Consolidated Financial Statements Years Ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 and Supplementary Information Year Ended March 31, 2024



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

Audit Committee American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. and Subsidiaries New York, New York

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Foundation), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, the related consolidated statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

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

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (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 consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated 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 within one year after the date that the consolidated 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 consolidated 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 consolidated 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 consolidated 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 consolidated 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 consolidated 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.



#### Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements as a whole. The consolidating schedule of financial position and consolidating schedule of activities are presented for purposes of additional analysis rather than to present the financial position and changes in net assets of the individual entities and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. The consolidating information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the consolidated supplementary financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements or to the consolidated financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the consolidated financial statements as a whole.

BOOUSA, P.C.

October 29, 2024

# American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

March 31,	2024	2023
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents Pledges, bequests, and contributions receivable, net Investments, at fair value Other assets Due from affiliates Right-of-use assets, operating leases Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	\$ 94,389,521 34,868,568 666,246,483 3,212,491 317,482 4,336,234 25,233,610	\$ 122,723,768 48,044,523 588,767,709 1,046,478 781,915 2,371,126 21,894,639
Total Assets	\$ 828,604,389	\$ 785,630,158
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities  Accounts payable and accrued expenses Grants payable Due to the American Civil Liberties Union, Inc.: Allocated share of pension liability Due to the American Civil Liberties Union, Inc., others Due to affiliates Liabilities under split-interest agreements Bill of Rights Trust held for affiliates Lease liabilities, operating leases	\$ 9,132,333 7,279,087 208,650 16,076,238 32,810,754 23,644,944 54,936,948 4,403,240	\$ 7,735,737 3,824,383 1,434,224 27,472,673 35,720,280 19,733,541 47,166,017 2,440,198
Total Liabilities	148,492,194	145,527,053
Commitments and Contingencies  Net Assets  Net assets without donor restrictions:  Board-designated  Undesignated	276,060,517 136,861,498	248,179,224 126,333,308
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	412,922,015	374,512,532
Net assets with donor restrictions	 267,190,180	 265,590,573
Total Net Assets	680,112,195	640,103,105
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 828,604,389	\$ 785,630,158

# American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statement of Activities

Year end	ded March	h 31, 2024
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	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Operating Support and Revenue			
Support: Grants, bequests, and contributions In-kind donated property	\$ 101,553,043 4,400,000 39,504,757	\$ 63,149,454	\$ 164,702,497 4,400,000
Donated legal services  Total Support	145,457,800	63,149,454	39,504,757 208,607,254
Revenue:	143,437,000	03,147,434	200,007,254
Rental income Merchandise and book sales Other income	717,155 598,066 493,375	- -	717,155 598,066 493,375
Total Revenue	1,808,596	-	1,808,596
Net assets released from restrictions	75,022,068	(75,022,068)	-
Total Operating Support and Revenue	222,288,464	(11,872,614)	210,415,850
Operating Expenses Program services:			
Legislative Legal Public education	5,236,621 115,362,727 19,065,039	- - -	5,236,621 115,362,727 19,065,039
Civil liberties policy formulation Affiliate support	1,804,609 62,715,827	-	1,804,609 62,715,827
Total Program Services	204,184,823	-	204,184,823
Supporting services:  Management and general  Fundraising	16,845,866 18,868,836	- -	16,845,866 18,868,836
Total Supporting Services	35,714,702	-	35,714,702
Total Operating Expenses	239,899,525	-	239,899,525
Change in Net Assets, before non-operating activities	(17,611,061)	(11,872,614)	(29,483,675)
Other Changes in Net Assets from Non-Operating Activities Legal awards, net	7,009,067		7,009,067
Net investment income Changes in value of split-interest	49,088,122	15,740,064	64,828,186
agreements Other components of postretirement benefit cost	- (76,645)	(2,267,843)	(2,267,843) (76,645)
Total Other Changes in Net Assets from	(10,013)		(70,075)
Non-Operating Activities	56,020,544	13,472,221	69,492,765
Change in Net Assets	38,409,483	1,599,607	40,009,090
Net Assets, beginning of year	374,512,532	265,590,573	640,103,105
Net Assets, end of year	\$ 412,922,015	\$ 267,190,180	\$ 680,112,195

# American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statement of Activities

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Operating Support and Revenue           Support:         Support:           Grants, bequests, and contributions Donated legal services         \$ 106,209,620 \$ 77,987,835 \$ 184,19           Total Support         145,584,880 77,987,835 223,57           Revenue:         Rental income           Rental income         808,442 - 80	5,260 2,715 8,442 2,776 3,104 4,322
Support:         Grants, bequests, and contributions         \$ 106,209,620         \$ 77,987,835         \$ 184,19           Donated legal services         39,375,260         -         39,37           Total Support         145,584,880         77,987,835         223,57           Revenue:         Rental income         808,442         -         80	5,260 2,715 8,442 2,776 3,104 4,322
Support:         Grants, bequests, and contributions         \$ 106,209,620         \$ 77,987,835         \$ 184,19           Donated legal services         39,375,260         -         39,37           Total Support         145,584,880         77,987,835         223,57           Revenue:         Rental income         808,442         -         80	5,260 2,715 8,442 2,776 3,104 4,322
Donated legal services         39,375,260         -         39,37           Total Support         145,584,880         77,987,835         223,57           Revenue:         Rental income         808,442         -         80	5,260 2,715 8,442 2,776 3,104 4,322
Total Support         145,584,880         77,987,835         223,577           Revenue:         Rental income         808,442         -         80	2,715 8,442 2,776 3,104 4,322
Revenue: Rental income 808,442 - 80	8,442 2,776 3,104 4,322
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Merchandise and book sales 772 776 - 77	3,104 4,322 -
	4,322
Other income 2,113,104 - 2,11	-
Total Revenue         3,694,322         -         3,694	- 7,037
Net assets released from restrictions 51,979,714 (51,979,714)	7,037
Total Operating Support and Revenue         201,258,916         26,008,121         227,26	
Operating Expenses	
Program services:	
	1,576
Legal 113,835,681 - 113,83	
Public education 19,899,907 - 19,89	
	8,241
Affiliate support 55,363,802 - 55,36	3,802
Total Program Services         193,569,207         -         193,56	9,207
Supporting services:	
Management and general 12,746,050 - 12,74	5,050
Fundraising 19,684,099 - 19,68	4,099
Total Supporting Services 32,430,149 - 32,43	0,149
Total Operating Expenses         225,999,356         -         225,999	9,356
Change in Net Assets, before non-operating	
	7,681
Other Changes in Net Assets from	
Non-Operating Activities	
	3,338
Net investment loss (19,166,736) (8,655,914) (27,82)	2,650)
Changes in value of split-interest	- 02/
	5,936
Other components of postretirement benefit cost 2,534,764 - 2,534	4,764
Total Other Changes in Net Assets from	
Non-Operating Activities (11,558,634) (8,369,978) (19,92)	3,612)
Change in Net Assets (36,299,074) 17,638,143 (18,66)	0,931)
<b>Net Assets</b> , beginning of year 410,811,606 247,952,430 658,76	4,036
Net Assets, end of year \$ 374,512,532 \$ 265,590,573 \$ 640,10	3 105

## **Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses**

## Year ended March 31, 2024

				Program	Servi	ces					Suppo	orting Services				
	Legislative	Legal	Publi	ic Education	(	Civil Liberties Policy Formulation	Affi	liate Support	Total Program Services	Management and General		Fundraising	Tot	cal Supporting Services	T	otal Expenses
Salaries Employee benefits Rent and occupancy Books Building depreciation Depreciation and amortization Equipment rental and maintenance Grants to affiliates Shared portion of contributions Shared portion of bequest Meetings/conferences Legal fees Donated legal services Accounting fees Other professional services Postage and supplies Publishing, printing, and outreach Special affiliate subsidies Telephone Telemarketing Travel Other grants and awards Provision for doubtful allowances Other expenses	\$ 2,187,418 482,165 29,846 6,399 550,515 125,284 256,076 63,721 46,485 - 1,081,265 3,803 124,069 65,690 85,534 - 37,993 170 50,041 40,147	\$ 32,481,086 8,340,091 1,532,323 312,637 861,983 177,033 1,787,318 12,683,290 9,753,057 800,779 156,115 63,506 39,504,757 - 2,888,785 45,314 67,208 656,900 293,479 - 913,282 382,448 158,465 1,502,871	\$	6,332,106 1,883,672 343,074 2,612 190,620 41,359 663,255 2,500 2,476,943 25,749 4,402,966 826,400 1,135,013 84,436 8,844 118,925 40,000 96,237 390,328	\$	977,716 320,202 1,391 1,565 - 122,929 - 22,634 50,204 - 244,165 806 177 - 10,741 - 3,249 - 8,340 40,490	\$	9,227,730 3,018,649 400,940 5,331 158,850 31,594 963,982 11,150,292 22,790,777 5,671,202 536,328 314,301	\$ 51,206,056 14,044,779 2,307,574 328,544 1,211,453 249,986 4,087,999 23,958,866 32,802,410 6,535,702 3,238,505 453,760 39,504,757  10,351,678 899,003 1,388,589 6,569,000 565,161 8,844 1,291,433 437,727 367,295 2,375,702	\$ 8,078,912 3,089,743 823,323 12,401 270,363 465 910,040 104,874 652,651 - 289,750 2,111,023 11,747 39,662 - 53,597 - 8,521 - 41,701 347,093	\$	10,279,568 3,017,330 684,812 56,366 381,240 168,309 981,694 48,294 147,339 - 973,507 716,774 66,841 - 92,553 79,597 141,136 - 428,274 605,202	\$	18,358,480 6,107,073 1,508,135 68,767 651,603 168,774 1,891,734 - - 153,168 799,990 - 289,750 3,084,530 728,521 106,503 - 146,150 79,597 149,657 - 469,975 952,295	\$	69,564,536 20,151,852 3,815,709 397,311 1,863,056 418,760 5,979,733 23,958,866 32,802,410 6,535,702 3,391,673 1,253,750 39,504,757 289,750 13,436,208 1,627,524 1,495,092 6,569,000 711,311 88,441 1,441,090 437,727 837,270 3,327,997
Total Expenses, per consolidated statement of activities	5,236,621	115,362,727		19,065,039		1,804,609		62,715,827	204,184,823	16,845,866		18,868,836		35,714,702		239,899,525
Net Periodic Cost Other Than Service Cost	(33,873)	(747,219)		(123,526)		(11,653)		(406,161)	(1,322,432)	(109,076)		(122,283)		(231,359)		(1,553,791)
Total Expenses	\$ 5,202,748	\$ 114,615,508	\$	18,941,513	\$	1,792,956	\$	62,309,666	\$ 202,862,391	\$ 16,736,790	\$	18,746,553	\$	35,483,343	\$	238,345,734

## **Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses**

Year ended March 31, 2023

						Program	Serv	ices					Supporting Services							
		Legislative		Legal	Publi	c Education		Civil Liberties Policy Formulation	Affili	iate Support	-	Total Program Services		Management and General		Fundraising	Tot	al Supporting Services	T	otal Expenses
Salaries	\$	981,829	\$	29,999,043	\$	7,118,484	\$	651,204	\$	7,249,096	\$	45,999,656	\$	5,429,918	\$	8,447,643	\$	13,877,561	\$	59,877,217
Employee benefits	·	249,497	•	7,865,224	•	1,997,791	•	240,951	•	2,618,157	•	12,971,620	·	2,611,668	•	2,417,549	•	5,029,217	•	18,000,837
Rent and occupancy		18,361		1,874,510		211,107		933		322,740		2,427,651		9,612		402,718		412,330		2,839,981
Books		1,917		401,230		25,387		104		(25,006)		403,632		2,863		105,449		108,312		511,944
Building depreciation		-		2,265,469		382,603		-		318,836		2,966,908		_,		765,206		765,206		3,732,114
Depreciation and amortization		-		35,715		30,309		-		4,487		70,511		-		285,763		285,763		356,274
Equipment rental and maintenance		426,285		1,444,122		735,273		94,697		616,319		3,316,696		695,252		695,252		1,390,504		4,707,200
Grants to affiliates		55,700		10,981,938		-		-		4,957,308		15,994,946		-		-		-		15,994,946
Shared portion of contributions		239,736		10,139,168		_		_		21,336,505		31,715,409		_		_		_		31,715,409
Shared portion of bequest		94,686		1,705,478		-		-		8,427,076		10,227,240		-		_		-		10,227,240
Meetings/conferences		14,874		182,065		1,294,105		1,190		977,919		2,470,153		32,380		58,385		90,765		2,560,918
Legal fees		37		75,048		9,289		57,674		349,359		491,407		749,759		59,159		808,918		1,300,325
Donated legal services		-		39,375,260		-		-		-		39,375,260		-		-		-		39,375,260
Accounting fees		-		-		_		-		-		-		147,373		_		147,373		147,373
Other professional services		717,068		2,503,645		5,251,798		203,072		1,753,771		10,429,354		2,182,901		1,448,323		3,631,224		14,060,578
Postage and supplies		3,477		18,574		848,738		1,065		22,739		894,593		9,660		1,182,286		1,191,946		2,086,539
Publishing, printing, and outreach		530		59,770		1,126,852		56		6,671		1,193,879		43,646		604,138		647,784		1,841,663
Special affiliate subsidies		60,490		604,900		-		-		5,383,610		6,049,000		-		-		-		6,049,000
Telephone		43,970		288,834		62,571		6,503		67,577		469,455		31,322		75,824		107,146		576,601
Telemarketing		-		-		9,707		-		-		9,707		-		87,360		87,360		97,067
Travel		17,084		774,965		61,811		24,127		178,517		1,056,504		88,977		127,393		216,370		1,272,874
Other grants and awards		697		17,072		-		,		62,052		79,821		-		-				79,821
Provision for doubtful allowances		-		-		252,626		-		-		252,626		_		2,273,632		2,273,632		2,526,258
Other expenses		185,338		3,223,651		481,456		76,665		736,069		4,703,179		710,719		648,019		1,358,738		6,061,917
Total Expenses, per consolidated statement																				
of activities		3,111,576		113,835,681		19,899,907		1,358,241		55,363,802		193,569,207		12,746,050		19,684,099		32,430,149		225,999,356
Net Periodic Cost Other Than Service Cost		(11,083)		(404,537)		(70,756)		(4,819)		(196,767)		(687,962)		(45,216)		(69,953)		(115,169)		(803,131)
Total Expenses	\$	3,100,493	\$	113,431,144	\$	19,829,151	\$	1,353,422	\$	55,167,035	\$	192,881,245	\$	12,700,834	\$	19,614,146	\$	32,314,980	\$	225,196,225

# American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Year ended March 31,	2024	2023
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Change in net assets	\$ 40,009,090	\$ (18,660,931)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash		
used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,281,816	4,088,388
In-kind donated property	(4,400,000)	(EOO 72E)
Discount on pledges receivable Provisions for doubtful allowances	(969,057) 837,270	(509,725) 2,526,258
Non-cash lease expense	1,424,818	1,649,265
Changes in value of split-interest agreements	2,267,843	1,297,592
Net realized and unrealized (gains) losses on investments, net,	_,,	.,,
of adjustments for affiliate holdings	(66,017,187)	36,497,452
Donated investments	(5,365,367)	(9,607,161)
Changes in benefit obligations other than net periodic benefit cost	1,630,436	(1,731,633)
Cash received on contributions restricted for endowment	(122,946)	(11,118,573)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		44 400 0=0
Decrease in pledges, bequests, and contributions receivable	13,307,742	11,193,378
(Increase) decrease in other assets	(2,166,013)	439,084 1,294,572
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses Increase (decrease) in grants payable	1,396,596 3,454,704	(42,184)
Decrease in funds received in advance	3,434,704	(2,000,000)
Decrease in due to American Civil Liberties Union, Inc., allocated		(2,000,000)
share of pension liability	(2,856,010)	(4,570,950)
Decrease in due to American Civil Liberties Union, Inc., others	(11,396,435)	(11,078,064)
Decrease in due to affiliates, net	(2,445,093)	(180,312)
Increase (decrease) in Bill of Rights Trust held for affiliates, net		
of unrealized	7,770,931	(3,650,333)
Principal reduction in operating lease liabilities	(1,426,884)	(1,580,193)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	(22,783,746)	(5,744,070)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Proceeds from sale of investments	94,881,769	226,792,449
Purchase of investments	(100,977,989)	(251,830,476)
Purchase of property and equipment	(1,220,787)	(571,286)
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(7,317,007)	(25,609,313)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Cash received on contributions restricted for endowment	122,946	11,118,573
Contributions subject to split-interest agreements	4,324,234	2,637,476
Payments on split-interest agreements	(2,515,387)	(2,345,450)
Payments of new annuities	(165,287)	(942,318)
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	1,766,506	10,468,281
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(28,334,247)	(20,885,102)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of year	122,723,768	143,608,870
Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of year	\$ 94,389,521	\$ 122,723,768
Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information Investment in right-of-use assets - operating leases through operating lease liabilities Donated legal services Change in Investments for Bill of Rights Trust held for affiliates	\$ 3,389,925 39,504,757 5,948,586	\$ 4,020,391 39,375,260 (3,198,611)

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### 1. Organization

The American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. (the ACLU Foundation) was established as a nonprofit corporation to preserve and promote individual civil rights and civil liberties as guaranteed by the United States Constitution and the nation's civil rights laws.

The ACLU Foundation is affiliated with the American Civil Liberties Union, Inc. (the Union), an organization that is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The ACLU Foundation and the Union share common Board of Directors and management.

The ACLU Foundation and the Union are collectively referred to as the ACLU.

During fiscal year 2024, the ACLU Foundation received a donated property, which will subsequently be sold. In November 2023, the ACLU Foundation formed 104 Greenwich Ave LLC (Greenwich) to hold title of the ACLU Foundation's real property.

Both the ACLU Foundation and the Union are affiliated with 50 nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations in every state in the United States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. All affiliates include reference to the American Civil Liberties Union or some variation thereof in their names (the affiliates). The affiliates also operate through related Section 501(c)(3) and Section 501(c)(4) organizations. The affiliates share the same overall mission and purpose as the ACLU, but their programs focus more on local or regional issues, while the ACLU's program activities are focused on overarching civil liberties issues and initiatives. Although the ACLU plays no direct role in the governance of and, except in very limited instances, does not share employees with, the affiliates, the organizations jointly fundraise and work together on certain programs and the ACLU, through either the Union or the ACLU Foundation, as appropriate, at its sole discretion provides targeted financial and other support to the affiliates.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

#### Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts and activities of the ACLU Foundation and its subsidiaries, 915 15<sup>th</sup> Street, LLC (the LLC) and Greenwich (collectively referred to as the Foundation). The LLC and Greenwich are single-member limited liability companies of which the ACLU Foundation is the sole member. All significant inter-organizational accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The accounts and activities of the Union and the affiliates are not included in these consolidated financial statements.

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#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Foundation considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents held temporarily in the investment portfolio are included in investments.

#### Investments and Related Income, Gains, and Losses

Investments are reported at fair value in the consolidated statements of financial position. The consolidated statements of activities include net investment income consisting of interest and dividend income and realized and unrealized gains and losses. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Realized gains and losses on sale of investments are calculated on the basis of specific identification of the securities sold. Purchases and sales of securities are recognized on a trade-date basis.

Donated securities are recorded at their estimated fair values, as determined by the Foundation's management on the dates of donation. The Foundation's policy is to sell donated securities immediately, and accordingly, for purposes of the consolidated statements of cash flows, donated securities and the proceeds generated from their sale are included within operating activities.

For the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, net investment income, gains, and losses are reported net of direct investment expenses of \$2,127,086 and \$2,246,352, respectively.

#### Fair Value Measurements

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements, establishes a three-level valuation hierarchy of fair value measurements. These valuation techniques are based on observable and unobservable inputs. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources, while unobservable inputs reflect market assumptions. These two types of inputs create the following fair value hierarchy:

Level 1 - This level consists of inputs that reflect unadjusted quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Foundation has the ability to access at the measurement date. The types of investments in Level 1 generally include listed equities, mutual funds, and exchange-traded funds.

Level 2 - This level consists of inputs other than quoted prices within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, including inputs in markets that are not considered to be active. Investments in this category generally include corporate debt, U.S. government debt, and less liquid securities, such as securities traded on certain foreign exchanges. A significant adjustment to a Level 2 input could result in the Level 2 measurement becoming a Level 3 measurement.

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Level 3 - This level consists of inputs that are unobservable for the asset or liability and that include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability. The inputs into the determination of fair value are based upon the best information in the circumstances and may require significant management judgment or estimates. Investments in this category generally include equity and debt positions in private companies.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following methods and assumptions were used in estimating the fair values of significant financial instruments:

Cash and Cash Equivalents - The carrying amount approximates fair value because the instruments are liquid in nature and have short-term maturities.

Investments - The fair value is determined as described in Note 5.

#### Concentration of Market and Credit Risk

The Foundation's financial instruments that are potentially exposed to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and investments.

Exposure to credit risk is reduced by the placement of such funds in high-credit quality financial institutions and financial instruments. At March 31, 2024 and 2023, the majority of the Foundation's money market accounts were in funds that invest in short-term direct government obligations, such as U.S. Treasury Bills, that are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government.

Investments in general are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the value of the Foundation's investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

In order to control market risk, the Foundation has an investment committee that reviews and updates investment policy statements for the organization's various investment portfolios, oversees its investment portfolio, and engages the services of investment advisors and managers to invest and manage the assets within the guidelines of the respective investment policy statements and perform ongoing due diligence and reporting. The Foundation monitors the market risk of its investment portfolio through ongoing review of asset allocation formulas and analysis of investment values, as reported by investment custodians and managers.

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The clearing and depository operations for the Foundation's portfolio of investments held in managed accounts are provided principally by three financial institutions that held approximately 83% of the total portfolio at both March 31, 2024 and 2023.

#### **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment (consisting of office buildings, furniture, fixtures, office equipment, and software) are carried at cost, less accumulated depreciation or amortization. Donations of property and equipment are stated at the estimated fair value at the date of the donation.

Minor costs or repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation and amortization are provided for using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets. Land is not depreciated. Amortization of leasehold improvements is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the improvements or the remaining lives of the leases, whichever is shorter.

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

Management evaluates the recoverability of the investment in long-lived assets on an ongoing basis and recognizes any impairment in the year of determination. There were no triggering events during fiscal years 2024 or 2023 requiring management to test for impairment that would require any adjustments to property and equipment. However, it is reasonably possible that relevant conditions could change in the near term and necessitate a change in management's estimate of the recoverability of these assets.

#### Accrued Vacation

Accrued vacation represents the Foundation's obligation for the cost of unused employee vacation time that would be payable in the event that all employees leave the Foundation. As of March 31, 2024 and 2023, the accrued vacation obligation was approximately \$3,691,000 and \$3,439,000, respectively, and is reported as part of accounts payable and accrued expenses in the consolidated statements of financial position.

#### **Grants Payable**

Unconditional grants and awards are recognized as expenses in the consolidated financial statements at the time of approval. Unconditional grants and awards approved, but not yet paid are recognized as grants payable at each year-end. As of March 31, 2024 and 2023, grants payable amounted to approximately \$7,279,000 and \$3,824,000, respectively.

#### Leases

The Foundation determines if an arrangement is a lease or a service contract at inception. Where an arrangement is a lease, the Foundation determines if it is an operating lease or a finance lease. The Foundation currently does not have any finance leases. Subsequently, if the arrangement is modified, the Foundation reevaluates the classification. At lease commencement, the Foundation records a right-of-use (ROU) asset and a corresponding lease liability. ROU assets represent the Foundation's right to control the use of the leased asset during the lease and are recognized in an amount equal to the lease liability adjusted for any initial direct costs, prepaid or deferred rent, and lease incentives. Lease liabilities represent the present value of the future lease payments over

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the expected lease term, which includes options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain those options will be exercised. The present value of the lease liability is determined using the risk-free discount rate at lease inception for operating leases. Operating lease expense for lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Leases with a term of 12 months or less are considered short-term leases and are accounted for as rent expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Lease payments related to periods subject to renewal options are excluded from the amounts used to determine the present value of the remaining lease payments unless the Foundation is reasonably certain to exercise the option to extend the lease. The Foundation has made an accounting policy election not to separate lease components from non-lease components in contracts when determining its lease payments for all of its asset classes, as permitted by GAAP. As such, the Foundation accounts for the applicable non-lease components together with the related lease components when determining the ROU assets and liabilities.

#### **Net Assets**

The Foundation reports information regarding its financial position and activities in two classes of net assets: without donor restrictions and with donor restrictions.

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions - These assets represent those resources for which there are no restrictions by donors as to their use and are, therefore, available for current operations. Accordingly, the Board of Directors has allocated a portion of these funds to serve as board-designated endowments, the earnings from which will be applied to future support of the Foundation.

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions - These assets represent those resources that are subject to donor-imposed restrictions, such as specific purposes and/or a specific period of time. Also included within net assets with donor restrictions are donor restrictions that are perpetual in nature and subject to the requirements of New York's Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (NYPMIFA). These donors have stipulated that those resources be maintained in perpetuity, with the resultant income and net capital appreciation arising from the underlying assets to be used in satisfaction of the wishes of those donors.

When a donor restriction expires—that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends, or a purpose restriction is accomplished, or funds are appropriated through an action of the Board of Directors—net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and are reported in the consolidated statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

#### **Endowment Funds**

The Foundation's endowment is subject to the provision of the NYPMIFA. The Foundation classifies as donor-restricted endowment funds (a) the original value of gifts donated to the endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the endowment, and (c) accumulations to the endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not held in perpetuity is classified as net assets with donor restrictions until appropriated for expenditure.

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#### Revenue Recognition

Grants, Bequests, Contributions, and Related Receivables

The Foundation reports contributions as without donor restrictions or with donor restrictions, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

Unconditional promises to give are recorded as pledges and contributions receivable in the period the promise is received. Payments received in subsequent periods on unconditional promises to give, such as payments on multi-year gifts, are not recognized as revenue; rather, these are recorded as decreases in the corresponding pledges and contributions receivable balance. Pledges and contributions receivable due within one year are recorded at their net realizable value. Pledges and contributions receivable due in more than one year are recorded at the present value of their net realizable value, using applicable risk-adjusted interest rates to discount the amounts. Allowances for doubtful pledges and contributions receivable are provided by management based on the Foundation's experience with the donors and their ability to pay.

Conditional promises to give are those with measurable performance or other barriers and right of return or release. Conditional promises to give are recognized when the donor's conditions have been met by requisite actions of the Foundation's management or necessary events have taken place.

Contributions of cash and other assets are reported as with donor restrictions if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets.

Contributions that are to be maintained in perpetuity are recorded as with donor restrictions support.

The Foundation is a beneficiary under various wills and trust agreements, the total realizable amounts of which are not determinable at present. The Foundation's share of such bequests is recorded when the amounts and timing of the distributions can be estimated with reasonable certainty and the probate court declares the will valid. For the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, bequest contributions amounted to \$34,152,506 and \$26,737,914, respectively.

Approximately 12% and 11% of the total grants, bequests, and contributions revenue of approximately \$164,695,000 and \$184,198,000 was provided by one donor for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. In addition, approximately 27% and 31% of the gross pledges, bequests, and contributions receivable of approximately \$37,611,000 and \$51,760,000 were due from one and two donors at March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Certain grants, bequests, and contributions revenue are subject to revenue-sharing agreements with affiliates. The Foundation's sharing rules specify the circumstances under which revenue shall be shared and the methodology for determining the specific portion of various categories of revenue that will be shared among the Foundation and the affiliates. Shared revenues are reported at gross amounts and the affiliates' share of the revenues are included as affiliate support expense in the consolidated statements of activities. The Foundation reports the affiliates' share of revenues as expenses when cash is received from the donor.

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#### Contributions of Non-Financial Assets

The Foundation received contributions of non-financial assets and recognized within the consolidated statements of activities as follows:

Year ended March 31,	2024	2023
Donated Legal Services		
Program - State Supreme Court Initiative	\$ 176,921	\$ -
Program - Racial Justice Project	470,374	413,562
Program - National Prison Project	1,778,015	2,413,810
Program - Criminal Law Reform Project	2,184,646	3,249,886
Program - Capital Punishment Project	1,052,710	541,827
Program - Women Rights Project	618,813	1,301,211
Program - Freedom of Religion and Belief	516,412	755,399
Program - Disability Rights Project	703,684	1,736,595
Program - Reproductive Freedom Project	2,925,042	5,178,978
Program - LGBT	7,755,223	7,948,136
Program - Voting Rights Project	15,938,843	8,947,521
Program - Speech Privacy and Technology	1,343,675	930,161
Program - Human Rights Project	162,972	265,377
Program - Immigration Rights Project	2,805,025	4,573,164
Program - National Security Project	1,072,402	1,119,633
	39,504,757	39,375,260
Donated Property	4,400,000	-
Total	\$ 43,904,757	\$ 39,375,260

Donated legal services are valued at the estimated fair value based on current hourly rates by type of services used by the law firm that provide similar legal services. Donated property is valued based on the appraised value provided by a certified appraiser.

The Foundation recognizes contributions of non-financial assets at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. The Foundation recognizes contributions of services received if the services received create or enhance nonfinancial assets or if the services require specialized skills and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation.

Contributed nonfinancial assets did not have donor-imposed restrictions for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

A number of individuals have made contributions of their time to serve on the Foundation's board. The value of their contributed time is not reflected in the consolidated financial statements inasmuch as those services would not typically be purchased had they not been provided by donation.

#### Functional Expenses

The costs of providing various program and supporting services of the Foundation have been summarized on a functional basis in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. Each department within the Foundation is allocated to its program or supporting services based on a total analysis of its respective full-time equivalents and a determination of what functions it performs. Certain

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departments, such as legal, are determined to be 100% programmatic and are reflected, therefore, under legal programs. Other departments, such as executive or administrative/finance are largely supportive in nature and reflected largely under management and general. Each year, the functional allocations are reviewed and modified based on initiatives and organizational changes to best reflect the activities within the Foundation for a specified year.

#### Measure of Operations

The Foundation includes, in its definition of operations, all revenues and expenses that are an integral part of its program and supporting activities. Net investment income, including net realized and unrealized gains and losses, is reported as part of non-operating activities, as are: (i) legal awards; (ii) changes in value of split-interest agreements; and (iii) other components of postretirement benefit cost.

#### Legal Awards

Pursuant to the Civil Rights Attorneys Fee Awards Act of 1976 and similar laws, legal fees and expenses may be awarded in certain legal actions. The amounts of these awards are the result of court determinations and/or negotiations between the parties to the matters. Management anticipates that the Foundation will be the recipient of legal awards of a substantial amount but is unable to determine the amounts receivable with any degree of accuracy. Accordingly, the Foundation's accounting policy is to accrue an award only when, in management's judgment, the amount appears relatively certain of collection.

#### Income Taxes

The ACLU Foundation is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. IRC and is subject to taxes on unrelated business income, as applicable. The LLC and Greenwich are treated as disregarded (tax) entities.

The ACLU Foundation files tax and information returns with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and with various states.

Management evaluated the Foundation's tax positions and concluded that the organization had taken no uncertain tax positions that require additional adjustment or disclosure to the accompanying consolidated financial statements. Generally, the Foundation is no longer subject to income tax examinations by U.S. federal, state, or local tax authorities for tax years before 2021, which is the standard statute of limitations look-back period.

#### **Evaluation of Subsequent Events**

The Foundation evaluates events occurring after the date of the consolidated financial statements to consider whether or not the impact of such events needs to be reflected and/or disclosed in the consolidated financial statements. Such evaluation is performed through the date the consolidated financial statements are issued, which is October 29, 2024. There were no significant subsequent events requiring adjustment to the consolidated financial statements or disclosures.

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#### Adoption of Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326)

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-03, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments, as amended. The new credit loss standard changes the impairment model for most financial assets and certain other instruments. For trade and other receivables, contract assets recognized as a result of applying Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606), loans, and certain other instruments, entities are required to use a new forward-looking "expected-loss" model that generally results in earlier recognition of credit losses than under the incurred-loss model. ASU 2016-03 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022. The Foundation adopted this ASU on April 1, 2023 prospectively, and there was no impact on the consolidated financial statements.

#### Accounting for Leases (Topic 842)

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Accounting for Leases (Topic 842)*. This ASU requires a lessee to record, for all leases with a lease term of more than 12 months, an asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term and a liability to make lease payments. For leases with a lease term of 12 months or less, a practical expedient is available whereby a lessee may elect, by class of underlying asset, not to recognize an ROU asset or lease liability. A lessee making this accounting policy election will recognize lease expense over the term of the lease, generally in a straight-line pattern.

The Foundation adopted this ASU for the year ended March 31, 2023 on a modified retrospective basis transition approach using the effective-date method, which was April 1, 2022. Under this transition method, the Foundation applied the new requirements to only those leases that existed as of April 1, 2022, rather than at the earliest comparative period presented in the consolidated financial statements. Prior periods will be presented under the existing lease guidance. Upon transition, the Foundation applied the package of practical expedients permitted under the ASC 842 transition guidance. The Foundation also elected to apply practical expedients allowing it to: i) not reassess whether any expired or existing contracts previously assessed as not containing leases are, or contain, leases; ii) not reassess the lease classification for any expired or existing leases; and iii) not reassess initial direct costs for any existing leases. Additionally, the Foundation did not elect the hindsight practical expedient to determine the applicable term for leases within the Foundation's lease population. See Note 10 for additional information.

The Foundation's lessor accounting has remained similar, and the existing leases continue to be classified as operating leases.

Presentation and Disclosures by Not-for-Profit Entities for Contributed Nonfinancial Assets (Topic 958)

In September 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-07, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation and Disclosures by Not-for-Profit Entities for Contributed Nonfinancial Assets.* The ASU improves the transparency of contributed nonfinancial assets through enhancements to presentation and disclosures. The ASU requires that a nonprofit present contributed nonfinancial assets as a separate line item in the statement of activities apart from contributions of cash or other financial assets. Information that shows contributed nonfinancial assets disaggregated by category is required to be disclosed. In addition, the ASU requires that for each type of contributed nonfinancial assets, the

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following be disclosed: i) a policy (if any) on liquidating rather than using the contributed nonfinancial assets; ii) qualitative considerations on whether the contributed nonfinancial assets were liquidated or used during the reporting period and, if used, a description of how the asset was employed; iii) any donor-imposed restrictions related to contributed nonfinancial assets; iv) valuation methods and inputs utilized to determine a fair value measure at initial recognition; and v) the principal or most advantageous market utilized to calculate fair value if it is a market in which the organization is restricted by the donor from selling or utilizing the contributed nonfinancial assets.

The Foundation adopted this ASU for the year ended March 31, 2023. Accordingly, the consolidated statements of activities present contributed nonfinancial assets as a separate line item. In addition, the notes to the consolidated financial statements include disclosures identifying the types of assets contributed and the valuation methodology used.

#### 3. Related Party Transactions

Amounts due from and to affiliates represent receivables and payables related to affiliate support and revenue sharing.

Amounts due from affiliates include income generated by the affiliates that is subject to the application of the Foundation's sharing rules, reimbursement to the Foundation for expenses paid by the Foundation on behalf of the affiliates, and receivables for affiliate health insurance, which amounted to approximately \$317,000 and \$782,000 for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Amounts due to affiliates include the portion of contributions that are shared in accordance with the Foundation's sharing rules and payments related to certain affiliate subsidy programs. For the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, approximately \$32,811,000 and \$35,720,000 was due to affiliates, respectively.

During the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation had expenses to affiliates for grants to affiliates, the shared portion of contributions and bequests, and the special affiliate subsidies of approximately \$69,866,000 and \$63,987,000, respectively.

During both fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation received approximately \$390,000 from the New York Civil Liberties Union, Inc. and the New York Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. in payments for the use of space occupied at the Foundation's offices at 125 Broad Street. These payments include charges for cleaning and other customary services.

As of March 31, 2024, expected future receipts from the New York Civil Liberties Union, Inc. and New York Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. for the use of space occupied are as follows:

Year ending March 31,	
2025 2026	\$ 390,264 390,264
	\$ 780,528

Certain expenses, predominantly salaries and employee benefits, are shared between the Union and the Foundation. Expenses paid by the Union and allocated to the Foundation and recognized in the

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accompanying consolidated financial statements amounted to \$40,695,523 and \$34,120,127 during the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

#### 4. Pledges, Bequests, and Contributions Receivable

Pledges, bequests, and contributions receivable that are expected to be collected after one year have been discounted to net present value at rates ranging from 3.04% to 4.59% and are reflected in the consolidated financial statements at their net realizable value.

Pledges, beguests, and contributions receivable are comprised of the following:

March 31,	2024	2023
Receivable due within one year or less Receivable due in more than one year to five years	\$ 34,866,611 2,744,421	\$ 34,461,667 17,298,409
	37,611,032	51,760,076
Less: discount to present value Less: allowance for uncollectible accounts	(254,623) (2,487,841)	(1,223,680) (2,491,873)
	\$ 34,868,568	\$ 48,044,523

Approximately \$8,679,000 and \$15,566,000 of pledges, bequests, and contributions receivable as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, are the affiliates' share of these revenues, which are based on the Foundation's revenue-sharing rules. These amounts will be recognized as expenses by the Foundation upon the receipt of cash from donors.

For the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation received approximately \$450,000 and \$1,050,000, respectively, in new conditional contributions. For the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation recognized approximately \$450,000 and \$4,350,000, respectively, in revenue from conditional contributions as barriers were met. At March 31, 2024 and 2023, there were no conditional contributions that did not meet the barriers to be recognized as revenue.

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## 5. Investments and Fair Value Measurements

The following tables present the Foundation's investments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

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Money Market Funds	\$ 12,034,149	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,034,149
Equities	133,260,907	-	-	133,260,907
Corporate Bonds (by S&P rating)  AAA—A-	-	199,333	-	199,333
Total Corporate Bonds	-	199,333	-	199,333
U.S. Treasury Notes, Agency, and Related	-	29,854,958	-	29,854,958
Mutual Funds Large-cap U.S. equity Small-/mid-cap U.S. equity International equity Short-term bond Intermediate-term bond High-yield bond International fixed income Other bond International real estate U.S. real estate	11,880,186 3,694,140 10,055,914 14,139,735 8,732,064 922,152 2,218,013 2,091,485 2,382,728 4,472,569	- - - - - - - -	- - - - - - -	11,880,186 3,694,140 10,055,914 14,139,735 8,732,064 922,152 2,218,013 2,091,485 2,382,728 4,472,569
Total Mutual Funds  Exchange-Traded Funds  Short-term, long-term, and intermediate-term bonds  Real estate and hard assets (commodities)	27,799,518 17,223,680			27,799,518 17,223,680
Total Exchange-Traded Funds	45,023,198	-	_	45,023,198
Total	\$ 250,907,240	\$ 30,054,291	\$ -	280,961,531
Private Equity Funds - Multi-Strategy <sup>(1)</sup> Proprietary Equity Funds - Multi-Strategy <sup>(1)</sup>				135,472,708 249,812,244
Total Investments				\$ 666,246,483

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March 31, 2023				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	B Total
Money Market Funds	\$ 15,352,419	\$ -	\$ .	- \$ 15,352,419
<u>Equities</u>	111,817,853	<u>-</u>		- 111,817,853
Corporate Bonds (by S&P rating)  AAA—A-	-	641,471		- 641,471
Total Corporate Bonds	-	641,471		- 641,471
U.S. Treasury Notes, Agency, and Related	-	27,978,141		27,978,141
Mutual Funds				
Large-cap U.S. equity	10,189,167	-		- 10,189,167
Small-/mid-cap U.S. equity	2,924,643	-		- 2,924,643
International equity	8,647,285	-		- 8,647,285
Short-term bond	13,612,580	-		- 13,612,580
Intermediate-term bond	8,111,974	-		- 8,111,974
High-yield bond	785,917	-		- 785,917
International fixed income	1,931,467	-		- 1,931,467
Other bond	1,856,094	-		- 1,856,094
International real estate	1,881,376	-		- 1,881,376
U.S. real estate	3,787,005	-		- 3,787,005
Total Mutual Funds	53,727,508	-		- 53,727,508
Exchange-Traded Funds Short-term, long-term, and				
intermediate-term bonds	28,151,000	-		- 28,151,000
Real estate and hard assets (commodities)	15,254,509	-		- 15,254,509
Total Exchange-Traded Funds	43,405,509	-		- 43,405,509
Total	\$ 224,303,289	\$ 28,619,612	\$ .	252,922,901
Private Equity Funds - Multi-Strategy <sup>(1)</sup> Proprietary Equity Funds - Multi-Strategy <sup>(1)</sup>				113,514,074 222,330,734
Total Investments				\$ 588,767,709

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the fair value measurements topic, certain investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value (NAV) per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in these tables are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the consolidated statements of financial position.

Below are the valuation techniques used by the Foundation to measure different financial instruments at fair value and the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the financial instrument is categorized.

Equities, money market funds, and exchange-traded funds listed on a national securities exchange or reported on the NASDAQ global market are stated at the last reported sales or trade price on the day of valuation. These financial instruments are classified as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy.

Investments in mutual funds are stated at fair value based on the last quoted evaluation price or NAV. To the extent these securities are actively traded, and valuation adjustments are not applied, they are classified as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy.

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U.S. government debt and corporate bonds are valued based on the last reported bid price provided by broker-dealers and are reported as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

Investments in common trust funds, proprietary equity funds, and private equity funds are valued at fair value based on the applicable percentage ownership of the underlying net assets on the measurement date. In determining fair value, the Foundation utilizes, as a practical expedient, the NAV or equivalent provided by the fund managers (NAV of funds). The underlying common trust funds, proprietary equity funds, and private equity funds value securities and other financial instruments on a fair value basis. The estimated fair values of certain investments of the underlying common trust funds, proprietary equity funds, or private equity funds, which may include private placements and other securities for which prices are not readily available, are determined by the trustee of the common trust funds or sponsor of the proprietary equity funds or private equity funds and may not reflect amounts that could be realized upon immediate sale, nor amounts that ultimately may be realized. Accordingly, the estimated fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for these investments.

The Foundation assesses the fair value hierarchy levels of the investments at each measurement date, and transfers between levels are recognized on the actual date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. There were no significant transfers among Levels 1, 2, and 3 during fiscal years 2024 or 2023.

The Foundation has the ability to redeem its investments in common trust funds on a daily or monthly basis. The objectives of the investments in common trust funds are to approximate as closely as practicable or to provide total investment returns that are in excess of the performance of the following benchmarks over time with certain risk parameters:

Investment	Benchmark
Large-cap U.S. equity	S&P 500 Index
Small-/mid-cap U.S. equity	Russell 2000 Index, S&P Mid-Cap 400 Index
International equity	MSCI EAFE Index, MSCI Emerging Markets, JP Morgan CEMBI Broad Diversified Index
Intermediate-term bond	Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, Barclays U.S. Intermediate Bond Index
High-yield and other bonds	Barclays U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities Index, Barclays Corporate High-Yield 2% Issuer Cap Index, Bloomberg Global High Yield Index, S&P/LSTA Leverage Loan Index
Real estate and hard assets (commodities)	Dow Jones U.S. Select REIT Index, Dow Jones-UBS Commodity Total Return Index

During fiscal year 2023, all investments in common trust funds were redeemed.

The Foundation did not have the ability to redeem the investments in private equity funds and proprietary equity funds on March 31, 2024, or in the near term, which is defined as 90 days or less from March 31, 2024. The investment objective of the private equity funds and proprietary equity funds is to generate consistent capital appreciation over the long term, with relatively low volatility and a low correlation with traditional equity and fixed-income markets.

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The following tables summarize the investment strategies and liquidity provision of investments in the private equity and proprietary equity funds valued at NAV as provided by the fund managers:

March 31, 2024

_	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period	Remaining Lock- Up Period
Private equity:					
Seguoia	\$ 40,896,358	\$ -	Annual	NA	NA*
SRÁ III	27,389,055	4,040,582	None	NA	NA
SRA IV	36,957,512	2,668,514	None	NA	NA
SRA V	27,658,298	22,207,641	None	NA	NA
SRA VI	2,571,485	41,908,468	None	NA	NA
Multi-strategy	226,205,627	-	Monthly	7 business days	None
Multi-strategy	23,606,617	-	Monthly	15 business days	None
	\$ 385,284,952	\$ 70,825,205			

#### March 31, 2023

	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period	Remaining Lock- Up Period
Private equity:					
Seguoia	\$ 39,258,638	\$ -	Annual	NA	NA*
SRÁ III	27,149,108	5,116,506	None	NA	NA
SRA IV	31,701,243	4,544,833	None	NA	NA
SRA V	15,405,085	32,650,630	None	NA	NA
Multi-strategy	200,648,832	-	Monthly	7 business days	None
Multi-strategy	21,681,902	-	Monthly	15 business days	None
	\$ 335,844,808	\$ 42,311,969			

<sup>\*</sup> While 5% can be drawn down annually, the full amount cannot be transferred until donor stipulations have been met.

The investments are held for the following purpose:

March 31,	2024	2023
Bill of Rights Trust (BORT), inclusive of endowments held in perpetuity of \$76,622,088 and \$76,581,082 at March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively (Note 9) Split-interest agreements (Note 7)	\$ 151,820,110 45,798,067	\$ 136,976,958 39,151,489
Other endowment, special projects, program support, and operating reserves	468,628,306	412,639,262
	\$ 666,246,483	\$ 588,767,709

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#### 6. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consist of the following:

March 31,

	2024	2023	Range of Estimated Useful Life (Years)
Land, property, office buildings, and office condominium Furniture, fixtures, and office equipment Software	\$ 67,155,784 4,930,151 16,550,858	\$ 61,889,800 4,793,796 16,332,410	10-50 3-5 3-15
	88,636,793	83,016,006	
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	(63,403,183)	(61,121,367)	
	\$ 25,233,610	\$ 21,894,639	

## 7. Split-Interest Agreements

The Foundation receives contributions through its charitable gift annuity program whereby in exchange for gifts of cash or securities, the Foundation promises to pay a fixed annual amount for life to the annuitant.

The difference between the fair value of the assets received and the present value of the future distributions to the annuitant is recognized as contribution revenue.

Upon the death of the annuitant, any balance of the amount in the split-interest account reverts to the Foundation.

The Foundation has received gifts under this program on which it is obligated to make annual annuity payments of \$2,515,387 and \$2,345,450 in accordance with the agreements as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

In addition, the Foundation has 12 unitrust agreements on which the income is paid to the donor for life. Upon the death of the donor, the balance in the trust account shall be distributed to the Foundation for its general purposes.

Assets and liabilities related to the Foundation's split-interest agreements are as follows:

March 31,	2024	2023	
Assets-investments Liabilities under split-interest agreements	\$ 45,798,067 23,644,944	\$ 39,151,489 19,733,541	
Net	\$ 22,153,123	\$ 19,417,948	

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Reserve asset balances at March 31, 2024 and 2023 were held in separate accounts and exceeded the reserve requirements of the New York State Insurance Commission, as well as the reserve requirements of the relevant regulatory bodies in all other states that require a reserve fund and in which the Foundation issues gift annuities. Reserves are included in liabilities under split-interest agreements on the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position.

The present value of obligations under split-interest agreements was calculated using an interest rate of 5% and applicable Annuity Mortality Tables (either 1983A, 2000, or 2012AR).

Adjustments to reflect revaluations of the present value of estimated future payments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognized in the consolidated statements of activities as changes in value of split-interest agreements.

#### 8. Liquidity and Availability of Resources

The Foundation regularly monitors liquidity required to meet its annual operating needs and other contractual commitments. As of the consolidated statements of financial position's dates, the Foundation holds approximately 15 months of operating expenses in cash, cash equivalents, and liquid investment assets. The following table reflects the Foundation's financial assets available as of the consolidated statements of financial position's dates for general expenditures over the next 12 months.

March 31,	2024	2023
Cash and cash equivalents Pledges, bequest, and contributions receivable, net Other miscellaneous receivables Investments (excluding private equity investments, private equity unfunded commitments, and BORT held for affiliates)	\$ 94,389,521 34,868,568 3,009,880 445,907,980	\$ 122,723,768 48,044,523 668,792 425,034,284
Total Financial Assets Available Within One Year	578,175,949	596,471,367
Less: amounts unavailable for general expenditures within one year, due to: Restricted by donors with: Purpose and time restrictions Trust accounts Perpetual in nature	(159,526,378) (5,171,714) (96,622,088)	(154,597,968) (4,911,523) (96,581,082)
Total Amounts Unavailable for General Expenditures Within One Year	(261,320,180)	(256,090,573)
Amounts unavailable to management without board approval: Board-designated endowment funds	(276,060,517)	(248,179,224)
Financial Assets Available to Meet Cash Needs for General Expenditures Within One Year	\$ 40,795,252	\$ 92,201,570

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The Foundation has board-designated funds totaling \$276,060,517 and \$248,179,224 as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Although the Foundation does not intend to spend from its board-designated funds, other than amounts appropriated for general expenditures as part of its annual budget approval and appropriation process, amounts from its board-designated funds could be made available if necessary.

#### 9. The Bill of Rights Trust and Other Endowments

In 1997, the ACLU and its affiliates established the BORT. The purpose of the BORT, a portion of which is an endowment fund of the ACLU, is to build an enduring endowment to carry out the work of the ACLU and its affiliates in protecting, preserving, and expanding the civil liberties of all persons in the United States of America. The BORT has 100,000,000 authorized units, which are issued to or among the ACLU and its affiliates based upon their respective interests in the BORT. Unit shares have a unit value based upon the fair value of the net assets of the BORT divided by the total number of unit shares outstanding.

The BORT permits for annual distributions to the ACLU and its affiliates in accordance with the ACLU's approved spending policy, prorated in accordance with the percentage of the fair value of each unit share. For the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, the BORT allowed for a potential distribution amount equal to 4% of the average month-end value of total funds over the preceding 36 months through December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Each unit holder, including the ACLU and the participating affiliates, must establish that they have determined the appropriation to be prudent before the distribution is disbursed. In the fiscal years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation had a distribution of approximately \$12,987,000 and \$1,099,000, respectively.

The BORT comprised the following accounts and amounts that are included in the consolidated statements of financial position:

March 31,	2024	2023
Assets		
Investments Pledge receivable Other assets	\$ 151,820,110 10,000,000 201,917	\$ 136,976,958 10,000,000 72,003
	\$ 162,022,027	\$ 147,048,961
Liabilities and Net Assets Held for affiliates Net assets with donor restrictions Net assets with donor restrictions - held in perpetuity	\$ 54,936,948 30,462,991 76,622,088	\$ 47,166,017 23,301,862 76,581,082
	\$ 162,022,027	\$ 147,048,961

The Foundation's endowment consists of numerous funds, established for a variety of purposes and consisting of donor-restricted and board-designated funds.

The Foundation's Board of Directors has adopted an investment policy for endowment assets that provides continued financial stability for the Foundation and a revenue stream for spending on the Foundation's mission. The Foundation relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns

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are achieved through capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The investment goal of the endowment fund is to invest assets in a prudent manner that will balance reasonable annual distributions to the Foundation with long-term growth in the value of the assets of the BORT.

The Foundation has a policy of annually appropriating for expenditure an amount of up to 4% of the average month-end value of total funds over the preceding 36 months through December 31. Accumulated earnings appropriated for expenditure during fiscal year 2024 and 2023 amounted to approximately \$4,413,000 and \$4,227,000, respectively.

Due to unfavorable market fluctuations, from time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may decline below the historic dollar value of the donor's original, restricted contribution, or by the amount required to be retained by state law. As of March 31, 2024, deficiencies existed in two of the Foundation's donor-restricted endowment funds, which had a combined original contribution value totaling \$695,000 and a current fair value of \$522,332, resulting in a deficiency of \$172,668. As of March 31, 2023, deficiencies existed in eight of the Foundation's donor-restricted endowment funds, which had a combined original contribution value totaling \$14,065,500 and a current fair value of \$13,730,692, resulting in a deficiency of \$334,808. Under the terms of NYPMIFA, the Foundation has no responsibility to restore such decreases in value.

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund is as follows:

#### March 31, 2024

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Held in Perpetuity	Total With Donor Restrictions
Donor-restricted funds Board-designated funds	\$ - 276,060,517	\$ 53,227,350	\$ 96,622,088	\$ 149,849,438 -
Total Endowment Funds	\$ 276,060,517	\$ 53,227,350	\$ 96,622,088	\$ 149,849,438
March 31, 2023				
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Held in Perpetuity	Total With Donor Restrictions
Donor-restricted funds Board-designated funds	\$ - 248,179,224	\$ 44,428,501 -	\$ 96,581,082	\$ 141,009,583 -
Total Endowment Funds	\$ 248,179,224	\$ 44,428,501	\$ 96,581,082	\$ 141,009,583

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Changes in endowment net assets are as follows:

#### March 31, 2024

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	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Held in Perpetuity	Total With Donor Restrictions
Endowment Net Assets, beginning of year	\$ 248,179,224	\$ 44,428,501	\$ 96,581,082	\$ 141,009,583
Investment return: Interest and dividends, net Net realized and unrealized	292,856	200,911	-	200,911
gains on investments	32,232,424	13,011,118	-	13,011,118
Net Investment Return	32,525,280	13,212,029	-	13,212,029
Other Changes During the Year Contributions Adjustment Appropriation of endowment	15,212,428 -	-	46,006 (5,000)	46,006 (5,000)
assets for expenditures	(19,856,415)	(4,413,180)	-	(4,413,180)
Total	(4,643,987)	(4,413,180)	41,006	(4,372,174)
Endowment Net Assets, end of year	\$ 276,060,517	\$ 53,227,350	\$ 96,622,088	\$ 149,849,438
March 31, 2023				
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Held in Perpetuity	Total With Donor Restrictions
Endowment Net Assets, beginning of year	\$ 259,816,579	\$ 56,335,945	\$ 92,885,569	\$ 149,221,514
Investment return: Interest and dividends, net Net realized and unrealized	3,477,895	221,987	-	221,987
losses on investments	(18,396,293)	(7,902,173)	-	(7,902,173)
Net Investment Loss	(14,918,398)	(7,680,186)	-	(7,680,186)
Other Changes During the Year Contributions Appropriation of endowment	14,295,870	-	3,695,513	3,695,513
assets for expenditures	(11,014,827)	(4,227,258)	-	(4,227,258)
Total	3,281,043	(4,227,258)	3,695,513	(531,745)
Endowment Net Assets, end of year	\$ 248,179,224	\$ 44,428,501	\$ 96,581,082	\$ 141,009,583

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#### 10. Leases

The Foundation is obligated under various noncancelable operating lease agreements for office space and equipment expiring at various dates through October 2033.

As of March 31, 2024, ROU assets and lease liabilities were \$4,336,234 and \$4,403,240, respectively. As of March 31, 2023, ROU assets and lease liabilities were \$2,371,126 and \$2,440,198, respectively. The weighted-average discount rate used to calculate the present value of future lease payment was 3.79% and 3.58% and the weighted-average lease term was 16.64 and 2.3 years for fiscal years 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Aggregate remaining maturities or operating lease liabilities as of March 31, 2024 are as follows:

Year ending March 31,		
2025		\$ 1,319,319
2026		753,246
2027		455,942
2028		416,317
2029		426,631
<u>Thereafter</u>		1,884,221
Total Minimum Lease Payments		5,255,676
Less: imputed interest		(852,436)
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments		\$ 4,403,240
Lease expenses consist of the following:		
Year ended March 31,	2024	2023
Operating lease expense	\$ 1,560,685	\$ 2,036,983
Variable lease payments	 -	 61,203
Net Lease Expense	\$ 1,560,685	\$ 2,098,186
Other information:		
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of		
lease liabilities:		
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 1,562,750	\$ 1,967,911

Aggregate rent expense under the above leases for the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$997,844 and \$1,204,467, respectively, which is included as rent and occupancy on the consolidated statements of functional expenses.

The Foundation receives payments for the use of space occupied at the 915 15<sup>th</sup> Street building and the ACLU Foundation building in relation to lease agreements expiring at various dates through October 2033.

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As of March 31, 2024, expected future receipts from tenants for the use of space occupied are as follows:

Year ending March 31,	
2025	\$ 911,114
2026	516,675
2027	130,203
2028	134,109
2029	138,132
Thereafter	687,489
	\$ 2,517,722

Aggregate rental income under the above leases for the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$717,155 and \$808,442, respectively, which is recorded on the consolidated statements of activities.

#### 11. Commitments and Contingencies

#### **Litigation and Claims**

The Foundation is involved in other legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. Management is of the opinion that the ultimate outcome of these matters would not have a material adverse impact on the consolidated financial position of the Foundation or the consolidated results of its activities.

#### Collective Bargaining Agreement

At both March 31, 2024 and 2023, approximately 3% of the Foundation's salaried employees were unionized and employed under Collective Bargaining Agreements between the ACLU and Local 2110. ACLU's Collective Bargaining Agreement expired on March 31, 2023. In June 2023, the ACLU signed an agreement for five years, expiring in 2028.

#### 12. Line of Credit

On October 1, 2020, the Foundation entered into a revolving line of credit agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank for a secured committed line in the amount of \$30,000,000, secured by a blanket lien on all assets. The facility could have been drawn and paid down at any time until February 14, 2023, when it matured. The line of credit was not renewed by the Foundation when it matured. The facility had a variable interest rate of LIBOR plus 175 basis points for LIBOR-based loans or prime rate for CB Floating Rate Advance rate-based loans.

The credit facility required that the organization maintain unrestricted cash and investments to funded debt of a least 2.0 to 1.0. The Foundation is not aware of any instances of noncompliance with financial and non-financial covenants for the year ended March 31, 2023.

#### 13. Retirement Plans

The Foundation participates in the American Civil Liberties Union Retirement Plan (the Pension Plan), a retirement plan covering eligible employees of the Union, the Foundation, and their affiliates.

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The Pension Plan is a defined benefit plan covering those employees who have at least one year of service or at least 1,000 hours worked per year and are at least 21 years of age. Benefits are based on service to date on an average of career earnings. The Union's policy is to fund pension costs by contributing at least the minimum amount required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Union either charges or pays the Foundation its share of the net periodic pension income or costs. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024, the income received by the Foundation in connection with the Pension Plan amounted to \$157,759. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2023, the cost incurred by the Foundation in connection with the Pension Plan amounted to \$883,204.

On January 1, 2015, the Pension Plan was amended and restated to include, among other things, a provision for additional contribution due on withdrawal or freezing of benefits by an employer. The liability attributed to the employer or former employer is determined based upon the sum of the present value of the accrued benefits for each of the participants associated with the employer or former employer determined as of the last day of the plan year preceding the date as of which the withdrawal contribution is calculated. Accordingly, as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation recognized \$208,650 and \$1,434,224, respectively, of withdrawal contribution liability due to the Union. Disclosures on the funded status and other information on the Pension Plan are included in the consolidated financial statements of the ACLU.

The Union implemented a soft freeze of the Pension Plan, effective March 31, 2009. Employees hired on or after April 1, 2009 enrolled in a new Defined Contribution (DC) 401(k) plan. The new DC plan includes an employer contribution of 2% and an employer match of 100% of the first 1% of the employee's contribution and 50% of the next 5% of an employee's contribution, for a total match of 3.5% and a total employer contribution of 5.5%. The soft freeze applies only to employees hired on or after April 1, 2009, and does not affect current plan participants or employees hired before March 31, 2009, but not yet in the plan. The Foundation contributed \$3,104,068 in 2024 and \$2,705,685 in 2023.

Eligible Foundation employees may also participate in the ACLU 401(k) plan (the 401(k) Plan), which is a 401(k) salary-reduction plan covering substantially all employees of the Union, the Foundation, and their affiliates, hired on or before March 31, 2009. Under the 401(k) Plan, employees may voluntarily contribute up to 80% of their pre-tax compensation to the 401(k) Plan subject to IRS dollar limits. There is no employer match or other contributions.

Effective April 8, 2011, eligible employees of the Foundation can participate in the unfunded, nonqualified 457(b) plan maintained by the Union.

Effective January 1, 2023, the ACLU Board Retirement Committee approved a resolution to move all participants from the 401(k) Plan into the DC plan. The 401(k) Plan was effectively terminated in December 2022. This resolution did not have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

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## 14. Net Assets

Net assets comprise the following:

March 31,	2024	2023
Without donor restrictions:		
Undesignated	\$ 136,861,498	\$ 126,333,308
Board-designated:		
Litigation Fund	37,289,904	34,080,838
Annuity Fund and Annuity Reserve	18,988,761	15,983,646
Organizational Fund	38,960,527	38,121,226
Jacobs Affiliate Development Fund	9,584,706	11,702,540
Dividend Distribution Fund	167,353,262	143,948,508
John Adams Fund	3,883,357	4,342,466
Total Board-Designated	276,060,517	248,179,224
Total Without Donor Restrictions	412,922,015	374,512,532
With donor restrictions:		
BORT and other endowments	53,227,350	44,428,501
Trusts	5,171,714	4,911,523
Other time and purpose restrictions	112,169,028	119,669,467
BORT - unconditional promise to give - held in perpetuity	10,000,000	10,000,000
BORT and other endowments - held in perpetuity	86,622,088	86,581,082
Total with Donor Restrictions	267,190,180	265,590,573
	\$ 680,112,195	\$ 640,103,105

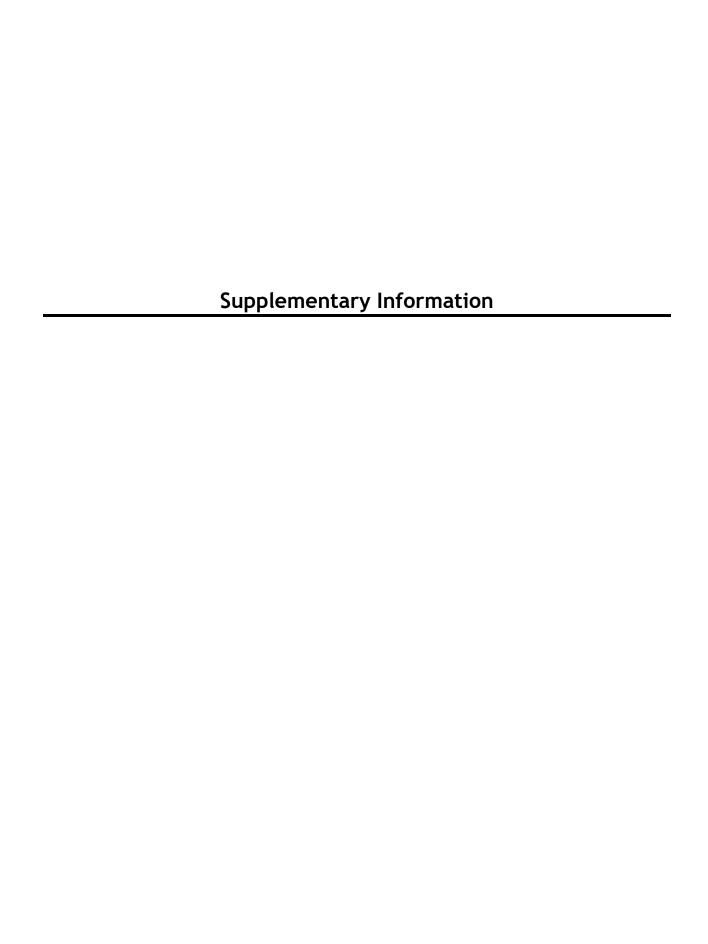
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## 15. Net Assets Released from Restrictions

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying restricted purposes or by the occurrence of other events specified by donors as follows:

Year ended March 31,	2024	2023
Special projects:		
Voting Rights	\$ 6,324,009	\$ 7,062,509
Capital Punishment	1,000,050	1,000,000
National Prison	1,243,450	1,216,125
Disability Rights	105,600	8,337
Criminal Law Reform and Smart Justice	1,503,848	1,289,446
Immigrants' Rights	10,166,731	7,820,113
Reproductive Freedom	5,757,322	5,274,178
Women's Rights	1,149,862	1,279,914
National Security	410,000	400,000
LGBT	6,570,092	6,335,238
Racial Justice	4,757,629	5,484,465
Southern Collective	11,332,431	3,072,537
Advocacy Institute	2,600,209	1,381,614
Defending Democracy	3,679,272	544,209
Other special projects	3,021,258	3,378,847
Total Special Projects	59,621,763	45,547,532
BORT and other endowments	4,418,180	4,227,258
Time-restricted gifts	10,982,125	2,204,924
Total Released from Restrictions	\$ 75,022,068	\$ 51,979,714



# American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidating Schedule of Financial Position

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March 31, 2024					
	Li	American Civil berties Union, undation, Inc.	915 15 <sup>th</sup> Street, LLC	Eliminations	Consolidated
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents Pledges, bequests, and contributions	\$	94,386,005	\$ 3,516	\$ -	\$ 94,389,521
receivable, net Investments, at fair value Other assets		34,868,568 666,246,483 3,188,683	23,808	- - -	34,868,568 666,246,483 3,212,491
Due from affiliates Due to the ACLU Foundation from the LLC Investment in the LLC		317,482 10,684,484 (4,058,712)	- - -	(10,684,484) 4,058,712	317,482
Right-of-use of assets, operating leases Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation		4,336,234		-	4,336,234
and amortization		18,624,758	6,608,852	-	25,233,610
Total Assets	\$	828,593,985	\$ 6,636,176	\$ (6,625,772)	\$ 828,604,389
Liabilities and Net Assets					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses Grants payable	\$	9,121,929 7,279,087	\$ 10,404	\$ -	\$ 9,132,333 7,279,087
Due to the ACLU Foundation Due to the American Civil Liberties Union, Inc.:		-	10,684,484	(10,684,484)	-
Allocated share of pension liability Due to the American Civil Liberties		208,650	-	-	208,650
Union, Inc., others		16,076,238	-	-	16,076,238
Due to affiliates Liabilities under split-interest		32,810,754	-	-	32,810,754
agreements Bill of Rights Trust held for affiliates		23,644,944 54,936,948	-	-	23,644,944 54,936,948
Lease liabilities, operating leases		4,403,240	-	-	4,403,240
Total Liabilities		148,481,790	10,694,888	(10,684,484)	148,492,194
Commitments and Contingencies					
Net Assets (Deficit) Net assets (deficit) without donor restrictions:					
Board-designated Undesignated		276,060,517 136,861,498	- (4,058,712)	- 4,058,712	276,060,517 136,861,498
Net Assets (Deficit) Without Donor Restrictions		412,922,015	(4,058,712)	4,058,712	412,922,015
Net assets with donor restrictions		267,190,180	 -	 <u>-</u>	 267,190,180
Total Net Assets (Deficit)		680,112,195	(4,058,712)	4,058,712	680,112,195
Total Liabilities and Net Assets (Deficit)	\$	828,593,985	\$ 6,636,176	\$ (6,625,772)	\$ 828,604,389

## **Consolidating Schedule of Activities**

Year ended March 31, 2024

	American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc.				915 15th Stre	et, LLC	Consolidated			
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	То	al	Without Donor Restrictions	Eliminations	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	
Operating Support and Revenue Support:	<b>.</b>	42.440.454	<b>.</b>	o <del>-</del> 4			<b>.</b> 404 FF2 042	<b>.</b>		
Grants, bequests, and contributions In-kind donated property Donated legal services	\$ 101,553,043 4,400,000 39,504,757	\$ 63,149,454 - -	\$ 164,702,4 4,400,0 39,504,7	00	; - \$ - -	- -	\$ 101,553,043 4,400,000 39,504,757	\$ 63,149,454 - -	5 164,702,497 4,400,000 39,504,757	
Total Support	145,457,800	63,149,454	208,607,2	54	-	-	145,457,800	63,149,454	208,607,254	
Revenue:	207.040		207.7	40	747.407	(204, 000)	747 455		747 455	
Rental income Merchandise and book sales Other income	396,049 598,066 493,375	- - -	396,0 598,0 493,3	66	717,106 - -	(396,000)	717,155 598,066 493,375	- - -	717,155 598,066 493,375	
Total Revenue	1,487,490	-	1,487,4	90	717,106	(396,000)	1,808,596	-	1,808,596	
Net assets released from restrictions	75,022,068	(75,022,068)		-	-	-	75,022,068	(75,022,068)	-	
Total Operating Support and Revenue	221,967,358	(11,872,614)	210,094,7	44	717,106	(396,000)	222,288,464	(11,872,614)	210,415,850	
Operating Expenses Program services:										
Legislative Legal	5,239,719 115,521,753	-	5,239,7 115,521,7		-	(3,098) (159,026)	5,236,621 115,362,727	-	5,236,621 115,362,727	
Public education	19,100,643	-	19,100,6		-	(35,604)	19,065,039	-	19,065,039	
Civil liberties policy formulation Affiliate support	1,804,754 62,757,437	-	1,804,7 62,757,4		-	(145) (41,610)	1,804,609 62,715,827	- -	1,804,609 62,715,827	
Total Program Services	204,424,306	-	204,424,3	06	-	(239,483)	204,184,823	-	204,184,823	
Supporting services:  Management and general  Fundraising	15,651,865 18,939,907	-	15,651,8 18,939,9		1,279,447	(85,446) (71,071)	16,845,866 18,868,836	- -	16,845,866 18,868,836	
Total Supporting Services	34,591,772	-	34,591,7	72	1,279,447	(156,517)	35,714,702	-	35,714,702	
Total Operating Expenses	239,016,078	-	239,016,0	78	1,279,447	(396,000)	239,899,525	-	239,899,525	
Change in Net Assets (Deficit), before non-operating activities	(17,048,720)	(11,872,614)	(28,921,3	34)	(562,341)	-	(17,611,061)	(11,872,614)	(29,483,675)	
Other Changes in Net Assets (Deficit) from Non-Operating Activities Legal awards, net Net investment income Changes in value of split interest agreements	7,009,067 49,088,122	15,740,064	7,009,0 64,828,1	86		- -	7,009,067 49,088,122	- 15,740,064 (2,267,843)	7,009,067 64,828,186	
Changes in value of split-interest agreements Net loss on investment in the LLC	(562,341)	(2,267,843)	(2,267,8 (562,3		-	- 562,341	-	(2,207,0 <del>4</del> 3) -	(2,267,843)	
Other components of postretirement benefit cost	(76,645)	-	(76,6		-	-	(76,645)	-	(76,645)	
Total Other Changes in Net Assets (Deficit) from Non-Operating Activities	55,458,203	13,472,221	68,930,4	24	-	562,341	56,020,544	13,472,221	69,492,765	
Change in Net Assets (Deficit)	38,409,483	1,599,607	40,009,0	90	(562,341)	562,341	38,409,483	1,599,607	40,009,090	
Net Assets (Deficit), beginning of year	374,512,532	265,590,573	640,103,1	05	(3,496,371)	3,496,371	374,512,532	265,590,573	640,103,105	
Net Assets (Deficit), end of year	\$ 412,922,015	\$ 267,190,180	\$ 680,112,1	95 \$	(4,058,712) \$	4,058,712	\$ 412,922,015	\$ 267,190,180	680,112,195	