

SALIDA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2024

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Board of Directors
Salida Montessori Charter School
Salida, Colorado

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Report on the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities and each major fund, of Salida Montessori Charter School (the "School") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities and each major fund of Salida Montessori Charter School as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows, thereof for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit 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 Salida Montessori Charter School and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the 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 School's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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 opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 of 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 of the effectiveness of the School'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 judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and required budgetary and pension information on pages 44-48 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

John Luthr & Associates, LLC

October 15, 2024

Salida Montessori Charter School

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2024

As management of Salida Montessori Charter School (the School), we offer readers of the School's basic financial statements this narrative and analysis of the financial activities of the School as of and for the year ended Error! Unknown **switch argument**.. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information provided in the basic financial statements.

Financial Highlights

The year ending Error! Unknown **switch argument**., was the ninth year of operations for the School. As of Error! Unknown **switch argument**., the combined net position was \$31,995. The net position reflects the School's proportionate share of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) unfunded pension liability and the OPEB (Other than Pension Post-Employment Benefits) liability. If the pension impacts are removed the net position would be \$1,873,062. The operations of the School are funded primarily by tax revenue received under the State School Finance Act (the Act). Per Pupil Revenue (PPR) for the year was \$1,532,011. The General Fund ending fund balance decreased \$269,957 to \$862,219, or 23.8%. The decrease can be attributed to the pay off of the Building Loan and the new building construction.

Overview of Basic Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The basic statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on the School's assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows, with the difference between the assets/deferred outflows and liabilities/deferred inflows being reported as net position. Over time, the increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial condition of the School is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the School's net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Thus, revenue and expenses are reported in the statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods (for example, salaries and benefits earned but unpaid as of year end).

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School, like other local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

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However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on the near-term financing requirements. The School maintains one governmental fund, its General Fund.

The School adopts an annual budget. Budgetary comparisons have been provided for the General Fund (page 44) in the required supplementary information to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

Proprietary Fund. The Salida Montessori Building Corporation, considered a component unit of the School, has one fund, an enterprise fund. It is presented with a statement of net position, a statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and a statement of cash flows. The fund ended the year with a net position of \$596,794. The Building Corporation was created in FY18 for the purpose of acquiring a future permanent site for the School.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements. The notes are disclosed on pages 9 through 43.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted previously, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the School's financial condition. As of Error! Unknown **switch argument.**, the consolidated assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$31,995. \$85,400 of this total is restricted to comply with Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, known as the TABOR Amendment. Accordingly, these funds are not available to satisfy general operating expenses of the School. The School's negative net position balance of (\$564,799) was (\$437,812) in FY23 reflecting a decline of \$126,987 or 29% over the prior year.

Net Position Governmental and Business-Type Activities for the period ending June 30, 2024 and 2023 respectively:

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023
Assets		
Cash and Investments	\$ 1,235,117	\$ 1,195,447
Accounts Receivable	214,751	70,318
Deposits	2,000	2,000
Prepaid Expenses	19,072	46,781
Capital Assets (Net)	1,010,470	627,376
Total Assets	2,481,410	1,941,922
Deferred Outflows – Pensions/OPEB	1,167,007	452,812
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Deposits	408,532	34,965
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	122,584	69,883

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Unearned Revenue	77,232	78,692
Noncurrent Liability - Loan	-	500,000
Noncurrent Liability – Net Pension/OPEB Liability	<u>2,977,393</u>	<u>1,975,022</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>3,585,741</u>	<u>2,658,562</u>
 Deferred Inflows – Pensions/OPEB	 <u>30,681</u>	 <u>65,330</u>
 Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,010,470	127,376
Restricted for Emergencies	85,400	57,310
Unrestricted	<u>(1,063,875)</u>	<u>(513,844)</u>
Total Net Position	 <u>\$ 31,995</u>	 <u>\$ (329,158)</u>

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Change in Net Position Governmental and Business-Type Activities for the period ending June 30, 2024 and 2023 respectively:

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023
Revenues		
Program Revenues		
Operating Grants and Contributions	\$ 655,227	\$ 406,758
Charges for Services	433,242	506,374
Total Program Revenues	1,088,469	913,132
General Revenues		
Per Pupil Revenue	1,532,011	1,166,057
Capital Construction	50,714	41,961
Mill Levy Equalization	216,170	109,771
Interest Income	55,185	16,509
Restricted Grants and Contributions	5,839	50,682
Special Item Debt Forgiven, Other	4,447	14,711
Total General Revenues	1,864,366	1,399,691
Total Revenues	2,952,836	2,312,823
Expenses		
Instruction	1,886,534	1,259,518
Supporting Services	667,690	633,913
Interest, Fiscal Charges, Depreciation	37,459	38,623
Total Expenses	2,591,683	1,932,054
Decrease in Net Position	361,153	380,769
Net Position, Beginning of Year	(329,158)	(709,927)
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 31,995	\$ (329,158)

Financial Analysis of the School's Fund

The School has one governmental fund, the General Fund. The General Fund is considered a major fund and is used to account for the School's general operations. The General Fund began the year with a positive fund balance of \$1,132,176. As a result of paying off the Building Debt and progressing with the new site construction, the General Fund ending fund balance decreased to \$862,219 at year-end or a decrease of 25.8%. Eighty eight percent of the General Fund ending fund balance is unassigned.

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General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The final School budgeted General Fund expenditures and transfers out of \$3,273,000 for the year ended June 30, 2024. Actual expenditures and transfers out were \$3,194,453. Total revenue and transfers in budgeted were \$2,996,877 with actual revenue of \$2,924,496. There were positive variances from budget in both revenues and expense. A budget amendment passed during the year due to the BEST grant award and the Building Loan pay off.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

The School leases its school facilities under two operating lease agreements that were signed in April 2015. The I Street lease option was extended through FY24 with monthly rent at \$2,200. A new location was leased beginning in July 2021. Lease payments for the new facility were \$5,000 per month and currently \$5,200. The School and Building Corporation had net capital assets of \$1,010,471 with accumulated depreciation of \$111,915 at June 30, 2024. There were \$399,892 in capital additions during the year related to the new site development.

The Building Corporation loan in the amount of \$500,000 was paid in full during the year. The was made possible through a transfer from the School.

Economic Factors, Next Year’s Budget, Student Counts

The primary factor driving the budget for the School is student enrollment. Enrollment since inception is shown in the following table:

	Half- Day K	Full- Day K	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	7TH	8TH	TOTAL	FTE	FTE Change	% FTE Chg.
FY16	1	8	10	10	8	12	6	10	3	5	73	69		
FY17	2	8	9	10	11	11	11	5	12	4	83	79	10	13.8%
FY18	0	10	10	9	11	12	10	10	6	11	89	85	6	7.6%
FY19	0	10	10	11	10	11	10	9	10	6	87	87	2	2.6%
FY20	0	9	10	11	11	11	7	11	9	7	86	86	-1	-1.1%
FY21	0	10	11	9	10	11	11	7	8	10	87	87	1	1.2%
FY22	0	17	16	17	13	15	11	12	9	7	117	117	30	34.5%
FY23	0	16	21	17	15	10	18	11	12	8	128	128	11	9.4%
FY24	0	18	14	21	19	20	13	21	13	12	151	151	23	18.0%

The K-12 total program funding for FY24 increased on average 8.7% State wide. The State average increase in total program for FY25 was 6.1%. Total program revenue includes property taxes, specific ownership tax and State support.

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As the Colorado economy moderates, total program revenue increases will likely mirror Colorado's population and tax base growth. The Governor's FY26 budget request is due out in early November. With the passing of HB 24B-1001 during the recent special session, future revenue growth will be limited and will not likely mirror the prior increases in total program.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the School's finances for those interested. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to Salida Montessori Charter School, PO Box 1080, Salida, CO 81201.

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SALIDA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

June 30, 2024

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS- TYPE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
ASSETS			
Cash and Investments	\$ 1,234,744	\$ 373	\$ 1,235,117
Accounts Receivable	214,751	-	214,751
Prepaid Items	19,072	-	19,072
Deposits	2,000	-	2,000
Capital Assets, Not Depreciated	390,119	272,138	662,257
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	23,930	324,283	348,213
TOTAL ASSETS	1,884,616	596,794	2,481,410
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Related to Pensions	1,135,853	-	1,135,853
Related to OPEB	31,154	-	31,154
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,167,007	-	1,167,007
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	408,532	-	408,532
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	122,584	-	122,584
Unearned Revenues	77,232	-	77,232
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Net Pension Liability	2,907,196	-	2,907,196
Net OPEB Liability	70,197	-	70,197
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,585,741	-	3,585,741
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Related to Pensions	7,428	-	7,428
Related to OPEB	23,253	-	23,253
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	30,681	-	30,681
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	414,049	596,421	1,010,470
Restricted for Emergencies	85,400	-	85,400
Unrestricted	(1,064,248)	373	(1,063,875)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ (564,799)	\$ 596,794	\$ 31,995

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended June 30, 2024

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	Expenses	PROGRAM REVENUES		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
Governmental Activities				
Instruction	\$ 1,772,920	\$ -	\$ 254,440	\$ -
Supporting Services	781,304	410,741	-	451,501
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-
Total Governmental Activities	<u>2,554,224</u>	<u>410,741</u>	<u>254,440</u>	<u>451,501</u>
Business-Type Activities				
Building Corporation	<u>37,459</u>	<u>22,501</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Primary Government	<u>\$ 2,591,683</u>	<u>\$ 433,242</u>	<u>\$ 254,440</u>	<u>\$ 451,501</u>

GENERAL REVENUES (EXPENSES)

Per Pupil Revenue
Mill Levy Override
Investment Income
Other Revenues
Unrestricted State Aid
Transfers (To) From Funds

TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES

CHANGE IN NET POSITION

NET POSITION, Beginning

NET POSITION, Ending

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE
AND CHANGE IN
NET POSITION

Governmental Activities	Business- Type Activities	TOTAL
\$ (1,518,480)	\$ -	\$ (1,518,480)
80,938	-	80,938
-	-	-
(1,437,542)	-	(1,437,542)
-	(14,958)	(14,958)
(1,437,542)	(14,958)	(1,452,500)
1,532,011	-	1,532,011
216,170	-	216,170
55,185	-	55,185
4,448	-	4,448
5,839	-	5,839
(503,098)	503,098	-
1,310,555	503,098	1,813,653
(126,987)	488,140	361,153
(437,812)	108,654	(329,158)
\$ (564,799)	\$ 596,794	\$ 31,995

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BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

June 30, 2024

	GENERAL FUND
ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	\$ 1,234,744
Accounts Receivable	214,751
Prepaid Items	19,072
Deposits	2,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,470,567
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 408,532
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	122,584
Unearned Revenue	77,232
TOTAL LIABILITIES	608,348
 FUND BALANCES	
Nonspendable	21,072
Restricted for Emergencies	85,400
Unassigned	755,747
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	862,219
 Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets are used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	414,049
Long-term liabilities and related assets are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. This liability includes net pension liability of (\$2,907,196), Net OPEB liability of (\$70,197), deferred outflows related to pensions and OPEB of \$1,167,007, and deferred inflows related to pensions and OPEB of (\$30,681).	(1,841,067)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ (564,799)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>
REVENUES	
Local Sources	\$ 2,244,201
State Sources	601,052
Federal Sources	<u>79,243</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>2,924,496</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Current	
Instruction	1,565,427
Supporting Services	<u>1,125,928</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>2,691,355</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UUNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>233,141</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	
Transfers Out	<u>(503,098)</u>
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(503,098)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(269,957)
FUND BALANCES, Beginning	<u>1,132,176</u>
FUND BALANCES, Ending	<u><u>\$ 862,219</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

SALIDA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended June 30, 2024

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (269,957)
Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are shown in the statement of net position and allocated over their estimated useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the statement of activities. This is the amount capital outlay \$ exceeded depreciation expense in the current period.	396,497
Deferred Charges related to pensions are not recognized in the governmental funds. However, for the government-wide funds those amounts are capitalized and amortized.	<u>(253,527)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ (126,987)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
 June 30, 2024

	<u>BUILDING CORPORATION</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 373
Total Current Assets	<u>373</u>
Long-term Assets	
Capital Assets, Not Depreciated	272,138
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>324,283</u>
Total Long-term Assets	<u>596,421</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>596,794</u>
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	596,421
Unrestricted	<u>373</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 596,794</u>

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES
AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>BUILDING CORPORATION</u>
OPERATING REVENUES	
Rent	\$ 22,501
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>22,501</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Purchased Services	427
Depreciation	<u>13,402</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>13,829</u>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	<u>8,672</u>
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Interest and Other Fiscal Charges	(23,630)
Transfers from General Fund	<u>503,098</u>
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	<u>479,468</u>
NET INCOME	488,140
NET POSITION, Beginning	<u>108,654</u>
NET POSITION, Ending	<u>\$ 596,794</u>

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
 Year Ended June 30, 2024
 Increase (Decrease) in Cash

	<u>BUILDING CORPORATION</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Cash Received from Operations	\$ 18,647
Cash Paid to Suppliers	(427)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>18,220</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Payments on Long-term Debt	(500,000)
Interest Expense	(23,630)
Transfers In	503,098
Net Cash (Used) by Financing Activities	<u>(20,532)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	(2,312)
CASH, Beginning	<u>2,685</u>
CASH, Ending	<u>\$ 373</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 8,672</u>
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	
Depreciation Expense	13,402
Changes in Assets and Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	-
Deposits	(3,854)
Total Adjustments	<u>9,548</u>
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 18,220</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Salida Montessori Charter School (the “School”) was formed pursuant to the Colorado Charter Schools Act to form and operate a charter school under the guidance of the Charter School Institute. The School began operations in the Fall of 2015.

The accounting policies of the School conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units. Following is a summary of the more significant policies.

Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity consists of the School and organizations for which the School is financially accountable. All funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments and offices that are not legally separate are part of the School. In addition, any legally separate organizations for which the School is financially accountable are considered part of the reporting entity. Financial accountability exists if the School appoints a voting majority of the organization’s governing board and is able to impose its will on the organization, or if the organization provides benefits to, or imposes financial burdens on the School.

The Salida Montessori Building Corporation (the “Building Corporation”) is considered to be financially accountable to the School. The purpose of the Building Corporation is to provide a mechanism to issue and pay debt on behalf of the School and to hold title to real and/or personal property for use by the School. The Corporation is considered to be part of the School for financial reporting purposes because its resources are entirely for the direct benefit of the School and is blended into the School’s Governmental Fund financial statements as a proprietary fund. Separate financial statements are not available for the Building Corporation.

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The School financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the School. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by intergovernmental revenues, are reported in a single column.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of the given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to students or others who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

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June 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period, not to exceed 60 days. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Intergovernmental revenues, grants, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the School.

Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the School's policy to use restricted resources first and the unrestricted resources as they are needed.

The School reports the following major governmental fund:

General Fund – This fund is the general operating fund of the School. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The School reports the following major proprietary fund:

Building Corporation Fund – This fund accounts for the activity of the Salida Montessori Building Corporation.

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June 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation
(Continued)

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows or resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflow of resources, represents a consumption of net position and fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows or resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflow of resources, represents an acquisition of net position and fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance/Net Position

Investments – Investments are recorded at fair value.

Receivables – Receivables are reported at their gross value, and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectable.

Prepaid Expenses – Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future years and are reported as prepaid expenses.

Capital Assets – Capital assets, which include property and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the School as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at the acquisition value on the date of donation.

Depreciation of exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against operations, and accumulated depreciation is reported on the statement of net position in the government-wide financial statements. Depreciation has been provided over the following estimated useful lives of the capital assets using the straight-line method: buildings and improvement 20-40 years and equipment 5-10 years.

Unearned Revenue – Unearned revenues include grants and donations received before the eligibility requirements by the grantor have been met.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Long Term Obligations - In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund type in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Compensated Absences – Employees of the School are allowed to earn up to 16 days of unused sick leave. However, employees are not paid for the accrued compensated absences upon termination of employment. Therefore, no liability has been reported in the financial statements.

Net Position– The government-wide and business-type fund financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.

- Investment in Capital Assets is intended to reflect the portion of net position which are associated with non-liquid, capital assets less outstanding capital asset related debt. The net related debt is the debt less the outstanding liquid assets and any associated unamortized cost.
- Restricted Net Position are liquid assets, which have third party limitations on their use.
- Unrestricted Net Position represents assets that do not have any third party limitation on their use. While the School's management may have categorized and segmented portion for various purposes, the School's Board has the unrestricted right to revisit or alter these managerial decisions.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance/Net Position (Continued)

Fund Balance Classification – The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the School is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

- Nonspendable – This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in a spendable form (such as inventories and prepaid amounts) or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The School considers prepaid items and deposits as nonspendable as of June 30, 2024.
- Restricted – This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through a debt covenant), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The School has classified Emergency Reserves as being restricted because their use is restricted by State Statute for declared emergencies.
- Committed – This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board of Directors. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) that was employed when the funds were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements. The School did not have any committed resources as of June 30, 2024.
- Unassigned – This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund. The Unassigned classification also includes negative residual fund balance of any other governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting of Assigned fund balance amounts.

The School would typically use Restricted fund balances first, followed by Committed resources, and then Assigned resources, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend Unassigned fund balances.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2024

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Risk Management

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The School carries commercial insurance for these risks of loss. Settled claims have not exceeded any coverages in the last three years.

NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

A budget is adopted for the General Fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Management submits to the Board of Directors a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget is adopted by the Board of Directors prior to June 30. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Revisions must be approved by the Board of Directors. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. All appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

Legal Compliance

The actual expenditures of the General Fund exceeded the budgeted amount by \$909,410. This may be a violation of State statute.

NOTE 3: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulations. At June 30, 2024, State regulatory commissioners have indicated that all financial institutions holding deposits for the School are eligible public depositories. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized by eligible collateral as determined by the PDPA.

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June 30, 2024

NOTE 3: CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Deposits (Continued)

PDPA allows the financial institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds held. The pool is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits. The School has no policy regarding custodial credit risk for deposits.

At June 30, 2024, the School had deposits with financial institutions with a carrying amount of \$1,235,117. The bank balances with the financial institutions were \$1,253,224. Of these balances \$250,373 were covered by federal depository insurance and \$1,002,854 were covered by collateral held by authorized escrow agents in the financial institutions name (PDPA).

Investments

Credit Risk

Colorado statutes specify in which instruments the units of local government may invest which includes:

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- Local government investment pools
- Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- Certain money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts

The above investments are authorized for all funds and fund types used by Colorado local governments.

Interest Rate and Credit Risk Policies

The School does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates, or a formal policy to limit credit risk. However, they follow state statutes regarding investments.

The School had no investments as of June 30, 2024.

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NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital Assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 is summarized below.

	Balance <u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>June 30, 2024</u>
Governmental Activities				
Capital Assets, Not Depreciated				
Construction in Progress	\$ -	\$ 390,119	\$ -	\$ 390,119
Capital Assets, Depreciated				
Equipment	49,572	-	-	49,572
Improvements	-	9,773	-	9,773
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(32,020)</u>	<u>(3,395)</u>	-	<u>(35,415)</u>
Total Capital Assets, Depreciated	<u>17,552</u>	<u>6,378</u>	-	<u>23,930</u>
Net Capital Assets, Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 17,552</u>	<u>\$ 396,497</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 414,049</u>
Business-Type Activities				
Capital Assets, Not Depreciated				
Land	\$ 238,129	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 238,129
Construction in Progress	<u>34,009</u>	-	-	<u>34,009</u>
Total Capital Assets, Not Depreciated	<u>272,138</u>	-	-	<u>272,138</u>
Capital Assets, Depreciated				
Buildings	378,619	-	-	378,619
Improvements	22,165	-	-	22,165
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(63,098)</u>	<u>(13,402)</u>	-	<u>(76,500)</u>
Total Capital Assets, Depreciated	<u>337,686</u>	<u>(13,402)</u>	-	<u>324,284</u>
Net Capital Assets, Business- Type Activities	<u>\$ 609,824</u>	<u>\$ (13,402)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 596,422</u>

Depreciation expense of the governmental activities was charged to functions/programs of the School as follows:

Instruction	\$ -
Supporting Services	<u>3,395</u>
	<u>\$ 3,395</u>

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NOTE 5: ACCRUED SALARIES AND BENEFITS

Salaries and retirement benefits of certain contractually employed personnel are paid over a twelve-month period from August to July, but are earned during a school year of nine months. The salaries and benefits earned, but unpaid, as of June 30, 2024, were \$122,584 in the General Fund.

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM DEBT

Following is a summary of the School’s long-term debt transactions for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Due In</u> <u>One Year</u>
Business-Type Activities					
2023 Loan Payable	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ -
Total	<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

2018 Loan Payable

On March 13, 2018, the Corporation obtained a loan from High Country Bank in the amount of \$500,000. Loan proceeds were used to purchase property intended for future construction of education facilities for the School. Interest accrues on the outstanding balance of the loan at 5% per annum. Interest-only payments are due monthly. All principal and any unpaid interest is due in full on April 1, 2023.

On June 3, 2022, the Corporation refinanced the 2018 Loan Payable with High Country Bank in the amount of \$500,000. The interest rate and term remains the same with interest accruing on the outstanding balance at 5% per annum. Interest-only payments are due monthly and all principal and any unpaid interest is due in full on April 1, 2024. The balance of the loan was paid on the maturity date and as of June 30, 2024 the loan was considered paid in full.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2024

NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Pensions. The Academy participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado (PERA). The net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the SCHDTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan description. Eligible employees of the Academy are provided with pensions through the SCHDTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. Plan benefits are specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), administrative rules set forth at 8 C.C.R. 1502-1, and applicable provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly.

PERA issues a publicly available annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits provided as of December 31, 2023. PERA provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned and/or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure(s) under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement. Retirement eligibility is specified in tables set forth at C.R.S. § 24-51-602, 604, 1713, and 1714.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA benefit structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5% and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- The value of the retiring employee's member contribution account plus a 100% match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date. This amount is then annuitized into a monthly benefit based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

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NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN(Continued)

General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)

In all cases the service retirement benefit is limited to 100% of highest average salary and cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

Members may elect to withdraw their member contribution accounts upon termination of employment with all PERA employers; waiving rights to any lifetime retirement benefits earned. If eligible, the member may receive a match of either 50% or 100% on eligible amounts depending on when contributions were remitted to PERA, the date employment was terminated, whether 5 years of service credit has been obtained and the benefit structure under which contributions were made.

Upon meeting certain criteria, benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit generally receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S. Subject to the automatic adjustment provision (AAP) under C.R.S. § 24-51-413, eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership before January 1, 2007, and all eligible benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure will receive the maximum annual increase (AI) or AI cap of 1.00% unless adjusted by the AAP.

Eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership on or after January 1, 2007, will receive the lesser of an annual increase of the 1.00% AI cap or the average increase of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the prior calendar year, not to exceed a determined increase that would exhaust 10% of PERA's Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the SCHDTF. The AAP may raise or lower the aforementioned AI cap by up to 0.25% based on the parameters specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-413.

Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the lifetime retirement benefit formula(s) shown above considering a minimum 20 years of service credit, if deemed disabled.

Survivor benefits are determined by several factors, which include the amount of earned service credit, highest average salary of the deceased, the benefit structure(s) under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor(s) who will receive the benefits.

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NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)

Contributions provisions as of June 30, 2024: Eligible employees of the Academy and the State are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements for the SCHDTF are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, et seq. and § 24-51-413. Eligible employees are required to contribute 11.00% of their PERA-includable salary during the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below:

	July 1, 2023 Throug h June 30, 2024
Employer contribution rate	11.40%
Amount of employer contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f)	(1.02%)
Amount apportioned to the SCHDTF	10.38%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	4.50%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	5.50%
Total employer contribution rate to the SCHDTF	20.38%

*Contribution rates for the SCHDTF are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42).

Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the Academy is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from Academy were \$257,993 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

For purposes of GASB 68 paragraph 15, a circumstance exists in which a nonemployer contributing entity is legally responsible for making contributions to the SCHDTF and is considered to meet the definition of a special funding situation. As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the State is required to contribute a \$225 million direct distribution each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018.

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June 30, 2024

NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

General Information about the Pension Plan (Continued)

A portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the total annual payroll of the SCHDTF, State Division Trust Fund, Judicial Division Trust Fund, and Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund. The direct distribution from the State was suspended in 2020. To compensate PERA for the suspension, C.R.S. §§ 24-51-414(6-8) required restorative payment by providing an accelerated payment in 2022. In 2022, the State Treasurer issued payment for the direct distribution of \$225 million plus an additional amount of \$380 million. Due to the advanced payment made in 2022, the State reduced the distribution in 2023 to \$35 million. Additionally, the newly added C.R.S. § 24-51-414(9) providing compensatory payment of \$14.561 million for 2023 only.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability for the SCHDTF was measured as of December 31, 2023, and the total pension liability (TPL) used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the TPL to December 31, 2023. The Academy’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Academy’s contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2023 relative to the total contributions of participating employers and the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

At June 30, 2024, the Academy reported a liability of \$2,907,196 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected an increase for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. The amount recognized by the Academy as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with Academy were as follows:

Academy’s proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$2,907,196
The State’s proportionate share of the net pension liability as a nonemployer contributing entity associated with the Academy	62,378
Total	\$2,969,574

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NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN(Continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

At December 31, 2023, the Academy’s proportion was 0.0164%, which was an increase of 0.006% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Academy recognized pension expense of \$430,093 and revenue of \$5,839 for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. At June 30, 2024, the Academy reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$137,856	N/A
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	N/A	N/A
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	208,401	N/A
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	654,127	\$7,428
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	135,469	N/A
Total	\$1,135,853	\$7,428

\$135,469 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30,	
2025	\$413,955
2026	\$364,455
2027	\$214,546
2028	-
2029	-

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June 30, 2024

NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

Actuarial assumptions. The TPL in the December 31, 2022, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions, and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation:	3.40%- 11.00%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure (compounded annually)	1.00%
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 ¹	Financed by the AIR

¹ Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR, accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.

The mortality tables described below are generational mortality tables developed on a benefit-weighted basis. Pre-retirement mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112% of the rates prior to age 80 and 94% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83% of the rates prior to age 80 and 106% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN(Continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 97% of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 105% of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99% of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022, valuation were based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019. Revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by the PERA Board on November 20, 2020.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regularly scheduled experience studies prepared at least every five years and asset/liability studies performed every three to five years for PERA. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020.

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages and then adding expected inflation.

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NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25% long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation, and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	54.00%	5.60%
Fixed Income	23.00%	1.30%
Private Equity	8.50%	7.10%
Real Estate	8.50%	4.40%
Alternatives	6.00%	4.70%
Total	100.00%	

Note: In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected nominal rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the TPL was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00%.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200 and required adjustments resulting from the 2018 and 2020 AAP assessments. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.

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NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN(Continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200 and required adjustments resulting from the 2018 and 2020 AAP assessments. Employer contributions also include current and estimated future AED and SAED, until the actuarial value funding ratio reaches 103%, at which point the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50% every year until they are zero.
- Additionally, estimated employer contributions reflect reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.
- As specified in law, the State, as a nonemployer contributing entity, will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million commencing July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial FNP, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits reserve or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. AIR transfers to the FNP and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.
- Beginning with the December 31, 2023, measurement date and thereafter, the FNP as of the current measurement date is used as a starting point for the GASB 67 projection test.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the SCHDTF’s FNP was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25% on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the TPL. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25%. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

Sensitivity of the Academy’s proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (6.25%) or 1-percentage point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net pension	\$3,887,405	\$2,907,196	\$2,089,821

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the SCHDTF’s FNP is available in PERA’s ACFR which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

NOTE 8: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

OPEB. The Academy participates in the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB fund administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (“PERA”). The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the HCTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefits paid on behalf of health care participants are recognized when due and/or payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description. Eligible employees of the Academy are provided with OPEB through the HCTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by PERA. The HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), as amended, and sets forth a framework that grants authority to the PERA Board to contract, self-insure, and authorize disbursements necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the PERACare program, including the administration of the premium subsidies. Colorado State law provisions may be amended by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits provided. The HCTF provides a health care premium subsidy to eligible participating PERA benefit recipients and retirees who choose to enroll in one of the PERA health care plans, however, the subsidy is not available if only enrolled in the dental and/or vision plan(s). The health care premium subsidy is based upon the benefit structure under which the member retires and the member's years of service credit. For members who retire having service credit with employers in the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Division and one or more of the other four Divisions (State, School, Local Government and Judicial), the premium subsidy is allocated between the HCTF and the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust Fund (DPS HCTF). The basis for the amount of the premium subsidy funded by each trust fund is the percentage of the member contribution account balance from each division as it relates to the total member contribution account balance from which the retirement benefit is paid.

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 et seq. specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated. All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure and all retirees under the DPS benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare. Upon the death of a DPS benefit structure retiree, no further subsidy is paid.

Enrollment in the PERACare health benefits program is voluntary and is available to benefit recipients and their eligible dependents, certain surviving spouses, and divorced spouses and guardians, among others. Eligible benefit recipients may enroll into the program upon retirement, upon the occurrence of certain life events, or on an annual basis during an open enrollment period.

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General Information about the OPEB Plan (Continued)

PERA Benefit Structure

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for benefit recipients with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5% reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The benefit recipient pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For benefit recipients who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, C.R.S. § 24-51-1206(4) provides an additional subsidy. According to the statute, PERA cannot charge premiums to benefit recipients without Medicare Part A that are greater than premiums charged to benefit recipients with Part A for the same plan option, coverage level, and service credit. Currently, for each individual PERACare enrollee, the total premium for Medicare coverage is determined assuming plan participants have both Medicare Part A and Part B and the difference in premium cost is paid by the HCTF or the DPS HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

For retirees who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, the HCTF or the DPS HCTF pays an alternate service-based premium subsidy. Each individual retiree meeting these conditions receives the maximum \$230 per month subsidy reduced appropriately for service less than 20 years, as described above. Retirees who do not have Medicare Part A pay the difference between the total premium and the monthly subsidy.

Contributions. Pursuant to Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1) (f) of the C.R.S., as amended, certain contributions are apportioned to the HCTF. PERA-affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions are required to contribute at a rate of 1.02% of PERA-includable salary into the HCTF.

Employer contributions are recognized by the HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the Academy is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the HCTF from the Academy were \$12,911 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

At June 30, 2024, the Academy reported a liability of \$70,197 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability for the HCTF was measured as of December 31, 2023, and the total OPEB liability (TOL) used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the TOL to December 31, 2023. The Academy's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the Academy's contributions to the HCTF for the calendar year 2023 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the HCTF.

At December 31, 2023, the Academy's proportion was 0.098%, which was an increase of 0.002% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Academy recognized OPEB income of \$15,567. At June 30, 2024 the Academy reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	N/A	\$14,388
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	\$825	7,443
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	2,171	N/A
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	21,378	1,422
Contributions subsequent to the	6,780	N/A
Total	\$31,154	\$23,253

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

\$6,780 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30,	
2025	(\$3,883)
2026	(\$499)
2027	\$2,447
2028	\$1,557
2029	\$1,542
Thereafter	(\$43)

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Actuarial assumptions. The TOL in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

	School Division
Actuarial cost method	<u>Entry age</u>
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	
Members other than Safety Officers	3.40%-11.00%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Health care cost trend rates	
PERA benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00%
PERACare Medicare plans ¹	7.00% in 2023, gradually decreasing to 4.50% in 2033
Medicare Part A premiums	3.50% in 2023, gradually increasing to 4.50% in 2035
DPS benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00%
PERACare Medicare plans	N/A
Medicare Part A premiums	N/A

¹ UnitedHealthcare MAPD PPO plans are 0% for 2023.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Each year the per capita health care costs are developed by plan option; currently based on 2023

premium rates for the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) PPO plan #1, the UnitedHealthcare MAPD PPO plan #2, and the Kaiser Permanente MAPD HMO plan. Actuarial morbidity factors are then applied to estimate individual retiree and spouse costs by age, gender, and health care cost trend. This approach applies for all members and is adjusted accordingly for those not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for the PERA benefit structure.

Age-Related Morbidity Assumptions

Participant Age	Annual Increase (Male)	Annual Increase (Female)
65-68	2.2%	2.3%
69	2.8%	2.2%
70	2.7%	1.6%
71	3.1%	0.5%
72	2.3%	0.7%
73	1.2%	0.8%
74	0.9%	1.5%
75-85	0.9%	1.3%
86 and older	0.0%	0.0%

Sample Age	MAPD PPO #1 with Medicare Part A		MAPD PPO #2 with Medicare Part A		MAPD HMO (Kaiser) with Medicare Part A	
	Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
65	\$1,692	\$1,406	\$579	\$481	\$1,913	\$1,589
70	\$1,901	\$1,573	\$650	\$538	\$2,149	\$1,778
75	\$2,100	\$1,653	\$718	\$566	\$2,374	\$1,869

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**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and
Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)**

Sample Age	MAPD PPO #1 without Medicare Part A		MAPD PPO #2 without Medicare Part A		MAPD HMO (Kaiser) without Medicare Part A	
	Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
65	\$6,469	\$5,373	\$4,198	\$3,487	\$6,719	\$5,581
70	\$7,266	\$6,011	\$4,715	\$3,900	\$7,546	\$6,243
75	\$8,026	\$6,319	\$5,208	\$4,101	\$8,336	\$6,563

The 2023 Medicare Part A premium is \$506 per month.

All costs are subject to the health care cost trend rates, as discussed below.

Health care cost trend rates reflect the change in per capita health costs over time due to factors such as medical inflation, utilization, plan design, and technology improvements. For the PERA benefit structure, health care cost trend rates are needed to project the future costs associated with providing benefits to those PERACare enrollees not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A.

Health care cost trend rates for the PERA benefit structure are based on published annual health care inflation surveys in conjunction with actual plan experience (if credible), building block models and industry methods developed by health plan actuaries and administrators. In addition, projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services are referenced in the development of these rates. Effective December 31, 2022, the health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

The PERA benefit structure health care cost trend rates used to measure the TOL are summarized in the table below:

Year	PERACare Medicare Plans	Medicare Part A Premiums
2023	7.00%	3.50%
2024	6.75%	3.50%
2025	6.50%	3.75%
2026	6.25%	3.75%
2027	6.00%	4.00%
2028	5.75%	4.00%
2029	5.50%	4.00%
2030	5.25%	4.25%
2031	5.00%	4.25%
2032	4.75%	4.25%
2033	4.50%	4.25%
2034	4.50%	4.25%
2035+	4.50%	4.50%

Mortality assumptions used in the December 31, 2022, valuation for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below, reflect generational mortality and were applied, as applicable, in the determination of the TOL for the HCTF, but developed on a headcount-weighted basis. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the State and Local Government Divisions (members other than Safety Officers) were based upon the PubG-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for Safety Officers were based upon the PubS-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the School Division were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the Judicial Division were based upon the PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the State and Local Government Divisions (members other than Safety Officers) were based upon the PubG-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 94% of the rates prior to age 80 and 90% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 87% of the rates prior to age 80 and 107% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for Safety Officers were based upon the unadjusted PubS-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the School Division were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112% of the rates prior to age 80 and 94% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83% of the rates prior to age 80 and 106% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the Judicial Division were based upon the unadjusted PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Healthy Retiree Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- Males: 97% of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- Females: 105% of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions for members other than Safety Officers were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99% of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions for Safety Officers were based upon the unadjusted PubS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The following health care costs assumptions were updated and used in the roll-forward calculation for the HCTF:

- Per capita health care costs in effect as of the December 31, 2022, valuation date for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to be age 65 and older and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits have been updated to reflect costs for the 2023 plan year.
- The morbidity rates used to estimate individual retiree and spouse costs by age and by gender were updated effective for the December 31, 2022, actuarial valuation. The revised morbidity rate factors are based on a review of historical claims experience by age, gender, and status (active versus retired) from actuary's claims data warehouse.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

- The health care cost trend rates applicable to health care premiums were revised to reflect the then current expectation of future increases in those premiums.

Actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and their related trend rates are analyzed and updated annually by PERA Board's actuary, as discussed above.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022, valuations were based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, and November 4, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019. Revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 20, 2020.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regularly scheduled experience studies performed at least every five years, and asset/liability studies, performed every three to five years for PERA. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020.

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages and then adding expected inflation.

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25% long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	54.00%	5.60%
Fixed Income	23.00%	1.30%
Private Equity	8.50%	7.10%
Real Estate	8.50%	4.40%
Alternatives	6.00%	4.70%
Total	100.00%	

Note: In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected nominal rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

Sensitivity of the Academy’s proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates. The following presents the net OPEB liability using the current health care cost trend rates applicable to the PERA benefit structure, as well as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

	1% Decrease in Trend Rates	Current Trend Rates	1% Increase in Trend Rates
Initial PERACare Medicare trend rate ¹	5.75%	6.75%	7.75%
Ultimate PERACare Medicare trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Initial Medicare Part A trend rate	2.50%	3.50%	4.50%
Ultimate Medicare Part A trend	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Net OPEB Liability	\$68,182	\$70,197	\$72,388

¹For the January 1, 2024, plan year.

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Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the TOL was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Updated health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums as of the December 31, 2023, measurement date.
- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00%.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law and effective as of the measurement date.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- Estimated transfers of dollars into the HCTF representing a portion of purchase service agreements intended to cover the costs associated with OPEB benefits.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.
- Beginning with the December 31, 2023, measurement date and thereafter, the FNP as of the current measurement date is used as a starting point for the GASB 74 projection test.

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- As of the December 31, 2023, measurement date, the FNP and related disclosure components for the HCTF reflect payments related to the disaffiliation of Tri-County Health Department as a PERA-affiliated employer, effective December 31, 2022. As of the December 31, 2023, year-end, PERA recognized two additions for accounting and financial reporting purposes: a \$24 million payment received on December 4, 2023, and a \$2 million receivable. The employer disaffiliation payment and receivable allocations to the HCTF and Local Government Division Trust Fund were \$1.033 million and \$24.967 million, respectively.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the FNP for the HCTF was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25% on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the TOL. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25%. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

Sensitivity of the Academy’s proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$82,911	\$70,197	\$59,320

OPEB plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the HCTF’s FNP is available in PERA’s ACFR which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

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NOTE 9: RISK MANAGEMENT

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The School carries commercial insurance for these risks of loss. Settled claims have not exceeded any coverages in the last three years.

NOTE 10: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Claims and Judgments

The School participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the School may be required to reimburse the grantor government. As of June 30, 2024, significant amounts of grant expenditures have not been audited, but the School believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on the overall financial position of the School.

Tabor Amendment

In November 1992, Colorado voters passed the Tabor Amendment to the State Constitution, which limits state and local government tax powers and imposes spending limitations. Fiscal year 1993 provides the basis for limits in future years to which may be applied allowable increases for inflation and student enrollment. Revenue received in excess of the limitations may be required to be refunded. The School believes it has complied with the Amendment. As required by the Amendment, the School has established a reserve for emergencies. At June 30, 2024, the reserve of \$67,400 was recorded as a restriction of fund balance in the General Fund.

Leases

In July 2019, the School entered into a one-year extension agreement to lease educational facilities. Monthly lease payments of \$2,200 commenced in August 2019. Effective July 30, 2021, the School approved a similar agreement through July 31, 2023, with monthly lease payments of \$2,200. The School has an option to extend the lease for an additional year. During the year ended June 30, 2024, the School paid \$26,400 under this agreement.

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NOTE 10: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

Leases (Continued)

In addition, in July 2019, the School extended its agreement to lease a second location, commencing July 1, 2019. Monthly lease payments of \$5,200 plus utilities were required by the agreement through June 30, 2024. At this time the School is leasing the building on a month to month basis until an extension or new lease agreement can be negotiated. During the year ended June 30, 2024, the School paid \$62,000 under this agreement.

NOTE 11: DEFICIT NET POSITION

The net position of the governmental activities is in a deficit position of \$564,798 due to the School including its Net Pension Liability per the requirements of GASB Statements No. 68 and 75.

NOTE 12: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Potential subsequent events were considered through October 15, 2024. It was determined that no events were required to be disclosed through this date.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SALIDA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
Year Ended June 30, 2024

	2024			VARIANCE Positive (Negative)
	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	
REVENUES				
Local Sources				
Per Pupil Revenue	\$ 1,333,159	\$ 1,524,114	\$ 1,532,011	\$ 7,897
Mill Levy Override	181,845	203,397	216,170	12,773
Tuition and Fees	558,686	334,750	323,805	(10,945)
Student Activities	53,000	75,500	86,936	11,436
Contributions and Donations	1,500	21,465	25,646	4,181
Investment Income	15,000	56,500	55,185	(1,315)
Other	2,500	81,866	4,448	(77,418)
State and Federal Sources				
State	119,470	622,082	601,052	(21,030)
Federal	19,882	77,203	79,243	2,040
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>2,285,042</u>	<u>2,996,877</u>	<u>2,924,496</u>	<u>(72,381)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Instruction				
Salaries	934,911	1,068,655	1,093,509	(24,854)
Employee Benefits	276,383	288,827	304,965	(16,138)
Purchased Services	61,200	73,950	82,523	(8,573)
Supplies and Materials	95,054	82,389	79,632	2,757
Property	106,686	5,300	4,322	978
Other	-	81,866	476	
Total Instruction	<u>1,474,234</u>	<u>1,600,987</u>	<u>1,565,427</u>	<u>(45,830)</u>
Supporting Services				
Salaries	301,193	221,565	216,837	4,728
Employee Benefits	77,636	60,561	63,880	(3,319)
Purchased Services	347,036	344,992	313,338	31,654
Supplies and Materials	24,499	26,899	19,953	6,946
Property	12,530	501,619	495,549	6,070
Other	47,914	13,279	16,371	(3,092)
Total Supporting Services	<u>810,808</u>	<u>1,168,915</u>	<u>1,125,928</u>	<u>42,987</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>2,285,042</u>	<u>2,769,902</u>	<u>2,691,355</u>	<u>78,547</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>-</u>	<u>226,975</u>	<u>233,141</u>	<u>6,166</u>
OTHER FINANCING USES				
Transfers In (Out)	<u>-</u>	<u>(503,098)</u>	<u>(503,098)</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	<u>-</u>	<u>(276,123)</u>	<u>(269,957)</u>	<u>6,166</u>
FUND BALANCE, Beginning	<u>488,326</u>	<u>1,132,176</u>	<u>1,132,176</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE, Ending	<u>\$ 488,326</u>	<u>\$ 856,053</u>	<u>\$ 862,219</u>	<u>\$ 6,166</u>

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SALIDA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE
SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUST FUND

Years Ended December 31,

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
School's proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0079%	0.0104%	0.0116%	0.0100%	0.0100%	0.0107%	0.0105%	0.0105%	0.0164%
School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,214,355	\$ 3,093,105	\$ 3,749,193	\$ 1,778,096	\$ 1,499,389	\$ 1,615,926	\$ 1,225,558	\$ 1,909,998	\$ 2,907,196
State of Colorado Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability associated with the School	-	-	-	243,130	240,880	-	126,045	430,996	62,378
Total portion of the Net Pension Liability associated with the School	1,214,355	3,093,105	3,749,193	2,021,226	1,740,269	1,615,926	1,351,603	2,340,994	2,969,574
School's covered payroll	\$ 173,010	\$ 466,261	\$ 534,832	\$ 552,048	\$ 589,652	\$ 571,698	\$ 658,164	\$ 813,726	\$ 1,086,844
School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	701.9%	663.4%	701.0%	322.1%	254.3%	282.7%	186.2%	234.7%	267.5%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage percentage of the total pension liability	59.2%	43.1%	44.0%	57.0%	64.5%	67.0%	74.9%	61.8%	64.7%

Notes:

This schedule is reported as of December 31, as that is the plan year end.

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SALIDA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS
SCHOOL DIVISION TRUST FUND

Years Ended June 30,

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Statutorily required contributions	\$ 69,802	\$ 93,097	\$ 101,643	\$ 109,579	\$ 114,593	\$ 112,967	\$ 150,171	\$ 187,453	\$ 257,993
Contributions in relation to the Statutorily required contributions	<u>69,802</u>	<u>93,097</u>	<u>101,643</u>	<u>109,579</u>	<u>114,593</u>	<u>112,967</u>	<u>150,171</u>	<u>187,453</u>	<u>257,993</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's covered payroll	392,638	506,345	\$ 538,517	\$ 572,811	\$ 591,293	\$ 568,237	\$ 755,384	\$ 919,784	\$ 1,265,889
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	17.78%	18.39%	18.87%	19.13%	19.38%	19.88%	19.88%	20.38%	20.38%

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SALIDA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE
HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND

Years Ended December 31,

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
School's proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0066%	0.0065%	0.0066%	0.0062%	0.0069%	0.0080%	0.0098%
School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 85,616	\$ 88,805	\$ 73,710	\$ 58,740	\$ 59,290	\$ 65,024	\$ 70,197
School's covered payroll	\$ 534,832	\$ 552,048	\$ 589,652	\$ 571,698	\$ 658,164	\$ 813,726	\$ 1,086,844
School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	16.0%	16.1%	12.5%	10.3%	9.0%	8.0%	6.5%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	17.53%	17.03%	24.49%	32.78%	39.40%	38.57%	46.16%

Notes:

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SALIDA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS
HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND

Years Ended June 30,

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Statutorily required contributions	\$ 5,493	\$ 5,843	\$ 6,031	\$ 5,795	\$ 7,705	\$ 9,382	\$ 12,911
Contributions in relation to the Statutorily required contributions	<u>5,493</u>	<u>5,843</u>	<u>6,031</u>	<u>5,795</u>	<u>7,705</u>	<u>9,382</u>	<u>12,911</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's covered payroll	\$ 538,517	\$ 572,811	\$ 591,293	\$ 568,237	\$ 755,384	\$ 919,784	\$ 1,265,889
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%

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