Financial Audit

NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023



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The team leader was Helena Chappo, CPA, and the audit was supervised by Kenneth C. Danley, CPA.

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SUMMARY

SUMMARY OF REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Our audit disclosed that the basic financial statements of Northwest Florida State College (a component unit of the State of Florida) were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with prescribed financial reporting standards.

SUMMARY OF REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE

Our audit did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

AUDIT OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

Our audit objectives were to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole were free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that included our opinion. In doing so we:

- Exercised professional judgment and maintained professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identified and assessed the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and designed and performed audit procedures responsive to those risks.
- Obtained an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control.
- Evaluated the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluated the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Concluded whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the College's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.
- Examined various transactions to determine whether they were executed, in both manner and substance, in accordance with governing provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements.

An examination of Federal awards administered by the College is included within the scope of our Statewide audit of Federal awards administered by the State of Florida.

AUDIT METHODOLOGY

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and applicable standards contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the Northwest Florida State College, a component unit of the State of Florida, and its discretely presented component unit as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Northwest Florida State College and of its discretely presented component unit as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit, which represent 100 percent of the transactions and account balances of the discretely presented component unit columns as of June 30, 2023. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the discretely presented component unit, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the College and to meet our other 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 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 College's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 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 and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
 expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the College'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 MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS, the Schedule of Changes in the College's Total Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - Florida Retirement System Pension Plan, Schedule of College Contributions – Florida Retirement System Pension Plan, Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan, Schedule of College Contributions - Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan, and Notes to Required Supplementary Information 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 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 9, 2024, on our consideration of the Northwest Florida State College's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and

compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the College's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherrill F. Norman, CPA Tallahassee, Florida

January 9, 2024

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) provides an overview of the financial position and activities of the College for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto. The MD&A, and financial statements and notes thereto, are the responsibility of College management. The MD&A contains financial activity of the College for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023, and June 30, 2022.

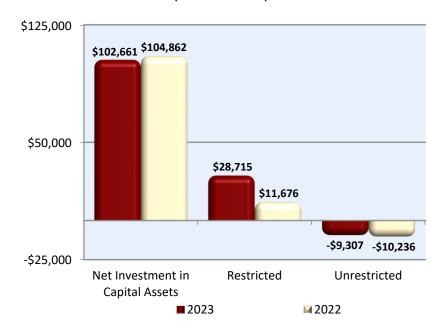
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The College's assets and deferred outflows of resources totaled \$167.5 million at June 30, 2023. This balance reflects a \$15.1 million, or 9.9 percent, increase as compared to the 2021-22 fiscal year, resulting mainly from an increase in due from governmental agencies. While assets and deferred outflows of resources grew, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources decreased by \$0.7 million, or 1.5 percent, totaling \$45.4 million at June 30, 2023, resulting mainly from a reduction in deferred inflows buffered by an increase in net pension liability. As a result, the College's net position increased by \$15.8 million, resulting in a fiscal year-end balance of \$122.1 million.

The College's operating revenues totaled \$13.5 million for the 2022-23 fiscal year, representing an 11.9 percent increase compared to the 2021-22 fiscal year due mainly to an increase in student tuition and fees (net). Operating expenses totaled \$61.2 million for the 2022-23 fiscal year, representing an increase of 11.9 percent as compared to the 2021-22 fiscal year due mainly to an increase in personnel expense.

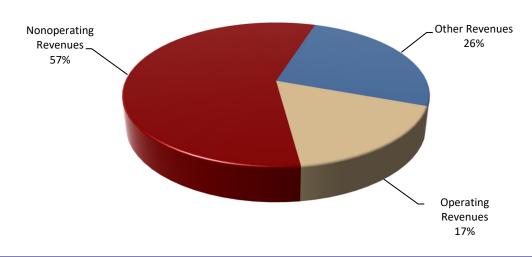
Net position represents the residual interest in the College's assets and deferred outflows of resources after deducting liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. The College's comparative total net position by category for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023, and June 30, 2022, is shown in the following graph:

Net Position (In Thousands)



The following chart provides a graphical presentation of College revenues by category for the 2022-23 fiscal year:





OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Pursuant to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 35, the College's financial report consists of three basic financial statements: the statement of net position; the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position; and the statement of cash flows. The financial statements, and notes thereto, encompass the College and its component unit, the Northwest Florida State College Foundation, Inc. (Foundation). Based on the application of the criteria for determining

component units, the Foundation is included within the College reporting entity as a discretely presented component unit.

Information regarding the Foundation is presented in the notes to financial statements. This MD&A focuses on the College, excluding the Foundation. The Foundation reports under GASB standards, and the MD&A information is included in its separately issued audit report.

The Statement of Net Position

The statement of net position reflects the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources of the College, using the accrual basis of accounting, and presents the financial position of the College at a specified time. Assets, plus deferred outflows of resources, less liabilities, less deferred inflows of resources, equals net position, which is one indicator of the College's current financial condition. The changes in net position that occur over time indicate improvement or deterioration in the College's financial condition.

The following summarizes the College's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position at June 30:

Condensed Statement of Net Position at June 30 (In Thousands)

	2023	2022
Assets Current Assets Capital Assets, Net Other Noncurrent Assets	\$ 35,108 125,913 1,717	\$ 15,755 129,881 2,482
Total Assets	162,738	148,118
Deferred Outflows of Resources	4,768	4,294
Liabilities Current Liabilities Noncurrent Liabilities	2,982 40,904	2,644 34,171
Total Liabilities	43,886	36,815
Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,551	9,295
Net Position Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted Unrestricted	102,661 28,715 (9,307)	104,862 11,676 (10,236)
Total Net Position	\$122,069	\$106,302

The increase of \$19.4 million in current assets is mainly due to an increase in due from other governmental agencies. The value of capital assets declined by \$4 million mainly due to current fiscal year depreciation. Other noncurrent assets declined by \$0.8 million due to a reduction in restricted cash and cash equivalents. Noncurrent liabilities increased by \$6.7 million predominantly due to an increase

of pension related liabilities and a reduction of deferred inflows of resources. The effect of both changes in assets and liabilities is reflected in the \$15.8 million increase of net position.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position presents the College's revenue and expense activity, categorized as operating and nonoperating. Revenues and expenses are recognized when earned or incurred, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The following summarizes the College's activity for the 2022-23 and 2021-22 fiscal years:

Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For the Fiscal Years

(In Thousands)

	2022-23	2021-22
Operating Revenues Less, Operating Expenses	\$ 13,453 61,174	\$ 12,019 54,655
Operating Loss Net Nonoperating Revenues	(47,721) 43,505	(42,636) 42,454
Loss Before Other Revenues Other Revenues	(4,216) 19,983	(182) 1,309
Net Increase In Net Position	15,767	1,127
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	106,302	105,175
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$122,069	\$106,302

Operating Revenues

GASB Statement No. 35 categorizes revenues as either operating or nonoperating. Operating revenues generally result from exchange transactions where each of the parties to the transaction either gives or receives something of equal or similar value.

The following summarizes the operating revenues by source that were used to fund operating activities for the 2022-23 and 2021-22 fiscal years:

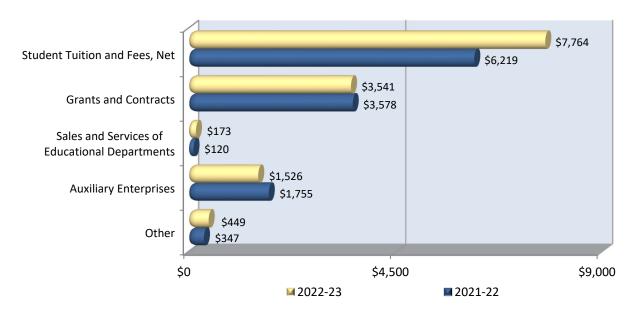
Operating Revenues For the Fiscal Years

(In Thousands)

	2022-23	2021-22
Student Tuition and Fees, Net	\$ 7,764	\$ 6,219
Grants and Contracts	3,541	3,578
Sales and Services of Educational Departments	173	120
Auxiliary Enterprises	1,526	1,755
Other	449	347
Total Operating Revenues	\$13,453	\$12,019

The following chart presents the College's operating revenues for the 2022-23 and 2021-22 fiscal years:

Operating Revenues (In Thousands)



College operating revenue changes were the result of an increase in tuition and fees revenue buffering the reduction in auxiliary enterprises revenue.

Operating Expenses

Expenses are categorized as operating or nonoperating. The majority of the College's expenses are operating expenses as defined by GASB Statement No. 35. GASB gives financial reporting entities the choice of reporting operating expenses in the functional or natural classifications. The College has chosen to report the expenses in their natural classification on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position and has displayed the functional classification in the notes to financial statements.

The following summarizes operating expenses by natural classification for the 2022-23 and 2021-22 fiscal years:

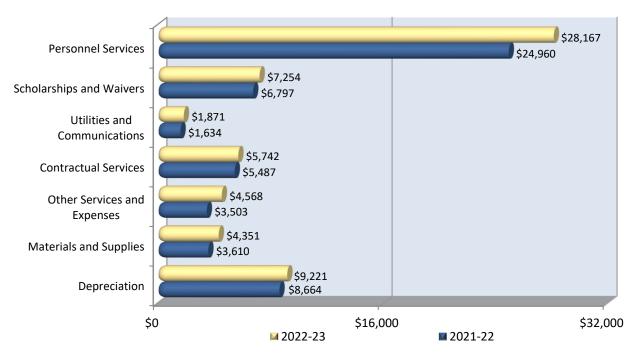
Operating Expenses For the Fiscal Years

(In Thousands)

	2022-23	2021-22
Personnel Services Scholarships and Waivers Utilities and Communications Contractual Services Other Services and Expenses Materials and Supplies Depreciation	\$28,167 7,254 1,871 5,742 4,568 4,351 9,221	\$24,960 6,797 1,634 5,487 3,503 3,610 8,664
Total Operating Expenses	\$61,174	\$54,655

The following chart presents the College's operating expenses for the 2022-23 and 2021-22 fiscal years:

Operating Expenses (In Thousands)



College operating expenses increased primarily due to a \$3.2 million increase in personnel cost and a \$1.1 million increase in other services and expenses.

Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses

Certain revenue sources that the College relies on to provide funding for operations, including State noncapital appropriations, Federal and State student financial aid, certain gifts and grants, and investment income, are defined by GASB as nonoperating. Nonoperating expenses include capital financing costs and other costs related to capital assets. The following summarizes the College's nonoperating revenues and expenses for the 2022-23 and 2021-22 fiscal years:

Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses) For the Fiscal Years

(In Thousands)

	2022-23	2021-22
State Noncapital Appropriations Federal and State Student Financial Aid	\$ 23,442 8,355	\$ 21,022 8,796
Gifts and Grants	12,225	13,519
Investment Income	314	24
Other Nonoperating Revenues	10	-
Interest on Capital Asset-Related Debt	(841)	(907)
Net Nonoperating Revenues	\$ 43,505	\$ 42,454

Nonoperating revenues increased by \$1.1 million primarily due to a \$2.4 million increase in State noncapital appropriations buffered by a \$1.3 million reduction in gifts and grants.

Other Revenues

This category is composed of State capital appropriations and capital grants, contracts, gifts, and fees. The following summarizes the College's other revenues for the 2022-23 and 2021-22 fiscal years:

Other Revenues For the Fiscal Years

(In Thousands)

	2022-23	2021-22
State Capital Appropriations Capital Grants, Contracts, Gifts, and Fees	\$ 11,215 8,768	\$ 215 1,094
Total	\$ 19,983	\$1,309

Other revenues increased due to an \$18.7 million increase in State capital appropriations and capital grants.

The Statement of Cash Flows

The statement of cash flows provides information about the College's financial results by reporting the major sources and uses of cash and cash equivalents. This statement will assist in evaluating the College's ability to generate net cash flows, its ability to meet its financial obligations as they come due, and its need for external financing. Cash flows from operating activities show the net cash used by the operating activities of the College. Cash flows from capital financing activities include all plant funds and related long-term debt activities. Cash flows from investing activities show the net source and use of cash related to purchasing or selling investments and earning income on those investments. Cash flows from noncapital financing activities include those activities not covered in other sections.

The following summarizes the College's cash flows for the 2022-23 and 2021-22 fiscal years:

Condensed Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Years

(In Thousands)

	2022-23	2021-22
Cash Provided (Used) by:		
Operating Activities	\$ (39,049)	\$ (35,215)
Noncapital Financing Activities	44,022	43,337
Capital and Related Financing Activities	(4,882)	(3,323)
Investing Activities	314	23
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	405	4,822
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	13,158	8,336
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 13,563	\$ 13,158

Major sources of funds came from State noncapital appropriations (\$23.4 million), Federal and State student financial aid (\$8.4 million), net student tuition and fees (\$6.6 million), and gifts, grants, and contracts (\$18.8 million). Major uses of funds were for payments to employees and for employee benefits (\$27.9 million), payments to suppliers (\$14.6 million), and payments for scholarships (\$7.3 million).

The increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$0.4 million was mainly the result of increases in State appropriations and student tuition and fees buffered by increased payments to and for employees.

CAPITAL ASSETS, CAPITAL EXPENSES AND COMMITMENTS, AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2023, the College had \$240.4 million in capital assets, less accumulated depreciation of \$114.5 million, for net capital assets of \$125.9 million. Depreciation charges for the current fiscal year totaled \$9.2 million. The following table summarizes the College's capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, at June 30:

Capital Assets, Net at June 30 (In Thousands)

	2023		3 2022	
Land	\$	2,901	\$	2,901
Capitalized Collections		800		800
Software License		232		232
Construction in Progress		3,008		1,086
Buildings		91,319		95,082
Other Structures and Improvements		18,367		21,652
Furniture, Machinery, and Equipment		4,813		3,067
Leased Assets		4,473		5,061
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 1	125,913	\$1	129,881

Additional information about the College's capital assets is presented in the notes to financial statements.

Capital Expenses and Commitments

Major capital expenses through June 30, 2023, were incurred for capital improvements for building remodeling and deferred maintenance. The College's construction commitments at June 30, 2023, are as follows:

	Amount (In Thousands)	
Total Committed Completed to Date	\$	5,840 3,008
Balance Committed	\$	2,832

Additional information about the College's construction commitments is presented in the notes to financial statements.

Debt Administration

As of June 30, 2023, the College had \$23.3 million in outstanding bonds, note, and leases payable, representing a decrease of \$1.8 million, or 7.2 percent, from the prior fiscal year. The following table summarizes the outstanding long-term debt by type for the fiscal years ended June 30:

Long-Term Debt at June 30

(In Thousands)

	20	2023)22
Bonds Payable	\$	47	\$	69
Note Payable	18	18,225		9,580
Leases Payable	4	4,980		5,370
Total	\$ 23	\$ 23,252		5,019

The State Board of Education issues capital outlay bonds on behalf of the College. During the 2022-23 fiscal year, there were no bond sales and debt repayments totaled \$22,000. Additional information about the College's long-term debt is presented in the notes to financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS THAT WILL AFFECT THE FUTURE

The College's economic condition is closely tied to that of the State of Florida. An \$8.1 million increase in State funding is anticipated in the 2023-24 fiscal year. In response, the Board of Trustees voted to maintain the same tuition rate for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

Requests for Information

Questions concerning information provided in the MD&A or other required supplementary information, and financial statements and notes thereto, or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Vice President of Business Operations and Finance, Chief Financial Officer, Northwest Florida State College, 100 College Boulevard, Niceville, Florida 32578.

NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE A Component Unit of the State of Florida Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2023

	College	Component Unit
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,934,835	\$ 445,149
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	5,911,184	-
Investments	-	657
Restricted Investments	-	20,648,098
Accounts Receivable, Net	3,350,785	-
Restricted Pledge Receivable	<u>-</u>	55,342
Due from Other Governmental Agencies	19,439,906	-
Due from Component Unit	41,515	-
Inventories	19,704	-
Prepaid Expenses	409,506	2,962
Total Current Assets	35,107,435	21,152,208
Noncurrent Assets:		
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,717,221	-
Restricted Investments	-	40,175,356
Restricted Pledge Receivable	-	16,861
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	118,972,154	10.020
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	6,940,975	12,830
Total Noncurrent Assets	127,630,350	40,205,047
TOTAL ASSETS	162,737,785	61,357,255
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Other Postemployment Benefits	82,377	-
Pensions	4,685,775	
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	4,768,152	-
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	14,885	1,945
Salary and Payroll Taxes Payable	565,894	-
Due to College	-	41,515
Unearned Revenue	318,928	-
Deposits Held for Others	169,250	-
Long-Term Liabilities - Current Portion:		
Bonds Payable	23,000	-
Note Payable	1,406,075	-
Leases Payable	401,343	-
Compensated Absences Payable	71,637	-
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable	10,932	
Total Current Liabilities	2,981,944	43,460

	College	Component Unit
LIABILITIES (Continued)		
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Bonds Payable	24,000	-
Note Payable	16,818,549	-
Leases Payable	4,578,811	-
Compensated Absences Payable	3,510,223	-
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable	412,021	-
Net Pension Liability	15,560,295	
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	40,903,899	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	43,885,843	43,460
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Other Postemployment Benefits Pensions	160,741 1,390,384	- -
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,551,125	
NET POSITION Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted: Nonexpendable:	102,660,877	12,830
Endowment Expendable:	-	38,524,737
Grants and Loans	9,038,242	_
Scholarships	346,239	_
Capital Projects	19,330,925	-
Other	-	21,037,346
Unrestricted	(9,307,314)	1,738,882
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 122,068,969	\$ 61,313,795

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE A Component Unit of the State of Florida Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	College	Component Unit
REVENUES		
Operating Revenues:		
Student Tuition and Fees, Net of Scholarship		
Allowances of \$2,070,282	\$ 7,763,513	\$ -
Federal Grants and Contracts	193,575	-
State and Local Grants and Contracts	3,063,237	-
Nongovernmental Grants and Contracts	283,667	-
Sales and Services of Educational Departments	172,991	-
Auxiliary Enterprises	1,526,294	-
Other Operating Revenues	449,180	58,156
Total Operating Revenues	13,452,457	58,156
EXPENSES		
Operating Expenses:		
Personnel Services	28,167,258	-
Scholarships and Waivers	7,253,458	724,621
Utilities and Communications Contractual Services	1,870,948 5,741,492	-
Other Services and Expenses	4,568,312	2,798,662
Materials and Supplies	4,351,368	37,514
Depreciation	9,220,921	-
·		3,560,797
Total Operating Expenses	61,173,757	
Operating Loss	(47,721,300)	(3,502,641)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
State Noncapital Appropriations	23,441,943	-
Federal and State Student Financial Aid	8,355,279	-
Gifts and Grants Received for Other Than Capital or Endowment Purposes	12,224,767	823,044
Investment Income	314,178	1,416,654
Net Realized Gain on Investments Net Unrealized Gain on Investments	25	1,817,046
Other Nonoperating Revenues	10,525	3,141,246 66,193
Interest on Capital Asset-Related Debt	(841,412)	00,193
Net Nonoperating Revenues	43,505,305	7,264,183
Income (Loss) Before Other Revenues	(4,215,995)	3,761,542
		3,701,342
State Capital Appropriations	11,215,200	-
Capital Grants, Contracts, Gifts, and Fees	8,767,972	106.027
Additions to Endowments		196,037
Total Other Revenues	19,983,172	196,037
Increase in Net Position	15,767,177	3,957,579
Net Position, Beginning of Year	106,301,792	57,356,216
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 122,068,969	\$ 61,313,795

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE A Component Unit of the State of Florida Statement of Cash Flows

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	College
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Student Tuition and Fees, Net	\$ 6,639,115
Grants and Contracts	3,783,645
Payments to Suppliers	(14,609,132)
Payments for Utilities and Communications	(1,870,948)
Payments to Employees	(21,691,711)
Payments for Employee Benefits	(6,165,676)
Payments for Scholarships	(7,253,458)
Auxiliary Enterprises	1,500,540
Sales and Services of Educational Departments	172,991
Other Receipts	445,944
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(39,048,690)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
State Noncapital Appropriations	23,441,943
Federal and State Student Financial Aid	8,355,279
Federal Direct Loan Program Receipts	2,557,829
Federal Direct Loan Program Disbursements	(2,557,829)
Gifts and Grants Received for Other Than Capital or Endowment Purposes	12,224,767
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	44,021,989
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
State Capital Appropriations	215,200
Capital Grants and Gifts	2,742,358
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	10,525
Purchases of Capital Assets	(5,242,427)
Principal Paid on Capital Debt and Leases	(1,766,809)
Interest Paid on Capital Debt and Leases	(841,412)
Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities	(4,882,565)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Investment Income	314,203
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	404,937
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	13,158,303
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 13,563,240

		College
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS		
TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating Loss	\$ (4	47,721,300)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss		
to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation Expense		9,220,921
Changes in Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows of Resources,		
and Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Receivables, Net		(1,200,884)
Inventories		276
Prepaid Expenses		37,674
Accounts Payable		(4,540)
Salaries and Payroll Taxes Payable		31,481
Unearned Revenue		312,529
Deposits Held for Others		(3,236)
Special Termination Benefits Payable		(41,998)
Compensated Absences Payable		375,195
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable		(36,656)
Net Pension Liability		8,199,964
Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to Other Postemployment Benefits		3,185
Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Postemployment Benefits		53,619
Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to Pensions		(477,782)
Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions		(7,797,138)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (39,048,690)
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NONCASH CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Donation of capital assets were recognized on the statement of revenues,		
expenses, and changes in net position, but are not cash transactions for the statement of cash flows.	\$	11,000

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity. The governing body of Northwest Florida State College, a component unit of the State of Florida, is the College Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees constitutes a corporation and is composed of eight members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. The Board of Trustees is under the general direction and control of the Florida Department of Education, Division of Florida Colleges, and is governed by State law and State Board of Education (SBE) rules. However, the Board of Trustees is directly responsible for the day-to-day operations and control of the College within the framework of applicable State laws and SBE rules. The College serves Okaloosa and Walton Counties.

Criteria for defining the reporting entity are identified and described in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's (GASB) Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, Sections 2100 and 2600. These criteria were used to evaluate potential component units for which the Board of Trustees is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Board of Trustees are such that exclusion would cause the College's financial statements to be misleading. Based on the application of these criteria, the College is a component unit of the State of Florida, and its financial balances and activities are reported in the State's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report by discrete presentation.

<u>Discretely Presented Component Unit</u>. Based on the application of the criteria for determining component units, the Northwest Florida State College Foundation, Inc. (Foundation), a legally separate entity, is included within the College's reporting entity as a discretely presented component unit and is governed by a separate board.

The Foundation is also a direct-support organization, as defined in Section 1004.70, Florida Statutes, and although legally separate from the College, is financially accountable to the College. The Foundation is managed independently, outside the College's budgeting process, and its powers generally are vested in a governing board pursuant to various State statutes. The Foundation receives, holds, invests, and administers property, and makes expenditures to or for the benefit of the College.

The Foundation is audited by other auditors pursuant to Section 1004.70(6), Florida Statutes. The Foundation's audited financial statements are available to the public and can be obtained from the Foundation's Executive Director, Northwest Florida State College, 100 College Boulevard, Niceville, Florida 32578. The financial data reported on the accompanying financial statements was derived from the Foundation's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

<u>Basis of Presentation</u>. The College's accounting policies conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to public colleges and universities as prescribed by GASB. The National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO) also provides the College with recommendations prescribed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by GASB and the Financial Accounting Standards Board. GASB allows public colleges various reporting options. The College has elected to report as an entity engaged in only

Report No. 2024-105 January 2024 business-type activities. This election requires the adoption of the accrual basis of accounting and entitywide reporting including the following components:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis
- Basic Financial Statements:
 - Statement of Net Position
 - Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
 - Statement of Cash Flows
 - Notes to Financial Statements
- Other Required Supplementary Information

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting. Basis of accounting refers to when revenues, expenses, assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Specifically, it relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. The College's financial statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources resulting from nonexchange activities are generally recognized when all applicable eligibility requirements, including time requirements, are met. The College follows GASB standards of accounting and financial reporting.

The College's component unit uses the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting whereby revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred and follows GASB standards of accounting and financial reporting.

Significant interdepartmental sales between auxiliary service departments and other institutional departments have been accounted for as reductions of expenses and not revenues of those departments.

The College's principal operating activity is instruction. Operating revenues and expenses generally include all fiscal transactions directly related to instruction as well as administration, academic support, student services, physical plant operations, and depreciation of capital assets. Nonoperating revenues include State noncapital appropriations, Federal and State student financial aid, certain gifts and grants, and investment income. Interest on capital asset-related debt is a nonoperating expense. Other revenues generally include revenues for capital construction projects.

The statement of net position is presented in a classified format to distinguish between current and noncurrent assets and liabilities. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available to fund certain programs, it is the College's policy to first apply the restricted resources to such programs followed by the use of the unrestricted resources.

The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position is presented by major sources and is reported net of tuition scholarship allowances. Tuition scholarship allowances are the difference between the stated charge for goods and services provided by the College and the amount that is actually paid by

the student or the third party making payment on behalf of the student. To the extent these resources are used to pay student charges, the College records a scholarship allowance against student tuition and fees.

The statement of cash flows is presented using the direct method in compliance with GASB Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>. The amount reported as cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, cash in demand accounts, and cash with the State Board of Administration (SBA) Florida PRIME investment pool. For reporting cash flows, the College considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of 3 months or less, that are not held solely for income or profit, to be cash equivalents. Under this definition, the College considers amounts invested in the SBA Florida PRIME investment pool to be cash equivalents.

College cash deposits are held in banks qualified as public depositories under Florida law. All such deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), up to specified limits, or collateralized with securities held in Florida's multiple financial institution collateral pool required by Chapter 280, Florida Statutes. Cash and cash equivalents that are externally restricted to make debt service payments, maintain sinking or reserve funds, or to purchase or construct capital or other restricted assets are classified as restricted.

At June 30, 2023, the College reported as cash equivalents \$4,894,946 in the Florida PRIME investment pool administered by the SBA pursuant to Section 218.405, Florida Statutes. The College's investments in the Florida PRIME investment pool, which the SBA indicates is a Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a7-like external investment pool, are similar to money market funds in which shares are owned in the fund rather than the underlying investments. The Florida PRIME investment pool carried a credit rating of AAAm by Standard & Poor's and had a weighted-average days to maturity (WAM) of 37 days as of June 30, 2023. A portfolio's WAM reflects the average maturity in days based on final maturity or reset date, in the case of floating-rate instruments. WAM measures the sensitivity of the Florida PRIME investment pool to interest rate changes. The investments in the Florida PRIME investment pool are reported at amortized cost.

Section 218.409(8)(a), Florida Statutes, provides that "the principal, and any part thereof, of each account constituting the trust fund is subject to payment at any time from the moneys in the trust fund. However, the executive director may, in good faith, on the occurrence of an event that has a material impact on liquidity or operations of the trust fund, for 48 hours limit contributions to or withdrawals from the trust fund to ensure that the Board [State Board of Administration] can invest moneys entrusted to it in exercising its fiduciary responsibility. Such action must be immediately disclosed to all participants, the trustees, the Joint Legislative Auditing Committee, and the Investment Advisory Council. The trustees shall convene an emergency meeting as soon as practicable from the time the executive director has instituted such measures and review the necessity of those measures. If the trustees are unable to convene an emergency meeting before the expiration of the 48-hour moratorium on contributions and withdrawals, the moratorium may be extended by the executive director until the trustees are able to meet to review the necessity for the moratorium. If the trustees agree with such measures, the trustees

Report No. 2024-105 January 2024 shall vote to continue the measures for up to an additional 15 days. The trustees must convene and vote to continue any such measures before the expiration of the time limit set, but in no case may the time limit set by the trustees exceed 15 days." As of June 30, 2023, there were no redemption fees or maximum transaction amounts, or any other requirements that serve to limit a participant's daily access to 100 percent of their account value.

<u>Inventories</u>. Inventories consist of items for resale by the College's Graphic Service department and are valued using the last invoice cost, which approximates the first-in, first-out method of inventory valuation. Consumable laboratory supplies, teaching materials, and office supplies on hand in College departments are expensed when purchased and are not considered material. Accordingly, these items are not included in the reported inventory.

<u>Capital Assets</u>. College capital assets consist of land, capitalized collections, software license, construction in progress, buildings, other structures and improvements, furniture, machinery, and equipment, leased assets, and computer software. These assets are capitalized and recorded at cost at the date of acquisition or at acquisition value at the date received in the case of gifts and purchases of State surplus property. Additions, improvements, and other outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. The College has a capitalization threshold of \$5,000 for tangible personal property, \$25,000 for buildings and other structures and improvements, and \$2,000,000 for subscription-based information technology arrangements. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

- Buildings 40 years
- Other Structures and Improvements 10 years
- Furniture, Machinery, and Equipment:
 - o Computer Equipment 3 years
 - Vehicles, Athletic, and Minor Equipment 5 years
 - Office Furniture and Equipment 7 years
 - Educational Furniture and Equipment 7 to 10 years
- Leased Assets 3 to 30 years
- Computer Software 5 years

Noncurrent Liabilities. Noncurrent liabilities include bonds payable, note payable, leases payable, compensated absences payable, other postemployment benefits payable, and net pension liability that are not scheduled to be paid within the next fiscal year.

Pensions. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net positions of the Florida Retirement System (FRS) defined benefit plan and the Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) defined benefit plan and additions to/deductions from the FRS and HIS fiduciary net positions have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the FRS and the HIS plans. Benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

2. Deficit Net Position in Individual Funds

The College reported an unrestricted net position which included a deficit in the current funds - unrestricted, as shown below. This deficit can be attributed to the full recognition of long-term liabilities (i.e., compensated absences payable, other postemployment benefits payable, and net pension liability) in the current unrestricted funds.

<u>Fund</u>	Net Position
Current Funds - Unrestricted Auxiliary Funds	\$ (10,925,170) 1,617,856
Total	\$ (9,307,314)

3. Investments

The Board of Trustees has adopted a written investment policy providing that surplus funds of the College shall be invested in those institutions and instruments permitted under the provisions of Florida Statutes. Section 218.415(16), Florida Statutes, authorizes the College to invest in the Florida PRIME investment pool administered by the SBA; Securities and Exchange Commission registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency; interest-bearing time deposits and savings accounts in qualified public depositories, as defined by Section 280.02, Florida Statutes; direct obligations of the United States Treasury; obligations of Federal agencies and instrumentalities; securities of, or interests in, certain open-end or closed-end management type investment companies; and other investments approved by the Board of Trustees as authorized by law.

The College reported no investments at June 30, 2023, as SBA Florida PRIME investments are reported as cash equivalents.

<u>Component Unit Investments</u>. The Foundation's investments are managed in accordance with an investment policy. The investment policy sets target allocations of investments of 25 to 45 percent for fixed income, 45 to 65 percent for equities, 5 to 15 percent for alternative investments, and 2 to 8 percent for cash and cash equivalents, in order to reduce risk by investing in a diversified portfolio of financial assets, primarily stock funds, bonds or bond funds, and cash equivalents.

Fair Value Measurements: The Foundation categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets, Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs, and Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The Foundation's investments at June 30, 2023, are reported as follows:

			Fair Value Measurements Using						
Investments by Fair Value Level	Amount		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)			Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant nobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Limited Otatas Communicate and Foderally				•		•		·	
United States Government and Federally									
Guaranteed Bonds	\$	12,704,328	\$	-	\$	12,704,328	\$	-	
Equity Mutual Funds		44,230,520		38,610,442		-		5,620,078	
Money Market		2,065,173		2,065,173		-		-	
Life Insurance/Annuities		1,824,090						1,824,090	
Total Component Unit Investments	\$	60,824,111	\$	40,675,615	\$	12,704,328	\$	7,444,168	

Interest Rate Risk: Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The investment policy for the Foundation states at least 50 percent of the short-term funds shall be invested in instruments having maturities no greater than 2 years. No more than 25 percent may be invested in instruments that have maturities greater than 2 years and less than 5 years, and no more than 25 percent may be invested in instruments that have maturities greater than 5 years. The short-term funds are required to be invested in any of the following: obligations of the United States (U.S.) Government or agencies, obligations of agencies with implied Federal sponsorship and guarantees, certificates of deposit, deposits that are insured by the FDIC, repurchase agreements, money market accounts, or government security mutual funds. The investments meet the Foundation's investment policy restrictions.

Credit Risk: Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Common stocks should be held in seasoned, quality, well-managed and highly marketable companies whose prospects appear good for growth of earnings, dividends, and appreciation. Fixed income securities should be of the four highest bond ratings or the two highest commercial paper ratings. Corporate bonds (included in U.S. Government and Federally Guaranteed Bonds) held by the Foundation at June 30, 2023, were rated as follows: \$4,294,607 AAA to A- and \$4,872,347 BBB+ to BBB-.

Concentration of Credit Risk: Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. The Foundation's investment policy requires that investments are to be diversified to the extent that no more than 4 percent of the funds may be invested in any one security, no more than 30 percent in any one industry, and the Foundation should not control more than 10 percent of the debt or stock in any one company. These restrictions do not apply to obligations of the Federal Government. As of June 30, 2023, the Foundation did not have a concentration of credit risk.

Custodial Credit Risk: The Foundation will address investment custodial credit risk by permitting brokers that obtained investments for the Foundation to hold them only to the extent there is Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) and excess SIPC coverage available. Securities purchased that exceed available SIPC coverages shall be transferred to the Foundation's custodian.

Foreign Currency Risk: Foreign currency risk is the risk that the changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or a deposit. The Foundation's investment policy permits the hedging of non-U.S. dollar investments as long as the methods used to do such do not place the

investments in a leveraged position, use investment securities purchased on a margin, or result in open-hedge positions.

4. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable primarily represents amounts for student fee deferments, various student services provided by the College, and contract and grant reimbursements due from third parties. The accounts receivable are reported net of a \$156,649 allowance for doubtful accounts.

5. Due From Other Governmental Agencies

The amount due from other governmental agencies consists of \$11,000,000 of Public Education Capital Outlay allocations due from the State for construction of College facilities, \$6,613,704 of deferred maintenance funds from the State for various maintenance projects, and reimbursement from various government grants totaling \$1,826,202.

6. Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, is shown in the following table:

	Beginning					Ending		
Description	Balance			Additions		Reductions		Balance
Nondepreciable Capital Assets:								
Land	\$	2,900,883	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,900,883
Capitalized Collections		800,436		-		-		800,436
Software License		232,150		-		-		232,150
Construction in Progress		1,085,700		1,921,806		-		3,007,506
Total Nondepreciable Capital Assets	\$	5,019,169	\$	1,921,806	\$	-	\$	6,940,975
Depreciable Capital Assets:								
Buildings	\$ 1	69,066,389	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1	169,066,389
Other Structures and Improvements		37,803,660		-		-		37,803,660
Furniture, Machinery, and Equipment		10,606,071		3,331,448		339,422		13,598,097
Leased Assets		5,768,726		-		-		5,768,726
Computer Software		7,226,006						7,226,006
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	2	230,470,852		3,331,448		339,422		233,462,878
Less, Accumulated Depreciation:								
Buildings		73,984,135		3,763,113		-		77,747,248
Other Structures and Improvements		16,151,615		3,285,224		-		19,436,839
Furniture, Machinery, and Equipment		7,539,233		1,585,391		339,422		8,785,202
Leased Assets		708,236		587,193		-		1,295,429
Computer Software		7,226,006						7,226,006
Total Accumulated Depreciation	1	05,609,225		9,220,921		339,422		114,490,724
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	\$ 1	24,861,627	\$	(5,889,473)	\$		\$ ^	118,972,154

7. Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liabilities activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, is shown in the following table:

Description	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion	
Bonds Payable	\$ 69,000	\$ -	\$ 22,000	\$ 47,000	\$ 23,000	
Note Payable	19,579,692	-	1,355,068	18,224,624	1,406,075	
Leases Payable	5,369,894	54,102	443,842	4,980,154	401,343	
Special Termination Benefits Payable	41,998	-	41,998	-	-	
Compensated Absences Payable	3,206,665	820,417	445,222	3,581,860	71,637	
Other Postemployment						
Benefits Payable	459,609	46,525	83,181	422,953	10,932	
Net Pension Liability	7,360,331	13,684,394	5,484,430	15,560,295		
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 36,087,189	\$ 14,605,438	\$ 7,875,741	\$ 42,816,886	\$ 1,912,987	

Bonds Payable. The SBE issues capital outlay bonds on behalf of the College. These bonds mature serially and are secured by a pledge of the College's portion of the State-assessed motor vehicle license tax and by the State's full faith and credit. The SBE and the SBA administer the principal and interest payments, investment of debt service resources, and compliance with reserve requirements. The College had the following bonds payable at June 30, 2023:

Bond Type	Amount Outstanding		Interest Rates (Percent)	Annual Maturity To
SBE Capital Outlay Bonds: Series 2014A	\$	47,000	3 - 5	2025

Annual requirements to amortize all bonded debt outstanding as of June 30, 2023, are as follows:

Fiscal Year	SBE Capital Outlay Bonds							
Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total					
2024 2025	\$ 23,000 24,000	\$ 1,870 720	\$ 24,870 24,720					
Total	\$ 47,000	\$ 2,590	\$ 49,590					

Note Payable (from Direct Borrowing). On August 20, 2021, the original College loan made on January 22, 2018, was refinanced for \$20,584,746, at a stated interest rate of 2.14 percent, to refinance the cost of an energy performance-based contract that included equipment purchases and related services performed. The note matures on June 30, 2034, and principal and interest payments are made quarterly. The note contains a provision that, in an event of default, all remaining payments may be declared payable, and the College may be required to return all applicable equipment. Annual requirements to amortize the outstanding note as of June 30, 2023, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total		
2024	\$ 1,406,075	\$ 378,773	\$ 1,784,848		
2025	1,457,980	348,269	1,806,249		
2026	1,512,507	316,632	1,829,139		
2027	1,568,903	283,814	1,852,717		
2028	1,627,226	249,774	1,877,000		
2029-2033	8,970,050	696,858	9,666,908		
2034	1,681,883	20,098	1,701,981		
Total	\$18,224,624	\$ 2,294,218	\$20,518,842		

Leases Payable. Copier equipment in the amount of \$183,014, an instructional building in the amount of \$4,367,986, and student housing buildings in the amount of \$1,217,726 are being leased by the College. The stated interest rate for the copier lease is 7.08 percent. The imputed interest rates for the building leases are 8.57 and 4.19 percent, respectively. The lease period for the instructional building began on April 1, 2021, for 20 years with the option to extend for two consecutive 5-year periods. Lease payments on the instructional building vary and are updated each year for changes in the consumer price index. The estimated lease payments for the instructional building included in the schedule below assume a 2.6 percent increase each year through the remainder of the 30-year lease period. The lease period for the student housing buildings began on July 26, 2021, for 1 year with the option to extend for two consecutive 1-year periods.

Future minimum payments under the lease agreements and the present value of the minimum payments as of June 30, 2023, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Total		Principal		Interest
2024	\$ 800,3	316 \$	401,343	\$	398,973
2025	376, ²	175	(15,524)		391,699
2026	355,2	233	(40,045)		395,278
2027	364,4	168	(34,009)		398,477
2028	373,9	944	(27, 185)		401,129
2029-2033	2,020,7	716	(212)		2,020,928
2034-2038	2,297,4	129	342,038		1,955,391
2039-2043	2,612,0	033	913,412		1,698,621
2044-2048	2,969,7	721	1,842,341		1,127,380
2049-2051	1,801,6	654	1,597,995		203,659
Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 13,971,6	889 \$	4,980,154	\$	8,991,535

<u>Compensated Absences Payable</u>. College employees may accrue annual and sick leave based on length of service, subject to certain limitations regarding the amount that will be paid upon termination. The College reports a liability for the accrued leave; however, State noncapital appropriations fund only the portion of accrued leave that is used or paid in the current fiscal year. Although the College expects the liability to be funded primarily from future appropriations, generally accepted accounting principles do not permit the recording of a receivable in anticipation of future appropriations. At June 30, 2023, the estimated liability for compensated absences, which includes the College's share of the Florida

Retirement System and FICA contributions, totaled \$3,581,860. The current portion of the compensated absences liability, \$71,637, is the amount expected to be paid in the coming fiscal year and represents a historical percentage of leave used applied to total accrued leave liability.

<u>Other Postemployment Benefits Payable</u>. The College follows GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, for other postemployment benefits administered by the Florida College System Risk Management Consortium (Consortium).

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan Description. The Other Postemployment Benefits Plan (OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Consortium that provides OPEB for all employees who satisfy the College's retirement eligibility provisions. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 112.0801, Florida Statutes, former employees who retire from the College are eligible to participate in the College's health and hospitalization plan for medical and prescription drug coverage. The College subsidizes the premium rates paid by retirees by allowing them to participate in the OPEB Plan at reduced or blended group (implicitly subsidized) premium rates for both active and retired employees. These rates provide an implicit subsidy for retirees because, on an actuarial basis, their current and future claims are expected to result in higher costs to the OPEB Plan on average than those of active employees. The College does not offer any explicit subsidies for retiree coverage. Retirees are required to enroll in the Federal Medicare (Medicare) program for their primary coverage as soon as they are eligible. The OPEB Plan contribution requirements and benefit terms of the College and the OPEB Plan members are established and may be amended by action from the Board. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meet the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

Benefits Provided. The OPEB Plan provides healthcare benefits for retirees and their dependents. The OPEB Plan only provides an implicit subsidy as described above.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms. At June 30, 2021, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive Employees or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	7	
Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) Employees	9	
Active Employees	280	
Total	296	

Total OPEB Liability

The College's total OPEB liability of \$422,953 was measured as of June 30, 2022, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs. The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2021, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.40 percent
Real wage growth	0.85 percent
Wage inflation	3.25 percent
Salary increases, including inflation Regular Employees Senior Management Special Risk Discount rate Prior Measurement Date Measurement Date	3.40 percent – 7.80 percent 4.10 percent – 8.20 percent 4.80 percent – 7.40 percent 2.16 percent 3.54 percent
Healthcare cost trend rates Pre-Medicare Medicare	7.00 percent for 2021, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.40 percent for 2032 5.125 percent for 2021, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.40 percent for 2025

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index.

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 mortality tables, with adjustments for FRS experience and generational mortality improvements using Scale MP-2018.

The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, and salary increases used in the June 30, 2021, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2018, adopted by the FRS.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2021, valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2021, valuation.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Amount
Balance at 6/30/22	\$ 459,609
Changes for the year:	
Service Cost	35,939
Interest	10,586
Changes in Assumptions or Other Inputs	(72,249)
Benefit Payments	(10,932)
Net Changes	(36,656)
Balance at 6/30/23	\$ 422,953

Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 2.16 percent in 2021 to 3.54 percent in 2022.

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following table presents the total OPEB liability of the College, as well as what the College's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (2.54 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (4.54 percent) than the current rate:

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	(2.54%)	(3.54%)	(4.54%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$473,382	\$422,953	\$380,856

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates. The following table presents the total OPEB liability of the College, as well as what the College's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	Healthcare Cost Trend		
	1% Decrease	Rates	1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability	\$361,612	\$422,953	\$500,424

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

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the College recognized OPEB expense of \$40,109. At June 30, 2023, the College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

Description	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience Change of assumptions or other inputs Transactions subsequent to the	\$	36,687 25,729	\$	63,384 97,357
measurement date		19,961		
Total	\$	82,377	\$	160,741

Of the total amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, \$19,961 resulting from benefits paid subsequent to the measurement date and before the end of the fiscal year will be included as a reduction of the total OPEB liability in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Amount
2024	\$ (6,416)
2025	(6,416)
2026	(6,416)
2027	(5,244)
2028	(4,149)
Thereafter	(69,684)
Total	\$ (98,325)

Net Pension Liability. As a participating employer in the Florida Retirement System (FRS), the College recognizes its proportionate share of the collective net pension liabilities of the FRS cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plans. As of June 30, 2023, the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability totaled \$15,560,295. Note 8. includes a complete discussion of defined benefit pension plans.

8. Retirement Plans - Defined Benefit Pension Plans

General Information about the Florida Retirement System (FRS)

The FRS was created in Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, to provide a defined benefit pension plan for participating public employees. The FRS was amended in 1998 to add the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) under the defined benefit plan and amended in 2000 to provide a defined contribution plan alternative to the defined benefit plan for FRS members effective July 1, 2002. This integrated defined contribution pension plan is the FRS Investment Plan. Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, also provides for nonintegrated, optional retirement programs in lieu of the FRS to certain members of the Senior Management Service Class employed by the State and faculty and specified employees of State colleges. Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, established the HIS Program, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan to assist retired members of any State-administered retirement system in paying the costs of health insurance.

Essentially all regular employees of the College are eligible to enroll as members of the State-administered FRS. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. Such provisions may be amended at any time by further action from the Florida Legislature. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plans and other nonintegrated programs. An annual comprehensive financial report of the FRS, which includes its financial statements, required supplementary information, actuarial report, and other relevant information, is available from the Florida Department of Management Services Web site (www.dms.myflorida.com).

The College's FRS and HIS pension expense totaled \$1,483,580 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

FRS Pension Plan

Plan Description. The FRS Pension Plan (Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, with a DROP for eligible employees. The general classes of membership are as follows:

- Regular Class Members of the FRS who do not qualify for membership in the other classes.
- Senior Management Service Class Members in senior management level positions.
- Special Risk Class Members who are employed as law enforcement officers and meet the criteria to qualify for this class.

Employees enrolled in the Plan prior to July 1, 2011, vest at 6 years of creditable service and employees enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, vest at 8 years of creditable service. All vested members, enrolled prior to July 1, 2011, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 62 or at any age after

Report No. 2024-105 January 2024 30 years of creditable service, except for members classified as special risk who are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 55 or at any age after 25 years of creditable service. All members enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, once vested, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 65 or any time after 33 years of creditable service, except for members classified as special risk who are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 60 or at any age after 30 years of creditable service. Employees enrolled in the Plan may include up to 4 years of credit for military service toward creditable service. The Plan also includes an early retirement provision; however, there is a benefit reduction for each year a member retires before his or her normal retirement date. The Plan provides retirement, disability, death benefits, and annual cost-of-living adjustments to eligible participants.

The DROP, subject to provisions of Section 121.091, Florida Statutes, permits employees eligible for normal retirement under the Plan to defer receipt of monthly benefit payments while continuing employment with an FRS-participating employer. An employee may participate in DROP for a period not to exceed 60 months after electing to participate. During the period of DROP participation, deferred monthly benefits are held in the FRS Trust Fund and accrue interest. The net pension liability does not include amounts for DROP participants, as these members are considered retired and are not accruing additional pension benefits.

Benefits Provided. Benefits under the Plan are computed on the basis of age and/or years of service, average final compensation, and service credit. Credit for each year of service is expressed as a percentage of the average final compensation. For members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the 5 highest fiscal years' earnings; for members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the 8 highest fiscal years' earnings. The total percentage value of the benefit received is determined by calculating the total value of all service, which is based on retirement plan and/or the class to which the member belonged when the service credit was earned. Members are eligible for in-line-of-duty or regular disability and survivors' benefits. The following table shows the percentage value for each year of service credit earned:

Class, Initial Enrollment, and Retirement Age/Years of Service	% Value
Regular Class members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011	
Retirement up to age 62 or up to 30 years of service	1.60
Retirement at age 63 or with 31 years of service	1.63
Retirement at age 64 or with 32 years of service	1.65
Retirement at age 65 or with 33 or more years of service	1.68
Regular Class members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011	
Retirement up to age 65 or up to 33 years of service	1.60
Retirement at age 66 or with 34 years of service	1.63
Retirement at age 67 or with 35 years of service	1.65
Retirement at age 68 or with 36 or more years of service	1.68
Senior Management Service Class	2.00
Special Risk Class	3.00

As provided in Section 121.101, Florida Statutes, if the member was initially enrolled in the Plan before July 1, 2011, and all service credit was accrued before July 1, 2011, the annual cost-of-living adjustment is 3 percent per year. If the member was initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, and has service credit on or after July 1, 2011, there is an individually calculated cost-of-living adjustment. The annual cost-of-living adjustment is a proportion of 3 percent determined by dividing the sum of the pre-July 2011 service credit by the total service credit at retirement multiplied by 3 percent. Plan members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, will not have a cost-of-living adjustment after retirement.

Contributions. The Florida Legislature establishes contribution rates for participating employers and employees. Contribution rates during the 2022-23 fiscal year were:

	Percent of Gross Salary	
Class	Employee	Employer (1)
FRS, Regular	3.00	11.91
FRS, Senior Management Service	3.00	31.57
FRS, Special Risk	3.00	27.83
Deferred Retirement Option Program (applicable to members from all of the above classes)	0.00	18.60
FRS, Reemployed Retiree	(2)	(2)

- (1) Employer rates include 1.66 percent for the postemployment health insurance subsidy. Also, employer rates, other than for DROP participants, include 0.06 percent for administrative costs of the Investment Plan.
- (2) Contribution rates are dependent upon retirement class in which reemployed.

The College's contributions to the Plan totaled \$1,286,612 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions. At June 30, 2023, the College reported a liability of \$11,218,716 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022. The College's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the College's 2021-22 fiscal year contributions relative to the total 2021-22 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2022, the College's proportionate share was 0.030151325 percent, which was a decrease of 0.000638481 from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the College recognized pension expense of \$1,373,375. In addition, the College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
\$	532,824	\$	-
	1,381,632		-
	740,770		-
	,		
	25,790		407,829
	1,286,612		_
\$		\$	407,829
	of	\$ 532,824 1,381,632 740,770 25,790	of Resources of \$ 532,824

The deferred outflows of resources totaling \$1,286,612, resulting from College contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	ne 30 Amount	
2024	\$ 473,330	
2025	147,774	
2026	(270,980)	
2027	1,838,100	
2028	84,963	
Total	\$ 2,273,187	

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the July 1, 2022, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.40 percent

Salary increases 3.25 percent, average, including inflation

Investment rate of return 6.70 percent, net of pension plan investment

expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 base table, projected generationally with Scale MP-2018.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2022, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2018.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was not based on historical returns, but instead is based on a forward-looking capital market economic model. The allocation policy's description of each asset class was used to map the target allocation to the asset classes shown below. Each asset class assumption is based on a consistent set of underlying assumptions, and includes an adjustment for the inflation assumption. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic and geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation (1)	Annual Arithmetic Return	Compound Annual (Geometric) Return	Standard Deviation
Cash	1.0%	2.6%	2.6%	1.1%
Fixed Income	19.8%	4.4%	4.4%	3.2%
Global Equity	54.0%	8.8%	7.3%	17.8%
Real Estate (Property)	10.3%	7.4%	6.3%	15.7%
Private Equity	11.1%	12.0%	8.9%	26.3%
Strategic Investments	3.8%	6.2%	5.9%	7.8%
Total	100.0%	-		
Assumed Inflation - Mean			2.4%	1.3%

⁽¹⁾ As outlined in the Plan's investment policy.

Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.70 percent. The Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return. The discount rate used in the 2022 valuation was updated from 6.80 percent to 6.70 percent.

Sensitivity of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.70 percent, as well as what the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (5.70 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (7.70 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (5.70%)	Current Discount Rate (6.70%)	1% Increase <u>(7.70%)</u>	
College's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$19.401.998	\$11,218,716	\$4,376,519	

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position. Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued FRS Pension Plan and Other State Administered Systems Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

HIS Pension Plan

Plan Description. The HIS Pension Plan (HIS Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Section 112.363, Florida Statutes, and may be amended by the Florida Legislature at any time. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of State-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement.

Benefits Provided. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service completed at the time of retirement with a minimum HIS payment of \$30 and a maximum HIS payment of \$150 per month, pursuant to

Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under a State-administered retirement system must provide proof of health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

Contributions. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employers as set by the Florida Legislature. Employer contributions are a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the contribution rate was 1.66 percent of payroll pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The College contributed 100 percent of its statutorily required contributions for the current and preceding 3 years. HIS Plan contributions are deposited in a separate trust fund from which HIS payments are authorized. HIS Plan benefits are not guaranteed and are subject to annual legislative appropriation. In the event the legislative appropriation or available funds fail to provide full subsidy benefits to all participants, benefits may be reduced or canceled.

The College's contributions to the HIS Plan totaled \$270,783 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions. At June 30, 2023, the College reported a net pension liability of \$4,341,579 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022. The College's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the College's 2021-22 fiscal year contributions relative to the total 2021-22 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2022, the College's proportionate share was 0.040990788 percent, which was a decrease of 0.00005197 from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the College recognized pension expense of \$110,205. In addition, the College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Description	 red Outflows Resources	 rred Inflows Resources
Difference between expected and		
actual experience	\$ 131,777	\$ 19,103
Change of assumptions	248,862	671,640
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on HIS Plan investments Changes in proportion and differences between	6,286	-
College HIS contributions and proportionate share of HIS contributions College contributions subsequent to the	60,439	291,812
measurement date	 270,783	
Total	\$ 718,147	\$ 982,555

The deferred outflows of resources totaling \$270,783, resulting from College contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Amount
2024	\$ (168,247)
2025	(113,337)
2026	(41,968)
2027	(64,767)
2028	(104,495)
Thereafter	(42,377)
Total	\$ (535,191)

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the July 1, 2022, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.40 percent

Salary increases 3.25 percent, average, including inflation

Municipal bond rate 3.54 percent

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 base table, projected generationally with Scale MP-2018.

While an experience study had not been completed for the HIS Plan, the actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability for the HIS Plan were based on certain results of the most recent experience study for the FRS Plan.

Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.54 percent. In general, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the single rate equivalent to discounting at the long-term expected rate of return for benefit payments prior to the projected depletion date. Because the HIS benefit is essentially funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, the depletion date is considered to be immediate, and the single equivalent discount rate is equal to the municipal bond rate selected by the plan sponsor. The Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index was adopted as the applicable municipal bond index. The discount rate used in the 2022 valuation was updated from 2.16 percent to 3.54 percent.

Sensitivity of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 3.54 percent, as well as what the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (2.54 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (4.54 percent) than the current rate:

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease (2.54%)	Discount Rate (3.54%)	Increase (4.54%)
College's proportionate share			
of the net pension liability	\$4,967,123	\$4,341,579	\$3,823,955

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position. Detailed information about the HIS Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued FRS Pension Plan and Other State Administered Systems Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

9. Retirement Plans - Defined Contribution Pension Plans

FRS Investment Plan. The SBA administers the defined contribution plan officially titled the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan). The Investment Plan is reported in the SBA's annual financial statements and in the State's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

As provided in Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, eligible FRS members may elect to participate in the Investment Plan in lieu of the FRS defined benefit plan. College employees already participating in the State College System Optional Retirement Program or DROP are not eligible to participate in the Investment Plan. Employer and employee contributions are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Service retirement benefits are based upon the value of the member's account upon retirement. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contributions rates, that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Senior Management Service Class, etc.), as the FRS defined benefit plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Costs of administering the Investment Plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.06 percent of payroll and by forfeited benefits of Investment Plan members. Allocations to the Investment Plan member accounts during the 2022-23 fiscal year were as follows:

	Percent of Gross
Class	Compensation
FRS, Regular	9.30
FRS, Senior Management Service	10.67
FRS, Special Risk Regular	17.00

For all membership classes, employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and are vested after 1 year of service for employer contributions and investment earnings regardless of membership class. If an accumulated benefit obligation for service credit originally earned under the FRS Pension Plan is transferred to the Investment Plan, the member must have the years of service required for FRS Pension Plan vesting (including the service credit represented by the transferred funds) to be vested for these funds and the earnings on the funds. Nonvested employer contributions are placed in a suspense account for up to 5 years. If the employee returns to FRS-covered employment within the 5-year period, the employee will regain control over their account. If the employee does not return within the 5-year period, the employee will forfeit the accumulated account balance. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the information for the amount of forfeitures was unavailable from the SBA; however, management believes that these amounts, if any, would be immaterial to the College.

After termination and applying to receive benefits, the member may roll over vested funds to another qualified plan, structure a periodic payment under the Investment Plan, receive a lump-sum distribution, leave the funds invested for future distribution, or any combination of these options. Disability coverage is provided in which the member may either transfer the account balance to the FRS Pension Plan when

approved for disability retirement to receive guaranteed lifetime monthly benefits under the FRS Pension Plan, or remain in the Investment Plan and rely upon that account balance for retirement income.

The College's Investment Plan pension expense totaled \$1,133,230 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

<u>State College System Optional Retirement Program</u></u>. Section 1012.875, Florida Statutes, provides for an Optional Retirement Program (Program) for eligible college instructors and administrators. The Program is designed to aid colleges in recruiting employees by offering more portability to employees not expected to remain in the FRS for 8 or more years.

The Program is a defined contribution plan, which provides full and immediate vesting of all contributions submitted to the participating companies on behalf of the participant. Employees in eligible positions can make an irrevocable election to participate in the Program, rather than the FRS, and purchase retirement and death benefits through contracts provided by certain insurance carriers. The employing college contributes 5.15 percent of the participant's salary to the participant's account and 4.23 percent to cover the unfunded actuarial liability of the FRS pension plan, for a total of 9.38 percent, and employees contribute 3 percent of the employee's salary. Additionally, the employee may contribute, by payroll deduction, an amount not to exceed the percentage contributed by the college to the participant's annuity account. The contributions are invested in the company or companies selected by the participant to create a fund for the purchase of annuities at retirement.

The College's contributions to the Program totaled \$61,674 and employee contributions totaled \$35,926 for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

<u>Senior Management Service Local Annuity Program</u></u>. Section 121.055(1)(b)2., Florida Statutes, and Florida Retirement System Rule 60S-1.0057, Florida Administrative Code, provide that local agency employees eligible for the FRS, Senior Management Service Class, may elect to withdraw from the FRS altogether and participate in a local annuity program. Pursuant thereto, the College established the Senior Management Service Class Local Annuity Program (Local Annuity Program). Employees in eligible positions are allowed to make an irrevocable election to participate in the Local Annuity Program, rather than the FRS.

The Local Annuity Program is a defined contribution plan, which provides full and immediate vesting of all contributions submitted to the participating companies on behalf of the employee. The College contributes 10 percent and 13.5 percent, depending on the position, of the employee's salary to the Local Annuity Program. Employees may make contributions toward the Local Annuity Program by way of salary reduction or by deduction of a percentage of the employee's gross compensation not to exceed the percentage contributed by the employer.

The College's contributions to the Local Annuity Program totaled \$66,209 for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

10. Construction Commitments

The College's construction commitments at June 30, 2023, were as follows:

Commitment	to Date	Balance Committed
\$ 2,304,200	\$ 1,776,400	\$ 527,800
908,868	443,195 787,011	465,673 1,838,461
		\$ 2,831,934
	\$ 2,304,200 908,868 2,626,372	\$ 2,304,200 \$ 1,776,400 908,868 443,195 2,626,372 787,911

11. Risk Management Programs

The College is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The College provided coverage for these risks primarily through the Florida College System Risk Management Consortium (Consortium), which was created under authority of Section 1001.64(27), Florida Statutes, by the boards of trustees of the Florida public colleges for the purpose of joining a cooperative effort to develop, implement, and participate in a coordinated Statewide college risk management program. The Consortium is self-sustaining through member assessments (premiums) and purchases excess insurance through commercial companies for claims in excess of specified amounts. Excess insurance from commercial companies provided coverage of up to \$100 million to February 28, 2023, and up to \$75 million from March 1, 2023, for property insurance. Insurance coverage obtained through the Consortium included fire and extended property, general and automobile liability, workers' compensation, health, life, and other liability coverage. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial coverage in any of the past 3 fiscal years.

12. Functional Distribution of Operating Expenses

The functional classification of an operating expense (instruction, academic support, etc.) is assigned to a department based on the nature of the activity, which represents the material portion of the activity attributable to the department. For example, activities of an academic department for which the primary departmental function is instruction may include some activities other than direct instruction such as public service. However, when the primary mission of the department consists of instructional program elements, all expenses of the department are reported under the instruction classification. The operating expenses on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position are presented by natural classifications. The following are those same expenses presented in functional classifications as recommended by NACUBO:

Functional Classification	Amount
Instruction	\$ 16,197,998
Public Services	1,648,598
Academic Support	3,804,994
Student Services	3,960,690
Institutional Support	9,296,620
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	7,730,118
Scholarships and Waivers	7,253,458
Depreciation	9,220,921
Auxiliary Enterprises	2,060,360
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 61,173,757

OTHER REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Changes in the College's Total Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and Related Ratios

	2022			2021		2020		2019		2018	2017		
Total OPEB Liability													
Service cost	\$	35,939	\$	30,572	\$	27,144	\$	26,615	\$	26,914	\$	28,178	
Interest		10,586		12,291		18,464		14,053		12,362		10,189	
Difference between expected and													
actual experience		-		(77,360)		-		65,403		-		-	
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		(72, 249)		(22,277)		(5,962)		45,869		(8,345)		(15,048)	
Benefit Payments		(10,932)		(18, 323)		(10,598)		(18,649)		(11,533)		(17,596)	
Net change in total OPEB liability		(36,656)		(75,097)		29,048		133,291		19,398		5,723	
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning		459,609		534,706		505,658		372,367		352,969		347,246	
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	\$	422,953	\$	459,609	\$	534,706	\$	505,658	\$	372,367	\$	352,969	
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$1	3,592,323	\$1	3,592,323	\$1	4,168,523	\$1	4,168,523	\$1	3,583,167	\$1	3,583,167	
Total OPEB Liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		3.11%		3.38%		3.77%		3.57%		2.74%		2.60%	

Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – Florida Retirement System Pension Plan

		2022 (1)	2021 (1)	_	2020 (1)	-	2019 (1)
College's proportion of the FRS net pension liability College's proportionate share of	0.	030151325%	0.030789806%	(0.031227325%	(0.031293719%
the FRS net pension liability	\$	11,218,716	\$ 2,325,820	\$	13,534,383	\$	10,777,121
College's covered payroll (2)	\$	17,313,533	\$ 16,393,592	\$	17,571,500	\$	16,677,374
College's proportionate share of the FRS net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		64.80%	14.19%		77.02%		64.62%
FRS Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the FRS total pension liability		82.89%	96.40%		78.85%		82.61%

⁽¹⁾ The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

Schedule of College Contributions – Florida Retirement System Pension Plan

	_	2023 (1)	2022 (1)	2021 (1)		2020 (1)
Contractually required FRS contribution	\$	1,286,612 \$	1,285,254	\$ 1,181,564	\$	865,787
FRS contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		(1,286,612)	(1,285,254)	(1,181,564)		(865,787)
FRS contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	<u> </u>		\$ <u>-</u>	<u>\$</u>	
College's covered payroll (2)	\$	17,509,791 \$	17,313,533	\$ 16,393,592	\$	17,571,500
FRS contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		7.35%	7.42%	7.21%		4.93%

⁽¹⁾ The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

⁽²⁾ Covered payroll includes defined benefit plan actives, investment plan members, State college system optional retirement plan members, and members in DROP because total employer contributions are determined on a uniform basis (blended rate) as required by Part III of Chapter 121, Florida Statutes.

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2018 (1)	2017 (1)	-	2016 (1)	2015 (1)	,	2014 (1)	2013 (1)
0.030952360%	0.035130157%	(0.035587109%	0.038607095%		0.038845457%	0.040206490%
\$ 9,323,011 \$ 15,894,022			8,985,773 17,138,610				
58.66%	61.35%		52.43%	27.70%		15.49%	38.17%
84.26%	83.89%		84.88%	92.00%		96.09%	88.54%

_	2019 (1)	2018 (1)	2017 (1)	2016 (1)	2015 (1)	2014 (1)
\$	970,331 \$	934,339 \$	914,524	\$ 867,848	\$ 941,274	\$ 850,880
	(970,331)	(934,339)	(914,524)	(867,848)	(941,274)	(850,880)
\$	<u> </u>	<u>-</u> \$		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$	16,677,374 \$	15,894,022 \$	16,938,197	\$ 17,138,610	\$ 18,000,576	\$ 17,622,678
	5.82%	5.88%	5.40%	5.06%	5.23%	4.83%

Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan

	_	2022 (1)	2021 (1)	_	2020 (1)	_	2019 (1)
College's proportion of the HIS net pension liability College's proportionate share of	0.	040990788%	0.041042758%	().042756513%	(0.042589063%
the HIS net pension liability	\$	4,341,579	\$ 5,034,511	\$	5,220,501	\$	4,765,290
College's covered payroll (2)	\$	14,954,685	\$ 14,556,260	\$	14,875,349	\$	14,232,056
College's proportionate share of the HIS net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		29.03%	34.59%		35.09%		33.48%
HIS Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the HIS total pension liability		4.81%	3.56%		3.00%		2.63%

⁽¹⁾ The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

Schedule of College Contributions - Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan

	 2023 (1)		2022 (1)	_	2021 (1)	2020 (1)
Contractually required HIS contribution	\$ 270,783	\$	248,248	\$	241,634	\$ 246,930
HIS contributions in relation to the contractually required HIS	(070 700)		(0.40, 0.40)		(044.004)	(0.40, 0.20)
contribution	 (270,783)		(248,248)	_	(241,634)	 (246,930)
HIS contribution deficiency						
(excess)	\$ <u> </u>	<u>\$</u>	-	\$		\$ <u> </u>
College's covered payroll (2)	\$ 16,312,250	\$	14,954,685	\$	14,556,260	\$ 14,875,349
HIS contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	1.66%		1.66%		1.66%	1.66%

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⁽²⁾ Covered payroll includes defined benefit plan actives, investment plan members, and members in DROP.

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_	2018 (1)	_	2017 (1)	2016 (1)		2015 (1)		2014 (1)		_	2013 (1)
C	0.041504600%	C	0.045581760%	C	0.047110843%	0	0.048895787%	0	.049011107%	0	.052321728%
\$ \$	4,392,893 13,752,903		4,873,812 14,564,136		5,490,574 17,138,610		4,986,601 18,000,576		4,582,658 17,622,678		4,555,294 18,134,771
	31.94%		33.46%		32.04%		27.70%		26.00%		25.12%
	2.15%		1.64%		0.97%		0.50%		0.99%		1.78%
_	2019 (1)	_	2018 (1)	_	2017 (1)	_	2016 (1)	_	2015 (1)	_	2014 (1)
\$	132,059	\$	256,210	\$	241,232	\$	241,473	\$	186,910	\$	167,896
	(132,059)	_	(256,210)		(241,232)	_	(241,473)	_	(186,910)		(167,896)
\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>
\$	14,232,056	_	13,752,903	_	14,564,136		17,138,610		18,000,576		17,622,678
	0.93%		1.86%		1.66%		1.41%		1.04%		0.95%

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

1. Schedule of Changes in the College's Total Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and Related Ratios

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meet the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75 to pay related benefits.

Changes of Assumptions. The Municipal Bond Index Rate used to determine the total OPEB liability increased from 2.16 percent to 3.54 percent.

2. Schedule of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Contributions – Florida Retirement System Pension Plan

Changes of Assumptions. In 2022, the long-term expected rate of return decreased from 6.80 percent to 6.70 percent.

3. Schedule of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Contributions – Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan

Changes of Assumptions. In 2022, the municipal rate used to determine total pension liability increased from 2.16 percent to 3.54 percent. In addition, the demographic assumptions for the Special Risk Class were updated to reflect plan changes, and the election assumption for vested terminated members was updated from 20 percent to 50 percent to reflect recent experience.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Northwest Florida State College, a component unit of the State of Florida, and its discretely presented component unit as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 9, 2024, included under the heading **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit, as described in our report on the College's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the College's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the College's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control

that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the College's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the College's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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January 9, 2024