
**GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA,
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
AND
ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA,
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

**COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 AND 2018**



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Audit Committee
Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star and
Endowment Fund of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star
Yorba Linda, California

We have audited the accompanying combined financial statements of *Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star and Endowment Fund of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star* (a nonprofit organization and affiliate), which comprise the combined statements of financial position as of September 30, 2019 and 2018, and the related combined statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the combined financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Combined Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these combined financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of combined financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these combined financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the combined financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the combined financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the combined financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the combined financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the combined financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of *Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star and Endowment Fund of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star* as of September 30, 2019 and 2018, and the changes in their net assets and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Correction of Error

As discussed in Note 13 to the combined financial statements, certain errors resulting in overstatement of amounts previously reported for beneficial interest in perpetual trusts and bequests with donor restrictions as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, were discovered by management during the current year. Accordingly, amounts reported for beneficial interest in perpetual trusts and bequests with donor restrictions have been restated in the September 30, 2018, combined financial statements now presented, and an adjustment has been made to the change in net assets with donor restrictions and total net assets as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, to correct the error. Our opinion is not modified with respect to that matter.

January 29, 2020
St. Louis, Missouri

Mueller Probst LC
Certified Public Accountants

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COMBINED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
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<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 1,316,132	\$ 1,582,379
Accounts receivable	140,791	891,384
Investments, at fair value	29,524,577	28,884,133
Prepaid expenses and supplies	135,882	121,389
Due from affiliates	88	15,874
Other receivable	29,745	-
Total Current Assets	<u>31,147,215</u>	<u>31,495,159</u>
Property and Equipment, Net	5,554	9,535
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts, at fair value	<u>1,326,545</u>	<u>1,380,326</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 32,479,314</u>	<u>\$ 32,885,020</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u> 		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 36,770	\$ 117,007
Accrued expenses	14,037	25,086
Deferred revenue	72,255	13,778
Total Current Liabilities	<u>123,062</u>	<u>155,871</u>
Net Assets		
Without donor restrictions	929,262	874,985
With donor restrictions	31,426,990	31,854,164
Total Net Assets	<u>32,356,252</u>	<u>32,729,149</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 32,479,314</u>	<u>\$ 32,885,020</u>

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	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Support and Revenue			
Contributions			
Bequests	\$ 20,000	\$ 27,750	\$ 47,750
Donations	1,763	3,785	5,548
Life sponsors	-	7,680	7,680
Residents' assets	-	29,061	29,061
Members' dues	357,229	47,642	404,871
Convention revenue	107,241	-	107,241
Investment income, net	7,022	1,345,474	1,352,496
Sales of supplies	50,850	-	50,850
Administration fees	101,108	-	101,108
Miscellaneous	8,372	-	8,372
	<u>653,585</u>	<u>1,461,392</u>	<u>2,114,977</u>
Net Assets Released from Restrictions			
Programs	25,566	(25,566)	-
Grants to Eastern Star Homes of California	1,863,000	(1,863,000)	-
	<u>1,888,566</u>	<u>(1,888,566)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Support and Revenue	<u>2,542,151</u>	<u>(427,174)</u>	<u>2,114,977</u>
Expenses			
Program services			
Member services	451,930	-	451,930
Grants to Eastern Star Homes of California	1,863,000	-	1,863,000
Support services			
Management and general	172,944	-	172,944
Total Expenses	<u>2,487,874</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,487,874</u>
Change in Net Assets	54,277	(427,174)	(372,897)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	<u>874,985</u>	<u>31,854,164</u>	<u>32,729,149</u>
Net Assets, End of Year	<u>\$ 929,262</u>	<u>\$ 31,426,990</u>	<u>\$ 32,356,252</u>

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	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Support and Revenue			
Contributions			
Bequests	\$ -	\$ 853,207	\$ 853,207
Donations	10,891	7,555	18,446
Life sponsors	-	9,310	9,310
Residents' assets	-	874,135	874,135
Members' dues	326,284	46,817	373,101
Convention revenue	64,665	-	64,665
Investment income, net	8,294	1,556,404	1,564,698
Sales of supplies	52,615	-	52,615
Administration fees	114,565	-	114,565
Miscellaneous	1,829	-	1,829
	<u>579,143</u>	<u>3,347,428</u>	<u>3,926,571</u>
Net Assets Released from Restrictions			
Programs	23,418	(23,418)	-
Grants to Eastern Star Homes of California	<u>2,360,000</u>	<u>(2,360,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Support and Revenue	<u>2,962,561</u>	<u>964,010</u>	<u>3,926,571</u>
Expenses			
Program services			
Member services	391,615	-	391,615
Grants to Eastern Star Homes of California	2,360,000	-	2,360,000
Support services			
Management and general	<u>167,971</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>167,971</u>
Total Expenses	2,919,586	-	2,919,586
Change in Net Assets	42,975	964,010	1,006,985
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	<u>832,010</u>	<u>30,890,154</u>	<u>31,722,164</u>
Net Assets, End of Year, as originally stated	874,985	32,144,192	33,019,177
Prior period adjustment	<u>-</u>	<u>(290,028)</u>	<u>(290,028)</u>
Net Assets, End of Year, restated	<u>\$ 874,985</u>	<u>\$ 31,854,164</u>	<u>\$ 32,729,149</u>

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
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	<u>Program Services</u>			<u>Support Services</u>	
	<u>Member Services</u>	<u>Support of Eastern Star Homes of California</u>	<u>Total Program Services</u>	<u>Management and General</u>	<u>Total</u>
Grants to Eastern Star Homes of California	\$ -	\$ 1,863,000	\$ 1,863,000	\$ -	\$ 1,863,000
Cost of sales	30,330	-	30,330	-	30,330
Allowances	-	-	-	44,080	44,080
Schools and training	2,805	-	2,805	-	2,805
Convention	111,224	-	111,224	-	111,224
Depreciation	3,145	-	3,145	836	3,981
Insurance	62,569	-	62,569	16,632	79,201
Equipment rental and maintenance	15,567	-	15,567	4,138	19,705
Office supplies	8,044	-	8,044	2,138	10,182
Rent	11,999	-	11,999	3,189	15,188
Other office expenses	2,646	-	2,646	703	3,349
Telephone	2,161	-	2,161	575	2,736
Utilities	1,439	-	1,439	383	1,822
Contract services	11,231	-	11,231	2,986	14,217
Licenses and other taxes	2,271	-	2,271	604	2,875
Salaries and wages	146,110	-	146,110	38,840	184,950
Payroll taxes	12,483	-	12,483	3,318	15,801
Employee benefits	19,150	-	19,150	5,090	24,240
Other employee related expenses	8,756	-	8,756	2,328	11,084
Professional fees	-	-	-	47,104	47,104
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 451,930</u>	<u>\$ 1,863,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,314,930</u>	<u>\$ 172,944</u>	<u>\$ 2,487,874</u>

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	Program Services			Support Services	
	Support of Eastern Star Homes of California			Management	
	Member	Eastern Star Homes of California	Total	Management	Total
Grants to Eastern Star Homes of California	\$ -	\$ 2,360,000	\$ 2,360,000	\$ -	\$ 2,360,000
Cost of sales	30,928	-	30,928	-	30,928
Allowances	-	-	-	44,020	44,020
Schools and training	136	-	136	-	136
Convention	61,997	-	61,997	-	61,997
Depreciation	6,024	-	6,024	1,699	7,723
Insurance	62,493	-	62,493	17,626	80,119
Equipment rental and maintenance	15,429	-	15,429	4,352	19,781
Office supplies	5,565	-	5,565	1,569	7,134
Rent	12,426	-	12,426	3,505	15,931
Other office expenses	1,089	-	1,089	307	1,396
Telephone	2,080	-	2,080	587	2,667
Utilities	1,369	-	1,369	386	1,755
Contract services	11,407	-	11,407	3,217	14,624
Licenses and other taxes	3,048	-	3,048	860	3,908
Salaries and wages	136,761	-	136,761	38,574	175,335
Payroll taxes	11,652	-	11,652	3,287	14,939
Employee benefits	17,442	-	17,442	4,919	22,361
Other employee related expenses	11,769	-	11,769	3,319	15,088
Professional fees	-	-	-	39,744	39,744
Total Expenses	\$ 391,615	\$ 2,360,000	\$ 2,751,615	\$ 167,971	\$ 2,919,586

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 COMBINED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
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	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Change in net assets	\$ (372,897)	\$ 1,006,985
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash used in operating activities		
Depreciation	3,981	7,723
Change in value of beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	(12,484)	(643,101)
Contributions restricted for endowment fund	(17,940)	(85,998)
Realized and unrealized gains on investments	(554,153)	(939,605)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		
Accounts receivable	750,593	(714,951)
Prepaid expenses and supplies	(14,493)	22,179
Other receivable	(29,745)	-
Accounts payable	(80,237)	3,994
Accrued expenses	(11,049)	7,739
Deferred revenue	58,477	(20,219)
Due from affiliates	15,786	(15,874)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	<u>(264,161)</u>	<u>(1,371,128)</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Purchases of property and equipment	-	(2,415)
Proceeds from sale of investments	3,339,129	3,530,021
Purchase of investments, including reinvested dividends	(3,359,155)	(1,775,707)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities	<u>(20,026)</u>	<u>1,751,899</u>
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Contributions restricted for endowment fund	17,940	85,998
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	<u>17,940</u>	<u>85,998</u>
Net Change in Cash	<u>(266,247)</u>	<u>466,769</u>
Cash, Beginning of year	<u>1,582,379</u>	<u>1,115,610</u>
Cash, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,316,132</u>	<u>\$ 1,582,379</u>

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NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

NOTE 1 NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star (the “Grand Chapter”) is a California not-for-profit unincorporated association which promotes and practices charity and fraternalism. *Endowment Fund of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star* (the “Endowment Fund”) is a separate IRS Section 501(c)(3) organization of the Grand Chapter used to support Eastern Star Homes of California (the “Homes”), a related not-for-profit organization founded by the Grand Chapter.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Principles of Combination

The accompanying combined financial statements include the accounts of Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star and the Endowment Fund (collectively, the “Organization”), which are under common control. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in combination.

The combined financial statements do not include the financial position or results of activities of the Eastern Star Homes of California or local chapters throughout the State of California, or the California Eastern Star Foundation, related not-for-profit organizations. Management has evaluated the structure and relationships of these related organizations in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification (“FASB” (“ASC”)) 958-810 and determined that consolidation would not be required or appropriate as the Grand Chapter does not have a controlling financial and/or economic interest in these organizations.

Basis of Accounting

The combined financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”).

Combined Financial Statement Presentation of Net Assets

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions – Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor (or certain grantor) restrictions.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions – Net assets subject to donor- (or certain grantor-) imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Gifts of long-lived assets and gifts of cash restricted for the acquisition of long-lived assets are recognized as revenue when the assets are placed in service. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. Restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both. See Note 9 and Note 10 for disclosures of donor restrictions that are perpetual in nature.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Concentrations

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Organization to concentrations of credit risk, consist primarily of cash deposits and money market funds at financial institutions. The Organization maintains its cash and cash equivalents with high-credit quality financial institutions. At times, such amounts may exceed federally insured limits.

The Organization's investments are subject to various risks, such as interest rate, credit and overall market volatility risks. Further, because of the significance of the investments to the Organization's financial position and the level of risk inherent in most investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of these investments could occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the combined financial statements. Management is of the opinion that the diversification of its invested assets among the various asset classes should mitigate the impact of changes.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits and all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity at date of purchase of three months or less.

Receivables

Receivables are stated at net realizable amounts. Management has elected to record bad debts using the direct write-off method. Generally accepted accounting principles require that the allowance method be used to reflect bad debts. However, the effect of the use of the direct write-off method is not materially different from the results that would have been obtained had the allowance method been followed.

Investments

Investments, other than certificates of deposit, are reported at their fair value in the combined statements of financial position. Changes in fair value that occur during a fiscal year are recognized as investment income reported for that fiscal year. Certificates of deposit held for investment are classified as investments and are reported at amortized cost. Investment income includes interest and dividend earnings, changes in fair value and any gains or losses realized upon liquidation, maturity or sale of investments, net of any investment fees.

Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is accrued when earned. Dividend income is recorded at the ex-dividend date.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is carried at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization.

Cost of normal maintenance and repairs and minor replacements are charged to expense when incurred. Major replacements or betterments of properties are capitalized. Depreciation of property and equipment is provided using the straight-line method over the assets' estimated useful lives of 3 to 5 years.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

When facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying values of long-lived assets may be impaired, the Organization performs an evaluation of recoverability by comparing the carrying values of the assets to projected future cash flows in addition to other quantitative and qualitative analyses. No impairment charges were recorded for the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018.

Revenue Recognition

Contributions

Contributions received, including unconditional promises to give, are recorded as revenue in the period received at their fair value. Bequests are recorded based on the liquidated value upon legal determination of the Organization's rights to the assets.

For financial reporting purposes, the Organization distinguishes between contributions with donor restrictions and without donor restrictions. Contributions for which donors have imposed restrictions limiting the use of the donated assets are reported as support and revenue with donor restrictions on the statements of activities. When such donor-imposed restrictions are met, net assets with donor restrictions are transferred to net assets without donor restrictions and reported as net assets released from restrictions on the statements of activities. Contributions of assets which donors have stipulated must be maintained in perpetuity, with only the income earned thereon available for current use, are also classified as net assets with donor restrictions. Contributions for which donors have not stipulated restrictions are reported as net assets without donor restrictions.

Unconditional promises to give, with payments due in future periods, are reported as restricted support. Gifts of land, buildings and equipment are recorded as support without donor restrictions unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as restricted support. Absent explicit donor stipulation, the Organization reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service. Promises to give, which depend on the occurrence of a specified future and uncertain event to bind the promisor, are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met, that is, when the conditional promise becomes unconditional.

Residents' Assets

Revenue from residents' assets represents contributions to the Endowment Fund by asset transfer residents upon admission into the Homes. The recognition of this revenue is considered to be a contribution, which is restricted for the costs of services rendered by the Homes. The services to be rendered are consistent with the Homes' mission of providing housing to members of the Order of the Eastern Star and the purpose of the Organization's endowment fund is to support the Homes. Upon completion of a 90-day right-of-return period, residents' assets are recognized as time or purpose restricted contributions on the 91st day after a resident has been admitted to the Homes under a Life Care Contract. Revenue is recorded based on the estimated liquidated value of the contributed assets.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Revenue Recognition (Continued)

Other Revenue

All non-contribution revenue is recognized when earned, except for investments recorded as time or purpose restricted based on donor restrictions, and a portion of membership dues considered to be contributions to the endowment, as outlined in the Organization's Constitution and Laws.

Donated Goods, Facilities and Services

Donated non-cash assets, such as use of facilities and goods, are recorded at their fair values in the period received. Contributions of donated services that create or enhance non-financial assets, or that require specialized skills (which include accounting and legal services), are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased, if not provided by donation, are recorded at their fair values in the period received. The Organization receives a significant amount of donated services from unpaid volunteers who assist with the different functions of the Organization. No donated services have been recognized in the combined statements of activities because the criteria for recognition was not satisfied.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The Organization's functional expense methodology was developed to accurately assign each category based on several factors. Expenses are charged to program services and support services on the basis of actual use or estimated use, if actual use is not readily determinable. Management and general expenses include those expenses that are not directly identifiable with any other specific function but provide for the overall support and direction of the Organization.

The Organization has two funds for program services, which include member services and support of the Eastern Star Homes of California. The costs of providing program services and support services (management and general) have been summarized on a functional basis. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among program services and support services. The expense allocation methodology for the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, is described below.

The functional expenses for the Organization are determined, by definition, for the following categories:

- Support of the Eastern Star Homes of California
- Cost of Sales (sold only to members)
- Allowances (only provided for Grand Line elected officers)
- Schools and training (for members only)
- Convention
- Professional fees

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Functional Allocation of Expenses (Continued)

All the remaining categories are allocated by the number of Grand Chapter employees' hours worked for administrative services for the Organization and for the related organizations (Eastern Star Homes of California, California Eastern Star Foundation, General Grand Chapter, local chapters throughout the state of California). An overall allocation was derived from these worked hours and applied as either member services or management and general. The allocation was 79% program services and 21% management and general for the year ended September 30, 2019 and 78% program services and 22% management and general for the year ended September 30, 2018.

Income Taxes

Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star is a not-for-profit organization exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") and Section 23701(b) of the Revenue Taxation Code of California. The Grand Chapter obtained a group filing exemption covering the local chapters throughout the State of California during the 1940's and has included those chapters' funds in its annual exempt organization returns.

The Endowment Fund is a not-for-profit organization exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS and Section 23701(d) of the Revenue Taxation Code of California and is a publicly supported organization as described in Section 509(a) of the IRC.

Each entity is subject to income tax on net income that is derived from business activities that are unrelated to their exempt purposes. Management has determined that the Organization is not subject to unrelated business income tax and, therefore, has not filed an Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return (Form 990-T) with the Internal Revenue Service. The Grand Chapter and the Endowment Fund have no unrecognized tax liabilities or benefits recorded or unrecorded at September 30, 2019 and 2018.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the combined financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities in the combined financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Adoption of Accounting Pronouncements

The FASB Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") is the sole source of authoritative non-governmental GAAP.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Adoption of Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)

In August 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2016-14, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities*, which makes several changes to the current reporting model for nonprofit entities, including the number of net asset classifications, the classification and disclosure of underwater endowments, functional expense disclosures, and other changes. The Organization has implemented ASU 2016-14 and has adjusted the presentation in these financial statements accordingly. Note 3 – Liquidity and Availability has been presented for the year ended September 30, 2019 and the statement of functional expenses has been presented for the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, which is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018 for entities other than public business entities and outlines a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts and customers. ASU 2014-09 supersedes most current revenue recognition guidance, including industry-specific guidance, and outlines a five-step process for revenue recognition that focuses on transfer of control, as opposed to transfer of risk and reward. Major provisions include determining which goods and services are distinct and represent separate performance obligations, how variable consideration (which may include change orders and claims) is recognized, whether revenue should be recognized at a point in time or over time, and ensuring the time value of money is considered in the transaction price. ASU 2014-09 can be applied either retrospectively to each prior period presented or as a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date of adoption. Management is currently evaluating the impact of adopting ASU 2014-09 on the Organization’s financial statements.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01, *Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*, which amends the guidance in U.S. GAAP on the classification and measurement of financial instruments, in addition to certain disclosure requirements. This guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and early adoption is permitted. Management is currently evaluating the impact of adopting ASU 2016-01 on the Organization’s combined financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases: Amendments to the FASB Accounting Standards Codification*, which amends the existing guidance on accounting for leases, and is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020 for entities other than public business entities. This ASU requires the recognition of lease assets and liabilities on the statement of financial position and the disclosure of key information about leasing arrangements. Early adoption is permitted and modified retrospective application is required for leases that exist or are entered into after the beginning of the earliest comparative period in the consolidated financial statements. Management is currently evaluating the impact of adopting ASU 2016-02 on the Organization’s financial statements.

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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Recent Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)

In June 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-08, *Clarifying the Scope and the Accounting Guidance for Contributions Received and Contributions Made*. This standard is intended to address questions stemming from ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, regarding its implications on the grants and contracts of not-for-profit organizations. Entities should apply the amendments for transactions in which the entity serves as the resource recipient to annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018. For nonreciprocal transactions (contributions), the next point to consider for both parties is whether conditions have been placed on the resources provided. The presence of conditions affects the timing of revenue and expense recognition by the resource recipient and resource provider, respectively. The Organization is currently evaluating the impact that this guidance will have on its financial statements.

NOTE 3 LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY

Financial assets available for general expenditure, as well as, reductions for donor restrictions and Board-approved expenditures, within one year of the Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 2019, comprise the following.

Cash	1,316,132
Accounts receivables	140,791
Investments	29,524,577
Due from affiliated organizations	88
Other receivables	<u>29,745</u>
Total Financial Assets	31,011,333
Less: Purpose Restricted Net Assets	(17,313,143)
Perpetually Restricted Net Assets,	
Net of Interest in Beneficial Trusts	<u>(12,787,302)</u>
	(30,100,445)
Financial Assets Available to Meet General Expenditures Over the Next Twelve Months	 <u>\$910,888</u>

The Organization's operating revenue covers its ongoing, operating expenditures and it is expected to be available to meet cash needs. See Note 5, Note 9, and Note 10 regarding assets restricted in perpetuity for the Endowment Fund.

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NOTE 4 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

At September 30, 2019 and 2018, property and equipment consists of the following:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	\$ 51,637	\$ 51,637
Computer equipment and software	<u>63,630</u>	<u>63,630</u>
	115,267	115,267
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(109,713)</u>	<u>(105,732)</u>
	<u>\$ 5,554</u>	<u>\$ 9,535</u>

Depreciation expense for the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, was \$3,981 and \$7,723, respectively.

NOTE 5 INVESTMENTS

At September 30, 2019 and 2018, investments consist of the following:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Bond mutual funds	\$ 1,647,108	\$1,837,167
Money market mutual funds	599,175	663,767
Exchange traded funds	27,088,996	26,231,790
Certificates of deposit	103,006	102,825
Deposit accounts	<u>86,292</u>	<u>48,584</u>
	<u>\$ 29,524,577</u>	<u>\$ 28,884,133</u>

Investment income for the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, was as follows:

Interest and dividends	\$ 835,159	\$ 663,361
Realized and unrealized gains	553,972	939,476
Investment fees	<u>(36,635)</u>	<u>(38,139)</u>
	<u>\$ 1,352,496</u>	<u>\$ 1,564,698</u>

The Grand Chapter's Finance Committee has the sole discretion as to the investment and reinvestment of the Organization's assets (other than beneficial interests in trusts, which are invested according to the respective trustees). The Committee must invest the Organization's assets, exclusive of tangible property and revolving funds, as provided in guidelines established by the Grand Chapter's Constitution and Laws. The referenced guidelines are as follows:

- A.** Not less than 20% of the assets subject to investment under these guidelines, as valued at the time of deposit or purchase (and disregarding any automatic reinvestments of income or gains), must be invested in Tier 1 and Tier 2 investments.

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NOTE 5 INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Tier 1 (Cash Reserves): The lesser of 8% of the assets subject to investment under these guidelines or two times the average annual expenditures over the prior three full calendar years must be invested in:

- i. Cash or cash equivalents,
- ii. Money market funds or accounts,
- iii. Checking accounts or savings accounts of depository institutions to the extent fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund,
- iv. Certificates of Deposit with maturities of less than two years to the extent fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund,
- v. Obligations of the United States Government or obligations whose payment is pledged by the full faith and credit of the United States Government with maturities of less than three years, or
- vi. Investment companies or investment trusts that invest in the above referenced financial instruments;

Tier 2 (Fixed Income): The balance of the 20% investment minimum under paragraph A may be invested in:

- i. Cash or cash equivalents,
- ii. Money market funds or accounts,
- iii. Checking accounts or savings accounts of depository institutions to the extent fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund,
- iv. Certificates of Deposit without regard to maturities to the extent fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund,
- v. Obligations of the United States Government or obligations whose payment is pledged by the full faith and credit of the United States Government without regard to maturities,
- vi. Corporate notes and bonds that are at least investment grade and are fully registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and whose issuers have a market capitalization of at least \$500 million,
- vii. Mortgage-Backed Securities,
- viii. Commercial Paper that is at least investment grade,
- ix. Banker's Acceptances,
- x. Investment companies or investment trusts that invest in the above referenced financial instruments, or
- xi. Such other prudent and appropriate investments as may be approved from time to time by the Worthy Grand Matron after consultation with the Finance Committee.

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NOTE 5 INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

- B. Tier 3 (Growth Assets): No more than 80% of the assets subject to investment under these guidelines, as valued at the time of deposit or purchase (and disregarding any automatic reinvestments of income or gains), may be invested in:
- i. Common stocks which must be fully registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and whose issuers have a market capitalization of at least \$500 million;
 - ii. Preferred stocks;
 - iii. Master Limited Partnerships;
 - iv. Convertible Notes and Bonds;
 - v. Convertible Preferred Stocks;
 - vi. ADRs (American Depositary Receipts) of non-U.S. companies;
 - vii. Publicly traded REITs (Real Estate Investment Trusts);
 - viii. Investment companies or investment trusts that invest in the above referenced financial instruments; or
 - ix. Such other prudent and appropriate investments as may be approved from time to time by the Worthy Grand Matron after consultation with the Finance Committee.

NOTE 6 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Organization values its financial assets and liabilities at the fair market value defined as 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. In order to increase consistency and comparability in fair value measurements, a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes observable and unobservable inputs is used to measure fair value into three broad levels, which are described below:

Level I: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical asset or liabilities. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to Level I inputs.

Level II: Observable inputs other than Level I prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in inactive markets or model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data.

Level III: Unobservable inputs are used when little or no market data is available. The fair value hierarchy gives the lowest priority to Level III inputs.

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

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NOTE 6 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Fair values of investments measured on a recurring basis at September 30, 2019, are as follows:

	<u>Level I</u>	<u>Level II</u>	<u>Level III</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bond mutual funds	\$ 1,647,108	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,647,108
Money market mutual funds	599,175	-	-	599,175
Exchange traded funds	27,088,996	-	-	27,088,996
Deposit accounts	86,292	-	-	86,292
Certificates of deposit	103,006	-	-	103,006
Beneficial interests in perpetual trusts	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,326,545</u>	<u>1,326,545</u>
Totals	\$ <u>29,524,577</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>1,326,545</u>	\$ <u>30,851,122</u>

Fair values of investments measured on a recurring basis at September 30, 2018 are as follows:

	<u>Level I</u>	<u>Level II</u>	<u>Level III</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bond mutual funds	\$ 1,837,167	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,837,167
Money market mutual funds	663,767	-	-	663,767
Exchange traded funds	26,231,790	-	-	26,231,790
Deposit accounts	48,584	-	-	48,584
Certificates of deposit	102,825	-	-	102,825
Beneficial interests in perpetual trusts	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,380,326</u>	<u>1,380,326</u>
Totals	\$ <u>28,884,133</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>1,380,326</u>	\$ <u>30,264,459</u>

Valuations of mutual funds and exchange traded funds are based on quoted prices for transactions in active exchange markets involving identical assets. For the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, there have been no changes in the valuation methodologies.

Fair value for the contributions receivable from beneficial interests in perpetual trusts are measured using the Endowment's interest in the fair value of the assets held in the trusts as reported by the trustees as of September 30, 2019 and 2018. The Endowment considers the measurement of its beneficial interests in the trusts to be Level III measurements within the fair value hierarchy because even though the measurement is based on the unadjusted fair values of the trusts' assets reported by the trustee, the Endowment will never have the ability to direct the trustees to redeem them.

The preceding methods may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Organization believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

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NOTE 6 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

The following is a reconciliation of the beginning and ending balance of assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level III) for the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018.

	Fair Value Measurements at Report Date Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level III)
	Beneficial Interests in Perpetual Trusts
<u>Year ended September 30, 2019</u>	
Balance at September 30, 2018	\$ 1,380,326
Purchases/contributions of investments	-
Investment return, net	12,484
Distributions	(66,265)
Balance at September 30, 2019	<u>\$ 1,326,545</u>
<u>Year ended at September 30, 2018</u>	
Balance at September 30, 2017	804,582
Purchases/contributions of investments	562,996
Investment return, net	80,105
Distributions	(67,357)
Balance at September 30, 2018	<u>\$ 1,380,326</u>

NOTE 7 BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN TRUSTS

Split Interest

Endowment is a 25% income beneficiary of the perpetual Simona Bruml Trust. A noncurrent asset for the beneficial interest in the trust has been recognized at fair value, based on quoted market prices, which totals \$600,092 and \$624,171 at September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Endowment is a 2% income beneficiary of the perpetual Fred and Lucille Hirsch Foundation, an irrevocable charitable trust. Thirteen income beneficiaries are to be distributed a percentage share of the net income of the trust annually. A noncurrent asset for the beneficial interest in the trust has been recognized at fair value, based on quoted market prices, which totals \$46,731 and \$49,693 at September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Endowment is a 33% income beneficiary of the perpetual Cecilia E. Murphey Fund. Three income beneficiaries are to be distributed a proportionate share of the net income of the trust annually. A noncurrent asset for the beneficial interest in the trust has been recognized at fair value, based on quoted market prices, which totals \$542,525 and \$562,996 at September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

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NOTE 7 BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN TRUSTS (CONTINUED)

Split Interest (Continued)

Endowment is a 33% income beneficiary of the perpetual Alfred Joseph Strei Trust. Three income beneficiaries are to be distributed a proportionate share of the net income of the trust annually. A noncurrent asset for the beneficial interest in the trust has been recognized at fair value, based on quoted market prices, which totals \$137,197 and \$143,466 at September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

NOTE 8 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Administrative Services

During the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, the Grand Chapter provided administrative services to its affiliates, from which it earned revenue as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Eastern Star Homes of California	\$ 77,997	\$ 84,667
California Eastern Star Foundation	17,243	21,847
	<u>\$ 95,240</u>	<u>\$ 106,514</u>

Included in due from affiliates, accounts payable and accrued expenses on the combined statements of financial position, a net \$633 was due from and a net \$52,879 was due to Homes at September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. A net \$14 was due from and a net \$6,169 was due to Foundation at September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Operating Leases

The Grand Chapter leases office spaces from the Homes as disclosed in Note 11. For the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, the Grand Chapter incurred \$15,188 and \$15,931, respectively, of rent expense on the leases.

Other Transactions

The Grand Chapter acts as an agent and collects certain dues from members of the Grand Chapter which are remitted to the Homes and California Eastern Star Foundation (the "Foundation").

During the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, the Organization had a business relationship with an insurance company owned by an officer of the Organization. For the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, the Organization paid \$79,201 and \$80,119, respectively, to the insurance company. For the years ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, there were no amounts due to the insurance company.

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NOTE 9 NET ASSETS

Net assets are comprised of the following at September 30, 2019:

	With Donor Restrictions			Totals
	Without Donor Restrictions	Restricted for Specific Purpose	Perpetually Restricted	
Without donor restrictions	\$ 929,262	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 929,262
Endowment Fund – Support of the Homes	-	17,311,973	-	17,311,973
Other	-	1,170	-	1,170
Endowment Fund	-	-	14,113,847	14,113,847
Totals	<u>\$ 929,262</u>	<u>\$ 17,313,143</u>	<u>\$ 14,113,847</u>	<u>\$ 32,356,252</u>

Net assets are comprised of the following at September 30, 2018:

	With Donor Restrictions			Totals
	Without Donor Restrictions	Restricted for Specific Purpose	Perpetually Restricted	
Without donor restrictions	\$ 874,985	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 874,985
Endowment Fund – Support of the Homes	-	17,703,306	-	17,703,306
Other	-	1,170	-	1,170
Endowment Fund	-	-	14,149,688	14,149,688
Totals	<u>\$ 874,985</u>	<u>\$ 17,704,476</u>	<u>\$ 14,149,688</u>	<u>\$ 32,729,149</u>

NOTE 10 ENDOWMENT FUND

The Organization's endowment includes donor-restricted funds. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence of donor-imposed restrictions.

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NOTE 10 ENDOWMENT FUND (CONTINUED)

The Organization has interpreted the State of California Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (“UPMIFA”) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Organization classifies as net assets with donor restrictions that are perpetual in nature: (a) the original value of gifts donated to the endowment that is perpetual in nature, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the endowment that is perpetual in nature and (c) accumulations to the endowment that is perpetual in nature made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in net assets with donor restrictions that are perpetual in nature is classified as net assets with donor restrictions with time or purpose restrictions until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Organization in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. In accordance with UPMIFA, the Organization considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds: (a) the duration and preservation of the various funds, (2) the purposes of the Organization and donor-restricted endowment funds, (3) general economic conditions, (4) the possible effect of inflation and deflation, (5) the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments, (6) other resources of the Organization and (7) the Organization’s investment policies.

Investment Return Objectives, Risk Parameters and Strategies. The Grand Chapter’s Finance Committee has the sole discretion as to the investment and reinvestment of the assets of the fund based on the guidelines described in Note 5.

The primary investment objective of these accounts is capital preservation. Actual returns in any given year may vary. Investment risk is measured in terms of the total endowment fund; investment assets and allocation between asset classes and strategies are managed to not expose the fund to unacceptable levels of risk.

Spending Policy. The Organization has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year up to 7% of its endowment fund’s average fair value of the prior three years through the fiscal year-end preceding the fiscal year in which the distribution is planned. In establishing this policy, the Organization considered the long-term expected return on its investment assets, the nature and duration of the individual endowment funds, some of which must be maintained in perpetuity because of donor-restrictions, and the possible effects of inflation.

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of September 30, 2019:

	Specific Purpose Restriction	Perpetual Restriction	Totals
Donor-restricted Endowment funds	<u>\$ 17,311,973</u>	<u>\$ 14,113,847</u>	<u>\$ 31,425,820</u>

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of September 30, 2018:

Donor-restricted Endowment funds	<u>\$ 17,703,306</u>	<u>\$ 14,149,688</u>	<u>\$31,852,994</u>
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NOTE 10 ENDOWMENT FUND (CONTINUED)

Designations of net assets. Under the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter, there is a more restrictive designation of assets than provided under UPMIFA. All assets are restricted except for the income on those assets. Endowment net asset composition under the Constitution and Laws by type of fund as of September 30, 2019, is as follows:

	<u>Specific Purpose Restricted Under UPMIFA</u>	<u>Perpetually Restricted Under UPMIFA</u>	<u>Specific Purpose Restricted Under Constitution and Laws</u>	<u>Perpetually Restricted Under Constitution and Laws</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Per UPMIFA	\$ 17,311,973	\$14,113,847	\$ -	\$ -	\$31,425,820
Undistributed Net Investment Income	1,909	-	(1,909)	-	-
Member Application Fees/Contributions	(941,179)	-	-	941,179	-
Resident Asset Assignments/Contributions	(16,372,703)	-	-	16,372,703	-
Reclassification	-	(14,113,847)	-	14,113,847	-
Per Constitution and Laws	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (1,909)</u>	<u>\$31,427,729</u>	<u>\$31,425,820</u>

Endowment net asset composition under the Constitution and Laws by type of fund as of September 30, 2018, is as follows:

	<u>Specific Purpose Restricted Under UPMIFA</u>	<u>Perpetually Restricted Under UPMIFA</u>	<u>Specific Purpose Restricted Under Constitution and Laws</u>	<u>Perpetually Restricted Under Constitution and Laws</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Per UPMIFA	\$ 17,703,306	\$14,149,688	\$ -	\$ -	\$31,852,994
Undistributed Net Investment Income	(466,127)	-	466,127	-	-
Member Application Fees/Contributions	(893,537)	-	-	893,537	-
Resident Asset Assignments/Contributions	(16,343,642)	-	-	16,343,642	-
Reclassification	-	(14,149,688)	-	14,149,688	-
Per Constitution and Laws	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 466,127</u>	<u>\$31,386,867</u>	<u>\$31,852,994</u>

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NOTE 10 ENDOWMENT FUND (CONTINUED)

The following table summarizes the activity affecting endowment net assets for the year ended September 30, 2019:

	<u>Restricted for Specific Purpose</u>	<u>Perpetually Restricted</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ 17,703,306	\$ 14,149,688	\$ 31,852,994
Contributions	151,759	17,940	169,699
Investment income/(loss), net	1,345,474	(53,781)	1,291,693
Releases for support of Eastern Star Homes of California	(1,863,000)	-	(1,863,000)
Releases for other program expenditures	<u>(25,566)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(25,566)</u>
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 17,311,973</u>	<u>\$ 14,113,847</u>	<u>\$ 31,425,820</u>

The following table summarizes the activity affecting endowment net assets for the year ended September 30, 2018:

	<u>Restricted for Specific Purpose</u>	<u>Perpetually Restricted</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ 17,401,038	\$ 13,487,946	\$ 30,888,984
Contributions	1,129,282	661,742	1,791,024
Investment income, net	1,556,404	-	1,556,404
Releases for support of Eastern Star Homes of California	(2,360,000)	-	(2,360,000)
Releases for other program expenditures	<u>(23,418)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(23,418)</u>
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 17,703,306</u>	<u>\$ 14,149,688</u>	<u>\$ 31,852,994</u>

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NOTE 11 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Operating Leases

The Grand Chapter leases office space under operating leases from the Homes expiring on November 30, 2022. Future minimum payments under the non-cancelable operating leases are as follows:

Year ending September 30,	
2020	15,415
2021	15,647
2022	15,881
2023	<u>2,653</u>
	<u>\$ 49,596</u>

Contingencies

Certain claims have been filed against the Organization in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, these matters will not have a material effect on the Organization's financial position or results of operations.

NOTE 12 CALIFORNIA CHAPTERS

At September 30, 2019 and 2018, the Grand Chapter had 134 and 143 active California chapters, respectively, which have their own boards and are responsible for their own fundraising, revenue and expenses. As of September 30, 2019 and 2018, the unaudited cash and investments, revenue and expenses of these chapters consisted of the following:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Cash and investments	\$ 23,018,973	\$ 22,519,119
Revenue	\$ 1,971,081	\$ 1,540,544
Expenses	\$ (1,471,232)	\$ (1,458,575)

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NOTE 13 PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

During the year ended September 30, 2019, the Organization determined that it is a 33% income beneficiary of the perpetual Cecilia E. Murphey Fund, as opposed to being a 50% income beneficiary. As stated in Note 7, the Organization is required to reflect its beneficial interest in perpetual trusts by recording its proportional share in the fair value of the underlying investments of each trust as of the combined statement of financial position date. Accordingly, this reduces the long-term asset balance in beneficial interest in perpetual trusts and bequest contributions by \$290,028 for the year ended September 30, 2018. See Note 7 for details regarding the beneficial interest in perpetual trusts.

This prior period adjustment decreased net assets with donor restriction by \$290,028 at September 30, 2018.

The effect of the restatement on the change in net assets and financial position as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, is as follows:

	2018	
	As previously reported	Restated
Beneficial interests in perpetual trusts	\$ 1,670,354	\$ 1,380,326
Bequests with donor restrictions	1,143,235	853,207
Change in net assets with donor restrictions	1,254,038	964,010
Net assets with donor restrictions	32,144,192	31,854,164

NOTE 14 RECLASSIFICATIONS

Certain reclassifications of investment expenses have been made to the prior year combined statement of activities to conform with the current year presentation. Total assets, total liabilities, and changes in net assets were not affected.

NOTE 15 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated by the Organization through the date of the auditors' report, which was the date the combined financial statements were available to be issued.