Financial Statements Together with Report of Independent Public Accountants

For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

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DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

To the Board of Trustees American Kidney Fund, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of American Kidney Fund, Inc. (AKF) (a District of Columbia corporation), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of AKF as of December 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 AKF 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 controls 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 AKF's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.



Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal controls 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 AKF's internal controls. 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 AKF'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 controls—related matters that we identified during the audit.

Owings Mills, Maryland April 10, 2025

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Statements of Financial Position As of December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 130,678,653	\$ 124,491,320
Contributions receivable, net	3,101,781	2,094,976
Other assets	867,812	661,014
Total current assets	134,648,246	127,247,310
LONG-TERM ASSETS		
Investments	32,852,720	29,533,360
Right of use asset - operating	6,262,851	1,322,988
Other assets, net of current portion	1,004,015	888,560
Property and equipment, net	775,339	899,540
Total long-term assets	40,894,925	32,644,448
Total Assets	\$ 175,543,171	\$ 159,891,758
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued expenses Lease liability - operating Annuities payable Total current liabilities LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	\$ 3,285,491 569,045 5,826 3,860,362	\$ 3,126,676 700,626 5,738 3,833,040
Lease liability - operating, net of current portion	5,693,806	622,362
Other liabilities	948,972	909,733
Annuities payable, net of current portion	125,778	128,576
Total long-term liabilities	6,768,556	1,660,671
Total liabilities	10,628,918	5,493,711
NET ASSETS		
Without donor restrictions:		
Undesignated	83,037,350	73,890,113
Board-designated	75,443,000	74,831,000
Total without donor restrictions	158,480,350	148,721,113
With donor-restrictions:	6,433,903	5,676,934
Total net assets	164,914,253	154,398,047
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 175,543,171	\$ 159,891,758

Statements of Activities For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

		2024		2023				
	ithout Donor Restrictions	ith Donor estrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions				Total
OPERATING REVENUES, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT	 							
Contributions	\$ 281,816,632	\$ 7,762,279	\$ 289,578,911	\$ 337,843,617	\$	6,639,510	\$	344,483,127
Planned giving	3,878,950	-	3,878,950	2,685,316		-		2,685,316
Nonfinancial contributions - services	906,510	-	906,510	951,422		-		951,422
Special events, net of direct benefit donor costs of								
\$608,758 and \$617,106, respectively	1,092,648	-	1,092,648	792,976		-		792,976
Special programs	261,759	62,591	324,350	367,579		118,385		485,964
Mailing list rental	115,242	-	115,242	80,869		-		80,869
Satisfaction of program restrictions	7,070,098	(7,070,098)	_	6,191,939		(6,191,939)		-
Total operating revenues, gains, and other support	 295,141,839	754,772	295,896,611	348,913,718		565,956		349,479,674
OPERATING EXPENSES								
Direct patient aid	261,697,470	_	261,697,470	256,621,363		-		256,621,363
Education, advocacy, and outreach	19,290,593	-	19,290,593	16,283,822		-		16,283,822
Research	445,293	-	445,293	363,791		-		363,791
Fundraising	8,184,582	_	8,184,582	7,390,366		-		7,390,366
Management and general	4,052,310	_	4,052,310	3,746,486		-		3,746,486
Total operating expenses	 293,670,248	 -	 293,670,248	284,405,828		-		284,405,828
Contributions designated by Board for patient assistance programs	 (612,000)		 (612,000)	(57,292,000)				(57,292,000)
EXCESS OF OPERATING REVENUES, GAINS,								
AND OTHER SUPPORT OVER OPERATING EXPENSES	859,591	754,772	1,614,363	7,215,890		565,956		7,781,846
Investment return, net	8,287,646	2,197	8,289,843	5,602,919		1,666		5,604,585
Contributions designated by Board for patient assistance programs	 612,000	 	 612,000	57,292,000				57,292,000
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	9,759,237	756,969	10,516,206	70,110,809		567,622		70,678,431
Net Assets - beginning of year	 148,721,113	5,676,934	154,398,047	78,610,304		5,109,312		83,719,616
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 158,480,350	\$ 6,433,903	\$ 164,914,253	\$ 148,721,113	\$	5,676,934	\$	154,398,047

Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2024, With Comparable Totals for 2023

		Program	Servi	ees			Supporting Services					_		
	Direct Patient Aid	Education, Advocacy, and Outreach	R	esearch	Total Program Services	F	undraising		anagement nd General	s	Total upporting Services	Total Expenses	2023 Total Expenses	
EXPENSES														
Grants and awards	\$ 256,466,358	\$ -	\$	347,944	\$ 256,814,302	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 256,814,302	\$ 252,025,800	
Salaries and related benefits	3,356,141	7,850,202		78,126	11,284,469		2,714,932		3,421,542		6,136,474	17,420,943	15,435,278	
Professional fees	222,708	4,626,928		4,415	4,854,051		1,353,497		144,853		1,498,350	6,352,401	5,498,628	
Advertising and promotion	1,302	2,812,595		26	2,813,923		650,509		849		651,358	3,465,281	2,542,979	
Printing	348	810,971		3	811,322		1,371,200		114		1,371,314	2,182,636	2,103,893	
IT related costs	711,273	747,816		6,988	1,466,077		280,729		229,281		510,010	1,976,087	1,452,620	
Postage and shipping	253	536,145		-	536,398		1,005,847		-		1,005,847	1,542,245	1,320,295	
Conferences, meetings, and travel	49,811	502,272		737	552,820		180,309		24,171		204,480	757,300	685,259	
Other outside services	518,659	119,919		13	638,591		69,840		424		70,264	708,855	616,912	
Depreciation	140,687	292,392		2,794	435,873		96,328		91,694		188,022	623,895	533,527	
Occupancy	121,888	253,322		2,421	377,631		83,457		79,442		162,899	540,530	873,799	
Office expenses	74,156	162,009		1,470	237,635		56,286		48,251		104,537	342,172	376,738	
Fairs and exhibits	13,593	317,081		71	330,745		14,417		2,322		16,739	347,484	379,597	
Mailing list rental	-	85,584		-	85,584		180,817		-		180,817	266,401	248,812	
Data processing	5,049	53,572		100	58,721		96,507		3,291		99,798	158,519	152,066	
Dues and subscriptions	7,926	114,966		157	123,049		28,951		5,166		34,117	157,166	142,433	
Telephone	7,318	4,819		28	12,165		956		910		1,866	14,031	15,650	
Loss on disposal of equipment				-			_		-		-		1,542	
Total Functional Expenses	\$ 261,697,470	\$ 19,290,593	\$	445,293	\$ 281,433,356	\$	8,184,582	\$	4,052,310	\$	12,236,892	293,670,248	284,405,828	
Direct benefit to donor costs												608,758	617,106	
Total Expenses												\$ 294,279,006	\$ 285,022,934	

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

		Program	Services		S			
	Direct Patient Aid	Education, Advocacy, and Outreach	Research	Total Program Services	Fundraising	Management and General	Total Supporting Services	Total Expenses
EXPENSES								
Grants and awards	\$ 251,745,800	\$ -	\$ 280,000	\$ 252,025,800	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 252,025,800
Salaries and related benefits	3,217,093	6,488,321	66,956	9,772,370	2,450,140	3,212,768	5,662,908	15,435,278
Professional fees	158,012	3,821,755	2,661	3,982,428	1,427,839	88,361	1,516,200	5,498,628
Advertising and promotion	3,465	2,289,613	818	2,293,896	247,145	1,938	249,083	2,542,979
Printing	1,131	802,477	19	803,627	1,299,633	633	1,300,266	2,103,893
IT related costs	531,034	517,696	4,842	1,053,572	238,282	160,766	399,048	1,452,620
Postage and shipping	-	434,659	-	434,659	885,636	-	885,636	1,320,295
Conferences, meetings, and travel	44,415	501,266	659	546,340	117,052	21,867	138,919	685,259
Other outside services	441,582	86,968	7	528,557	88,117	238	88,355	616,912
Depreciation	135,322	228,049	2,279	365,650	92,204	75,673	167,877	533,527
Occupancy	221,628	373,493	3,733	598,854	151,010	123,935	274,945	873,799
Office expenses	85,885	160,940	1,441	248,266	80,646	47,826	128,472	376,738
Fairs and exhibits	11,080	337,361	60	348,501	29,093	2,003	31,096	379,597
Mailing list rental	-	84,173	-	84,173	164,639	-	164,639	248,812
Data processing	5,797	53,481	98	59,376	89,448	3,242	92,690	152,066
Dues and subscriptions	10,656	97,717	179	108,552	27,924	5,957	33,881	142,433
Telephone	8,072	5,194	32	13,298	1,292	1,060	2,352	15,650
Loss on disposal of equipment	391	659	7	1,057	266	219	485	1,542
Total Functional Expenses	\$ 256,621,363	\$ 16,283,822	\$ 363,791	\$ 273,268,976	\$ 7,390,366	\$ 3,746,486	\$ 11,136,852	284,405,828

Direct benefit to donor costs

Total Expenses

\$ 285,022,934

Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

		2024		2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Cash received from contributions	\$	287,163,835	\$	350,291,156
Cash received from special events		1,092,648		926,929
Cash received from mailing list rental		115,242		80,869
Cash paid to patients, suppliers, and employees	((287,004,636)	((282,848,695)
Investment income received		6,168,607		3,049,545
Net Cash From Operating Activities		7,535,696		71,499,804
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Proceeds from sale/maturity of investments		7,450,204		10,865,752
Purchase of investments		(8,298,873)		(21,414,210)
Purchases of property and equipment		(499,694)		(325,961)
Net Cash From Investing Activities		(1,348,363)		(10,874,419)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		6,187,333		60,625,385
Cash and cash Equivalents - beginning of year		124,491,320		63,865,935
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$	130,678,653	\$	124,491,320
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES Changes in net assets Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to net cash from operating activities:	\$	10,516,206	\$	70,678,431
Depreciation		623,895		533,527
Loss on disposal of assets		023,073		1,542
Realized and unrealized gain on investments		(2,121,236)		(2,555,040)
Change in measurement of right of use asset		(2,121,200)		(167,857)
Donated stock		(349,455)		(136,168)
Effects of changes in non-cash operating assets and liabilities				
Contribution receivables, net		(1,006,805)		(523,616)
Other receivables		-		2,861,854
Other assets		(322,253)		(215,497)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		158,815		1,096,770
Refundable advances		-		(222,993)
Other liabilities		39,239		187,098
Annuities payable		(2,710)		(38,247)
Net Cash From Operating Activities	\$	7,535,696	\$	71,499,804
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NONCASH TRANSACTIONS				
Right of use asset and lease liability - operating	\$	6,402,658	\$	

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

1. BACKGROUND OF THE ORGANIZATION

Founded in 1971, the American Kidney Fund, Inc. (AKF) is a nonprofit voluntary health organization whose mission is to fight kidney disease and help people live healthier lives. AKF's comprehensive programs of kidney disease awareness, prevention, and treatment-related financial assistance help people no matter where they are in the fight against kidney disease from being at risk, to managing kidney disease, to coping with dialysis, to living post-transplant. AKF's major source of revenues is from contributions from the general public. The fiscal year-end is December 31. Significant accounting policies followed by AKF are presented below.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements are presented in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting, whereby revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Basis of Presentation

The financial statement presentation follows the requirements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (the Codification).

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of 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.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased that are used to fund current obligations. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, cash equivalents consisted of U.S. Treasury Notes. Money market accounts and certificates of deposit held for investment are recorded and classified as investments.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Contributions Receivable, Net

Contributions receivable are recorded at net realizable value. AKF provides an allowance for doubtful accounts using the allowance method, which is based on management's judgment considering historical information and review of specific accounts. When all collection efforts have been exhausted, the accounts are written off against the related allowance. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, management believes all contributions receivable are deemed to be fully collectible.

Contributions receivable to be received in a future period are discounted to their net present value at the time the revenue is recorded. The discount rate was 4% and the discount amount was \$1,409 as of December 31, 2024. The discount rate is the average of the annual one-month Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) plus a credit adjustment spread.

Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Net appreciation or depreciation in fair value of investments includes AKF's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year. Investment income or loss is included in the change in without donor restrictions unless their use is restricted by donor stipulations or by law.

Right of Use Asset – Operating Lease

AKF leases an office space. AKF determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. AKF extended the lease in October 2024 until September 30, 2034. Operating leases are included in the right of use asset (ROU) and lease liability.

ROU assets represent AKF's right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent AKF's net present value of obligations to make lease payments arising from the lease. ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. Lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the organization will exercise that option. The facility lease provides for an increase in future minimum annual rental payments subject to certain increases. The agreement requires AKF to pay its share of operating expenses, real estate taxes and insurance over its base year.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Right of Use Asset – Operating Lease (continued)

Lease expense for operating leases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. AKF has elected to recognize payments for leases with terms of 12 months or less as expense as incurred and these leases are not included as lease liabilities or right of use assets on the balance sheet. During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the lease expense related to the right of use asset was \$540,530 and \$873,799, respectively, and it is included in the occupancy expenses in the statements of functional expenses. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the net present value of the right of use asset was \$6,262,851 and \$1,322,988, respectively.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line basis over an estimated useful life of 3 to 10 years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the life of the lease. AKF capitalizes assets over \$5,000.

Annuities Payable

AKF has received charitable gift annuities as contributions from donors who have stipulated that AKF is to make annuity payments for life to an annuitant designated by the donor with the principal reverting to AKF after the death of the annuitant. AKF has recorded the assets at fair value and the liabilities to the annuitant at the present value of the estimated future payments to be distributed by AKF to such individuals based on the individual's expected life. The amount of the contribution is the difference between the asset and the liability and is recorded as without donor restriction revenue, unless otherwise restricted by the donor. AKF invests these assets in cash and marketable securities in accordance with the governing state's investment regulations.

Net Assets

For financial statement purposes, net assets are as follows:

Net Assets without Donor Restrictions: These net assets include those net assets whose use is not restricted by donors, even though their use may be limited in other respects, such as by board designation.

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions: These net assets include those net assets whose use by AKF has been donor-restricted by specified time or purpose limitations.

Net assets to be held in perpetuity are subject to donor-imposed stipulations that are required to be maintained permanently by AKF.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue Recognition

Contributions

Contributions are recognized as revenue when received or pledged, whichever is earlier.

Contributions recognized as without or with donor restrictions depending on existence and/or nature of donor restrictions and recorded when there is sufficient evidence in the form of verifiable documentation that an unconditional promise to give was received. Support that is restricted by the donor is reported as an increase in net assets with donor restrictions depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires, either by the passage of time or incurrence of donor specified expenses, these net assets are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restriction. Donated assets are recognized as contribution revenue at their estimated fair market value on the date of donation.

Planned Giving

AKF is the beneficiary under various wills and trust agreements of which the total realizable amount is not presently determinable. Such amounts are recorded when a will is declared valid by a probate court and the proceeds are measurable.

AKF records planned giving receivables that are expected to be collected within one year at net realizable value. Planned giving receivables that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of their estimated future cash flows. The discounts on those amounts are computed using risk-free interest rates applicable to the years in which the promises are expected to be received. In 2024 and 2023, no discount was made.

Nonfinancial Contributions

Nonfinancial contributions, such as donated nutritional supplements, free advertising and other donated services, are included in the statements of activities within public support as nonfinancial contributions at their estimated fair market value on the date of donation on the basis of contract values provided by the donor. Nonfinancial contributions are shown in the representative functional expense category the gift relates to.

Nonfinancial professional services have benefitted program services and management and report services and consist of contributions of services and supplies. The fair value of these services is based on the estimated hours incurred at standard industry rates.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue Recognition (continued)

Nonfinancial Contributions (continued)

Nonfinancial contributions for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, consisted of the following:

	2024	2023
Advertising, printing, and donated items		
for patients and events	\$ 824,573	\$ 866,622
Donated services	 81,937	84,800
Total Nonfinancial Contributions	\$ 906,510	\$ 951,422

The nonfinancial contributions supported Education, Advocacy, and Outreach programs for 2024 and 2023.

Measurement of Operation

AKF does not consider investment returns and contributions designated by the Board of Trustees for patient assistance program to be revenues, gains, and support from its operations.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributable to one or more program or supporting functions of AKF. Expenses allocated on a square footage basis include depreciation and amortization, the executive office, financial department, information technology and administrative services. Expenses allocated on the basis of time and effort are salaries and benefits.

The following program and supporting services are included in the accompanying financial statements:

Direct Patient Aid

AKF is the leading provider of charitable, treatment-related financial assistance to people in the United States who are living with kidney failure. In 2024 and 2023, AKF helped more than 68,000 and 62,000 kidney patients, respectively by providing them need-based assistance for health care expenses. AKF's Health Insurance Premium Program helps dialysis and transplant patients maintain health insurance coverage. Its other programs assist with treatment-related expenses including the cost of transportation to dialysis, vital nutritional supplements, medications, and other expenses not covered by insurance. AKF also provides patients disaster relief grants when disaster strikes a local community; and grants to living kidney donors who need help with the cost of expenses.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Functional Allocation of Expenses (continued)

Education, Advocacy, and Outreach

AKF educates the American public about the symptoms, causes, treatment and prevention of kidney disease. AKF's website, KidneyFund.org, received over 16 million page views in 2024 from individuals searching for health information. AKF develops multichannel awareness campaigns to educate the public about kidney disease and its comorbid conditions. AKF's educational offerings include free monthly webinars for patients and caregivers; a nutrition website, Kidney Kitchen; a Kidney Health Coach peer-to-peer community outreach program; and comprehensive health education and disease management information for people with kidney disease and kidney failure. In 2024, AKF held its fifth annual Kidney Action Week virtual event to provide interactive education and support to kidney patients and those at risk. AKF also runs a national virtual camp program for pediatric kidney patients. AKF's advocacy network grew to nearly 36,000 Ambassadors in 2024. In 2024, AKF's patient Ambassadors went to AKF's website to send more than 34,000 action alerts to their elected officials.

Research

Since 1988, AKF's Clinical Scientist in Nephrology Program has been improving the quality of care provided to kidney patients and promoting clinical research in nephrology. The program helps to build the nationwide pipeline of top nephrology researchers by providing fellowships to enhance the training of nephrologists who want to pursue an academic career and whose primary professional commitment is to scholarship in the provision of patient care. A nationally recognized panel of experts in the field selects award recipients.

Fundraising

AKF's comprehensive development program solicits and secures financial support across all traditional nonprofit fundraising channels including individual giving, corporate and foundation giving, special events, direct mail, planned giving, digital fundraising, and KidneyNation, AKF's peer-to-peer fundraising platform. AKF has over 84,000 active donors.

Management and General

Management and general services provide for the direction of the overall affairs of AKF through executive, financial, information technology, and administrative services.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Income Taxes

AKF is generally exempt from Federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, AKF qualifies under Section 509(a)(2) as a publicly supported organization. Income, which is not related to exempt purposes, less applicable deductions, may be subject to Federal and state corporate income taxes (unrelated business income).

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America provide consistent guidance for the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an entity's financial statements and prescribe a threshold of "more likely than not" for recognition of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. AKF performed an evaluation of uncertain tax positions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and determined that there were no matters that would require recognition in the accompanying financial statements or which may have any effect on its tax-exempt status. As of December 31, 2024, the statute of limitations for fiscal years 2021 through 2024 remains open with the U.S. Federal jurisdiction for which AKF files tax returns. It is AKF's policy to recognize interest and/or penalties related to uncertain tax positions, if any, in income tax expense.

Risks and Uncertainties

AKF invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and those changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of financial position and activities.

The US District Court, Central District of California granted a preliminary injunction preventing California AB 290 from becoming law on December 30, 2019. Following Judge Carter's January 4, 2024, summary judgment ruling in the US District Court for the Central District of California, both the State of California and provider Plaintiffs in the AB 290 litigation appealed the matter to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco. AKF joined the Plaintiffs on appeal, and is asking the 9th Circuit to either affirm Judge Carter's rulings on summary judgment or strike down AB 290 in its entirety. Briefing will continue through April 2025 and a ruling from the 9th Circuit can be expected in May or June 2025. The long-term impact on grant assistance is currently unknown.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Risks and Uncertainties (continued)

In January 2023, AKF received a civil investigative subpoena from the District of Columbia Attorney General's office. The investigative subpoena called for certain documents and records related to (i) AKF's relationships with DaVita, Fresenius, and American Renal Associates in the District; and (ii) AKF's compliance with the D.C. Non-Profit Corporations Act. AKF met with District of Columbia officials in March 2023 and turned over multiple tranches of documents and records as requested. AKF received no communication from the Attorney General's office again until September 2024 when it requested more documents and records. In January 2025 AKF turned over those documents and records and will await further communication from the Attorney General's office.

Subsequent Events

AKF evaluated subsequent events and transactions as of April 10, 2025, the date these financial statements were available for issue and have determined that no material subsequent events have occurred, other than disclosed above, that would affect the information presented in the accompanying financial statements or require additional disclosure.

3. INVESTMENTS

A fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the input to valuation techniques used to measure fair value is established by generally accepted accounting principles. 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 under generally accepted accounting principles are described below:

- Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that AFK has the ability to access.
- Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:
 - quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
 - quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
 - inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
 - inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

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3. INVESTMENTS (continued)

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.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in methodologies used or any unfunded commitments as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

U.S. Government Securities: Valued using quoted market prices in active markets.

Mutual Funds and Exchange-Traded Funds: Valued based on market prices obtained from recognized automated pricing services, records of any exchange, standard financial periodicals, or any newspaper of general circulation.

The following summarizes AKF's investments using fair value measurements as of December 31:

	2024							
		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Without donor restriction and purpose restriction:								
Cash	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	67,348
U.S. government securities		-		1,769,838		-		1,769,838
Mutual funds and exchange-traded funds:								
Fixed income		9,866,886		-		-		9,866,886
Corporate stock:								
Large cap		12,641,470		-		-		12,641,470
Small and mid cap		3,120,647		-		-		3,120,647
International		5,211,514		-		-		5,211,514
Total Without Donor Restriction and								
Purpose Restriction		30,840,517		1,769,838				32,677,703
Endowment:								
Cash equivalents		-		-		-		7,233
Mutual funds and exchange-traded funds:								
Fixed income		167,784						167,784
Total Endowment		167,784		-		-		175,017
Total Investments	\$	31,008,301	\$	1,769,838	\$		\$	32,852,720

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3. INVESTMENTS (continued)

	2023							
	-	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Without donor restriction and purpose restriction:								
Cash	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	125,028
U.S. government securities		-		2,155,130		-		2,155,130
Mutual funds and exchange-traded funds:								
Fixed income		7,836,925		-		-		7,836,925
Corporate stock:								
Large cap		7,194,790		-		-		7,194,790
Small and mid cap		7,914,496		-		-		7,914,496
International		4,131,974		-		-		4,131,974
Total Without Donor Restriction and								
Purpose Restriction		27,078,185		2,155,130		-		29,358,343
Endowment:								
Cash equivalents		-		-		-		26,476
Mutual funds and exchange-traded funds:								
Fixed income		148,541		-		-		148,541
Total Endowment		148,541		-				175,017
Total Investments	\$	27,226,726	\$	2,155,130	\$	-	\$	29,533,360

Investment income for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, consisted of the following:

	2024	2023
Dividends and interest	\$ 6,272,288	\$ 3,132,658
Realized and unrealized appreciation, net	2,121,236	2,555,040
Investment advisory fees	(103,681)	(83,113)
Total	\$ 8,289,843	\$ 5,604,585

4. LIQUIDITY

AKF's financial assets available for general expenditure within one year as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 were as follows:

	2024	2023
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 130,678,655	\$ 124,491,320
Contribution receivable, net	3,101,779	2,094,976
Investments at fair value	32,852,720	29,533,360
Total financial assets available within one year	166,633,154	156,119,656
Less:		`
Amounts unavailable for general expenditure within one year due to:		
Restricted by donors in perpetuity	(175,017)	(175,017)
Restricted by donors with purpose restrictions	(6,258,886)	(5,501,917)
Total amounts unavailable for general expenditures within one year	(6,433,903)	(5,676,934)
Amounts unavailable to management without Board's approval:		
Board-Designated - patient assistance grants	(75,443,000)	(74,831,000)
Total Financial Assets Available to Management		
for General Expenditure Within One Year	\$ 84,756,251	\$ 75,611,722

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4. LIQUIDITY (continued)

As described in Note 15, AKF also had a line of credit with available borrowings of \$9,585,000 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, which it could draw upon in the event of an unanticipated liquidity need subject to the level of collateral available of investments (see Note 15).

5. CREDIT RISK

Financial instruments which potentially subject AKF to concentration of credit risk include cash and cash equivalents, and investments. It is AKF's practice to place its cash and cash equivalents, and investments in high credit quality institutions to mitigate this risk. AKF maintains its cash balances at several financial institutions which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, total cash deposits held at financial institutions were \$130,712,269 and \$122,707,151, respectively.

6. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

AKF's property and equipment consisted of the following as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	 2024	 2023
Software and office equipment	\$ 4,523,164	\$ 4,095,873
Furniture and fixtures	124,745	124,745
Leasehold improvements	 260,073	260,073
Property and equipment	4,907,982	4,480,691
Accumulated depreciation	 (4,132,643)	(3,581,151)
Property and Equipment, Net	\$ 775,339	\$ 899,540

Depreciation expense was \$623,895 and \$533,527, for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

7. BOARD-DESIGNATED NET ASSETS

AKF's Board of Trustees has designated net assets without restrictions from surplus contributions for patient assistance programs as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and these were \$75,443,000 and \$74,831,000, respectively.

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8. NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

Net assets with donor restrictions consisted of the following as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023	
Subject to Expenditure of Specific Purpose:			
Research	\$ 431,006	\$ 389,362	
Patient Aid	1,166,562	534,323	
Public and Professional Education	4,645,285	4,561,896	
Total	6,242,853	5,485,581	
Subject to AKF Spending Policy and			
Appropriation:			
Investment in Perpetuity (including Amounts			
above Original Gift Amount of \$175,017), the			
Income from which is Expendable to Support:			
Research	5,991	5,991	
Patient Aid	185,059	185,362	
Total	191,050	191,353	
Total Net Assets with Donor Restrictions	\$ 6,433,903	\$ 5,676,934	

Net assets released from donor restrictions were comprised of the following for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023	
Purpose Restrictions Accomplished:			
Research	\$ 445,293	\$ 363,791	
Patient Aid	1,363,820	894,135	
Public and Professional Education	5,260,985	4,934,013	
Total Restrictions Released	\$ 7,070,098	\$ 6,191,939	

9. LEASE LIABILITY

AKF leases an office facility which expires on August 31, 2025 under a noncancellable office lease. AKF extended the lease in October 2024 until September 30, 2034. The facility lease does not provide information about the discount rate implicit in the lease. Therefore, AKF has elected to use a risk-free discount rate determined using a period comparable with that of the lease term for computing the present value of all lease liabilities. The weighted average discount rate was 2.80% as of December 31, 2024.

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9. LEASE LIABILITY (continued)

Future minimum payments under this lease agreement as of December 31, 2024, were as follows:

Years Ending December 31,		Amount		
2025	\$	737,622		
2026		756,062		
2027		774,964		
2028		662,770		
2029		679,340		
Thereafter		3,577,049		
Undiscounted cash flows		7,187,807		
Less: imputed interest		924,956		
Total Present Value	\$ 6,262,851			

10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Estates and Bequests

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Organization was notified that it was one of the beneficiaries of several estates and bequests. As of April 10, 2025, certain estates and bequests are still in the liquidation process. AKF anticipates it is likely they will receive final distributions once the liquidation processes are completed, but as of April 10, 2025, these amounts are unknown and cannot be reasonably estimated.

Contingencies

In the ordinary course of activities, AKF is party to various legal and administrative actions in the normal course of its operations. In the opinion of management, after consultation with legal counsel, the potential liability from these legal and administrative actions is estimated to be immaterial to the financial statements of AKF.

11. PUBLIC SUPPORT

During 2024 and 2023, AKF continued its tradition of broad-based public support with over 84,000 and 87,000 active contributors, respectively. AKF received public support from two corporations in the amount of \$243,518,200 and \$301,094,000 during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. These contributions represented 82% and 86% of the total support and revenue for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

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12. JOINT COSTS

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, AKF incurred joint costs of \$3,935,702 and \$3,734,025, respectively, for educational materials and activities that included fundraising appeals. The joint costs incurred for these activities for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, consisted of the following:

	2024	2023
Fundraising	\$ 2,670,767	\$ 2,470,804
Public Education	1,264,935	1,263,221
Total	\$ 3,935,702	\$ 3,734,025

13. RETIREMENT PLANS

AKF maintains a Section 403(b) retirement plan allowing employees to elect to defer compensation up to the maximum allowed under Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations. AKF contributes 2% of participants' eligible compensation, plus matches the lesser of 100% of amounts deferred under the Section 403(b) plan, up to 5% of compensation. AKF's contributions were \$735,435 and \$686,372 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

AKF also maintains a nonqualified Section 457(b) deferred compensation plan allowing top hat executives to elect to defer compensation up to the maximum allowed under IRS regulations. AKF does not contribute to this 457(b) plan. Due to risk of forfeiture the 457(b) plan balance is included in other assets and plan obligations are included within other liabilities on the statements of financial position. Additionally, total assets included in the 457(b)) represent mutual funds invested in equities and bonds valued at fair value based on quoted market prices in active markets and are Level 1 within their fair value hierarchy. Total amounts recorded by AKF were \$942,929 and \$827,474 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

14. ENDOWMENTS

AKF was provided a contribution for investment in perpetuity in the early 1980s. The purpose of this contribution was to support patient-related grants with a balance of \$169,026, and a smaller balance of \$5,991 to support research, as of December 31, 2024 and 2023. These amounts are kept in a separate investment account and conservatively invested in fixed income securities. The interest earned on this account supports their respective purpose.

AKF is subject to the State Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (SPMIFA) and, thus, classifies amounts in its donor-restricted endowment funds as net assets with donor restrictions until the purpose restrictions have been met.

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14. ENDOWMENTS (continued)

Interpretation of Relevant Law

The board of AKF has interpreted the State Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (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.

Consequently, AKF classifies net assets held in perpetuity as:

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

Endowment net asset with donor restrictions were as follows as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023	
Donor-restricted endowment funds:			
Original donor-restricted gift amount and			
amounts required to be retained by donor	\$ 175,017	\$ 175,017	
Portion subject to appropriation under SPMIFA	16,033	16,336	
Total	\$ 191,050	\$ 191,353	

Changes in endowment net assets were as follows as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024		2023	
Endowment net assets - beginning of year	\$	191,353	\$	189,687
Investment income		2,197		1,666
Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure		(2,500)		
Endowment Net Assets - End of Year	\$	191,050	\$	191,353

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15. LINE OF CREDIT

AKF has a line of credit with Raymond James Financial in the amount of \$9,585,000 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, which is secured by AKF's Raymond James securities. The available amount is based on the investments in the account and their individual release rate. The line of credit bears interest at the CME one-month SOFR plus a credit adjustment spread fixed at 2.25% and 0.11%. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the rate was approximately 6.45% and 7.46%, respectively. There were no outstanding borrowings as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.