# **Financial Statements**

For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

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ACCOUNTANTS AND ADVISORS

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Southern University System Foundation Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Southern University System Foundation (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2017, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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 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 financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit 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 financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the 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 financial statements.

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

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#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Southern University System Foundation as of December 31, 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary schedules, Schedules I-VI, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Information

The other schedules, Schedules VII-IX, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. We have applied certain limited procedures to Schedules VII-IX in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

J. Walker & Company. APC Lake Charles, Louisiana July 25, 2018





Statement of Financial Position (Consolidated) December 31, 2017

# **ASSETS**

Current Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	
Unrestricted	\$ 881,172
Restricted	3,658,000
Accounts Receivable, net	51,050
Pledges Receivable, net	912,960
Due from Affiliate	112,782
Capitalized Lease Receivable	1,295,567
Deferred Bond Issuance Cost	608,535
Prepaid Expenses	 693,110
Total Current Assets	 8,213,176
Property, Plant, and Equipment:	
Property, Plant, and Equipment, net	 3,643,425
Total Property, Plant, and Equipment	 3,643,425
Other Assets:	
Amortization of Intangibles	4,464
Restricted Assets:	
Investments	10,416,008
Capitalized Lease Receivable	 28,356,159
Total Other Assets	 38,776,631
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 50,633,232

Statement of Financial Position (Consolidated) December 31, 2017

# **LIABILITIES**

Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	\$ 488,435
Accrued Interest Payable	483,333
Amounts Held in Custody for Others	7,755,409
Loans Payable	93,403
Bonds Payable	 1,653,934
Total Current Liabilities	 10,474,514
Non-current Liabilities:	
Loans Payable	1,321,495
Rental Deposit Fund	1,879,286
Bonds Payable, net	 23,672,737
<b>Total Non-current Liabilities</b>	 26,873,518
Total Liabilities	 37,348,032
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted	1,822,480
Temporarily Restricted	4,832,031
Permanently Restricted	 6,630,689
Total Net Assets	 13,285,200
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 50,633,232

#### Statement of Activities (Consolidated) For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

			Te	mporarily	Pe	ermanently	
	U	nrestricted	R	Restricted	]	Restricted	Total
Revenues and Support	<u></u>			_		_	_
Contributions and Other Support	\$	4,977,550	\$	-	\$	2,688,456	\$ 7,666,006
Rental Income		2,430,058		-		-	2,430,058
Bayou Classic Revenues		-		116,621		-	116,621
Administration & Donor Fees		177,289		44,322		-	221,611
Athletic Sponsorships and Support		9,100		-		-	9,100
Contributed Services		13,298		-		-	13,298
Interest Income		44,156		67,134		-	111,290
Other Income		<u>-</u>		424,664			 424,664
Total Revenues and Support		7,651,451		652,741		2,688,456	 10,992,648
Net Assets Released from Restrictions		536,120		(536,120)			 
Expenses							
Program Services		7,135,487		-		-	7,135,487
Supporting Services		1,532,469		-		-	1,532,469
Fundraising		42,783		<del>-</del>			 42,783
Total Expenses		8,710,739				<u>-</u>	 8,710,739
Investment Activities							
Net Realized (Loss) Gain		_		13,798		-	13,798
Net Unrealized (Loss) Gain		-		_		194,279	194,279
Total Investment Activities		-		13,798		194,279	 208,077
Change in Net Assets		(523,168)		130,419		2,882,735	2,489,986
Beginning Net Assets		2,345,648		4,701,612		3,747,954	 10,795,214
Ending Net Assets	\$	1,822,480	\$	4,832,031	\$	6,630,689	\$ 13,285,200

# Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Change in Net Assets	\$ 2,489,986
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to	
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities:	
Depreciation and amortization	119,695
Other noncash items	(877,574)
(Increase) decrease in:	(011,314)
Accounts receivable	34,394
Prepaid expenses	(497,944)
Amotization of intengibles	(4,464)
Pledges receivable	(254,427)
Due from affiliate	(5,818)
Deferred bond issuance cost	(608,535)
Increase (decrease) in:	, , ,
Accounts payable	21,066
Accrued interest	36,666
Retainage payable	(78,246)
Net cash (used) provided by operating activities	 374,799
Cash flows from Investing Activities	
Proceeds from sale of investments	(2,750,913)
Proceeds from note/loan collections	25,619,892
Purchases of property and equipment	(401,572)
Net cash (used) provided by investing activities	22,467,407
Cash flows from Financing Activities	
Other net asset transactions	(28,357)
Repayment of debt borrowings	(25,922,637)
Other cash received (paid)	 1,213,517
Net cash (used) provided by financing activities	(24,737,477)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(1,895,271)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	 6,434,443
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 4,539,172
Supplemental Data:	
<ol> <li>Interest paid for the year ended December 31, 2017:</li> <li>There were no material non-cash investing or financing activities during the year ended December 31, 2017.</li> </ol>	\$ 62,923

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### Note 1 – Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies

#### Organization and Purpose

The Foundation is a non-profit corporation organized to promote the educational and cultural welfare of the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, and to develop, expand, and improve the System's facilities.

The consolidated financial statements of the Foundation include:

- The Foundation as described above; and
- Millennium Housing, LLC (Millennium) a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana and owned by the Foundation. Millennium was formed to develop facilities and other auxiliary capital projects for the Southern University System.

Throughout the notes to the consolidated financial statements the Foundation and Millennium will be collectively referred to as the Foundation. The financial statements of the Foundation and Millennium have been consolidated as they are under common management.

The Foundation has entered into an agreement with the Southern University at Baton Rouge campus to jointly promote the ancillary activities of the Bayou Classic with a representative organization from Grambling State University. The promoters share joint revenues and expenses equally. The promoters engaged the services of a third party event manager to handle game management as well as sponsor solicitation. The event manager collects events proceeds and incurs expenses on behalf of the promoters and remits the net proceeds to the Foundation.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board in its Statement of Financial Accounting Standards Codification (FASB ASC) No. 958, *Financial Statements of Not-For-Profit Organizations*. Under FASB ASC No. 958, the Foundation is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets.

*Unrestricted* – Unrestricted net assets are resources available to support operations. The only limits on the use of unrestricted net assets are the broad limits resulting for the nature of the organization, the environment in which it operates, the purposes specified in its funding documents and its application for tax-exempt status, and any limits resulting from contractual agreements with creditors and others that are entered into in the course of its operations. As of December 31, 2017 the Foundation had \$1,822,480 in unrestricted net assets.

Temporarily Restricted - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met, either by actions of the Foundation and/or the passage of time. When a restriction expires, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. As of December 31, 2017, the Foundation had \$4,832,031 in temporarily restricted net assets.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### **Note 1 – Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

*Permanently Restricted* - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the Foundation. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the Foundation to use all or part of the income earned on any related investments for general or specific purposes. As of December 31, 2017, the Foundation had \$6,630,689 in permanently restricted net assets.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

For accounting and reporting purposes, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, demand deposits, and all highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. However, cash and cash equivalents that are required by donors to be maintained permanently are classified with endowment investments.

#### Endowment

Endowment investments are in short-term money market securities, equity investments, and fixed income investment. Endowment investments are carried at cost, which approximates market value. Interest earned from investments, including realized and unrealized gains and losses, is reported in the unrestricted net asset class except where the instructions of the donor specify otherwise.

#### **Pledges**

Unconditional promises to give are recognized as revenue in the period in which a written or oral agreement to contribute cash or other assets is received. An allowance for doubtful accounts is established based on the prior collection history of pledged contributions and management's analysis of specific promises made. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until they become unconditional; that is, when the donor-imposed conditions are substantially met.

#### **Investments and Investment Income**

Investments in equity securities and mutual funds are measured at fair value in the statement of financial position. Investment income or loss (including realized gains and losses on investments, interest, and dividends) is recorded as an increase in the due to affiliate liability account as the investments are held on behalf of the University.

#### Contributions

All contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Amounts received that are designated for future periods or restricted by the donor for specific purposes are reported as temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support that increases those net

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### **Note 1 – Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

asset classes. When a temporary restriction expires, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. The Foundation does not currently imply time restrictions on contributions of long-lived assets about how long the donated asset must be used.

#### <u>Functional Allocation of Expenses</u>

The costs of providing the various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and/or supporting services benefited.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Foundation operates as a public charity under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, accordingly, is exempt from federal and state income taxes and the excise tax which applies to certain foundations. However, the Foundation is subject to income tax on any unrelated business taxable income. Since the Foundation had no unrelated business income for the year ended December 31, 2017, no provision for income taxes is included in the accompanying financial statements.

The Foundation files Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and the State of Louisiana. The deadline to file the Form 990 for the tax year ended December 31, 2017 has been extended until November 15, 2018. The Foundation has not filed their 2017 Form 990 as of the date these financial statements were available to be issued. Should the Foundation's tax status be challenged in the future, the 2014, 2015, and 2016 tax years are open to examination by the IRS.

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, which clarifies the accounting and disclosure for uncertain tax positions. This interpretation requires companies to use a prescribed model for assessing the financial statement recognition and measurement of all tax positions taken or expected to be taken in tax returns. The Foundation applies a "more-likely-than-not" recognition threshold for all tax uncertainties. This approach only allows the recognition of those tax benefits that have a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities.

Management has evaluated the Foundation's tax positions and concluded the Foundation had taken no uncertain tax positions that require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

#### Compensated Absences

The Foundation accounts for compensated absences (e.g., unused vacation, sick leave) as directed by the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification No. 710-10-50-1 (FASB ASC 710-10-50-1), "Accounting for Compensated Absences". A liability for compensated absences attributable to services already rendered and not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee is accrued as employees earn the rights to benefits. As of December 31, 2017, no estimates were made for compensated absences.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### **Note 1 – Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

#### Fixed Assets

Fixed assets of the Foundation are recorded as assets and are stated at historical cost if purchased or at fair value at the date of the gift, if donated. The Foundation utilizes the straight-line method of depreciation over the estimated useful life of the asset. Additions, improvements and expenditures that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. The Foundation follows the practice of capitalizing all fixed asset purchases that exceed \$1,000. The useful lives of the Foundation's assets are estimated as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<b>Estimated Lives</b>
Furniture, Fixtures, and	
Office Equipment	5-10 years
Scoreboard Equipment	10 years
Software	5 years
Leasehold Improvements	39 years

#### Restricted Assets

Cash and cash equivalents, certificates of deposit and investments that are held on behalf of the Southern University System are classified as restricted assets in the statement of financial position along with assets held by the Bond Trustee on behalf of the Millennium Housing, LLC for the construction projects.

#### Noncurrent Liabilities

Noncurrent liabilities include principal amounts of revenue bonds payable and notes payable with contractual maturities greater than one year.

#### Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Foundation and Millennium Housing, LLC. All material intercompany transactions have been eliminated.

#### New Accounting Standards

#### **Long-term Debt and Debt Issuance Costs**

In April 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU No. 2017-03, Interest-Imputation of Interest: Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs. ASU 2017-03 requires entities to present debt issuance costs as a direct deduction from the carrying value of the related debt liability and amortization is required to be included with interest expense in the statements of operations. ASU 2017-03 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2017.

As a result, as of December 31, 2017, \$695,468 of unamortized deferred financing costs related to the Organization's mortgage payable were reclassified in the balance sheet from other assets to bond payable and for the year ended December 31, 2017. \$927,291 of amortization expense related to such deferred financing costs were reclassified to interest expense in the statement of operations, with no effect on

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### Note 1 – Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

previously reported net income (loss). Other than this reclassification, the adoption of ASU 2017-03 did not have a material impact on the Organization's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

#### Note 2 – Cash and Cash Equivalents

As of December 31, 2017, cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

Unrestricted	\$ 881,172
Restricted	 3,658,000
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 4.539.172

#### Note 3 – Accounts Receivable

As of December 31, 2017, accounts receivable totaled \$51,050. Management believes all receivables to be collectible; therefore no allowance for doubtful collection is recorded.

#### Note 4 – Pledges Receivable

Unconditional pledges receivables are due as follows at December 31, 2017:

Expected to be collected in:	
Less than one year	\$ 723,308
One to five years	500,009
Gross pledges receivable	1,223,317
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	(310,357)
Pledges receivable, net	\$ 912,960

#### Note 5 – Investments

Investments are stated at market value (fair value) in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 958-320, Accounting for Certain Investments Held by Not-For-Profit Organizations. Net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments, which consists of realized gains and losses and the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on those investments, is shown in the statement of activities. Investments consist of the following at December 31, 2017:

	<u>Carrying</u>	
<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>	Fair Value
Publicly traded securities	\$ 4,981,634	\$ 5,175,913
Fixed income investments	5,275,069	5,240,095
Total	\$10,256,703	\$ 10,416,008

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### **Note 5 – Investments (Continued)**

The above total represents the amount of investments that are maintained and managed on behalf of the Southern University System. These amounts are classified as non-current restricted assets in the Statement of Financial Position.

#### Note 6 – Capitalized Lease Receivable

The Foundation entered into a cooperative agreement with the Southern University System's Board to lease the projects included in the bond issuance. The Southern University System's Board will lease certain facilities from the Foundation under the facility lease and pay rent, subject to the appropriation, in an amount which will be sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the Series 2006 Bonds. The lease was determined to meet the requirements of a capital lease and as such, as projects are completed, they are transferred from construction in progress to Capitalized Lease Receivable. As of December 31, 2017 all projects have been completed.

The amounts due from the Southern University System's Board are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	
2018	1,410,000
2019	1,480,000
2020	1,555,000
2021	1,635,000
2022	1,715,000
2023 and thereafter	42,145,000
Total	\$ 49,940,000

#### **Note 7 – Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements" (Topic 820), Topic 820 requires disclosures that stratify balance sheet amounts measured at fair value based on the inputs used to derive fair value measurements. These strata included:

Level 1 valuations, where the valuation is based on quoted market prices for identical assets or liabilities traded in active markets (which include exchanges and over-the-counter markets with sufficient volume).

Level 2 valuations, where the valuation is based on quoted market prices for similar instruments traded in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market.

Level 3 valuations, where the valuation is generated from model-based techniques that use significant assumptions not observable in the market, but observable based on Foundation-specified data. These unobservable assumptions reflect the Foundation's own estimates for assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Valuation techniques typically include option pricing models, discounted cash flow models and similar techniques, but may also include the use of market prices of assets or liabilities that are not directly comparable to the subject asset or liability.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### **Note 7 – Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)**

Fair values of assets and liabilities measured on a recurring basis at December 31, 2017 are as follows:

<u>Description</u>	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair Value	Carrying Value
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,539,172	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,539,172	\$ 4,539,172
Receivables	51,050	-	-	51,050	51,050
Pledges receivable	=	-	912,960	912,960	912,960
Investments	10,416,008	-	-	10,416,008	10,256,703
Capital lease receivable	-	-	29,332,970	29,332,970	29,651,726
Bonds payable	-	23,820,000	-	23,820,000	25,326,671
Loans payable	=	-	1,414,898	1,414,898	1,414,898

#### Note 8 - Property, Plant, and Equipment

Land, building and equipment as of December 31, 2017 are summarized as follows:

Land and improvements	\$ 1,515,077
Construction in progress	1,044,938
Building	373,352
Office equipment	85,930
Scoreboard equipment	3,411,619
Furniture and fixtures	133,358
Software	 93,290
Subtotal	6,657,564
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	
	(3,014,139)
Total	\$ 3,643,425

Depreciation expense totaled \$119,695 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

#### Note 9 – Southern University Business Incubator

In 2014, the Foundation received a federal grant for \$1,000,000 to purchase land and build a revenue generating facility that offers eight (8) office spaces to be rented out to the public. The grant provides reimbursement of eighty percent (80%) of the expenses and the Foundation is responsible for the remaining twenty percent (20%) of expenses. The Business Incubator will be in operation in fall of 2018. Expenses have been maintained as construction in progress with a balance of \$1,044,938 on December 31, 2017.

#### **Note 10 – Other Income**

Other income is comprised of an administrative fee and lease income. The Foundation earns a monthly fee which is based upon the total cash deposits managed by the Foundation on behalf of the System. Any deposits made that are applicable to scholarships are charged an administrative fee of 2%; all additional fees are charged at 4%. The Foundation received \$221,611 in administrative fees for the year.

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#### Note 11 - Due from Affiliate / Amounts Held in Custody for Others

The Southern University System has contracted with the Foundation to invest the University's Endowed Chair for Eminent Scholars and Endowed Professorship Endowment Funds. The Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars Endowment Funds are established for \$1,000,000 with \$600,000 of private contributions and \$400,000 of state matching portion allocated by the Board of Regents for Higher Education. The Endowed Professorship Program Endowment Funds are established for \$100,000 with \$60,000 of private contributions and \$40,000 of state matching portion allocated by the Board of Regents for Higher Education. The amount due to the Southern University System as of December 31, 2017 for the Endowed chair and professorship program totaled \$7,755,409. The Foundation also has certain receivables due from the Southern University System. These receivables include costs that were initially paid by the Foundation for which a reimbursement is due from the System.

The following is a summary of the due to/from affiliate amounts as of December 31, 2017:

Amounts held in custody for others:

Southern University System \$ 7,755,409

Due from affiliate:

Reimbursable costs pertaining to bond projects due from Baton Rouge Campus

112,782

Total due from affiliate \$ 112,782

#### Note 12 – Bonds Payable

On December 13, 2006, the Louisiana Public Facilities Authority issued \$59,990,000 of Louisiana Public Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds (Series 2006) to the Foundation. The proceeds of the bonds are being used to (i) finance the design, development, acquisition, construction, installation, renovation, and equipping of (a) Student Housing Facilities to be located on the campus of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College in Baton Rouge, Louisiana (SUBR), (b) certain auxiliary student projects, including a student intramural sports complex, a portion of a football and track complex, a baseball field house and north end seating in Mumford Stadium and refinancing a loan for the football field restoration at SUBR, all equipment, furnishings, fixtures, and facilities incidental or necessary in connection therewith at SUBR, and (d) acquiring a building to be used by Southern University at Shreveport, Louisiana (SUSLA) (collectively, the "Project"), (ii) refinance portions of a bridge loan incurred to pay certain of such costs prior to delivery of the Series 2006 Bonds, (iii) pay costs of issuance including premium on the Bond Insurance Policy, (iv) fund a reserve fund, and (v) pay capitalized interest during construction of the Project.

The Foundation is required to submit certain prescribed documentation within 180 days after the last day of each Fiscal Year to the Bond Insurer and the Trust Officer. These documents include financial reports certified by independent certified public accountants, a copy of the budget, a no default certificate, a copy of the developer's certificate, and a copy of the disclosure certificate. As of December 31, 2017, the Foundation is in compliance with the terms of the bond indenture.

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#### **Note 12 – Bonds Payable (continued)**

In 2017 Millennium Housing, LLC, (a private subsidiary of the Southern University System Foundation), and the Southern University Baton Rouge Campus entered into an agreement that transferred through an act-of-cash sale in the amount of \$26,286,499 assets previously held by Millennium Housing, LLC. The transaction occurred to provide the Southern University Baton Rouge Campus with an opportunity to refinance the 2006 series bonds secured to build student apartments on the Baton Rouge Campus. The amount of bonds defeased in the transaction were \$26,120,000 leaving a balance of \$23,820,000 of bond debt outstanding from the 2006 series bond issue.

The outstanding Series 2006 bonds are required to be repaid as follows for the next five periods and thereafter.

Year Ending December 31,	
2018	675,000
2019	710,000
2020	745,000
2021	780,000
2022	817,830
2023 and thereafter	20,092,170
Total	\$ 23,820,000

Interest expense related to the bonds for the year ended December 31, 2017 totaled \$2,338,925.

#### Note 13 – Loans Payable

The Foundation also has an obligation to Whitney Bank bearing interest at 4.60%. The principal amount of the business loan agreement is \$750,000. The loan is payable in annual installments of \$95,566, including interest, and is collateralized by a stadium scoreboard with an outdoor video screen, as well as rental revenues from electronic advertisements on the Southern University campus. During the 2017 fiscal year, \$638,000 was added to the principal amount borrowed from Whitney bank.

Loan maturities for each of the five years following December 31, 2017 are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	
2018	\$ 93,403
2019	97,700
2020	102,194
2021	106,895
2022	111,811
2023 and thereafter	 786,701
Total	\$ 1,298,704

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### **Note 14 – Rental Deposit Fund**

The Bond Trust Indenture required that a Rental Deposit Fund be established on the date of issuance of the Louisiana Public Facilities Authority Series 2006 Bonds. The Rental Deposit Fund was required to be funded by the Southern Board of Supervisors. The Rental Deposit Fund was funded in an amount equal to 50% of the maximum principal and interest requirements coming due on the Series 2006 Bonds in any future fiscal year. If there is any insufficiency in the Revenue Account of the Bond fund to pay principal and interest on the Series 2006 Bonds in future fiscal years, then the monies on deposit in the Rental Deposit Fund shall be used in an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the Series 2006 Bonds.

On the final maturity date of the Series 2006 Bonds, any monies on hand in the Rental Deposit Fund shall be used to pay any principal and interest remaining on the Series 2006 Bond on such final maturity date. At December 31, 2017, the balance of the Rental Deposit Fund totaled \$1,879,286.

#### **Note 15 – Ground Lease**

Pursuant to the Cooperative Endeavor and Lease Agreement between the Foundation and the Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, the Foundation (the "Lessee") will lease the land on which the student housing facilities and certain auxiliary student facilities are being constructed and/or renovated for the Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College (the "Lessor"). The annual rents will total \$100 and the term is equal to the term of the Series 2006 bonds, terminating on the date of payment in full or defeasance of the Series 2006 bonds.

#### Note 16 – Net Assets Released from Donor Restrictions

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses, satisfying the restricted purposes, or by occurrence of other events specified by the donors as follows for the year ended December 31, 2017:

Administration & Donor Fees	\$ 44,322
Interest Income	67,134
Other Income	424,664
Total	<u>\$ 536,120</u>

#### Note 17 – Restricted Assets

The components expected to be paid with restricted assets as of December 31, 2017 are as follows:

Accrued interest payable	\$	483,333
Amount held in custody for others		7,755,409
Bonds payable and premium		1,653,934
Rental deposits	_	1,879,286
Total restricted assets	\$	11.771.962

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### Note 18 – Permanently Restricted Net Assets

Permanently restricted net assets in the Foundation's endowment funds during the year ended December 31, 2017 was as follows:

Total Permanently Restricted Net Assets

\$ 6,630,689

#### Note 19 - Concentrations of Risk

The Southern University System Foundation has a Capitalized Lease Receivable due from the Southern University System in the amount \$28,356,159. Payments are made to the Foundation totaling the amount of annual principal and interest due to service the Foundation's bond repayments. A loss in students or funding to the Southern University System could potentially result in the Foundation defaulting on their bond obligations. There is currently no cause for concern regarding the Southern University System's ability to repay the Capitalized Lease.

The Foundation's cash balances are held in savings and trust, as well as investment institutions. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) provides deposit insurance coverage on non-interest bearing and interest bearing accounts for deposits up to \$250,000. The FDIC insurance coverage limit applies per depositor and per insured depository institution for each ownership category. As of December 31, 2017, funds on deposit with savings and trust institutions exceeded FDIC limits by \$1,267,859. However, the excess funds are placed into a "Sweep Account," which automatically transfers amounts that exceed the FDIC limit into an overnight investment account at the close of each business day to ensure the funds are secure.

The Foundation's credit risk is inherent principally in its investments. Adverse economic conditions either nationwide or internationally may result in a reduction of the investments' carrying amount. As of December 31, 2017, the Foundation held investments in excess of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) insurance limit of \$500,000.

#### **Note 20 – Contingencies**

Amounts received may be temporarily or permanently restricted per donor specification. Failure by the Foundation to comply with donor specifications may result in the donor requesting that the contribution be returned. As of December 31, 2017, the Foundation has met all donor specification on all temporarily and permanently restricted contributions, and accordingly, no provision has been made for any liabilities that might arise from noncompliance.

#### Note 21 - Affiliation Agreement

The purpose of the Foundation is to receive, hold, invest, and administer property and to make expenditures to support programs and activities designed to advance, promote, or otherwise benefit the Southern University System. Because of the close association of the Foundation with the System, an affiliation agreement was entered into by both parties on January 25, 2002.

During the year ended December 31, 2017, the Southern University System Foundation made distributions to or on behalf of the University for both restricted and unrestricted purposes in the amount of \$2,670,122.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### Note 22 – Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is a voluntary board; therefore, no compensation was paid to any board member during the year ended December 31, 2017.

#### **Note 23 – Related Party Transactions**

Certain board members of the Foundation are also board members of the Southern University System Board. The Southern University System provides certain payroll management functions, as well as office space, meeting space, utilities, and use of all office furniture and equipment to the Foundation for a nominal monthly fee. The value of these services has not been determined by the University. The Southern University System has also entered into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Foundation to manage certain endowments on their behalf. The Foundation is allowed to charge the University an administration fee for these services. In addition to the aforementioned agreement, the Foundation entered into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the University to construct certain housing facilities as well as other projects through a bond issuance. The University has agreed to pay certain rents to the Foundation for these services. The total amount of rent and interest paid during the year ended December 31, 2017 totaled \$3,748,775. The schedule of rent payment coincides with the debt service payments.

Southern University provides to the Foundation without cost, services for the administration of the Foundation in the form of personnel. In addition, Southern University provides, without cost, certain other operating services associated with the Foundation. These services are valued at their estimated cost to Southern University. The amounts for these services have been reflected as contributed services revenue and corresponding general administrative services expenses in the financial statements. The value of these services was estimated at approximately \$326,367 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

Under GASB 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and 34", the Foundation is considered to be a discretely presented component unit of the Southern University System. As such, the financial statements of the Foundation are required to be presented in the financial reporting of the System.

#### **Note 24 – Endowments**

The Foundation's endowments consist of individual funds established for Endowed Chairs, Endowed Professorships, and Endowed Scholarships. The Foundation's endowments include both donor-restricted endowment funds and funds designated by the Board of Directors to function as endowments. As required by GAAP, net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the Board of Directors to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. As on December 31, 2017, the Foundation's endowments were classified as follows:

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### **Note 24 – Endowments (continued)**

			Temporarily	Pe	rmanently	
	Unrestr	ricted	Restricted	<u>R</u>	testricted	Total to Date
Beginning Balance 1/2017	\$	-	\$ 5,799,217	\$	1,865,878	\$ 7,665,095
Interest Income		_	-		_	-
Realized Loss		_	_		_	_
Unrealized Gain		_	-		194,279	194,279
Contributions		_	-		2,688,456	2,688,456
Distributions		_	(192,055)		-	(192,055)
Transfers			(775,131)		775,131	
Ending Balance 12/2017	\$	_	\$ 4,832,031	\$	5,523,744	\$ 10,355,775

#### Note 25 - Valdry Center

The Valdry Center for Philanthropy at Southern University ("VCP") is an academically based research center focused on philanthropic studies and nonprofit management. With no such academic unit at a Historically Black College or University; VCP brings new dimensions to the potential of philanthropic studies and nonprofit management in higher education. The Center is named for its principle benefactors Leon Valdry, Warren Valdry, and Virginia Valdry, and acknowledges the sizable gifts they have made to their alma mater for more than 50 years. Construction on the 10,967 square foot \$4.5 million building began in April of 2018, and is scheduled for substantial completion in March of 2019.

#### Note 26 – Subsequent Events

FASB 165, which is codified in ASC Topic 855-10, requires the disclosure of the date through which the Foundation has evaluated subsequent events and the reason for selecting that date. The Foundation evaluated subsequent events through July 25, 2018 the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMAITON

# Schedule of Financial Position December 31, 2017

# Schedule I

Assets:	 Foundation		Millennium		Consolidated
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 846,986	\$	3,692,186	\$	4,539,172
Investments	10,416,008		-		10,416,008
Accounts Receivable	51,050		-		51,050
Other Receivables	-		-		-
Pledges Receivable, net	912,960		-		912,960
Prepaid Expenses	1,259		691,851		693,110
Due from Affiliate	112,782		-		112,782
Accrued Interest Income	-		-		-
Capitalized Lease Receivable			29,651,726		29,651,726
Property, Plant, and Equipment, net	3,643,425		-		3,643,425
Amortization of Intangibles	4,464		-		4,464
Deferred Bond Issuance Cost	 		608,535	_	608,535
Total Assets	 15,988,934	_	34,644,298	_	50,633,232
Liabilities: Accounts Payable	488,435		_		488,435
Accrued Interest Payable	-		483,333		483,333
Amounts Held in Custody for Others	7,755,409		-		7,755,409
Loan Payable	1,414,898		_		1,414,898
Rental Deposit Fund	3,275		1,876,011		1,879,286
Bonds Payable	 <u> </u>		25,326,671	_	25,326,671
Total Liabilities	 9,662,017		27,686,015		37,348,032
Net Assets:					
Beginning Net Assets	3,705,985		7,089,229		10,795,214
Change in Net Assets	 2,620,932		(130,946)	_	2,489,986
Total Net Assets	 6,326,917		6,958,283		13,285,200
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	\$ 15,988,934	\$	34,644,298	\$	50,633,232

## Schedule of Revenues and Support For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

#### Schedule II

	Foundation	Millennium	Consolidated
Contributions and Other Support	\$ 7,666,006	\$ -	\$ 7,666,006
Rental Income	20,783	2,409,275	2,430,058
Bayou Classic Revenues	116,621	=	116,621
Administration & Donor Fees	221,611	-	221,611
Donor Fees and Registration	-	-	-
Athletic Sponsorships and Support	9,100	=	9,100
Contributed Services	13,298	-	13,298
Interest Income	85,544	25,746	111,290
Other Income	424,664		424,664
<b>Total Revenue and Support</b>	\$ 8,557,627	\$ 2,435,021	\$ 10,992,648

Schedule of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Schedule III

<u>FOUNDATION</u>	Program Services	Support Services	Fundraising	Total
Bank Fees & Charges	\$ 35,160	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,160
University Support, Scholarships, Programs & Events	1,763,830	935,432	-	2,699,262
Travel & Transportation	183,538	41,950	-	225,488
Interest Expenses	62,923	-	-	62,923
Printing & Publications	97,261	47,905	-	145,166
Depreciation	107,725	11,970	-	119,695
Conferences & Professional Meetings	86,751	15,309	-	102,060
Equipment & Resource Materials	182,690	_		182,690
Materials & Supplies	26,275	7,411	-	33,686
Bayou Classic Expenses	· -	-	42,783	42,783
Professional Services	1,206,340	134,040	_	1,340,380
Contract Labor	31,197	-	-	31,197
Faculty and Staff Development	46,983	_	_	46,983
Advertising & Promotion Costs	106,726	23,428	_	130,154
Equipment Rentals	52,657	-		52,657
Information Technology and Maintenance	81,161	34,783	_	115,944
Cultivation & Recognition	82,754	-	_	82,754
Property Taxes	3,912	-	_	3,912
Bad Debt Expense	7,500	_	_	7,500
Public/Community Initiatives	212,100	-	_	212,100
Insurance	9,613	4,729	_	14,342
Administrative Costs - Fees	92,691	26,144	_	118,835
Salaries and Related Expenses	88,036	205,417	_	293,453
Retirement Contribution	-	5,200	_	5,200
Utility Costs	5,307	1,327	_	6,634
In-Kind Expenses	6,290	-	_	6,290
Bond Issuance Expense		_	_	
Telecommunications	11,935	7,264		19,199
<b>Sub-total Foundation</b>	4,591,355	1,502,309	42,783	6,136,447
<u>MILLENNIUM</u>				
Insurance	32,945	_	_	32,945
Bank Fees	270	_	_	270
Bond Interest Expense	2,512,099	_	_	2,512,099
Amortization of Bond Issuance Costs	28,978	_	_	28,978
Amortization of Prepaid Bond Insurance				
Sub-total Millennium, LLC	2,574,292			2,574,292
<b>Total Consolidated Expenses</b>	\$ 7,165,647	\$ 1,502,309	\$ 42,783	\$ 8,710,739

# **Schedule of Capital Assets**

# (Consolidated)

# For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Schedule IV

	Balance 12/31/2016	Prior Period <u>Adjustment</u>	Restated Balance 12/31/2016	Additions	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	Balance 12/31/2017
Capital Assets not being depreciated:							
Land	\$ 816,304	\$ -	\$ 816,304	\$ 698,773	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,515,077
Construction in Progress	796,361		796,361	248,577		<u> </u>	1,044,938
Total Capital Assets not being depreciated	1,612,665	-	1,612,665	947,350	-	-	2,560,015
Other Capital Assets:							
Buildings	172,125	-	172,125	201,227	-	-	373,352
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(77,236)	<u> </u>	(77,236)	(9,573)			(86,809)
Total Buildings	94,889		94,889	(9,573)		<del>-</del>	286,543
Software	166,297	_	166,297	10,655	_	(83,662)	93,290
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(78,285)	-	(78,285)	(10,580)	-	-	(88,865)
Total Software	88,012		88,012	75			4,425
Equipment	138,801	_	138,801	80,487	_	_	219,288
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(110,152)	_	(110,152)	(21,168)	_	_	(131,320)
Total Equipment	28,649		28,649	59,319			87,968
Other	3,288,530	_	3,288,530	123,089		_	3,411,619
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(2,628,771)		(2,628,771)	(78,374)			(2,707,145)
Total Other	659,759		659,759	44,715		<del>_</del>	704,474
Total Other Capital Assets	3,765,753		3,765,753	415,458		(83,662)	4,097,549
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(2,894,444)	-	(2,894,444)	(119,695)	-	-	(3,014,139)
Capital Asset Summary:							
Capital Asset Summary: Capital Assets not being depreciated	1,612,665		1,612,665	947,350			2,560,015
Other Capital Assets	3,765,753	-	3,765,753	415,458	-	(83,662)	4,097,549
Total Capital Assets	5,378,418		5,378,418	1,362,808		(83,662)	6,657,564
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(2,894,444)	-	(2,894,444)	(119,695)	-	(03,002)	(3,014,139)
	(2, <> ., . 1 1)			(117,070)			(0,01.,107)
Capital Assets, net	\$ 2,483,974	\$ -	\$ 2,483,974	\$ 1,243,113	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ (83,662)	\$ 3,643,425

#### Schedule of Bonds Payable For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

#### Schedule V

				(	Principal Outstanding	(Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding	Interest	(	Interest Outstanding
Issue	Date of Issue	O	riginal Issue		12/31/16	Issued	12/31/17	Rates		12/31/17
Louisiana Public Facilities Authority	12/13/2006	\$	59,990,000	\$	51,280,000	\$ (27,460,000)	\$ 23,820,000	4.62%	\$	13,742,157
Unamortized Premium - Series 2000	12/13/2006		2,117,037	_	1,455,463	51,208	 1,506,671		_	
Total		\$	62,107,037	\$	52,735,463	\$ (27,408,792)	\$ 25,326,671		\$	13,742,157

Schedule of Bonds Payable Amortization For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Schedule VI

Fiscal Year Ending	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	675,000	1,119,698	1,794,698
2019	710,000	1,087,385	1,797,385
2020	745,000	1,050,504	1,795,504
2021	780,000	1,008,949	1,788,949
2022	817,830	969,552	1,787,382
2023	858,370	928,667	1,787,037
2024	901,290	885,750	1,787,040
2025	946,585	840,678	1,787,263
2026	994,275	793,351	1,787,626
2027	1,044,345	743,637	1,787,982
2028	1,096,800	691,419	1,788,219
2029	1,151,640	636,579	1,788,219
2030	1,208,865	578,997	1,787,862
2031	1,269,000	518,769	1,787,769
2032	1,331,000	458,485	1,789,485
2033	1,391,475	394,825	1,786,300
2034	1,451,040	335,687	1,786,727
2035	1,512,995	274,019	1,787,014
2036	1,577,320	209,715	1,787,035
2037	1,644,035	142,679	1,786,714
2038	1,713,135	72,812	1,785,947
	23,820,000	13,742,157	37,562,157



# **BAYOU CLASSIC 2017**

# Statement of Activities - Ancillary For the Year Ended December 31, 2017 (Unaudited)

	Schedule VII
Revenue	
Sponsorship/Program Revenue	\$ 954,212
Office Ticket Revenue	48,323
Total Revenue	1,002,535
Expenses	
Programs Cost	
Bayou Classic	283,925
Battle of the Bands	108,351
Parade	33,817
Fan Fest and Biz Tech	14,798
Total Programs Cost	440,891
Operating Cost	
Management fees	321,529
Corporate and sponsorship	118,407
Marketing	125,716
Total Operating Cost	565,652
Total Expenses	1,006,543
Net Income (Loss)	\$ (4,008)

# **BAYOU CLASSIC 2017**

Proceeds and Distributions (Consolidated)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017
(Unaudited)

Game Activities	Schedule VIII
Total Game Tickets	\$ 1,459,170
Distributions	
Expenses w/o Centerplate	388,514
Southern Box Office	536,407
Grambling Box Office	382,662
Fan Fest	28,218
	1,335,801
Net Game Receipts	123,369
Battle of the Bands Tickets Revenue	524,890
<u>Distributions</u>	
Southern University Box Office	60,520
Grambling State Box Office	68,680
Expenses w/o Centerplate	194,988
	324,188
Net Battle of the Bands Receipts	200,702
Net Proceeds for Distribution	<u>\$ 324,071</u>
Net Distribution to Each Foundation	<u>\$ 162,036</u>

# Bayou Classic 2017

# RECONCILIATION WORKSHEET

For the Year Ended December 31, 2017 (Unaudited)

	Schedule IX
Revenue	
50% of Net of NOCCI	\$ (2,004)
Net from Game and Fan Fest	61,684
Net from BOTB	100,351
Total	160,031
Expenses	
Original Bead order for Float	3,300
Centerplate-Game	90,920
Centerplate-BOTB	6,494
Extra seats at coaches luncheon	1,716
Suite 408	1,500
Total	103,930
Total Check to Southern	56,101
Game box office	536,407
BOTB box office	60,520
Net for Bayou Classic	\$ 653,028



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ACCOUNTANTS AND ADVISORS

# Report on Compliance with the Affiliation Agreement with Southern University System

Board of Directors Southern University System Foundation Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have examined Southern University System Foundation's compliance with the affiliation agreement with the Southern University System for the year ended December 31, 2017. Management is responsible for the Foundation's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Foundation's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the *American Institute of Certified Public Accountants* and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Foundation's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Foundation's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, Southern University System Foundation complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended December 31, 2017.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control or on compliance. This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management of the Southern University System Foundation, others within the organization, and Southern University System. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for and not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

J. Walker & Company, APC

Lake Charles, Louisiana July 25, 2018

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Schedule of Findings For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

#### I. Summary of Auditors' Report

- a. Financial Statements
  - 1. The auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Southern University System Foundation.
- b. Management Letter

A management letter was not issued in connection with the audit for the year ended December 31, 2017.

#### II. Findings – Financial Statement Audit

No findings were reported for the current audit period.

#### III. Summary of Prior Year Findings

No findings were reported for the prior audit period.