879
Memberships and sponsorships	1,211	405		1,616
Postage	3,717	7,210	21,029	31,956
Printing	8,461	7,630	41,853	57,944
Professional services	45,215	32,429	19,641	97,285
Supplies	739	2,155	12,147	15,041
Telephone		600	600	1,200
Transportation	1,471	2,714	999	5,184
Depreciation		7,396		7,396
Other	1,790	103,988	5,757	111,535
Total Functional Expenses	\$ 6,408,835	\$ 803,958	\$ 599,462	\$ 7,812,255

See accompanying notes.

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Statements of Cash Flows

For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Operating Activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 10,489,831	\$ 11,502,863
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities-		
Noncash changes:		
Realized and unrealized gain on investments	(7,649,030)	(8,672,055)
Change in value of beneficial interest in assets held by Seattle Foundation	(144,824)	(473,944)
Change in value of split interest agreement	(27,631)	(29,747)
Change in present value discount on pledges		16,620
Depreciation	5,007	7,396
In-kind contributions	(650,014)	(603,171)
In-kind contributions to The Seattle Public Library	650,014	583,441
Other noncash contribution changes		3,110
Contributions received for endowment	(393,871)	(175,040)
Loss on uncollectible pledges	50	27,732
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Promises to give, net	(96,634)	(285,048)
Other receivables	121,567	5,576
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(24,382)	1,374
Split interest agreements	65,000	65,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(4,591)	(16,137)
Grants payable to The Seattle Public Library	(184,282)	640,609
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	2,156,210	2,598,579
Investing Activities:		
Purchase of investments	(87,089,313)	(23,896,630)
Proceeds from sale of investments	86,288,070	21,143,569
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(801,243)	(2,753,061)
Financing Activities:		
Cash received for endowment contributions	333,217	310,040
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	333,217	310,040
Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,688,184	155,558
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	2,265,699	2,110,141
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 3,953,883	\$ 2,265,699

See accompanying notes.

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Notes to Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

Note 1 - Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Organization - The Seattle Public Library Foundation (the Foundation) helps The Seattle Public Library (the Library) build its collection and resources, offer programs for patrons of all ages, and better serve the needs of the community. The Foundation secures and manages contributions from individuals, businesses, and foundations to support the Library above and beyond what public funding provides.

The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation established in 1980 and is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. A professional staff raises and administers gifts and ensures the effectiveness of funded programs.

Since its founding, the Foundation has raised more than \$261 million for the Library to support:

- Building new and revitalized libraries in every neighborhood
- Programming for children, teens, and adults
- Books and materials, including support for special collections
- Services for those with special needs, such as the disabled, immigrants and refugees
- Technology resources for library patrons

Basis of Presentation - The Foundation has presented its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). The Foundation has presented an unclassified statement of financial position which sequences assets according to their nearness of conversion to cash and sequences liabilities according to the nearness of their maturity and resulting use of cash.

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

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Items that affect this net asset category include contributions without donor restrictions, investment earnings that are not donor-restricted, expenses associated with grants made to the Library, and the operating activities of the Foundation. The Board of Directors has also established a Board-designated endowment (quasi-endowment) which is included in this category.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions - Net assets restricted by donors to be used for certain purposes or for future periods, including donor-restricted endowments whose corpus is intended to be held in perpetuity.

Revenues are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions unless use of the related assets is limited by donor-imposed restrictions. Expenses are reported as decreases in net assets without donor restrictions. Gains and losses on investments and other assets or liabilities are reported as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulation or by law. Expirations of restrictions on net assets (i.e., the donor stipulated purpose has been fulfilled or the stipulated time period has lapsed) are reported as reclassifications between the applicable classes of net assets.

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Note 1 - Continued

Contributions and Grants Revenue Recognition - Contributions and grants from foundations and public and private funders are recognized as revenue in the period received, including unconditional promises to give. Conditional contributions and grants are recognized in the period in which donor-imposed conditions have been met. Donated goods and services are recognized at their fair value on the date received. Donated securities are recorded at their published fair value on the date received. It is the Foundation's policy to sell donated securities upon receipt.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - Cash and cash equivalents consist of checking accounts, money market accounts, and highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less. The carrying amount of these assets approximates fair value due to the short maturity of the instruments. The Foundation maintains its cash and cash equivalents in accounts that exceed federally insured limits at times during the year. The Foundation has not experienced any losses in these accounts, and management does not believe it is exposed to a significant credit risk.

Promises to Give - Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected within one year are recorded at net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of their estimated future cash flows. The discounts on these amounts are computed using risk-adjusted interest rates applicable to the years in which the promises are received. Amortization of the discounts is included in contribution revenue.

Conditional promises to give are recognized as revenue when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Consistent with industry practice, the Foundation accounts for a grant received from the U.S. Federal Government as a conditional grant, with revenue recognized as qualifying expenditures are incurred. A conditional grant was received in 2022 from the Institute of Museum and Library Services totaling \$249,743 to be paid over three years. As of December 31, 2024, the outstanding receivable balance on the IMLS grant totaled \$53,022 with the conditional portion of the IMLS grant being \$45,932 at year end. Subsequent to December 31, 2024, the grant was terminated by IMLS as it was no longer consistent with the agency's priorities. Management expects the balance outstanding at December 31, 2024 to be paid in full.

Concentration of Credit Risk - Financial instruments that potentially subject the Foundation to concentrations of credit risk consist of cash and investment balances. The Foundation has established guidelines relative to diversification and maturities that seek to maintain safety and liquidity.

Promises to give from two donors accounted for approximately 51% of the outstanding pledges receivable balance as of December 31, 2024. There were no concentrations of pledges receivable as of December 31, 2023. Contributions from one donor accounted for 21% and 26% of contributions revenue for the year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 respectively.

Investments - Investments in all debt securities and equity securities with readily determinable market values are recorded at fair value. The fair value of investments in securities traded on national securities exchanges is valued at the closing price on the last business day of the fiscal year. Money market accounts held in the investment portfolio are reported at cost plus accrued interest. Beneficial interests in assets held by Seattle Foundation and in a split interest agreement are reported at fair value (Notes 5 and 6).

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Note 1 - Continued

Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, including interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is possible that the value of these investments will fluctuate in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of financial position.

Equipment - Equipment is recorded at cost, or in the instance of donated properties, at fair value as of the date of the gift. Generally, equipment purchases that exceed \$1,000 are capitalized as assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, typically five years. Accumulated depreciation totaled \$31,617 and \$26,610 as of December 31, 2024 and 2022, respectively.

Grants Payable to The Seattle Public Library - The Foundation makes annual gifts to the Library to support Library programs. The amount granted each year is approved by the Foundation's Board of Directors and is partially determined by the Foundation's endowment spending policy (Note 9). The Foundation considers the grants awarded to the Library to be conditional, based upon the Library conducting activities and incurring expenses as specified in the grant agreement. Grants for which the conditions have been satisfied but not yet distributed to the Library at year end are reported as grants payable to The Seattle Public Library in the statements of financial position. All grants payable recorded as of year end are expected to be distributed within one year. Conditional grants unrecognized as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$646,060 and \$804,346 respectively.

Donated Goods and Services - The Foundation receives donations of goods and services (in-kind), which are recorded at fair value on the date of receipt (Note 10). The Foundation recognizes donated services if the services received (a) create or enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) require specialized skills provided by individuals possessing those skills and would typically need to be purchased if not donated.

Fair Value Measurements and Valuation Techniques - In accordance with U.S. GAAP, a three-tiered hierarchy of input levels is used for fair value measurements. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between willing market participants at the measurement date. Valuation techniques utilized to determine fair value are consistently applied. The three tiers of inputs used for fair value measurements are as follows:

Level 1 - Fair values are based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities;

Level 2 - Fair values are based on observable inputs that include: Quoted market prices for similar assets and liabilities; quoted market prices that are not in an active market; or other inputs that are observable in the market and can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets; or

Level 3 - Fair values are calculated based on pricing models and/or discounted cash flow methodologies and may require significant management judgment or estimation. These methodologies may result in a significant portion of the fair value being derived from unobservable data.

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Note 1 - Continued

Functional Allocation of Expenses - The costs of providing the various programs and activities of the Foundation are summarized on a functional basis. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among programs and services benefited on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. Salaries and benefits are allocated based on studies of time and effort spent. Other expenses are allocated based generally on the direct resources used or required by the applicable function or activity. These allocation methods include time and effort expended of targeted staff for the specific function or activity, actual expenditures incurred during the function or activity such as travel costs, catering costs, materials generation (printing, assembly, mailing costs), and other external vendor costs are allocated based on content and the nature of the particular program, if applicable, or operating expense incurred.

Federal Income Tax - The Internal Revenue Service has recognized the Foundation as exempt from federal income taxes under provision of Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an entity described in Section 501(c)(3) and is not a private foundation.

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

Subsequent Events - The Foundation has evaluated subsequent events with respect to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2024 through May 14, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 2 - Promises to Give

Unconditional promises to give were as follows as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Promises to give expected in less than one year	\$ 62,197	\$ 325,154
Promises to give expected in one to five years	532,680	127,235
	594,877	452,389
Allowance for uncollectible promises to give	(25,000)	(25,000)
Present value discount (0.27% to 0.35%)	(14,160)	(28,960)
Promises to Give, Net	\$ 555,717	\$ 398,429

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Note 3 - Investments

The Foundation considers its beneficial interests and a split interest agreement to be components of its total investments (Note 4). Investments were presented in the statements of financial position as follows as of December 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Investments	\$ 95,241,475	\$ 86,791,202
Beneficial interest in assets held by Seattle Foundation	<u>3,848,325</u>	<u>3,703,502</u>
Total Investments	<u>\$ 99,089,800</u>	<u>\$ 90,494,704</u>

Investment return is reported net of investment fees and expenses in the statements of activities and changes in net assets and consists of the following for the years ended December 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Interest and dividends	\$ 2,264,597	\$ 2,016,733
Realized gain	25,409,637	3,316,677
Unrealized (loss) gain	(17,760,607)	5,355,378
Change in value of beneficial interest in Seattle Foundation	357,928	473,944
Change in value of split interest agreement	27,631	35,253
Investment fees and expenses	<u>(243,366)</u>	<u>(159,502)</u>
Investment Return, Net	<u>\$ 10,055,820</u>	<u>\$ 11,038,483</u>

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Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements

Fair values of investments measured on a recurring basis were as follows as of December 31, 2024:

	Fair Value Measurements			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 26,580,428	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,580,428
Stocks	41,291,457			41,291,457
Exchange-traded funds	21,234,948			21,234,948
Beneficial interest in assets held by Seattle Foundation			3,848,325	3,848,325
Total Investments at Fair Value	89,106,833		3,848,325	92,955,158
Investments measured at NAV				6,134,642
Total Investments at December 31, 2024	<u>\$ 89,106,833</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,848,325</u>	<u>\$ 99,089,800</u>

Fair values of investments measured on a recurring basis were as follows as of December 31, 2023:

	Fair Value Measurements			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 23,993,597	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,993,597
U.S. treasury notes	56,754,777			56,754,777
Beneficial interest in assets held by Seattle Foundation			3,703,502	3,703,502
Total Investments at Fair Value	80,748,374		3,703,502	84,451,876
Investments measured at NAV				6,042,828
Total Investments at December 31, 2023	<u>\$ 80,748,374</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,703,502</u>	<u>\$ 90,494,704</u>

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Notes to Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

Note 4 - Continued

The following table presents information for private equities held by the Foundation for which fair value was measured using the NAV per share and summarized significant terms as of December 31, were:

Asset Class	2024 Fair Value	2023 Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Terms	Redemption Restrictions
Ares REIT	\$ 1,767,290	\$ 1,774,217	\$ -	Expected to be monthly (not guaranteed, subject to board approval)	Shares not held for at least one year will be redeemed at 95% of that month's transaction price. Overall limit on net redemptions equal to 2% per month and 5% per quarter of aggregate NAV.
Hines REIT	\$ 1,882,279	\$ 1,809,700	\$ -	Monthly	No restrictions
Nuveen REIT	\$ 2,393,259	\$ 2,458,911	\$ -	Expected to be monthly (not guaranteed, subject to board approval)	No restrictions

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis. There have been no changes in the methodologies used as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Mutual Funds - Exchange traded index and mutual funds are valued at quoted market prices in active markets, which represent the net asset value (NAV) of shares held at year end.

Stocks - Valued at quoted market prices in active markets.

Exchange Traded Index - Valued at quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets.

U.S. Treasury Notes - Valued at quoted market prices in active markets.

Real Estate Investment Trust - Consist primarily of investments in funds that are valued using the NAV provided by the investment's manager. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying assets owned by the fund, minus its liabilities, and then divided by the number of units outstanding at the valuation date. These investments are traded on private markets that are not active.

Beneficial Interest in Assets Held by Seattle Foundation - The Foundation is the beneficiary of an affiliated agency fund held with Seattle Foundation (Note 5). The Foundation does not have a direct claim to any individual assets within the affiliated agency fund but rather at the aggregate level of the assets within the fund. Since the affiliated agency fund is comprised of many different investments with varying levels of observable inputs, the valuation of the entire portfolio cannot directly be corroborated by the Foundation with observable market data. Thus, the Foundation's beneficial interest in this fund is reported at Level 3.

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Note 4 - Continued

Split Interest Agreement - The split interest agreement (Note 6) is valued using a discounted cash flow model based on the present value of the estimated future benefits to be received, which is a Level 3 input.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances for fair value measurement made using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) was as follows for the years ended December 31:

	Beneficial Interest in Assets Held by Seattle Foundation
Fair value, December 31, 2022	\$ 3,379,330
Change in value included in the change in net assets	473,944
Distributions received	<u>(149,772)</u>
Fair Value, December 31, 2023	3,703,502
Change in value included in the change in net assets	298,036
Distributions received	<u>(153,213)</u>
Fair Value, December 31, 2024	<u>\$ 3,848,325</u>

Note 5 - Beneficial Interest in Assets Held by Seattle Foundation

The Foundation holds funds at Seattle Foundation from which the Foundation may receive annual payouts. The Foundation's beneficial interest in these funds is recorded as an asset in the statements of financial position. However, the timing and amounts of payouts are determined by the policies of Seattle Foundation and are not controlled by the Foundation. The Foundation's interest in the gains and losses of the fund assets, less distributions, is recognized and included in investment earnings in the statements of activities and changes in net assets.

Note 6 - Split Interest Agreement

During the year ended December 31, 2015, the Foundation became a beneficiary of a charitable lead annuity trust (the Trust). The Trust provides for estimated annual payments to the Foundation of \$65,000 over the Trust's term of eighteen years. The Foundation's interest in the Trust at the time the Trust was created was estimated to be \$1,170,000; however, the interest in the Trust is recorded at the net present value of the estimated future payments to be received using a present value discount rate of 6%. Therefore, contribution revenue totaling \$703,794 was recognized in the statements of activities and changes in net assets during the year ended December 31, 2015. The Foundation's outstanding interest in the Trust is adjusted each year to reflect the annual distributions received and the amortization of the present value discount.

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During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation received distributions from the Trust totaling \$65,000 each year. The Foundation's interest in the gains of the Trust are included in investment earnings in the statements of activities and changes in net assets and totaled \$27,631 and \$29,747 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The Foundation's outstanding interest in the trust, at net present value, totals \$423,154 and \$460,523 in investments and \$617,500 and \$552,500 in pledges as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and is recorded in the statements of financial position.

Note 7 - Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions

Net assets without donor restrictions were available for the following purposes as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Undesignated	\$ 20,560,186	\$ 17,747,268
Board-designated-		
General quasi-endowment	8,838,000	7,578,000
Accumulated earnings on quasi-endowments	4,275,802	3,345,785
The Seattle Room and Center for Local History	600,000	600,000
Total board-designated	13,713,802	11,523,785
Total Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	<u>\$ 34,273,988</u>	<u>\$ 29,271,053</u>

Board-Designated for Quasi-Endowment - The Foundation's Board of Directors has created a quasi-endowment with funds that are not anticipated to be needed for a minimum of three years based on ongoing cash flow analysis, when it is desired to invest otherwise spendable assets to produce future spendable income. Also designated by the Board of Directors are the accumulated earnings on the quasi-endowment. While the Board of Directors retains the right to expend the principal amount of the designated quasi-endowment at any time, the intention is to maintain the principal for at least ten years.

The Foundation's Board of Directors has also created a quasi-endowment designated to be used for The Seattle Room and Center for Local History, with funds that are not anticipated to be needed for a minimum of three years based on ongoing cash flow analysis. The funds are invested to produce spendable income to be used to support the designated purpose of The Seattle Room and Center for Local History.

The two quasi-endowment funds both follow the same investment and spending policy utilized for the Foundation's Endowment fund (Note 9). Similar to the endowment fund process described in Note 9, the Board has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year 4.50% of the quasi-endowment funds' average fair value as of June 30 of each year, using values over the prior twelve quarters.

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Note 8 - Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions were available for the following as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Subject to the passage of time or expenditure for specified purpose-		
Accumulated unspent earnings:		
Collections and resources	\$ 17,522,580	\$ 15,099,831
Library programs	9,057,905	7,393,632
General endowments	1,687,427	1,442,179
	<u>28,267,912</u>	<u>23,935,642</u>
Total accumulated unspent earnings	28,267,912	23,935,642
Other purpose restrictions-		
Children's program	2,131,454	2,131,454
Library programs	1,818,420	1,111,268
Time restricted gifts	869,828	843,856
Capital improvements	28,925	28,925
	<u>4,848,627</u>	<u>4,115,503</u>
Total subject to the passage of time or expenditure for specified purpose	33,116,539	28,051,145
Split interest agreement (Note 6)	1,040,654	1,013,023
Endowment corpus	33,563,833	33,169,962
	<u>67,721,026</u>	<u>62,234,130</u>
Total Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	<u>\$ 67,721,026</u>	<u>\$ 62,234,130</u>

Net assets with donor restrictions subject to expenditures for specified purposes include accumulated earnings on donor restricted endowment corpus.

Note 9 - Endowment

The Foundation's endowments consist of thirty-seven funds established to support a variety of areas of the Library. Its endowments include thirty-five donor restricted endowment funds and two funds designated by the Board of Directors to function as endowments (quasi-endowments). As required by U.S. GAAP, net assets associated with endowment funds, including quasi-endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

Interpretation of Relevant Law - The Foundation operates in accordance with the Washington State Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (PMIFA). The Board of Directors of the Foundation has reviewed PMIFA and, having considered its rights and obligations thereunder, has determined that it is desirable to preserve, on a long-term basis, 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.

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As a result of this interpretation, when reviewing its donor-restricted endowment funds, the Foundation considers the value of a fund to be deficient if the fair value of the fund is less than the sum of (a) the original value of initial and subsequent gift amounts donated to the fund and (b) any accumulations of the fund that are required to be maintained in perpetuity in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument. The Foundation has interpreted PMIFA to permit spending from deficient funds in accordance with prudent measures required under the law.

In accordance with PMIFA, the Foundation considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- The duration and preservation of the fund;
- The purposes of the Foundation and 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; and
- The investment policies of the Foundation.

Funds With Deficiencies - From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor or PMIFA requires the Foundation to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. Deficiencies of this nature exist in 2 donor-established endowment funds, which together had an original gift value of \$637,965, a current fair value of \$619,976 and a deficiency of \$17,988 at December 31, 2023. There were no such deficiencies at December 31, 2024. These deficiencies resulted from unfavorable market fluctuations that occurred after the investment of new contributions for donor-established endowment funds and continued appropriation for certain programs that was deemed prudent by the Board of Trustees.

Return Objectives and Risk Parameters - The Foundation has adopted investment and spending policies for both donor-restricted endowment assets and quasi-endowment assets designed to provide reasonable spending in support of the Library while maintaining the purchasing power of the endowments over the long term. To achieve these objectives, endowment assets are invested in a well-diversified, balanced portfolio intended to capture the broad market return. As a result, the portfolio assumes moderate investment risk consistent with the broad market.

Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives - The Foundation utilizes a total return strategy, with investment returns achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). Because the Foundation seeks to balance current spending with maintenance of purchasing power over the long term, the asset allocation of the portfolio favors equity investments, but within an overall balanced portfolio.

Spending Policy and How the Investment Objectives Relate to Spending Policy - The Foundation has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year up to 4.50% of the endowment fund's average fair value over the prior twelve quarters. This is calculated as of June 30 preceding the calendar year in which the distribution is planned. The spending rate was established in conjunction with the endowment's target asset allocation and its long term expected investment return to achieve the endowment's investment objectives, and is reviewed annually for appropriateness given anticipated spending, market conditions, and other impacting factors considered by Foundation management and the Board.

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Endowment net assets consist of the following as of December 31:

	Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	Net Assets With Donor Restrictions		
		Accumulated Earnings	Endowment Corpus	2024 Total
Donor-restricted endowment funds-				
Endowments for collections and resources	\$ -	\$ 17,522,580	\$ 17,404,897	\$ 34,927,477
Endowments for library programs		9,057,905	14,338,393	23,396,298
General endowments		1,687,427	1,820,543	3,507,970
Total donor-restricted endowments		28,267,912	33,563,833	61,831,745
Board-designated quasi-endowment funds-				
The Seattle Room and Center for Local History	600,000			600,000
General board-designated quasi-endowments	13,113,802			13,113,802
Total board-designated endowments	13,713,802			13,713,802
Total Endowment Funds, December 31, 2024	\$ 13,713,802	\$ 28,267,912	\$ 33,563,833	\$ 75,545,547

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	Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	Net Assets With Donor Restrictions Accumulated Earnings	Endowment Corpus	2023 Total
Donor-restricted endowment funds-				
Endowments for collections and resources	\$ -	\$ 15,099,831	\$ 17,403,897	\$ 32,503,728
Endowments for library programs		7,393,632	14,075,418	21,469,050
General endowments		1,442,179	1,690,647	3,132,826
Total donor-restricted endowments		23,935,642	33,169,962	57,105,604
Board-designated quasi-endowment funds-				
The Seattle Room and Center for Local History	1,071,245			1,071,245
General board-designated quasi-endowments	10,452,540			10,452,540
Total board-designated endowments	11,523,785			11,523,785
Total Endowment Funds, December 31, 2023	\$ 11,523,785	\$ 23,935,642	\$ 33,169,962	\$ 68,629,389

Endowment net assets include both funds on hand and outstanding pledges receivable as follows as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Endowment funds	\$ 33,433,179	\$ 33,099,962
Endowment pledges receivable	130,654	70,000
Total Endowment Net Assets	\$ 33,563,833	\$ 33,169,962

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Note 9 - Continued

Changes to endowment net assets were as follows for the year ended December 31:

	Net Assets Without Donor Restriction	Net Assets With Donor Restriction Accumulated Earnings	Endowment Corpus	Total
Endowment net assets, January 1, 2023	\$ 10,020,914	\$ 18,613,349	\$ 32,994,921	\$ 61,629,184
Endowment investment return, net	1,481,471	7,611,598		9,093,069
Contributions			175,041	175,041
Appropriation of endowment for expenditure	423,000 (401,600)	(2,289,305)		423,000 (2,690,905)
Endowment Net Assets, December 31, 2023	11,523,785	23,935,642	33,169,962	68,629,389
Endowment investment return, net	930,017	6,653,616		7,583,633
Contributions			393,871	393,871
Designations	1,260,000			1,260,000
Appropriation of endowment for expenditure		(2,321,346)		(2,321,346)
Endowment Net Assets, December 31, 2024	\$ 13,713,802	\$ 28,267,912	\$ 33,563,833	\$ 75,545,547

Note 10 - Donated Goods and Services

Donated goods and services (in-kind) consist of the following for the years ended December 31:

	2024	2023
Print and radio	\$ 645,844	\$ 333,994
Museum pass program		205,666
Supplies	194	19,072
Video and photography production		28,439
Seattle room	1,476	16,000
speaker	2,500	
Total Donated Goods and Services	\$ 650,014	\$ 603,171

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Note 10 - Continued

The City of Seattle owns the Central Library. The Foundation occupies a portion of the Central Library office space rent free. The estimated fair value of the donated facilities is immaterial for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 and is not reflected in the statements of activities and changes in net assets.

Various museums in the greater Seattle area donate museum admission passes to the Library for use by its patrons free of charge. Under this program, individuals holding a valid library card may request and obtain a museum admission pass by requesting it through the Library website. Upon request, the museum donates the pass to the Library, and the Library issues the pass to the individual. At the time the pass is issued, the Foundation recognizes in-kind revenue and expense for the estimated fair value of the admission. The fair value is determined based on the average admission price published on each of the museum's websites discounted by 50% as an estimate of passes issued but not used. The Library issued \$0 and \$205,666 worth of museum passes through the museum pass program during 2024 and 2023, respectively. Consistent with the charter of the Foundation and the Master Agreement (Note 12), all contributions are recognized by the Foundation, unless specifically designated by the donor as not intended for the Foundation.

In-kind contributions not entirely granted to the Library in a given year are recorded as contributions with donor restrictions to be used for future grants or as management and general, and fundraising expenses. In-kind expenses totaled \$645,001 and \$579,280 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Note 11 - Liquidity and Availability of Financial Assets

Liquidity - As part of the Foundation's liquidity management, it structures its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due within the coming year. The Foundation generally maintains a cash balance of at least \$2.2 million. In addition, as part of its liquidity management, the Foundation invests cash in excess of daily requirements in various short-term investments, including money market accounts, highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less, and other highly liquid short-term investments maturing generally in twelve months or less.

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Note 11 - Continued

Availability of Financial Assets - Financial assets available for general expenditure, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the date of the statement of financial position, consist of the following as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,953,883	\$ 2,265,699
Promises to give, net	555,717	398,429
Other receivables	323	121,939
Investments	95,241,475	86,791,202
Distributions from beneficial interests in assets held by others expected within one year	15,066	14,740
Total financial assets, excluding split interest agreements and beneficial interest in assets held by others	99,766,464	89,592,009
Less-		
Board-designated endowment funds	(13,713,802)	(11,523,785)
Donor-restricted endowment funds	(61,831,745)	(57,105,604)
Add back unrestricted portion of endowment appropriations	38,700	35,600
Donor-restricted for specific programs or time	(4,848,627)	(4,115,503)
Financial Assets Available to Meet Cash Needs for General Expenditures Within One Year	<u>\$ 19,410,990</u>	<u>\$ 16,882,717</u>

Cash and cash equivalents consist of checking accounts, money market accounts, and highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less. Investments are held in publicly traded securities that are convertible to cash in the normal market trading cycle.

The Foundation also has a beneficial interest in assets held by Seattle Foundation. Because these assets are held and managed by third parties, the Foundation's beneficial interest in the assets is not included in the table above. However, the contractual payments expected to be received from the Seattle Foundation within the next year has been included as a financial asset.

The Foundation's endowments consist of donor-restricted endowments and funds designated by the Foundation's Board of Directors as quasi-endowments. All endowments are subject to the Foundation's current annual spending rate of 4.50% as described in Note 9. Income and the related distribution from the general endowment is available for general expenditures. The Board-designated quasi-endowment could be made available if necessary; however, there are no current plans to spend other than amounts appropriated for general expenditure as part of the annual Board approval and appropriation.

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Note 12 - Master Agreement

Since its founding in 1980, the relationship between the Foundation and the Library has been consistently mutually productive and successful in fulfilling both organizations' missions. However, that relationship had not been previously documented in a formal manner and both organizations considered it best practice, given the growth over the years and the magnitude of the financial impact, to formally document the relationship. Effective October 11, 2016, the Foundation and the Library entered into a Master Agreement (the Agreement) that defines the relationship between the two separate organizations. Several administrative operations functions were impacted as a result of the formalization work, including formalizing a lease (discussed further below), and establishing a direct employment relationship between the Foundation and its staff, all of whom had been employed previously by the Library with the Foundation reimbursing the Library for all employment-related costs prior to the Agreement being established. In addition, the Agreement included implementation of the Foundation's own employee benefit plan(s), as well as office infrastructure systems and processes including payroll, telephones, email, and others, to allow for independent operations from the Library to appropriately reflect the two legally separate organizations.

The initial term of the Agreement is twenty-five years, and the Agreement automatically extends for additional consecutive periods of ten years. Under the provisions of the Agreement, both the initial term and consecutive extended terms may be terminated by either the Foundation or the Library by written notice given to the other party not later than twelve months prior to the then-current termination date.

The Agreement includes a three-year lease beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2019. After the initial term, the lease automatically renews for consecutive periods of five years up to a twenty-five-year period, including the initial term of the lease. Either the Foundation or the Library may terminate this lease by giving the other party written notice not less than twelve months in advance of the next upcoming renewal term. The lease automatically renewed for five years on January 1, 2020.

Note 13 - Retirement Plan

The Foundation entered into a Professional Employer Organization (PEO) relationship with an entity effective April 29, 2020. The benefits under the new PEO agreement are consistent with those under the prior PEO agreement, including the option to participate in the PEO's 401(k) employee benefit retirement plan (the Plan) covering all employees who meet the eligibility requirements of working a minimum of 30 hours per week. Participating employees may make voluntary contributions up to the maximum allowed by law, and the Foundation makes matching contributions of 50% of the employee's contributions up to a maximum match of 3%. In addition, the Foundation contributes 3% per employee under the Safe Harbor rules that apply to 401(k) plans. Both the matching contributions and the Safe Harbor contributions, along with the employee's contributions, vest immediately to the employees. The Foundation's matching and Safe Harbor contributions totaled \$65,875 and \$68,672 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.