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## Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

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***Prepared by the Controller's Office***





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***Introductory Section***  
*(unaudited)*





Clemson Elevate sets bold yet achievable goals that will further enhance our great University's reputation, which is already among the nation's best. The three strategic pillars are made of specific initiatives with corresponding metrics.



**Deliver the No. 1 student experience in the nation.**



Excel in experiential learning.



Amplify academic success.



Promote the Clemson Experience.



**Double research expenditures by 2035, position for AAU membership.**



Build an AAU-aligned faculty to address societal needs.



Create world-class research infrastructure.



Leverage Innovation Campuses and partnerships.



**Transform lives statewide and beyond through educational, economic, agricultural and health outreach.**



Enhance educational and economic opportunities for South Carolinians.



Improve agriculture, natural resources and animal health.



Raise health outcomes.



# President's Letter 2024



Dear Friends of Clemson:

This past fiscal year was a record-breaking one in our University's history and it was our first year after launching our bold new strategic plan – Clemson Elevate. This plan has already guided us in our efforts to deliver the number one student experience in the nation, doubling research by 2035, and transforming the lives of our citizens here in South Carolina and beyond. I am thankful for the leadership of our Board of Trustees, my Executive Leadership Team, our volunteer boards, and everyone who played a role in our successes this year.

Demand for a Clemson education has never been higher, as evidenced by our strong data in research expenditures, fundraising, financial well-being, athletics, national faculty and student scholar awards, and reputation. This year, we received a record-setting 61,544 undergraduate applications, research and development expenditures increased to \$287M and total research awards reached an all-time high of \$282M. Clemson's bond ratings remained at the highest level ever, and annual fundraising reached an all-time high of more than \$259 million. This level of success is only possible through the hard work of many dedicated teams and our generous donors who continue to invest in Clemson.

I am proud of our faculty and students whose scholarship, research and potential continue to be recognized at the national level. We maintained the #1 position within the ACC for the number of Goldwater Scholars at an institution since 2006. Additionally, five Clemson students and four recent alumni were selected as National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellows. Faculty were recognized through 49 major fellowships, honorifics, and awards, including a Beckman Young Investigator Award, a Jefferson Science Fellowship, three National Institutes of Health Outstanding Investigator Awards, four Fulbright Scholars, and 10 NSF CAREER Awards. To keep this momentum going, Clemson established the Office of Major Awards and Honorifics to enhance faculty recognition and retention. We successfully reaffirmed Clemson's institutional accreditation with a report that contained no findings, recommendations, or third-party complaints. And we maintained our Carnegie R1 Classification and continued to work toward our aspirational goal of receiving AAU membership. We continue to be ranked among the top public universities in the country.

To ensure our faculty, staff and students have the best facilities, we broke ground on multiple facilities and renovation projects: the Forestry and Environmental Conservation Building, College of Veterinary Medicine Campus, Advanced Materials and Innovation Complex, Alumni and Visitors Center, Bryan Mall High Rise Renovations, Jervey Athletic Center Renovation, Tillman Hall Auditorium Renovation, and the renovation of Littlejohn Coliseum and Swann Pavilion..

Two highlights of our financial health this year were that Clemson's bond ratings remained at the highest level ever, and annual fundraising reached an all-time high of more than \$259 million. This level of success is only possible through the hard work of many dedicated teams and our generous donors who continue to invest in Clemson University.

I am proud of all that we accomplished this year and am excited about what we will achieve in FY2025. Thanks to everyone who contributed to our successes.

Sincerely,

James P. Clements, Ph.D.  
President

## LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

September 30, 2024

To President Clements,  
Members of the Board of Trustees, and  
Citizens of South Carolina

### Finance and Operations

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We are pleased to present to you the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of Clemson University (the “University”) for the year ended June 30, 2024. The report provides financial information about the University’s operations during the year and describes its financial position at the end of the year.

Management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of the information contained in this report, based upon a comprehensive framework of internal controls that was established for this purpose. Because the cost of internal controls should not exceed the anticipated benefits, the objective is to provide reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatements.

State law, federal guidelines, and certain bond covenants require that the University’s accounting and financial records be audited each year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the University contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm of CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP to perform the University’s annual audit. The auditors have issued an unmodified opinion, the most favorable outcome of the audit process. The independent auditor’s report is located at the front of the financial section.

Management’s discussion and analysis (MD&A) immediately follows the independent auditor’s report and provides a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis of the basic financial statements. MD&A complements this letter of transmittal and should be read in conjunction with it.

### Profile of the University

Clemson University was founded in 1889, a legacy of Thomas Green Clemson, who willed his Fort Hill plantation home, its surrounding farmlands and forest, and other property to the state of South Carolina to establish a technical and scientific institution for South Carolina. Clemson opened its doors to 446 students as a military college in 1893.

Today, Clemson is classified by the Carnegie Foundation as a Research/High University, a category attained by approximately 4 percent of all universities in America. Students can choose from more than 80 undergraduate and over 130 graduate degree programs in seven colleges. As the State’s land-grant university, Clemson reaches out to citizens, communities, and businesses all over South Carolina through county-based Cooperative Extension offices, five off-campus Research and Education centers, and critical regulatory responsibilities for plant and animal health, including establishing the State’s first College of Veterinary Medicine in July 2023.

Clemson University is governed by a board of thirteen members, including seven successor members and six members elected by the State General Assembly. Clemson University operates as a unit of the State of South Carolina (the primary government) as a state assisted institution of higher education.

The State requires the University to submit an annual balanced budget for both its Education and General and Extension and Public Service components. Each recognized college or budget center of the University is provided with a level of appropriation. This appropriation limits total annual expenditures. Budgetary controls are incorporated into both the University’s accounting system and the State’s financial management system to ensure that imposed expenditure constraints are observed. Periodic financial reports comparing actual results with budgeted amounts are provided at both the University and State level.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification Section 2100: *Defining the Financial Reporting Entity*, and Section 2600: *Reporting Entity and Component Unit Presentation and Disclosure*, provides criteria for whether certain organizations should be reported as component units based on the nature and significance of their relationship to the related entity. Based on this criteria, the University determined that the Clemson University Foundation, the Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation and IPTAY are indeed component units of the University. Consequently, the financial statements include the accounts of these three entities as discretely presented component units.

### **Local Economy**

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, South Carolina's unemployment rate held at 3.6 percent at the end of June 2024. The national average was 4.1 percent and South Carolina ranked 28th, compared to other states.

Bruce Yandle, Dean Emeritus at the College of Business & Behavioral Science and Alumni Professor of Economics Emeritus, both at Clemson University, gave a recent assessment of South Carolina's economy on National Public Radio in an interview with Mike Switzer entitled SC economy continues to outperform. Yandle is also the Distinguished Professor of Economics at George Mason University's Mercatus Center which publishes his Economic Situation Report. During the interview, Yandle cited a report from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and linked key components of South Carolina's 2.6% growth in 2023, which contribute to it becoming the third leading employment growth across the fifty states, and "strongest state east of the Mississippi River." Referring to others studies he was familiar with, Yandle listed the following South Carolina attributes allowing the state to outperform economically: its major industries expanding, its international economy, its small size relative to all other states, its possession of "a very powerful port that ties us to the World economy," its low-tax burden, its relatively safety and security and its great climate.

In his January 24, 2024, State of the State address Governor Henry McMaster shared that South Carolina's "booming economy in 2023 once again created a record budget surplus, over \$1.64 billion, with over \$9.21 billion in capital investment and 14,120 jobs. 2022 was equally grand with over \$10 billion in capital investment." McMaster reported, "Just since 2017, we have announced over \$36.4 billion in new investments and 86,378 new jobs. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, South Carolina led the nation in population growth last year. Also, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, our personal income growth rate ranked 2nd in the country at 4.9% through the third quarter of 2023. We are firing on all cylinders."

### **Major Initiatives**

The 2023-24 academic and fiscal year was another productive year for Clemson. Clemson once again raised the bar in admissions, enrollment, research, diversity, graduation and retention rates, all while undergoing the largest construction boom in the history of the University.

The University is classified as a Research 1 University by the Carnegie Classification for Institutions of Higher Education. Clemson continues to be recognized as one of the top national public universities.

Clemson University closed another record-breaking year of philanthropy on June 30, with a total of \$259,072,365 raised during fiscal year 2024, topping last year's total of \$216,909,099. Philanthropic generosity transformed the lives of many by creating 106 new scholarships, one new fellowship and four endowed professorships.

A total of 40,484 donors contributed 107,295 gifts to compose the \$259 million amount. The total includes \$80 million in pledges and donations to IPTAY, fifty planned gifts totaling \$38 million, and \$3 million in unrestricted donations. Highlighting the giving, there were two Academic Cornerstone Gifts, three Athletic Cornerstone Gifts, one new fellowship and 106 new scholarships.

### **Highlights, news and major milestones of the year include:**

- Clemson had a record-breaking year in research and development expenditures, at \$287 million.
- Though Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Bob Jones and Executive Vice President for Finance and Operations and Chief Operating Officer Tony Wagner had been working with University leaders for months, on March 28, 2024, the University unveiled its Revenue-Based Budgeting model website writ large.
- On June 12, 2024, the University announced the selection of Workday, Inc., as Clemson's new enterprise resource planning (ERP) solution – the University's first new ERP in more than twenty years. The goal: to deliver a system that empowers faculty, staff and student workers to spend less time in systems performing recurring HR and Finance tasks, thus making it easier to focus on their primary Clemson endeavors.
- In July 2024, the University received word that SC Nexus was awarded more than \$45 million in federal funding and, as a core consortium member, Clemson was awarded \$12.5 million to advance our electrical grid simulator.
- Clemson's Office of Human Resources processed 31,278 applications and 2,343 employees were hired at the University.

- Forbes named Clemson University to the 2023 Forbes list of America's Best Employers by State.
  - Clemson ranks 16 out of 55 South Carolina employers on the list, competitive with several leading companies, such as Boeing (#12), UPS (#20) and General Electric (#24).
- 655 employees advanced their education with the support of Clemson's Employee Tuition Assistance Program.
- Clemson had a record-breaking year for National Scholar winners, with 59 students being named recipients of a Fulbright, Goldwater or Truman Scholars award, just to name a few.
- The University marked Dr. James P. Clements' 10-year anniversary in his tenure as Clemson's 15th President at Clemson. As of May, President Jim Clements has awarded 68,774 diplomas to Clemson's graduates—representing 37 percent of the diplomas received by Clemson's living alumni, which is the most diplomas awarded by a single president in University history.
- The University hosted four preeminent scholar researchers as part of the Provost's Distinguished Lecture Series, including the following:
  - Anne C. Stone, Arizona State University's Regents Professor
  - Paul Cassak, professor at West Virginia University in the Department of Physics and Astronomy and the associate director of the West Virginia University Center for KINETIC Plasma Physics
  - Jagger Harvey, research professor at Kansas State University in the Department of Plant Pathology and the director of Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Climate Resilient Cereals
  - H. Eric Tseng, National Academy of Engineering Member and retired senior technical leader of controls and automated systems in research and advanced engineering at Ford Motor Company
- Clemson's student-athletes had a record-breaking 97% graduation success rate, earning the title as the nation's number one public Power Five institution.
- Clemson made progress in its development of the state's first College of Veterinary Medicine.
  - The State Legislatures allocated \$175 million for FY25.
  - In August 2023, Clemson hired Dr. Steven Marks, its inaugural dean, and received provisional College of Veterinary Medicine membership into the American Association of Veterinary Medical Colleges.
- The University expanded its Nursing degree program to better serve the needs of the state and nation.
- Clemson University created five new programs, including two new master's programs in Learning Sciences and Computer Science, one education specialist program within the College of Education, and two new doctoral programs in Health Psychology and Veterinary Medicine.
- Clemson University partnered with Coursera to offer a fully online Master of Science in Computer Science degree (MSCS). Graduates of this AI-focused computer science program are prepared for a rapidly evolving workforce as leaders capable of thoughtfully using AI to solve society's most pressing challenges.
- For over a decade, the Nieri Department of Construction, Development and Planning has experienced a 100% job placement rate for its undergraduate construction science and management (CSM) majors.
- In September 2023 and for the seventh year in a row, Clemson Master of Architecture (M.Arch) students were named among the winners of the American Institute of Architects, Committee on the Environment (AIA COTE), in partnership with the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA), 2023 AIA COTE Top Ten for Students Competition, for environmentally sustainable design.
- In February 2024 Global Start, a program designed for incoming first-year students, added two more location and students will gain from the following international academic experiences:
  - Puerto Rico
  - Regensburg, Germany
  - Rome, Italy
  - Santiago de Compostela, Spain
  - Stirling, Scotland
- John Whitcomb, director and chief academic nursing officer of the Clemson University School of Nursing, has been appointed to the South Carolina Board of Nursing by Governor Henry McMaster.
- In April 2024, Robert Barcelona, Ph.D., and Jeffrey Hallo, Ph.D., two faculty members in the Clemson University Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management (PRTM) were inducted as Fellows of the Academy of Leisure Sciences (TALS).
- Late April 2024, the Clemson LIFE program graduated 16 students and recognized its first recipients of its hospitality certificate program.
- In February 2023, U.S. News & World Report ranked the Clemson University College of Education as the #1 online graduate education program in the nation in 2024. Master's programs across all three departments in the College have maintained the top overall spot, which it has held for six of the last seven years.

- In February 2024, Nathan McNeese, the McQueen Quattlebaum Endowed Associate Professor of Human-Centered Computing, the Founding Director of the Clemson University Center for Human-AI Interaction, Collaboration, & Teaming, and the Founding Director of the Team Research Analytics in Computational Environments (TRACE) Research Group in the School of Computing at Clemson University began a three-year term this month as a member of the Board on Human-Systems Integration (BOHSI), which is part of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine, one of the most prestigious academic organizations in the world.
- During his November 2022 visit of Clemson University International Center for Automotive Research (CU-ICAR) while the University showcased its Deep Orange prototype vehicle project, VIPR-GS and other key automotive engineering initiatives, the NSF Director Sethuraman Panchanathan declared the operation to be a “vanguard of global competitiveness” and encouraged others to “use Clemson as an example all around the country.” For CU-ICAR 2023-2024 was a year of highly successful reviews:
  - March 2023 – A two-day, highly success review of the VIPR-GS was held at CU-ICAR, featuring technology demonstrations both in and outside labs, including an off-road test of flagship program Deep Orange’s fully-functional 3-ton high-speed autonomous tracked vehicle. Each project presentation highlighted a key component of VIPR’s research focuses: Autonomy; Power and Electrification; and Digital Engineering, working prototypes out of the \$58M center.
  - May 2023 - Major General Edmond ‘Miles’ Brown, commanding general of the U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command (DEVCOM), visited CU-ICAR to learn about the University’s capabilities and the high-profile partnership between Clemson and DEVCOM Ground Vehicle Systems Center (GVSC).
  - March 2024 - More than 330 leaders from Clemson University, the U.S. Army DEVCOM and industry, gathered in Greenville for two days of research presentations, demonstrations and panel discussions, which sharpened the focus on digital engineering and industry partnerships for the nation.

### Statewide Initiatives

- 95% of South Carolina applicants have a path to Clemson through general admission, summer start, or entrance into our Bridge program. This past year, Clemson University entered a state-wide transfer agreement, which provides a clear path from our state’s two-year institutions to Clemson University.
- In 2023, 12,217 appointments were held at Clemson Rural Health facilities statewide; 2,499 of those were held at the Joseph F. Sullivan Center on the University’s main campus.
- On April 29, 2024, Clemson University and NASA’s Johnson Space Center signed a Space Act Agreement opening the door to unique research and education opportunities aimed at advancing space exploration.
  - The agreement paved the way for Clemson faculty and NASA to identify and pursue mutual research that fosters innovation in aerospace engineering, space and Earth science, advanced materials, computer and data science, advanced manufacturing, human health in space, and numerous other fields.
  - Additionally, Clemson students now have an opportunity to engage with NASA’s leading experts, participate in educational outreach activities, and benefit from mentorship and internship programs related to human spaceflight.
- Fellowships became available to Claflin University students pursuing master’s and doctoral degrees at Clemson University through Clemson University Graduate School’s Claflin to Clemson Big Cat Fellowship program, an agreement that expands academic opportunities for undergraduate students while retaining top talent and increasing Ph.D. graduates in South Carolina.
- Clemson University is expanding its electrical grid simulator that enables rapid testing and deployment of new energy innovation as part of a \$12.5 million investment from the U.S. Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Administration (EDA)—Clemson’s portion of a \$45.4 million award to the SC Nexus for Advanced Resilient Energy (SC Nexus), a broad consortium of higher education institutions, technical colleges, numerous state agencies, the Savannah River National Laboratory, economic development alliances, community organizations, non-profits and private companies, including electric utilities. SC Nexus is led by the S.C. Department of Commerce, and Clemson is a core member.

- Through a new partnership with STEM Global Action, Clemson University will launch the STEM South Carolina (STEM SC) initiative as part of the University's mission to enhance educational access to all students for success in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.
- Shahid Mukhtar, a geneticist and professor in the Clemson University Department of Genetics and Biochemistry, is leading a \$6 million study that aims to develop sustainable ways to increase soybean yields in heat and drought, because soybeans are the second most widely planted crop in the U.S. and play a critical role in the American food supply but are yields are projected to be threatened by as much as 40% in the next 25 years.
- James Lewis, an assistant professor in the Clemson University Department of Genetics and Biochemistry, received a \$1.3 million National Science Foundation CAREER grant to study how populations adapt to changing environments through butterflies.
- Three Clemson University astrophysicists have been awarded more than \$1 million combined through the NASA Astrophysics Data Analysis Program to study active galactic nuclei, their obscuring material, and variability and periodicity. Pablo Penil del Campo and Nuria Torres-Alba are postdoctoral fellows and Stefano Marchesi is an adjunct professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy.
- Clemson Athletics had a banner year with four Elite Eight appearances in Women's Golf, Men's Basketball, Women's Soccer, and Men's Soccer—the first time the University has had at least four teams in Elite Eight appearances in 45 years. The Men's Soccer team won the National Championship for the 2nd time in three years. Football won the Gator Bowl, Baseball hosted a Regional and a Super Regional, and many players were selected to continue their sport in their respective professional leagues. The University also launched its Women's Gymnastics Team with an outstanding inaugural season.

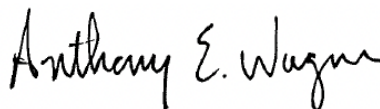
## Awards and Acknowledgments

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Clemson University for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The Certificate of Achievement is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government financial reports.

In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized annual comprehensive financial report (Annual Report), whose contents conform to program standards. Such an Annual Report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. Clemson University has received the Certificate of Achievement annually since the fiscal year ended June 30, 1993. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Certificate of Achievement program requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA.

The preparation of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report in a timely manner would not have been possible without the coordinated effort of the Controller's Office and other University financial staff. Each member has our sincere appreciation for their contributions in the preparation of the report.



Anthony E. Wagner  
*Executive Vice President for Finance and Operations,  
 Chief Operating Officer*





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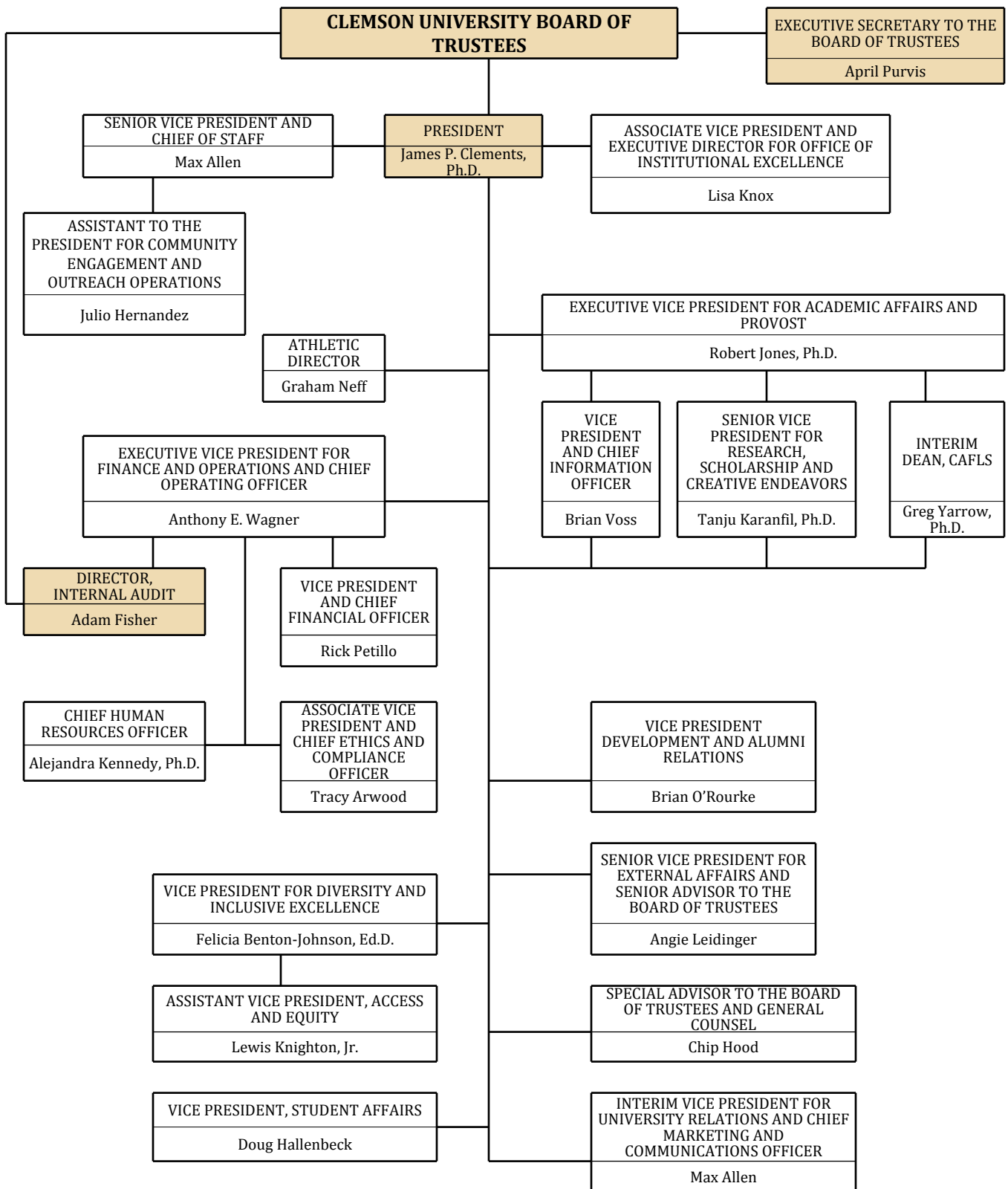
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# CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

## ORGANIZATION CHART





***Financial Section***





## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees  
Clemson University  
Clemson, South Carolina

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### ***Opinions***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities and the aggregate discretely presented component units of Clemson University (the University), a component unit of the State of South Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities and the aggregate discretely presented component units of the University, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of Clemson University Foundation, Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation, and IPTAY, which represent 100 percent of the assets, net assets and revenues of the University's aggregate discretely presented component units as of June 30, 2024. We did not audit Clemson Research Facilities Corporation, a blended component unit, which represents 0.03%, 0.11% and 0.01% of the assets, net position and revenues of the University as of June 30, 2024. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the University are based solely on the reports 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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the University 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. The financial statements of Clemson University Foundation and IPTAY, discretely presented component units, were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### ***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 University's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

***Auditors' 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 auditors' 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 University'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 University's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedule of the University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of the University's Contributions to Pension Plans, the Schedule of the University's Proportionate Share of the Net Retiree Health Benefits Liability, and the Schedule of the University's Contributions to Retiree Health Benefits Plan 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 GAAS, 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 Information**

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the Introductory, Statistical Sections, Schedule of Pledged Net Revenues - Auxiliary Revenue Bonds (Series 2015, 2015B and 2023A), Schedule of Pledged Net Revenues - Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds (Series 2012, 2014A, 2014B, 2014C, 2015, 2015B, 2018A, 2021A, and 2021B), Clemson University Reporting Entity - Combined Statement of Net/Financial Position, and Clemson University Reporting Entity - Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses, Activities and Changes in Net Position but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 30, 2024, on our consideration of the University's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. 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 University'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 University's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Atlanta, Georgia  
September 30, 2024



## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### Overview of the Financial Statements and Financial Analysis

Clemson University is pleased to present its financial statements for fiscal year 2024. While audited financial statements for fiscal year 2023 are not presented with this report, condensed operations and financial position data will be presented in this section in order to illustrate certain increases and decreases. However, the emphasis of discussions about these statements will be on current year data and will not include the discretely presented component units.

There are three financial statements presented: the Statement of Net Position; the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position; and, the Statement of Cash Flows. These statements present financial information in a format similar to that used by private corporations.

This discussion and analysis of the University's financial statements provides an overview of its financial activities for the year.

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

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position presents the revenues earned and expenses incurred during the year. Activities are reported as either operating or nonoperating. All things being equal, a public university's dependency on state aid and gifts will result in operating deficits. The GASB requires state appropriations and gifts to be classified as nonoperating revenues. The utilization of long-lived assets, referred to as capital assets, is reflected in the financial statements as depreciation, which amortizes the cost of an asset over its expected useful life.

Changes in total net position as presented on the Statement of Net Position are based on the activity presented in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. The purpose of the statement is to present the revenues received by the institution, both operating and nonoperating, and the expenses paid by the institution, operating and nonoperating, and any other revenues, expenses, gains and losses received or spent by the institution.

Generally speaking, operating revenues are received for providing goods and services to the various customers and constituencies of the institution. Operating expenses are those expenses paid to acquire or produce the goods and services provided in return for the operating revenues, and to carry out the mission of the institution. Nonoperating revenues are revenues received for which goods and services are not provided. State capital appropriations and capital grants and gifts are considered neither operating nor nonoperating revenues and are reported after "Income before other revenues, expenses, gains or losses."

The Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position reflects a positive year with an increase in net position at the end of the year.

Some highlights of the information presented on this Statement are as follows:

### Total Revenues – increase of \$139.3 million

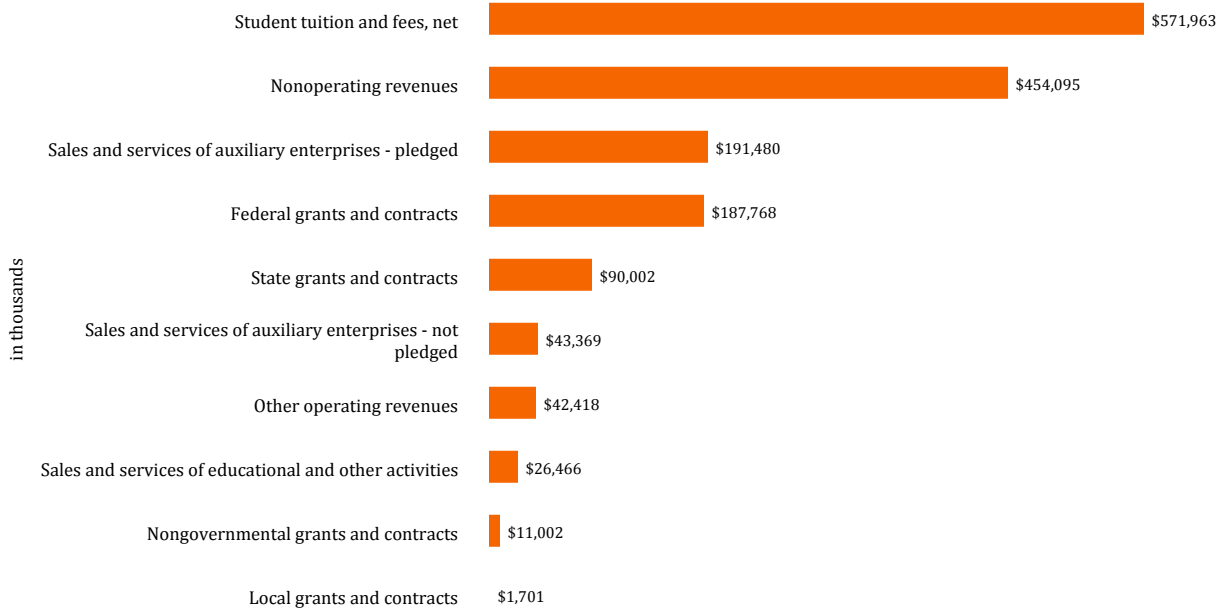
- Operating revenues increased \$58.1 million, based on the following:
  - Student tuition and fees increased \$5.4 million due to modest enrollment growth. In-state undergraduate and graduate academic fees remained unchanged from the prior academic year. Enrollment increased by 1% over the prior year.
  - Sales and services revenue increased by \$16.4 million. Sales and services of pledged auxiliaries increased by \$8.3 million. Athletic revenue increased \$4.9 million, primarily due to football ticket sales. Student auxiliaries revenue increased \$3.4 million as a result of increases in housing and dining rates and higher parking services revenue. Contract revenue related to Medicaid Information Technology Services (MITS) contributed to the increase in non-pledged auxiliaries revenue of \$7.7 million. Sales and services of educational activities increased by \$425,000, due to growth in participation at Learning Institute camps.
  - Grants and contracts revenues increased by \$36.0 million. Federal grants and contracts increased \$34.3 million, with continued research awarded from the Department of Agriculture, United States Army, Department of Energy, and Department of Health & Human Services. State grants and contracts increased by \$4.1 million due to new funding from South Carolina's Established Program to Stimulate Cooperative Research (EPSCOR). Local grants and contracts decreased by \$530,000. Nongovernmental grants and contracts decreased by \$1.9 million as funding for new research initiatives was offset by revenue from prior year projects that did not renew for the current fiscal year.
  - Other operating revenues increased by \$329,000 due to an increase in educational program fees and testing service fees revenue.
- Nonoperating revenues increased \$81.2 million, based on the following:
  - State appropriations increased by \$60.5 million. Education & General (E&G) and Public Service (PSA) base appropriations increased \$47.3 million and \$4.3 million, respectively. Allocations for retirement contributions, nonrecurring bonus pay adjustments, health and dental plan contributions, and cost of living adjustments increased \$6.5 million. The University received \$3.5 million in new Lottery funding, offset by a \$1.1 million decrease in one-time bonus funding received in the prior year.
  - Federal appropriations decreased by \$535,000.
  - Gifts and grants revenue decreased by \$13.2 million. New gifts for scholarships were offset by Higher Education Emergency Relief (HEERF) funds received in the prior fiscal year.

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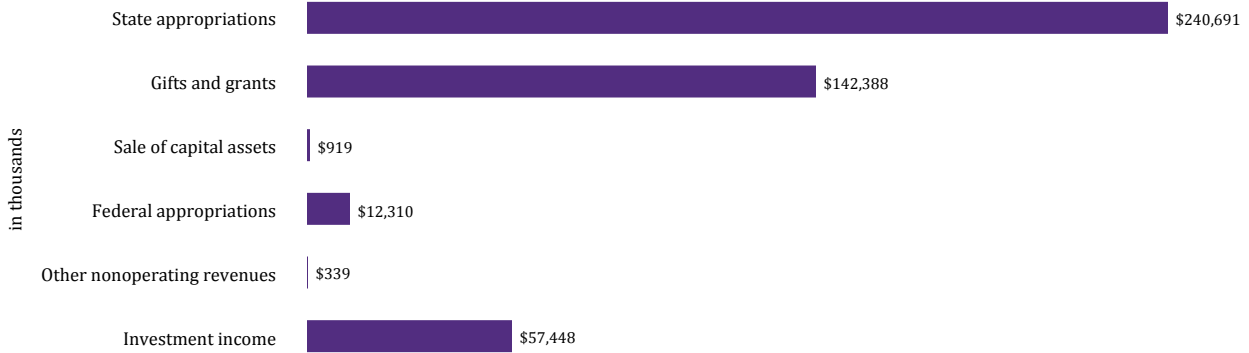
- Investment income increased by \$33.5 million. Overall earnings on balances held at the University's depository bank and endowment balances held by the Clemson University Foundation improved due to favorable market conditions.
- Other nonoperating revenues increased by \$221,000.
- Gain on disposal of capital assets increased by \$717,000, as the University disposed of equipment via the State's surplus sales process.

<b>Condensed Summary of Net Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position (thousands of dollars)</b>				
Description	2024	2023	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent Change
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Student tuition and fees, net	\$ 571,963	\$ 566,608	\$ 5,355	0.95 %
Sales and services, net	261,314	244,915	16,399	6.70 %
Grants and contracts	290,473	254,456	36,017	14.15 %
Other operating revenues	42,418	42,089	329	0.78 %
Total operating revenues	<u>1,166,168</u>	<u>1,108,068</u>	<u>58,100</u>	5.24 %
State appropriations	240,691	180,211	60,480	33.56 %
Federal appropriations	12,310	12,845	(535)	(4.17) %
Gifts and grants	142,388	155,597	(13,209)	(8.49) %
Investment income	57,448	23,904	33,544	140.33 %
Other nonoperating revenues	339	118	221	187.29 %
Gain on disposal of capital assets	919	202	717	354.95 %
Total nonoperating revenues	<u>454,095</u>	<u>372,877</u>	<u>81,218</u>	21.78 %
Total revenues	<u>1,620,263</u>	<u>1,480,945</u>	<u>139,318</u>	9.41 %
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Compensation and employee benefits	804,219	750,531	53,688	7.15 %
Services and supplies	419,099	394,159	24,940	6.33 %
Utilities	28,858	25,626	3,232	12.61 %
Depreciation and amortization	93,989	88,857	5,132	5.78 %
Scholarships and fellowships	43,739	40,202	3,537	8.80 %
Total operating expenses	<u>1,389,904</u>	<u>1,299,375</u>	<u>90,529</u>	6.97 %
Interest on capital asset related debt	30,714	27,159	3,555	13.09 %
Loss on disposal of capital assets	3,182	678	2,504	369.32 %
Refunds to grantors	672	1,088	(416)	(38.24) %
Facilities and administrative remittances to the State	451	478	(27)	(5.65) %
Total nonoperating expenses	<u>35,019</u>	<u>29,403</u>	<u>5,616</u>	19.10 %
Total expenses	<u>1,424,923</u>	<u>1,328,778</u>	<u>96,145</u>	7.24 %
Income before other revenues, expenses, gains or losses	195,340	152,167	43,173	28.37 %
State capital appropriations	112,781	64,001	48,780	100.00 %
Capital grants and gifts	9,851	8,317	1,534	18.44 %
Additions to permanent endowments	111	27	84	311.11 %
Increase in net position	<u>318,083</u>	<u>224,512</u>	<u>93,571</u>	41.68 %
Net position, beginning of year, as originally stated	770,813	543,745	227,068	41.76 %
Cumulative effect of accounting changes	—	2,555	(2,555)	(100.00) %
<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,088,896</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 770,813</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 318,084</u></b>	<b>41.27 %</b>

**Total Revenues**  
**\$1,620,263 (thousands of dollars)**



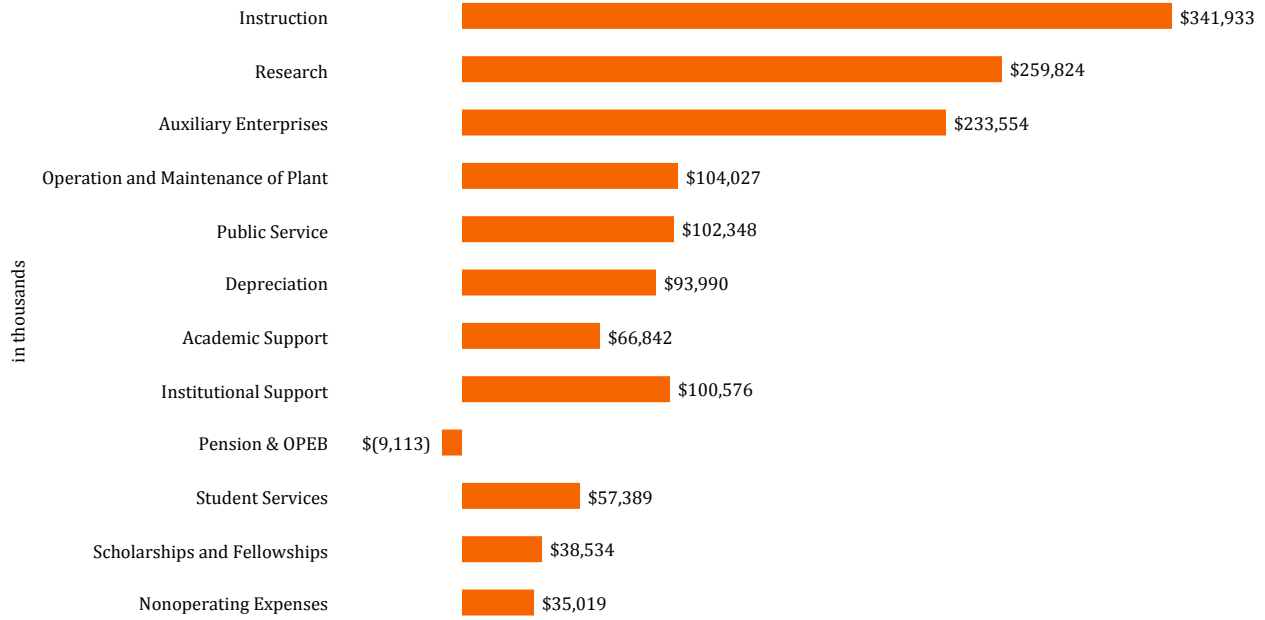
**Nonoperating Revenues**



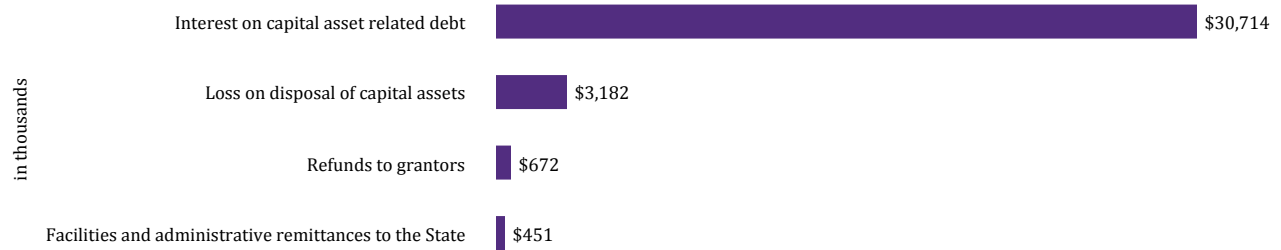
**Total Expenses – increase of \$96.1 million**

- Operating expenses increased \$90.5 million, based on the following:
  - Compensation & employee benefits increased by \$53.7 million. Cash compensation paid to employees increased by \$61.8 million. Faculty and staff received one-time bonuses and cost of living adjustments, while staff headcount increased over prior year. Fringe benefit expenses increased \$20.9 million, as a higher fringe rate was assessed for part-time/temporary staff and 12-month administrators/staff - the largest employee category at the University. Graduate assistant and other student-related compensation increased \$413,000. Pension and retiree health benefit expenses related to the amortization of the University's proportionate share of the state's net pension liability and net retiree health benefit liability decreased by \$29.4 million. The pension and retiree health expenses include a cash and non-cash component. The cash component is comprised of contributions submitted to PEBA. The cash impact of the pension and retiree health expense totaled \$79.1 million and \$32.6 million, respectively. The non-cash component reflects the University's proportionate share of the plan's expenses. The non-cash impact of the pension and retiree health expense totaled \$2.1 million and (\$11.2) million, respectively.
  - Services and supplies expenses increased \$24.9 million. Instruction costs related to study abroad, IT customer support services, and experiential learning increased by \$12.0 million. Research expenditures increased by \$17.2 million due to growth in sponsored research with agencies such as the Department of Agriculture, United States Army, Department of Energy, and Department of Health & Human Services. Public service costs increased \$4.9 million as a result of higher beef, poultry and dairy farm costs, in addition to increased costs related to the SC Botanical Gardens. Academic support costs decreased \$13.7 million, primarily due to recoveries associated with information technology support costs. Student services expenses increased \$3.2 million due to higher costs associated with information technology services, campus recreation, the student health center and TigerOne card services. Institutional support expenses increased \$4.0 million as the University incurred expenses related to developing a new enterprise resource planning (ERP) solution. Operation and maintenance of plant costs related to non-capitalized repairs and renovations decreased by \$2.9 million. Scholarship and fellowships increased by \$22,000. Auxiliary services expenses increased \$179,000.
  - Utilities expenses increased \$3.2 million, due mainly to the completion of the Bryan Mall High Rise renovation project.
  - Depreciation and amortization expense increased \$5.1 million, due to capitalization of major construction projects such as the Women's Gymnastics Facility, Women's Lacrosse Facility, and the Athletics Recovery Center. Renovations to Daniel Hall and Memorial Stadium were completed during the year. Additionally, the University entered into more subscription-based IT arrangements, capitalized under GASB 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*.
  - Scholarship and fellowship expenses increased \$3.5 million, mainly due to Pell grant and Experiential Learning funding.
- Nonoperating expenses increased \$5.6 million based on the following:
  - Interest expense increased \$3.6 million, mainly due to interest payments on the Series 2023A Higher Education Revenue Bonds, in addition to amortization of bond premiums.
  - Losses on disposal of capital assets increased \$2.5 million as the University disposed of obsolete equipment.
  - Refunds to grantors decreased \$416,000 due to fixed payment amounts that had to be returned to sponsors when the cost of work performed was less than amounts previously received.
  - Facilities and administrative costs remitted to the State decreased \$27,000. The State requires such costs collected for non-research sponsored projects in excess of \$200,000 to be remitted.
- State capital appropriations increased by \$48.8 million. The University received funding for the College of Veterinary Medicine and new funds for Animal Farms Infrastructure.
- Capital grants and gifts increased \$1.5 million due to private donor giving and gifts-in-kind donated to the University.
- Additions to permanent endowments increased by \$84,000.

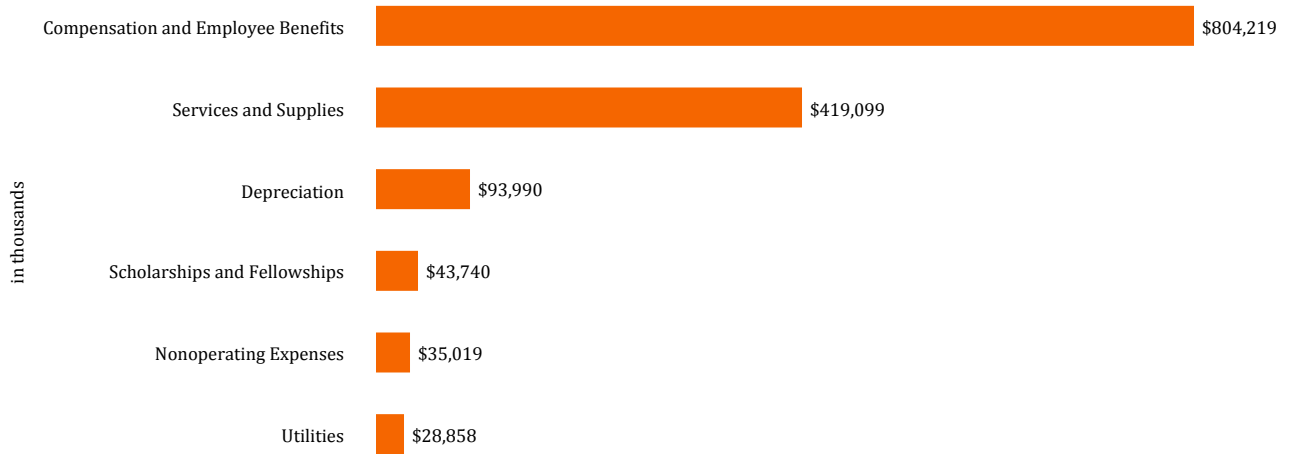
**Total Expenses by Function**  
**\$1,424,923 (thousands of dollars)**



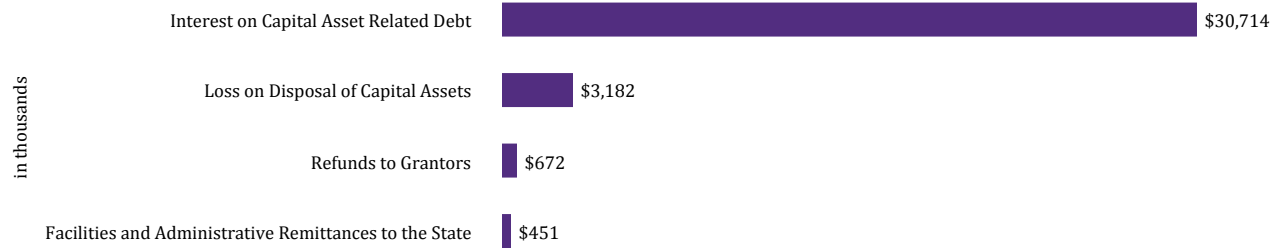
**Nonoperating Expenses**



**Total Expenses by Natural Classification**  
**\$1,424,923 (thousands of dollars)**



**Nonoperating Expenses**



**Statement of Net Position**

The Statement of Net Position presents the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position of the University as of the end of the fiscal year. The Statement of Net Position is a point of time financial statement. The purpose of the Statement of Net Position is to present to the readers of the financial statements a fiscal snapshot of Clemson University. The Statement of Net Position presents end-of-year data concerning Assets (property that we own and what we are owed by others), Deferred Outflows of Resources (consumption of net position by the University that is applicable to a future reporting period), Liabilities (what we owe to others and have collected from others before we have provided the service), Deferred Inflows of Resources (acquisition of net position by the University that is applicable to a future reporting period), and Net Position (Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources, minus Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources). It is prepared under the accrual basis of accounting, where revenues and assets are recognized when the service is provided and expenses and liabilities are recognized when others provide the service to us, regardless of when cash is exchanged.

From the data presented, readers of the Statement of Net Position are able to determine the assets available to continue the operations of the institution. They are also able to determine how much the institution owes vendors, investors, and lending institutions. Finally, the Statement of Net Position provides a picture of the net position (assets and deferred outflows of resources minus liabilities and deferred inflows of resources) and their availability for expenditure by the institution.

Net position is divided into three major categories. The first category, net investment in capital assets, provides the institution's equity in property, plant, and equipment owned by the institution. The next category is restricted net position, which is divided into two categories, nonexpendable and expendable. Restricted nonexpendable net position consists solely of the University's permanent endowment funds and is only available for investment purposes. Expendable restricted net position is available for expenditure by the institution but must be spent for purposes as determined by donors and/or external entities that have placed time or purpose restrictions on the use of the assets. The final category is unrestricted net position. Unrestricted net position is available to the institution for any lawful purpose of the institution. Although unrestricted net position is not subject to externally imposed stipulations, substantially all of the University's unrestricted net position has been designated for various academic and research programs and initiatives.

**Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources—  
increase of \$489.8 million**

- Current assets increased \$273.3 million. Unrestricted cash balances increased \$6.9 million and restricted cash increased \$8.6 million. Unrestricted cash increased due to student fee collections resulting from modest enrollment growth and a Board-approved increase in housing and dining fees. Restricted cash increased slightly, as increases in State capital appropriations received were offset by payments made on existing bonded debt.

<b>Condensed Summary of Net Position (thousands of dollars)</b>				
<b>Description</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>Increase/ (Decrease)</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Assets</b>				
Current assets	1,566,585	\$ 1,293,306	\$ 273,279	21.13 %
Capital assets, net	1,872,531	1,667,363	205,168	12.30 %
Other noncurrent assets	280,085	254,970	25,115	9.85 %
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>3,719,201</b>	<b>3,215,639</b>	<b>503,562</b>	<b>15.66 %</b>
<b>Deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>297,486</b>	<b>311,252</b>	<b>(13,766)</b>	<b>(4.42)%</b>
<b>Total assets and deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>4,016,687</b>	<b>3,526,891</b>	<b>489,796</b>	<b>13.89 %</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Current liabilities	417,538	232,052	185,486	79.93 %
Noncurrent liabilities	2,192,502	2,248,570	(56,068)	(2.49)%
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>2,610,040</b>	<b>2,480,622</b>	<b>129,418</b>	<b>5.22 %</b>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>317,750</b>	<b>275,457</b>	<b>42,293</b>	<b>15.35 %</b>
<b>Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>2,927,790</b>	<b>2,756,079</b>	<b>171,711</b>	<b>6.23 %</b>
<b>Net Position</b>				
Net investment in capital assets	1,044,242	909,657	134,585	14.80 %
Restricted - nonexpendable	59,542	59,170	372	0.63 %
Restricted - expendable	485,942	365,126	120,816	33.09 %
Unrestricted	(500,830)	(563,139)	62,309	(11.06)%
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ 1,088,896</b>	<b>\$ 770,814</b>	<b>\$ 318,082</b>	<b>41.27 %</b>

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Accounts receivable increased \$226.0 million, primarily as a result of \$217 million in bond proceeds not yet received at year end and \$3.9 million additional state capital reserve funds to be drawn as work progresses. Grants and contracts receivable related to sponsored projects increased \$21.1 million as the University had not been reimbursed for research expenditures at year-end. Lease obligations receivable decreased \$377,000. Contributions receivable increased \$1.8 million due to new short-term pledges from donors. Interest income receivable on cash balances held by the State Treasurer's Office increased \$1.1 million. Student loans receivable decreased \$9,000. Inventories increased \$365,000. Prepaid items increased \$7.7 million as a result of prepayment of insurance premiums, maintenance agreements, and travel related to study abroad programs.

- Net capital assets increased \$205.2 million. Non-depreciable assets decreased \$8.3 million. Several major construction projects were completed during the fiscal year, offset by new projects that include efforts such as network infrastructure upgrades, parking lots, and various building expansions/renovations. Other capital assets increased \$213.5 million. Buildings increased \$179.5 million, due to the completion of the Women's Gymnastics Facility, Women's Lacrosse Facility, the Athletics Recovery Center, and renovations to Daniel Hall and Memorial Stadium. Completion of the Pedestrian Roadway Safety Improvements project during the year contributed to the increase of \$20.8 million in utilities and other non-structural improvements. Equipment increased \$7.7 million, with depreciation offsetting new additions. The University purchased additional departmental vehicles, resulting in an increase of \$2.6 million. Lease assets increased \$6.4 million due to renewal of existing agreements and entering into new leases for equipment and office space. Software subscriptions decreased \$3.7 million as new software subscriptions were offset by amortization and termination of current subscriptions.
- Other noncurrent assets, mainly comprised of the balance on loan to the Clemson University Foundation (CUF), increased \$25.1 million. Income, realized gains and appreciation were offset by transfers from CUF. Noncurrent contributions receivable decreased \$130,000 due to payment of existing pledges. The fair market value of investments increased \$340,000. Restricted noncurrent cash balances increased \$193,000. Student loans receivable decreased \$548,000 due to collections of Perkins Federal student loans. Other assets increased \$6.0 million due to the under-recovery of pooled fringe benefit costs that will be absorbed/adjusted through the approved pooled fringe rate established for the fiscal year 2026.

- Deferred outflows of resources decreased \$13.8 million. Deferred losses on bond refunding decreased \$405,000 due to amortization of existing losses. Deferred outflows related to the University's proportionate share of the state's net pension liability increased \$16.7 million. Deferred outflows related to the University's proportionate share of the state's retiree health benefits liability decreased \$30.1 million.

### **Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources – increase of \$171.7 million**

- Current liabilities increased \$185.5 million. The increase in accounts payable of \$12.1 million was largely attributable to amounts due at the end of the fiscal year for capital projects and routine maintenance and repairs. Accrued payroll and related liabilities increased by \$3.4 million as a result of cost-of-living adjustments applied to the final payroll of the fiscal year. Current compensated absences increased \$3.5 million, resulting from larger balances of accrued leave held by employees. Accrued interest payable increased \$508,000, resulting from issuance of new bonded debt. Unearned revenues increased by \$3.8 million due to growth in athletic ticket sales for the upcoming football season. Additionally, the University received grants and contracts funding in advance of expenditures for the current fiscal year. Lease obligations payable increased \$265,000. Bonds payable increased \$161.8 million due to the State issuing a short-term General Obligation State Institution Bond Anticipation Note at the request of the University. Notes payable increased \$1.4 million as a result of higher principal payments on previously existing debt, specifically the South Carolina Master Lease Program, used to finance energy conservation measures across campus. Subscription obligations payable increased \$1.1 million, as the University entered into new software subscription agreements subject to GASB 96, *Subscription Based IT Arrangements*, which requires recording a payable for the present value of IT subscription payments over the subscription term. Current deposits decreased by \$1.5 million due to an over-recovery of pooled fringes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 that will be absorbed through the approved pooled fringe rate established for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. The current portion of funds held for others, primarily comprised of agency fund balances, decreased \$850,000.



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- Noncurrent liabilities decreased by \$56.1 million. The University's proportionate share of the State's net pension liability increased by \$16.2 million. Net investment income and plan contributions were not substantial enough to offset the pension plan's benefit payments and administrative costs, resulting in an increase to the plans' overall net liability. The University's proportionate share of the State's liability for retiree health benefits decreased by \$84.7 million. Net investment income and plan contributions exceeded the retiree health benefit plan's benefit payments and administrative costs, resulting in a decrease to the plans' overall net liability. Long-term debt increased \$22.4 million as a result of new debt issued in the form of new Higher Education Revenue Bonds. Subscription obligations payable decreased \$4.6 million as the University made payments on existing software subscriptions. Lease obligations payable increased \$2.1 million as the University entered into new leases for office space and equipment. The long-term liability for compensated absences and related liabilities decreased \$621,000.

The noncurrent portion of deposits decreased by \$6.2 million. The University experienced an over-recovery of pooled fringe benefits for the current fiscal year. The noncurrent portion of funds held for others related to Perkins loans decreased \$626,000.

- Deferred inflows of resources increased \$42.3 million. Deferred inflows of resources related to the University's net pension liability decreased by \$403,000. Deferred inflows of resources related to the University's net retiree health benefit liability increased by \$43.4 million. Deferred inflows of resources include the calculated difference between actual and projected investment earnings on the State's pension and retiree health benefit plans.

### **Net Position – increase of \$318.1 million**

- Net investment in capital assets increased \$134.6 million due to an increase in capital assets of \$197.8 million, plus a decrease in capital debt of \$33.2 million, a decrease in unspent bond proceeds of \$96.0 million, and a \$405,000 decrease in deferred outflows of resources as discussed above.
- Restricted – nonexpendable net position for scholarships and fellowships increased \$372,000 as the result of investment gains on endowment balances held by Wells Fargo.
- Restricted for expendable net position increased \$120.8 million, based on the following:
  - Restricted – expendable net position for scholarships and fellowships increased \$2.4 million due to growth in gifts and pledged scholarship funding, offset by a decrease in investment earnings on funds held by the State Treasurer's Office.
  - Restricted – expendable net position for research increased \$92,000.
  - Restricted – expendable net position for instructional/departmental use increased \$10.4 million due to growth in gifts from donors.
  - Restricted – expendable net position for student loans increased \$92,000.
  - Restricted – expendable net position for capital projects increased \$107.5 million, primarily due to receipt of capital appropriations from the State for Veterinary School construction and Animal Farms Infrastructure.
  - Restricted – expendable net position for debt service increased \$298,000.
- Unrestricted net position increased \$62.3 million, based on the following:
  - The University's proportionate share of the state's net pension liability and net retiree health benefit liability and deferred inflows and outflows of resources resulted in a \$12.2 million increase in unrestricted net position.
  - Unrestricted - educational and general increased \$25.3 million as the result of increased tuition & fee revenue and state appropriations received during the year.
  - Unrestricted – unexpended plant increased \$17.0 million as the result of investment earnings on funds held by the State Treasurer's Office and transfers for facilities planned maintenance projects and other University initiatives.
  - Unrestricted – board designated endowments increased \$19.2 million, mainly due to investment earnings, along with new endowed gifts from donors.
  - Unrestricted – public services net position increased \$363,000.
  - Unrestricted – auxiliaries net position decreased \$11.8 million. Increased revenue from housing, parking and dining services was offset by transfers for facilities planned maintenance projects.

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**Statement of Cash Flows**

The final statement presented is the Statement of Cash Flows. The Statement of Cash Flows presents detailed information about the cash activity of the institution during the year. The statement is divided into five parts. The first part deals with operating cash flows and shows the net cash used by the operating activities of the institution. The second section reflects cash flows from noncapital financing activities. This section reflects the cash received and spent for nonoperating, noninvesting, and noncapital financing purposes. The third section deals with cash flows from capital and related financing activities. This section deals with the cash used for the acquisition and construction of capital and related items. The fourth section reflects the cash flows from investing activities and shows the purchases, proceeds, and interest received from investing activities. The fifth section reconciles the net cash used to the operating income or loss reflected on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position.

Description	Fiscal Year Ended	
	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023
Net cash provided (used by):		
Operating activities	\$ (174,058)	\$ (57,370)
Noncapital financing activities	389,246	353,564
Capital and related financing activities	(236,269)	(162,424)
Investing activities	36,799	18,702
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>15,718</b>	<b>152,472</b>
Beginning cash and cash equivalents	1,134,309	981,837
<b>Ending cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,150,027</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,134,309</u></b>

**Capital Assets**

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation or amortization, at June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023 were as follows:

Description	2024	2023	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent Change
<b>Capital Assets:</b>				
Land and improvements	\$ 34,567,457	\$ 34,567,467	\$ (10)	— %
Construction in progress	223,676,584	231,959,497	(8,282,913)	(3.57) %
Utilities systems and other non-structural improvements	158,501,495	137,685,100	20,816,395	15.12 %
Buildings and improvements	1,259,807,953	1,080,283,734	179,524,219	16.62 %
Equipment	125,382,655	117,643,067	7,739,588	6.58 %
Vehicles	9,099,883	6,453,603	2,646,280	41.00 %
Lease equipment	2,609,258	1,197,608	1,411,650	117.87 %
Lease office space	23,270,304	18,232,947	5,037,357	27.63 %
Software subscriptions	35,614,950	39,340,048	(3,725,098)	100.00 %
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	<b><u>\$1,872,530,539</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,667,363,071</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 205,167,468</u></b>	<b>12.30 %</b>

- Land decreased \$10. The University sold .64 acres of land to the South Carolina Department of Transportation with minimal historical cost.
- Construction in progress decreased \$8.3 million as construction was completed on a number of major University projects.
- Utilities systems and other non-structural improvements increased approximately \$20.8 million, as the Pedestrian Roadway Safety Improvements project was completed during the year.
- Buildings increased \$179.5 million, due to the completion of many projects, including the Women's Gymnastics Facility, Women's Lacrosse Facility, and the Athletics Recovery Center. Renovations to Daniel Hall and Memorial Stadium were also completed during the year.
- Equipment increased \$7.7 million. Additions totaling \$35.4 million were offset by disposals and depreciation of new and existing assets.
- Vehicles increased \$2.6 million as a result of departmental vehicle purchases, offset by depreciation of new and existing assets.
- Lease equipment increased \$1.4 million and lease office space increased \$5.0 million.
- Software subscriptions decreased \$3.7 million as new software subscriptions were offset by amortization and termination of current subscriptions.

For more detailed information on capital asset activity, refer to Note 4 – Capital Assets in the notes to the financial statements. For more detailed information on lease assets, refer to Note 7 - Leases in the notes to the financial statements. For more detailed information on software subscriptions, refer to Note 8 - Subscription Obligations in the notes to the financial statements.

### Debt Administration

The University's financial statements indicate \$988,414,548 in bonds payable, \$39,907,880 in notes payable, \$19,699,652 in lease obligations payable and \$27,830,064 in subscription obligations payable at June 30, 2024.

The University's bonded indebtedness consists of: State Institution Bonds totaling \$253,670,000 in outstanding principal, Higher Education Revenue Bonds totaling \$341,630,000 in outstanding principal, and Athletic Facilities Revenue Bond issues totaling \$170,020,000 in outstanding principal. General Obligation State Institution Bonds are issued by the State of South Carolina, at the request of the University, and are secured as to principal and interest by a pledge of the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the State and a pledge of designated "Tuition Fees" (as such term is defined in the State Institution Bond enabling act). Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds are payable solely from the net revenues of the University's Athletic Department and gross receipts from the imposition of any "Admission Fee" and any "Special Student Fee" (as such terms are defined in the Athletic Facilities Revenue Bond enabling act). Higher Education Revenue bonds are payable solely from and secured by a pledge of net revenues of the University's housing facilities, bookstore, dining services, parking, and vending operations and from the gross receipts from the "University Fee" imposed by the Board of Trustees (as that term is defined in the bond resolution authorizing the Higher Education Revenue Bonds, dated December 1, 1997, as amended).

The \$39,907,880 in notes payable is comprised of the South Carolina Master Lease Program for the purpose of financing the cost of equipment and implementing energy conservation measures that will benefit the University long term.

Lease obligations payable as of June 30, 2024, totaling \$19,699,652, include leases for multiple office spaces, a lease with the Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation (CULSF), its component unit, for space in the Greenville One Building in downtown Greenville, SC and multiple equipment leases. The outstanding liability on lease equipment as of June 30, 2023 was \$2,444,957. The outstanding liability on lease office space as of June 30, 2022 was \$17,254,695.

Subscription obligations payable as of June 30, 2024, totaling \$27,830,064, include various subscription-based IT arrangements used to perform and enhance University operations.

For additional information, see Notes 6, 7 and 8 in the notes to the financial statements.

### Economic Outlook

As a state-supported higher education institution, the University's economic position is closely tied to the State of South Carolina. The State ended fiscal year 2024 with a \$331.6 million budgetary surplus. As a result of an increase in revenue collections, a supplemental spending bill of \$1.1 billion was introduced to fund discretionary supplemental appropriations and agency requests.

State appropriations to fund University operations are expected to increase by \$32.8 million for fiscal year 2025. Educational and General (E&G) and Public Service activities (PSA) from base appropriations are expected to increase by \$27.8 million and \$5.0 million, respectively. Drivers for E&G increases include \$12.7 million for tuition mitigation, \$8.0 million for the College of Veterinary Medicine, \$3.4 million for a 2.25% cost-of-living adjustment, \$2.7 million for health insurance and retirement, and \$1.0 million for one-time funding for experiential learning. State funding for PSA is expected to increase by \$1.1 million for the cost-of-living adjustment, \$1.0 million in statewide support, \$1.0 million for health insurance and retirement, \$500,000 for problematic wildlife, \$500,000 for poultry science research, \$500,000 for small fruit research and extension, and \$400,000 for Education Improvement Act (EIA) funding. Additionally, state capital appropriations are expected to be \$13.5 million higher than in the prior year, driven by nonrecurring capital funding for the College of Veterinary Medicine.

The University's Board of Trustees adopted a budget for 2025 that reflects the University's continued focus on strategic revenue growth and cost management. The University froze tuition and mandatory fees for in-state undergraduate students, marking the fifth consecutive year of no tuition increase for South Carolina resident students. Increased University enrollment is expected, a result of continued strong student demand, and is expected to increase tuition and fee revenue. Through State support and investment, the University continues to design and develop the College of Veterinary Medicine. The Board approved a budget of \$285.5 million for construction of the College of Veterinary Medicine. A series of additional facilities projects were approved, including construction of a six-level parking garage and renovations to Lever Hall.

**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

June 30, 2024

ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
<b>Current Assets:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 689,661,129
<b>Restricted Assets - Current:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents .....	457,856,491
Accounts receivable (net of provision for doubtful accounts of \$885,399) .....	314,854,922
Grants and contracts receivable .....	67,395,468
Lease obligations receivable .....	12,253
Contributions receivable, net .....	2,529,731
Interest and income receivable .....	7,992,408
Inventories .....	2,850,993
Prepaid items .....	23,431,603
Total current assets .....	1,566,584,998
<b>Noncurrent Assets:</b>	
Notes receivable .....	263,073,236
Lease obligations receivable .....	208,434
Contributions receivable, net .....	1,988,298
Investments .....	5,107,460
<b>Restricted Assets - Noncurrent:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents .....	2,509,915
Student loans receivable .....	1,163,321
Other noncurrent assets .....	6,033,939
Capital assets, not being depreciated .....	258,244,041
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization .....	1,614,286,498
Total noncurrent assets .....	2,152,615,142
Total assets .....	3,719,200,140
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources:</b>	
Deferred losses on bond refunding .....	2,375,318
Deferred outflows on net pension liability .....	117,174,812
Deferred outflows on net retiree health benefits liability .....	177,935,670
Total deferred outflows of resources .....	297,485,800
<b>Total assets and deferred outflows of resources .....</b>	<b>\$ 4,016,685,940</b>

**LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES****Current Liabilities:**

Accounts and retainages payable .....	68,656,725
Accrued payroll and related liabilities .....	36,224,751
Accrued compensated absences and related liabilities .....	18,924,781
Accrued interest payable .....	6,991,695
Unearned revenues .....	68,732,923
Bonds payable, net .....	194,928,910
Notes payable .....	1,688,055
Lease obligations payable .....	4,328,533
Subscription obligations payable .....	10,847,892
Deposits .....	6,645,276
Funds held for others .....	(431,162)
Total current liabilities .....	<u>417,538,379</u>

**Noncurrent Liabilities:**

Accrued compensated absences and related liabilities .....	19,358,219
Funds held for others .....	1,406,719
Net pension liability .....	742,129,134
Net retiree health benefits liability .....	565,549,097
Bonds payable, net .....	793,485,639
Notes payable .....	38,219,825
Lease obligations payable .....	15,371,119
Subscription obligations payable .....	16,982,172
Total noncurrent liabilities .....	<u>2,192,501,924</u>
Total liabilities .....	<u>2,610,040,303</u>

**Deferred Inflows of Resources:**

Deferred inflows on lease obligations receivable .....	257,237
Deferred inflows on net pension liability .....	3,504,045
Deferred inflows on net retiree health benefits liability .....	313,988,149
Total deferred inflows of resources .....	<u>317,749,431</u>
<b>Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources .....</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,927,789,734</u></b>

**NET POSITION**

Net investment in capital assets .....	\$ 1,044,242,283
Restricted for nonexpendable purposes:	
Scholarships and fellowships .....	59,541,662
Restricted for expendable purposes:	
Scholarships and fellowships .....	28,292,276
Research .....	6,129,953
Instructional/departmental use .....	23,706,142
Loans .....	2,209,433
Capital projects .....	415,677,205
Debt service .....	9,927,547
Unrestricted .....	(500,830,295)
<b>Total net position .....</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,088,896,206</u></b>

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
For the year ended June 30, 2024

<b>REVENUES</b>	
Operating Revenues:	
Student tuition and fees (net of scholarship allowances of \$121,636,030)	\$ 571,963,228
Federal grants and contracts	187,768,393
State grants and contracts	90,002,089
Local grants and contracts	1,700,509
Nongovernmental grants and contracts	11,002,063
Sales and services of educational and other activities	26,465,501
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises - pledged for revenue bonds (net of scholarship allowances of \$17,426,403)	191,479,734
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises - not pledged	43,369,250
Other operating revenues	42,418,288
Total operating revenues	1,166,169,055
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Operating Expenses	
Compensation and employee benefits	804,219,209
Services and supplies	419,098,626
Utilities	28,857,714
Depreciation and amortization	93,989,565
Scholarships and fellowships	43,739,512
Total operating expenses	1,389,904,626
Operating (loss)	(223,735,571)
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	
State appropriations	240,691,223
Federal appropriations	12,309,547
Gifts and grants	142,387,848
Interest income	32,270,026
Endowment income	25,177,938
Interest on capital asset related debt	(30,714,124)
Other nonoperating revenues	339,043
Loss on disposal of capital assets	(2,263,659)
Refunds to grantors	(671,690)
Facilities and administrative remittances to the State	(450,857)
Net nonoperating revenues	419,075,295
Income before other revenues, expenses, gains or losses	195,339,724
State capital appropriations	112,781,573
Capital grants and gifts	9,850,913
Additions to permanent endowments	111,015
Increase in net position	318,083,225
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net position, beginning of year, as originally stated	770,812,981
Net position, end of year	\$ 1,088,896,206

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

# CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended June 30, 2024

Description	Amount
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Payments from customers	\$ 883,796,451
Grants and contracts	272,660,462
Payments to suppliers	(415,123,215)
Payments to employees	(620,065,204)
Payments for benefits	(215,396,934)
Payments to students	(80,387,038)
Inflows from federal direct student loans	100,607,453
Outflows from federal direct student loans	(100,607,453)
Loans to students	(102,794)
Collection of loans	560,378
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>(174,057,894)</u>
<b>CASH FLOW FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	
State appropriations	240,691,223
Federal appropriations	10,325,452
Gifts and grants	138,229,357
Net cash flow provided (used) by noncapital financing activities	<u>389,246,032</u>
<b>CASH FLOW FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Proceeds from capital debt	452,024
State capital appropriations	102,781,573
Capital grants and gifts received	8,603,203
Proceeds from sale of property	429,548
Purchase and construction of capital assets	(270,443,326)
Lease and software subscription payments	(17,686,167)
Principal payments and redemption premiums on long-term debt	(29,655,000)
Interest and fees	(30,750,843)
Net cash provided (used) by capital activities	<u>(236,268,988)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Change in unrealized gain/loss on investments	29,799,341
Proceeds from notes receivable with Clemson University Foundation	7,000,000
Net cash flows provided (used) by investing activities	<u>36,799,341</u>
Net change in cash	15,718,491
Cash beginning of year	1,134,309,044
<b>Cash end of year</b>	<b>\$ 1,150,027,535</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF NET OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (223,735,571)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Depreciation and amortization expense	93,989,565
Amortization of net pension liability	(917,591)
Amortization of net retiree health benefit liability	(13,539,399)
Change in assets and liabilities:	
Receivables, net	(12,447,752)
Grants and contracts receivable	(21,256,289)
Student loans receivable	556,713
Prepaid items	(7,076,368)
Inventories	(364,979)
Accounts and retainages payable	9,105,710
Accrued payroll and related liabilities	8,754,707
Accrued compensated absences and related liabilities	2,866,000
Unearned revenue	5,201,216
Deposits held for others	(15,193,856)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>\$ (174,057,894)</u>
<b>SIGNIFICANT NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS</b>	
Decrease in fair value of investments and notes receivable	\$ (6,981,161)
Assets acquired through gifts	1,441,367
State capital appropriations and bond proceeds receivable	278,356,907
Collection of capital appropriations receivable	4,486,208
Loss on disposal of capital assets	(3,182,157)
Assets acquired through right of use lease and software agreements	18,796,081
<b>RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT BALANCES</b>	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 689,661,129
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	457,856,491
Noncurrent assets	2,509,915
<b>Total cash and cash equivalent balances</b>	<b>\$ 1,150,027,535</b>

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION**  
**NON-GOVERNMENTAL DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

June 30, 2024

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 65,222,382
Contributions receivable, net .....	71,221,410
Trusts held by others .....	6,634,164
Due from related organizations .....	4,326,108
Investments .....	859,535,550
Investments held for Clemson University .....	263,073,236
Cash surrender value of life insurance .....	5,493,509
Land, buildings and equipment, net .....	9,101,047
Funds held in trust for affiliates:	
Non-pooled assets, net .....	14,420,578
Pooled investments .....	31,345,378
Contributions receivable, net .....	81,301,528
Other assets .....	711,813
<b>Total Assets</b> .....	<b>\$ 1,412,386,703</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities .....	\$ 1,523,449
Due to related organizations .....	1,468,597
Accrued liability to Clemson University due to net investment appreciation .....	116,395,581
Note payable to Clemson University .....	146,677,655
Actuarial liability of annuities payable .....	2,706,684
Funds administered for affiliates .....	127,067,484
<b>Total Liabilities</b> .....	<b>\$ 395,839,450</b>
Net Assets:	
Without donor restrictions .....	75,671,762
With donor restrictions .....	940,875,491
Total Net Assets .....	1,016,547,253
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b> .....	<b>\$ 1,412,386,703</b>

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**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION**  
**NON-GOVERNMENTAL DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

For the year ended June 30, 2024

DESCRIPTION	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	TOTAL
Revenues, Gains, and Other Support:			
Gifts and bequests .....	\$ 8,325,290	\$ 39,558,509	\$ 47,883,799
Investment return, net .....	21,391,437	75,451,676	96,843,113
Program income .....	1,207,804	347,703	1,555,507
Other income .....	828,668	(114,142)	714,526
Change in value of split-interest agreements .....	56,205	1,155,223	1,211,428
Total .....	<u>31,809,404</u>	<u>116,398,969</u>	<u>148,208,373</u>
Net assets released from restrictions .....	35,183,283	(35,183,283)	—
Total Revenues, Gains and Other Support .....	<u>66,992,687</u>	<u>81,215,686</u>	<u>148,208,373</u>
Expenses:			
Program expenses in support of Clemson University .....	41,088,131	—	41,088,131
Administrative and investment support .....	6,280,902	—	6,280,902
Fundraising .....	6,560,993	—	6,560,993
Total Expenses .....	<u>53,930,026</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>53,930,026</u>
Change in net assets before other changes .....	<u>13,062,661</u>	<u>81,215,686</u>	<u>94,278,347</u>
Other Changes:			
Transfers to related entities .....	(3,220,899)	(126,238)	(3,347,137)
Total Other Changes .....	<u>(3,220,899)</u>	<u>(126,238)</u>	<u>(3,347,137)</u>
Change in net assets .....	9,841,762	81,089,448	90,931,210
Net assets, beginning of year .....	65,830,000	859,786,043	925,616,043
Net assets, end of year .....	<u>\$ 75,671,762</u>	<u>\$ 940,875,491</u>	<u>\$ 1,016,547,253</u>

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**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY LAND STEWARDSHIP FOUNDATION  
NON-GOVERNMENTAL DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

June 30, 2024

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 3,886,340
Other assets .....	1,121,807
Real estate investments .....	91,761,592
Real estate and equipment, net .....	11,032,236
Direct financing lease .....	7,871,859
Development costs .....	751,552
<b>Total Assets</b> .....	<b>\$ 116,425,386</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	
Accounts payable .....	\$ 857,777
Accrued interest payable .....	51,231
Deposits held for others .....	140,675
Retainage payable .....	138,252
Unearned revenue .....	144,834
Deferred rent revenue .....	1,706,051
Due to Clemson University Foundation .....	23,594,295
Notes payable, net .....	45,665,485
<b>Total Liabilities</b> .....	<b>\$ 72,298,600</b>
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions .....	44,126,786
<b>Total Net Assets</b> .....	<b>44,126,786</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b> .....	<b>\$ 116,425,386</b>

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**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY LAND STEWARDSHIP FOUNDATION  
NON-GOVERNMENTAL DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

For the year ended June 30, 2024

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Revenues, Gains, and Other Support:	
Rental revenues .....	\$ 5,756,417
Direct financing .....	2,728
Common area and management fees .....	201,888
Income on short-term investments .....	94,672
Federal grant .....	289,668
Change in fair value of real estate investments and development costs .....	(8,740,137)
Total Revenues and Gains .....	<u>(2,394,764)</u>
Program expenses:	
CU-ICAR campus .....	2,412,767
Greenville One .....	357,027
Administrative and other .....	474,025
Total Program Expenses .....	<u>3,243,819</u>
Interest expense .....	1,637,052
Total expenses .....	<u>4,880,871</u>
Change in net assets without donor restrictions .....	(7,275,635)
Net assets without donor restrictions, beginning of year .....	51,402,421
Net assets without donor restrictions, end of year .....	<u>\$ 44,126,786</u>

*See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.*

# IPTAY

## NON-GOVERNMENTAL DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

June 30, 2024

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 13,299,691
Due from related organizations .....	828,280
Annual fund receivable, net .....	374,086
Investments .....	36,502,686
Funds held in trust by an affiliate:	
Non-pooled assets .....	13,100,740
Pooled investments .....	9,003,026
Contributions receivable, net .....	81,257,455
Other assets .....	90,893
Total Assets .....	<u>\$ 154,456,857</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	\$ 613,872
Due to related organizations .....	7,990,025
Total Liabilities .....	<u>\$ 8,603,897</u>
Net assets	
Without Donor Restrictions:	
Undesignated .....	6,002,687
Quasi-endowment .....	37,081,142
Total Without Donor Restrictions .....	43,083,829
With Donor Restrictions .....	102,769,131
Total Net Assets .....	<u>145,852,960</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets .....	<u>\$ 154,456,857</u>

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# IPTAY

## NON-GOVERNMENTAL DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the year ended June 30, 2024

DESCRIPTION	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	TOTAL
Revenues, Gains, and Other Support:			
Contributions from the public .....	\$ 59,702,513	\$ 16,779,847	\$ 76,482,360
Investment return, net .....	4,849,907	825,148	5,675,055
Interest income .....	398,815	—	398,815
	<u>64,951,235</u>	<u>17,604,995</u>	<u>82,556,230</u>
Net assets released from restrictions:			
Satisfaction of time restrictions .....	5,612,493	(5,612,493)	—
Satisfaction of purpose restrictions .....	3,885,331	(3,885,331)	—
Total Revenues, Gains, and Other Support .....	<u>74,449,059</u>	<u>8,107,171</u>	<u>82,556,230</u>
Expenses:			
Program services:			
Support of Clemson University:			
Athletic operations .....	35,772,593	—	35,772,593
Debt service .....	8,497,750	—	8,497,750
Other construction costs .....	25,787,250	—	25,787,250
Other athletic support .....	3,888,059	—	3,888,059
Management and general .....	9,928,530	—	9,928,530
Total Expenses .....	<u>83,874,182</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>83,874,182</u>
Excess of revenues over expenses .....	(9,425,123)	8,107,171	(1,317,952)
Contributions of net assets from a related party .....	20,833	(85,733)	(64,900)
Change in net assets .....	(9,404,290)	8,021,438	(1,382,852)
Net assets, beginning of year .....	52,488,119	94,747,693	147,235,812
Net assets, end of year .....	<u>\$ 43,083,829</u>	<u>\$ 102,769,131</u>	<u>\$ 145,852,960</u>

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Nature of Organization

Clemson University is a State-supported, coeducational institution of higher education. The University is granted an annual appropriation for operating purposes as authorized by the South Carolina General Assembly. The appropriation as enacted becomes the legal operating budget for the institution. The Appropriation Act authorizes expenditures from funds appropriated from the General Fund of the State and authorizes expenditures of total operating funds. The laws of the State and the policies and procedures specified by the State for State agencies and institutions are applicable to the activities of the University. The University was established as an institution of higher education by Section 59-119-20 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina in accordance with the will of Thomas Green Clemson and the Act of Acceptance of the General Assembly of South Carolina. The University is a component unit of the State of South Carolina and its financial statements are included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the State of South Carolina. The University is governed by a board of thirteen members, including six elected by the State Legislature and seven self-perpetuating life members. Accordingly, as such it administers, has jurisdiction over, and is responsible for the management of the University.

#### Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity, as defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification Section 2100, *Defining the Financial Reporting Entity*, consists of the primary government, organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion could cause the financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. GASB Codification Section 2600, *Reporting Entity and Component Unit Presentation and Disclosure*, provides criteria for determining whether certain organizations should be reported as component units based on the nature and significance of their relationship with a primary government and classifies reporting requirements for those organizations. Based on these criteria, the financial statements include the University and its blended component unit as the primary government, and other related entities as discretely presented component units.

The Clemson Research Facilities Corporation (CRFC) is a separately chartered not-for-profit corporation established to construct certain facilities for the University. CRFC is a fully blended component unit of the University. Although legally separate from the University, CRFC's activities are so intertwined with the University's that they are, in substance, the same as the primary entity. CRFC's activities are governed by its Board of Directors which is wholly comprised of University representatives. Its balances and transactions are blended with those of the University and reported as if they were balances and transactions of the University.

The Clemson University Foundation (CUF) is a separately chartered corporation organized exclusively to promote the development and welfare of Clemson University in its educational and scientific purposes. CUF's activities are governed by its Board of Directors. CUF is considered a component unit, and is discretely presented in the financial statements, because the nature and significance of its relationship with the University is such that exclusion from the reporting entity would render the financial statements incomplete. CUF is considered a nongovernmental component unit since it does not meet the definition of a governmental entity. None of the following characteristics of a governmental entity apply to CUF: a) Organization is a public corporation; b) Organization is a body corporate and politic; c) A controlling majority of the members of the organization are elected or appointed by governmental officials; d) There is potential for unilateral dissolution by a government with the net assets reverting to the government; and e) The organization has the power to enact and enforce a tax levy. Because CUF is deemed not to be a governmental entity and uses a different reporting model, its balances and transactions are reported on separate financial statements. Copies of the separately issued financial statements of the Clemson University Foundation can be obtained by sending a request to the following address: Clemson University Foundation, 110 Daniel Drive, Clemson, SC, 29634.

The Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation (CULSF) is a separately chartered corporation, established to serve the needs of Clemson University in the management, development, and investment of real property and related assets. CULSF's activities are governed by its Board of Directors. CULSF is considered a component unit, and is discretely presented in the financial statements, because the nature and significance of its relationship with the University is such that exclusion from the reporting entity would render the financial statements incomplete. CULSF is considered a nongovernmental component unit since it does not meet the definition of a governmental entity (as described above). Copies of the separately issued financial statements of the Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation can be obtained by sending a request to the following address: Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation, P.O. Box 1889, Clemson, SC 29633.

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IPTAY is a separately chartered corporation established exclusively to support University athletics. IPTAY's activities are governed by its Board of Directors. IPTAY is considered a component unit, and is discretely presented in the financial statements, because the nature and significance of its relationship with the University is such that exclusion from the reporting entity would render the financial statements incomplete. IPTAY is considered a nongovernmental component unit since it does not meet the definition of a governmental entity (as described above). Copies of the separately issued financial statements of IPTAY can be obtained by sending a request to the following address: IPTAY, P.O. Box 1529, Clemson, SC 29633.

### Financial Statement Presentation

The financial statement presentation for the University meets the requirements of GASB Codification Sections 2100- 2900, *Financial Reporting Entity*, and Co5, *Colleges and Universities*. The financial statement presentation provides a comprehensive, entity-wide perspective of the University's assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, net position, revenues, expenses, changes in net position, and cash flows.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, deferred inflows, deferred outflows, revenues and expenses, and affect disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Significant estimates include separation of accrued compensated absences between current and non-current, depreciation and amortization expense, accounts receivable allowances, scholarship allowances, and functional expense classifications. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### Basis of Accounting

For financial reporting purposes, the University, along with Clemson Research Facilities Corporation, its fully blended component unit, is considered a special-purpose government engaged only in business-type activities. Accordingly, the University's financial statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred. Student tuition and auxiliary enterprise fees are presented net of scholarships and fellowships applied to student accounts, while payments made directly are presented as scholarship and fellowship expenses. All significant inter-agency transactions have been eliminated.

The Clemson University Foundation (CUF), the Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation (CULSF), and IPTAY are private nonprofit organizations that report under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) standards, including Accounting Standards Codification Topic 958, *Not-for-Profit Entities*. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. No modifications have been made to CUF, CULSF, or IPTAY's financial information in the University's financial reporting entity for these differences.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The amounts shown in the financial statements in University funds as "cash and cash equivalents" represent petty cash, cash on deposit in banks, cash on deposit with the State Treasurer, cash invested in various instruments by the State Treasurer as part of the State's internal cash management pool, cash invested in various short-term instruments by the State Treasurer and held in separate agency accounts, and certain funds invested with Wells Fargo.

Most State agencies, including the University, participate in the State's internal cash management pool. Because the cash management pool operates as a demand deposit account, amounts invested in the pool are classified as cash and cash equivalents. The State Treasurer administers the cash management pool. The pool includes some long-term investments such as obligations of the United States and certain agencies of the United States, obligations of the State of South Carolina and certain of its political subdivisions, certificates of deposit, collateralized repurchase agreements, and certain corporate bonds. For credit risk information pertaining to the cash management pool, see the deposits disclosures in Note 2.

The State's internal cash management pool consists of a general deposit account and several special deposit accounts. The State records each fund's equity interest in the general deposit account; however, all earnings on that account are credited to the General Fund of the State. The University records and reports its deposits in the general deposit account at cost. It records and reports its special deposit account at fair value. Investments held by the pool are recorded at fair value. Interest earned by the University's special deposit accounts is posted to its account at the end of each month and is retained. Interest earnings are allocated based on the percentage of the University's accumulated daily income receivable to the total income receivable of the pool. Reported interest income includes interest earnings at the stated rate, realized gains/ losses, and unrealized gains/losses arising from changes in the fair value of investments held by the pool. Realized gains and losses are allocated daily and are included in the accumulated income receivable. Unrealized gains and losses are allocated at year end based on the percentage of ownership in the pool.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Some State Treasurer accounts are not included in the State's internal cash management pool because of restrictions on the use of the funds. For those accounts, cash equivalents include investments in short-term, highly liquid securities having an internal maturity of three months or less at the time of acquisition. For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the University considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Funds invested through the State Treasurer's Cash Management Program are considered to be cash equivalents.

### Receivables

Accounts receivable consists of tuition and fee charges to students, auxiliary enterprise services provided to students, faculty and staff - the majority of each residing in the State of South Carolina - as well as bond proceeds and state capital appropriations not received at year-end. Accounts receivable are recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts.

Grants and contracts receivable include amounts due from the Federal government, state and local governments, or private sources, in connection with reimbursement of allowable expenditures made pursuant to the University's grant and contracts. Also included are amounts due for Federal loan and scholarships programs and reimbursements for Federal land-grant expenditures.

Lease obligations receivable consist of amounts due to the University for various office spaces and/or buildings for which the University serves as the lessor.

Contributions receivable are accounted for at their estimated net realizable value. The estimated net realizable value comprehends the present value of long-term pledges and reductions for any allowance for uncollectible pledges. Pledges vary from one to ten years and are used to support specifically identified University programs and initiatives.

Amounts due from the Clemson University Foundation are pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding between the University and that entity prompted by a 1999 change in the South Carolina Code of Laws that allowed state-supported universities to lend endowment balances to separately chartered not-for-profit entities whose existence is primarily providing financial assistance and other support to the institution and its educational programs. For additional information regarding this loan, see Note 3.

Student loans receivable consists of amounts due from the Federal Perkins loan program and from other loans administered by the University.

Interest and income receivable consists of amounts due from the State Treasurer relating to holdings in the State's internal cash management pool and cash invested in various short-term investments by that agency.

### Inventories

Inventories for internal use are valued at cost. Inventories for resale are carried at the lower of cost or market. Items accounted for as University inventories using the moving weighted average method include: maintenance supplies, housing supplies, janitorial and auto supplies, printing and graphic supplies, office supplies, computer parts and accessories, telecommunications supplies, medical supplies, and Clemson Blue Cheese production.

### Prepaid Items

Expenditures for insurance and similar services paid for in the current or prior fiscal years and benefiting more than one accounting period are allocated among accounting periods. For the University, amounts reported in this asset account consist primarily of prepaid insurance, prepaid postage, prepaid airline tickets, and advance payments for maintenance and service agreements.

### Investments

The University accounts for its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*. Changes in unrealized gain (loss) on the carrying value of investments are reported as a component of investment income in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position.

### Noncurrent Cash and Investments

Noncurrent cash and investments primarily consist of permanently endowed funds and federal student loan funds. These funds are externally restricted and are classified as noncurrent assets in the Statement of Net Position.

### Other Assets

The University submits a pooled fringe benefit rate proposal to its cognizant agency, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services two years in advance of actual charges. Under-recoveries of actual costs are recognized as an Other Asset. These under-recoveries will be considered in the rate proposal for the next review period.



## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition. Donated capital assets, donated works of art, historical treasures and similar assets are recorded at acquisition value. The University follows capitalization guidelines established by the State of South Carolina. All land is capitalized, regardless of cost. Qualifying improvements that rest in or on the land itself are recorded as depreciable land improvements. Major additions and renovations and other improvements that add to the usable space, prepare existing buildings for new uses, or extend the useful life of an existing building are capitalized. The University capitalizes movable personal property with a unit value in excess of \$5,000 and a useful life in excess of two years and depreciable land improvements, buildings and improvements, and intangible assets, including internally developed software, costing in excess of \$100,000. Routine repairs and maintenance and library materials, except individual items costing in excess of \$5,000, are charged to operating expenses in the year in which the expense was incurred.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 15 to 40 years for buildings and improvements and land improvements and 5 to 20 years for machinery, equipment, and vehicles. Internally developed software is depreciated using the straight-line method over a three year period. Depreciation expense is charged monthly, with a mid-month convention utilized for the initial month that the asset is placed in service.

### Leases

The University determines if an agreement is a lease in accordance with GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, at inception. Lessee agreements are included in the Statement of Net Position as capital assets (lease equipment and lease office space) and lease obligations payable. Lease assets represent the University's right to use an underlying asset for the lease term, as specified in the contract. Lease assets and the associated liabilities are recorded at the commencement date based on the present value of expected payments over the lease term. Lease assets are amortized over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset, using the straight-line method. In accordance with University policy, payments on leases with a term of 12 months or less and/or leases with a present value of \$5,000 or less are expensed as incurred. These leases are not included in assets or liabilities on the Statement of Net Position.

Lessor agreements are included in the Statement of Net Position as lease obligations receivable and deferred inflows of resources. All lessor agreements are property leases. Lease obligations receivable represent the University's claim to receive lease payments for the specified lease term, as specified in the contract. The receivable is recorded based on the present value of expected lease payments over the term of the leases, reduced by any provision for estimated uncollectible amounts. Interest revenue and deferred inflows of resources related to leases are recognized as revenue over the lease term. In accordance with University policy, payments received on leases with a term of 12 months or less and/or leases with a present value of \$5,000 or less are recognized as revenue is received. These leases are not included in lease obligations receivable or deferred inflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position.

### Software Subscriptions

The University determines if an agreement is a subscription to be recorded in accordance with GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*, at inception. Software subscriptions are included in the Statement of Net Position as capital assets and subscription obligations payable. Software subscriptions represent the University's right to use an underlying asset for the subscription term, as specified in the contract. Software subscriptions and the associated liabilities are recorded based on the present value of expected payments over the subscription term. Subscription assets are amortized over the shorter of the subscription term or the useful life of the underlying IT asset, using the straight-line method. In accordance with University policy, payments on software subscriptions with a term of 12 months or less and/or software subscriptions with a present value of \$100,000 or less are expensed as incurred. The software subscriptions are not included in assets or liabilities on the Statement of Net Position.

### Unearned Revenues

Unearned revenues include amounts received for tuition and fees and certain auxiliary activities prior to the end of the fiscal year but related to the subsequent accounting period. Unearned revenues also include amounts received from grant and contract sponsors that have not yet been earned.

### Deposits

Deposits represent football-related guarantees and conference settlement amounts, and various student-related amounts including: dormitory room deposits, security deposits for possible room damage and key loss, other deposits, and student fee refunds. Student deposits are recognized as revenue during the semester for which the fee is applicable and earned when the deposit is nonrefundable to the student under the forfeit terms of the agreement.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **Funds Held for Others**

Current balances in Funds Held for Others result primarily from the University acting as an agent, or fiduciary, for another entity. These include amounts due to other entities and amounts due for various study abroad programs. Noncurrent balances represent the Federal liability for the Perkins Loan Program.

### **Internal Service and Auxiliary Enterprise Activities**

Both revenue and expenses relating to internal service (including information technology costs) and auxiliary enterprise activities including print shop, office equipment, maintenance, transportation services, telecommunications, institutional computing, bookstores, and cafeterias have been eliminated.

### **Compensated Absences**

Generally all permanent full-time State employees, and certain part-time employees scheduled to work at least one-half of the agency's workweek, are entitled to accrue and carry forward at calendar year-end maximums of 180 days sick leave and 45 days annual vacation leave, except that faculty members do not accrue annual leave. Upon termination of State employment, employees are entitled to be paid for accumulated unused annual vacation leave up to the maximum, but are not entitled to any payment for unused sick leave. The compensated absences liability includes accrued annual leave and compensatory overtime leave earned for which the employees are entitled to paid time off or payment at termination. The University calculates the compensated absences liability based on recorded balances of unused leave for which the employer expects to compensate employees through paid time off or cash payments at termination. That liability is inventoried at fiscal year-end current salary costs and the cost of the net change in the liability for salary-related benefit payments is recorded in the current year in the applicable functional expenditure categories.

### **Noncurrent Liabilities**

Noncurrent liabilities include (1) principal amounts of bonds payable, notes payable, and lease and subscription obligations payable with contractual maturities greater than one year; (2) estimated amounts for accrued compensated absences and other liabilities that will not be paid within the next fiscal year; and (3) net pension and net postemployment benefit liabilities.

### **Net Pension Liability**

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 position of the South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS) and the South Carolina Police Officers Retirement System (PORS) and additions to/deductions from SCRS' and PORS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by SCRS or PORS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

### **Other Postemployment Benefits Liability**

For purposes of measuring the net postemployment benefit liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to postemployment benefits, and benefit expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority's Retiree Health Care Plan and Long-Term Disability Income Plan and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position of the plans have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

### **Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net assets that applies to future periods. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to future periods. For the University, refunds related to debt defeasance are included in deferred outflows of resources. The deferred amount will be amortized over the remaining life of the debt refunded. Changes in net pension liability and net postemployment benefit liability not included in expense are reported as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources. Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date of the net pension liability and net postemployment benefit liability are reported as deferred outflows of resources. For lease agreements in which the University acts as lessor, deferred inflows are recorded to offset the present value of payments expected to be received. The deferred amount will be recognized as revenue over the term of the lease.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Net Position

The University's components of net position are classified as follows:

**Net Investment in Capital Assets:** This represents the University's total investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt are included in this component of net position.

**Restricted Net Position - Nonexpendable:**

Nonexpendable restricted net position consists of endowment and similar type funds in which donors or other outside sources have stipulated, as a condition of the gift instrument, that the principal is to be maintained inviolate and in perpetuity, and invested for the purpose of producing present and future income, which may either be expended or added to principal.

**Restricted Net Position - Expendable:** Restricted expendable net position includes resources in which the University is legally or contractually obligated to spend resources in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties.

**Unrestricted Net Position:** Unrestricted net position represents resources derived from student tuition and fees, state appropriations, and sales and services of educational departments and auxiliary enterprises. These resources are used for transactions relating to the educational and general operations of the University and may be used at the discretion of the governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose. These resources also include auxiliary enterprises, which are substantially self-supporting activities that provide services for students, faculty and staff.

When an expense is incurred that can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the University's policy is to first apply the expense towards restricted resources and then towards unrestricted resources.

### Income Taxes

The University is a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina and is consequently exempt from federal income taxes under Section 115(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. Certain activities of the University may be subject to taxation as unrelated business income.

The Internal Revenue Service has determined that the Clemson University Foundation, the Clemson University Research Foundation, the Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation, and IPTAY qualify as exempt organizations under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and as such are exempt from taxation on related income.

### Classification of Revenues and Expenses

The University has classified its revenues and expenses as either operating or nonoperating according to the following criteria:

**Operating revenues and expenses:** Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as (1) student tuition and fees, net of scholarship discounts and allowances, (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, net of scholarship discounts and allowances, (3) most Federal, state and local grants and contracts, and (4) interest on institutional loans. Operating expenses include all expense transactions incurred other than those related to investing, capital or noncapital financing activities.

**Nonoperating revenues and expenses:** Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions, such as gifts and contributions, and other revenue sources that are defined as nonoperating revenues by GASB Statement No. 9, *Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting*, and GASB Statement No. 34, such as state and federal appropriations and investment income.

Nonoperating expenses include interest paid on capital asset related debt, losses on the disposal of capital assets, and facilities and administrative remittances to the State.

### Educational Activities Revenue

Revenues from sales and services of educational activities generally consist of amounts received from instructional, laboratory, research, and public service activities that incidentally create goods and services which may be sold to students, faculty, staff, and the general public. The University receives such revenues primarily from various activities related to the University's agricultural public service mission, including pesticide registration and licensing fees, livestock, poultry and health test fees, extension service fees, forest product sales, and youth camp fees. These unrestricted revenues are collectively labeled "Sales and Services of Educational and Other Activities".

### Scholarship Discounts and Allowances

Student tuition and fee revenues, and certain other revenues from students, are reported net of scholarship discounts and allowances in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Scholarship discounts and allowances are the difference between the stated charge for goods and services provided by the University, and the amount that is paid by students and/or third parties making payments on the students' behalf. Certain governmental grants, such as Pell grants, and other Federal, state or nongovernmental programs are recorded as either operating or nonoperating revenues in the University's financial statements. To the extent that revenues from such programs are used to satisfy tuition and fees and other student charges, the University has recorded a scholarship discount and allowance.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **Adoption of New Accounting Standards**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the University implemented the following pronouncements issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB):

Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*, defines four categories of accounting changes and error corrections and related accounting and financial reporting requirements. (1) Changes in accounting principle must be reported retroactively by restating prior periods. (2) Changes in accounting estimate must be reported prospectively by recognizing the change in the current period. (3) Changes to and within the financial reporting entity must be reported by adjusting beginning balances of the current period. (4) Error corrections resulting from mathematical mistakes, misuse of information, or misapplication of accounting principle should be reported retroactively by restating prior periods. The adoption of this standard had no effect on the University's financial statements in the current fiscal year.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 2.

#### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

All deposits and investments of the University are under the control of the State Treasurer who, by law, has sole authority for investing State funds. Certain monies are deposited or invested with or managed by financial institutions and brokers.

The following schedule reconciles deposits and investments within the footnotes to the Statement of Net Position amounts:

<b>Reconciliation of Deposits and Investments</b>			
<u>Statement of Net Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Footnotes</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Cash and cash equivalents:		Cash on hand	\$ 224,333
Current - unrestricted	\$ 689,661,129	Deposits held by State Treasurer	1,149,725,774
Current - restricted	457,856,491	Other deposits	77,428
Noncurrent - restricted	2,509,915	Investments held by State Treasurer	154,439
Investments	5,107,460	Other investments	4,953,021
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$1,155,134,995</u></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$1,155,134,995</u></b>

#### Deposits Held by State Treasurer

State law requires full collateralization of all State Treasurer bank balances. The State Treasurer must correct any deficiencies in collateral within seven days.

With respect to investments in the State's internal cash management pool, all of the State Treasurer's investments are insured or registered or are investments for which the securities are held by the State or its agent in the State's name. Information pertaining to the reported amounts, fair values, and credit risk of the State Treasurer's investments is disclosed in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the State of South Carolina. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, an unrealized loss of \$15,940,595 is included in the \$1,149,725,774 identified above as "Deposits held by State Treasurer."

#### Other Deposits

The University's other deposits at year-end were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or collateral held by custodial banks.

#### Investments Held by State Treasurer

Investments held by State Treasurer comprise investments held for the University and the State of South Carolina which are legally restricted, and earnings thereon become revenue of the specific fund from which the investment was made. These investments are specific, identifiable investment securities. Investments consist of Agricultural College stock with a carrying amount of \$95,900 and Perpetual stock with a carrying amount of \$58,539 held by the State Treasurer as Trustee in Perpetuity on which they are required to pay the University six percent per year. Since there is no readily determinable fair value for these investments, they have been assigned a fair value equal to their historical cost value.

#### Other Investments

The University has investments in mutual funds as authorized by a single donor. The mutual funds with a fair value of \$2,477,102 are held and invested by Wells Fargo, as trustee in accordance with the endowment agreement specified by the donor. These investments are stated at fair value and include unrealized appreciation of \$2,115,516. Purchases and sales are accounted for on the trade date. Both unrealized and realized gains and losses on investments have been recorded. Earnings are recorded on an accrual basis.

The University has split dollar life insurance policies with two athletic coaches and the athletic director. The University has recorded investments with a fair value of \$2,475,919 related to these policies.

The University has adopted applicable accounting standards for its financial assets and liabilities which clarify that fair value is an exit price, representing the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The University utilizes market data or assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. The standards establish a three tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. These tiers include: Level 1, defined as observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets; Level 2, defined as inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable; and Level 3, defined as unobservable inputs about which little or no market data exists, therefore requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions. The University's investments consist entirely of mutual funds and other investments with readily determinable fair values in an active market. These investments have been categorized as Level 1.

The University does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Other investments as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

<b>Other Investments</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>Effective Fair Value</b>	<b>Maturity (Years)</b>	<b>Credit Rating</b>
Domestic bond fund	\$ 831,906	7.1	N/A
International bond fund	154,732	12.1	N/A
Equity funds	1,490,464	N/A	N/A
Split dollar life insurance	2,475,919	N/A	AA-
<b>Total other investments</b>	<b>\$ 4,953,021</b>		

### NOTE 3. RECEIVABLES

University receivables reported in the Statement Net Position, as of June 30, 2024, were as follows:

<b>University Receivables</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Noncurrent</b>	<b>Total</b>
Accounts receivable	\$ 314,854,922	\$ —	\$ 314,854,922
Grants and contracts receivable	67,395,468	—	67,395,468
Lease obligations receivable	12,253	208,434	220,687
Notes receivable	—	263,073,236	263,073,236
Contributions receivable, net	2,529,731	1,988,298	4,518,029
Interest and income receivable	7,992,408	—	7,992,408
Student loans receivable	—	1,163,321	1,163,321
<b>Total University receivables</b>	<b>\$ 392,784,782</b>	<b>\$ 266,433,289</b>	<b>\$ 659,218,071</b>

Accounts receivable are reported net of allowances for doubtful accounts of \$885,399, based on credit losses experienced in prior years and evaluation of current portfolios. Student payment allowances of \$634,000, Sullivan Center allowances of \$77,157, parking services allowances of \$139,831, emergency medical service allowances of \$29,411, and telecommunications allowances of \$5,000 comprise this amount. Contributions receivable are reported net of allowances for current uncollectible pledges of \$448,859 and allowances for non-current uncollectible pledges of \$348,441.

Accounts receivable for the year ended June 30, 2024, were comprised of the following balances:

<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Students/scholarships	\$ 7,345,266
State capital appropriations and bond proceeds	273,977,133
Auxiliaries	28,587,136
Fees	454,304
Computer services	429,678
Educational programs	2,937,507
Other	1,123,898
<b>Total accounts receivable</b>	<b>\$ 314,854,922</b>

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Grants and contracts receivable are comprised of amounts due for sponsored research projects, federal land-grant appropriations, and federal scholarship programs. Grants and contracts receivable for the year ended June 30, 2024, were comprised of the following balances:

<b>Grants and Contracts Receivable</b>					
<b>Description</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>Nongovernmental</b>	<b>Total</b>
Sponsored research	\$ 50,091,097	\$ 2,139,377	\$ 130,720	\$ 3,722,692	\$ 56,083,886
Land-grant appropriations	2,611,322	—	—	—	2,611,322
Scholarship programs	8,700,261	—	—	—	8,700,261
<b>Total grants and contracts receivable</b>	<b><u>\$ 61,402,679</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,139,377</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 130,720</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,722,692</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 67,395,468</u></b>

Leases receivable are comprised of amounts due to the University for various office spaces and/or buildings for which the University serves as the lessor. Leases receivable are accounted for as the present value of the remaining lease payments expected to be received during the lease term. See Note 7 - Lease Obligations for additional information regarding the University's lessor agreements. For the year ended June 30, 2024, leases receivable were as follows:

<b>Lease Obligations Receivable</b>				
<b>Description</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Noncurrent</b>	<b>Total</b>	
Remaining lease payments from lessees	\$ 12,253	\$ 208,434	\$ 220,687	
<b>Total lease obligations receivable</b>	<b><u>\$ 12,253</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 208,434</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 220,687</u></b>	

Contributions receivable are comprised of pledges for gifts to support specifically identified University programs and to provide athletic scholarships. Contributions receivable are accounted for at their estimated net realizable value, or the present value of long-term pledges and reductions for allowances for uncollectible pledges. Pledges vary from one to ten years.

<b>Contributions Receivable</b>				
<b>Description</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Noncurrent</b>	<b>Total</b>	
University programs	\$ 2,529,731	\$ 1,988,298	\$ 4,518,029	
<b>Total contributions receivable</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,529,731</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,988,298</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,518,029</u></b>	

Part II, Section 9 of the 1998-99 State Appropriations Act amended the South Carolina Code of Laws by adding Section 59-101-410. This amendment allowed the governing boards of state-supported universities to lend their endowment and auxiliary enterprise funds on deposit with the State Treasurer's Office to separately chartered not-for-profit legal entities whose existence is primarily providing financial assistance and other support to the institution and its educational program.

Accordingly, as of June 30, 2024, the University had notes receivable from the Clemson University Foundation, a related party, totaling \$263,073,236. This amount includes the original loan of \$35,358,188, additional net contributions totaling \$913,091 since the fiscal year 1999 original loan, plus related income and appreciation. Funds loaned to the Clemson University Foundation will be paid back to the University with interest at a rate equal to that which is necessary to produce a sum which is equal to the total return (consisting of appreciation and income), provided, however, such rate will not be less than zero. The Memorandum of Understanding between Clemson University and the Clemson University Foundation is for a ten-year period. It is reviewed annually by both parties

and may be extended automatically for an additional twelve-month period unless either party provides written notice of objection to the extension, in which case, the Memorandum of Understanding will not automatically extend for an additional twelve-month period. The above notwithstanding, either party may terminate the Memorandum of Understanding at any time without cause upon one hundred eighty days written notice to the other party.

With minor exceptions, losses for loans to students are not estimated or recorded in allowances for uncollectible accounts. At the time a loan is considered uncollectible it is charged to principal. Any accounts receivable written off is recognized in the period in which the receivable is considered uncollectible. Based on past experience, potential losses are not deemed material.

Interest and income receivable consists of amounts due from the State Treasurer relating to holdings in the State's internal cash management pool and cash invested in various short-term investments by that agency.

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### NOTE 4. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2024, is summarized as follows:

Description	Beginning Balance July 1, 2023	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Ending Balance June 30, 2024
<b>Capital Assets</b>					
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land and improvements	\$ 34,567,467	\$ —	\$ 10	\$ —	\$ 34,567,457
Construction in progress	231,959,497	246,135,895	1,800,059	(252,618,749)	223,676,584
<b>Total capital assets not being depreciated</b>	<b>266,526,964</b>	<b>246,135,895</b>	<b>1,800,069</b>	<b>(252,618,749)</b>	<b>258,244,041</b>
Other capital assets:					
Utilities systems and other non-structural improvements	198,250,838	2,157	—	28,153,973	226,406,968
Buildings and improvements	1,692,686,323	346,337	8,856,682	220,524,846	1,904,700,824
Computer software	24,283,309	—	1,500,106	—	22,783,203
Equipment	392,036,193	35,353,434	13,341,839	405,025	414,452,813
Vehicles	26,779,679	4,754,394	410,401	—	31,123,672
Lease equipment	2,243,390	2,619,330	29,142	(405,025)	4,428,553
Lease office space	23,322,796	5,670,478	2,261,742	3,939,930	30,671,462
Software subscriptions	51,556,554	10,505,987	3,654,583	—	58,407,958
<b>Total other capital assets at historical cost</b>	<b>2,411,159,082</b>	<b>59,252,117</b>	<b>30,054,495</b>	<b>252,618,749</b>	<b>2,692,975,453</b>
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Utilities systems and other non-structural improvements	60,565,738	7,339,735	—	—	67,905,473
Buildings and improvements	612,402,589	40,271,893	7,781,611	—	644,892,871
Computer software	24,283,309	—	1,500,106	—	22,783,203
Equipment	274,393,126	25,854,827	11,582,820	405,025	289,070,158
Vehicles	20,326,076	2,105,895	408,182	—	22,023,789
Less accumulated amortization for:					
Lease equipment	1,045,782	1,182,763	4,225	(405,025)	1,819,295
Lease office space	5,089,849	3,504,264	1,192,955	—	7,401,158
Software subscriptions	12,216,506	13,730,188	3,153,686	—	22,793,008
<b>Total accumulated depreciation and amortization</b>	<b>1,010,322,975</b>	<b>93,989,565</b>	<b>25,623,585</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,078,688,955</b>
Other capital assets, net	1,400,836,107	(34,737,448)	4,430,910	252,618,749	1,614,286,498
<b>Capital assets, net</b>	<b>\$ 1,667,363,071</b>	<b>\$ 211,398,447</b>	<b>\$ 6,230,979</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 1,872,530,539</b>

**NOTE:** The University recognized \$918,497 in proceeds from the sale of capital assets.



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**NOTE 5.**

**UNEARNED REVENUES, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS HELD FOR OTHERS**

Unearned revenues consist primarily of athletic ticket sales and related fees and unearned student revenues for summer session and fall semester. These monies were collected in advance and were not earned at June 30, 2024.

Athletic sales and related event receipts include advance sales of football tickets and program advertising fees. Unearned student revenues consist mainly of student tuition and fees, room and board, and other fees related to the long summer session and fall semester. Also included are amounts received in advance for sponsored research programs.

Fees collected in advance for municipal services, contract credit courses, and various departmental accounts comprise the remaining balance of unearned revenues.

A summary listing of unearned revenue follows:

<b>Unearned Revenues</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Athletic event receipts	\$ 29,091,580
Sponsored research programs	11,226,868
Academic and other fees	28,132,446
Public service programs	49,945
Other	232,084
<b>Total unearned revenues</b>	<b>\$ 68,732,923</b>

Deposits consist primarily of pooled fringe benefit over recoveries. The University submits a pooled fringe benefit rate proposal to its cognizant agency, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services - Cost Allocation Services (DHHS-CAS).

DHHS-CAS has approved the University's pooled fringe benefit rates through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Actual under-recovery or over-recovery of costs are reflected in future rate proposals and approvals. The \$6,203,418 balance in current deposits represents an over-recovery for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and will be absorbed through the pooled fringe rate established for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Other current deposits are comprised of football game guarantees, student campus card balances, and miscellaneous departmental amounts.

<b>Deposits</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>Current Amount</b>
Athletics	\$ 8,919
Student campus card balances	141,734
Miscellaneous departmental	291,205
Pooled fringe benefits over-recoveries	6,203,418
<b>Total deposits</b>	<b>\$ 6,645,276</b>

Funds held for others consists of current and noncurrent components. Current funds held for others is comprised of agency funds held in trust for others. The federal Perkins loan liability balance represents the noncurrent funds held for others.

<b>Funds Held for Others</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Current Amount</b>	<b>Noncurrent Amount</b>
Federal Perkins Loans	\$ —	\$ 1,406,719
Amounts held in trust	(431,162)	—
<b>Total funds held for others</b>	<b>\$ (431,162)</b>	<b>\$ 1,406,719</b>

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### NOTE 6. BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE

At June 30, 2024, bonds payable consisted of the following:

<b>Bonds Payable</b>					
Description	Original Debt	Interest Rate (Outstanding)	Maturity Dates	June 30, 2024 Balance	Debt Retired in Fiscal Year 2024
<b>State Institution Bonds</b>					
Bonds dated 06/10/14 (Series 2014B)	33,030,000	3.00 - 5.00%	04/01/2034	19,865,000	1,590,000
Bonds dated 10/06/16 (Series 2016F)	52,395,000	2.00 - 5.00%	06/01/2036	37,280,000	2,490,000
Bonds dated 08/24/17 (Series 2017A)	120,885,000	2.25 to 5.00%	04/01/2037	93,165,000	7,585,000
Bonds dated 05/23/19 (Series 2019A)	5,635,000	3.00 to 5.00%	04/01/2039	4,645,000	210,000
Bonds dated 01/28/21 (Series 2021E)	6,385,000	3.00 to 5.00%	04/01/2040	5,720,000	235,000
Bonds dated 06/29/22 (Series 2022A)	100,310,000	5.00%	04/01/2042	92,995,000	3,150,000
				<u>253,670,000</u>	<u>15,260,000</u>
<b>State Institution Bond Anticipation Notes</b>					
Bonds dated 05/29/24 (Series 2024A)	160,155,000	4.191%	05/29/2025	160,155,000	—
				<u>160,155,000</u>	<u>—</u>
<b>Higher Education Revenue Bonds</b>					
Bonds dated 05/01/15 (Series 2015)	90,285,000	4.00 - 5.00%	05/01/2045	77,105,000	2,170,000
Bonds dated 12/01/15 (Series 2015B)	191,000,000	2.75 - 5.00%	05/01/2046	162,435,000	5,360,000
Bonds dated 05/03/23 (Series 2023A)	50,115,000	4.00 - 5.00%	05/01/2053	50,115,000	—
Bonds dated 05/30/24 (Series 2024A)	51,975,000	5.00%	05/01/2054	51,975,000	—
Total Higher Education Revenue Bonds				<u>341,630,000</u>	<u>7,530,000</u>
<b>Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds</b>					
Bonds dated 12/01/14 (Series 2014A)	30,695,000	3.00 - 5.00%	05/01/2045	30,695,000	—
Bonds dated 12/01/14 (Series 2014B)	9,240,000	3.00 to 3.25%	05/01/2027	1,240,000	1,000,000
Bonds dated 12/01/14 (Series 2014C)	10,545,000	5.00%	05/01/2025	2,285,000	2,175,000
Bonds dated 05/01/15 (Series 2015)	60,695,000	4.00 - 5.00%	05/01/2045	49,825,000	1,440,000
Bonds dated 12/01/15 (Series 2015B)	18,875,000	3.00 - 5.00%	05/01/2046	14,855,000	450,000
Bonds dated 01/01/18 (Series 2018A)	11,300,000	3.00 - 5.00%	05/01/2047	10,710,000	285,000
Bonds dated 12/02/21 (Series 2021A)	51,990,000	2.00 - 5.00%	05/01/2051	51,990,000	—
Bonds dated 12/02/21 (Series 2021B)	12,520,000	1.00 - 1.95%	05/01/2030	8,420,000	1,515,000
Total Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds				<u>170,020,000</u>	<u>6,865,000</u>
<b>Total Revenue Bonds</b>					
				<u>511,650,000</u>	<u>14,395,000</u>
Subtotal bonds payable				925,475,000	29,655,000
Plus unamortized bond premium				62,939,548	3,570,842
<b>Total Bonds Payable</b>				<u><b>\$ 988,414,548</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 33,225,842</b></u>

The University's currently outstanding debt falls into the following categories:

#### State Institution Bonds

General Obligation State Institution Bonds of the State of South Carolina (the "State Institution Bonds") may be issued by the State upon an approved request of the University to finance any permanent improvement project of the University. State Institution Bonds are secured by a pledge of the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the State, and in addition, by a pledge of designated "Tuition Fees" collected by the University (as such term is defined in the State Institution Bond enabling act). Such Tuition Fees paid to the University are pledged for the payment of principal and interest on these bonds. State Institution Bonds are issued by the State on behalf of the University.

Covenants of the University in connection with State Institution Bonds require that it impose Tuition Fees on an ongoing basis, such that the maximum annual amount of debt service on outstanding State Institution Bonds issued on behalf of the University does not exceed ninety percent of Tuition Fees received in each fiscal year. The incurrence of State Institution Bonds is also subject to a legal debt margin test that requires that projected maximum annual debt service cannot exceed ninety percent of Tuition Fees for the immediately preceding fiscal year. The fiscal year 2023 Tuition Fees used to calculate the University's ability to issue additional State Institution Bonds totaled \$60,517,528, which results in a legal annual debt service limit for State Institution Bonds issued in fiscal year 2024 of \$54,465,775. The annual debt service payments for the fiscal year 2024 were \$26,573,513. Tuition Fees in fiscal year 2024 totaled \$87,981,180.

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The following State Institution Bonds issued on behalf of the University were outstanding at June 30, 2024:

The Series 2014B General Obligation State Institution Bonds mature on April 1 in each of the years 2015 through 2034 and are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2016F General Obligation State Institution Bonds mature on June 1 in each of the years 2018 through 2036 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2017A General Obligation State Institution Bonds mature on April 1 in each of the years 2018 through 2037 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2019A General Obligation State Institution Bonds mature on April 1 in each of the years 2020 through 2039 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2021E General Obligation State Institution Bonds mature on April 1 in each of the years 2022 through 2040 and are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2022A General Obligation State Institution Bonds mature on April 1 in each of the years 2023 through 2042 and are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 the State issued, at the request of the University, a short-term General Obligation State Institution Bond Anticipation Note, Series 2024A, in the amount of \$160,155,000. The Series 2024A General Obligation State Institution Bond Anticipation Note was issued to (i) defray the costs of (a) replacing Lehotsky Hall with the new Forestry and Environmental Conservation Building, (b) construction of the Advanced Materials Innovation Complex, (c) expansion and upgrades of the chiller plant facilities located on campus.

The General Obligation State Institution Bond Anticipation Note will mature during fiscal year 2025, at which time re-financing via an issuance of State Institution Bonds is anticipated.

### Higher Education Revenue Bonds

Higher Education Revenue Bonds may be issued by the University for the purpose of financing or refinancing, in whole or in part, the cost of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation and improvement of land, buildings and other improvements to real property and equipment for the purpose of providing facilities serving the needs of the University including, but not limited to, dormitories, apartment buildings, dwelling houses, bookstore and other store operated by the University, laundry, dining halls, cafeterias, parking facilities, student recreational, entertainment and fitness related facilities, inns, conference and other non-degree educational facilities and similar auxiliary facilities of the University and other facilities which are auxiliary to any of the foregoing, excluding, however, Athletic department projects which primarily serve varsity athletic teams of the University (collectively, the "Facilities").

Higher Education Revenue Bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of the "Net Revenues" derived from the operation of the Facilities and from the "Additional Funds" comprising the "University Fee" imposed by the Board of Trustees (as such terms are defined in the bond resolution authorizing the Higher Education Revenue Bonds, dated December 1, 1997, as amended). Under such bond resolution the University is subject to certain covenants and agreements related to the operation of the Facilities, the imposition of related rates and charges, and debt service coverage requirements on an ongoing basis and as a precondition to the issuance of additional parity Higher Education Revenue Bonds. The following Higher Education Revenue Bonds were outstanding at June 30, 2024:

The Series 2015 Higher Education Revenue Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2016 through 2045 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2015B Higher Education Revenue Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2016 through 2046 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2023A Higher Education Revenue Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2023 through 2053 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the University issued Higher Education Revenue Bonds, Series 2024A, in the amount of \$51,975,000. The Series 2024A Higher Education Revenue Bonds were issued to (i) defray a portion of the costs of constructing, reconstructing, renovating, and equipping certain student housing facilities on campus of the University, including a portion of the Bryan Mall high-rise residence halls, and related infrastructure and improvements; (ii) pay capitalized interest on the Series 2024A bonds; and (iii) pay the cost of issuance of the Series 2024A bonds.

### Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds

Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds may be issued by the University for the purpose of financing or refinancing, in whole or in part, the cost of constructing and improving facilities designated by the Board of Trustees as intercollegiate athletic facilities. Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds are secured by a pledge of "Net Revenues" of the Athletic department and the gross receipts from the imposition of any "Admissions Fees" and "Special Student Fee" (as such terms are defined in the bond resolution authorizing the Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds, dated April 16, 1999, as amended) by the University. Under such bond resolution the University is subject to certain covenants and agreements related to the operation of the Athletic department and the Athletic facilities, the imposition of related rates and charges, and debt service coverage requirements on an ongoing basis and as a precondition to the issuance of additional parity Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds.

The following Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds were outstanding at June 30, 2024:

The Series 2014A Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2015 through 2045 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2014B taxable Athletic Facilities Revenue

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Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2015 through 2027 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2014C Athletic Facilities Revenue Refunding Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2015 through 2025 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2015 Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2016 through 2045 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2015B Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2016 through 2046 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2018A Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds

mature on May 1 in each of the years 2022 through 2047 and are subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2021A Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2026 through 2051 and are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2021B taxable Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds mature on May 1 in each of the years 2022 through 2030 and are not subject to optional redemption prior to maturity.

The State Institution Bonds are paid periodically throughout the year. Amounts, including interest, required to complete payment of the State Institution Bonds as of June 30, 2024, are as follows:

<b>State Institution Bonds</b>			
	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
Years Ending June 30:			
2025	\$ 16,020,000	\$ 10,550,513	\$ 26,570,513
2026	16,820,000	9,749,513	26,569,513
2027	17,650,000	8,926,062	26,576,062
2028	18,420,000	8,148,212	26,568,212
2029	19,215,000	7,353,412	26,568,412
2030 through 2034	87,585,000	26,426,494	114,011,494
2035 through 2039	55,820,000	11,704,919	67,524,919
2040 through 2044	22,140,000	2,215,650	24,355,650
<b>Total General Obligation Bonds</b>	<b>\$ 253,670,000</b>	<b>\$ 85,074,775</b>	<b>\$ 338,744,775</b>

The Higher Education Revenue bonds are payable in semiannual installments, plus interest. Amounts, including interest, required to complete payment of the Higher Education Revenue bond obligations as of June 30, 2024, are as follows:

<b>Higher Education Revenue Bonds</b>			
	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
Years Ending June 30:			
2025	\$ 7,900,000	\$ 14,122,570	\$ 22,022,570
2026	9,130,000	13,936,914	23,066,914
2027	10,530,000	13,480,414	24,010,414
2028	10,055,000	12,953,914	23,008,914
2029	10,430,000	12,575,139	23,005,139
2030 through 2034	59,170,000	55,870,614	115,040,614
2035 through 2039	71,230,000	43,807,175	115,037,175
2040 through 2044	87,305,000	27,732,163	115,037,163
2045 through 2049	49,485,000	10,830,913	60,315,913
2050 through 2054	26,395,000	3,515,413	29,910,413
<b>Total Higher Education Revenue Bonds</b>	<b>\$ 341,630,000</b>	<b>\$ 208,825,229</b>	<b>\$ 550,455,229</b>

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The Athletic Facilities Revenue bonds are payable in semiannual installments, plus interest. Amounts, including interest, required to complete payment of the Higher Education Revenue bond obligations as of June 30, 2024, are as follows:

<b>Athletics Facilities Revenue Bonds</b>			
	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
Years Ending June 30:			
2025	\$ 7,160,000	\$ 5,888,226	\$ 13,048,226
2026	4,995,000	5,628,326	10,623,326
2027	5,170,000	5,449,411	10,619,411
2028	5,360,000	5,261,511	10,621,511
2029	5,575,000	5,044,599	10,619,599
2030 through 2034	31,195,000	21,909,744	53,104,744
2035 through 2039	37,200,000	15,905,794	53,105,794
2040 through 2044	43,995,000	9,095,950	53,090,950
2045 through 2049	23,245,000	2,399,025	25,644,025
2050 through 2054	6,125,000	230,625	6,355,625
<b>Total Athletics Facilities Revenue Bonds</b>	<b>\$ 170,020,000</b>	<b>\$ 76,813,211</b>	<b>\$ 246,833,211</b>

The University reported net principal retirements and interest expenditures related to the bonds as follows for the year ended June 30, 2024:

<b>Principal Retirements and Interest Expenses</b>		
<b>Bond Type</b>	<b>Net Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>
State Institution Bonds	\$ 15,260,000	\$ 9,513,092
Higher Education Revenue Bonds	7,530,000	11,437,296
Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds	6,865,000	5,636,216
<b>Total Net Principal Retirements and Interest Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 29,655,000</b>	<b>\$ 26,586,604</b>

### Notes Payable

On July 8, 2022, the Board of Trustees approved a resolution authorizing the University to use the South Carolina Master Lease Program for the purpose of financing the costs of purchasing and implementing energy conservation measures that will benefit the University. The energy savings associated with these conservation measures are used to make debt service payments. Pursuant to this resolution, the University borrowed \$40,000,000 from Banc of America Public Capital Corp, via direct borrowing at an interest rate of 2.61%, during fiscal year 2023. Principal payments related to this note totaled \$325,003 for fiscal year 2024.

The scheduled maturities of the note payable are as follows:

<b>Notes Payable</b>			
	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
Years Ending June 30:			
2025	1,688,055	1,031,916	2,719,971
2026	1,665,074	987,953	2,653,027
2027	1,864,186	943,149	2,807,335
2028	1,991,271	893,609	2,884,880
2029	2,117,922	840,751	2,958,673
2030 through 2034	12,394,924	3,300,278	15,695,202
2035 through 2039	15,281,391	1,489,033	16,770,424
2040 through 2044	2,905,057	57,059	2,962,116
<b>Total Notes Payable</b>	<b>\$ 39,907,880</b>	<b>\$ 9,543,748</b>	<b>\$ 49,451,628</b>

Total interest expense for notes payable for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$1,049,256.

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### NOTE 7. LEASE OBLIGATIONS

#### Lessee Arrangements

The University leases equipment and office space from external parties for various terms under long-term, non-cancelable lease agreements. The leases expire at various dates through 2038 and some provide for renewal options ranging from one year to five years. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, the University records right-of-use assets and lease liabilities based on the present value of expected payments over the lease term of the respective leases. The expected payments are discounted using the interest rate charged on the lease, if available, or are otherwise discounted using an estimated incremental borrowing rate. The University uses guidance from the State of South Carolina Comptroller General's Office in determining the interest rate by which expected payments should be discounted when it was not stated in the lease agreement. The University does not have any leases featuring payments tied to an index or market rate or any leases subject to a residual value guarantee. See Note 4 - Capital Assets for information on lease assets and associated accumulated amortization. Future commitments for leases having remaining terms in excess of one year as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

<b>Lease Commitments</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Lease Obligations Payable</b>	<b>Interest</b>
Years Ending June 30:		
2025	\$ 4,328,533	\$ 510,372
2026	3,459,304	421,249
2027	2,066,131	344,743
2028	1,744,041	282,132
2029	1,254,392	232,595
2030 through 2034	4,535,164	668,727
2035 through 2039	2,312,087	112,029
<b>Total remaining lease commitments</b>	<b>\$ 19,699,652</b>	<b>\$ 2,571,847</b>

Lease commitments consist of:

<b>Description</b>	<b>Lease Obligations Payable</b>
Agreements between the University and third-party vendors, as well as related parties, for real estate space payable in monthly, quarterly, and annual installments ranging from \$1 - \$96,925, respectively, with fixed and implicit interest rates ranging from 0.13% - 5.18%. The agreements expire in various fiscal years from 2024-2038, with some agreements that offer extension options through 2038.	\$ 17,254,695
Agreements between the University and third-party vendors for various types of equipment. Payable in monthly, semi-annual and annual installments ranging from \$1 - \$186,300, respectively, with fixed and implicit interest rates ranging from 2.97%-10.49%. The agreements expire in various fiscal years from 2024-2029.	2,444,957
<b>Present value of minimum lease commitments</b>	<b>\$ 19,699,652</b>

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### Lessor Arrangements

The University leases office space to both external and related parties. The leases expire at various dates through 2025, with renewal options through 2040. Lease obligation receivables and deferred inflows of resources are recorded based on the present value of expected receipts over the term of the respective leases. The expected receipts are discounted using the interest rate charged on the lease, or are otherwise discounted using an estimated incremental borrowing rate. The University uses guidance from the State of South Carolina Comptroller General's Office in determining the interest rate by which expected payments should be discounted when it was not stated in the lease agreement. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the University recognized revenues related to these lease agreements in other operating revenue and sales and services of educational activities, totaling \$225,443. Total minimum lease payments to be received under lessor agreements are as follows:

<b>Lease Obligations Receivable</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Lease Obligations Receivable</b>	<b>Interest</b>
Years Ending June 30:		
2025	\$ 12,253	\$ 1,625
2026	11,585	2,293
2027	11,713	2,165
2028	11,842	2,036
2029	11,972	1,906
2030 through 2034	72,505	7,295
2035 through 2039	88,817	2,952
<b>Total Remaining Lease Obligations Receivable</b>	<b>\$ 220,687</b>	<b>\$ 20,272</b>

### NOTE 8.

#### SUBSCRIPTION OBLIGATIONS

The University has software subscriptions from external parties for various terms under long-term, non-cancelable subscription agreements. The subscriptions expire at various dates through 2033 and some provide for renewal options ranging from one year to four years. Subscriptions payments are made monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, and annually ranging from \$546 - \$1,411,808, with estimated incremental borrowing rates ranging from 0.000% - 4.249%. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 96, the University records right-of-use assets and subscription liabilities based on the present value of expected payments over the subscription term of the respective software. The expected payments are discounted using an estimated incremental borrowing rate. See Note 4 - Capital Assets for information on subscription assets and associated accumulated amortization. Future commitments for software subscriptions having remaining terms in excess of one year as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

<b>Subscription Commitments</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Subscription Obligations Payable</b>	<b>Interest</b>
Years Ending June 30:		
2025	\$ 10,847,892	\$ 620,058
2026	7,390,393	395,238
2027	3,615,476	216,729
2028	3,005,555	130,848
2029	1,635,619	59,575
2030 through 2033	1,335,129	62,923
<b>Total remaining subscription commitments</b>	<b>\$ 27,830,064</b>	<b>\$ 1,485,371</b>

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### NOTE 9.

#### PENSION PLANS

The South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority (PEBA), created July 1, 2012, administers the various retirement systems and retirement programs managed by its Retirement Division. PEBA has an 11-member Board of Directors, appointed by the Governor and General Assembly leadership, which serves as co-trustee and co-fiduciary of the systems and the trust funds. By law, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority (SFAA), which consists of five elected officials, also reviews certain PEBA Board decisions regarding the funding of the South Carolina Retirement Systems (Systems) and serves as a co-trustee of the Systems in conducting that review. Effective July 1, 2017, the Retirement System Funding and Administration Act of 2017 assigned the PEBA Board of Directors as the Custodian of the Retirement Trust Funds and assigned SC PEBA and the Retirement Systems Investment Commission (RSIC) as co-trustees of the Retirement Trust Funds.

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Systems and additions to/ deductions from the Systems fiduciary net position have been determined on the accrual basis of accounting as they are reported by the Systems in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). For this purpose, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Benefit and refund expenses are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Investments are reported at fair value.

PEBA issues an Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) containing financial statements and required supplementary information for the South Carolina Retirement Systems' Pension Trust Funds. The ACFR is publicly available through the Retirement Benefits' link on PEBA's website at [www.peba.sc.gov](http://www.peba.sc.gov), or a copy may be obtained by submitting a request to PEBA, 202 Arbor Lake Drive, Columbia, SC 29223. PEBA is considered a division of the primary government of the state of South Carolina and therefore, retirement trust fund financial information is also included in the ACFR report of the State.

#### Plan Descriptions

The South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established effective July 1, 1945, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-1-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits for employees of the state, its public school districts, and political subdivisions. SCRS covers employees of state agencies, public school districts, higher education institutions, other participating local subdivisions of government and first-term individuals elected to the South Carolina General Assembly.

The State Optional Retirement Program (State ORP) is a defined contribution plan that is offered as an alternative to SCRS to certain newly hired employees of state agencies, institutions of higher education, public school districts and individuals first elected to the S.C. General Assembly at or after the general election in November 2012. State ORP participants direct the investment of their funds into an account administered by one of four third party service providers. PEBA assumes no liability for State ORP benefits. Rather, the benefits are the liability of the four third party service providers. For this reason, State ORP assets are not part of the retirement system's trust funds for financial statement purposes.

The South Carolina Police Officers Retirement System (PORS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established effective July 1, 1962, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-11-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement and other benefits to police officers and firefighters. PORS also covers peace officers, coroners, probate judges, and magistrates.

#### Membership

Membership requirements are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A brief summary of the requirements under each system is presented below.

**SCRS** – Generally, all employees of covered employers are required to participate in and contribute to the system as a condition of employment. This plan covers general employees and teachers and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly beginning with the November 2012 general election. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012 is a Class Two member. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012 is a Class Three member.

**State ORP** – As an alternative to membership in the SCRS, newly hired state, public school, and higher education employees and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly at or after the November 2012 general election have the option to participate in the State ORP. Employee and employer contributions to the State ORP are at the same rates as SCRS. A direct remittance is required from the employer to the member's account with the ORP service provider for the employee contribution and a portion of the employer contribution (5 percent). A direct remittance is also required to SCRS for the remaining portion of the employer contribution and an incidental death benefit contribution, if applicable, which is retained by SCRS.



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**PORS** – To be eligible for PORS membership, an employee must be required by the terms of his employment, by election or appointment, to preserve public order, protect life and property, and detect crimes in the state; to prevent and control property destruction by fire; or to serve as a peace officer employed by the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, or the Department of Mental Health. Probate judges and coroners may elect membership in PORS. Magistrates are required to participate in PORS for service as a magistrate. PORS members, other than magistrates and probate judges, must also earn at least \$2,000 per year and devote at least 1,600 hours per year to this work, unless exempted by statute. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012 is a Class Three member.

### Benefits

Benefit terms are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. PEBA does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms without a legislative change in the code of laws. Key elements of the benefit calculation include the benefit multiplier, years of service, and average final compensation/current annual salary. A brief summary of benefit terms for each system is presented below.

**SCRS** – A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 65 or with 28 years credited service regardless of age. A member may elect early retirement with reduced pension benefits payable at age 55 with 25 years of service credit. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension upon satisfying the Rule of 90 requirement that the total of the member's age and the member's creditable service equals at least 90 years. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a reduced deferred annuity at age 60 if they satisfy the five- or eight-year earned service requirement, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program.

The annual retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of one percent or five hundred dollars every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase. Members who retire under the early retirement provisions at age 55 with 25 years of service are not eligible for the benefit adjustment until the second July 1 after reaching age 60 or the second July 1 after the date they would have had 28 years of service credit had they not retired.

**PORS** – A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 25 years of service regardless of age. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 25 years of service regardless of age. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a deferred annuity at age 55 with five or eight years of earned service, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program. Accidental death benefits are also provided upon the death of an active member working for a covered employer whose death was a natural and proximate result of an injury incurred while in the performance of duty.

The retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of one percent or five hundred dollars every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase.

### Contributions

Actuarial valuations are performed annually by an external consulting actuary to ensure applicable contribution rates satisfy the funding parameters specified in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. Under these provisions, SCRS and PORS contribution requirements must be sufficient to maintain an amortization period for the financing of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) over a period that does not exceed the number of years scheduled in state statute. Effective July 1, 2017, employee rates were increased and capped at 9.00 percent for SCRS and 9.75 percent for PORS. The legislation also increased employer contribution rates beginning July 1, 2017, for both SCRS and PORS until reaching 18.56 percent for SCRS and 21.24 percent for PORS. The legislation included a further provision that if the scheduled contributions are not sufficient to meet the funding periods set in state statute, the PEBA board would increase the employer contribution rates as necessary to meet the funding periods set for the applicable year.

Pension reform legislation modified statute such that the employer contribution rates for SCRS and PORS to be further increased, not to exceed one-half of one percent in any one year if necessary, in order to improve the funding of the plans. The statute set rates intended to reduce the unfunded liability of SCRS and PORS to the maximum amortization period of 20 years from 30 years over a ten-year schedule, as determined by the annual actuarial valuations of the plan. Finally, under the revised statute, the contribution rates for SCRS and PORS may not be decreased until the plans are at least 85 percent funded.

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Required *employee* contribution rates <sup>(1)</sup> are as follows:

	Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2023
<b>SCRS</b>		
Employee Class Two	9.00%	9.00%
Employee Class Three	9.00%	9.00%
<b>State ORP</b>		
Employee	9.00%	9.00%
<b>PORS</b>		
Employee Class Two	9.75%	9.75%
Employee Class Three	9.75%	9.75%

Required *employer* contribution rates <sup>(1)</sup> are as follows:

	Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2023
<b>SCRS</b>		
Employer Class Two	18.41%	17.41%
Employer Class Three	18.41%	17.41%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.15%	0.15%
<b>State ORP</b>		
Employer Contribution (2)	18.41%	17.41%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.15%	0.15%
<b>PORS</b>		
Employer Class Two	20.84%	19.84%
Employer Class Three	20.84%	19.84%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.20%	0.20%
Employer Accidental Death Program	0.20%	0.20%
<sup>(1)</sup> Calculated on earnable compensation as defined in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. <sup>(2)</sup> Of this employer contribution, 5% of earnable compensation must be remitted by the employer directly to the ORP vendor to be allocated to the member's account with the remainder of the employer contribution remitted to the SCRS.		

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the University's SCRS contributions totaled \$43,368,986. The University's PORS contributions totaled \$1,592,228. Total contributions directly to the ORPs were approximately \$12,581,989 (excluding the surcharge) from Clemson University as employer and approximately \$22,647,580 from its employees as plan members. The remaining employer contribution amounts sent to SCRS (excluding the surcharge) were \$34,121,342.

### Net Pension Liability

At June 30, 2024, the University reported liabilities of \$730,519,591 and \$11,609,543 for its proportionate shares of the SCRS and PORS net pension liabilities, respectively. The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liabilities used to calculate the net pension liabilities were determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, rolled-forward to June 30, 2023. The University's proportionate shares of the net pension liabilities were based on a projection of the University's long-term share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. The University's proportionate share of the SCRS plan increased by 0.074425% from the prior year. The University's proportionate share of the PORS plan decreased by 0.002114% over the prior year. At June 30, 2024, the University's proportionate shares of the SCRS and PORS plans were 3.021493% and 0.381379%, respectively.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the University recognized pension expense of \$79,394,977 and \$1,738,929 for SCRS and PORS, respectively.

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The net pension liability (NPL) is calculated separately for each system and represents that particular system's total pension liability determined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, less that System's fiduciary net position. NPL totals, as of June 30, 2023, for SCRS and PORS are presented below.

System	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Employers' Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
SCRS	\$58,464,402,454	\$34,286,961,942	\$24,177,440,512	58.6%
PORS	9,450,021,576	6,405,925,370	3,044,096,206	67.8%

The total pension liability is calculated by the Systems' actuary, and each plan's fiduciary net position is reported in the Systems' financial statements. The net pension liability is disclosed in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 67 in the Systems' notes to the financial statements and required supplementary information. Liability calculations performed by the Systems' actuary for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of GASB Statement Nos. 67 and 68 are not applicable for other purposes, such as determining the plans' funding requirements.

Employers' proportionate shares were calculated on the basis of employer contributions remitted to the plan by employers and non-employer contributions appropriated in the State's budget. In an effort to help offset a portion of the increased contribution requirements for employers, the General Assembly again provided nonemployer contributions to PEBA for fiscal year 2024. The State budget appropriated these funds directly to PEBA and a credit was issued for each employer to use when submitting their quarterly remittances to PEBA. For the year ended June 30, 2023 measurement period, PEBA provided non-employer contributions to the University in the amount of \$2,932,589 and \$37,431 for the SCRS and PORS plans, respectively, which is shown as a reduction to net pension liability and an increase to state grants and contracts revenue in the year ended June 30, 2024.

### Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the University reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

<b>South Carolina Retirement System</b>		
Description	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
University contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ 77,490,328	\$ —
Differences between expected and actual experience	12,683,086	2,025,839
Assumption changes	11,192,614	—
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	—	999,921
Differences due to changes in proportionate share of contributions	13,202,948	269,722
<b>Total outflows and inflows of resources</b>	<b>\$ 114,568,976</b>	<b>\$ 3,295,482</b>

<b>Police Officers Retirement System</b>		
Description	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
University contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ 1,591,149	\$ —
Differences between expected and actual experience	546,356	143,121
Assumption changes	252,672	—
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	—	19,924
Difference due to changes in proportionate share of contributions	215,659	45,518
<b>Total outflows and inflows of resources</b>	<b>\$ 2,605,836</b>	<b>\$ 208,563</b>

The \$77,490,328 and \$1,591,149 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from University contributions paid subsequent to the measurement date for the SCRS and PORS plans, respectively, during the year ended June 30, 2024 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liabilities in the year ending June 30, 2025. The contributions made after the measurement date of the net pension liability but before the end of employer's or governmental non-employer contributing entity's reporting period will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent fiscal period rather than in the current fiscal period.

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Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be amortized as follows for the SCRS and PORS plans, respectively:

Years ended June 30:	SCRS	PORS
2025	\$ 18,209,044	\$ 452,408
2026	(8,655,969)	(184,147)
2027	24,658,566	550,008
2028	(428,475)	(12,145)

### Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Actuarial valuations of the ongoing plan involve estimates of the reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and future salary increases. Actuarial assumptions and methods used during the annual valuation process are subject to periodic revision, typically with an experience study, as actual results over an extended period of time are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. South Carolina state statute requires that an actuarial experience study be completed at least once in each five-year period. An experience report on the Systems was most recently issued for the period ended June 30, 2019.

The June 30, 2023 total pension liability, net pension liability, and sensitivity information were determined by the Systems' consulting actuary, Gabriel, Roeder, Smith and Company (GRS) and are based on the actuarial valuation performed as of July 1, 2022. The total pension liability was rolled-forward from the valuation date to the Systems' fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, using generally accepted actuarial principles. There was no legislation enacted during the 2023 legislative session that had a material change in the benefit provisions for any of the systems.

The following table provides a summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods used to calculate the total pension liability as of June 30, 2023.

Actuarial cost method	SCRS	PORS
Actuarial assumptions:		
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal	Entry age normal
Investment rate of return <sup>(1)</sup>	7.00%	7.00%
Projected salary increases	3.0% to 11.0% (varies by service) <sup>(1)</sup>	3.5% to 10.5% (varies by service) <sup>(1)</sup>
Benefit adjustments	lesser of 1% or \$500 annually	lesser of 1% or \$500 annually
<sup>(1)</sup> includes inflation at 2.25%		

The post-retiree mortality assumption is dependent upon the member's job category and gender. The base mortality assumptions, the 2020 Public Retirees of South Carolina Mortality table (2020 PRSC), was developed using the Systems' mortality experience. These base rates are adjusted for future improvement in mortality using 80% of Scale UMP projected from the year 2020. Assumptions used in determination of the June 30, 2023 total pension liability are as follows:

Former Job Class	Males	Females
Educators	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 95%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 94%
General Employees and Members of the General Assembly	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 97%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 107%
Public Safety and Firefighters	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 127%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 107%

### Long Term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is based upon 20-year capital market assumptions. The long-term expected rates of return represent assumptions developed using an arithmetic building block approach primarily based on consensus expectations and market-based inputs. Expected returns are net of investment fees.

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The expected returns, along with the expected inflation rate, form the basis for the revised target asset allocation adopted at the beginning of the 2023 fiscal year. The long-term expected rate of return is produced by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target allocation percentage and adding expected inflation and is summarized in the table below. For actuarial purposes, the 7.00 percent assumed annual investment rate of return used in the calculation of the total pension liability includes a 4.75 percent real rate of return and a 2.25 percent inflation component.

Allocation/Exposure	Policy Target	Expected Arithmetic Real Rate of Return	Long Term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return
<b>Public Equity</b>	46.0%	6.62%	3.04%
<b>Bonds</b>	26.0%	0.31%	0.08%
<b>Private Equity</b> <sup>1</sup>	9.0%	10.91%	0.98%
<b>Private Debt</b>	7.0%	6.16%	0.43%
<b>Real Assets</b>	<b>12.0%</b>		
Real Estate <sup>1</sup>	9.0%	6.41%	0.58%
Infrastructures <sup>1</sup>	3.0%	6.62%	0.20%
<b>Total Expected Real Return</b> <sup>2</sup>	<b>100.0%</b>		5.31%
Inflation for Actuarial Purposes			2.25%
			<b>7.56%</b>

<sup>1</sup> RSIC staff and consultant will notify the Commission if the collective exposure to Private Equity, Private Debt and Private Real Assets exceeds 30 percent of total plan assets.  
<sup>2</sup> Portable Alpha Strategies, which are not included in the Policy Target, will be capped at 15% of total assets; hedge funds (including all hedge funds used in portable alpha implementation) are capped at 15% of total assets.

### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from participating employers in SCRS and PORS will be made based on the actuarially determined rates based on provisions in the South Carolina Code of Laws. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

### Sensitivity Analysis

The following table presents the University's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what the University's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate:

<b>Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</b>			
System	1.00% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1.00% Increase (8.00%)
SCRS	\$943,900,972	\$730,519,591	\$553,164,356
PORS	16,377,015	11,609,543	7,704,388

### Additional Financial and Actuarial Information

Detailed information regarding the fiduciary net position of the plans administered by PEBA is available in the Systems' audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 (including the unmodified audit opinion on the financial statements). Additional actuarial information is available in the accounting and financial reporting actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023.

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### **NOTE 10. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS**

The South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority (PEBA) was created by the South Carolina General Assembly as part of Act No. 278, effective July 1, 2012. PEBA is a state agency responsible for the administration and management of the state's employee insurance programs, other post-employment benefits trusts and retirement systems and is part of the State of South Carolina primary government.

The governing board of PEBA is a board of 11 members. The membership composition is three members appointed by the Governor, two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, two members appointed by the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and two members appointed by the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee. Individuals appointed to the PEBA board must possess certain qualifications. Members of the PEBA board serve for terms of two years and until their successors are appointed and qualify. Terms commence on July first of even numbered years. The PEBA board appoints the Executive Director. The laws of the State and the policies and procedures specified by the State for State agencies are applicable to all activities of PEBA.

#### **Plan Descriptions**

The Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Funds (OPEB Trusts) collectively refers to the South Carolina Retiree Health Insurance Trust Fund (SCRHITF) and the South Carolina Long-Term Disability Insurance Trust Fund (SCLTDITF), which were established by the State of South Carolina as Act 195, effective May 2008. The SCRHITF was created to fund and account for the employer costs of the State's retiree health and dental plans. The SCLTDITF was created to fund and account for the employer costs of the State's Basic Long-Term Disability Income Benefit Plan.

In accordance with Act 195, the OPEB Trusts are administered by the PEBA- Insurance Benefits and the State Treasurer is the custodian of the funds held in trust. The Board of Directors of PEBA has been designated as the Trustee.

The OPEB Trusts are cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plans. Article 5 of the State Code of Laws defines the two plans and authorizes the Trustee to at any time adjust the plans, including its benefits and contributions, as necessary to insure the fiscal stability of the plans. In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws and the annual Appropriations Act, the State provides post-employment health and dental and long-term disability benefits to retired State and school district employees and their covered dependents.

#### **Benefits**

The SCRHITF is a healthcare plan that covers retired employees of the State of South Carolina, including all agencies, and public school districts. The SCRHITF provides health and dental insurance benefits to eligible retirees. Generally, retirees are eligible for the health and dental benefits if they have established at least ten years of retirement service credit. For new hires beginning employment May 2, 2008 and after, retirees are eligible for benefits if they have established 25 years of service for 100% employer funding and 15-24 years of service for 50% employer funding. Benefits become effective when the former employee retires under a State retirement system. Basic Long-Term Disability (BLTD) benefits are provided to active state, public school district, and participating local government employees approved for disability.

The SCLTDITF is a long-term disability plan that covers employees of the State of South Carolina, including all agencies and public school districts and all participating local governmental entities. The SCLTDITF provides disability payments to eligible employees that have been approved for disability.

#### **Contributions and Funding Policies**

Section 1-11-710 of the South Carolina Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, requires these postemployment and long-term disability benefits to be funded through non-employer and employer contributions for active employees and retirees to the PEBA - Insurance Benefits. The SCRHITF is funded through participating employers that are mandated by State statute to contribute at a rate assessed each year by the Department of Administration Executive Budget Office on active covered payroll. The covered payroll surcharge for the year ended June 30, 2023 was 6.25 percent. The South Carolina Retirement System collects the monthly surcharge for all participating employers and remits it directly to the SCRHITF. Other sources of funding for the SCRHITF include mandatory transfers of accumulated PEBA, Insurance Benefits' reserves and income generated from investments. Employer contributions also include the implicit subsidy, or age-related subsidy inherent in the healthcare premiums structure. The implicit subsidy represents a portion of the health care expenditures paid on behalf of the employer's active employees. For purposes of GASB Statement No. 75, this expenditure on behalf of the active employee is reclassified as a retiree health care expenditure so that the employer's contributions towards the plan reflect the underlying age-adjusted, retiree benefit costs.

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The SCLTDITF is funded through employer contributions for active employees that elect health insurance coverage. For this group of active employees, PEBA - Insurance Benefits bills and collects premiums charged to State agencies, public school districts and other participating local governments. The monthly premium per active employee was \$3.22 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The SCLTDITF premium is billed monthly by PEBA, Insurance Benefits and transferred monthly to the SCLTDITF. It is also funded through investment income.

In accordance with part (b) of paragraph 69 of GASB Statement No. 75, participating employers should recognize revenue in an amount equal to the employer's proportionate share of the change in the collective net OPEB liability arising from contributions to the OPEB plan during the measurement period from non-employer contributing entities for purposes other than the separate financing of specific liabilities to the OPEB plan. Therefore, employers should classify this revenue in the same manner as it classifies grants from other entities.

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the OPEB Trusts, and additions to and deductions from the OPEB Trusts fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they were reported by the OPEB Trusts. For this purpose, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Therefore, benefit and administrative expenses are recognized when due and payable. Investments are reported at fair value.

PEBA, Insurance Benefits issues audited financial statements and required supplementary information for the OPEB Trust Funds. This information is publicly available through the Insurance Benefits' link on PEBA's website at [www.peba.sc.gov](http://www.peba.sc.gov) or a copy may be obtained by submitting a request to PEBA, Insurance Benefits, 202 Arbor Lake Drive, Columbia, SC 29223. PEBA is considered a division of the primary government of the state of South Carolina and therefore, OPEB Trust fund financial information is also included in the annual comprehensive financial report of the State.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the University's SCRHITF contributions totaled \$32,446,613. The University's SCLTDITF contributions totaled \$195,052. The University's proportionate share of the implicit subsidy recognized for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$139,916.

### Net OPEB (Retiree Health Benefit) Liability

At June 30, 2024 the University reported liabilities of \$565,165,745 and \$383,352 for its proportionate shares of the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF net OPEB liabilities, respectively. The University's proportionate share of the SCRHITF liability increased by 0.044195% over the prior year. The University's proportionate share of the SCLTDITF liability increased by 0.013844% from the prior year. At June 30, 2024, the University's proportionate shares of the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF plans were 4.317048% and 2.503754% respectively. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the University recognized OPEB expense of \$18,710,344 and \$252,005 for the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF plans, respectively.

The Net OPEB Liability (NOL) is calculated separately for each OPEB Trust Fund and represents that particular Trust's Total OPEB Liability (TOL) determined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74 less that Trust's fiduciary net position. The allocation of each employer's proportionate share of the collective Net OPEB Liability and collective OPEB Expense was determined using the employer's payroll-related contributions over the measurement period. This method is expected to be reflective of the employer's long-term contribution effort as well as be transparent to individual employers and their external auditors.

The following table represents the components of the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024:

OPEB Trust	Total OPEB Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net OPEB Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability
SCRHITF	\$ 14,749,639,155	\$ 1,658,152,923	\$ 13,091,486,232	11.24%
SCLTDITF	47,855,524	32,544,441	15,311,083	68.01%

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The TOL is calculated by the Trusts' actuary, and each Trust's fiduciary net position is reported in the Trust's financial statements. The NOL is disclosed in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 74 in the Trusts' notes to the financial statements and required supplementary information. Liability calculations performed by the Trusts' actuary for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of GASB Statement Nos. 74 and 75 and are not applicable for other purposes, such as determining the Trusts' funding requirements.

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

At June 30, 2024, the University reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows or resources related to pensions from the following sources.

<b>South Carolina Retiree Health Insurance Trust Fund (SCRHITF)</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
University contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ 32,446,613	\$ —
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	5,675,907	—
Differences between expected and actual experience	9,998,784	128,788,409
Assumption changes	113,378,826	181,580,870
Change in proportion and differences between University contributions and proportionate share of plan contributions	15,982,150	3,527,220
<b>Total outflows and inflows of resources</b>	<b>\$ 177,482,280</b>	<b>\$ 313,896,499</b>

<b>South Carolina Long-Term Disability Insurance Trust Fund (SCLTDITF)</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
University contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ 195,052	\$ —
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	105,921	—
Differences between expected and actual experience	101,119	44,531
Assumption changes	50,348	43,196
Change in proportion and differences between University contributions and proportionate share of plan contributions	950	3,923
<b>Total outflows and inflows of resources</b>	<b>\$ 453,390</b>	<b>\$ 91,650</b>

The net amount of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to retiree health benefits will be amortized as follows for the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF plans, respectively:

<b>Years ended June 30:</b>	<b>SCRHITF</b>	<b>SCLTDITF</b>
2025	\$ (19,720,711)	\$ 32,113
2026	(18,322,021)	47,056
2027	(24,417,526)	39,888
2028	(41,436,545)	12,492
2029	(52,042,297)	7,471
2030 and thereafter	(12,921,732)	27,669



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### Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plans (as understood by the employer and plan participants) and include the types of benefits provided at the time the valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation for SCRHITF:

Actuarial Assumptions	SCRHITF
Valuation date:	June 30, 2022 census data; rolled forward to June 30, 2023
Actuarial cost method:	Individual Entry - Age Normal
Inflation:	2.25%
Investment rate of return:	2.75%, net of OPEB Plan investment expense; including inflation
Single discount rate:	3.86% as of June 30, 2023
Demographic assumptions:	Based on the experience study performed for the South Carolina Retirement Systems for the 5-year period ending June 30, 2019
Mortality:	For healthy retirees, the gender-distinct South Carolina Retirees 2020 Mortality Tables are used with multipliers based on plan experience; the rates are projected on a fully generational basis using 80% of the ultimate rates of Scale MP-2019 to account for future mortality improvements.
Healthcare trend rate:	Initial trend starting at 6.00% and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.00% over a period of 13 years
Aging Factors:	Based on plan specific experience
Retiree participation:	79% for retirees who are eligible for funded premiums 59% participation for retirees who are eligible for Partially Funded Premiums 20% participation for retirees who are eligible for Non-Funded Premiums
Notes:	The discount rate changed from 3.69% as of June 30, 2022 to 3.86% as of June 30, 2023.

Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation for SCLTDITF:

Actuarial Assumptions	SCLTDITF
Valuation date:	June 30, 2022 census data; rolled forward to June 30, 2023
Actuarial cost method:	Individual Entry - Age Normal
Inflation:	2.25%
Investment rate of return:	3.00%, net of Plan investment expense; including inflation
Single discount rate:	3.57% as of June 30, 2023
Salary, Termination, and Retirement Rates:	Based on the experience study performed for the South Carolina Retirement Systems for the 5-year period ending June 30, 2019
Disability Incidence:	The disability rates used in the valuation are 165% of the rates developed for the South Carolina Retirement Systems pension plans.
Disability Recovery:	For participants in payments, 1987 CGDT Group Disability; for active employees, 60% were assumed to recover after the first year and 93% were assumed to recover after the first two years.
Offsets:	45% are assumed to be eligible for Social Security benefits; assumed percentage who will be eligible for a pension plan offset varies based on employee group
Expenses:	Third party administrative expenses are included in the benefit projections
Notes:	The discount rate changed from 3.41% as of June 30, 2022 to 3.57% as of June 30, 2023.

The actuarial valuation was performed as of June 30, 2022. Update procedures were used to roll forward the total OPEB liability to June 30, 2023.

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### Long Term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of returns represent assumptions developed using an arithmetic building block approach primarily based on consensus expectations and market based inputs. The expected returns, along with the expected inflation rate, form the basis for the target asset allocation adopted at the beginning of the 2018 fiscal year. The long-term expected rate of return is produced by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target allocation percentage and adding expected inflation. This information is summarized in the following tables:

<b>South Carolina Retiree Health Insurance Trust Fund</b>			
<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Asset Allocation</b>	<b>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>	<b>Allocation Weighted Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>
U.S. Domestic Fixed Income	80.00%	0.95%	0.76%
Cash	20.00%	0.35%	0.07%
Total	100.00%		0.83%
Expected Inflation			2.25%
Total Return			3.08%
Investment Return Assumption			2.75%

<b>South Carolina Long-Term Disability Insurance Trust Fund</b>			
<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Asset Allocation</b>	<b>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>	<b>Allocation Weighted Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>
U.S. Domestic Fixed Income	80.00%	0.95%	0.76%
Cash	20.00%	0.35%	0.07%
Total	100.00%		0.83%
Expected Inflation			2.25%
Total Return			3.08%
Investment Return Assumption			3.00%

### Discount Rate

The Single Discount Rate of 3.86% was used to measure the total OPEB liability for the SCRHITF. The accounting policy for this plan is to set the Single Discount Rate equal to the prevailing municipal bond rate. Due to the plan's investment and funding policies, the difference between a blended discount rate and the municipal bond rate would be less than several basis points (several hundredths of one percent).

A Single Discount Rate of 3.57% was used to measure the total OPEB liability for the SCLTDITF. This Single Discount Rate was based on an expected rate of return on plan investments of 3.00% and a municipal bond rate of 3.86%. The projection of cash flows to determine this Single Discount Rate assumed that employer contributions will remain \$38.64 per year for each covered active employee. Based on these assumptions, the plan's Fiduciary Net Position and future contributions were sufficient to finance the benefit payments through the year 2033. As a result, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to project benefit payments through the year 2033, and the municipal bond rate was applied to all benefit payments after that date.

### Sensitivity Analysis

The following table presents the University's proportionate share of the SCRHITF net other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability calculated using the discount rate of 3.86 percent, as well as what the University's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (2.86 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (4.86 percent) than the current rate:

<b>Sensitivity of the SCRHITF Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</b>		
<b>1.00% Decrease (2.86%)</b>	<b>Current Discount Rate (3.86%)</b>	<b>1.00% Increase (4.86%)</b>
\$667,155,266	\$565,165,745	\$482,910,368

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Regarding the sensitivity of the SCRHITF's net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates, the following table presents the University's proportionate share of the SCRHITF's net OPEB liability, calculated using the assumed trend rates as well as what the University's proportionate share of the SCRHITF's net OPEB liability would be if were calculated using a trend rate that is one percent lower or one percent higher.

<b>1.00% Decrease</b>	<b>Current Healthcare Cost Trend Rate</b>	<b>1.00% Increase</b>
\$469,280,051	\$565,165,745	\$688,358,118

The following table presents the University's proportionate share of the SCLTDITF net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 3.57 percent, as well as what the University's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (2.57 percent) or one percentage point higher (4.57 percent) than the current rate:

<b>Sensitivity of the SCLTDITF Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</b>		
<b>1.00% Decrease (2.57%)</b>	<b>Current Discount Rate (3.57%)</b>	<b>1.00% Increase (4.57%)</b>
\$430,645	\$383,352	\$337,652

The SCLTDITF's net OPEB liability is not affected by changes in the healthcare cost trend rates due to the method used to calculate benefit payments. Therefore, the sensitivity to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates have not been calculated.

### **Additional Financial and Actuarial Information**

Detailed information regarding the fiduciary net position of the plans administered by PEBA is available in the Systems' audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 (including the unmodified audit opinion on the financial statements). Additional actuarial information is available in the accounting and financial reporting actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023.

## **NOTE 11.**

### **DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS**

Several optional deferred compensation plans are available to State employees and employers of its political subdivisions. All Clemson University employees may participate in the deferred compensation plans, except those in student employment positions. Certain employees of the University have elected to participate. The multiple-employer plans, created under Internal Revenue Code Sections 457, 401(k), and 403(b), are administered by third parties and are not included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the State of South Carolina. Compensation deferred under the Section 401(k), 457 and 403(b) plans is placed in trust for the contributing employee. The State has no liability for losses under the plans. Employees may withdraw the current value of their contributions when they terminate State employment, if permitted by the plan. Eligibility rules and penalties may apply. Employees may also withdraw contributions prior to termination if they meet requirements specified by the applicable plan. In accordance with IRS regulations effective January 1, 2009, Clemson University adopted a 403(b) plan document. Under the plan, loans and financial hardship distributions are permitted. Fifteen years of service catch-up contributions are not permitted.

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### NOTE 12.

#### LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

<b>Long-Term Liabilities</b>					
Description	July 1, 2023	Additions	Reductions	June 30, 2024	Due Within One Year
Bonds, notes, lease and subscription obligations payable:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 268,930,000	\$ —	\$ 15,260,000	\$ 253,670,000	\$ 16,020,000
State bond anticipation notes	—	160,155,000	—	160,155,000	160,155,000
Revenue bonds	297,185,000	51,975,000	7,530,000	341,630,000	7,900,000
Athletic facilities revenue bonds	176,885,000	—	6,865,000	170,020,000	7,160,000
Subtotal bonds payable	743,000,000	212,130,000	29,655,000	925,475,000	191,235,000
Unamortized revenue bond premium	59,508,566	7,001,824	3,570,842	62,939,548	3,693,910
<b>Total bonds payable</b>	<b>802,508,566</b>	<b>219,131,824</b>	<b>33,225,842</b>	<b>988,414,548</b>	<b>194,928,910</b>
Leases	17,288,424	7,796,370	5,385,142	19,699,652	4,328,533
Software subscriptions	31,378,297	9,866,862	13,415,095	27,830,064	10,847,892
Notes payable	40,232,883	—	325,003	39,907,880	1,688,055
<b>Total bonds, notes, lease and subscriptions obligations payable</b>	<b>891,408,170</b>	<b>236,795,056</b>	<b>52,351,082</b>	<b>1,075,852,144</b>	<b>211,793,390</b>
Other liabilities:					
Accrued compensated absences	35,417,000	20,581,629	17,715,629	38,283,000	18,924,781
Funds held for others	2,033,047	—	626,328	1,406,719	—
Net pension liability	725,933,681	145,393,333	129,197,880	742,129,134	—
Net postemployment benefit liability	650,268,081	19,005,970	103,724,954	565,549,097	—
Total other liabilities	1,413,651,809	184,980,932	251,264,791	1,347,367,950	18,924,781
<b>Total long-term liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 2,305,059,979</b>	<b>\$ 421,775,988</b>	<b>\$ 303,615,873</b>	<b>\$ 2,423,220,094</b>	<b>\$ 230,718,171</b>

Additional information regarding Bonds Payable is included in Note 6. Additional information regarding Lease Obligations is included in Note 7. Additional information regarding Software Subscriptions is included in Note 8. "Funds held for others" represents the federal liability for the Perkins Loan program and longevity incentives for athletic coaches. See Note 5 for additional information.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 13. CONSTRUCTION COSTS AND COMMITMENTS

#### Capitalized Costs and Commitments

The University has obtained, or has plans to obtain, funding for the acquisition, construction, renovation, and equipping of certain facilities which will be capitalized in the applicable capital asset categories upon completion. Management estimates that the University has sufficient resources available, and/or future resources identified, to complete the construction of such projects which are expected to be completed in varying phases over the next 2 or 3 years at an estimated cost of \$974,019,422. The \$974,019,422 includes estimated costs of \$734,667,716 for capital projects currently in progress plus \$239,351,706 estimated costs for other capital projects already in service. Of the total estimated cost, \$479,751,206 was unexpended at June 30, 2024. Of the total expended through June 30, 2024, the University has capitalized substantially complete and in use projects in the amount of \$248,678,819. Of the unexpended balance the University has remaining commitment balances of \$293,994,069 with certain property owners, engineering firms, construction contractors, and vendors related to these projects. Retainages payable on these capitalized projects as of June 30, 2024, was \$7,378,542. Capital projects at June 30, 2024, which constitute construction in progress that are to be capitalized when completed, are listed below.

<b>Construction Costs and Commitments</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approximate Cost</b>	<b>Amount Expended</b>
Advanced Materials Innovation Complex Construction	130,000,000	38,176,862
Animal Farm Infrastructure	15,466,000	—
BioResearch Sector Utility Expansion	4,100,000	664,810
Bryan Mall High Rise Renovation	104,350,000	1,980,261
Chiller Plant Expansion & Upgrades	30,000,000	2,782,856
College of Veterinary Medicine Construction	95,000,000	10,291,900
Core Campus Safety and Revitalization	21,000,000	12,301,169
Development and Alumni Center Infrastructure	700,000	294,269
Development and Alumni Center Building Construction	56,000,000	42,832,896
Edisto REC Research Infrastructure Upgrades & Expansion	7,000,000	160,521
Fernow Street Cafe Chick-Fil-A	2,500,000	736,588
Fluor Daniel High Bay Area Renovation	1,660,320	64,925
Godley Snell Research Center Annex Starkey Drive Renovations	1,393,700	1,222,334
Green Tiger 1 Guaranteed Energy Savings Project	45,000,000	27,786,849
IPTAY Center Basement Level Renovation	2,870,554	1,103,117
Jervey Renovations and Performance & Wellness Center Addition	50,000,000	17,064,454
Jervey Renovations and Performance & Wellness Center FF&E	5,250,000	357,654
Johnstone/Core Campus Demolition	16,000,000	5,392,592
Jordan Hall Rooftop Greenhouse Renovation	804,400	85,128
Kite Hill New Parking Lot Phase I	4,999,500	1,098,294
Lehotsky Hall Replacement	68,300,000	7,119,071
Life Science Building Underutilized Space Renovations	1,671,600	1,216,400
Lightsey Bridge Lot R4 Expansion	2,500,000	132,381
Madren DAC Building New Catering Kitchen	3,325,000	326,943
Network Upgrade	41,391,292	26,768,929
Pee Dee REC Dargan's Pond Dam	1,800,000	74,522
Pee Dee REC Greenhouse Construction	2,000,000	548,772
Poultry Science Research Facility	85,350	83,128

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<b>Construction Costs and Commitments (continued)</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approximate Cost</b>	<b>Amount Expended</b>
Tillman Hall Auditorium Renovation	11,500,000	3,420,719
Waste Water Treatment Plant Improvements	8,000,000	6,786,697
	<u>\$ 734,667,716</u>	<u>\$ 210,875,041</u>

The amount expended includes only capitalized project expenses and capitalized interest on construction debt for projects less than substantially complete and not in service at June 30, 2024. No non-capitalized expenditures are included in these totals.

### **Non-Capitalized Costs and Commitments**

At June 30, 2024 the University had in progress other non-capital projects, which are for replacements, repairs, and/or renovations to existing facilities. Estimated costs on these non-capitalized projects total \$154,302,843. This amount includes costs incurred to date of \$64,610,699 and estimated costs to complete of \$83,790,691. The University has remaining commitment balances with certain parties related to these projects of \$54,344,513. Retainages payable on the non-capitalized projects as of June 30, 2024, was \$364,536. The University anticipates funding these projects out of current resources, current and future bond issues, state capital appropriations, private gifts and student fees.

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### NOTE 14.

#### RELATED PARTIES

Certain separately chartered legal entities whose activities are related to those of the University exist primarily to provide financial assistance and other support to the University and its educational program.

The activities of these entities are not included in the University's financial statements. However, the University's statements include transactions between the University and its related parties.

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification Sections 2100, Defining the Financial Reporting Entity, and Section 2600, Reporting Entity and Component Unit Presentation and Disclosure, management annually reviews its relationships with the related parties described in this note. The University excluded these related parties from the reporting entity because it is not financially accountable for them.

Following is a more detailed discussion of each of these entities and a summary of significant transactions (if any) between these entities and Clemson University.

#### **Clemson University Research Foundation**

The Clemson University Research Foundation (CURF) is separate 501(c)(3) corporation founded exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes. CURF supports the generation and commercialization of intellectual property created from research conducted at Clemson University through sponsored research business development outreach, technology transfer, marketing, and licensing activities. Collectively, these activities are integrated to achieve the overall mission of CURF, which is "To generate research funding opportunities for Clemson University to support research initiatives that advance University discoveries to create new products and services for public use and benefit". CURF's operations and activities are governed by a Board of Directors.

The University performs research and development under performance agreements for CURF and receives payment for all direct and indirect costs which are incurred in accordance with the terms of the performance agreements. The University recorded no revenue from CURF this fiscal year, as all federal awards have been closed out. There were no outstanding receivables from CURF at June 30, 2024.

The University remitted \$290,654 to CURF, per the operating agreement between the two entities. CURF reimbursed the University \$38,675 for salaries for time devoted by University employees to CURF and \$45,253 for other service-related expenses.

#### **Clemson Alumni Association**

The Clemson Alumni Association is a separately chartered corporation established to serve Clemson University alumni and promote the welfare and future development of the University in its educational, scientific, and programmatic purposes.

The Alumni Association contributed \$181,391 to the University, recognized as nonoperating gifts, to fund administration, engagement, marketing, and events related to the Alumni Association. The Alumni Association also reimbursed the University \$54,705 for salaries for time devoted by University employees. The University administers contracts for licensing of class rings and sports apparel. The University remitted \$459,694 to the Alumni Association, primarily consisting of licensing royalties, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

#### **Clemson University Continuing Education and Conference Complex Corporation**

The Clemson University Continuing Education and Conference Complex Corporation (Finance Corporation), is a separately chartered corporation established in September 1993, to construct, operate and manage the golf course and hotel components of the Clemson University Continuing Education and Conference Complex. The Finance Corporation's actions are governed by its Board of Directors. The University billed the Finance Corporation \$21,965 for salaries for time devoted by University employees to the Finance Corporation.

#### **Clemson Architectural Foundation**

The Clemson Architectural Foundation (CAF) is a separately chartered nonprofit corporation established to provide supplemental financial support and other assistance to the architecture, construction science and management, planning and landscape architecture and visual arts programs in the College of Arts and Humanities. CAF's actions are governed by its Board of Trustees. The University's financial statements reflect \$886,729 in expenses primarily to reimburse CAF for administrative, educational, and facilities expenses incurred at the Charles E. Daniel Center for Building Research and Urban Studies in Genoa, Italy, which is owned by CAF.

#### **Clemson University Real Estate Foundation**

The Clemson University Real Estate Foundation, Inc., is a separately chartered entity organized to serve as the efficient conduit through which gifts of real estate and property are received and liquidated. The Real Estate Foundation's actions are governed by its Board of Directors. This entity had no material transactions with the University and did not significantly require the time or service of any University employees.

#### **Clemson Athletic Properties Company**

The Clemson Athletic Properties Company (CAPCO) is a separately chartered organization founded exclusively for charitable, scientific, eleemosynary, and educational purposes. CAPCO's actions are governed by its Board of Directors. The University's financial statements reflect \$4,548,350 in royalties received from the monetization of Clemson trademarks and any similar services to Clemson affiliates by CAPCO.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 15.

#### TRANSACTIONS WITH STATE ENTITIES

The University is granted an annual appropriation for operating purposes, as authorized by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina. State appropriations are recognized as revenue when received and available. Amounts that are not expended by fiscal year-end lapse and are required to be returned to the General Fund of the State, unless the University receives authorization from the General Assembly to carry the funds over to the next year.

The original appropriation is the University's base budget amount presented in the General Funds column of Sections 14 and 45 of Part IA of the 2023-24 Appropriations Act. The following is a reconciliation of the original appropriation, as enacted by the General Assembly, to state appropriations revenue reported in the financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

<b>State Appropriations</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>Educational and General</b>	<b>Public Service</b>	<b>Total</b>
Original appropriation	\$ 162,306,136	\$ 58,343,718	\$ 220,649,854
Allocation for health and dental plan contributions	1,773,138	723,776	2,496,914
Allocation for SCRS and PORS retirement contributions	903,344	302,802	1,206,146
Allocation for Recurring Adjustment - Salary & Fringe (COLA)	7,674,116	2,643,846	10,317,962
Allocation for Nonrecurring Adjustment - Bonus Pay - Proviso 118.19	—	1,000,000	1,000,000
Allocation for Lottery Funds	3,500,000	—	3,500,000
Appropriation allocations from the State Commission on Higher Education:			
For Academic Endowment Match	37,824	—	37,824
For Clemson Agriculture Education Teachers - teacher recruitment	—	1,482,523	1,482,523
<b>Total state appropriations</b>	<b><u>\$ 176,194,558</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 64,496,665</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 240,691,223</u></b>



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The University received substantial funding from the Commission on Higher Education (“CHE”) for scholarships on behalf of students that are accounted for as operating state grants and contracts. Additional amounts received from CHE are accounted for as both operating and nonoperating revenues, depending upon the requirement of deliverables with a current or potential future economic value. The University also receives State funds from various other State agencies for sponsored research and public service projects. Following is a summary of amounts received from State agencies for scholarships, sponsored research, capital and public service projects for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

<b>Other Amounts Recognized from State Agencies</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>Operating Revenues</b>	<b>Capital and Endowment Proceeds</b>	<b>Total</b>
Received from the Commission on Higher Education (CHE):			
LIFE Scholarships	\$ 32,575,913	\$ —	\$ 32,575,913
Palmetto Scholarships	29,193,213	—	29,193,213
Need-Based Grants	9,733,636	—	9,733,636
HOPE Scholarships	186,400	—	186,400
Received from the Department of Education - STEM	2,000,000	—	2,000,000
Received from the Department of Education - Other	1,527,898	—	1,527,898
Received from various other State agencies	10,584,289	—	10,584,289
Received from agencies outside South Carolina	1,128,177	—	1,128,177
Received from PEBA (nonemployer contributions for retiree health care and LTD plans)	102,543	—	102,543
Received from PEBA (nonemployer contributions for pension plans)	2,970,020	—	2,970,020
Capital Reserve Funding for FY24 Unallocated Capital Reserve Funds	—	10,000,000	10,000,000
State appropriated funds for Animal Farms Infrastructure	—	15,466,000	15,466,000
State appropriated funds for Critical PSA Infrastructure	—	2,120,000	2,120,000
State appropriated funds for Veterinary School Construction	—	75,000,000	75,000,000
State appropriated funds for Poultry Science Demolition and Construction	—	4,565,000	4,565,000
State appropriated funds for FY23-24 Maintenance, Renovation & Replacement	—	5,630,573	5,630,573
<b>Total other amounts recognized from state agencies</b>	<b>\$ 90,002,089</b>	<b>\$ 112,781,573</b>	<b>\$ 202,783,662</b>

The University provided no significant services free of charge to any State agency during the fiscal year; however, the University did provide computer services and information systems development for a fee to other State agencies during the fiscal year. Total fees received were \$38,100,470 comprised of \$285,680 in fees for computer services classified as other operating revenues, and \$37,814,790 in information and systems development fees classified as sales and services of auxiliary enterprises.

Also, the University collected and remitted \$30,349 in pesticide penalties and other fees to the State General Fund.

Services received at no cost from State agencies include maintenance of certain accounting records by the Comptroller General; banking, bond trustee and investment services from the State Treasurer; legal services from the Attorney General; and grants services from the Governor's Office.

Other services received at no cost from the various offices of the State Budget and Control Board include pension plan administration, insurance plans administration, audit services, personnel management, assistance in the preparation of the State Budget, review and approval of certain budget amendments, procurement services, and other centralized functions.

The University had financial transactions with various State agencies during the fiscal year. Significant payments were made to divisions of the State Budget and Control Board for pension and insurance plans employee and employer contributions, insurance coverage, office supplies, and interagency mail. Significant payments were also made for unemployment and workers compensation coverage for employees to the Employment Security Commission and State Accident Fund. The amounts of 2024 expenditures applicable to related transactions with state entities are not readily available.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 16.

#### RISK MANAGEMENT

The University is exposed to various risks of loss and maintains State or commercial insurance coverage for each of those risks. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses for the covered risks. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from coverage in the prior year. The costs of settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three years. The University pays insurance premiums to certain other State agencies and commercial insurers to cover risks that may occur in normal operations. The insurers promise to pay to or on behalf of the insured for covered economic losses sustained during the policy period in accord with insurance policy and benefit program limits.

State management believes it is more economical to manage certain risks internally and set aside assets for claim settlement. Several State funds accumulate assets and the State itself assumes substantially all risks for the following:

- (1) Claims of State employees for unemployment compensation benefits (Employment Security Commission);
- (2) Claims of covered employees for workers' compensation benefits for job-related illnesses or injuries (State Accident Fund);
- (3) Claims of covered public employees for health and dental insurance benefits (Office of Insurance Services); and
- (4) Claims of covered public employees for long-term disability and group-life insurance benefits (Office of Insurance Services).

Employees elect health coverage through either a health maintenance organization or through the State's self-insured plan. All of the other coverages listed above are through the applicable State self-insured plan except dependent and optional life premiums are remitted to commercial carriers.

The University and other entities pay premiums to the State's Insurance Reserve Fund (IRF) which issues policies, accumulates assets to cover the risks of loss, and pays claims incurred for covered losses related to the following University assets, activities, and/or events:

- (1) Theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets;
- (2) Real property, its contents, and other equipment;
- (3) Motor vehicles, aircraft, and watercraft (inland marine);
- (4) Torts;
- (5) Business interruptions;
- (6) Natural disasters; and
- (7) Medical malpractice claims against covered infirmaries and employees.

The IRF is a self-insurer and purchases reinsurance to obtain certain services and specialized coverage and to limit losses in the areas of property, boiler and machinery, automobile liability, and medical professional liability insurance. Also, the IRF purchases reinsurance for catastrophic property and medical

professional liability insurance. Reinsurance permits partial recovery of losses from reinsurers, but the IRF remains primarily liable. The IRF purchases insurance for aircraft and ocean marine coverage. The IRF's rates are determined actuarially.

State agencies and other entities are the primary participants in the State's Health and Disability Insurance Fund and in the IRF.

The University obtains coverage through commercial insurers for employee fidelity bond insurance. All employees are covered for \$1,000,000 for Commercial Crime. This coverage includes the following:

- (1) Blanket employee dishonesty;
- (2) Forgery/alterations;
- (3) Theft, disappearance of money and security;
- (4) Computer fraud; and
- (5) Faithful Performance of duty

In addition, the CU Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer are covered for \$250,000 under a specific public official bond. CU Manager Cash & Treasury Services, CU Director of Accounting for Related Organizations, President and CEO for Clemson University Foundation, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer for Clemson University Foundation, Senior Financial Analyst and Project Manager for Clemson University Foundation, CU Director of Student Financial Services, Business Officer for Finance and Administration for CU Foundation and CU Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer are each covered under a \$2,000,000 bond.

The University has recorded insurance premium expenses and expenses for deductibles in applicable functional expense categories.

The University has not transferred the portion of the risk of loss related to insurance policy deductibles, and policy limits for all coverage to a State or commercial insurer.

The University has not reported an estimated claims loss expenditure or a related liability at June 30, 2024, based on the requirements of GASB Statement Nos. 10 and No. 30, which state that a liability for claims must be reported only if information prior to issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that an asset has been impaired or a liability has been incurred on or before June 30, 2024, and the amount of the loss is reasonably estimable.

In management's opinion, claims losses in excess of insurance coverage are unlikely and, if incurred, would be insignificant to the University's financial position. Furthermore, there is no evidence of asset impairment or other information to indicate that a loss expenditure and liability should be recorded at year-end. Therefore no loss accrual has been recorded.

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### Enterprise Risk Management Statement

Clemson University defines Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) as a process-driven tool that enables visualization, assessment, and management of significant risks that may adversely impact the attainment of key organizational objectives and to maximize opportunities for enhancement in all Clemson University activities.

It is the responsibility of the President to lead and cultivate a culture of awareness to identify, assess, and manage risks using the ERM process. It is the responsibility of the Board members, institutional leaders, faculty, staff and students to identify, analyze, evaluate, respond, monitor and communicate risks associated with any activity, function or process within their relevant scope of responsibility and authority.

Risk, when appropriately identified and managed, is a part of regular business activities. However, in certain cases there are types of risks which may not be acceptable, such as:

- (1) Willful exposure of students, employees, or others to hazardous environments or activities;
- (2) Intentional violation of laws;
- (3) Waste, fraud, and abuse: or,
- (4) Unethical behavior

Clemson's approach to risk management is to minimize the effects of compliance, financial, operational, reputational, and strategic risks, while accepting a reasonable degree of managed risk in pursuit of its mission and objectives. Clemson recognizes that risk varies according to the activity undertaken, and that acceptance of risk is always subject to ensuring potential benefits and risks are fully understood, and that prudent measures to mitigate risk are established.

### NOTE 17.

#### CONTINGENCIES AND LITIGATION

The University is involved in a number of legal proceedings and claims with various parties which arose in the normal course of business and cover a wide range of matters. Because, in the opinion of management and counsel, the risk of material loss in excess of insurance coverage for these items is remote, the outcome of the legal proceedings and claims is not expected to have a material effect on the financial position of the University. Therefore, an estimated liability has not been recorded.

The various federal programs administered by the University for fiscal year 2024 and prior years are subject to examination by the federal grantor agencies. At the present time, amounts, if any, which may be due federal grantors have not been determined but the University believes that any such amounts in the aggregate would not have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the University. Therefore, an estimated loss has not been recorded.

In July 2024, the NCAA filed documents to settle various class-action lawsuits related to back damages and future benefits for Division I (DI) student-athletes. The settlement calls for total back damages of approximately \$2.78 billion to be paid over 10 years by the NCAA, the Power 5 conferences (of which the University is a member), and other DI conferences. In addition, going forward, the settlement allows the Power 5 conference member institutions (and other DI institutions that opt in the new structure) to provide increased benefits to student-athletes.

Currently, the settlement pending the approval of the courts, which could take several months. In additions, there are numerous other unresolved issues (state laws, employee designations, litigation by opposing parties, etc.) that could impact the timing and final results of the settlement. The impact to the University could be significant to the University's Athletic Department, however it is not estimable as of the date of this report.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 18. OPERATING EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

Operating expenses by functional classification for the year ended June 30, 2024 are summarized as follows:

<b>Operating Expenses by Function</b>							
<b>Description</b>	<b>Salaries and Wages</b>	<b>Fringe Benefits</b>	<b>Services and Supplies</b>	<b>Utilities</b>	<b>Scholarships and Fellowships</b>	<b>Depreciation and Amortization</b>	<b>Total</b>
Instruction	\$ 225,828,302	\$ 67,486,901	\$ 46,228,095	\$ 1,485,313	\$ 904,443	\$ —	\$ 341,933,054
Research	129,567,755	39,377,975	86,485,805	1,959,319	2,432,756	—	259,823,610
Public Service	48,054,648	19,710,007	32,982,101	1,523,813	77,125	—	102,347,694
Academic Support	28,897,752	24,112,593	12,957,760	844,197	30,088	—	66,842,390
Student Services	24,338,323	9,464,788	21,006,005	557,916	2,022,181	—	57,389,213
Institutional Support	51,680,592	23,174,645	25,313,684	406,874	—	—	100,575,795
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	23,596,822	12,378,124	56,119,404	11,933,067	—	—	104,027,417
Scholarships and Fellowships	81,984	4,672	174,910	—	38,272,919	—	38,534,485
Auxiliary Enterprises	65,535,372	20,040,601	137,830,862	10,147,215	—	—	233,554,050
Depreciation and Amortization	—	—	—	—	—	93,989,565	93,989,565
Pension and OPEB	—	(9,112,647)	—	—	—	—	(9,112,647)
<b>Total Operating Expenses by Function</b>	<b>\$597,581,550</b>	<b>\$206,637,659</b>	<b>\$419,098,626</b>	<b>\$28,857,714</b>	<b>\$43,739,512</b>	<b>\$ 93,989,565</b>	<b>\$1,389,904,626</b>

### NOTE 19. DONOR-RESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS

If a donor has not provided specific instructions, state law permits the Board of Trustees to authorize for expense the net appreciation (realized and unrealized) of the investments of endowment funds. Any net appreciation that is spent is required to be spent for the purposes for which the endowment was established.

Clemson University delegated responsibility for endowment management, including spending policy, to the Clemson University Foundation Board of Trustees. In accordance with the spending policy which is established by the Clemson University Foundation Board, endowment-derived program expenses are based on a percentage of an endowment's rolling 12 quarter average. For fiscal year 2024, this rate was 4.0%. At June 30, 2024, net appreciation gains of \$19,116,089 were recorded and reported in the Statement of Net Position as unrestricted.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 20.

#### DETAILS OF RESTRICTED ASSETS

The purposes and amounts of Restricted Assets are as follows:

<b>Details of Restricted Assets</b>	
<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>Current:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents:	
As specified by sponsors/donors	\$ 16,145,028
University administered loans	474,462
Payment of maturing debt	15,658,458
Unspent bond proceeds	35,769,786
Amounts restricted for capital projects	395,819,319
Funds held for others	(6,010,562)
<b>Total current restricted assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 457,856,491</u></b>
<b>Noncurrent:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents:	
Endowments	\$ 557,543
Federal Perkins Loan Program	1,952,372
<b>Total noncurrent restricted cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,509,915</u></b>
Student Loans Receivable:	
<b>Total Federal Perkins Loan Program</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,163,321</u></b>

### NOTE 21.

#### COMPONENT UNITS

##### Clemson University Foundation

The Clemson University Foundation (CUF) is a separately chartered corporation organized exclusively to promote the development and welfare of Clemson University in its educational and scientific purposes.

As discussed in Note 1, CUF has been included in the reporting entity as a component unit. Because CUF is deemed not to be a governmental entity and uses a different reporting model, its balances and transactions are reported on separate financial statements.

CUF transfers funds earmarked from private contributions to the University to support University scholarship, fellowship, professorship, and research programs and to reimburse the University for purchases made by CUF through the University's procurement system. These transfers for fiscal year 2024 were recorded by the University as nonoperating gift revenues totaling \$39,139,246.

Equipment donated by CUF to the University totaled \$70,540 and was recorded as capital grants and gifts in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Also recorded as capital grants and gifts upon receipt were CUF donations totaling \$419,203 for University building projects. As of June 30, 2024, unexpended funds held by CUF designated for University building projects totaled \$10,720,811.

As referenced in Note 3, a 1999 amendment to the South Carolina Code of Laws allowed state-supported universities to lend endowment balances on deposit with the State Treasurer to entities (like CUF) whose existence is primarily providing financial assistance and other support to the institution and its educational program. At fiscal year end, the amount loaned, including income and appreciation, totaled \$263,073,236. Current year gains and appreciation on the loan totaled \$19,116,089.

CUF charges an annual fee for managing the University's owned endowments. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, this fee was 1.25% of the 12 quarter market value average of these University owned funds or \$2,451,831. At fiscal year-end, \$612,958 was due to CUF and recorded in accounts payable. The management fee is included in the current year income, gains and appreciation recorded on the CUF loan.

Endowment funds, including those owned by the University, are invested as a part of the overall investment portfolio managed by CUF. A unitized approach is taken in allocating pooled investment income and realized and unrealized gains and losses, net of external management and other fees, to individual endowment funds. Real estate investments are stated primarily at the current appraised value.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CUF investment income, net of external and internal management expenses and fees, and gains and losses arising from the sale or other disposition of investments and other noncash assets is distributed to the various endowments using a pooled income approach. This approach distributes income following the market value unit method, which is based on the number of units each fund owns in the managed investment pool.

CUF Endowment and board-designated funds are invested on the basis of a total return policy to provide income and to realize appreciation in investment values. Under this policy, earnings, not to exceed a specified percentage, could be used to support the intended purposes. Any such earnings used to support the intended purposes are allocated only from those funds which have a market value in excess of historical value.

A summary of investments at fair value at June 30, 2024 follows:

<b>Investments</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Money market	\$ 1,131,809
Treasury/Agency	16,356,421
Mortgage backed securities	4,734,402
Corporate bonds	3,494,161
International bonds	343,904
US equities	91,486,075
Global equities	23,591,484
Commodities	12,045,453
Hedge funds	37,494,417
Private equity	42,435,190
Public real assets	56,900
Private real assets	8,307,677
Other	1,595,343
Subtotal - marketable investments	243,073,236
Subordinated note receivable from Clemson	
University Real Estate Foundation, Inc.	20,000,000
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$ 263,073,236</b>

### **Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation**

The Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation (CULSF) is a separately chartered corporation established to serve the needs of Clemson University in the management, development, and investment of real property and related assets. CULSF's activities are governed by its Board of Directors.

As discussed in Note 1, CULSF has been included in the reporting entity as a component unit. Because CULSF is deemed not to be a governmental entity and uses a different reporting model, its balances and transactions are reported on separate financial statements.

The University leases and utilizes several facilities owned and operated by CULSF. The University entered into a lease with CULSF for space in the Greenville One Building in downtown Greenville. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, \$183,435 was paid by the University to CULSF for common area maintenance costs and \$2,296,233 for leases and operating expenses at the CU-ICAR campus and Greenville One building.

CULSF reimbursed the University \$446,366 for salaries for time devoted by University employees to CULSF, management services, and other operating expenses.

### **IPTAY**

IPTAY is a separately chartered corporation established exclusively to support University athletics. IPTAY's activities are governed by its Board of Directors.

As discussed in Note 1, IPTAY has been included in the reporting entity as a component unit. Because IPTAY is deemed not to be a governmental entity and uses a different reporting model, its balances and transactions are reported on separate financial statements.

In the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, IPTAY began operating as an independent entity. Previously, although recognized as a tax-exempt organization by the Internal Revenue Service, all IPTAY receipts were deposited through the University into State Treasurer bank accounts and related disbursements were also made from these accounts. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, IPTAY contributed \$73,945,652 to the University for qualifying athletic scholarships, operating expenses, capital project funding, and debt service obligations. As of June 30, 2024, IPTAY had remaining commitments of approximately \$157,062 for University building projects.

At June 30, 2024, the Statement of Net Position includes accounts receivable from IPTAY of \$7,990,025.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**SCHEDULE OF THE UNIVERSITY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**

<b>South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS)</b>					
<b>For the Year</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>University's Covered Payroll During the Measurement Period</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</b>
2024	3.021493%	\$ 730,519,591	\$ 447,884,331	163.10%	58.60%
2023	2.947068%	714,432,799	413,909,076	172.61%	57.10%
2022	2.941342%	636,543,931	398,868,041	159.59%	60.70%
2021	2.945896%	752,728,463	391,028,661	192.50%	50.70%
2020	2.902484%	662,757,449	368,957,711	179.63%	54.40%
2019	2.814404%	630,618,329	353,863,380	178.21%	54.10%
2018	2.706197%	609,208,463	342,899,971	177.66%	53.30%
2017	2.649480%	565,925,017	323,787,717	174.78%	52.90%
2016	2.657194%	503,949,653	313,711,782	160.64%	56.99%
2015	2.601067%	447,817,506	308,864,854	144.99%	59.92%

<b>Police Officers Retirement System (PORS)</b>					
<b>For the Year</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>University's Covered Payroll During the Measurement Period</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</b>
2024	0.381379%	\$ 11,609,543	\$ 6,686,070	173.64%	67.80%
2023	0.383493%	11,500,882	6,068,766	189.51%	66.40%
2022	0.371610%	9,561,207	5,596,490	170.84%	70.40%
2021	0.370220%	12,277,294	5,602,769	219.13%	58.80%
2020	0.333467%	9,556,980	4,828,640	197.92%	62.70%
2019	0.290328%	8,226,555	4,026,706	204.30%	61.70%
2018	0.29435%	8,063,788	3,963,883	203.43%	60.90%
2017	0.28558%	7,243,538	3,640,094	198.99%	60.40%
2016	0.26576%	5,792,207	3,300,804	175.48%	64.57%
2015	0.26743%	5,119,734	3,238,913	158.07%	67.55%

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**SCHEDULE OF UNIVERSITY CONTRIBUTIONS TO PENSION PLANS**

<b>South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS)</b>									
<b>For the Year</b>		<b>Contractually Required Contribution</b>		<b>Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution</b>		<b>Contribution Deficiency (excess)</b>		<b>University's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</b>
2024	\$	77,490,328	\$	77,490,328	\$	—	\$	501,094,284	15.46%
2023		64,153,961		64,153,961		—		447,884,331	14.32%
2022		55,178,647		55,178,647		—		413,909,076	13.33%
2021		48,649,289		48,649,289		—		398,868,041	12.20%
2020		48,191,395		48,191,395		—		391,028,661	12.32%
2019		41,685,052		41,685,052		—		368,957,711	11.30%
2018		36,234,136		36,234,136		—		353,863,380	10.24%
2017		31,566,642		31,566,642		—		342,899,971	9.21%
2016		28,386,836		28,376,288		10,548		323,787,717	8.77%
2015		27,147,096		27,156,699		(9,603)		313,711,782	8.65%

<b>Police Officers Retirement System (PORS)</b>									
<b>For the Year</b>		<b>Contractually Required Contribution</b>		<b>Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution</b>		<b>Contribution Deficiency (excess)</b>		<b>University's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</b>
2024	\$	1,591,149	\$	1,591,149	\$	—	\$	7,672,595	20.74%
2023		1,315,829		1,315,829		—		6,686,070	19.68%
2022		1,130,273		1,130,273		—		6,068,766	18.62%
2021		1,331,211		1,331,211		—		5,596,490	23.79%
2020		982,682		982,682		—		5,602,769	17.54%
2019		1,087,404		1,087,404		—		4,828,640	22.52%
2018		614,762		614,762		—		4,026,706	15.27%
2017		564,457		564,457		—		3,963,883	14.24%
2016		500,233		500,233		—		3,640,094	13.74%
2015		441,480		441,508		(28)		3,300,804	13.37%



**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**SCHEDULE OF THE UNIVERSITY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET RETIREE HEALTH**  
**BENEFITS LIABILITY**

<b>South Carolina Retiree Health Care Plan</b>						
<b>For the Year</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Retiree Health Benefits Liability</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Retiree Health Benefits Liability</b>	<b>University's Covered Payroll During the Measurement Period</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Retiree Health Benefits Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Retiree Health Benefit Liability</b>	
2024	4.317048%	\$ 565,165,745	\$ 454,570,401	124.33%	11.24%	
2023	4.272853%	649,979,613	419,977,842	154.77%	9.64%	
2022	4.264744%	888,055,362	404,464,531	219.56%	7.48%	
2021	4.302870%	776,730,275	396,631,430	195.83%	8.39%	
2020	4.273880%	646,275,814	373,786,351	172.90%	8.44%	
2019	4.150069%	588,089,053	357,890,086	164.32%	7.91%	
2018	4.113249%	557,132,840	346,863,854	160.62%	7.60%	

<b>South Carolina Basic Long-Term Disability Plan</b>						
<b>For the Year</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Retiree Health Benefits Liability</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Retiree Health Benefits Liability</b>	<b>University's Covered Payroll During the Measurement Period*</b>	<b>University's Proportionate Share of the Net Retiree Health Benefits Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll*</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Retiree Health Benefit Liability</b>	
2024	2.503754%	\$ 383,352	N/A	N/A	68.01%	
2023	2.489910%	288,468	N/A	N/A	75.04%	
2022	2.493876%	79,248	N/A	N/A	92.84%	
2021	2.496725%	7,570	N/A	N/A	99.29%	
2020	2.483323%	48,878	N/A	N/A	95.17%	
2019	2.418150%	74,025	N/A	N/A	92.20%	
2018	2.377844%	43,110	N/A	N/A	95.29%	

\*Because contributions to the LTD plan are not based on a measure of pay, no measure of payroll should be presented (see paragraph 13 of GASB 85).

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**SCHEDULE OF UNIVERSITY CONTRIBUTIONS TO RETIREE HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS**

<b>South Carolina Retiree Health Care Plan</b>								
<b>For the Year</b>		<b>Contractually Required Contributions</b>		<b>Contributions Recognized by the Plan</b>		<b>Contribution Deficiency (excess)</b>	<b>University's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</b>
2024	\$	32,446,613	\$	32,446,613	\$	—	\$ 508,766,879	6.38%
2023		28,447,127		28,447,127		—	454,570,401	6.26%
2022		26,386,837		26,386,837		—	419,977,842	6.28%
2021		25,279,033		25,279,033		—	404,464,531	6.25%
2020		24,789,464		24,789,464		—	396,631,430	6.25%
2019		22,614,074		22,614,074		—	373,786,351	6.05%
2018		19,241,272		19,241,272		—	357,890,086	5.38%
2017		16,929,079		16,929,079		—	346,863,854	4.88%
2016		16,371,391		16,371,391		—	327,427,811	5.00%
2015		15,850,629		15,850,629		—	317,012,586	5.00%

<b>South Carolina Basic Long-Term Disability Plan</b>								
<b>For the Year</b>		<b>Contractually Required Contributions</b>		<b>Contributions Recognized by the Plan</b>		<b>Contribution Deficiency (excess)</b>	<b>University's Covered Payroll*</b>	<b>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll*</b>
2024	\$	195,052	\$	195,052	\$	—	N/A	N/A
2023		182,017		182,017		—	N/A	N/A
2022		178,023		178,023		—	N/A	N/A
2021		176,082		176,082		—	N/A	N/A
2020		176,543		176,543		—	N/A	N/A
2019		178,729		178,729		—	N/A	N/A
2018		169,114		169,114		—	N/A	N/A
2017		167,768		172,122		(4,354)	N/A	N/A
2016		164,606		164,606		—	N/A	N/A
2015		171,980		171,980		—	N/A	N/A

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***Statistical Section***  
*(unaudited)*



## Statistical Section

This section of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report provides additional information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements and note disclosures says about the University's and the State of South Carolina's overall financial health.

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## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES BY SOURCE

For the Year Ended June 30,  
(amounts expressed in thousands)

	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Revenues:</b>										
Student tuition and fees (net of scholarship allowances)	\$ 571,963	\$ 566,608	\$ 511,455	\$ 478,014	\$ 466,846	\$ 425,219	\$ 397,740	\$ 364,126	\$ 341,077	\$ 316,893
Federal grants and contracts	187,768	153,456	140,260	101,160	95,749	90,469	83,570	81,924	71,500	63,540
State grants and contracts	90,002	85,875	82,659	87,704	85,256	78,533	68,444	62,055	58,828	57,352
Local grants and contracts	1,701	2,231	2,161	1,151	1,156	968	776	1,772	912	882
Nongovernmental grants and contracts	11,002	12,894	9,159	11,812	11,733	12,289	11,447	11,616	12,844	11,223
Sales and services of educational and other activities	26,466	26,041	24,753	18,348	18,317	22,587	22,193	21,303	20,441	20,104
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises (net of scholarship allowances)	234,849	218,874	201,843	140,234	180,667	189,684	161,667	169,527	163,635	129,119
Other operating revenues	42,418	42,089	34,736	29,413	38,398	40,605	38,648	34,037	31,638	38,322
Total operating revenues	<u>1,166,169</u>	<u>1,108,067</u>	<u>1,007,027</u>	<u>867,835</u>	<u>898,122</u>	<u>860,354</u>	<u>784,485</u>	<u>746,360</u>	<u>700,875</u>	<u>637,435</u>
State appropriations	240,691	180,211	156,830	143,174	144,251	136,487	123,914	119,309	108,812	106,345
Federal appropriations	12,310	12,845	12,471	13,016	13,126	11,115	11,208	12,240	11,632	11,338
Gifts and grants	142,388	155,597	129,364	181,437	102,743	94,905	85,056	67,552	48,189	33,586
Interest income (loss)	32,270	9,551	(25,681)	6	16,805	18,080	2,397	3,700	4,071	670
Endowment income (loss)	25,178	14,353	(4,395)	59,597	1,900	9,829	15,669	19,955	(2,979)	4,086
Other nonoperating revenues	339	118	248	322	500	4,665	2,150	330	78	340
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets	918	202	14,775	125	114	1,283	189	1,397	252	188
Total nonoperating revenues	<u>454,094</u>	<u>372,876</u>	<u>283,611</u>	<u>397,677</u>	<u>279,439</u>	<u>276,364</u>	<u>240,583</u>	<u>224,483</u>	<u>170,055</u>	<u>156,553</u>
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b><u>\$1,620,263</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,480,943</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,290,638</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,265,512</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,177,561</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,136,718</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,025,068</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 970,843</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 870,930</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 793,988</u></b>

**For the Year Ended June 30,  
(percent of total revenues)**

	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>										
Student tuition and fees (net of scholarship allowances)	35.3 %	38.3 %	39.6 %	37.8 %	39.6 %	37.3 %	38.7 %	37.4 %	39.3 %	40.0 %
Federal grants and contracts	11.6 %	10.4 %	10.9 %	8.0 %	8.1 %	8.0 %	8.2 %	8.4 %	8.2 %	8.0 %
State grants and contracts	5.6 %	5.8 %	6.4 %	6.9 %	7.2 %	6.9 %	6.7 %	6.4 %	6.8 %	7.2 %
Local grants and contracts	0.1 %	0.2 %	0.2 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.2 %	0.1 %	0.1 %
Nongovernmental grants and contracts	0.7 %	0.9 %	0.7 %	0.9 %	1.0 %	1.1 %	1.1 %	1.2 %	1.5 %	1.4 %
Sales and services of educational and other activities	1.6 %	1.8 %	1.9 %	1.4 %	1.6 %	2.0 %	2.2 %	2.2 %	2.3 %	2.5 %
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises (net of scholarship allowances)	14.5 %	14.8 %	15.6 %	11.1 %	15.3 %	16.7 %	15.8 %	17.5 %	18.8 %	16.3 %
Other operating revenues	2.6 %	2.8 %	2.7 %	2.3 %	3.5 %	3.6 %	3.8 %	3.5 %	3.6 %	4.8 %
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>72.0 %</b>	<b>74.8 %</b>	<b>78.0 %</b>	<b>68.6 %</b>	<b>76.4 %</b>	<b>75.7 %</b>	<b>76.6 %</b>	<b>76.8 %</b>	<b>80.6 %</b>	<b>80.3 %</b>
State appropriations	14.9 %	12.2 %	12.2 %	11.3 %	12.2 %	12.0 %	12.1 %	12.3 %	12.5 %	13.5 %
Federal appropriations	0.8 %	0.9 %	1.0 %	1.0 %	1.1 %	1.0 %	1.1 %	1.3 %	1.3 %	1.4 %
Gifts and grants	8.8 %	10.5 %	10.0 %	14.3 %	8.7 %	8.3 %	8.3 %	7.0 %	5.5 %	4.2 %
Interest income	2.0 %	0.6 %	(2.0)%	— %	1.4 %	1.6 %	0.2 %	0.4 %	0.4 %	0.1 %
Endowment income (loss)	1.6 %	1.0 %	(0.3)%	4.7 %	0.2 %	0.9 %	1.5 %	2.1 %	(0.3)%	0.5 %
Other nonoperating revenues	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.4 %	0.2 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets	0.1 %	0.0 %	1.1 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
<b>Total nonoperating revenues</b>	<b>28.0 %</b>	<b>25.2 %</b>	<b>22.0 %</b>	<b>31.4 %</b>	<b>23.6 %</b>	<b>24.3 %</b>	<b>23.4 %</b>	<b>23.2 %</b>	<b>19.4 %</b>	<b>19.7 %</b>
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>

**Source:** Clemson University Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports.



## SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES BY USE

For the Year ended June 30,  
(amounts expressed in thousands)

	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Expenses:</b>										
Compensation and employee benefits	\$ 804,219	\$ 750,532	\$ 719,502	\$ 743,857	\$ 709,455	\$ 632,151	\$ 617,355	\$ 556,537	\$ 513,401	\$ 478,991
Services and supplies	419,099	394,159	344,453	275,874	316,186	319,566	278,228	265,758	267,423	262,955
Utilities	28,858	25,626	22,719	19,217	16,656	20,548	20,593	19,730	18,910	19,783
Depreciation	93,989	88,857	72,352	68,024	66,648	59,346	57,491	51,759	49,872	49,316
Scholarships and fellowships	43,739	40,202	42,609	42,112	47,700	33,579	30,668	27,269	27,726	25,411
Total operating expenses	<u>1,389,904</u>	<u>1,299,376</u>	<u>1,201,635</u>	<u>1,149,084</u>	<u>1,156,645</u>	<u>1,065,190</u>	<u>1,004,335</u>	<u>921,053</u>	<u>877,332</u>	<u>836,456</u>
Interest on capital asset related debt	30,714	27,159	21,270	21,596	22,523	23,416	22,056	21,471	17,091	7,341
(Gain) loss on disposal of capital assets	3,182	675	1,648	322	1,655	1,540	826	1,965	340	4,343
Refunds to grantors	672	1,088	538	513	491	499	90	120	71	137
Facilities and administrative remittances to the State	451	478	287	292	269	280	252	317	450	375
Total nonoperating expenses	<u>35,019</u>	<u>29,400</u>	<u>23,743</u>	<u>22,724</u>	<u>24,938</u>	<u>25,735</u>	<u>23,224</u>	<u>23,873</u>	<u>17,952</u>	<u>12,196</u>
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b><u>\$1,424,923</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,328,776</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,225,378</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,171,808</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,181,583</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,090,925</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,027,559</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 944,926</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 895,284</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 848,652</u></b>

For the Year Ended June 30,  
(percent of total expenses)

	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Expenses:</b>										
Compensation and employee benefits	56.4 %	56.5 %	58.7 %	63.7 %	60.1 %	58.1 %	60.1 %	58.9 %	57.3 %	56.5 %
Services and supplies	29.4 %	29.7 %	28.1 %	23.5 %	26.8 %	29.3 %	27.1 %	28.1 %	29.9 %	31.0 %
Utilities	2.0 %	1.9 %	1.9 %	1.6 %	1.4 %	1.9 %	2.0 %	2.1 %	2.1 %	2.3 %
Depreciation	6.6 %	6.7 %	5.9 %	5.8 %	5.7 %	5.4 %	5.6 %	5.5 %	5.6 %	5.8 %
Scholarships and fellowships	3.1 %	3.0 %	3.5 %	3.6 %	4.0 %	3.1 %	3.0 %	2.9 %	3.1 %	3.0 %
Total operating expenses	<u>97.5 %</u>	<u>97.8 %</u>	<u>98.1 %</u>	<u>98.2 %</u>	<u>98.0 %</u>	<u>97.8 %</u>	<u>97.8 %</u>	<u>97.5 %</u>	<u>98.0 %</u>	<u>98.6 %</u>
Interest on capital asset related debt	2.2 %	1.8 %	1.8 %	1.8 %	1.9 %	2.1 %	2.1 %	2.3 %	1.9 %	0.9 %
(Gain) loss on disposal of capital assets	0.2 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	— %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.2 %	0.0 %	0.5 %
Refunds to grantors	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Facilities and administrative remittances to the State	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.1 %	0.0 %
Total nonoperating expenses	<u>2.5 %</u>	<u>2.2 %</u>	<u>1.9 %</u>	<u>1.8 %</u>	<u>2.0 %</u>	<u>2.2 %</u>	<u>2.2 %</u>	<u>2.5 %</u>	<u>2.0 %</u>	<u>1.4 %</u>
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>	<b><u>100.0 %</u></b>

Source: Clemson University Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports.

## SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

For the Year Ended June 30,  
(amounts expressed in thousands)

	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Expenses:</b>										
Instruction	\$ 341,933	\$ 309,553	\$ 282,864	\$ 269,269	\$ 282,039	\$ 270,130	\$ 253,820	\$ 238,535	\$ 229,362	\$ 225,965
Research	259,824	226,686	206,771	190,763	188,154	177,050	164,054	153,423	144,424	138,650
Public service	102,348	90,837	78,935	72,124	71,456	70,608	68,831	66,924	64,423	65,432
Academic support	66,842	77,137	71,531	71,209	73,424	62,996	58,640	51,740	45,218	47,169
Student services	57,389	49,929	50,249	58,691	47,265	46,942	43,468	39,686	36,061	37,137
Institutional support	100,576	80,465	60,171	60,850	59,972	49,459	46,434	40,112	38,600	42,053
Operation and maintenance of plant	104,027	92,736	84,922	65,274	78,212	69,346	73,406	67,762	70,306	76,975
Scholarships and fellowships	38,534	37,303	40,175	40,024	45,950	31,306	28,461	25,467	26,006	23,773
Auxiliary enterprises	233,554	225,602	194,287	163,959	182,774	188,064	168,030	164,425	162,394	125,739
Depreciation	93,990	88,857	72,352	68,024	66,648	59,346	57,491	51,759	49,872	49,316
Pension and OPEB	(9,113)	20,272	59,378	88,897	60,751	39,942	41,700	21,220	10,666	4,247
Interest on capital debt	30,714	27,159	21,270	21,596	22,523	23,417	22,056	21,471	17,091	7,341
Loss on disposal of capital assets	3,182	675	1,648	322	1,655	1,540	826	1,965	340	4,343
Refunds to grantors	672	1,088	538	514	491	499	90	120	71	137
Facilities and administrative remittances to the State	451	478	287	292	269	280	252	317	450	375
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$1,424,923</b>	<b>\$1,328,776</b>	<b>\$1,225,378</b>	<b>\$1,171,808</b>	<b>\$1,181,583</b>	<b>\$1,090,925</b>	<b>\$1,027,559</b>	<b>\$ 944,926</b>	<b>\$ 895,284</b>	<b>\$ 848,652</b>

**NOTE:** Fiscal years 2015-2019 were restated to show pension and OPEB expense as a separate line instead of allocating across the various functions.

**For the Year Ended June 30,  
(percent of total expenses)**

	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>										
Instruction	24.0 %	23.3 %	23.1 %	23.0 %	23.9 %	24.8 %	24.7 %	25.2 %	25.6 %	26.6 %
Research	18.2 %	17.1 %	16.9 %	16.3 %	15.9 %	16.2 %	16.0 %	16.2 %	16.1 %	16.3 %
Public service	7.2 %	6.8 %	6.4 %	6.2 %	6.0 %	6.5 %	6.7 %	7.1 %	7.2 %	7.7 %
Academic support	4.7 %	5.8 %	5.8 %	6.1 %	6.2 %	5.8 %	5.7 %	5.5 %	5.1 %	5.6 %
Student services	4.0 %	3.8 %	4.1 %	5.0 %	4.0 %	4.3 %	4.2 %	4.2 %	4.0 %	4.4 %
Institutional support	7.1 %	6.1 %	4.9 %	5.2 %	5.1 %	4.5 %	4.5 %	4.2 %	4.3 %	5.0 %
Operation and maintenance of plant	7.3 %	7.0 %	6.9 %	5.6 %	6.6 %	6.4 %	7.1 %	7.2 %	7.9 %	9.1 %
Scholarships and fellowships	2.7 %	2.8 %	3.3 %	3.4 %	3.9 %	2.9 %	2.8 %	2.7 %	2.9 %	2.8 %
Auxiliary enterprises	16.4 %	17.0 %	15.9 %	14.0 %	15.5 %	17.2 %	16.4 %	17.4 %	18.1 %	14.8 %
Depreciation	6.6 %	6.7 %	5.9 %	5.8 %	5.6 %	5.4 %	5.6 %	5.5 %	5.6 %	5.8 %
Pension and OPEB	(0.6)%	1.5 %	4.8 %	7.6 %	5.1 %	3.7 %	4.1 %	2.2 %	1.2 %	0.5 %
Interest on capital debt	2.2 %	2.0 %	1.7 %	1.8 %	1.9 %	2.1 %	2.1 %	2.3 %	1.9 %	0.9 %
(Gain) loss on disposal of capital assets	0.2 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.2 %	0.0 %	0.5 %
Refunds to grantors	0.0 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
Facilities and administrative remittances to State	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.1 %	0.0 %
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>

Source: Clemson University Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports.

## SCHEDULE OF NET POSITION AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	For the Fiscal Year									
	<i>(amounts expressed in thousands)</i>									
	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
Total revenues (from schedule of revenues by source)	\$ 1,620,263	\$ 1,480,943	\$ 1,290,638	\$ 1,265,512	\$ 1,177,561	\$ 1,136,718	\$ 1,025,068	\$ 970,843	\$ 870,930	\$ 793,988
Total expenses (from schedule of expenses by use and function)	(1,424,923)	(1,328,776)	(1,225,378)	(1,171,808)	(1,181,583)	(1,090,925)	(1,027,559)	(944,926)	(895,284)	(848,652)
Income (loss) before other revenues, expenses, gains or losses	195,340	152,167	65,260	93,704	(4,022)	45,793	(2,491)	25,917	(24,354)	(54,664)
State capital appropriations	112,781	64,001	50,620	—	10,900	9,850	—	5,240	15,886	4,457
Capital grants and gifts	9,851	8,317	4,572	3,155	19,619	24,094	17,561	56,006	37,580	6,448
Additions to permanent endowments	111	27	29	83	90	38	101	20	567	209
Total changes in net position	318,083	224,512	120,482	96,942	26,587	79,775	15,171	87,183	29,679	(43,550)
Net position, beginning	770,813	543,745	423,543	326,601	300,014	220,239	783,114	695,931	666,252	1,156,425
Cumulative effect of accounting changes	—	2,555	(280)	—	—	—	(578,046)	—	—	(446,623)
<b>Net position, ending</b>	<b>\$1,088,896</b>	<b>\$ 770,813</b>	<b>\$ 543,745</b>	<b>\$ 423,543</b>	<b>\$ 326,601</b>	<b>\$ 300,014</b>	<b>\$ 220,239</b>	<b>\$ 783,114</b>	<b>\$ 695,931</b>	<b>\$ 666,252</b>
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 1,044,242	\$ 909,657	\$ 862,368	\$ 824,010	\$ 836,774	\$ 814,368	\$ 789,141	\$ 770,325	\$ 759,323	\$ 680,331
Restricted - nonexpendable	59,542	59,169	58,973	59,504	209,643	183,297	150,070	144,460	99,062	126,834
Restricted - expendable	485,942	365,126	282,768	244,504	58,967	58,979	59,002	58,867	58,698	58,323
Unrestricted	(500,830)	(563,139)	(660,364)	(704,475)	(778,783)	(756,630)	(777,974)	(190,538)	(221,152)	(199,236)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,088,896</b>	<b>\$ 770,813</b>	<b>\$ 543,745</b>	<b>\$ 423,543</b>	<b>\$ 326,601</b>	<b>\$ 300,014</b>	<b>\$ 220,239</b>	<b>\$ 783,114</b>	<b>\$ 695,931</b>	<b>\$ 666,252</b>

Source: Clemson University Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports.

## SCHEDULE OF RATIOS OF OUTSTANDING DEBT

	For the Fiscal Year									
	<i>(amounts expressed in thousands except for outstanding debt per student)</i>									
	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
General Obligation Bonds	\$ 253,670	\$ 268,930	\$ 284,625	\$ 195,295	199,360	\$ 209,600	\$ 213,380	\$ 150,350	\$ 104,435	\$ 110,615
State bond anticipation notes	160,155	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Higher Education Revenue Bonds	341,630	297,185	254,240	261,065	267,570	274,470	281,050	289,205	295,600	110,860
Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds	170,020	176,885	183,395	124,850	129,385	133,730	137,900	130,605	134,450	118,875
Subtotal bonds payable	925,475	743,000	722,260	581,210	596,315	617,800	632,330	570,160	534,485	340,350
Unamortized bond premiums	62,940	59,509	59,611	43,300	44,246	46,896	48,761	36,097	33,984	20,425
Total bonds payable	988,415	802,509	781,871	624,510	640,561	664,696	681,091	606,257	568,469	360,775
Notes payable	39,908	40,233	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lease obligations payable	19,700	17,288	18,160	10,408	11,142	11,688	11,991	11,990	12,967	13,993
Subscription obligations payable	27,830	31,378	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total outstanding debt</b>	<b>\$1,075,852</b>	<b>\$ 891,408</b>	<b>\$ 800,031</b>	<b>\$ 634,918</b>	<b>\$ 651,703</b>	<b>\$ 676,384</b>	<b>\$ 693,082</b>	<b>\$ 618,247</b>	<b>\$ 581,436</b>	<b>\$ 374,768</b>
Full-time equivalent students	27,372	26,689	25,679	24,906	24,324	23,663	23,215	22,307	21,654	20,823
Outstanding debt per student	39,305	33,400	31,155	25,493	26,793	28,584	29,855	27,715	26,851	17,998

**Note:** Outstanding debt per student calculated using fall semester full-time equivalent student enrollment data for the last ten academic years (page 102).

**Source:** Clemson University Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports, Clemson University Office of Institutional Research

## SCHEDULE OF BOND COVERAGE

Last Ten Fiscal Years  
(amounts in thousands)

### General Obligation Bonds

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Tuition and Matriculation Fees	Total Revenue Available for Debt Service	Debt Service Requirements			Coverage Ratio
			Principal	Interest	Total	
2024	\$87,981	\$87,981	\$15,260	\$11,314	\$26,574	3.31
2023	60,518	60,518	15,695	10,872	26,567	2.28
2022	54,119	54,119	10,980	7,632	18,612	2.91
2021	50,389	50,389	10,450	7,890	18,340	2.75
2020	48,231	48,231	10,240	8,307	18,547	2.60
2019	43,155	43,155	9,415	8,566	17,981	2.40
2018	42,004	42,004	6,950	6,998	13,948	3.01
2017	35,818	35,818	6,480	5,967	12,447	2.88
2016	33,662	33,662	6,180	4,217	10,397	3.24
2015	29,525	29,525	6,155	4,544	10,699	2.76

### Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Athletic Revenues	Athletic Operating Expenses	Net Athletic Revenues	Admissions Fee	Total Revenue Available for Debt Service	Debt Service Requirements			Coverage Ratio
						Principal	Interest	Total	
2024	\$193,923	\$170,076	\$23,847	\$2,407	\$26,254	\$6,865	\$6,181	\$13,046	2.01
2023	195,984	158,531	37,453	2,265	39,718	6,510	6,427	12,937	3.07
2022	158,293	131,184	27,109	1,908	29,017	5,965	5,601	11,566	2.51
2021	122,432	107,218	15,214	358	15,572	4,535	5,064	9,599	1.62
2020	140,679	121,802	18,877	2,208	21,085	4,345	5,254	9,599	2.20
2019	145,167	121,902	23,265	2,252	25,517	4,170	5,427	9,597	2.66
2018	128,631	109,270	19,361	2,179	21,540	4,005	5,327	9,332	2.31
2017	117,150	101,322	15,828	2,214	18,042	3,845	5,354	9,199	1.96
2016	112,996	92,274	20,722	1,927	22,649	3,300	5,030	8,330	2.72
2015	85,185	77,052	8,133	2,046	10,179	1,380	1,011	2,391	4.26

## Higher Education Revenue Bonds

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Revenues	Operating Expenses	Defined Net Revenue Available for Debt Service	Debt Service Requirements			Coverage Ratio
				Principal	Interest	Total	
2024	\$109,695	\$59,204	\$50,491	\$7,530	\$12,097	\$19,627	2.57
2023	105,390	62,662	42,728	7,170	10,226	17,396	2.46
2022	97,003	57,504	39,499	6,825	10,567	17,392	2.27
2021	67,786	36,648	31,138	6,505	10,892	17,397	1.79
2020	77,834	46,189	31,645	6,900	11,232	18,132	1.75
2019	90,776	52,687	38,089	6,580	11,556	18,136	2.10
2018	70,107	45,143	24,964	8,155	11,777	19,932	1.25
2017	68,185	42,855	25,330	6,395	11,914	18,309	1.38
2016	62,317	39,103	23,214	6,260	7,586	13,846	1.68
2015	58,653	38,667	19,986	6,010	724	6,734	2.97

**Note:** The revenue bonds are secured by revenues from five sources: dining services, vending operations, the University bookstore, student housing and parking.

**Source:** Clemson University Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports

## SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSET INFORMATION

*Last Ten Fiscal Years*

	For the Fiscal Year									
	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
Academic buildings:										
Net assignable square feet (in thousands)	1,801,844	1,734,377	1,559,309	1,477,334	1,362,528	1,347,951	1,347,951	1,326,740	1,370,476	1,427,870
Administrative and support buildings:										
Net assignable square feet (in thousands)	826,785	600,527	588,287	587,995	762,523	589,243	589,243	579,205	534,617	533,047
Laboratories:										
Net assignable square feet (in thousands)	806,917	639,589	588,478	588,478	605,671	604,448	604,448	597,556	597,540	674,059
Auxiliary and independent operations buildings:										
Net assignable square feet (in thousands)	3,152,562	2,455,888	2,424,461	2,424,461	1,954,624	1,692,580	1,692,580	1,644,622	1,644,622	1,719,202
Student housing:										
Residence halls	21	22	22	22	22	20	20	23	23	23
Suites	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	3	3	3
Apartments	8	8	8	8	8	4	4	4	4	4
Units available	7,444	7,791	7,598	7,598	7,579	6,473	6,469	6,236	6,275	6,248
Units in use	7,136	7,339	6,777	7,516	7,401	6,325	6,469	6,122	6,140	6,113
Percent occupancy	95.9 %	94.2 %	88.6 %	98.9 %	97.7 %	97.7 %	100.0 %	98.2 %	97.8 %	97.8 %
Dining facilities:										
Locations	24	21	22	22	22	19	19	17	17	17
Average daily customers	23,000	18,500	12,150	21,216	21,120	19,456	18,701	18,316	18,020	17,746
Parking facilities:										
Parking spaces available	14,548	14,875	14,901	14,403	14,290	14,404	12,784	12,125	12,457	12,303
Parking permits issued to students	18,527	18,380	11,897	15,241	15,934	15,834	15,812	15,625	17,188	16,007
Parking permits issued to faculty/staff	5,062	5,011	4,084	5,013	4,912	4,976	5,106	5,001	5,093	5,069

### Sources:

Building square footage	Clemson University Office of Institutional Research
Student housing	Clemson University Housing
Dining facilities	Clemson University Business Services
Parking facilities	Clemson University Parking Services

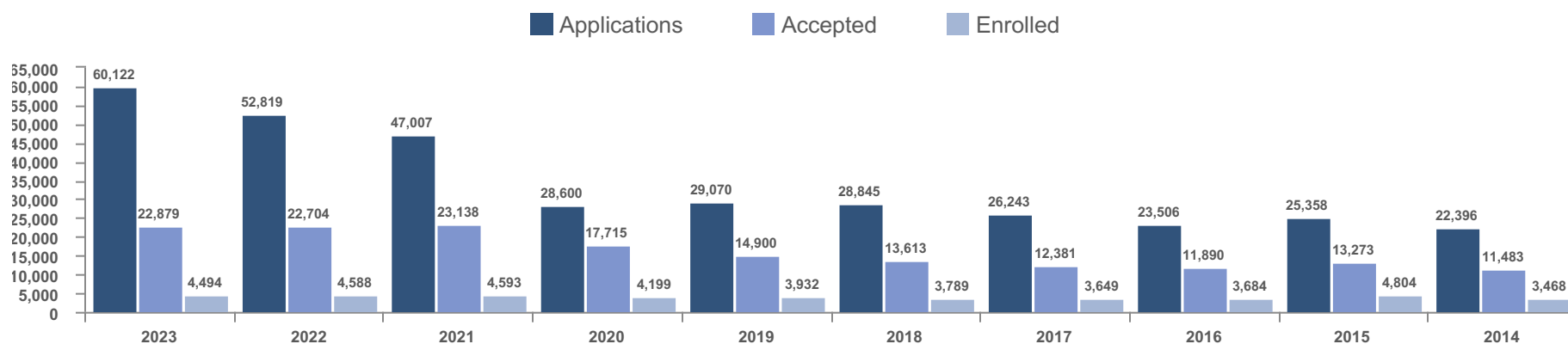


## ADMISSIONS, ENROLLMENT AND DEGREE STATISTICS

Last Ten Academic Years

	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Admissions-Freshman</b>										
Accepted as a percentage of applications	38.1%	43.0%	49.2%	62.0%	51.0%	47.0%	47.0%	51.0%	51.0%	52.0%
Enrolled as a percentage of accepted	19.6%	20.2%	19.9%	24.0%	26.0%	28.0%	29.0%	31.0%	30.0%	33.0%
SAT scores-total	1,320	1,310	1,312	1,302	1,318	1,307	1,302	1,242	1,251	1,252
Verbal	660	650	652	649	654	649	650	611	613	611
Math	660	660	660	654	664	658	652	631	638	641
South Carolina average SAT score-total	1,028	1,023	1,036	1,058	1,030	1,070	1,064	987	978	978

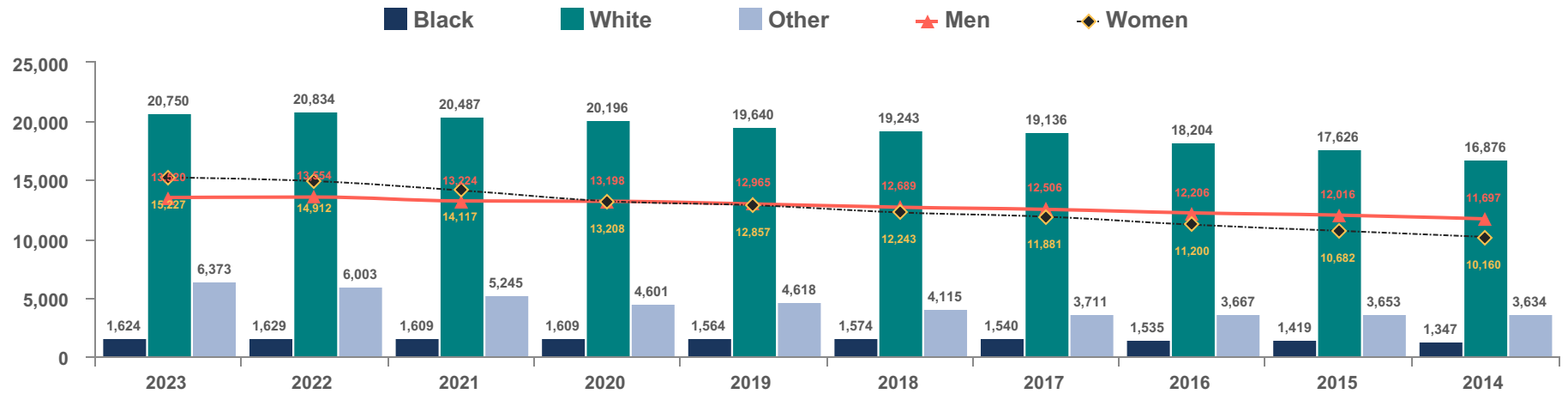
### Admissions — Freshman Applied, Accepted and Enrolled



**NOTES:** Applications Applied, Accepted and Enrolled for 2015 and before include transfer students. Applications for 2016 and forward include only Freshman entering Clemson.  
The National College Board changed the scoring for 2017 SAT's from Verbal and Math to Reading/Writing and Math from a 1600 scale to a 2400 scale which increases the total scores.

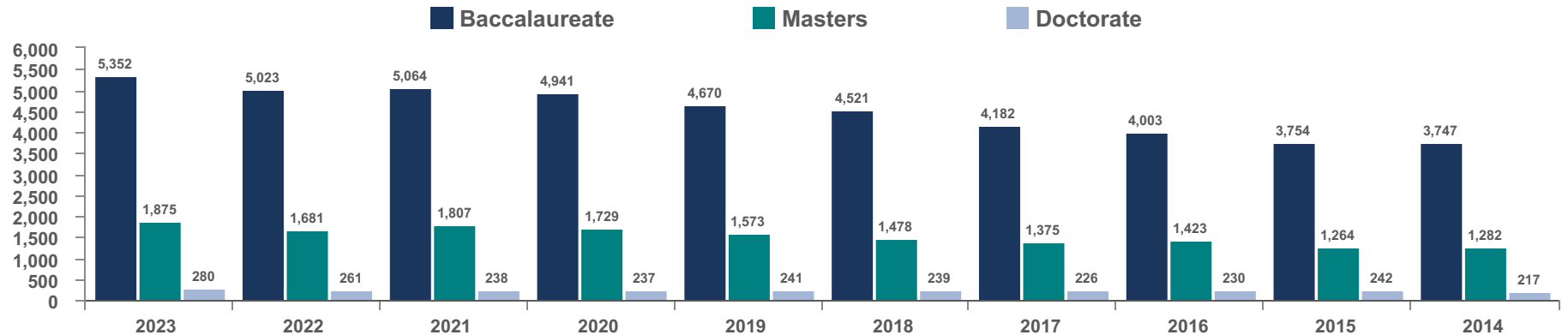
	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Enrollment</b>										
Undergraduate and graduate FTE	27,372	26,689	25,679	24,906	24,324	23,663	23,215	22,307	21,654	20,823
Undergraduate and graduate headcount	28,747	28,466	27,341	26,406	25,822	24,932	24,387	23,406	22,698	21,857
Percentage of men	47.0 %	47.6 %	48.4 %	50.0 %	50.2 %	50.9 %	51.3 %	52.1 %	52.9 %	53.5 %
Percentage of women	53.0 %	52.4 %	51.6 %	50.0 %	49.8 %	49.1 %	48.7 %	47.9 %	47.1 %	46.5 %
Percentage of black	5.6 %	5.7 %	5.9 %	6.1 %	6.1 %	6.3 %	6.3 %	6.6 %	6.3 %	6.2 %
Percentage of white	72.2 %	73.2 %	74.9 %	76.5 %	76.1 %	77.2 %	78.5 %	77.8 %	77.6 %	77.2 %
Percentage of other	22.2 %	21.1 %	19.2 %	17.8 %	17.8 %	16.5 %	15.2 %	15.7 %	16.1 %	16.6 %

## Enrollment — Undergraduate and Graduate Headcount



	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Degrees Earned*</b>										
Baccalaureate	5,352	5,023	5,064	4,941	4,670	4,528	4,182	4,003	3,754	3,747
Masters**	1,875	1,681	1,807	1,729	1,573	1,478	1,375	1,423	1,264	1,282
Doctorate	280	261	238	237	241	239	226	230	242	217

\* Includes May and August of the current year and December graduation from the previous year.  
 \*\* Masters awards include specialist degrees.



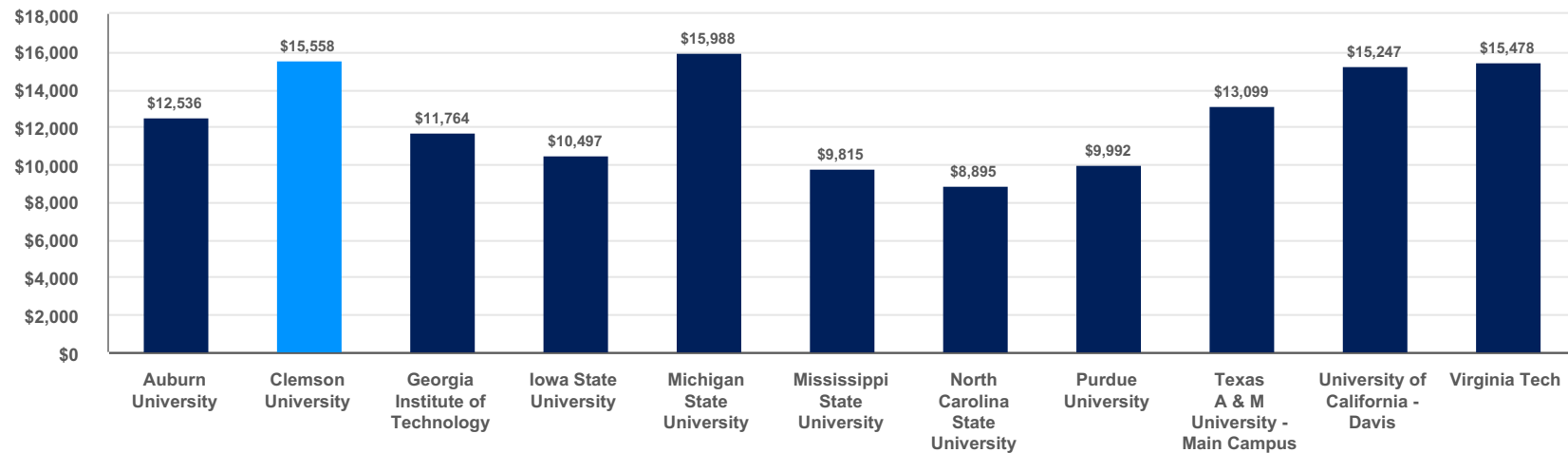
Source: Clemson University Office of Institutional Research (<https://www.clemson.edu/institutional-effectiveness/oir/factbook/>)

## UNDERGRADUATE AVERAGE ANNUAL TUITION AND FEES

Clemson University in Comparison to Ten Peer Land-Grant Institutions  
Last ten fiscal years

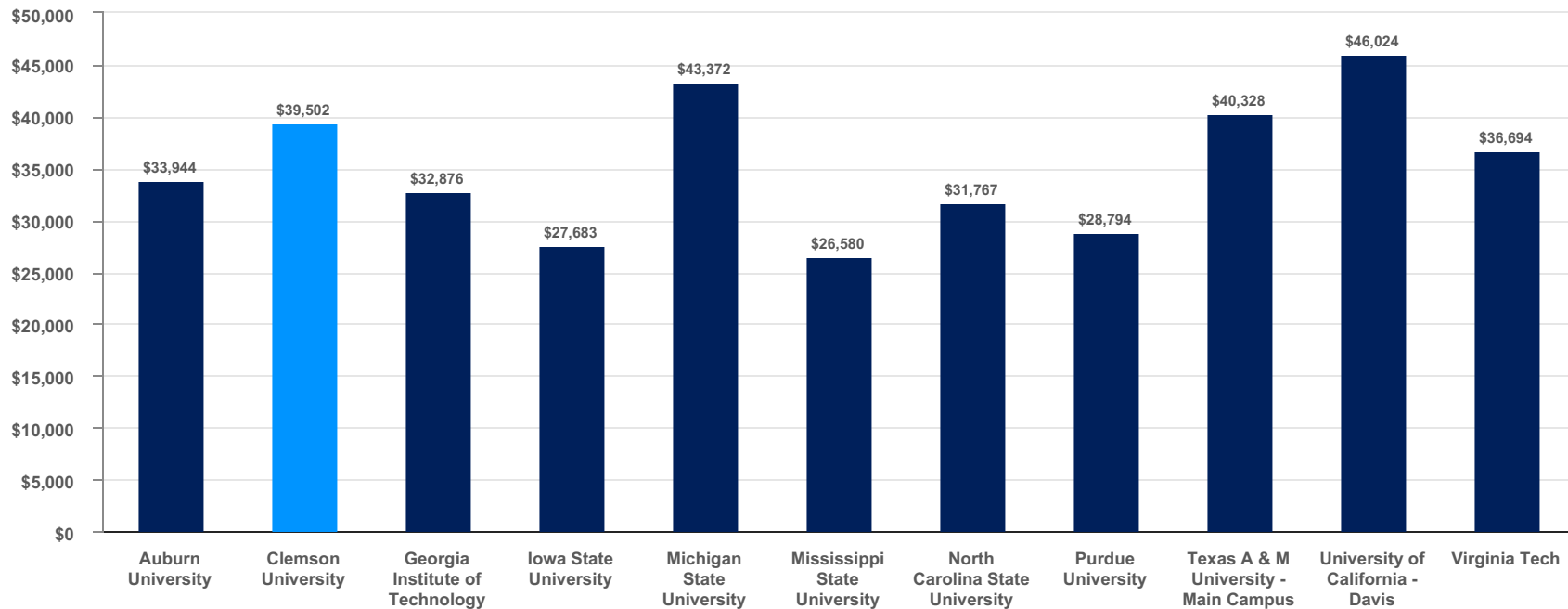
Institution - Resident	For the Fiscal Year									
	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
Auburn University	\$ 12,536	\$ 12,176	\$ 11,826	\$ 11,796	\$ 11,492	\$ 11,279	\$ 10,968	\$ 10,696	\$ 10,424	\$ 10,200
<b>Clemson University</b>	<b>15,558</b>	<b>15,558</b>	<b>15,558</b>	<b>15,558</b>	<b>15,558</b>	<b>14,970</b>	<b>14,712</b>	<b>14,318</b>	<b>13,882</b>	<b>13,446</b>
Georgia Institute of Technology	11,764	11,764	12,852	12,852	12,682	12,424	12,418	12,212	12,204	11,394
Iowa State University	10,497	10,133	9,316	9,316	9,320	8,988	8,636	8,219	7,736	7,731
Michigan State University	15,988	15,372	14,460	14,460	14,460	14,521	14,460	14,063	13,560	13,200
Mississippi State University	9,815	9,398	8,910	8,910	8,910	8,650	8,318	7,780	7,502	7,140
North Carolina State University	8,895	9,128	9,101	9,101	9,101	9,101	9,058	8,880	8,581	8,296
Purdue University	9,992	9,992	9,992	9,992	9,992	9,992	9,992	10,002	10,002	10,002
Texas A & M University - Main Campus	13,099	13,239	12,783	12,296	12,153	10,968	10,403	10,030	9,428	9,179
University of California - Davis	15,247	14,858	14,597	14,597	14,490	14,462	14,419	14,047	13,952	13,896
Virginia Tech	15,478	14,586	14,175	13,749	13,691	13,620	13,230	12,852	12,485	12,017

### Undergraduate Tuition and Fees - Resident — FY 2023-2024



	For the Fiscal Year									
	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Institution - Non Resident</b>										
Auburn University	\$ 33,944	\$ 31,956	\$ 31,986	\$ 31,956	\$ 31,124	\$ 30,524	\$ 29,640	\$ 28,040	\$ 28,040	\$ 27,384
<b>Clemson University</b>	<b>39,502</b>	<b>39,502</b>	<b>39,502</b>	<b>38,550</b>	<b>38,550</b>	<b>36,724</b>	<b>35,654</b>	<b>32,800</b>	<b>32,800</b>	<b>31,462</b>
Georgia Institute of Technology	32,876	32,876	33,964	33,964	33,794	33,020	33,014	32,404	32,396	30,698
Iowa State University	27,683	26,617	24,504	24,504	24,508	23,392	22,472	21,583	20,856	20,617
Michigan State University	43,372	41,958	39,766	39,766	39,766	39,826	39,405	37,890	36,360	34,965
Mississippi State University	26,580	25,444	23,950	23,950	23,950	23,250	22,358	20,900	20,142	18,478
North Carolina State University	31,767	30,869	29,220	29,220	29,220	28,444	27,406	26,399	24,932	23,551
Purdue University	28,794	28,794	28,794	28,794	30,794	28,794	28,794	28,804	28,804	28,804
Texas A & M University - Main Campus	40,328	40,139	39,340	40,526	38,602	36,636	37,154	30,208	28,021	26,356
University of California - Davis	46,024	44,930	44,351	44,351	44,244	43,454	42,433	40,729	38,660	36,774
Virginia Tech	36,694	34,838	33,857	32,893	32,835	31,908	31,014	29,975	29,129	28,048

### Undergraduate Tuition and Fees - Non Resident — FY 2023-2024



These figures are for undergraduate first-time, full-time students with an academic year of 24 semester hours or 30 quarter hours.

Source: College Tuition Compare (<https://www.collegetuitioncompare.com>)

## FACULTY AND STAFF STATISTICS

*Last Ten Academic Years*

Numbers are Based on the October 1st Freeze Date from the Clemson University Business System

	For the Academic Year									
	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
<b>Faculty</b>										
Part-time	416	386	288	110	125	122	132	117	97	100
Full-time	1,688	1,628	1,581	1,542	1,516	1,468	1,415	1,379	1,334	1,288
Percentage tenured	34.1 %	35.9 %	38.2 %	41.2 %	41.4 %	40.5 %	41.6 %	43.4 %	44.7 %	45.3 %
<b>Staff and administrators with faculty rank</b>										
Part-time	223	189	227	253	260	245	282	324	326	238
Full-time	3,954	3,642	3,602	3,680	3,663	3,557	3,439	3,413	3,306	3,274
<b>Total employees</b>										
Part-time	639	575	515	363	385	367	414	1,372	1,226	1,138
Full-time	5,642	5,270	5,183	5,231	5,179	5,025	4,854	3,850	3,837	3,762
<b>Students per full-time</b>										
Faculty	17.0	17.8	17.6	17.5	17.0	17.0	17.2	19.5	19.1	18.7
Staff	7.3	7.8	7.5	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.1	8.8	8.6	8.4
<b>Average annual faculty salary*</b>	\$ 117,380	\$ 110,488	\$ 104,078	\$ 103,099	\$ 104,678	\$ 99,157	\$ 95,413	\$ 94,510	\$ 92,110	\$ 91,984

\*Full-time, permanent, instructional in Academic departments (AAUP definition)

**Note:** Full-time includes all regular full-time employees, and part-time includes all part-time and all temporary employees.

**Source:** Clemson University Office of Institutional Research (<https://www.clemson.edu/institutional-effectiveness/oir/factbook/>)

## DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS

*State of South Carolina*

Year	Personal Income as of June 30 (a)	Population at July 1 (b)	Per Capita Income (c)	Average Annual Unemployment Rate (d)
2024	\$285,459,362,265	5,373,555	\$53,123	3.0%
2023	281,670,044,880	5,282,634	53,320	3.2%
2022	270,300,772,170	5,190,705	52,074	4.0%
2021	247,867,336,080	5,218,040	47,502	6.2%
2020	233,308,826,196	5,148,714	45,314	2.8%
2019	217,275,251,472	5,084,127	42,736	3.4%
2018	203,090,019,349	5,024,369	40,421	4.3%
2017	198,764,838,900	4,987,575	39,852	4.8%
2016	186,286,895,732	4,869,991	38,252	6.0%
2015	178,482,890,188	4,832,482	36,934	6.6%

**(a) Source:** U.S. Board of Economic Analysis

**(b) Source:** U.S. Board of Economic Analysis

**(c) Source:** U.S. Board of Economic Analysis

**(d) Source:** U.S. Department of Labor

## TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS

State of South Carolina  
Latest Completed Calendar Year and Ten Years Prior  
(Listed Alphabetically)

2023	2013
BMW Manufacturing Corp.	Bi-Lo, Inc.
Department of Defense	Blue Cross Blue Shield of South Carolina
Food Lion, LLC	U.S. Department of Defense
Medical University of South Carolina Hospital Authority	Greenville Hospital System
Michelin North America, Inc.	Michelin North America, Inc.
Prisma Health Upstate	Palmetto Health Alliance, Inc.
Publix Super Markets, Inc.	Greenville County School District
School District of Greenville County	University of South Carolina
Spartanburg Regional Medical Center	U.S. Postal Service
Walmart Associates, Inc.	Walmart Associates, Inc.

**Note:** Due to confidentiality issues, the number of employees for each company is not available, and the employers are listed alphabetically rather than in order of size.

**Source:** South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce for 2013 and 2023







***Additional Financial Information***  
***(unaudited)***

**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY**  
**SCHEDULE OF PLEDGED NET REVENUES**  
**AUXILIARY REVENUE BONDS (SERIES 2015, 2015B and 2023A)**

For the year ended June 30, 2024

<b>Description</b>	<b>Dining Services</b>	<b>Vending Operations</b>	<b>Bookstore</b>	<b>Parking Services</b>	<b>Housing</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Student meal plans	\$ 34,833,150	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 34,833,150
Other	2,956,889	102,431	—	28,171	(314,782)	2,772,709
Residence halls	—	—	—	—	60,285,599	60,285,599
Campus vending machines	—	530,416	—	—	—	530,416
ATM rental	—	188,310	—	20,902	—	209,212
Contract revenue	—	—	303,105	229,858	—	532,963
Parking permits	—	—	—	4,265,473	—	4,265,473
Transit fees	—	—	—	4,526,061	—	4,526,061
Parking citations	—	—	—	658,934	—	658,934
Meter revenue	—	—	—	789,950	—	789,950
Investment income	85,386	4,230	6,511	29,366	165,357	290,850
Total revenues	<u>37,875,425</u>	<u>825,387</u>	<u>309,616</u>	<u>10,548,715</u>	<u>60,136,174</u>	<u>109,695,317</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Salaries	—	—	—	1,465,341	8,012,605	9,477,946
Fringe benefits	—	—	—	619,229	2,488,006	3,107,235
Travel	—	—	—	47,875	158,261	206,136
Contractual services	23,464,192	—	—	3,321,152	1,449,835	28,235,179
Repairs	207,171	—	—	224,083	1,346,019	1,777,273
Telecommunications	15,538	—	—	8,487	92,558	116,583
Heat, light, and power	1,707,364	—	33,795	77,496	4,276,390	6,095,045
Water, sewer and garbage	353,808	—	1,431	49,142	721,323	1,125,704
Rents	24,679	—	—	18,664	37,593	80,936
Supplies and materials	245,061	—	—	121,563	1,514,765	1,881,389
Insurance	24,946	992	—	42,275	408,022	476,235
Other operating expenses	816,142	2,041	1,134	507,213	4,886,011	6,212,541
Capital outlay	284,187	—	—	35,731	92,340	412,258
Total expenses	<u>27,143,088</u>	<u>3,033</u>	<u>36,360</u>	<u>6,538,251</u>	<u>25,483,728</u>	<u>59,204,460</u>
<b>Net revenues</b>	<b><u>\$ 10,732,337</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 822,354</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 273,256</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,010,464</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 34,652,446</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 50,490,857</u></b>

# CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

## SCHEDULE OF PLEDGED NET REVENUES ATHLETIC FACILITIES REVENUE BONDS (SERIES 2012, 2014A, 2014B, 2014C, 2015, 2015B, 2018A, 2021A and 2021B)

For the year ended June 30, 2024

Description	Football	Basketball	Other Sports	Non Program Specific	Total
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Ticket sales	\$ 34,564,663	\$ 1,931,546	\$ 2,776,745	\$ —	\$ 39,272,954
Direct institutional support	2,000,209	526,756	4,292,129	6,554,690	13,373,784
Contributions	10,156,020	2,053,120	9,540,089	48,145,770	69,894,999
In kind car leases	62,283	66,475	42,500	58,133	229,391
Media rights - broadcast, television, radio and internet	26,050,920	4,597,221	—	—	30,648,141
NCAA distributions including all tournament revenues	441,518	2,233,410	1,677,419	187,992	4,540,339
Conference distributions including all tournament revenues	8,307,642	443,119	291,521	—	9,042,282
Program sales, concessions, novelty sales and parking	1,261,007	181,333	432,755	236,447	2,111,542
Royalties, advertisements and sponsorships	1,920,000	680,000	2,220,975	16,350,604	21,171,579
Sports camp revenues	707,999	—	—	—	707,999
Endowment and investment income	84,199	32,385	23,451	201,866	341,901
Other revenue	29,331	10,735	208,170	638,284	886,520
Bowl revenues	1,686,675	—	—	—	1,686,675
Total revenues	<u>87,272,466</u>	<u>12,761,100</u>	<u>21,515,754</u>	<u>72,373,786</u>	<u>193,923,106</u>
<b>Operating Expenditures:</b>					
Athletic student aid	7,251,289	1,998,496	13,572,782	1,679,857	24,502,424
Guarantees	1,600,000	508,000	103,979	—	2,211,979
Coaching salaries, benefits and bonuses paid by the institution and related entities	17,308,240	6,570,785	9,485,327	—	33,364,352
Support staff/administrative salaries, benefits and bonuses paid by the institution and related entities	10,496,949	1,551,936	1,164,470	22,667,084	35,880,439
Severance Pay	1,098,750	18,667	—	—	1,117,417
Recruiting	3,129,468	465,572	1,190,392	—	4,785,432
Team travel	2,452,680	2,980,701	5,748,534	—	11,181,915
Equipment, uniforms and supplies	2,902,469	711,485	2,961,786	—	6,575,740
Game expenses	4,459,866	770,993	2,266,237	853,903	8,350,999
Fund raising, marketing and promotion	249,080	273,430	207,846	5,073,704	5,804,060
Sports camp expenses	677,111	—	—	—	677,111
Spirit group expenses	—	—	—	671,857	671,857
Direct facilities, maintenance and rental	3,314,811	1,007,053	1,080,637	1,568,191	6,970,692
Medical and insurance expenses	828,814	114,248	741,731	560,031	2,244,824
Dues and membership expenses	8,775	4,781	24,282	66,808	104,646
Student-Athlete meals (non-travel)	3,360,702	287,392	676,619	1,411,151	5,735,864
Other operating expenses	5,692,739	914,598	1,259,162	9,074,701	16,941,200
Bowl expenses	2,228,238	—	—	—	2,228,238
Bowl bonuses	727,037	—	—	—	727,037
Total operating expenditures	<u>67,787,018</u>	<u>18,178,137</u>	<u>40,483,784</u>	<u>43,627,287</u>	<u>170,076,226</u>
<b>Net Revenues</b>	<u>\$ 19,485,448</u>	<u>\$ (5,417,037)</u>	<u>\$ (18,968,030)</u>	<u>\$ 28,746,499</u>	<u>\$ 23,846,880</u>

**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY REPORTING ENTITY**  
**COMBINED STATEMENT OF NET/FINANCIAL POSITION**

For the year ended June 30, 2024

Description	Clemson University	Clemson University Foundation	Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation	IPTAY	Subtotal	Eliminations	FY24 Total	FY23 Total
<b>Assets:</b>								
<b>Current Assets:</b>								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 689,661,129	\$ 65,222,382	\$ 3,886,340	\$ 13,299,691	\$ 772,069,542	\$ —	\$ 772,069,542	\$ 768,823,538
<b>Restricted Assets - Current:</b>								
Cash and cash equivalents	457,856,491	—	—	—	457,856,491	—	457,856,491	449,254,072
Accounts receivable, net	314,854,922	10,960,272	1,121,807	828,280	327,765,281	(13,144,413)	314,620,868	88,433,003
Grants and contracts receivable	67,395,468	—	—	—	67,395,468	—	67,395,468	46,310,255
Lease obligation receivable	12,253	—	—	—	12,253	—	12,253	388,755
Contributions receivable, net	2,529,731	20,443,839	—	24,983,267	47,956,837	—	47,956,837	77,803,808
Interest and income receivable	7,992,408	—	—	—	7,992,408	—	7,992,408	6,863,667
Student loans receivable	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8,502
Inventories	2,850,993	—	—	—	2,850,993	—	2,850,993	2,486,015
Prepaid items	23,431,603	711,813	—	—	24,143,416	—	24,143,416	16,424,818
Other current assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	65,011
Total current assets	1,566,584,998	97,338,306	5,008,147	39,111,238	1,708,042,689	(13,144,413)	1,694,898,276	1,456,861,444
<b>Noncurrent Assets:</b>								
Notes receivable	\$ 263,073,236	263,073,236	—	—	526,146,472	(263,073,236)	263,073,236	243,957,147
Lease obligation receivable	208,434	—	7,871,859	—	8,080,293	(7,871,859)	208,434	99,101
Contributions receivable, net	1,988,298	50,777,571	—	56,648,274	109,414,143	(127,067,484)	(17,653,341)	(60,747,848)
Investments	5,107,460	986,603,034	91,761,592	58,606,452	1,142,078,538	(23,594,295)	1,118,484,243	1,045,865,681
Cash surrender value of life insurance	—	5,493,509	—	—	5,493,509	—	5,493,509	4,564,917
<b>Restricted Assets - Noncurrent</b>								
Cash and cash equivalents	2,509,915	—	—	—	2,509,915	—	2,509,915	2,317,094
Student loans receivable	1,163,321	—	—	—	1,163,321	—	1,163,321	1,711,536
Other noncurrent assets	6,033,939	—	751,552	90,893	6,876,384	—	6,876,384	814,931
Real estate held for resale	—	—	11,032,236	—	11,032,236	—	11,032,236	11,251,128
Capital assets, not being depreciated	258,244,041	—	—	—	258,244,041	—	258,244,041	266,526,964
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	1,614,286,498	9,101,047	—	—	1,623,387,545	—	1,623,387,545	1,409,964,937
Total noncurrent assets	2,152,615,142	1,315,048,397	111,417,239	115,345,619	3,694,426,397	(421,606,874)	3,272,819,523	2,926,325,588
Total assets	3,719,200,140	1,412,386,703	116,425,386	154,456,857	5,402,469,086	(434,751,287)	4,967,717,799	4,383,187,032

Description	Clemson University Land Stewardship				Subtotal	Eliminations	FY24 Total	FY23 Total
	Clemson University	Clemson University Foundation	Foundation	IPTAY				
<b>Deferred outflows of resources:</b>								
Deferred losses on bond refunding	2,375,318	—	—	—	2,375,318	—	2,375,318	2,780,771
Deferred outflows on net pension liability	117,174,812	—	—	—	117,174,812	—	117,174,812	100,469,957
Deferred outflows on net retiree health benefits liability	177,935,670	—	—	—	177,935,670	—	177,935,670	208,001,510
Total deferred outflows of resources	297,485,800	—	—	—	297,485,800	—	297,485,800	311,252,238
<b>Total assets and deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>\$4,016,685,940</b>	<b>\$1,412,386,703</b>	<b>\$ 116,425,386</b>	<b>\$ 154,456,857</b>	<b>\$5,699,954,886</b>	<b>\$(434,751,287)</b>	<b>\$5,265,203,599</b>	<b>\$4,694,439,270</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>								
<i>Current Liabilities</i>								
Accounts and retainages payable	\$ 68,656,725	\$ 2,992,046	\$ 996,029	\$ 8,603,897	\$ 81,248,697	\$ (13,144,413)	\$ 68,104,284	\$ 56,136,030
Accrued payroll and related liabilities	36,224,751	—	—	—	36,224,751	—	36,224,751	32,814,386
Accrued compensated absences and related liabilities	18,924,781	—	—	—	18,924,781	—	18,924,781	15,437,806
Accrued interest payable	6,991,695	—	51,231	—	7,042,926	—	7,042,926	6,535,006
Unearned revenues	68,732,923	—	1,850,885	—	70,583,808	—	70,583,808	65,123,198
Bonds payable, net	194,928,910	—	—	—	194,928,910	—	194,928,910	33,118,317
Lease obligations payable	4,328,533	—	—	—	4,328,533	—	4,328,533	4,063,335
Subscription obligations payable	10,847,892	—	—	—	10,847,892	—	10,847,892	9,748,669
Notes payable	1,688,055	—	1,132,195	—	2,820,250	—	2,820,250	325,023
Deposits	6,645,276	—	140,675	—	6,785,951	—	6,785,951	8,232,200
Funds held for others	(431,162)	—	—	—	(431,162)	—	(431,162)	418,356
Total current liabilities	417,538,379	2,992,046	4,171,015	8,603,897	433,305,337	(13,144,413)	420,160,924	231,952,326
<i>Noncurrent Liabilities:</i>								
Accrued compensated absences and related liabilities	19,358,219	—	—	—	19,358,219	—	19,358,219	19,979,194
Due to the University	—	263,073,236	—	—	263,073,236	(263,073,236)	—	—
Deposits	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,203,418
Funds held for others	1,406,719	127,067,484	23,594,295	—	152,068,498	(150,661,779)	1,406,719	2,033,047
Net pension liability	742,129,134	—	—	—	742,129,134	—	742,129,134	725,933,681
Net retiree health benefits liability	565,549,097	—	—	—	565,549,097	—	565,549,097	650,268,081
Bonds payable, net	793,485,639	—	—	—	793,485,639	—	793,485,639	769,390,249
Lease obligations payable	15,371,119	—	—	—	15,371,119	(7,871,859)	7,499,260	4,778,822
Subscription obligations payable	16,982,172	—	—	—	16,982,172	—	16,982,172	21,629,627
Notes payable	38,219,825	—	44,533,290	—	82,753,115	—	82,753,115	88,609,785
Annuities payable	—	2,706,684	—	—	2,706,684	—	2,706,684	3,136,746
Total noncurrent liabilities	2,192,501,924	392,847,404	68,127,585	—	2,653,476,913	(421,606,874)	2,231,870,039	2,291,962,650
Total liabilities	2,610,040,303	395,839,450	72,298,600	8,603,897	3,086,782,250	(434,751,287)	2,652,030,963	2,523,914,976

Description	Clemson University	Clemson University Foundation	Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation	IPTAY	Subtotal	Eliminations	FY24 Total	FY23 Total
<b>Deferred inflows of resources:</b>								
Deferred inflows on leases receivable	257,237	—	—	—	257,237	—	257,237	942,177
Deferred inflows on net pension liability	3,504,045	—	—	—	3,504,045	—	3,504,045	3,906,948
Deferred inflows on net retiree health benefits liability	313,988,149	—	—	—	313,988,149	—	313,988,149	270,607,912
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>317,749,431</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>317,749,431</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>317,749,431</u>	<u>275,457,037</u>
<b>Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b><u>\$2,927,789,734</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 395,839,450</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 72,298,600</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 8,603,897</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,404,531,681</u></b>	<b><u>\$(434,751,287)</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,969,780,394</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,799,372,013</u></b>
<b>Net Position</b>								
Net investment in capital assets	\$1,044,242,283	\$ 9,101,047	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,053,343,330	\$ —	\$1,053,343,330	\$ 918,785,458
<b>Restricted for non expendable purposes:</b>								
Scholarships and fellowships	59,541,662	—	—	—	59,541,662	—	59,541,662	59,169,589
<b>Restricted for expendable purposes:</b>								
Scholarships and fellowships	28,292,276	940,875,491	—	—	969,167,767	—	969,167,767	885,716,471
Research	6,129,953	—	—	—	6,129,953	—	6,129,953	6,037,777
Instructional/departmental use	23,706,142	—	—	—	23,706,142	—	23,706,142	13,262,441
Loans	2,209,433	—	—	—	2,209,433	—	2,209,433	2,117,466
Capital projects	415,677,205	—	—	—	415,677,205	—	415,677,205	308,148,341
Debt service	9,927,547	—	—	—	9,927,547	—	9,927,547	9,629,265
Unrestricted	(500,830,295)	66,570,715	44,126,786	145,852,960	(244,279,834)	—	(244,279,834)	(307,799,551)
<b>Total net position</b>	<b><u>\$1,088,896,206</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,016,547,253</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 44,126,786</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 145,852,960</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,295,423,205</u></b>	<b><u>\$ —</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,295,423,205</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,895,067,257</u></b>

**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY REPORTING ENTITY**  
**COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**

For the year ended June 30, 2024

Description	Clemson University	Clemson University Foundation	Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation	IPTAY	Subtotal	Eliminations	FY24 Total	FY23 Total
<b>Revenues:</b>								
<i>Operating Revenues:</i>								
Student tuition and fees (net of scholarship allowances of \$121,636,030)	\$ 571,963,228	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 571,963,228	\$ —	\$ 571,963,228	\$ 566,607,703
Federal grants and contracts	187,768,393	—	289,668	—	188,058,061	—	188,058,061	155,166,696
State grants and contracts	90,002,089	—	—	—	90,002,089	—	90,002,089	85,874,957
Local grants and contracts	1,700,509	—	—	—	1,700,509	—	1,700,509	2,230,666
Nongovernmental grants and contracts	11,002,063	—	—	—	11,002,063	—	11,002,063	12,894,284
Sales and services of educational and other activities	26,465,501	—	—	—	26,465,501	—	26,465,501	26,040,865
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises - pledged for revenue bonds (net of scholarship allowances of \$17,426,403)	191,479,734	—	—	—	191,479,734	—	191,479,734	183,224,533
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises - not pledged	43,369,250	—	—	—	43,369,250	—	43,369,250	35,649,316
Other operating revenues	42,418,288	2,270,033	5,961,033	—	50,649,354	(1,845,882)	48,803,472	49,402,371
Total operating revenues	<u>1,166,169,055</u>	<u>2,270,033</u>	<u>6,250,701</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,174,689,789</u>	<u>(1,845,882)</u>	<u>1,172,843,907</u>	<u>1,117,091,391</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>								
<i>Operating Expenses:</i>								
Compensation and employee benefits	804,219,209	5,933,116	478,371	4,075,003	814,705,699	(924,737)	813,780,962	751,062,994
Services and supplies	419,098,626	47,969,127	2,546,556	79,765,429	549,379,738	(110,861,895)	438,517,843	412,098,710
Utilities	28,857,714	—	—	—	28,857,714	—	28,857,714	25,626,488
Depreciation and amortization	93,989,565	27,783	218,892	—	94,236,240	—	94,236,240	89,114,031
Scholarships and fellowships	43,739,512	—	—	—	43,739,512	—	43,739,512	40,202,398
Total operating expenses	<u>1,389,904,626</u>	<u>53,930,026</u>	<u>3,243,819</u>	<u>83,840,432</u>	<u>1,530,918,903</u>	<u>(111,786,632)</u>	<u>1,419,132,271</u>	<u>1,318,104,621</u>
Operating income/(loss)	<u>(223,735,571)</u>	<u>(51,659,993)</u>	<u>3,006,882</u>	<u>(83,840,432)</u>	<u>(356,229,114)</u>	<u>109,940,750</u>	<u>(246,288,364)</u>	<u>(201,013,230)</u>

Description	Clemson University	Clemson University Foundation	Clemson University Land Stewardship Foundation	IPTAY	Subtotal	Eliminations	FY24 Total	FY23 Total
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):</b>								
State appropriations	240,691,223	—	—	—	240,691,223	—	240,691,223	180,210,631
Federal appropriations	12,309,547	—	—	—	12,309,547	—	12,309,547	12,844,759
Gifts and grants	142,387,848	47,883,799	—	76,482,360	266,754,007	(107,327,329)	159,426,678	204,487,878
Interest income (loss)	32,270,026	96,843,113	94,672	398,815	129,606,626	—	129,606,626	64,099,975
Endowment income (loss)	25,177,938	1,211,428	(8,740,137)	5,675,055	23,324,284	—	23,324,284	20,384,721
Interest on capital asset related debt	(30,714,124)	—	(1,637,052)	(33,750)	(32,384,926)	—	(32,384,926)	(28,752,664)
Other nonoperating revenues	339,043	—	—	—	339,043	—	339,043	117,992
Gain/loss on disposal of capital assets	(2,263,659)	—	—	—	(2,263,659)	—	(2,263,659)	(473,430)
Refunds to grantors	(671,690)	—	—	—	(671,690)	—	(671,690)	(1,088,154)
Facilities and administrative remittances to the State	(450,857)	—	—	—	(450,857)	—	(450,857)	(477,955)
Net nonoperating revenues	<u>419,075,295</u>	<u>145,938,340</u>	<u>(10,282,517)</u>	<u>82,522,480</u>	<u>637,253,598</u>	<u>(107,327,329)</u>	<u>529,926,269</u>	<u>451,353,753</u>
Income before other revenues, expenses, gains or losses	195,339,724	94,278,347	(7,275,635)	(1,317,952)	281,024,484	2,613,421	283,637,905	250,340,523
State capital appropriations	112,781,573	—	—	—	112,781,573	—	112,781,573	64,001,000
Capital grants and gifts	9,850,913	—	—	—	9,850,913	(6,025,458)	3,825,455	2,115,475
Intra-entity contributions	—	(3,347,137)	—	(64,900)	(3,412,037)	3,412,037	—	—
Additions to permanent endowments	111,015	—	—	—	111,015	—	111,015	27,025
Increase (decrease) in net position	<u>318,083,225</u>	<u>90,931,210</u>	<u>(7,275,635)</u>	<u>(1,382,852)</u>	<u>400,355,948</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>400,355,948</u>	<u>316,484,023</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>								
Net position, beginning of year, as originally stated	770,812,981	925,616,043	51,402,421	147,235,812	1,895,067,257	—	1,895,067,257	1,576,027,815
Restatement	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,555,419
Net position, beginning of year, as restated	<u>770,812,981</u>	<u>925,616,043</u>	<u>51,402,421</u>	<u>147,235,812</u>	<u>1,895,067,257</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,895,067,257</u>	<u>1,578,583,234</u>
<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<b><u>\$1,088,896,206</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,016,547,253</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 44,126,786</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 145,852,960</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,295,423,205</u></b>	<b><u>\$ —</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,295,423,205</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,895,067,257</u></b>





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