

# **Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.**

## ***Report on Financial Statements***

***For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023***

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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees  
Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.  
Charleston, South Carolina

### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation"), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in 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. 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 within one year after the date of the financial statements are available to be issued.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, 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 audits, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.



Charleston, South Carolina  
September 13, 2024

# Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

## Statements of Financial Position

As of June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 928,579	\$ 159,517
Contributions receivable, net	3,166,561	3,515,966
Grant receivable, net	676,716	-
Prepaid expenses	19,636	37,129
Investments	16,707,146	14,250,854
Total assets	<u>\$ 21,498,638</u>	<u>\$ 17,963,466</u>
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 201,634	\$ 158,317
Total liabilities	<u>201,634</u>	<u>158,317</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		
Without donor restrictions	5,935,085	4,417,112
With donor restrictions	15,361,919	13,388,037
Total net assets	<u>21,297,004</u>	<u>17,805,149</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 21,498,638</u>	<u>\$ 17,963,466</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements

**Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.**
**Statements of Activities**
**For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023**

	2024			2023		
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
<b>Revenue, gains and other support</b>						
Contributions, net	\$ 125,377	\$ 959,394	\$ 1,084,771	\$ 194,781	\$ 736,174	\$ 930,955
Grants, net	-	1,110,000	1,110,000	-	243,500	243,500
Interest and dividends, net	18,340	57,637	75,977	495,772	211,449	707,221
Net unrealized and realized gains on investments	1,145,417	688,523	1,833,940	235,704	144,840	380,544
Special events, net	743,723	-	743,723	588,753	-	588,753
Subtotal	2,032,857	2,815,554	4,848,411	1,515,010	1,335,963	2,850,973
Net assets released from restrictions:						
Transfers of funds	(85,356)	85,356	-	(150,774)	150,774	-
Program/time restrictions satisfied	927,028	(927,028)	-	896,078	(896,078)	-
Total revenue, gains and other support	2,874,529	1,973,882	4,848,411	2,260,314	590,659	2,850,973
<b>Expenses</b>						
Program	1,027,884	-	1,027,884	923,347	-	923,347
Management and general	287,256	-	287,256	252,505	-	252,505
Fundraising	41,416	-	41,416	30,295	-	30,295
Total expenses	1,356,556	-	1,356,556	1,206,147	-	1,206,147
Change in net assets	1,517,973	1,973,882	3,491,855	1,054,167	590,659	1,644,826
<b>Net assets, beginning of year</b>	4,417,112	13,388,037	17,805,149	3,362,945	12,797,378	16,160,323
<b>Net assets, end of year</b>	\$ 5,935,085	\$ 15,361,919	\$ 21,297,004	\$ 4,417,112	\$ 13,388,037	\$ 17,805,149

**See Notes to Financial Statements**

# Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

## Statements of Cash Flows

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Change in net assets	\$ 3,491,855	\$ 1,644,826
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Net unrealized and realized gains on investments	(1,833,940)	(380,544)
Reinvestment of interest and dividends, net	(75,977)	(707,221)
Change in discount - contributions and grant receivables	(73,415)	(121,048)
Change in allowance - contributions receivable	-	(57,500)
Cash contributions and transfers of permanently restricted funds for endowments	(249,750)	(86,602)
Changes in accrued and deferred amounts:		
Contributions receivable	446,104	437,839
Grant receivable	(700,000)	-
Prepaid expenses	17,493	(4,039)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	43,317	23,983
Deferred revenue	-	(155,350)
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,065,687	594,344
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Proceeds from sale of investments	52,747	3,064,740
Purchases of investments	(599,122)	(4,329,515)
Net cash used for investing activities	(546,375)	(1,264,775)
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Cash contributions and transfers of permanently restricted funds for endowments	249,750	86,602
Net cash provided by financing activities	249,750	86,602
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	769,062	(583,829)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year</b>	159,517	743,346
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of year</b>	\$ 928,579	\$ 159,517

See Notes to Financial Statements



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## Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

### *Notes to Financial Statements*

*June 30, 2024 and 2023*

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#### **Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

##### *Nature of business:*

Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation"), a component unit of Trident Technical College (the "College"), was incorporated in July 1975 under the laws of South Carolina as an educational and charitable foundation. The mission of the Foundation is to advocate and raise funds for the College in support of the region's economy.

The Foundation is supported principally through contributions from individuals and corporations, grants, and earnings on investments.

##### *Basis of accounting:*

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC").

##### *Net assets:*

The Foundation's net assets are classified as follows:

**Net assets without donor restrictions** - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Foundation. These net assets may be used at the discretion of the Foundation's management and the board of directors.

**Net assets with donor restrictions** - Net assets that are subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by actions of the Foundation or by the passage of time (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished). Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

##### *Programs and services:*

**Student Scholarships** - The Foundation made 476 and 458 scholarship awards totaling \$466,717 and \$412,751 in the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Scholarships help offset the cost of tuition, fees, books, childcare and transportation for eligible students. The scholarship funds, supported by individuals, businesses, and other foundations, are competitive and based on criteria established by the donors and the Foundation. As of June 30, 2024, the Foundation administered a total of 152 scholarship funds, 46 of which are permanently restricted. As of June 30, 2023, the Foundation administered a total of 145 scholarship funds, 38 of which are permanently restricted.

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## Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

### Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2024 and 2023

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#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

##### Programs and services, continued:

**Tuition Assistance/Credit Course Reimbursement Program** - The Foundation provides partial financial support, up to an annually budgeted amount, for full-time permanent employees of the college to take credit or continuing education courses at the college or other accredited institutions of higher education. All programs are based on availability of funds. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, \$14,487 and \$6,869 were awarded as part of these professional development programs, respectively.

**Mini-Grants** - The mini-grant program provides funds to faculty and staff for equipment, materials and special resources to enhance student success. Priority is given to requests that directly impact student learning. The program is designed to enhance the learning experience of college students while bridging the gap between instructional needs and departmental budget constraints. Individual awards cannot exceed \$1,600 and are awarded based on a competitive application process. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, there were no mini-grants awarded.

**Student Urgent Needs Fund** - The Student Urgent Needs fund was created to assist students in good standing who experience an unforeseen financial emergency which would otherwise prevent them from continuing to attend the college. Students must meet all eligibility requirements and receive approval from the selection committee. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, \$9,694 and \$15,433 was awarded in student urgent needs funding assistance from the Foundation, respectively.

**Awards and Prizes** - The Foundation provides a variety of awards and prizes designed to celebrate outstanding achievements, innovation, and leadership among College students, faculty, and staff. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, \$9,300 and \$7,100 in awards and prizes were provided from the Foundation, respectively.

##### Revenue recognition:

In accordance with ASC 606, revenue is recognized upon the transfer of control of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration the Foundation expects to receive in exchange for those products or services. Contracts are analyzed with the following steps: (i) identify the contract with the customer; (ii) determine whether the promised goods or services are separate performance obligations in the contract; (iii) determine the transaction price, including considering the constraint on variable consideration; (iv) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract based on the standalone selling price or estimated standalone selling price of the good or service; and (v) recognize revenue when (or as) each performance obligation is satisfied.

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## Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

### Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2024 and 2023

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#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

##### Revenue recognition, continued:

A performance obligation is a promise in a contract to transfer a distinct good or service to the customer and is the unit of account in ASC 606. Revenue is allocated to each performance obligation as the related performance obligation is satisfied, if applicable, as noted below.

**Contributions/Grants** - Contributions and grants that are with or without donor restrictions are earned and recognized when the donation is received or unconditionally pledged, as long as there is no performance requirement attached to the contribution or grant. In the instance where there is a performance obligation attached to the contribution or grant, the portion that is attached to a performance requirement is recorded as deferred revenue until it is earned when the performance requirement is met, while the portion that is considered to be a contribution or grant is recorded as revenue when received or unconditionally pledged.

Contributions and grants received are recorded as support without donor restrictions or support with donor restrictions, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the Statements of Activities as net assets released from restrictions.

**Special events revenue** - Special events revenue is recorded and recognized on the day of the event at a point in time. Any payment received before the event (tickets and sponsorship) is recorded as advanced deposits and released at the time of the event. Special events revenue is shown net of expenses. Expenses were \$237,907 and \$221,357 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

There was no deferred revenue as of June 30, 2024 and 2023. Deferred revenue, which consisted of deposits for future special events, was \$155,350 as of June 30, 2022.

##### Cash and cash equivalents:

The Foundation considers all unrestricted highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents, except cash temporarily held in its long-term investment portfolio, which is excluded.

##### Availability of funds for general expenditures:

The Foundation has certain net assets that are available for general expenditures within one year of June 30, 2024 and 2023 based on conducting the normal activities of its programs in the coming year. Accordingly, the related resources have been included in the quantitative information detailing the assets available to meet general expenditures within one year (See Note 2).

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## Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

### *Notes to Financial Statements*

*June 30, 2024 and 2023*

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#### **Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued**

##### *Contributions and grant receivables:*

Contributions and grant receivables are recognized as revenues in the period pledged and as assets, decreases of liabilities, or expenses depending on the form of the benefits received. Conditional contributions and grant receivables are recognized only when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met and the receivables become unconditional.

The Foundation uses the allowance method to account for uncollectible contributions and grant receivables. The allowance is based on management's estimate of the collectability of the receivables and historical experience. The allowance as of June 30, 2024 and 2023 is \$5,000 for contributions receivable. There is no allowance for the the grant receivable as of June 30, 2024.

Contributions and grant receivables are recorded at the net present value of their estimated future cash flows (i.e., net of a present value discount), using a discount rate of 3.25%.

##### *Investments:*

Investments in marketable equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are carried at fair market value. Investment income or loss (including gains and losses on investment, interest, and dividends) is included in the Statements of Activities as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions, unless the income or loss is specifically restricted by donor or law.

Unrealized gain or loss on marketable securities is the difference between fair value and cost of investments held at the measurement date. Gains and losses on sales of marketable securities are determined on the trade date using the specific identification method.

Investment income is reported net of related expenses, such as investment management fees, custodial fees and interest expense on investment borrowings. Interest income is recognized as earned. Dividends are recognized on the ex-dividend date.

##### *Investment pools:*

The Foundation maintains master investment accounts for its individual accounts. Realized and unrealized gains and losses and income from securities in the master investment accounts are allocated periodically to the individual accounts based on the relationship of the market value of each individual account to the total market value of the master investment accounts, as adjusted for additions to or deductions from those accounts. Allocated investment income and gains/losses with restrictions based on original donation are reported as increases/decreases in net assets with donor restrictions in the Statements of Activities.

##### *Property and equipment:*

Property and equipment purchased by the Foundation for use by the College is donated to the College for insurance and control purposes. These items are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase. The Foundation had no property and equipment as of June 30, 2024 or 2023.

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## Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

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#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

##### Contributed nonfinancial assets:

Contributed nonfinancial assets are recognized as revenue with or without donor restrictions. Nonfinancial assets can include fixed assets (such as land, buildings, and equipment), use of fixed assets or utilities, materials and supplies, intangible assets, and services. The Foundation measures and reports contributions of nonfinancial assets at the estimated fair value in the financial statements. No contributions of nonfinancial assets were recorded for the years ended June 30, 2024 or 2023.

Donated services are recognized as contributions at their estimated fair value in accordance with GAAP, if the services (a) create or enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are performed by people with those skills, and would otherwise be purchased by the Foundation. The Foundation benefits from the work of many volunteers, but their services did not meet the required criteria to be recorded. Accordingly, no donated services were recorded for the years ended June 30, 2024 or 2023.

##### Endowment funds:

During the year ended June 30, 2009, South Carolina adopted the State Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("SPMIFA"). The Board of Trustees of the Foundation has interpreted SPMIFA as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Foundation classifies as net assets with donor restrictions subject to perpetual restrictions (a) the original value of the gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of the subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in net assets with donor restrictions subject to perpetual restrictions is classified as net assets with donor restrictions subject to passage of time and specific purpose until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Foundation in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by SPMIFA.

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

1. The duration and preservation of the fund
2. The purposes of the Foundation and the donor-restricted endowment fund
3. General economic conditions
4. The possible effect of inflation and deflation
5. The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments
6. Other resources of the Foundation
7. The investment policies of the Foundation

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## Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

### Notes to Financial Statements

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#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

##### Endowment funds, continued:

**Return Objectives and Risk Parameters** - The Foundation has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to maximize returns within reasonable and prudent levels of risk while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Foundation must hold in perpetuity or for a donor-specified period as well as board-designated funds. Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Trustees, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield results of the S&P 500 index or similar established broad market measures of return on investments. Overall, the Foundation expects the annual average rate of return to meet or exceed the spending policy of 4 percent.

**Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives** - To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Foundation relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Foundation targets a diversified asset allocation that places an emphasis on equity-based investments, real estate investment trusts, bond funds and real estate asset funds to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

**Spending Policy and How the Investment Objectives Relate to Spending Policy** - The Foundation has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year 4% of its endowment fund's rolling average fair value over the five years preceding the fiscal year in which the distribution is planned. In establishing this policy, the Foundation considered the long-term expected return on its endowment. Accordingly, over the long term, the Foundation expects the current spending policy to allow its endowment to grow at an average of five to eight percent annually. This is consistent with the Foundation's objective to seek long-term growth of capital to maintain the purchasing power of the investment assets in perpetuity and to meet the needs of the Foundation's distribution policy.

##### Use of estimates:

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

Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change relate to the determinations of the allowance for uncollectible pledges and fair value of investments. It is at least reasonably possible that a change in these estimates will occur in the near term.

##### Transfers and releases of net assets:

Transfers or releases are made between net assets with donor restrictions and without donor restrictions when a donor requests that his past donations be redirected for specific purposes, when restrictions expire, or when cash is received for contributions receivable. Any transfers or releases are reported on the Statements of Activities when they occur.

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## Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

### *Notes to Financial Statements*

*June 30, 2024 and 2023*

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#### **Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued**

##### *Income taxes:*

The Foundation is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRC. However, any income from activities not directly related to the Foundation's tax-exempt purpose would be subject to taxation as unrelated business income. In addition, the Foundation qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170(b)(1)(A) and has been classified as an organization that is not a private foundation under Section 509(a). Tax exempt status arises from the fact that the Foundation's sole reason for existence is as a support organization for the College.

GAAP prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. GAAP also provides guidance on derecognition of tax benefits, classification on the balance sheet, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, and disclosure.

Management evaluated the Foundation's tax positions and concluded that the Foundation has taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements to comply with the provisions of this guidance for the years ended June 30, 2024 or 2023. The Foundation's policy is to report accrued interest related to unrecognized tax benefits, when applicable, as interest income and to report penalties as other expense. With few exceptions, the Foundation is no longer subject to income tax examinations by the U.S. federal, state, or local tax authorities for fiscal years ended before June 30, 2021.

##### *Expense allocation:*

The costs of providing various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the Statements of Activities and in Note 12. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

Expenses of the Foundation include:

**Program expenses** - Program expenses include support for the College.

**Management and general expenses** - Management and general expenses include the general, administrative, and operating costs of the Foundation.

**Fundraising expenses** - These expenses include direct and indirect activities undertaken to solicit contributions from donors.

The financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributable to more than one program or supporting function. Therefore, these expenses require allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. The expenses that are allocated and the method of allocation include:

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**Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.****Notes to Financial Statements****June 30, 2024 and 2023**

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**Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued***Expense allocation, continued:*

The financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributable to more than one program or supporting function. Therefore, these expenses require allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. The expenses that are allocated and the method of allocation include:

<u><b>Expense Type</b></u>	<u><b>Method of Allocation</b></u>
Administrative services and facilities reimbursements	Time and effort
Other expenses	Direct costs to general/administrative and fundraising

*Recently adopted and issued accounting pronouncements:*

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-13, *Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, which created a new credit impairment standard for financial assets measured at amortized cost and certain other instruments. The ASU required these financial assets to be presented at the net amount expected to be collected, through an allowance for credit losses that are expected to occur over the remaining life of the asset, rather than incurred losses. The ASU required that credit losses be presented as an allowance rather than as a direct write-down. The measurement of credit losses for newly recognized financial assets and subsequent changes in the allowance for credit losses are recorded in the Statement of Activities as the amounts expected to be collected change. The Foundation adopted ASU 2016-13 with a date of initial application of July 1, 2023, and adoption of the ASU did not have a material effect on the financial statements.

There are other accounting standards that have been issued or proposed by the FASB or other standards-setting bodies are not expected to have a material impact on the Foundation's net assets or changes in net assets.

*Reclassifications:*

Certain items in the financial statements have been reclassified to be consistent with the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no impact on previously reported net income, net assets or cash flows.

*Subsequent events:*

In preparing these financial statements, the Foundation has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through September 13, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.



## Trident Technical College Foundation, Inc.

### Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2024 and 2023

#### Note 2. Availability and Liquidity

Assets available for general expenditure, that are without donor or other restrictions limiting their use within one year of the Statements of Financial Position date of June 30, 2024 and 2023, are comprised of the following at June 30:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets at year-end	\$ 21,498,638	\$ 17,963,466
Less amounts not available to be used within one year due to liquidity:		
Contributions receivable, net – due after one year	(2,432,801)	(2,823,982)
Grant receivable, net – due after one year	(476,716)	-
Prepaid expenses	(19,636)	(37,129)
Illiquid investments	<u>(488,084)</u>	<u>(470,121)</u>
	<u>(3,417,237)</u>	<u>(3,331,232)</u>
Less amounts not available to be used within one year due to:		
Donor designations:		
Endowed funds, net of spendable amounts and administrative fees	<u>(6,182,844)</u>	<u>(5,290,549)</u>
Assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year	<u>\$ 11,898,557</u>	<u>\$ 9,811,806</u>

As part of its liquidity plan, the Foundation has a policy to structure its assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities and other obligations become due. The Foundation invests excess cash in short-term investments, including money market accounts, and has the ability to redeem certain investments as necessary to meet its obligations.

#### Note 3. Contributions and Grant Receivables, Net

The Foundation has recognized contributions receivable to be collected as follows as of June 30:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Receivable in less than one year	\$ 703,760	\$ 693,323
Receivable in one to five years	2,021,833	2,108,046
Receivable in more than five years	<u>825,000</u>	<u>1,195,328</u>
	3,550,593	3,996,697
Less: allowance	(5,000)	(5,000)
Less: discount to net present value	<u>(379,032)</u>	<u>(475,731)</u>
Net contributions receivable	<u>\$ 3,166,561</u>	<u>\$ 3,515,966</u>

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**Note 3. Contributions and Grant Receivables, Net, Continued**

The Foundation has recognized a grant receivable to be collected as follows as of June 30, 2024:

Receivable in less than one year	\$ 200,000
Receivable in one to five years	<u>500,000</u>
	700,000
Less: discount to net present value	<u>(23,284)</u>
Net grants receivable	<u>\$ 676,716</u>

There were no grants receivable recognized for the year ended June 30, 2023. The discount to net present value for both contributions and grant receivables was calculated using the interest rate of 3.25% as of June 30, 2024 and 2023. There were no bad debts recorded for the years ended June 30, 2024 or 2023.

**Note 4. Investments**

Investments are comprised of the following at June 30, 2024:

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Money market funds	\$ 1,608,053	\$ 1,608,053
Fixed income		
Government obligations	951,008	927,362
Corporate obligations	751,371	727,176
Equities		
Domestic mutual funds	2,357,773	2,549,006
International mutual funds	1,208,745	1,217,715
Other individual equities	3,541,762	6,259,415
Alternative investment funds	1,688,083	1,740,856
Real estate asset funds/REITs	<u>1,968,105</u>	<u>1,677,563</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 14,074,900</u>	<u>\$ 16,707,146</u>

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#### Note 4. Investments, Continued

Investments are comprised of the following at June 30, 2023:

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Money market funds	\$ 829,059	\$ 829,059
Fixed income		
Government obligations	1,865,229	1,836,100
Corporate obligations	485,349	446,194
Domestic mutual funds	189,596	188,752
International mutual funds	536,337	421,443
Equities		
Domestic mutual funds	2,139,106	2,129,911
International mutual funds	991,765	910,484
Other individual equities	3,491,948	5,035,342
Alternative investment funds	702,588	509,075
Real estate asset funds/REITs	<u>2,151,296</u>	<u>1,944,494</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 13,382,273</u>	<u>\$ 14,250,854</u>

Investment gains are comprised of the following for the years ended June 30:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Interest and dividends	\$ 130,743	\$ 758,585
Investment fees	<u>(54,766)</u>	<u>(51,364)</u>
Interest and dividends, net	<u>75,977</u>	<u>707,221</u>
Realized gains, net	70,275	175,680
Unrealized gains, net	<u>1,763,665</u>	<u>204,864</u>
Net unrealized and realized gains	<u>1,833,940</u>	<u>380,544</u>
Net investment gain	<u>\$ 1,909,917</u>	<u>\$ 1,087,765</u>

The Foundation believes, based on industry analyst reports and credit ratings, that the decrease in value is attributable to changes in market rates and is not in the credit quality of the issuer and, therefore, these losses are not considered other-than-temporary.

#### Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Foundation adopted *Fair Value Measurements* which provides a framework for measuring and disclosing fair value under GAAP. *Fair Value Measurements* requires disclosures about the fair value of assets and liabilities recognized in the Statements of Financial Position in periods subsequent to initial recognition, whether the measurements are made on a recurring basis (for example, available-for-sale investment securities) or on a nonrecurring basis (for example, impaired loans).

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#### Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments, Continued

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

- Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Foundation has the ability to access.
- Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.
- Level 3: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at June 30, 2024 or 2023.

*Money market funds (level 1)* - Valued at the settled balances as reported by the custodian in which the assets are held.

*Individual equities, equity and fixed income mutual funds, REITs (level 1)* - Valued at year end closing prices readily available in the active markets in which those securities are traded.

*Real estate asset funds (level 3)* - Valued at the NAV of units held by the Foundation at year end using the fair value of the fund provided by the external investment manager, which has been estimated using factors such as the financial condition of each investee, economic and market conditions affecting their operations, recent arm's-length transactions involving securities of the investee, the value of similar securities issued by companies in the same or similar businesses, and limited marketability of the portfolio.

*Fixed income (level 2)* - (Includes government bonds and securities, as well as corporate bonds) - Valued using pricing models maximizing the use of observable inputs for similar securities. This includes basing value on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings.

*Investment partnerships and limited liability companies* - Value is determined by the General Partner in accordance with the partnership agreement. The General Partner estimates the fair value of the Fund's investments in investment funds on the basis of the net asset value ("NAV") per share of the investment (or its equivalent), as a practical expedient, wherever the underlying investment manager's calculation of NAV is fair value based.

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### Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments, Continued

The tables below present the balances of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis by level within the hierarchy at June 30:

	2024			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money market funds	\$ 1,608,053	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,608,053
Fixed income				
Government obligations	-	927,362	-	927,362
Corporate obligations	-	727,176	-	727,176
	-	1,654,538	-	1,654,538
Equities				
Domestic mutual funds	2,549,006	-	-	2,549,006
International mutual funds	1,217,715	-	-	1,217,715
Other individual equities	6,259,415	-	-	6,259,415
	10,026,136	-	-	10,026,136
Real estate assets funds/REITs	1,007,778	-	669,785	1,677,563
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$ 12,641,967	\$ 1,654,538	\$ 669,785	14,966,290
Investments measured at NAV*				1,740,856
Total assets at fair value				\$ 16,707,146

	2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money market funds	\$ 829,059	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 829,059
Fixed income				
Government obligations	-	1,836,100	-	1,836,100
Corporate obligations	-	446,194	-	446,194
Domestic mutual funds	188,752	-	-	188,752
International mutual funds	421,443	-	-	421,443
	610,195	2,282,294	-	2,892,489
Equities				
Domestic mutual funds	2,129,911	-	-	2,129,911
International mutual funds	910,484	-	-	910,484
Other individual equities	5,035,342	-	-	5,035,342
	8,075,737	-	-	8,075,737
Real estate assets funds/REITs	1,198,867	-	745,627	1,944,494
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$ 10,713,858	\$ 2,282,294	\$ 745,627	13,741,779
Investments measured at NAV*				509,075
Total assets at fair value				\$ 14,250,854

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#### Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments, Continued

(\*) Certain investments that were measured at NAV per share or its equivalent have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

The activity for Level 3 financial instruments for the years ended June 30 is as follows:

	<u>Real Estate Asset Funds</u>
Fair value as of June 30, 2022	\$ 806,927
Net realized/unrealized losses	<u>(61,300)</u>
Fair value as of June 30, 2023	745,627
Net realized/unrealized losses	<u>(75,842)</u>
Fair value as of June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 669,785</u>

#### Note 6. Net Asset Value Per Share

The valuation method for investments measured at the net asset value (NAV) per share, or equivalent, is presented in the table below as of June 30, 2024 and 2023.

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>			
<u>Investment</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unfunded Commitment</u>	<u>Redemption Frequency</u>	<u>Redemption Notice Period</u>
Stepstone Private Markets Class I (c)	\$ 1,252,773	\$ -	Quarterly	Quarterly
NB Crossroads Private Markets Fund V Advisory LP (b)	208,437	52,500	No redemptions permitted	
NB Crossroads Private Markets Fund VI Advisory LP (b)	<u>279,647</u>	<u>63,000</u>	No redemptions permitted	
	<u>\$ 1,740,856</u>	<u>\$ 115,500</u>		

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### Note 6. Net Asset Value Per Share, Continued

<u>Investment</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>			
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unfunded Commitment</u>	<u>Redemption Frequency</u>	<u>Redemption Notice Period</u>
Corbin Multi Strategy Fund LLC (a)	\$ 38,954	\$ -	Fund in liquidation status and no redemptions permitted	
NB Crossroads Private Markets Fund V Advisory LP (b)	205,281	52,500	No redemptions permitted	
NB Crossroads Private Markets Fund VI Advisory LP (b)	<u>264,840</u>	<u>72,000</u>	No redemptions permitted	
	<u>\$ 509,075</u>	<u>\$ 124,500</u>		

- a. Corbin Multi Strategy Fund LLC consists of investments in a diversified portfolio of securities and other financial instruments. The fund's investment objective includes allocating its capital among various hedge funds that consists of mostly investment funds and some direct investments. Effective April 1, 2022, the plans for liquidation of the fund were approved by the fund's Board.
- b. NB Crossroads Private Markets Fund V Advisory LP and NB Crossroads Private Markets Fund VI Advisory LP consist of direct investments in the equity of private companies and/or debt securities of operating companies and other credit instruments, private equity funds, newly formed portfolio funds, publicly listed private equity investments, and investments in business development companies.
- c. Stepstone Private Market Class I consists of investments in a diversified portfolio of private market assets across private equity, private debt, and real assets to achieve its objective of long-term capital appreciation and providing current income.

### Note 7. Concentration of Credit Risk

The Foundation maintains its cash accounts at a local financial institution. Cash accounts are guaranteed in aggregate by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") up to \$250,000 per institution. From time to time, cash balances may exceed FDIC insured limits.

The Foundation maintains its investments at one brokerage firm. Accounts maintained at the brokerage firm are insured up to \$500,000 for securities, including a limit of \$250,000 on claims for cash, under the Securities Investor Protection Corporation ("SIPC"). At June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation did not have additional coverage on amounts above the limits.

Management believes that the Foundation's investments do not represent significant concentrations of market risk. The Foundation's investment portfolio is adequately diversified among issuers and management believes that the Foundation has the ability to hold its investment portfolio during periods of temporary market decline.

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**Note 7. Concentration of Credit Risk, Continued**

The Foundation is also subject to concentration of credit risk related to its contributions since most donors are in the coastal South Carolina area. This risk is limited due to the large number of contributors comprising the Foundation's contributor base.

**Note 8. Endowments**

The Foundation's endowment consists of approximately 50 individual funds established for academic scholarships, grants, and other academic purposes as stipulated by donors. Net assets with donor restrictions subject to perpetual restrictions consist of the portion of perpetual endowment funds that are required to be retained permanently either by explicit donor stipulation or by SPMIFA.

The Foundation includes as net assets with donor restrictions subject to perpetual restrictions (a) the original value of the cash gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of the subsequent cash gifts to the permanent endowment and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The net assets subject to passage of time and specific purposes portion of perpetual endowment funds have purpose restrictions for the academic scholarships, grants, and other academic purposes as stipulated by donors. There are no funds designated by the Board of Trustees to function as endowments. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

A donor-restricted endowment fund is considered to be underwater if the fair value of the fund is less than either the original gift amount required to be maintained by the donor or by law. At times, the Foundation may have individual donor-restricted endowment funds that are underwater. The Foundation has a policy that permits spending from underwater funds depending on the degree to which the fund is underwater, unless specifically prohibited by the donor or relevant laws and regulations. There were no funds considered to be underwater at June 30, 2024 or 2023.

The following depicts the net asset composition of the institutional endowment funds by type of fund as of the years ended June 30:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Donor restricted endowment funds:		
Temporary position	\$ 3,009,135	\$ 2,351,891
Perpetual position	<u>3,371,954</u>	<u>3,122,399</u>
Total donor restricted endowment funds	<u>\$ 6,381,089</u>	<u>\$ 5,474,290</u>



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### Note 8. Endowments, Continued

The following depicts the changes in endowments for the years ended June 30:

	2024		
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ 5,474,920	\$ 5,474,920
Investment returns:			
Investment income, net	-	57,637	57,637
Realized/unrealized gains	-	688,523	688,523
Total investment returns	-	746,160	746,160
Contributions, net cash basis	-	165,755	165,755
Transfers	-	129,587	129,587
Release of restrictions	135,333	(135,333)	-
Board approved withdrawals, net	(135,333)	-	(135,333)
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$ -	\$ 6,381,089	\$ 6,381,089

  

	2023		
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ 4,992,970	\$ 4,992,970
Investment returns:			
Investment income, net	-	211,449	211,449
Realized/unrealized gains	-	130,324	130,324
Total investment returns	-	341,773	341,773
Contributions, net cash basis	-	94,221	94,221
Transfers	-	183,288	183,288
Release of restrictions	137,332	(137,332)	-
Board approved withdrawals, net	(137,332)	-	(137,332)
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$ -	\$ 5,474,920	\$ 5,474,920

In addition to the endowed funds above, the Foundation invests additional funds with and without donor restrictions. A reconciliation of the endowment to total investments per the Statements of Financial Position is as follows at June 30:

	2024	2023
Investments held outside the endowment for funds with or without donor restrictions	\$ 10,326,057	\$ 8,776,564
Investments held for the endowment	6,381,089	5,474,290
	<u>\$ 16,707,146</u>	<u>\$ 14,250,854</u>

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**Note 9. Net Assets with Donor Restrictions**

The Foundation has net assets with donor restrictions comprised of the following at June 30:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Subject to expenditures for specific purpose:		
Scholarships and grants	\$ 8,101,560	\$ 6,739,672
Subject to passage of time:		
For years after June 30	264,348	313,324
Subject to passage of time and specific purposes:		
Scholarships and grants for years after June 30	925,132	249,055
Aeronautical training center fund for years after June 30	2,658,797	2,963,587
Subject to perpetual restrictions:		
Scholarships and grants	<u>3,412,082</u>	<u>3,122,399</u>
Total net assets with donor restrictions	<u>\$ 15,361,919</u>	<u>\$ 13,388,037</u>

**Note 10. Related Parties**

The Foundation received \$191,750 and \$307,496 in contributions and pledge payments from members of its Board of Trustees for years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The outstanding balance of contributions receivable from its Board members at June 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$16,600 and \$33,000, respectively.

At June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Foundation owed the College \$176,577 and \$137,832, respectively, as reimbursement for expenses paid by the College. These amounts are included in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the Statements of Financial Position.

**Note 11. Cooperative Agreement**

In April 2017, the Foundation entered into a revised cooperative agreement with the College signed by the Chairman of the College's governing board and the Chairman of the Foundation's board. This agreement can be terminated by either party with a six month written notice. The agreement is intended to preserve the status of the Foundation as an independent contractor and does not create any agency relationship between the Foundation and the College.

The Foundation has agreed to reimburse the College for office space, personnel, and other related expenses, with annual adjustments. Reimbursements were \$89,765 and \$88,232 in the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The Foundation also provides a stipend to supplement the salary of the President of the College. In fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, stipends totaled \$122,694 in each year.

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**Note 12. Expense Allocation**

General and administrative expenses include those expenses that are not identifiable with any other specific function but provide for the overall support and direction of the Foundation. Grants to the College are for scholarships, enrichment activities, equipment, and other academic programs.

<b>For the Year Ended June 30, 2024</b>				
	<b>Programs</b>	<b>General and Administrative</b>	<b>Fundraising</b>	<b>Total</b>
Scholarships and grants	\$ 643,049	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 643,049
Other program expenses	241,203	-	-	241,203
Stipend	122,694	-	-	122,694
Professional services	-	132,250	-	132,250
Administrative services and facilities reimbursements	20,938	28,809	40,018	89,765
Other expenses	-	57,632	1,398	59,030
Meals and meetings	-	41,880	-	41,880
Bank charges	-	10,584	-	10,584
Lobbying	-	8,994	-	8,994
Director/officer liability insurance	-	7,107	-	7,107
Total	<u>\$ 1,027,884</u>	<u>\$ 287,256</u>	<u>\$ 41,416</u>	<u>\$ 1,356,556</u>

<b>For the Year Ended June 30, 2023</b>				
	<b>Programs</b>	<b>General and Administrative</b>	<b>Fundraising</b>	<b>Total</b>
Scholarships and grants	\$ 573,688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 573,688
Other program expenses	206,072	-	-	206,072
Stipend	122,694	-	-	122,694
Professional services	-	106,000	-	106,000
Administrative services and facilities reimbursements	20,893	38,588	28,751	88,232
Meals and meeting	-	41,461	-	41,461
Other expenses	-	31,785	1,544	33,329
Bank charges	-	14,837	-	14,837
Lobbying	-	11,501	-	11,501
Director/officer liability insurance	-	7,078	-	7,078
President's meeting	-	1,255	-	1,255
Total	<u>\$ 923,347</u>	<u>\$ 252,505</u>	<u>\$ 30,295</u>	<u>\$ 1,206,147</u>