# State of Illinois Office of the Treasurer College Savings Program

Financial Audit For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

Performed as Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, State of Illinois

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#### Office of the Treasurer's Officials

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Chief of Staff Mr. G. Allen Mayer

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Ms. Catherine Shannon

Deputy Treasurer, Financial Products

Mr. Fernando Diaz

Chief Investment Officer Mr. Joseph Aguilar

General Counsel & Ethics Officer Ms. Laura Duque

Executive Inspector General for the Illinois State Treasurer Ms. Heather Stone

**Chief Internal Auditor** 

(June 16, 2025 to Present) Ms. Jennifer Boen

(December 1, 2024 to June 15, 2025) Vacant

(July 1, 2022 to November 30, 2024) Ms. Leighann Manning

Chief Fiscal Officer Ms. Deborah Miller

Deputy Chief Fiscal Officer Mr. Wes Howerton

Chief Banking Officer Ms. Elizabeth Turner

Director of College Savings and Deputy Chief, Financial Products Mr. John Mitchell

### Office of the Treasurer's Offices

The Office of the Treasurer had the following administrative office locations during the year:

Executive Office State Capitol 219 State House Springfield, Illinois 62706 Operational Divisions Marine Bank Building 1 E. Old State Capitol Plaza Springfield, Illinois 62701

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# College Savings Program Financial Audit For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### **Financial Statement Report**

### **Summary**

The audits of the accompanying financial statements of the College Savings Program of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, were performed by Crowe LLP as of and for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

Based on their audits, the auditors expressed an unmodified opinion on the College Savings Program's financial statements.

### **Summary of Findings**

Number of	<u>Current</u> <u>Report</u>	<u>Prior</u> <u>Report</u>
Findings	0	1
Repeated Findings	0	0
Prior recommendations implemented or not repeated	1	0

### **Schedule of Findings**

### PRIOR YEAR FINDING NOT REPEATED

Item No.	<u>Page</u>	Last/First <u>Reported</u>	<u>Description</u>	Finding Type
Α	151	2023/2023	Inadequate Internal Controls Related to Review of Financial Statements	

### **Exit Conference**

The Office waived an exit conference in correspondence from Jennifer Boen, Chief Internal Auditor on July 29, 2025.





### **Independent Auditor's Report**

The Honorable Frank J. Mautino Auditor General State of Illinois

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, we have audited the accompanying financial statements of the College Savings Program, a fiduciary (private-purpose trust) fund of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the College Savings Program of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Office of the Treasurer, and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the College Savings Program are intended to present the financial position and the changes in financial position of only that portion of the Office of the Treasurer that is attributable to the transactions of The College Savings Program, available to external participants. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the State of Illinois or the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud
  or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include
  examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial
  statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
  that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the Office of the Treasurer's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

### Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

### Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the financial statements of The College Savings Program of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, as defined in Note 1. The Supplementary Information as listed in the table of contents 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 Supplementary Information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The Other Information as listed in the table of contents does not include the financial statements of The College Savings Program of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, as defined in Note 1 and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements of The College Savings Program of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, as defined in Note 1, do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 31, 2025, on our consideration of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer's internal control over financial reporting of The College Savings Program and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office of the Treasurer's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Crowe LLP

Springfield, Illinois July 31, 2025



### College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Assets	2024	2023
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,391,915,590	\$ 1,203,392,534
Capital Shares Receivable	23,361,888	23,562,488
Dividends Receivable	51,336,073	27,516,975
Mutual Funds	18,485,321,003	16,051,469,037
Total Assets	19,951,934,554	17,305,941,034
Liabilities and Net Position		
Liabilities		
Capital Shares Payable	18,745,368	19,341,105
Other Liabilities	15,442,975	13,696,861
Total Liabilities	34,188,343	33,037,966
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 19,917,746,211	\$ 17,272,903,068

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Additions		
Investment Income (Expense)		
Investment Earnings	\$ 561,389,790 \$	466,643,235
Class Action Recovery	-	74,156
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	1,663,820,974	1,041,080,224
State Administrative Fees	(2,541,520)	(2,500,329)
Other Operating Expenses	(43,431,718)	(31,368,934)
12b-1 Fees	(12,026,886)	(7,031,591)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(17,735,662)	(15,961,647)
Net Investment Earnings	2,149,474,978	1,450,935,114
Other Participant Transactions		
Program Contributions	2,037,520,274	1,804,483,508
Total Additions	4,186,995,252	3,255,418,622
Deductions		
Program Distributions	1,542,152,109	1,349,971,834
Total Deductions	1,542,152,109	1,349,971,834
Change in Net Position	2,644,843,143	1,905,446,788
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	17,272,903,068	15,367,456,280
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 19,917,746,211 \$	17,272,903,068

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Background

In May 1999, the General Assembly of the State of Illinois adopted Public Act 91-0607 authorizing the Illinois State Treasurer's Office (the "Office") to establish and administer a program designed to be a "qualified state tuition program" under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The program is known as the College Savings Program (the "Program"). Participants of the Program have a choice of two Section 529 investment programs, the Bright Start College Savings Program ("Bright Start") and the Bright Directions College Savings Program ("Bright Directions"). Bright Start commenced operations on March 27, 2000. Bright Directions commenced operations on November 18, 2005. Bright Start is offered as the Direct-sold Plan and Bright Directions is offered as the Advisor-sold Plan.

The Program provides an opportunity for investors residing in Illinois to invest on a tax-favored basis toward the qualified higher education expenses of a designated beneficiary (the "Beneficiary") associated with attending an Institution of Higher Education. If the investor is not an Illinois taxpayer, depending upon the laws of the investor's home state or the home state of the investor's beneficiary, favorable state tax treatment or other benefits offered by such home state for investing in Section 529 college savings plans may be available only if invested in the home state's Section 529 plan. Institutions of Higher Education generally include accredited postsecondary educational institutions offering credit toward a bachelor's degree, an associate's degree, a graduate level or professional degree, or another recognized postsecondary credential including certain proprietary, postsecondary vocational and foreign institutions. The institution must be eligible to participate in the U.S. Department of Education student aid programs. Qualified higher education expenses generally include tuition, fees, books, supplies, computers, and equipment required for the Beneficiary's enrollment plus, subject to certain limitations, room and board expenses provided the Beneficiary is enrolled on at least a half-time basis, apprentice programs certified and registered with the US Department of Labor, and up to \$10,000 toward repayment of qualified education loans for the Beneficiary's sibling.

Under the Program, program participants (the "Account Owners") select investment portfolios for their accounts established for the purpose of helping Account Owners meet the qualified higher education expenses of the Beneficiaries designated on the Program accounts (the "Accounts"). Amounts contributed to the Program will be invested in the College Savings Trust (the "Trust"). Union Bank and Trust Company ("UBT") advises the Office on the investment of contributions and provides administrative, recordkeeping and marketing services for the Bright Start and Bright Directions Programs. As such, UBT acts as program manager (the "Manager") of the two investment programs. The Office acts as trustee and is responsible for the overall administration of the programs.

### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### Financial Reporting Entity

As described in the Illinois Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, the State of Illinois is the primary government which includes all funds, elected offices, departments and agencies of the State, as well as boards, commissions, authorities, universities and colleges over which the State's executive or legislative branches exercise legal control.

The College Savings Program is an instrumentality of the State of Illinois, with the assets segregated into a Trust, and the Office appointed as Trustee of the Trust, as established in the Declaration of Trust dated March 27, 2000. However, for financial reporting purposes, the College Savings Program is a part of the primary government. The Program is included in the Illinois Annual Comprehensive Financial Report as a investment trust fund. The scope of the College Savings Program financial statements presented herein is limited to the financial position of the College Savings Program investment trust fund.

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Fiduciary Fund

GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, establishes criteria for identifying and reporting fiduciary activities. The statement was implemented by the Office for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The Office determined the Program should continue to be reported as a fiduciary fund. The implementation of this statement did result in changing the type of fiduciary fund from a private-purpose trust fund to an investment trust fund. The presentation of the financial statements and notes to the financial statements did not change. This trust fund is used to account for assets held by the Office in a trustee capacity. This fund is not held in the State Treasury and is a non-appropriated fund.

### Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

The accounts of the College Savings Program are maintained and reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flow takes place.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of money market mutual funds and timing differences associated with the purchase of mutual fund shares, an FDIC-Insured bank savings account, and short-term, highly liquid investments readily convertible to cash, with a maturity of 90 days or less at the time of purchase.

### **Investment Earnings**

Investment earnings are a combination of dividend income and interest income generated from mutual fund investments. Mutual fund yields are subject to market rate fluctuations.

### Fair Value of Investments

Investments in the underlying funds are carried at fair value as determined on the last business day on or prior to June 30.

### **Management Estimates**

To prepare financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, management is required to make certain estimates 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. These estimates may differ from actual results.

### **Eliminations**

Participants move funds between portfolios within a plan (Bright Start or Bright Directions) in addition to moving funds from one plan to another plan within the College Savings Program. Intra-fund activity for transfers between Bright Start portfolios of \$3.453 billion in fiscal year 2024 and \$2.851 billion in fiscal year 2023 reported in the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio for Bright Start were eliminated from the Combining Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. Intra-fund activity for transfers between Bright Directions portfolios of \$2.505 billion in fiscal year 2024 and \$2.222 billion in fiscal year 2023 reported in the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio for Bright Directions were eliminated from the Combining Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. Intra-fund activity, transfers between the Bright Start and Bright Directions plans and transfers between portfolios within each

## College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

plan, related to portfolio exchanges of \$8.426 million and \$8.587 million were eliminated, in fiscal years 2024 and 2023, respectively.

#### Note 2. Investments

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools, established standards for accounting for investments held by governmental entities.

### **Fair Value Measurements:**

The College Savings Program investments are recorded at fair value as of June 30, 2024 and 2023. GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*, defines fair value 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. This statement establishes a hierarchy of valuation inputs based on the extent to which the inputs are observable in the marketplace. Inputs are used in applying the various valuation techniques and take into account the assumptions that market participants use to make valuation decisions. Inputs may include price information, credit data, interest and yield curve data, and other factors specific to the financial instrument. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources. In contrast, unobservable inputs reflect the entity's assumptions about how market participants would value the financial instrument. Valuation techniques should maximize the use of observable inputs to the extent available.

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The following describes the hierarchy of inputs used to measure fair value and the primary valuation methodologies used for financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

Level 1 Investments whose values are based on quoted prices

(unadjusted) for identical assets in active markets that a

government can access at the measurement date.

Level 2 Investments with inputs – other than quoted prices included within

Level 1 - that are observable for an asset, either directly or

indirectly.

Level 3 Investments classified as Level 3 have unobservable inputs for an

asset and may require a degree of professional judgment.

### **Bright Start College Savings Program**

### Permitted Investments:

The Office's Bright Start investment activities are governed by the Office's published Bright Start Investment Policy (included in the "other information" section of this report), which was developed in accordance with the State statute. In addition, the Office has adopted its own investment practices, which supplements the statutory requirements.

The Bright Start Investment Policy allows funds (contributions) to be invested in one of several Portfolios, each with a designated mix of investments that is appropriate for the investment objective of the Portfolio.

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

Each Portfolio allocates assets in a combination of underlying investments, including but not limited to the following broad asset categories: short-term investments, FDIC-Insured bank savings investments, fixed income investments, real estate investments, domestic equity investments, and international equity investments. The asset allocation of each Portfolio is established by the Office and managed by the Manager. The Office may adjust the weighting in stocks, bonds and cash in each Portfolio and may change the underlying investments within the Portfolios consistent with its Investment Policy Statement and its agreement with the Manager.

### **Investment Options**

General Overview

The Bright Start Program offered the following investment portfolios in fiscal year 2024 and 2023:

### Index Age Based Portfolios

- Aggressive
- Moderate
- Conservative

The goal of a portfolio under the Index Age-Based Option is to seek an asset allocation strategy most reasonable based on the investor's assumed time horizon pursuant to the ages of the Beneficiaries of those Account Owners who have invested in that Portfolio to mirror the index or benchmark of the underlying asset classes. The First Steps investments is described as Index Age-Based Moderate held in a separate omnibus account. First Steps asset allocation and underlying investments are the same as the Index Age-Based Moderate portfolio as described in the College Savings Program Investment Policy Statement.

### Multi-Firm Age Based Portfolios

- Aggressive
- Moderate
- Conservative

The goal of a portfolio under the Multi-Firm Age-Based Option is to seek an asset allocation strategy most reasonable based on the investor's assumed time horizon pursuant to the ages of the Beneficiaries of those Account Owners who have invested in that Portfolio to mirror the index or benchmark of the underlying asset classes.

### **Index Target Portfolios**

- Index Equity
- Index Balanced
- Index Fixed Income

The Index Target Portfolios are asset allocation portfolios that invest in a set or "static" mix of equity, fixed income, or short-term investments, with the objective of mirroring the performance of the underlying funds respective benchmarks. The allocation between equity, fixed income, and short-term investments within the Target Portfolios does not change as the Beneficiary gets older.

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

**Investment Options (Continued):** 

General Overview (Continued)

### Multi-Firm Target Portfolios

- Multi-Firm Equity
- Multi-Firm Balanced
- Multi-Firm Fixed Income

The Multi-Firm Target Portfolios are asset allocation portfolios that invest in a set or "static" mix of equity, fixed income, or short-term investments, with the objective of outperforming the performance of the underlying funds respective benchmark or index. The allocation between equity, fixed income, and short-term investments within the Target Portfolios does not change as the Beneficiary gets older.

### Individual Portfolios

- Bank Savings 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Federal Money Market 529 Portfolio
- Baird Short-Term Bond 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Total Bond Market Index 529 Portfolio
- Dodge & Cox Income 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Total International Bond Index 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard 500 Index 529 Portfolio
- T. Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 529 Portfolio
- Ariel 529 Portfolio
- DFA U.S. Targeted Value 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Explorer 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Total International Stock Index 529 Portfolio
- DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard REIT Index 529 Portfolio
- DFA U.S. Large Cap Value 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Total Stock Market Index 529 Portfolio

The Bright Start Program offered seventeen Individual Fund Portfolios in FY24 and seventeen Individual Fund Portfolios in FY23. Each Individual Fund Portfolio is invested solely in shares of a single underlying mutual fund or, in the case of the T. Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 529 Portfolio, an underlying separately managed account. Account balances may be allocated among one or more Individual Fund Portfolios according to the Account Owners investment objectives, investment time horizon, and risk tolerance. The First Steps investments are described as Index Age-Based Moderate held in a separate omnibus account. First Steps assets allocation and underlying investments are the same as the Index Age-Based Moderate portfolio described in the College Savings Program Investment Policy Statement.

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

#### Investment Risk:

#### Interest Rate and Credit Risk:

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. In its investment policy, the Office has adopted a long - term total return strategy. A long - term diversified asset allocation strategy based on (1) asset classes (stocks, bonds, cash, etc.), (2) geography/country, (3) industry, (4) maturity, (5) credit quality, and (6) duration is the primary method for risk control.

The investments in the Bright Start College Savings Program are not guaranteed or insured by the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, the Program Manager, affiliates of the Program Manager, the FDIC (except as provided in the Program Disclosure Statement solely with respect to the FDIC-insured bank deposit Underlying Investment), or any other party.

The fair values, interest rate risk and credit risk of the money market and fixed income funds, which make up a portion of the total Cash and Cash Equivalents and Mutual Funds, for the Bright Start Program as of June 30, 2024 are detailed in the table below.

Туре	Fair Value	Interest Rate Risk Duration	Calculation Method	Credit Risk	Rating Service
Money Market:	\$ 398,582,798	11 days	Weighted Average Maturity	NR*	NA**
Fixed Income Funds:	3,379,825,022	5.639 yrs	Effective Maturity	NR*	NA**
	66,082,972	3.050 yrs	Model Duration	NR*	NA**
	 307,377,007	6.320 yrs	Effective Duration	NR*	NA**
	\$ 4,151,867,799				

<sup>\*</sup>Credit Risk of NR indicates that while the underlying securities within the funds may be rated, the mutual fund itself is not rated.

\*\*Not applicable

The fair values, interest rate risk and credit risk of the money market and fixed income funds, which make up a portion of the total Cash and Cash Equivalents and Mutual Funds, for the Bright Start Program as of June 30, 2023 are detailed in the table below.

Туре	Fair Value	Interest Rate Risk Duration	Calculation Method		t Rating Service
Money Market:	\$ 326,493,758	17 Days	Weighted Average Maturity	NR*	NA**
Fixed Income Funds:	2,997,630,751 58,899,681 252,319,989 \$ 3,635,344,179	5.913 yrs 3.390 yrs 5.200 yrs	Effective Maturity Model Duration Effective Duration	NR* NR* NR*	NA** NA** NA**

<sup>\*</sup>Credit Risk of NR indicates that while the underlying securities within the funds may be rated, the mutual fund itself is not rated.

\*\*Not applicable

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

### Fair Value Measurement:

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The Program determines the fair value for investments classified in Level 1 by using quoted prices as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (the Exchange). The fair value of investments classified in Level 2 are valued using quoted prices for identical assets in markets that are not active.

Each investment asset or liability of Bright Start is assigned a level at measurement date based on the significance and source of the inputs to its valuation. Various data inputs are used in determining the value of each of the Program's investments as of the reporting period end.

The Bright Start Program is managed by Union Bank and Trust, which has provided the Office with the fair value measurements, the level of fair value hierarchy, and the valuation techniques as of June 30, 2024 and 2023. The Program classified its investments in the underlying mutual funds as Level 1, totaling \$11,627,328,470 and \$9,834,927,556, for June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, without consideration as to the classification level of the specific investments held by the underlying investments.

The following table summarizes the Program's investments within the fair value hierarchy at June 30, 2024:

Туре	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Money Market:	\$ 398,582,798	\$ 398,582,798	\$ -	\$ -	
Mutual Funds:	11,228,745,672	11,228,745,672	-	<u>-</u>	
Total:	\$11,627,328,470	\$ 11,627,328,470	\$ -	\$ -	

The following table summarizes the Program's investments within the fair value hierarchy at June 30, 2023:

Туре	Fair Value		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money Market:	\$ 326,493,7	58 \$	326,493,758	\$ -	\$ -
Mutual Funds:	9,508,433,7	98	9,508,433,798	-	-
Total:	\$ 9,834,927,5	6 \$	9,834,927,556	\$ -	\$ -

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

### **Bright Directions College Savings Program**

### Permitted Investments:

The Office's Bright Directions investment activities are governed by the Office's published Bright Directions Investment Policy (included in the "other information" section of this report), which was developed in accordance with the State statute. In addition, the Office has adopted its own investment practices, which supplements the statutory requirements.

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the age of the participant or the investment objective of the Portfolio. Each Portfolio may allocate assets among short-term investments, FDIC Insured bank savings investments, fixed income investments, real estate investments, domestic equity investments, and international equity investments. The asset allocation of each Portfolio will be established by the Office and managed by Manager. The Office may adjust the weighting in stocks, bonds, real estate, and cash/cash equivalents in each Portfolio and may change the underlying investments within the Portfolios consistent with its Investment Policy Statement.

### Investment Options:

#### **General Overview**

The Bright Directions Program offered the following investment portfolios during fiscal years 2024 and 2023:

### Fiscal Year 2024

Seven Target Portfolios
Thirty-Seven Individual Fund Portfolios
Fifteen Exchange-Traded Fund Portfolios
Four Female & Minority Owned Portfolios

### Fiscal Year 2023

Seven Target Portfolios
Thirty-Seven Individual Fund Portfolios
Fifteen Exchange-Traded Fund Portfolios
Three Female & Minority Owned Portfolios

Additionally, there are four Age-Based Portfolios, each with nine beneficiary age ranges, which are imbedded within the other fund portfolio options.

The Age-Based portfolios are designed to reduce the account's exposure to equity securities the closer the Beneficiary is to college age; the Target Portfolios maintain a constant asset allocation between equity, fixed income, and money market securities; the Individual Fund Portfolios each invest in a single underlying investment; the Exchange-Traded Fund ("ETF") Portfolios invest in a single Vanguard ETF; and the Female & Minority Owned Portfolios invest in underlying investment funds which are managed by female or minority-owned investment advisors. The Age-Based, Target, Individual, ETF, and Female & Minority Owned Portfolios have been designed by the Office, Manager, and Wilshire Associates.

### Brief Description of Investment Options:

#### Age-Based Portfolios:

The Age-Based Portfolios generally invest in a mix of equity, fixed income, real estate, and short-term investments allocated based on the current age of the Beneficiary. The Age-Based Portfolios adjust over time so that as the Beneficiary nears college age each Age-Based Portfolio's allocation between equity, fixed income, real estate, and short-term investments becomes more conservative relative to the allocation in earlier years.

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

Brief Description of Investment Options (Continued):

### Age-Based Portfolios (Continued):

For each Aged-Based Portfolio, the Program will automatically transition assets to the next age band during the month the Beneficiary reaches such age band.

Program participants may choose from the following four Age-Based Tracks:

- Age-Based Aggressive Portfolio
- Age-Based Moderate Portfolio
- Age-Based Conservative Portfolio
- Index Age-Based Moderate Portfolio (available in Fee Structure A, C, and F only)

Each Age-Based Option has nine Age-Based Portfolios based on the Beneficiary's age: 0-2 years, 3-5 years, 6-8 years, 9-10 years, 11-12 years, 13-14 years, 15-16 years, 17-18 years, and 19 years and over.

### **Target Portfolios:**

The Target Portfolios are asset allocation portfolios that invest in a set or "static" mix of equity, fixed income, real estate, or short-term investments, with the objective of outperforming the performance of the underlying funds' respective benchmark or index. The allocation between equity, fixed income, real estate, and short-term investments within the Target Portfolios does not change as the Beneficiary gets older. The seven Target Portfolios, ranging from the most aggressive to conservative, are as follows:

- Fund 100
- Fund 80
- Fund 60
- Fund 40
- Fund 20
- Fund 10
- Fixed Income Fund

### Individual Fund Portfolios:

The Bright Directions Program offered thirty-seven Individual Fund Portfolios. Each Individual Fund Portfolio is invested solely in shares of a single underlying mutual fund. Account balances may be allocated among one or more Individual Fund Portfolios according to the Account Owners investment objectives, investment time horizon, and risk tolerance.

The Individual Fund Portfolios offered are as follows:

- AB Global Bond 529 Portfolio
- American Beacon Garcia Hamilton Quality Bond 529 Portfolio
- American Century Equity Growth 529 Portfolio (removed November 2023)
- American Century Growth 529 Portfolio
- American Century Value 529 Portfolio
- Ariel 529 Portfolio
- Baird Short-Term Bond Institutional 529 Portfolio
- Bank Savings 529 Portfolio
- BlackRock Emerging Market 529 Portfolio

## College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

#### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

### Brief Description of Investment Options (Continued):

### Individual Fund Portfolios (Continued):

- BlackRock High Yield Bond 529 Portfolio
- BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond 529 Portfolio
- BlackRock Mid-Cap Growth Equity 529 Portfolio
- Calvert Equity 529 Portfolio
- CS Float Rate High Income 529 Portfolio
- Delaware Small Cap Core 529 Portfolio
- DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio
- DFA Real Estate Securities 529 Portfolio
- Dodge & Cox International Stock 529 Portfolio
- Fidelity Short-Term Bond Index 529 Portfolio
- Fidelity US Bond Index 529 Portfolio
- Harbor Small Cap Growth Opportunities 529 Portfolio
- Invesco Government & Agency 529 Portfolio
- Invesco Oppenheimer International Growth 529 Portfolio
- iShares 0-5 Year TIPS Bond Index 529 Portfolio
- MFS Value 529 Portfolio
- Northern Funds International Equity Index 529 Portfolio
- Northern Funds Small Cap Index 529 Portfolio
- Northern Funds Small Cap Value 529 Portfolio
- Northern Funds Stock Index 529 Portfolio
- Payden Emerging Markets 529 Portfolio (Added November 2023)
- PGIM Core Bond 529 Portfolio
- Principal Global Real Estate Securities 529 Portfolio
- SIT Dividend Growth 529 Portfolio
- T. Rowe Price Balanced 529 Portfolio
- T. Rowe Price Equity Income 529 Portfolio
- T. Rowe Price Extended Equity Market Index 529 Portfolio
- T. Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 529 Portfolio
- Virtus Duff & Phelps Global Infrastructure Portfolio

### **Exchange-Traded Fund Portfolios:**

The Bright Directions Program offers fifteen Exchange-Traded Fund Portfolios. These portfolios are additional Individual Fund Portfolios that invest in certain exchange-traded funds available under Fee Structure F. Fee Structure F is available only to Account Owners that establish an Account through registered investment advisors or other financial advisors that are not compensated through commissions, but rather through payment of an hourly fee or a percentage of assets under management.

The Exchange-Traded Fund Portfolios offered are as follows:

- Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets Stock Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Global Ex-U.S. Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Mega Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Mega Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio

## College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

Brief Description of Investment Options (Continued):

### Exchange- Traded Fund Portfolios (Continued):

- Vanguard Mega Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Mid-Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Mid-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Small-Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Small-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Small-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio
- Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF 529 Portfolio

### Female & Minority Owned Portfolios:

The Bright Directions Program offers four Female & Minority Owned Portfolios. Each portfolio is invested in funds which are managed by female and/or minority-owned investment advisors.

The Female & Minority Owned Portfolios are as follows:

- American Beacon Garcia Hamilton Quality Bond 529 Portfolio
- Ariel 529 Portfolio
- SIT Dividend Growth 529 Portfolio
- Payden Emerging Markets 529 Portfolio

### Investment Risk:

### Interest Rate and Credit Risk:

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. In its investment policy the Office has adopted a long-term total return strategy. A long-term diversified asset allocation strategy based on (1) asset classes (stocks, bonds, cash, etc.), (2) geography/country, (3) industry, (4) maturity, and (5) duration is the primary method of risk control.

The investments in the Bright Directions College Savings Program are not guaranteed or insured by the State of Illinois, the Illinois State Treasurer, the Program Manager, affiliates of the Program Manager, the FDIC (except as provided in the Program Disclosure Statement solely with respect to the FDIC-insured Bank Savings Underlying Investment), or any other party.

The fair values, interest rate risk and credit risk of the money market and fixed income funds, which make up a portion of the total Cash and Cash Equivalents and Mutual Funds, for the Bright Directions Program as of June 30, 2024 are detailed in the table below.

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

Note 2. Investments (Continued)

Туре	Fair Value	Interest Rate Risk Duration	Calculation Method	Credit Risk	Rating Service
Money Market:	\$ 184,024,264	15 days	Weighted Average Maturity	AAAm	S&P
Fixed Income Funds:	485,791,143	6.492 yrs	Average Maturity	NR*	NA**
	749,022,656	5.129 yrs	Effective Maturity	NR*	NA**
	158,400,673	3.050 yrs	Model Duration	NR*	NA**
	946,780,126	6.297 yrs	Weighted Average Maturity	NR*	NA**
	575,258,891	3.415 yrs	Effective Duration	NR*	NA**
	\$ 3,099,277,753	•			

<sup>\*</sup>Credit Risk of NR indicates that while the underlying securities within the funds may be rated, the mutual fund itself is not rated.

The fair values, interest rate risk and credit risk of the money market and fixed income funds, which make up a portion of the total Cash and Cash Equivalents and Mutual Funds, for the Bright Directions Program as of June 30, 2023 are detailed in the table below.

Туре	Fair Value	Interest Rate Risk Duration	Calculation Method	Credit Risk	Rating Service
Money Market:	\$ 168,205,714	21 days	Weighted Average Maturity	AAAm	S&P
Fixed Income Funds:	679,172,041	5.329 yrs	Average Maturity	NR*	NA**
	620,517,775	4.456 yrs	Effective Maturity	NR*	NA**
	144,249,596	3.390 yrs	Model Duration	NR*	NA**
	644,592,939	7.972 yrs	Weighted Average Maturity	NR*	NA**
	614,008,223	3.744 yrs	Effective Duration	NR*	NA**
	\$ 2,870,746,288	- -			

<sup>\*</sup>Credit Risk of NR indicates that while the underlying securities within the funds may be rated, the mutual fund itself is not rated.

### Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The Program determines the fair value for investments classified in Level 1 by using quoted prices as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (the Exchange). The fair value of investments classified in Level 2 are valued using quoted prices for identical assets in markets that are not active. Various inputs may be

<sup>\*\*</sup>Not applicable

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# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 2. Investments (Continued)

#### Fair Value Measurement (Continued):

used to determine the value of the fund's investments. These inputs are summarized in three broad levels for financial statement purposes. The inputs or methodologies used to value securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The Bright Directions Program is managed by Union Bank and Trust, which has provided the Office with the fair value measurements, the level of fair value hierarchy, and the valuation techniques as of June 30, 2024 and 2023. The Program classified each of its investments in the registered underlying mutual funds as Level 1, totaling \$7,440,599,595 and \$6,711,240,953, for June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, without consideration as to the classification level of the specific investments held by the underlying investments.

The following table summarizes the Program's investments within the fair value hierarchy at June 30, 2024:

Туре	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money Market:	\$ 184,024,264	\$ 184,024,264	\$ -	\$ -
Mutual Funds:	7,256,575,331	7,256,575,331	-	-
Total:	\$ 7,440,599,595	\$ 7,440,599,595	\$ -	\$ -

The following table summarizes the Program's investments within the fair value hierarchy at June 30, 2023:

Туре	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money Market:	\$ 168,205,714	\$ 168,205,714	\$ -	\$ -
Mutual Funds: Total:	6,543,035,239 \$ 6,711,240,953	6,543,035,239 \$ 6,711,240,953	\$ -	<u>-</u> \$ -

### Note 3. Administrative Fees

To administer the College Savings Program, the Office has a division titled, "The College Savings Program Division." This division has four employees as of June 30, 2024. The revenues and expenses of the division are recorded in an enterprise proprietary fund maintained by the Office titled College Savings Program Administrative Trust Fund No. 668.

# College Savings Program Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

### Note 3. Administrative Fees (Continued)

The Manager of the College Savings Program receives fees for their services. The Bright Start Program management fee was at an annual rate of 0.07% through June 30, 2024. The rate increased from 0.07% to 0.075% November 15, 2022 and then decreased to 0.07% again on April 18, 2023. The Bright Directions Program management fee has remained at an annual rate of 0.14% of the average daily net assets of each Portfolio. The fee is calculated daily but payable monthly.

The College Savings Program management and bank custodial fees paid from the Trust and the College Savings Program Administrative Trust Fund expenses are as follows:

	 2024	2023
Management & Bank Custodial Fees	\$ 17,735,662	\$ 15,961,647
Administrative Trust Fund expenses	3,072,511	2,777,528

### Note 4. Contingencies

The Office was involved in the *Kay v. Frerichs* lawsuit, brought in 2018 and decided in favor of the Office in 2019. While the Office obtained a favorable decision in the lower court, the Plaintiff has appealed the matter. First District Appellate Court affirmed the ruling of the Circuit Court and issued its mandate dated July 28, 2021. Therefore, the case has been dismissed and is now closed.

There is a separate suit the Plaintiff filed against only the Department of Central Management Services, *Kay v. CMS*, 19-CH-12160. This matter is before Judge Meyerson, the same judge who presided over *Kay v. Frerichs*.

In *Kay v. CMS*, Plaintiff seeks payment of the \$10,000,000 bond the Treasurer was required to obtain pursuant to statute, for the conduct alleged in *Kay v. Frerichs*. While the lawsuit is against CMS only, the Treasurer would be responsible for paying up to the \$10,000,000 limit of the bond. Katherine Snitzer is the Assistant Attorney General Representing the Defendant. The AG filed a Motion to Dismiss.

### Note 5. Class Action Recovery

The prior program manager utilized and invested a portion of portfolio assets in several separately managed accounts. In a review by the State of Illinois not all class actions had been filed and received by the prior program manager. The State of Illinois pursued with the prior program manager and received \$414,706 for the Bright Directions portfolios and \$1,358,753 for the Bright Start Portfolios.

#### Note 6. First Steps Portfolio

On January 1, 2023, the Illinois 529 programs launched Illinois First Steps, a program that provides a \$50 seed incentive to Illinois residents when they open a Bright Start or Bright Directions account for a beneficiary child born or adopted on or after January 1, 2023. When a parent opens an account and claims their First Steps incentive, \$50 is invested on behalf of the eligible beneficiary in the First Steps 2023 Portfolio. The First Steps 2023 Portfolio invests in a moderate-risk, age-based asset allocation. Although invested on behalf of eligible beneficiaries, funds held in the First Steps 2023 Portfolio are owned by the Illinois State Treasurer's Office and can only be withdrawn and used by an eligible beneficiary once they turn 18 years of age and incur qualified educational expenses at an eligible institution of higher education.



# College Savings Program Combining Statements of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2024 and 2023

	Bri	ght		Bri	ght				
	 Sta	art		 Dire	ction	ıs	 To	tals	
	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024		2023
Assets									
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 872,658,725	\$	737,141,385	\$ 519,256,865	\$	466,251,149	\$ 1,391,915,590	\$	1,203,392,534
Capital Shares Receivable	15,284,230		15,007,429	8,077,658		8,555,059	23,361,888		23,562,488
Dividends Receivable	39,135,500		16,180,227	12,200,573		11,336,748	51,336,073		27,516,975
Mutual Funds	 11,228,745,672		9,508,433,798	7,256,575,331		6,543,035,239	18,485,321,003		16,051,469,037
Total Assets	12,155,824,127		10,276,762,839	7,796,110,427		7,029,178,195	19,951,934,554		17,305,941,034
Liabilities and Net Position									
Liabilities									
Capital Shares Payable	11,341,012		11,411,694	7,404,356		7,929,411	18,745,368		19,341,105
Other Liabilities	 5,948,183		5,111,491	9,494,792		8,585,370	15,442,975		13,696,861
Total Liabilities	 17,289,195		16,523,185	16,899,148		16,514,781	34,188,343		33,037,966
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 12,138,534,932	\$	10,260,239,654	\$ 7,779,211,279	\$	7,012,663,414	\$ 19,917,746,211	\$	17,272,903,068

# College Savings Program Combining Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position For Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

		Bright		Bright			
-		Start		 Direction		 Totals	
		2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Additions							
Investment Income (Expense)							
Investment Earnings	\$	336,406,830 \$	274,727,660	\$ 224,982,960 \$	191,915,575	\$ 561,389,790 \$	466,643,235
Class Action Recovery		-	74,156	-	-	-	74,156
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		1,081,052,874	650,607,341	582,768,100	390,472,883	1,663,820,974	1,041,080,224
State Administrative Fees		(795,718)	(786,689)	(1,745,802)	(1,713,640)	(2,541,520)	(2,500,329)
Other Operating Expenses		(24,098,069)	(13,644,559)	(19,333,649)	(17,724,375)	(43,431,718)	(31,368,934)
12b-1 Fees		-	-	(12,026,886)	(7,031,591)	(12,026,886)	(7,031,591)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(7,635,087)	(6,751,372)	(10,100,575)	(9,210,275)	(17,735,662)	(15,961,647)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		1,384,930,830	904,226,537	764,544,148	546,708,577	2,149,474,978	1,450,935,114
Other Participant Transactions							
Program Contributions		1,317,509,834	1,143,801,713	728,436,619	669,268,862	2,045,946,453	1,813,070,575
Total Increase from Participant Transactions		1,317,509,834	1,143,801,713	728,436,619	669,268,862	2,045,946,453	1,813,070,575
Total Additions	:	2,702,440,664	2,048,028,250	1,492,980,767	1,215,977,439	4,195,421,431	3,264,005,689
Deductions							
Program Distributions		824,145,386	705,206,181	726,432,902	653,352,720	1,550,578,288	1,358,558,901
Total Deductions		824,145,386	705,206,181	726,432,902	653,352,720	1,550,578,288	1,358,558,901
Change in Net Position		1,878,295,278	1,342,822,069	766,547,865	562,624,719	2,644,843,143	1,905,446,788
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	1(	0,260,239,654	8,917,417,585	7,012,663,414	6,450,038,695	17,272,903,068	15,367,456,280
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 12	2,138,534,932 \$	10,260,239,654	\$ 7,779,211,279 \$	7,012,663,414	\$ 19,917,746,211 \$	17,272,903,068

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio Bright Start June 30, 2024

	Fix	Multi-Firm ced Income Portfolio	ı	Multi-Firm Fund 10	Multi-Firm Fund 20	Multi-Firm Fund 30	Multi-Firm Fund 40	Multi-Firm Fund 50
Assets								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	34,781,575 \$	6	92,493,144	\$ 27,082,527	\$ -	\$ 24,426	\$ 308,856
Capital Shares Receivable		70,838		780,182	573,826	156,635	334,842	687,927
Dividends Receivable		290,252		1,386,958	999,839	838,328	700,016	552,650
Mutual Funds		34,654,754		306,807,360	307,027,960	292,346,611	248,250,226	217,381,135
Total Assets		69,797,419		401,467,644	335,684,152	293,341,574	249,309,510	218,930,568
Liabilities and Net Position								
Liabilities								
Capital Shares Payable		11,519		441,903	545,550	478,738	99,944	332,336
Other Liabilities		5,426		30,889	25,859	836,930	19,374	16,943
Total Liabilities		16,945		472,792	571,409	1,315,668	119,318	349,279
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	69,780,474 \$	5	400,994,852	\$ 335,112,743	\$ 292,025,906	\$ 249,190,192	\$ 218,581,289

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2024

	Multi-Firm Balanced Portfolio Fund 60	Multi-Firm Fund 70	Multi-Firm Fund 80	Multi-Firm Fund 90	Multi-Firm Equity Portfolio Fund 100	F	Index Fixed Income Portfolio
Assets							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 156,386	\$ -	\$ -	\$	67,970,366
Capital Shares Receivable	384,865	147,664	274,348	183,871	96,801		138,475
Dividends Receivable	787,820	497,194	413,402	204,831	1,019,717		633,774
Mutual Funds	 305,002,847	190,548,660	167,499,429	84,338,868	450,997,750		67,770,873
Total Assets	306,175,532	191,193,518	168,343,565	84,727,570	452,114,268		136,513,488
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	673,631	284,817	280,206	150,368	107,672		62,509
Other Liabilities	 65,505	583,226	13,059	240,446	97,946		70,127
Total Liabilities	739,136	868,043	293,265	390,814	205,618		132,636
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 305,436,396	\$ 190,325,475	\$ 168,050,300	\$ 84,336,756	\$ 451,908,650	\$	136,380,852

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2024

	Index Fund 10	Index Fund 20	Index Fund 30	Index Fund 40	Index Fund 50	In	dex Balanced Portfolio Fund 60
Assets							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 92,941,178 \$	38,681,709	\$ 601,306	\$ - \$	671,585	\$	-
Capital Shares Receivable	374,374	665,521	1,090,137	1,249,526	1,305,971		980,910
Dividends Receivable	1,723,082	1,947,770	2,334,147	2,233,183	1,877,905		2,632,838
Mutual Funds	 307,560,724	443,833,003	609,812,134	592,371,684	542,215,436		784,346,301
Total Assets	402,599,358	485,128,003	613,837,724	595,854,393	546,070,897		787,960,049
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	234,548	385,903	533,883	1,038,155	931,225		1,031,993
Other Liabilities	 22,782	111,383	34,935	799,590	31,133		57,852
Total Liabilities	257,330	497,286	568,818	1,837,745	962,358		1,089,845
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 402,342,028 \$	484,630,717	\$ 613,268,906	\$ 594,016,648 \$	545,108,539	\$	786,870,204

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2024

	Index Fund 70	Index Fund 80	Index Fund 90	Index Equity Portfolio Fund 100	Ariel 529 Portfolio	В	aird Short-Term Bond 529 Portfolio
Assets							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ 374,969	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,583	\$	-
Capital Shares Receivable	688,318	921,817	824,278	755,502	4,963		34,271
Dividends Receivable	1,695,324	1,510,173	1,154,551	3,841,831	-		-
Mutual Funds	 501,589,820	474,395,809	371,170,483	1,331,272,738	22,043,650		30,673,748
Total Assets	 503,973,462	477,202,768	373,149,312	1,335,870,071	22,055,196		30,708,019
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	532,849	368,327	580,966	1,015,739	2,845		35,130
Other Liabilities	 880,156	27,057	226,966	230,610	1,734		29,019
Total Liabilities	1,413,005	395,384	807,932	1,246,349	4,579		64,149
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 502,560,457	\$ 476,807,384	\$ 372,341,380	\$ 1,334,623,722	\$ 22,050,617	\$	30,643,870

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2024

	DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio		DFA U.S. Large Cap Value 529 Portfolio	DFA U.S. Targeted Value 529 Portfolio	Dodge & Cox Income 529 Portfolio	T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Explorer 529 Portfolio
Assets								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 6,93	) \$	18,904	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	6,52	5	30,171	19,241	4,225		166,286	86,416
Dividends Receivable	238,69	3	249,044	193,472	-		-	-
Mutual Funds	24,822,19	3	49,352,040	46,147,481	31,345,870		363,497,273	83,460,553
Total Assets	25,074,34	7	49,650,159	46,360,194	31,350,095		363,663,559	83,546,969
Liabilities and Net Position								
Liabilities								
Capital Shares Payable	4,00	)	51,218	34,942	29,890		147,155	107,064
Other Liabilities	1,97	)	3,843	4,498	54,638		40,304	33,869
Total Liabilities	5,97	)	55,061	39,440	84,528		187,459	140,933
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 25,068,36	3 \$	49,595,098	\$ 46,320,754	\$ 31,265,567	\$	363,476,100	\$ 83,406,036

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2024

	М	iguard Federal oney Market 529 Portfolio	Vanguard 500 Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard REIT Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Short-Term nflation-Protected Securities Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index 529 Portfolio	١	Vanguard Total International Bond Index 529 Portfolio
Assets								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	399,151,061	\$ 152,680	\$ 17,183	\$	\$ •	\$	8,852
Capital Shares Receivable		678,909	1,039,508	12,305	10,512	99,555		2,962
Dividends Receivable		1,715,531	4,163,059	422,613	385,072	260,538		25,252
Mutual Funds		-	1,152,647,715	34,669,725	41,740,614	85,802,364		13,135,389
Total Assets		401,545,501	1,158,002,962	35,121,826	42,136,198	86,183,383		13,172,455
Liabilities and Net Position								
Liabilities								
Capital Shares Payable		173,534	325,234	17,358	1,471	42,149		14,496
Other Liabilities		929,879	65,481	1,980	6,594	4,927		753
Total Liabilities		1,103,413	390,715	19,338	8,065	47,076		15,249
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	400,442,088	\$ 1,157,612,247	\$ 35,102,488	\$ 42,128,133	\$ 86,136,307	\$	13,157,206

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2024

	\	anguard Total International Stock Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index 529 Portfolio	Direct Bank Savings 529 Portfolio	First Steps*	Total
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	21,317	\$ -	\$ 117,163,262	\$ 3,000	\$ 872,658,725
Capital Shares Receivable		52,642	195,224	153,887	-	15,284,230
Dividends Receivable		-	1,680,972	524,841	825	39,135,500
Mutual Funds		145,518,885	472,427,632	-	265,932	11,228,745,672
Total Assets		145,592,844	474,303,828	117,841,990	269,757	12,155,824,127
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable		56,727	51,155	123,863	-	11,341,012
Other Liabilities		8,384	47,091	285,001	15	5,948,183
Total Liabilities		65,111	98,246	408,864	15	17,289,195
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	145,527,733	\$ 474,205,582	\$ 117,433,126	\$ 269,742	\$ 12,138,534,932

<sup>\*</sup>The First Steps investments is described as Index Age-Based Moderate held in a separate omnibus account. First Steps asset allocation and underlying investments are the same as the Index Age-Based Moderate portfolio as described in the College Savings Program Investment Policy Statement

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio Bright Start June 30, 2023

	Multi-Firm ked Income Portfolio	Multi-Firm Fund 10	Multi-Firm Fund 20	Multi-Firm Fund 30	Multi-Firm Fund 40	Multi-Firm Fund 50
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 35,916,308	\$ 87,428,304	\$ 26,306,779	\$ - \$	- \$	-
Capital Shares Receivable	36,960	465,645	784,132	840,361	270,651	317,972
Dividends Receivable	261,828	1,099,786	751,411	626,948	497,729	389,840
Mutual Funds	 35,771,732	293,500,291	297,012,936	287,744,953	230,410,945	198,344,467
Total Assets	 71,986,828	382,494,026	324,855,258	289,212,262	231,179,325	199,052,279
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	67,009	234,429	456,958	692,889	754,132	204,297
Other Liabilities	 5,549	298,102	25,060	51,505	225,444	15,599
Total Liabilities	 72,558	532,531	482,018	744,394	979,576	219,896
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 71,914,270	\$ 381,961,495	\$ 324,373,240	\$ 288,467,868 \$	230,199,749 \$	198,832,383

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2023

	Multi-Firm Balanced Portfolio Fund 60	Multi-Firm Fund 70	Multi-Firm Fund 80	Multi-Firm Fund 90	Multi-Firm Equity Portfolio Fund 100	F	Index ixed Income Portfolio
Assets							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ - 9	\$ -	\$ 190,704	\$ -	\$ -	\$	66,334,325
Capital Shares Receivable	341,148	185,028	393,682	170,803	104,664		126,628
Dividends Receivable	570,996	365,992	259,143	171,749	763,961		536,485
Mutual Funds	 278,534,475	181,402,903	135,268,921	90,601,047	435,375,076		66,068,530
Total Assets	279,446,619	181,953,923	136,112,450	90,943,599	436,243,701		133,065,968
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	285,622	240,805	132,147	358,450	283,189		249,408
Other Liabilities	 252,794	29,502	10,378	31,015	1,395,576		7,626
Total Liabilities	 538,416	270,307	142,525	389,465	1,678,765		257,034
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 278,908,203	\$ 181,683,616	\$ 135,969,925	\$ 90,554,134	\$ 434,564,936	\$	132,808,934

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2023

	Index Fund 10		Index Fund 20	Index Fund 30	Index Fund 40	Index Fund 50	ln	dex Balanced Portfolio Fund 60
Assets								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 81,311,113 \$	\$	31,563,177	\$ 20,475	\$ 214,133	\$ 397,756	\$	-
Capital Shares Receivable	996,042		715,170	769,814	801,597	879,823		1,080,816
Dividends Receivable	1,158,067		1,087,944	1,155,109	1,073,384	731,401		902,768
Mutual Funds	 271,302,767		365,284,378	502,588,375	521,592,208	465,054,279		694,471,228
Total Assets	354,767,989		398,650,669	504,533,773	523,681,322	467,063,259		696,454,812
Liabilities and Net Position								
Liabilities								
Capital Shares Payable	226,416		908,960	611,521	631,675	639,150		740,685
Other Liabilities	 19,936		158,793	28,536	29,900	26,573		648,648
Total Liabilities	246,352		1,067,753	640,057	661,575	665,723		1,389,333
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 354,521,637 \$	<b>B</b>	397,582,916	\$ 503,893,716	\$ 523,019,747	\$ 466,397,536	\$	695,065,479

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2023

	Index Fund 70	Index Fund 80	Index Fund 90	Index Equity Portfolio Fund 100	Ariel 529 Portfolio	Ва	aird Short-Term Bond 529 Portfolio
Assets							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ - \$	-	\$ 15,220	\$ -	\$ 373	\$	107,955
Capital Shares Receivable	504,866	576,844	621,956	682,412	9,401		245,815
Dividends Receivable	478,251	254,185	119,927	-	-		-
Mutual Funds	 449,003,112	352,446,848	288,586,456	1,169,900,529	21,532,233		27,585,993
Total Assets	449,986,229	353,277,877	289,343,559	1,170,582,941	21,542,007		27,939,763
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	835,632	242,719	183,327	522,103	7,897		13,515
Other Liabilities	 192,653	114,729	16,371	246,701	1,648		2,153
Total Liabilities	 1,028,285	357,448	199,698	768,804	9,545		15,668
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 448,957,944 \$	352,920,429	\$ 289,143,861	\$ 1,169,814,137	\$ 21,532,462	\$	27,924,095

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2023

	DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio	DFA U.S. Large Cap Value 529 Portfolio	DFA U.S. Targeted Value 529 Portfolio	Dodge & Cox Income 529 Portfolio	T. Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Explorer 529 Portfolio
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	7,068	157,399	51,303	214,263	251,252	45,122
Dividends Receivable	255,578	235,081	181,230	-	-	-
Mutual Funds	21,878,780	42,429,763	43,236,347	26,066,883	239,574,063	75,147,046
Total Assets	22,141,426	42,822,243	43,468,880	26,281,146	239,825,315	75,192,168
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	2,443	3,600	15,491	5,405	20,852	25,554
Other Liabilities	7,610	31,190	32,477	68,959	80,178	8,188
Total Liabilities	10,053	34,790	47,968	74,364	101,030	33,742
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 22,131,373	\$ 42,787,453	\$ 43,420,912	\$ 26,206,782	\$ 239,724,285	\$ 75,158,426

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2023

	M	guard Federal oney Market 29 Portfolio	Vanguard 500 Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard REIT Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Short-Term nflation-Protected Securities Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index 529 Portfolio	,	Vanguard Total International Bond Index 529 Portfolio
Assets								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	326,790,044	\$ 1,187,992	\$ •	\$	\$ •	\$	6,247
Capital Shares Receivable		317,267	790,158	151,415	13,507	160,031		46,845
Dividends Receivable		1,342,585	-	-	370,987	178,791		18,706
Mutual Funds		-	795,039,721	32,125,896	49,986,936	69,736,405		11,683,494
Total Assets		328,449,896	797,017,871	32,294,015	50,371,430	70,100,305		11,755,292
Liabilities and Net Position								
Liabilities								
Capital Shares Payable		459,843	127,619	8,403	167	112,766		97,353
Other Liabilities		769,968	44,360	1,805	9,038	3,997		661
Total Liabilities		1,229,811	171,979	10,208	9,205	116,763		98,014
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	327,220,085	\$ 796,845,892	\$ 32,283,807	\$ 50,362,225	\$ 69,983,542	\$	11,657,278

### College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start June 30, 2023

	\	/anguard Total International Stock Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index 529 Portfolio	Direct Bank Savings 529 Portfolio	First Steps*	Total
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	49,405	\$ 383,757	\$ 78,875,536	\$ - \$	\$ 737,141,385
Capital Shares Receivable		100,385	467,418	311,766	-	15,007,429
Dividends Receivable		-	-	340,360	5	16,180,227
Mutual Funds		121,639,624	320,486,605	-	17,553	9,508,433,798
Total Assets		121,789,414	321,337,780	79,527,662	17,558	10,276,762,839
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable		302,078	652,269	54,916	-	11,411,694
Other Liabilities		6,956	17,892	193,421	-	5,111,491
Total Liabilities		309,034	670,161	248,337	-	16,523,185
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	121,480,380	\$ 320,667,619	\$ 79,279,325	\$ 17,558	\$ 10,260,239,654

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# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	3 Moderate Index 0-2	AB Moderate Index 3-5	AB Moderate Index 6-8	AB Moderate Index 9-10	AB Moderate Index 11-12	AB Moderate Index 13-14
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 183	\$ 15,391	\$ 6,175	\$ 28,952	\$ 3,519	\$ 1,737
Capital Shares Receivable	196	-	227	190	177	1,483
Dividends Receivable	138	346	606	669	999	1,278
Mutual Funds	 2,278,760	1,962,571	2,061,993	1,837,753	2,457,180	2,887,079
Total Assets	2,279,277	1,978,308	2,069,001	1,867,564	2,461,875	2,891,577
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Liabilities	1,526	1,157	1,057	1,274	1,465	1,584
Total Liabilities	 1,526	1,157	1,057	1,274	1,465	1,584
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 2,277,751	\$ 1,977,151	\$ 2,067,944	\$ 1,866,290	\$ 2,460,410	\$ 2,889,993

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	Moderate dex 15-16	 B Moderate ndex 17-18	 /loderate lex 19+	Ga (	erican Beacon arcia Hamilton Quality Bond 529 Portfolio	An	merican Century Growth 529 Portfolio	An	nerican Century Value 529 Portfolio
Assets									
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	9,459	\$	549
Capital Shares Receivable	860	20,459	24,563		12,926		7,890		2,721
Dividends Receivable	764	1,508	1,664		1,712		-		-
Mutual Funds	 2,580,468	2,219,630	1,287,381		606,991		41,334,984		28,316,842
Total Assets	 2,582,092	2,241,597	1,313,608		621,629		41,352,333		28,320,112
Liabilities and Net Position									
Liabilities									
Capital Shares Payable	-	-	-		-		3,130		500
Other Liabilities	 1,633	1,161	1,021		388		35,901		23,512
Total Liabilities	 1,633	1,161	1,021		388		39,031		24,012
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 2,580,459	\$ 2,240,436	\$ 1,312,587	\$	621,241	\$	41,313,302	\$	28,296,100

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	52	Ariel 9 Portfolio	T In	aird Short- erm Bond stitutional 9 Portfolio	BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond 529 Portfolio	Calvert Equity 529 Portfolio	Delaware Small Cap Core 529 Portfolio	Sı	DFA International mall Company 529 Portfolio
Assets									
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$		\$	61,455	\$	\$ -	\$	\$	1,490
Capital Shares Receivable		3,263		10,904	4,617	8,679	6,294		1,304
Dividends Receivable		-		-	67,619	-	-		122,657
Mutual Funds		20,168,133		57,205,031	13,264,865	40,528,950	28,494,308		12,754,129
Total Assets		20,171,396		57,277,390	13,337,101	40,537,629	28,500,602		12,879,580
Liabilities and Net Position									
Liabilities									
Capital Shares Payable		673		17,418	3,121	12,929	11,693		1,532
Other Liabilities		26,339		37,427	26,269	40,946	27,566		8,024
Total Liabilities		27,012		54,845	29,390	53,875	39,259		9,556
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	20,144,384	\$	57,222,545	\$ 13,307,711	\$ 40,483,754	\$ 28,461,343	\$	12,870,024

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	;	DFA Real Estate Securities 29 Portfolio	Dodge & Cox International Stock 529 Portfolio	Fidelity US Bond Index 529 Portfolio	Harbor Small Cap Growth Opportunities 529 Portfolio	Invesco Government & Agency 529 Portfolio	Invesco Oppenheimer International Growth 529 Portfolio
Assets	_						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	566	\$ 19,793	\$ •	\$ •	\$ , ,	\$
Capital Shares Receivable		958	26,114	16,701	6,893	286,745	5,166
Dividends Receivable		54,755	-	67,528	-	784,701	-
Mutual Funds		10,715,373	52,709,313	26,751,854	16,371,284	-	29,280,706
Total Assets		10,771,652	52,755,220	26,859,264	16,379,523	185,095,710	29,285,872
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable		10,610	21,140	972	11,182	175,472	16,143
Other Liabilities		8,650	43,044	18,280	13,269	431,026	38,596
Total Liabilities		19,260	64,184	19,252	24,451	606,498	54,739
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	10,752,392	\$ 52,691,036	\$ 26,840,012	\$ 16,355,072	\$ 184,489,212	\$ 29,231,133

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	52	MFS Value 9 Portfolio	Northern Funds International Equity Index 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Small Cap Index 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Small Cap Value 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Stock Index 529 Portfolio	Payden Emerging Markets 529 Portfolio
Assets							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	43,235	\$	\$	\$ -,	\$ 109,688	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable		20,309	6,971	2,355	9,197	46,102	5
Dividends Receivable		-	-	-	-	-	-
Mutual Funds		72,153,792	20,512,754	18,005,241	14,836,101	193,775,889	193,152
Total Assets		72,217,336	20,519,725	18,007,596	14,854,753	193,931,679	193,157
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable		69,550	1,152	1,989	11,743	34,222	-
Other Liabilities		58,100	51,645	17,159	10,241	158,033	89
Total Liabilities		127,650	52,797	19,148	21,984	192,255	89
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	72,089,686	\$ 20,466,928	\$ 17,988,448	\$ 14,832,769	\$ 193,739,424	\$ 193,068

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	PGIM Core Bond 29 Portfolio	Re Se	rincipal Global al Estate ccurities Portfolio	SIT Dividend Growth 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Balanced 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Equity Income 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Extended Equity Market Index 529 Portfolio
Assets		_					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	\$	1,831	\$ 116	\$	\$ 19,298	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	4,694		33,440	3,992	229,510	6,606	3,952
Dividends Receivable	158,507		-	-	-	-	-
Mutual Funds	 43,008,545		3,965,508	28,309,767	103,609,652	69,375,460	33,968,947
Total Assets	 43,171,746		4,000,779	\$ 28,313,875	103,839,162	69,401,364	33,972,899
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	20,473		8,504	584	100,933	10,282	22,925
Other Liabilities	 52,427		3,206	21,520	100,628	54,777	32,157
Total Liabilities	 72,900		11,710	22,104	201,561	65,059	55,082
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 43,098,846	\$	3,989,069	\$ 28,291,771	\$ 103,637,601	\$ 69,336,305	\$ 33,917,817

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	.Rowe Price Large Cap Growth i29 Portfolio	М	Vanguard FTSE Developed arkets Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets Stock Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Global Ex-U.S. Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mega Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mega Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio
Assets								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 40,237			(		\$	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	225,762		15,486		8,200	18	27,360	3,417
Dividends Receivable	-		-		-	-	183,864	21,023
Mutual Funds	 222,795,736		20,234,352		9,341,142	915,792	58,818,505	21,362,539
Total Assets	223,061,735		20,249,838		9,349,595	915,810	59,029,729	21,386,979
Liabilities and Net Position								
Liabilities								
Capital Shares Payable	33,788		1,530		821	-	4,107	-
Other Liabilities	 178,300		2,994		1,281	142	11,607	3,129
Total Liabilities	 212,088		4,524		2,102	142	15,714	3,129
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 222,849,647	\$	20,245,314	ç	\$ 9,347,493	\$ 915,668	\$ 59,014,015	\$ 21,383,850

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	Vanguard Mega Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Во	Vanguard Short-Term nd Index ETF i29 Portfolio
Assets		_					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ - (		\$	\$ -	\$	\$	26
Capital Shares Receivable	1,734	7,808	601	509	573		1,712
Dividends Receivable	99,099	71,506	6,600	17,512	49,986		-
Mutual Funds	 15,912,102	18,638,370	3,915,205	2,991,035	4,053,882		20,175,095
Total Assets	16,012,935	18,717,684	3,922,406	3,009,056	4,104,441		20,176,833
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	-	843	-	-	675		38,333
Other Liabilities	 2,243	4,935	546	422	580		2,758
Total Liabilities	 2,243	5,778	546	422	1,255		41,091
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 16,010,692	\$ 18,711,906	\$ 3,921,860	\$ 3,008,634	\$ 4,103,186	\$	20,135,742

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	Vanguard Small-Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Small-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Small-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF 529 Portfolio	Fixed Income Fund	Fund 10
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ -	- \$	\$ 717	\$ - 9	52,107,615 \$	151,047,180
Capital Shares Receivable	2,055	535	8,674	2,222	214,500	911,961
Dividends Receivable	62,159	4,763	27,248	-	297,575	1,511,466
Mutual Funds	16,008,863	2,880,615	4,904,816	12,693,817	52,107,614	504,462,297
Total Assets	16,073,077	2,885,913	4,941,455	12,696,039	104,727,304	657,932,904
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	844	-	-	472	151,142	611,718
Other Liabilities	2,300	399	674	1,814	117,305	504,841
Total Liabilities	3,144	399	674	2,286	268,447	1,116,559
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 16,069,933	\$ 2,885,514	\$ 4,940,781	\$ 12,693,753	\$ 104,458,857 \$	656,816,345

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	Fund 20	Fund 30	Fund 40	Fund 50	Fund 60	Fund 70
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 58,201,632 \$	- \$	448,184	\$ 277,120	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	835,951	707,954	645,698	748,741	1,311,462	327,318
Dividends Receivable	1,339,370	1,182,725	1,166,958	980,532	1,124,458	663,540
Mutual Funds	 665,276,639	706,771,516	656,753,722	542,636,930	675,139,239	416,697,149
Total Assets	725,653,592	708,662,195	659,014,562	544,643,323	677,575,159	417,688,007
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	1,089,463	677,993	688,939	466,924	1,245,747	691,456
Other Liabilities	587,102	1,792,446	570,326	472,310	1,233,030	789,878
Total Liabilities	 1,676,565	2,470,439	1,259,265	939,234	2,478,777	1,481,334
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 723,977,027 \$	706,191,756 \$	657,755,297	\$ 543,704,089	\$ 675,096,382	\$ 416,206,673

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	Fund 80	Fund 90	Fund 100	Bank Savings 529 Portfolio	Fidelity Short-Term Bond Index 529 Portfolio	 Shares 0-5 Year IPS Bond Index 529 Portfolio
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 121,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 72,580,775	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	387,813	280,056	277,715	75,901	217,848	397
Dividends Receivable	848,916	217,795	652,101	324,692	12,981	-
Mutual Funds	 627,391,790	201,380,230	690,534,809	-	8,910,275	6,343,715
Total Assets	 628,749,769	201,878,081	691,464,625	72,981,368	9,141,104	6,344,112
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	394,697	304,939	360,788	15,765	1,726	4,613
Other Liabilities	 521,664	328,463	693,836	178,783	53,543	17,583
Total Liabilities	916,361	633,402	1,054,624	194,548	55,269	22,196
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 627,833,408	\$ 201,244,679	\$ 690,410,001	\$ 72,786,820	\$ 9,085,835	\$ 6,321,916

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

	Yi	kRock High eld Bond 9 Portfolio	CS Float Rate High Income 529 Portfolio		AB Global Bond 529 Portfolio	В	lackRock Mid-Cap Growth Equity 529 Portfolio	Blackrock Emerging Market 529 Portfolio	Virtus Duff & Phelps Global Inf Portfolio
Assets									
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	24,167	\$ 1,933	9	\$ -	9	24,093	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable		2,876	58		287		4,966	3,027	-
Dividends Receivable		21,392	25,004		21,857		-	-	-
Mutual Funds		3,732,755	3,199,800		6,669,003		34,917,209	17,870,968	347,419
Total Assets		3,781,190	3,226,795		6,691,147		34,946,268	17,873,995	347,419
Liabilities and Net Position									
Liabilities									
Capital Shares Payable		-	3,624		12,926		21,480	10,131	-
Other Liabilities		2,771	2,214		16,669		30,067	16,510	230
Total Liabilities		2,771	5,838		29,595		51,547	26,641	230
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	3,778,419	\$ 3,220,957	9	\$ 6,661,552	9	34,894,721	\$ 17,847,354	\$ 347,189

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2024

		Total
Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	519,256,865
Capital Shares Receivable		8,077,658
Dividends Receivable		12,200,573
Mutual Funds		7,256,575,331
Total Assets		7,796,110,427
Liabilities and Net Position		
Liabilities		
Capital Shares Payable		7,404,356
Other Liabilities		9,494,792
Total Liabilities		16,899,148
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	_\$_	7,779,211,279

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	Moderate ndex 0-2	4	AB Moderate Index 3-5	AB Moderate Index 6-8	AB Moderate Index 9-10	AB Moderate Index 11-12	AB Moderate Index 13-14
Assets							_
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 965	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - \$	-
Capital Shares Receivable	97		156	177	390	377	-
Dividends Receivable	39		105	164	279	145	67
Mutual Funds	 690,421		655,589	592,560	681,004	557,287	151,784
Total Assets	 691,522		655,850	592,901	681,673	557,809	151,851
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	-		-	-	-	-	-
Other Liabilities	 386		481	588	626	222	140
Total Liabilities	 386		481	588	626	222	140
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 691,136	\$	655,369	\$ 592,313	\$ 681,047	\$ 557,587 \$	151,711

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	 Moderate ex 15-16	AB Moderate Index 17-18	AB Moderate Index 19+	merican Beacon Garcia Hamilton Quality Bond 529 Portfolio	An	nerican Century Equity Growth 529 Portfolio	nerican Century Growth 529 Portfolio
Assets							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	-	-	-	-		10,470	7,951
Dividends Receivable	189	463	285	1,556		-	-
Mutual Funds	 689,918	760,638	271,468	575,916		26,369,066	28,493,607
Total Assets	690,107	761,101	271,753	577,472		26,379,536	28,501,558
Liabilities and Net Position							
Liabilities							
Capital Shares Payable	-	-	-	-		600	2,956
Other Liabilities	 453	465	151	560		56,890	34,319
Total Liabilities	 453	465	151	560		57,490	37,275
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 689,654	\$ 760,636	\$ 271,602	\$ 576,912	\$	26,322,046	\$ 28,464,283

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	American Cen Value 529 Portfolio	-	Ariel 529 Portfolio		Baird Short- Term Bond Institutional 529 Portfolio		BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond 529 Portfolio		Calvert Equity 529 Portfolio		Delaware Small Cap Core 529 Portfolio
Assets	\$		\$ -	\$	96,360	φ	7,616	<b>ው</b>	3,582	¢	120
Cash and Cash Equivalents Capital Shares Receivable		- 575	э 3,976	Φ	7,890	Φ	1,295	Φ	7,276	Φ	5,836
Dividends Receivable	O,	-	-		-		77,245		7,210		-
Mutual Funds	26,959,	537	19,847,015		56,964,818		14,036,713		35,413,454		26,749,093
Total Assets	26,966,	112	19,850,991		57,069,068		14,122,869		35,424,312		26,755,049
Liabilities and Net Position											
Liabilities											
Capital Shares Payable		428	12,894		36,365		4,274		929		17,995
Other Liabilities	61,	454	44,208		38,810		11,248		29,685		20,626
Total Liabilities	61,	882	57,102		75,175		15,522		30,614		38,621
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 26,904,	230	\$ 19,793,889	\$	56,993,893	\$	14,107,347	\$	35,393,698	\$	26,716,428

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio	,	DFA Real Estate Securities 529 Portfolio		Dodge & Cox International Stock 529 Portfolio		Fidelity US Bond Index 529 Portfolio		Harbor Small Cap Growth Opportunities 529 Portfolio	(	Invesco Government & Agency 529 Portfolio
Assets Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	- \$	6 4,192		\$ -	\$	56,725	Ф		\$	168,205,714
Capital Shares Receivable	ν 2,43		2,404	•	τ - 19,701	Φ	4,139	Φ	5,755	Φ	465,115
Dividends Receivable	135,39		51,053		15,701		59,222		-		695,702
Mutual Funds	11,535,38		10,873,025		50,486,300		25,501,602		15,596,796		-
Total Assets	11,673,21	2	10,930,674		50,506,001		25,621,688		15,602,551		169,366,531
Liabilities and Net Position											
Liabilities											
Capital Shares Payable	7,51	3	1,265		13,823		11,525		11,976		108,088
Other Liabilities	11,83	6	8,892		62,304		17,683		52,374		401,007
Total Liabilities	19,34	9	10,157		76,127		29,208		64,350		509,095
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 11,653,86	3 \$	10,920,517	9	\$ 50,429,874	\$	25,592,480	\$	15,538,201	\$	168,857,436

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	In	Invesco penheimer ternational Growth 29 Portfolio	529	MFS Value Portfolio		Northern Funds International Equity Index 529 Portfolio		Northern Funds Small Cap Index 529 Portfolio		Northern Funds Small Cap Value 529 Portfolio		Northern Funds Stock Index 529 Portfolio
Assets	•		•	0.004	•		•		•	0.040	•	
Cash and Cash Equivalents Capital Shares Receivable	\$	11,379	\$	3,334 24,277	\$		\$	- 11,228	\$	3,310 4,368	\$	- 26,914
Dividends Receivable		11,379		24,211		2,887		-		4,306		20,914
Mutual Funds		29,762,041		64,689,056		17,683,864		16,656,547		13,498,990		119,727,423
Total Assets		29,773,420		64,716,667		17,686,751		16,667,775		13,506,668		119,754,337
Liabilities and Net Position												
Liabilities												
Capital Shares Payable		12,816		31,586		600		1,601		11,469		106,812
Other Liabilities		41,616		51,047		14,774		23,991		9,220		185,215
Total Liabilities		54,432		82,633		15,374		25,592		20,689		292,027
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	29,718,988	\$	64,634,034	\$	17,671,377	\$	16,642,183	\$	13,485,979	\$	119,462,310

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	PGIM Core Bond 29 Portfolio	Principal Global Real Estate Securities 529 Portfolio	SIT Dividend Growth 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Balanced 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Equity Income 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Extended Equity Market Index 529 Portfolio
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,683	\$	\$ •	\$ 36,206	\$	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	8,134	2,539	3,030	47,449	13,941	5,871
Dividends Receivable	139,800	-	-	-	-	-
Mutual Funds	39,312,737	3,991,458	23,762,996	87,890,823	61,327,881	29,667,872
Total Assets	 39,463,354	3,994,165	\$ 23,770,880	87,974,478	61,370,344	29,673,743
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	7,333	2,346	1,392	8,580	6,776	2,968
Other Liabilities	 33,822	3,248	17,866	78,735	49,288	56,595
Total Liabilities	 41,155	5,594	19,258	87,315	56,064	59,563
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 39,422,199	\$ 3,988,571	\$ 23,751,622	\$ 87,887,163	\$ 61,314,280	\$ 29,614,180

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 29 Portfolio	Mar	Vanguard FTSE Developed kets Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard FTSE Emerg Markets Stock Index I 529 Portfoli	ing ETF	Vanguard Global Ex-U.S. Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mega Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	ļ	Vanguard Mega Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio
Assets									
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 43,219	\$	1	\$	1	\$	\$	\$	-
Capital Shares Receivable	38,486		1,040		532	47	2,583		1,868
Dividends Receivable	-		-		-	-	138,010		16,848
Mutual Funds	 160,032,708		16,788,204	8,094	,760	888,692	39,727,069		14,515,028
Total Assets	 160,114,413		16,789,245	8,095	,293	888,739	39,867,662		14,533,744
Liabilities and Net Position									
Liabilities									
Capital Shares Payable	51,444		14,855	5	,722	-	9,731		-
Other Liabilities	 126,907		2,308	1	,110	134	5,317		2,683
Total Liabilities	 178,351		17,163	6	,832	134	15,048		2,683
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 159,936,062	\$	16,772,082	\$ 8,088	,461	\$ 888,605	\$ 39,852,614	\$	14,531,061

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

		Vanguard Mega Cap Value Index ETF 29 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Short-Term and Index ETF 529 Portfolio
Assets					_		_		_	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	- (	•	\$ -	\$		\$	<u>-</u>	\$	-
Capital Shares Receivable		1,581	1,345	153		138		320		36,569
Dividends Receivable		85,615	54,370	5,199		17,421		43,385		-
Mutual Funds		13,465,530	14,694,040	3,388,592		3,142,247		3,908,850		20,041,252
Total Assets		13,552,726	14,749,755	3,393,944		3,159,806		3,952,555		20,077,821
Liabilities and Net Position										
Liabilities										
Capital Shares Payable		8,097	4,961	-		2,751		100		5,279
Other Liabilities		1,830	1,935	449		424		529		8,909
Total Liabilities		9,927	6,896	449		3,175		629		14,188
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	13,542,799	14,742,859	\$ 3,393,495	\$	3,156,631	\$	3,951,926	\$	20,063,633

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

		Vanguard Small-Cap Index ETF 29 Portfolio		Vanguard Small-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Small-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF 529 Portfolio		Fixed Income Fund	Fund 10
Assets	_		_		_		_	_	_		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	369	\$		\$		\$		\$	51,277,034 \$	142,100,001
Capital Shares Receivable		1,375		378		221		13,457		386,052	800,102
Dividends Receivable		50,305		4,208		25,026		-		277,065	1,374,144
Mutual Funds		13,165,112		2,564,497		4,664,881		10,836,576		51,105,990	474,652,568
Total Assets		13,217,161		2,569,083		4,690,129		10,850,039		103,046,141	618,926,815
Liabilities and Net Position											
Liabilities											
Capital Shares Payable		4,512		-		6,076		567		122,700	750,356
Other Liabilities		1,744		341		621		1,526		84,689	476,355
Total Liabilities		6,256		341		6,697		2,093		207,389	1,226,711
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	13,210,905	\$	2,568,742	\$	4,683,432	\$	10,847,946	\$	102,838,752 \$	617,700,104

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	Fund 20	Fund 30	Fund 40	Fund 50	Fund 60	Fund 70
Assets	<del>-</del>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 54,313,085	\$ -	\$ 5,960	\$ - \$	- \$	-
Capital Shares Receivable	818,952	1,064,982	1,191,685	959,639	665,719	415,614
Dividends Receivable	1,224,132	1,096,707	1,135,504	921,846	1,082,765	665,426
Mutual Funds	 614,895,678	647,444,925	616,206,891	491,824,006	626,046,532	400,111,704
Total Assets	 671,251,847	649,606,614	618,540,040	493,705,491	627,795,016	401,192,744
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	946,277	785,277	997,623	1,070,852	941,125	340,067
Other Liabilities	 542,227	1,891,001	535,297	438,098	651,785	647,813
Total Liabilities	1,488,504	2,676,278	1,532,920	1,508,950	1,592,910	987,880
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 669,763,343	\$ 646,930,336	\$ 617,007,120	\$ 492,196,541 \$	626,202,106 \$	400,204,864

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	Fund 80	Fund 90	Fund 100	Bank Savings 529 Portfolio	Fidelity Short-Term Bond Index 529 Portfolio	Shares 0-5 Year IPS Bond Index 529 Portfolio
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 544,736	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,423,262	\$ 71,284	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable	574,784	471,120	334,048	31,953	310	177
Dividends Receivable	795,823	221,302	677,557	207,991	7,860	-
Mutual Funds	 543,270,746	185,412,357	629,474,136	-	6,418,196	6,382,782
Total Assets	 545,186,089	186,104,779	630,485,741	49,663,206	6,497,650	6,382,959
Liabilities and Net Position						
Liabilities						
Capital Shares Payable	454,442	622,381	238,799	94,978	325	-
Other Liabilities	 450,956	533,638	571,662	121,750	4,261	5,536
Total Liabilities	905,398	1,156,019	810,461	216,728	4,586	5,536
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 544,280,691	\$ 184,948,760	\$ 629,675,280	\$ 49,446,478	\$ 6,493,064	\$ 6,377,423

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	Yi	kRock High eld Bond 9 Portfolio	CS Float Rate High Income 529 Portfolio	AB Global Bond 529 Portfolio	В	lackRock Mid-Cap Growth Equity 529 Portfolio	Blackrock Emerging Market 529 Portfolio	Virtus Duff & Phelps Global Inf Portfolio
Assets								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	7,050	\$ 137	\$ 10,652	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Shares Receivable		109	632	740		15,674	8,644	=
Dividends Receivable		8,768	16,907	20,856		-	-	-
Mutual Funds		1,490,910	2,262,382	6,883,524		29,465,044	17,211,030	133,116
Total Assets		1,506,837	2,280,058	6,915,772		29,480,718	17,219,674	133,116
Liabilities and Net Position								
Liabilities								
Capital Shares Payable		-	-	150		18,124	6,930	-
Other Liabilities		1,108	1,444	5,127		30,280	14,419	332
Total Liabilities		1,108	1,444	5,277		48,404	21,349	332
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$	1,505,729	\$ 2,278,614	\$ 6,910,495	\$	29,432,314	\$ 17,198,325	\$ 132,784

# College Savings Program Statements of Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions June 30, 2023

	Total
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 466,251,149
Capital Shares Receivable	8,555,059
Dividends Receivable	11,336,748
Mutual Funds	6,543,035,239
Total Assets	 7,029,178,195
Liabilities and Net Position	
Liabilities	
Capital Shares Payable	7,929,411
Other Liabilities	 8,585,370
Total Liabilities	 16,514,781
Net Position Held in Trust for Participants	\$ 7,012,663,414

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Multi-Firm Fixed Income Portfolio	Multi-Firm Fund 10	Multi-Firm Fund 20	Multi-Firm Fund 30	Multi-Firm Fund 40	Multi-Firm Fund 50
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 3,058,800 \$	15,078,790 \$	11,820,912 \$	10,402,230 \$	8,569,254 \$	7,532,142
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	445,632	9,149,500	12,073,173	14,727,801	14,462,624	14,997,689
State Administrative Fees	(17,093)	(94, 198)	(78,500)	(72,560)	(58,746)	(51,610)
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(47,862)	(263,755)	(219,801)	(203,168)	(164,488)	(144,507)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	3,439,477	23,870,337	23,595,784	24,854,303	22,808,644	22,333,714
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	21,740,989	185,926,572	192,532,081	158,129,318	135,148,785	121,376,080
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	21,740,989	185,926,572	192,532,081	158,129,318	135,148,785	121,376,080
Total Additions	25,180,466	209,796,909	216,127,865	182,983,621	157,957,429	143,709,794
Deductions						
Program Distributions	27,314,262	190,763,552	205,388,362	179,425,583	138,966,986	123,960,888
Total Deductions	27,314,262	190,763,552	205,388,362	179,425,583	138,966,986	123,960,888
Change in Net Position	(2,133,796)	19,033,357	10,739,503	3,558,038	18,990,443	19,748,906
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	71,914,270	381,961,495	324,373,240	288,467,868	230,199,749	198,832,383
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 69,780,474 \$	400,994,852 \$	335,112,743 \$	292,025,906 \$	249,190,192 \$	218,581,289

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Multi-Firm Balanced Portfolio Fund 60	Multi-Firm Fund 70	Multi-Firm Fund 80	Multi-Firm Fund 90	Multi-Firm Equity Portfolio Fund 100	Index Fixed Income Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 10,134,323 \$		5,001,613 \$	2,766,956 \$	13,675,683	\$ 5,684,549
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	24,095,937	17,452,173	16,297,960	9,799,555	54,463,029	730,454
State Administrative Fees	(71,322)	(46,327)	(37,210)	(21,532)	(107,781)	-
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(199,702)	(129,715)	(104,187)	(60,290)	(301,787)	(91,785)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	33,959,236	23,747,798	21,158,176	12,484,689	67,729,144	6,323,218
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	120,345,550	76,373,748	70,874,094	33,210,761	41,432,666	54,492,397
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	120,345,550	76,373,748	70,874,094	33,210,761	41,432,666	54,492,397
Total Additions	154,304,786	100,121,546	92,032,270	45,695,450	109,161,810	60,815,615
Deductions						
Program Distributions	127,776,593	91,479,687	59,951,895	51,912,828	91,818,096	57,243,697
Total Deductions	127,776,593	91,479,687	59,951,895	51,912,828	91,818,096	57,243,697
Change in Net Position	26,528,193	8,641,859	32,080,375	(6,217,378)	17,343,714	3,571,918
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	278,908,203	181,683,616	135,969,925	90,554,134	434,564,936	132,808,934
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 305,436,396 \$	190,325,475 \$	168,050,300 \$	84,336,756 \$	451,908,650	\$ 136,380,852

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Index Fund 10	Index Fund 20	Index Fund 30	Index Fund 40	Index Fund 50	Index Balanced Portfolio Fund 60
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 13,655,232 \$	14,596,198 \$	17,532,145 \$	17,431,998 \$	15,364,333	21,372,952
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments State Administrative Fees	8,371,217 -	15,899,282 -	29,651,531 -	35,447,350 -	37,726,651 -	65,660,273
Other Operating Expenses	(4,522)	(8,533)	(9,677)	(4,154)	(5,746)	(2,924)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(252,174)	(295,593)	(387,577)	(384,171)	(347,272)	(509,480)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	 21,769,753	30,191,354	46,786,422	52,491,023	52,737,966	86,520,821
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	215,246,263	309,835,409	352,042,068	334,349,411	314,046,824	319,841,789
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	 215,246,263	309,835,409	352,042,068	334,349,411	314,046,824	319,841,789
Total Additions	237,016,016	340,026,763	398,828,490	386,840,434	366,784,790	406,362,610
Deductions						
Program Distributions	 189,195,625	252,978,962	289,453,300	315,843,533	288,073,787	314,557,885
Total Deductions	189,195,625	252,978,962	289,453,300	315,843,533	288,073,787	314,557,885
Change in Net Position	47,820,391	87,047,801	109,375,190	70,996,901	78,711,003	91,804,725
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	354,521,637	397,582,916	503,893,716	523,019,747	466,397,536	695,065,479
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 402,342,028 \$	484,630,717 \$	613,268,906 \$	594,016,648 \$	545,108,539	786,870,204

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Index Fund 70	Index Fund 80	Index Fund 90	Index Equity Portfolio Fund 100	Ariel 529 Portfolio	Baird Short-Term Bond 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 13,077,607 \$	10,708,994 \$	8,014,399 \$	28,291,006 \$	1,135,969	\$ 1,156,721
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	47,586,247	48,515,894	42,400,826	171,634,740	63,456	545,042
State Administrative Fees	-	-	-	-	(5,385)	(7,269)
Other Operating Expenses	(735)	(7,342)	(2,275)	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	 (326,264)	(282,998)	(226,549)	(852,847)	(15,077)	(20,354)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	 60,336,855	58,934,548	50,186,401	199,072,899	1,178,963	1,674,140
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	224,206,209	225,797,651	177,860,747	183,829,248	4,746,798	12,322,606
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	 224,206,209	225,797,651	177,860,747	183,829,248	4,746,798	12,322,606
Total Additions	284,543,064	284,732,199	228,047,148	382,902,147	5,925,761	13,996,746
Deductions						
Program Distributions	 230,940,551	160,845,244	144,849,629	218,092,562	5,407,606	11,276,971
Total Deductions	 230,940,551	160,845,244	144,849,629	218,092,562	5,407,606	11,276,971
Change in Net Position	53,602,513	123,886,955	83,197,519	164,809,585	518,155	2,719,775
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	 448,957,944	352,920,429	289,143,861	1,169,814,137	21,532,462	27,924,095
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 502,560,457 \$	476,807,384 \$	372,341,380 \$	1,334,623,722 \$	22,050,617	\$ 30,643,870

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio	DFA U.S. Large Cap Value 529 Portfolio	DFA U.S. Targeted Value 529 Portfolio	Dodge & Cox Income 529 Portfolio	T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Explorer 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 676,775	1,635,559	\$ 1,046,729	\$ 1,199,414	\$ -	\$ 706,555
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	1,659,287	5,084,554	4,434,098	98,135	92,988,499	7,312,564
State Administrative Fees	(5,805)	(11,262)	(10,977)	(7,042)	(71,618)	(19,481)
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(16,253)	(31,534)	(30,737)	(19,717)	(200,530)	(54,546)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	2,314,004	6,677,317	5,439,113	1,270,790	92,716,351	7,945,092
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	5,510,600	12,122,034	10,520,835	12,489,564	73,392,485	15,227,282
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	5,510,600	12,122,034	10,520,835	12,489,564	73,392,485	15,227,282
Total Additions	7,824,604	18,799,351	15,959,948	13,760,354	166,108,836	23,172,374
Deductions						
Program Distributions	4,887,609	11,991,706	13,060,106	8,701,569	42,357,021	14,924,764
Total Deductions	4,887,609	11,991,706	13,060,106	8,701,569	42,357,021	14,924,764
Change in Net Position	2,936,995	6,807,645	2,899,842	5,058,785	123,751,815	8,247,610
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	22,131,373	42,787,453	43,420,912	26,206,782	239,724,285	75,158,426
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 25,068,368	49,595,098	\$ 46,320,754	\$ 31,265,567	\$ 363,476,100	\$ 83,406,036

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Vanguard Federal Money Market 529 Portfolio	Vanguard 500 Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard REIT Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total International Bond Index 529 Portfolio
Additions						_
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 18,992,867 \$	28,086,383	\$ 1,412,644	\$ 1,317,137	\$ 2,653,939	\$ 566,846
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	-	188,883,844	112,306	946,368	(494,255)	(67,868)
State Administrative Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	(18,792,490)	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(251,796)	(655,592)	(22,826	) (30,730)	(53,253)	(8,468)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	(51,419)	216,314,635	1,502,124	2,232,775	2,106,431	490,510
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	209,792,106	246,389,093	8,670,566	11,026,292	33,573,796	4,885,866
Total Increase		_ :0,000,000	0,0.0,000	,020,202	00,0.0,.00	.,000,000
from Participant Transactions	209,792,106	246,389,093	8,670,566	11,026,292	33,573,796	4,885,866
Total Additions	209,740,687	462,703,728	10,172,690	13,259,067	35,680,227	5,376,376
Deductions						
Program Distributions	136,518,684	101,937,373	7,354,009	21,493,159	19,527,462	3,876,448
Total Deductions	136,518,684	101,937,373	7,354,009	21,493,159	19,527,462	3,876,448
Change in Net Position	73,222,003	360,766,355	2,818,681	(8,234,092)	16,152,765	1,499,928
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	327,220,085	796,845,892	32,283,807	50,362,225	69,983,542	11,657,278
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 400,442,088 \$	1,157,612,247	\$ 35,102,488	\$ 42,128,133	\$ 86,136,307	\$ 13,157,206

### College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Interr Stoc	ard Total national k Index ortfolio	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index 529 Portfolio	Direct Bank Savings 529 Portfolio	First Steps*	Total
Additions					-	
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$	4,241,244	\$ 6,007,192	\$ 5,326,167	\$ 2,906 \$	336,406,830
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		9,865,977	78,014,358	-	16,971	1,081,052,874
State Administrative Fees		-	-	-	-	(795,718)
Other Operating Expenses		-	-	(5,259,662)	(9)	(24,098,069)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(91,932)	(268,286)	(67,400)	(84)	(7,635,087)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		14,015,289	83,753,264	(895)	19,784	1,384,930,830
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions		30,096,745	117,774,505	92,638,630	232,400	4,770,050,863
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions		30,096,745	117,774,505	92,638,630	232,400	4,770,050,863
Total Additions		44,112,034	201,527,769	92,637,735	252,184	6,154,981,693
Deductions						
Program Distributions		20,064,681	47,989,806	54,483,934	-	4,276,686,415
Total Deductions		20,064,681	47,989,806	54,483,934	<u>-</u>	4,276,686,415
Change in Net Position		24,047,353	153,537,963	38,153,801	252,184	1,878,295,278
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	1	21,480,380	320,667,619	79,279,325	17,558	10,260,239,654
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 1	45,527,733	\$ 474,205,582	\$ 117,433,126	\$ 269,742 \$	12,138,534,932

<sup>\*</sup>The First Steps investments is described as Index Age-Based Moderate held in a separate omnibus account. First Steps asset allocation and underlying investments are the same as the Index Age-Based Moderate portfolio as described in the College Savings Program Investment Policy Statement

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Multi-Firm Fixed Income Portfolio	Multi-Firm Fund 10	Multi-Firm Fund 20	Multi-Firm Fund 30	Multi-Firm Fund 40	Multi-Firm Fund 50
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 2,536,768 \$	12,427,164 \$	10,588,942 \$	9,319,972 \$	7,908,525 \$	6,281,973
Class Action Recovery	-	501	2,282	4,331	8,543	6,617
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	(987,672)	(941,107)	3,439,961	6,481,489	8,425,766	9,640,092
State Administrative Fees	(19,017)	(95,628)	(85,690)	(75,357)	(62,179)	(50,770)
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	<del>-</del>	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(50,963)	(256,622)	(229,680)	(202,262)	(166,914)	(136,448)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	1,479,116	11,134,308	13,715,815	15,528,173	16,113,741	15,741,464
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	23,874,177	183,357,238	182,907,860	156,578,250	126,088,311	104,931,814
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	23,874,177	183,357,238	182,907,860	156,578,250	126,088,311	104,931,814
Total Additions	25,353,293	194,491,546	196,623,675	172,106,423	142,202,052	120,673,278
Deductions						
Program Distributions	26,634,081	176,614,765	206,636,209	168,250,183	141,738,134	108,804,412
Total Deductions	26,634,081	176,614,765	206,636,209	168,250,183	141,738,134	108,804,412
Change in Net Position	(1,280,788)	17,876,781	(10,012,534)	3,856,240	463,918	11,868,866
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	73,195,058	364,084,714	334,385,774	284,611,628	229,735,831	186,963,517
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 71,914,270 \$	381,961,495 \$	324,373,240 \$	288,467,868 \$	230,199,749 \$	198,832,383

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Multi-Firm Balanced Portfolio Fund 60	Multi-Firm Fund 70	Multi-Firm Fund 80	Multi-Firm Fund 90	Multi-Firm Equity Portfolio Fund 100	Index Fixed Income Portfolio
Additions						_
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 8,710,407 \$	5,738,087 \$	3,797,460 \$	2,624,523 \$	12,141,105	\$ 4,499,190
Class Action Recovery	7,869	4,916	3,294	1,203	34,600	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	16,752,987	13,447,705	11,292,560	8,869,236	48,130,823	(2,042,948)
State Administrative Fees	(70,459)	(46,729)	(32,257)	(22,992)	(110,932)	-
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	 (189,424)	(125,788)	(86,869)	(61,887)	(298,063)	(93,852)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	25,211,380	19,018,191	14,974,188	11,410,083	59,897,533	2,362,390
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	103,252,297	73,733,954	58,692,519	37,208,904	39,003,570	48,444,645
from Participant Transactions	103,252,297	73,733,954	58,692,519	37,208,904	39,003,570	48,444,645
Total Additions	128,463,677	92,752,145	73,666,707	48,618,987	98,901,103	50,807,035
Deductions						
Program Distributions	105,304,358	75,531,025	52,546,973	39,721,231	73,229,071	53,292,820
Total Deductions	105,304,358	75,531,025	52,546,973	39,721,231	73,229,071	53,292,820
Change in Net Position	23,159,319	17,221,120	21,119,734	8,897,756	25,672,032	(2,485,785)
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	255,748,884	164,462,496	114,850,191	81,656,378	408,892,904	135,294,719
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 278,908,203 \$	181,683,616 \$	135,969,925 \$	90,554,134 \$	434,564,936	\$ 132,808,934

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Index Fund 10	Index Fund 20	Index Fund 30	Index Fund 40	Index Fund 50	Index Balanced Portfolio Fund 60
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 10,105,379 \$	10,814,331 \$	12,490,862 \$	14,175,699 \$	12,307,246	\$ 17,501,875
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	(1,250,428)	3,088,599	10,429,177	17,966,352	22,246,174	42,119,273
State Administrative Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	(26,776)	(58, 143)	(71,304)	(94,298)	(66,057)	(71,859)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	 (228,668)	(262,110)	(316,959)	(354,340)	(319,824)	(461,300)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	8,599,507	13,582,677	22,531,776	31,693,413	34,167,539	59,087,989
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	 189,757,825	241,084,143	304,954,446	297,307,238	262,079,834	277,469,141
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	 189,757,825	241,084,143	304,954,446	297,307,238	262,079,834	277,469,141
Total Additions	198,357,332	254,666,820	327,486,222	329,000,651	296,247,373	336,557,130
Deductions						
Program Distributions	 155,788,156	211,386,308	214,466,915	278,264,002	256,451,633	252,893,591
Total Deductions	155,788,156	211,386,308	214,466,915	278,264,002	256,451,633	252,893,591
Change in Net Position	42,569,176	43,280,512	113,019,307	50,736,649	39,795,740	83,663,539
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	311,952,461	354,302,404	390,874,409	472,283,098	426,601,796	611,401,940
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 354,521,637 \$	397,582,916 \$	503,893,716 \$	523,019,747 \$	466,397,536	\$ 695,065,479

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Index Fund 70	Index Fund 80	Index Fund 90	Index Equity Portfolio Fund 100	Ariel 529 Portfolio	Baird Short-Term Bond 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 11,556,985 \$	7,928,488 \$	6,294,779 \$	25,690,918 \$	1,729,048	\$ 682,770
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	33,308,395	29,148,917	26,969,485	127,367,899	1,090,171	(308,832)
State Administrative Fees	-	-	-	-	(5,527)	(6,488)
Other Operating Expenses	(31,915)	(24,040)	(10,091)	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	 (307,769)	(218,876)	(178,358)	(770,970)	(14,882)	(17,551)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	44,525,696	36,834,489	33,075,815	152,287,847	2,798,810	349,899
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	192,346,476	166,998,820	142,340,152	148,241,045	3,819,920	13,436,659
Total Increase	 		, ,			<u> </u>
from Participant Transactions	192,346,476	166,998,820	142,340,152	148,241,045	3,819,920	13,436,659
Total Additions	236,872,172	203,833,309	175,415,967	300,528,892	6,618,730	13,786,558
Deductions						
Program Distributions	 197,834,809	129,413,426	99,998,836	141,279,509	4,549,914	8,092,884
Total Deductions	197,834,809	129,413,426	99,998,836	141,279,509	4,549,914	8,092,884
Change in Net Position	39,037,363	74,419,883	75,417,131	159,249,383	2,068,816	5,693,674
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	409,920,581	278,500,546	213,726,730	1,010,564,754	19,463,646	22,230,421
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 448,957,944 \$	352,920,429 \$	289,143,861 \$	1,169,814,137 \$	21,532,462	\$ 27,924,095

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio	DFA U.S. Large Cap Value 529 Portfolio	DFA U.S. Targeted Value 529 Portfolio	Dodge & Cox Income 529 Portfolio	T. Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Explorer 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings Class Action Recovery	\$ 825,323 \$	1,771,505	\$ 2,152,684	\$ 827,394 -	\$ - -	\$ 3,157,908
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	1,540,434	2,335,189	3,647,512	(369,917)	50,519,469	7,231,348
State Administrative Fees Other Operating Expenses	(5,294)	(10,387)	(10,927)	(6,256)	(51,855)	(17,945)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(14,313)	(28,085)	(29,495)	(16,877)	(139,426)	(48,333)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	2,346,150	4,068,222	5,759,774	434,344	50,328,188	10,322,978
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions	4,630,513	12,779,474	12,765,662	9,570,864	40,439,905	12,871,395
Total Increase from Participant Transactions	4,630,513	12,779,474	12,765,662	9,570,864	40,439,905	12,871,395
Total Additions	6,976,663	16,847,696	18,525,436	10,005,208	90,768,093	23,194,373
Deductions						
Program Distributions	3,184,357	8,130,320	10,974,178	6,167,081	25,288,514	7,962,068
Total Deductions	3,184,357	8,130,320	10,974,178	6,167,081	25,288,514	7,962,068
Change in Net Position	3,792,306	8,717,376	7,551,258	3,838,127	65,479,579	15,232,305
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	18,339,067	34,070,077	35,869,654	22,368,655	174,244,706	59,926,121
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 22,131,373	42,787,453	\$ 43,420,912	\$ 26,206,782	\$ 239,724,285	\$ 75,158,426

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Vanguard Federal Money Market 529 Portfolio	Vanguard 500 Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard REIT Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total International Bond Index 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 11,108,014	20,686,729	1,439,444	\$ 2,717,898	\$ 1,806,111	\$ 198,225
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	-	105,018,974	(2,719,209)	(2,671,606)	(2,222,769)	(149,789)
State Administrative Fees	(40,000,000)	-	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses  Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(10,892,099) (214,547)	(483,409)	(23,558)	(39,216)	(46,248)	(7,768)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(214,547)	(405,409)	(23,336)	(39,210)	(40,240)	(1,100)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	1,368	125,222,294	(1,303,323)	7,076	(462,906)	40,668
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	148,918,817	149,923,810	7,183,594	14,659,365	22,864,930	3,851,691
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	148,918,817	149,923,810	7,183,594	14,659,365	22,864,930	3,851,691
Total Additions	148,920,185	275,146,104	5,880,271	14,666,441	22,402,024	3,892,359
Deductions						
Program Distributions	121,380,027	65,908,920	7,582,161	23,695,610	15,485,977	2,572,463
Total Deductions	121,380,027	65,908,920	7,582,161	23,695,610	15,485,977	2,572,463
Change in Net Position	27,540,158	209,237,184	(1,701,890)	(9,029,169)	6,916,047	1,319,896
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	299,679,927	587,608,708	33,985,697	59,391,394	63,067,495	10,337,382
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 327,220,085	5 796,845,892 \$	32,283,807	\$ 50,362,225	\$ 69,983,542	\$ 11,657,278

### College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Start For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Ir S	nguard Total Iternational Itock Index 29 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index 529 Portfolio	Direct Bank Savings 529 Portfolio	First Steps*	Total
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$	3,370,177	\$ 4,484,150	\$ 2,329,597	\$ 5 \$	274,727,660
Class Action Recovery		-	-	-	-	74,156
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		9,606,525	44,156,902	-	204	650,607,341
State Administrative Fees		-	_	-	-	(786,689)
Other Operating Expenses		-	_	(2,297,976)	(1)	(13,644,559)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(77,664)	(191,254)	(40,800)		(6,751,372)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		12,899,038	48,449,798	(9,179)	208	904,226,537
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions		23,974,813	75,354,600	77,950,436	17,350	3,995,666,457
Total Increase				•	·	
from Participant Transactions		23,974,813	75,354,600	77,950,436	17,350	3,995,666,457
Total Additions		36,873,851	123,804,398	77,941,257	17,558	4,899,892,994
Deductions						
Program Distributions		13,988,064	29,438,695	36,589,245	-	3,557,070,925
Total Deductions		13,988,064	29,438,695	36,589,245	-	3,557,070,925
Change in Net Position		22,885,787	94,365,703	41,352,012	17,558	1,342,822,069
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		98,594,593	226,301,916	37,927,313	-	8,917,417,585
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	121,480,380	\$ 320,667,619	\$ 79,279,325	\$ 17,558 \$	10,260,239,654

<sup>\*</sup>The First Steps investments is described as Index Age-Based Moderate held in a separate omnibus account. First Steps asset allocation and underlying investments are the same as the Index Age-Based Moderate portfolio as described in the College Savings Program Investment Policy Statement

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	A	AB Moderate Index 0-2		AB Moderate Index 3-5	AB Moderate Index 6-8	AB Moderate Index 9-10	AB Moderate Index 11-12	AB Moderate Index 13-14	
Additions									
Investment Income (Expense)									
Investment Earnings	\$	35,333	\$	28,351	\$ 37,134	\$ 40,209	\$ 46,774	\$ 47,984	
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		225,749		145,108	157,383	151,122	123,559	129,204	
State Administrative Fees		(376)		(269)	(338)	(344)	(378)	(375)	
12b-1 Fees		(3,256)		(2,389)	(2,640)	(3,182)	(3,614)	(3,015)	
Other Operating Expenses		(123)		(121)	(143)	(188)	(235)	(337)	
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(2,105)		(1,508)	(1,891)	(1,928)	(2,120)	(2,100)	
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		255,222		169,172	189,505	185,689	163,986	171,361	
Other Participant Transactions									
Program Contributions		1,828,997		1,878,291	2,110,986	2,346,668	2,538,409	3,498,202	
Total Increase									
from Participant Transactions		1,828,997		1,878,291	2,110,986	2,346,668	2,538,409	3,498,202	
Total Additions		2,084,219		2,047,463	2,300,491	2,532,357	2,702,395	3,669,563	
Deductions									
Program Distributions		497,604		725,681	824,860	1,347,114	799,572	931,281	
Total Deductions		497,604		725,681	824,860	1,347,114	799,572	931,281	
Change in Net Position		1,586,615		1,321,782	1,475,631	1,185,243	1,902,823	2,738,282	
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		691,136		655,369	592,313	681,047	557,587	151,711	
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	2,277,751	\$	1,977,151	\$ 2,067,944	\$ 1,866,290	\$ 2,460,410	\$ 2,889,993	

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	AB Moderate Index 15-16	AB Moderate Index 17-18	AB Moderate Index 19+	American Beacon Garcia Hamilton Quality Bond 529 Portfolio	American Century Equity Growth 529 Portfolio	American Century Growth 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 51,946	\$ 53,403	\$ 27,854	\$ 19,624	\$ 79,583	\$ 1,458,070
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	96,814	67,708	18,467	(15,910)	664,553	8,332,129
State Administrative Fees	(413)	(382)	(177)	(127)	(2,473)	(8,277)
12b-1 Fees	(3,875)	(2,496)	(1,269)	(1,120)	(29,623)	(106,425)
Other Operating Expenses	(465)	(212)	(152)	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(2,312)	(2,143)	(995)	(712)	(13,850)	(46,351)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	141,695	115,878	43,728	1,755	698,190	9,629,146
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	3,241,091	1,876,435	1,726,119	338,824	1,469,019	9,199,768
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	3,241,091	1,876,435	1,726,119	338,824	1,469,019	9,199,768
Total Additions	3,382,786	1,992,313	1,769,847	340,579	2,167,209	18,828,914
Deductions						
Program Distributions	1,491,981	512,513	728,862	296,250	28,489,255	5,979,895
Total Deductions	1,491,981	512,513	728,862	296,250	28,489,255	5,979,895
Change in Net Position	1,890,805	1,479,800	1,040,985	44,329	(26,322,046)	12,849,019
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	689,654	760,636	271,602	576,912	26,322,046	28,464,283
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 2,580,459	\$ 2,240,436	\$ 1,312,587	\$ 621,241	\$ -	\$ 41,313,302

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	American Century Value 529 Portfolio		Baird Short- Term Bond Institutional 529 Portfolio	BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond 529 Portfolio	Calvert Equity 529 Portfolio	Delaware Small Cap Core 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 2,020,841	\$ 1,028,726	\$ 2,228,781	\$ 538,934	\$ 620,795	\$ 983,274
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	381,913	103,067	1,033,742	(210,589)	4,317,168	922,759
State Administrative Fees	(6,814)	(4,845)	(14,048)	(3,331)	(9,312)	(6,739)
12b-1 Fees	(74,867)	(44,627)	(119,104)	(34,377)	(111,318)	(72,873)
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(38, 162)	(27,133)	(78,670)	(18,657)	(52,145)	(37,734)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	2,282,911	1,055,188	3,050,701	271,980	4,765,188	1,788,687
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	4,344,543	2,634,838	13,388,981	2,835,754	4,921,328	4,150,399
from Participant Transactions	4,344,543	2,634,838	13,388,981	2,835,754	4,921,328	4,150,399
Total Additions	6,627,454	3,690,026	16,439,682	3,107,734	9,686,516	5,939,086
Deductions						
Program Distributions	5,235,584	3,339,531	16,211,030	3,907,370	4,596,460	4,194,171
Total Deductions	5,235,584	3,339,531	16,211,030	3,907,370	4,596,460	4,194,171
Change in Net Position	1,391,870	350,495	228,652	(799,636)	5,090,056	1,744,915
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	26,904,230	19,793,889	56,993,893	14,107,347	35,393,698	26,716,428
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 28,296,100	20,144,384	\$ 57,222,545	\$ 13,307,711	\$ 40,483,754	\$ 28,461,343

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio	DFA Real Estate Securities 529 Port	Dodge & Cox International Stock 529 Portfolio	Fidelity US Bond Index 529 Portfolio	Harbor Small Cap Growth Opportunities 529 Portfolio	Invesco Government & Agency 529 Portfolio
Additions						_
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 349,474 \$	398,495	\$ 1,153,353	\$ 832,091	\$ 5,363	\$ 9,016,317
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	844,994	250,463	3,098,753	(169,377)	1,345,143	-
State Administrative Fees	(2,982)	(2,573)	(12,684)	(6,478)	(3,868)	-
12b-1 Fees	(23,694)	(28,699)	(138,190)	(57,554)	(42,473)	-
Other Operating Expenses	· -	· -	-	-	-	(8,800,943)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(16,695)	(14,409)	(71,033)	(36,275)	(21,660)	(240,647)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	1,151,097	603,277	4,030,199	562,407	1,282,505	(25,273)
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	1,940,487	1,609,265	8,418,771	8,727,163	2,655,395	100,564,728
from Participant Transactions	1,940,487	1,609,265	8,418,771	8,727,163	2,655,395	100,564,728
Total Additions	3,091,584	2,212,542	12,448,970	9,289,570	3,937,900	100,539,455
Deductions						
Program Distributions	1,875,423	2,380,667	10,187,808	8,042,038	3,121,029	84,907,679
Total Deductions	1,875,423	2,380,667	10,187,808	8,042,038	3,121,029	84,907,679
Change in Net Position	1,216,161	(168,125)	2,261,162	1,247,532	816,871	15,631,776
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	11,653,863	10,920,517	50,429,874	25,592,480	15,538,201	168,857,436
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 12,870,024 \$	10,752,392	\$ 52,691,036	\$ 26,840,012	\$ 16,355,072	\$ 184,489,212

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Invesco Oppenheimer International Growth 529 Portfolio	MFS Value 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds International Equity Index 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Small Cap Index 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Small Cap Value 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Stock Index 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 3,146,282	\$ 5,409,236	\$ 604,160	\$ 348,250	\$ -	\$ -
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	(1,030,703)	2,819,684	1,427,860	1,295,172	1,359,293	36,594,393
State Administrative Fees	(7,105)	(16,757)	(4,619)	(4,251)	(3,467)	(38, 183)
12b-1 Fees	(78,921)	(181,985)	(49,076)	(50,487)	(32,021)	(440,027)
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(39,789)	(93,838)	(25,865)	(23,803)	(19,418)	(213,827)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	1,989,764	7,936,340	1,952,460	1,564,881	1,304,387	35,902,356
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	3,930,619	11,533,458	4,189,908	3,494,258	2,756,059	61,520,486
from Participant Transactions	3,930,619	11,533,458	4,189,908	3,494,258	2,756,059	61,520,486
Total Additions	5,920,383	19,469,798	6,142,368	5,059,139	4,060,446	97,422,842
Deductions						
Program Distributions	6,408,238	12,014,146	3,346,817	3,712,874	2,713,656	23,145,728
Total Deductions	6,408,238	12,014,146	3,346,817	3,712,874	2,713,656	23,145,728
Change in Net Position	(487,855)	7,455,652	2,795,551	1,346,265	1,346,790	74,277,114
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	29,718,988	64,634,034	17,671,377	16,642,183	13,485,979	119,462,310
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 29,231,133	\$ 72,089,686	\$ 20,466,928	\$ 17,988,448	\$ 14,832,769	\$ 193,739,424

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Payden Emerging Markets 529 Portfolio	PGIM Core Bond 529 Portfolio	Principal Global Real Estate Securities 529 Portfolio	SIT Dividend Growth 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Balanced 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Equity Income 529 Portfolio	
Additions							
Investment Income (Expense)							
Investment Earnings	\$ 2,624	\$ 1,837,584	\$ 107,797	\$ 1,134,721	\$ 3,693,086	\$ 3,929,358	
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	(325)	(221,596)	96,999	3,309,874	9,567,894	5,438,031	
State Administrative Fees	(8)	(10,230)	(966)	(6,258)	(23,039)	(15,932)	
12b-1 Fees	(94)	(117,784)	(10,635)	(65,637)	(289,391)	(169,423)	
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(45	(57,291)	(5,414)	(35,040)	(129,016)	(89,219)	
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	2,152	1,430,683	187,781	4,337,660	12,819,534	9,092,815	
Other Participant Transactions	404.000	44 004 500	222.252	4 400 404	04.000.000	40.404.004	
Program Contributions Total Increase	191,663	11,631,530	838,356	4,120,424	21,883,858	10,434,664	
from Participant Transactions	191,663	11,631,530	838,356	4,120,424	21,883,858	10,434,664	
Total Additions	193,815	13,062,213	1,026,137	8,458,084	34,703,392	19,527,479	
Deductions							
Program Distributions	747	9,385,566	1,025,639	3,917,935	18,952,954	11,505,454	
Total Deductions	747	9,385,566	1,025,639	3,917,935	18,952,954	11,505,454	
Change in Net Position	193,068	3,676,647	498	4,540,149	15,750,438	8,022,025	
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		39,422,199	3,988,571	23,751,622	87,887,163	61,314,280	
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 193,068	\$ 43,098,846	\$ 3,989,069	\$ 28,291,771	\$ 103,637,601	\$ 69,336,305	

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	T.Rowe Price Extended Equity Market Index 529 Portfolio	T.Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 529 Portfolio	Large Cap Markets M Growth Index ETF		Vanguard Global Ex-U.S. Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mega Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	
Additions							
Investment Income (Expense)							
Investment Earnings	\$ 1,131,127	\$ -	\$ 643,728	\$ 282,248	\$ 34,464	\$ 696,167	
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	3,214,142	58,721,463	1,250,722	647,824	7,599	11,703,525	
State Administrative Fees	(7,808)	(45,541)	(4,516)	(2,096)	(227)	(11,959)	
12b-1 Fees	(93,846)	(527,027)	-	-	-	-	
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	(866)	(559)	(62)	(670)	
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(43,723)	(255,031)	(25,289)	(11,739)	(1,269)	(66,971)	
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	4,199,892	57,893,864	1,863,779	915,678	40,505	12,320,092	
Other Participant Transactions							
Program Contributions	5,674,354	32,963,178	3,863,895	1,776,578	161,905	11,959,100	
Total Increase							
from Participant Transactions	5,674,354	32,963,178	3,863,895	1,776,578	161,905	11,959,100	
Total Additions	9,874,246	90,857,042	5,727,674	2,692,256	202,410	24,279,192	
Deductions							
Program Distributions	5,570,609	27,943,457	2,254,442	1,433,224	175,347	5,117,791	
Total Deductions	5,570,609	27,943,457	2,254,442	1,433,224	175,347	5,117,791	
Change in Net Position	4,303,637	62,913,585	3,473,232	1,259,032	27,063	19,161,401	
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	29,614,180	159,936,062	16,772,082	8,088,461	888,605	39,852,614	
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 33,917,817	\$ 222,849,647	\$ 20,245,314	\$ 9,347,493	\$ 915,668	\$ 59,014,015	

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Vanguard Mega Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mega Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio	
Additions						_	
Investment Income (Expense)							
Investment Earnings	\$ 87,682	\$ 376,490	\$ 280,560	\$ 28,235	\$ 70,248	\$ 168,443	
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	5,144,301	1,923,012	1,608,783	409,462	243,259	8,578	
State Administrative Fees	(4,202)	(3,577)	(4,081)	(901)	(749)	(977)	
12b-1 Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Operating Expenses	(208)	(313)	(159)	, ,		, ,	
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(23,535)	(20,030)	(22,852)	(5,045)	(4,195)	(5,469)	
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	5,204,038	2,275,582	1,862,251	431,707	308,475	170,468	
Other Participant Transactions							
Program Contributions Total Increase	4,825,951	2,428,534	3,887,176	642,976	501,158	673,154	
from Participant Transactions	4,825,951	2,428,534	3,887,176	642,976	501,158	673,154	
Total Additions	10,029,989	4,704,116	5,749,427	1,074,683	809,633	843,622	
Deductions							
Program Distributions	3,177,200	2,236,223	1,780,380	546,318	957,630	692,362	
Total Deductions	3,177,200	2,236,223	1,780,380	546,318	957,630	692,362	
Change in Net Position	6,852,789	2,467,893	3,969,047	528,365	(147,997)	151,260	
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	14,531,061	13,542,799	14,742,859	3,393,495	3,156,631	3,951,926	
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 21,383,850	\$ 16,010,692	\$ 18,711,906	\$ 3,921,860	\$ 3,008,634	\$ 4,103,186	

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Small-Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Small-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Small-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio		Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF 529 Portfolio		Fixed Income Fund	
Additions												
Investment Income (Expense)												
Investment Earnings	\$	583,845	\$	232,571	\$	19,965	\$	106,801	\$	394,852	\$	4,371,671
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		286,311		1,334,172		240,085		459,273		(94,465)		662,930
State Administrative Fees		(4,970)		(3,573)		(665)		(1,179)		(2,910)		(24,945)
12b-1 Fees		-		-		-		-		-		(279, 146)
Other Operating Expenses		(1,218)		(151)		(29)		(91)		(509)		(584)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(27,833)		(20,011)		(3,725)		(6,602)		(16,295)		(139,694)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		836,135		1,543,008		255,631		558,202		280,673		4,590,232
Other Participant Transactions												
Program Contributions		5,763,341		2,930,730		507,729		844,029		3,305,353		46,991,951
Total Increase												
from Participant Transactions		5,763,341		2,930,730		507,729		844,029		3,305,353		46,991,951
Total Additions		6,599,476		4,473,738		763,360		1,402,231		3,586,026		51,582,183
Deductions												
Program Distributions		6,527,367		1,614,710		446,588		1,144,882		1,740,219		49,962,078
Total Deductions		6,527,367		1,614,710		446,588		1,144,882		1,740,219		49,962,078
Change in Net Position		72,109		2,859,028		316,772		257,349		1,845,807		1,620,105
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		20,063,633		13,210,905		2,568,742		4,683,432		10,847,946		102,838,752
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	20,135,742	\$	16,069,933	\$	2,885,514	\$	4,940,781	\$	12,693,753	\$	104,458,857

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Fund Fund 10 20			Fund 30	Fund 40	Fund 50	Fund 60	
Additions								
Investment Income (Expense)								
Investment Earnings	\$	23,545,536 \$	5	24,078,491 \$	21,418,344 \$	20,396,548 \$	16,155,253 \$	19,049,110
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		14,229,745		25,332,003	33,751,333	37,658,383	36,759,608	53,461,075
State Administrative Fees		(152,852)		(169,138)	(166,003)	(156,214)	(128,320)	(159,337)
12b-1 Fees		(1,617,424)		(1,875,984)	(1,927,956)	(1,857,423)	(1,545,998)	(1,900,041)
Other Operating Expenses		(2,147)		(1,534)	(1,402)	(1,131)	(365)	(318)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(855,973)		(947,174)	(929,617)	(874,799)	(718,595)	(892,287)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		35,146,885		46,416,664	52,144,699	55,165,364	50,521,583	69,558,202
Other Participant Transactions								
Program Contributions		310,929,994		428,706,148	411,539,022	365,509,305	316,647,480	299,208,626
Total Increase		010,020,001		120,700,110	111,000,022	000,000,000	010,017,100	200,200,020
from Participant Transactions		310,929,994		428,706,148	411,539,022	365,509,305	316,647,480	299,208,626
Total Additions		346,076,879		475,122,812	463,683,721	420,674,669	367,169,063	368,766,828
Deductions								
Program Distributions		306,960,638		420,909,128	404,422,301	379,926,492	315,661,515	319,872,552
Total Deductions		306,960,638		420,909,128	404,422,301	379,926,492	315,661,515	319,872,552
Change in Net Position		39,116,241		54,213,684	59,261,420	40,748,177	51,507,548	48,894,276
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		617,700,104		669,763,343	646,930,336	617,007,120	492,196,541	626,202,106
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	656,816,345 \$	i	723,977,027 \$	706,191,756 \$	657,755,297 \$	543,704,089 \$	675,096,382

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Fund 70	Fund 80	Fund 90	Fund 100	Bank Savings 529 Portfolio	Fidelity Short-Term Bond Index 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 11,407,513 \$	14,842,253 \$	4,396,634 \$	14,222,559	\$ 3,294,705	\$ 151,363
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	37,873,165	63,018,010	22,569,571	83,032,773	-	220,952
State Administrative Fees	(100,645)	(143,442)	(47,289)	(160,416)	-	(2,006)
12b-1 Fees	(1,179,797)	(1,633,876)	(544, 121)	(1,756,719)	-	(19,027)
Other Operating Expenses	(384)	(324)	(203)	-	(3,210,193)	· -
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	 (563,615)	(803,278)	(264,818)	(898,334)	(83,388)	(11,234)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	 47,436,237	75,279,343	26,109,774	94,439,863	1,124	340,048
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	184,208,706	191,198,062	90,686,931	104,386,004	52,361,045	5,161,825
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	184,208,706	191,198,062	90,686,931	104,386,004	52,361,045	5,161,825
Total Additions	231,644,943	266,477,405	116,796,705	198,825,867	52,362,169	5,501,873
Deductions						
Program Distributions	215,643,134	182,924,688	100,500,786	138,091,146	29,021,827	2,909,102
Total Deductions	215,643,134	182,924,688	100,500,786	138,091,146	29,021,827	2,909,102
Change in Net Position	16,001,809	83,552,717	16,295,919	60,734,721	23,340,342	2,592,771
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	400,204,864	544,280,691	184,948,760	629,675,280	49,446,478	6,493,064
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 416,206,673 \$	627,833,408 \$	201,244,679 \$	690,410,001	\$ 72,786,820	\$ 9,085,835

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

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Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 200,534	,		•	*	\$ 294,811
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	119,827	98,929	9,174	95,799	3,342,243	754,884
State Administrative Fees	(1,564)	(649)	(705)	(1,665)	(7,973)	(4,231)
12b-1 Fees	(14,508)	(6,782)	(5,915)	(16,329)	(93,311)	(41,751)
Other Operating Expenses	(308)	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(8,760)	(3,630)	(3,955)	(9,337)	(44,650)	(23,693)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	295,221	275,210	261,434	314,483	3,196,309	980,020
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	2,159,420	2,887,510	1,686,848	1,315,374	6,797,331	3,080,673
from Participant Transactions	2,159,420	2,887,510	1,686,848	1,315,374	6,797,331	3,080,673
Total Additions	2,454,641	3,162,720	1,948,282	1,629,857	9,993,640	4,060,693
Deductions						
Program Distributions	2,510,148	890,030	1,005,939	1,878,800	4,531,233	3,411,664
Total Deductions	2,510,148	890,030	1,005,939	1,878,800	4,531,233	3,411,664
Change in Net Position	(55,507)	2,272,690	942,343	(248,943)	5,462,407	649,029
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	6,377,423	1,505,729	2,278,614	6,910,495	29,432,314	17,198,325
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 6,321,916	\$ 3,778,419	\$ 3,220,957 \$	6,661,552	\$ 34,894,721	\$ 17,847,354

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

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	P	ortfolio		Total
Additions				
Investment Income (Expense)				
Investment Earnings	\$	8,210	\$	224,982,960
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		(848)		582,768,100
State Administrative Fees		(59)		(1,745,802)
12b-1 Fees		(507)		(19,333,649)
Other Operating Expenses		-		(12,026,886)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(330)		(10,100,575)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		6,466		764,544,148
Other Participant Transactions				
Program Contributions		267,106		3,233,208,246
Total Increase				
from Participant Transactions		267,106		3,233,208,246
Total Additions		273,572		3,997,752,394
Deductions				
Program Distributions		59,167		3,231,204,529
Total Deductions		59,167		3,231,204,529
Change in Net Position		214,405		766,547,865
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Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		132,784		7,012,663,414
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	¢	2/7 190	\$	7 770 211 270
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# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	AB Moderate Index 0-2	AB Moderate Index 3-5	AB Moderate Index 6-8	AB Moderate Index 9-10	AB Moderate Index 11-12	AB Moderate Index 13-14	
Additions						_	
Investment Income (Expense)							
Investment Earnings	\$ 5,202	\$ 5,149	\$ 4,556	\$ 5,340	\$ 2,097	\$ 1,361	
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	40,767	32,282	23,237	23,238	9,896	2,920	
State Administrative Fees	(51)	(47)	(42)	(45)	(19)	(12)	
12b-1 Fees	(405)	(591)	(714)	(581)	(204)	(158)	
Other Operating Expenses	(44)	(42)	(36)	(84)	(52)	(19)	
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(287)	(264)	(236)	(254)	(112)	(66)	
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	45,182	36,487	26,765	27,614	11,606	4,026	
Other Participant Transactions							
Program Contributions	677,466	655,612	574,907	910,612	600,651	183,260	
Total Increase							
from Participant Transactions	677,466	655,612	574,907	910,612	600,651	183,260	
Total Additions	722,648	692,099	601,672	938,226	612,257	187,286	
Deductions							
Program Distributions	31,512	36,730	9,359	257,179	54,670	35,575	
Total Deductions	31,512	36,730	9,359	257,179	54,670	35,575	
Change in Net Position	691,136	655,369	592,313	681,047	557,587	151,711	
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	-	-	-	-	-		
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 691,136	\$ 655,369	\$ 592,313	\$ 681,047	\$ 557,587	\$ 151,711	

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	AB Moderate Index 15-16	AB Moderate Index 17-18	AB Moderate Index 19+	American Beacon Garcia Hamilton Quality Bond 529 Portfolio	American Century Equity Growth 529 Portfolio	American Century Growth 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 4,746	\$ 4,243	\$ 1,781	\$ 12,367	\$ 2,076,911	\$ 457,999
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	8,690	6,280	815	(5,763)	876,888	5,438,808
State Administrative Fees	(46)	(36)	(15)	(100)	(6,431)	(6,545)
12b-1 Fees	(595)	(415)	(207)	(672)	(73,154)	(80,034)
Other Operating Expenses	(105)	(93)	(31)	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(257)	(203)	(87)	(540)	(33,510)	(34,151)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	12,433	9,776	2,256	5,292	2,840,704	5,776,077
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	905,566	829,699	316,570	545,601	4,148,277	4,293,167
from Participant Transactions	905,566	829,699	316,570	545,601	4,148,277	4,293,167
Total Additions	917,999	839,475	318,826	550,893	6,988,981	10,069,244
Deductions						
Program Distributions	228,345	78,839	47,224	105,089	4,422,051	4,401,382
Total Deductions	228,345	78,839	47,224	105,089	4,422,051	4,401,382
Change in Net Position	689,654	760,636	271,602	445,804	2,566,930	5,667,862
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year			-	131,108	23,755,116	22,796,421
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 689,654	\$ 760,636	\$ 271,602	\$ 576,912	\$ 26,322,046	\$ 28,464,283

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	American Century Value 529 Portfolio	Ariel 529 Portfolio	Baird Short- Term Bond Institutional 529 Portfolio	BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond 529 Portfolio	Calvert Equity 529 Portfolio	Delaware Small Cap Core 529 Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 3,508,780	\$ 1,563,305	\$ 1,560,535	\$ 767,990	\$ 931,723	\$ 905,963
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	(851,798)	1,007,746	(740,887)	(917,224)	3,732,333	1,866,101
State Administrative Fees	(6,722)	(5,007)	(15,393)	(4,098)	(8,613)	(6,769)
12b-1 Fees	(70,308)	(44,096)	(126,795)	(39,772)	(96,110)	(68,250)
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(35,204)	(26,156)	(80,088)	(21,247)	(45,008)	(35,321)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	2,544,748	2,495,792	597,372	(214,351)	4,514,325	2,661,724
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	6,094,995	3,615,526	13,328,301	2,454,131	5,628,919	4,217,747
Total Increase						
from Participant Transactions	6,094,995	3,615,526	13,328,301	2,454,131	5,628,919	4,217,747
Total Additions	8,639,743	6,111,318	13,925,673	2,239,780	10,143,244	6,879,471
Deductions						
Program Distributions	4,185,071	3,756,952	18,238,585	4,864,837	4,315,565	3,692,555
Total Deductions	4,185,071	3,756,952	18,238,585	4,864,837	4,315,565	3,692,555
Change in Net Position	4,454,672	2,354,366	(4,312,912)	(2,625,057)	5,827,679	3,186,916
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	22,449,558	17,439,523	61,306,805	16,732,404	29,566,019	23,529,512
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 26,904,230	\$ 19,793,889	\$ 56,993,893	\$ 14,107,347	\$ 35,393,698	\$ 26,716,428

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	DFA International Small Company 529 Portfolio	DFA Real Estate Sec 529 Port	Dodge & Cox International Stock 529 Portfolio	Fidelity US Bond Index 529 Portfolio	Harbor Small Cap Growth Opportunities 529 Portfolio	Invesco Government & Agency 529 Portfolio
Additions						_
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 452,580 \$	692,532	\$ 963,499	\$ 657,187	\$ 627,121	\$ 6,039,985
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	841,175	(1,210,340)	5,376,525	(852,662)	1,892,317	-
State Administrative Fees	(2,883)	(3,003)	(12,061)	(6,613)	,	-
12b-1 Fees	(22,019)	(31,262)	(122,999)	(54, 153)	(39,740)	-
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	(5,811,889)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(15,107)	(15,594)	(63,185)	(34,484)	(20,071)	(226,602)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	1,253,746	(567,667)	6,141,779	(290,725)	2,455,778	1,494
Other Participant Transactions						
Program Contributions	2,119,938	1,825,312	8,682,896	7,718,350	2,310,169	82,930,513
Total Increase			, ,			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
from Participant Transactions	2,119,938	1,825,312	8,682,896	7,718,350	2,310,169	82,930,513
Total Additions	3,373,684	1,257,645	14,824,675	7,427,625	4,765,947	82,932,007
Deductions						
Program Distributions	1,809,595	2,179,802	7,717,536	6,856,621	2,598,484	86,115,646
Total Deductions	1,809,595	2,179,802	7,717,536	6,856,621	2,598,484	86,115,646
Change in Net Position	1,564,089	(922,157)	7,107,139	571,004	2,167,463	(3,183,639)
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	10,089,774	11,842,674	43,322,735	25,021,476	13,370,738	172,041,075
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 11,653,863	10,920,517	\$ 50,429,874	\$ 25,592,480	\$ 15,538,201	\$ 168,857,436

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Invesco Oppenheimer International Growth 529 Portfolio	MFS Value 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds International Equity Index 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Small Cap Index 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Small Cap Value 529 Portfolio	Northern Funds Stock Index 529 Portfolio
Additions						_
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 67,169	\$ 4,447,704	\$ 405,567	\$ 910,377	\$ -	\$ -
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	5,326,118	1,661,374	2,320,677	887,128	1,359,822	19,271,783
State Administrative Fees	(7,387	(16,392)	(4,182)	(4,239)	(3,542)	(27,731)
12b-1 Fees	(77,551	(167,389)	(42,550)	(47,033)	(30,777)	(294,727)
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(38,611	(85,678)	(21,941)	(22,110)	(18,469)	(145,019)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	5,269,738	5,839,619	2,657,571	1,724,123	1,307,034	18,804,306
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	3,716,796	11,561,126	2,919,932	2,820,053	2,871,744	23,072,487
from Participant Transactions	3,716,796	11,561,126	2,919,932	2,820,053	2,871,744	23,072,487
Total Additions	8,986,534	17,400,745	5,577,503	4,544,176	4,178,778	41,876,793
<b>Deductions</b> Program Distributions	5,691,856	8,800,952	2,051,258	2,543,752	2,996,166	16,383,296
Total Deductions	5,691,856	8,800,952	2,051,258	2,543,752	2,996,166	16,383,296
Change in Net Position	3,294,678	8,599,793	3,526,245	2,000,424	1,182,612	25,493,497
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	26,424,310	56,034,241	14,145,132	14,641,759	12,303,367	93,968,813
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 29,718,988	\$ 64,634,034	\$ 17,671,377	\$ 16,642,183	\$ 13,485,979	\$ 119,462,310

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	PGIM Core Bond 529 Portfolio		Principal Global Real Estate Securities 529 Portfolio	SIT Dividend Growth 529 Portfolio		T.Rowe Price Balanced 529 Portfolio		T.Rowe Price Equity Income 529 Portfolio		T.Rowe Price Extended Equity Market Index 529 Portfolio		
Additions												
Investment Income (Expense)												
Investment Earnings	\$	1,362,144	\$	50,386	\$	2,401,932	\$	4,165,125	\$	4,038,441	\$	1,848,725
Class Action Recovery		-		-		-		-		-		-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		(1,642,699)		(235,900)		629,518		5,017,930		810,953		2,202,679
State Administrative Fees		(10,361)		(1,172)		(5,883)		(22,135)		(16,191)		(7,354)
12b-1 Fees		(110,233)		(11,782)		(57,327)		(260,374)		(164,961)		(82,349)
Other Operating Expenses		-		-		-		-		-		-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(53,988)		(6,084)		(30,738)		(115,420)		(84,549)		(38,377)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		(455, 137)		(204,552)		2,937,502		8,785,126		4,583,693		3,923,324
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase		8,387,137		567,471		4,389,272		15,283,575		12,451,617		5,144,850
from Participant Transactions		8,387,137		567,471		4,389,272		15,283,575		12,451,617		5,144,850
Total Additions		7,932,000		362,919		7,326,774		24,068,701		17,035,310		9,068,174
<b>Deductions</b> Program Distributions		9,036,453		1,210,404		3,635,804		18,325,342		12,836,702		4,676,487
Total Deductions		9,036,453		1,210,404		3,635,804		18,325,342		12,836,702		4,676,487
Change in Net Position		(1,104,453)		(847,485)		3,690,970		5,743,359		4,198,608		4,391,687
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		40,526,652		4,836,056		20,060,652		82,143,804		57,115,672		25,222,493
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	39,422,199	\$	3,988,571	\$	23,751,622	\$	87,887,163	\$	61,314,280	\$	29,614,180

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	T.Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 529 Portfolio	FTS I	/anguard E Developed Markets ndex ETF 9 Portfolio	Vanguard FTSE Emergii Markets Stoo Index ETF 529 Portfolio	:k	Vanguard Global Ex-U.S. Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mega Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Ę	Vanguard Mega Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio
Additions									
Investment Income (Expense)									
Investment Earnings	\$	- \$	415,787	\$ 278,	248	\$ 5,075	\$ 561,440	\$	74,540
Class Action Recovery		-	-		-	-	-		_
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	34,449,73	1	1,886,038	(172,	026)	(87,446)	6,266,858		3,290,808
State Administrative Fees	(35,75	9)	(3,936)	(2,	122)	(242)	(9,352)		(3,125)
12b-1 Fees	(385, 18	9)	-		-	-	-		-
Other Operating Expenses		-	(749)	(-	424)	(54)	(563)		(127)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(186,63	4)	(20,657)	(11,	078)	(1,261)	(48,871)		(16,324)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	33,842,15	2	2,276,483	92,	598	(83,928)	6,769,512		3,345,772
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	22,946,04	3	2,949,770	1,236,	632	178,660	6,244,470		2,116,088
from Participant Transactions	22,946,04	3	2,949,770	1,236,	632	178,660	6,244,470		2,116,088
Total Additions	56,788,19	3	5,226,253	1,329,	230	94,732	13,013,982		5,461,860
<b>Deductions</b> Program Distributions	19,959,58	1	1,763,246	1,266,	319	133,869	5,360,856		1,602,592
Total Deductions	19,959,58	1	1,763,246	1,266,	319	133,869	5,360,856		1,602,592
Change in Net Position	36,828,61	7	3,463,007	62,	911	(39,137)	7,653,126		3,859,268
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	123,107,44	5	13,309,075	8,025,	550	927,742	32,199,488		10,671,793
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 159,936,06	2 \$	16,772,082	\$ 8,088,	461	\$ 888,605	\$ 39,852,614	\$	14,531,061

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	ļ	Vanguard Mega Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Real Estate Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index ETF 529 Portfolio
Additions							_
Investment Income (Expense)							
Investment Earnings	\$	328,136	\$ 226,551	\$ 23,295	\$ 72,720	\$ 172,821	\$ 329,041
Class Action Recovery		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		883,537	1,508,324	494,017	177,601	(329, 351)	(254,828)
State Administrative Fees		(3,307)	(3,616)	(782)	(788)	(1,061)	(4,755)
12b-1 Fees		-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses		(344)	(167)	(54)	(108)	(90)	(1,112)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(17,333)	(18,886)	(4,090)	(4,132)	(5,518)	(24,917)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		1,190,689	1,712,206	512,386	245,293	(163,199)	43,429
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase		3,171,575	2,576,169	781,311	1,136,277	556,909	7,634,412
from Participant Transactions		3,171,575	2,576,169	781,311	1,136,277	556,909	7,634,412
Total Additions		4,362,264	4,288,375	1,293,697	1,381,570	393,710	7,677,841
<b>Deductions</b> Program Distributions		1,707,490	2,075,266	518,828	675,682	554,134	3,945,834
Total Deductions		1,707,490	2,075,266	518,828	675,682	554,134	3,945,834
Change in Net Position		2,654,774	2,213,109	774,869	705,888	(160,424)	3,732,007
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		10,888,025	12,529,750	2,618,626	2,450,743	4,112,350	16,331,626
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	13,542,799	\$ 14,742,859	\$ 3,393,495	\$ 3,156,631	\$ 3,951,926	\$ 20,063,633

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Sma Inde	nguard all-Cap ex ETF Portfolio	Vanguard Small-Cap Growth Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Small-Cap Value Index ETF 529 Portfolio	Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF 529 Portfolio	Fixed Income Fund	Fund 10
Additions							
Investment Income (Expense)							
Investment Earnings Class Action Recovery	\$	206,348	\$ 16,646 -	\$ 100,795	\$ 292,681	\$ 3,372,700 \$	19,011,793
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		1,478,988	363,239	410,320	(368,564)	(1,354,043)	(2,175,558)
State Administrative Fees		(3,277)	(606)	(1,164)	(2,875)	(26,505)	(152,838)
12b-1 Fees		-	-	-	-	(280, 150)	(1,509,337)
Other Operating Expenses		(163)	(32)	(76)	(462)	(203)	(993)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(17,109)	(3,168)	(6,090)	(15,007)	(138,044)	(797,284)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		1,664,787	376,079	503,785	(94,227)	1,573,755	14,375,783
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase		2,380,028	555,115	1,032,048	2,167,619	43,939,130	303,872,629
from Participant Transactions		2,380,028	555,115	1,032,048	2,167,619	43,939,130	303,872,629
Total Additions		4,044,815	931,194	1,535,833	2,073,392	45,512,885	318,248,412
<b>Deductions</b> Program Distributions		2,070,210	398,553	692,037	1,917,582	44,844,560	276,679,795
Total Deductions		2,070,210	398,553	692,037	1,917,582	44,844,560	276,679,795
Change in Net Position		1,974,605	532,641	843,796	155,810	668,325	41,568,617
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		11,236,300	2,036,101	3,839,636	10,692,136	102,170,427	576,131,487
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	13,210,905	\$ 2,568,742	\$ 4,683,432	\$ 10,847,946	\$ 102,838,752 \$	617,700,104

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Fund 20		Fund 30	Fund 40	Fund 50	Fund 60	Fund 70
Additions							
Investment Income (Expense)							
Investment Earnings	\$	20,481,870 \$	18,584,966 \$	18,661,412 \$	13,816,109 \$	16,202,707 \$	9,748,955
Class Action Recovery		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		5,290,444	13,391,788	21,204,508	24,290,138	40,701,480	31,959,190
State Administrative Fees		(170,860)	(165, 188)	(161,468)	(128,372)	(158,440)	(103,286)
12b-1 Fees		(1,761,030)	(1,769,154)	(1,774,696)	(1,439,740)	(1,774,814)	(1,141,508)
Other Operating Expenses		(620)	(467)	(408)	(88)	(84)	(75)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(890,868)	(861,870)	(841,675)	(669,404)	(826,984)	(538,683)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		22,948,936	29,180,075	37,087,673	35,868,643	54,143,865	39,924,593
Other Participant Transactions							
Program Contributions		390,488,298	378,597,429	340,522,853	277,554,632	265,978,154	178,290,639
Total Increase							
from Participant Transactions		390,488,298	378,597,429	340,522,853	277,554,632	265,978,154	178,290,639
Total Additions		413,437,234	407,777,504	377,610,526	313,423,275	320,122,019	218,215,232
Deductions							
Program Distributions		388,598,518	366,795,315	358,972,297	291,558,457	272,236,766	196,516,134
Total Deductions		388,598,518	366,795,315	358,972,297	291,558,457	272,236,766	196,516,134
Change in Net Position		24,838,716	40,982,189	18,638,229	21,864,818	47,885,253	21,699,098
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		644,924,627	605,948,147	598,368,891	470,331,723	578,316,853	378,505,766
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	669,763,343 \$	646,930,336 \$	617,007,120 \$	492,196,541 \$	626,202,106 \$	400,204,864

# College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Fund 80				Fund B 100 5		Fidelity Short-Term Bond Index 529 Portfolio		iShares 0-5 TIPS Bond Year Index 529 Portfolio	
Additions										
Investment Income (Expense)										
Investment Earnings	\$	11,494,928 \$	3,377,372 \$	10,299,258	\$	1,253,150	\$	59,651	\$	305,170
Class Action Recovery		-	-	-		-		-		-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments		51,659,859	20,018,491	77,514,288		-		(34,516)		(313,221)
State Administrative Fees		(136,024)	(45,362)	(156,485)		-		(1,076)		(1,865)
12b-1 Fees		(1,449,522)	(474,817)	(1,574,155)		-		(9,767)		(16,095)
Other Operating Expenses		(78)	(50)	-		(1,211,427)		-		(178)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees		(710,264)	(237,215)	(817,062)		(41,621)		(5,734)		(9,671)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)		60,858,899	22,638,419	85,265,844		102		8,558		(35,860)
Other Participant Transactions										
Program Contributions		164, 169, 134	82,236,363	89,166,517		49,191,955		5,356,890		2,432,440
Total Increase										
from Participant Transactions		164,169,134	82,236,363	89,166,517		49,191,955		5,356,890		2,432,440
Total Additions		225,028,033	104,874,782	174,432,361		49,192,057		5,365,448		2,396,580
Deductions										
Program Distributions		167,914,664	80,344,778	109,908,430		15,973,879		1,265,565		3,644,689
Total Deductions		167,914,664	80,344,778	109,908,430		15,973,879		1,265,565		3,644,689
Change in Net Position		57,113,369	24,530,004	64,523,931		33,218,178		4,099,883		(1,248,109)
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year		487,167,322	160,418,756	565,151,349		16,228,300		2,393,181		7,625,532
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$	544,280,691 \$	184,948,760 \$	629,675,280	\$	49,446,478	\$	6,493,064	\$	6,377,423

## College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	BlackRock High Yield Bond 529 Portfolio	CS Flat Rate High Income 529 Portfolio	AB Global Bond 529 Portfolio	BlackRock Mid Cap Growth Equity 529 Portfolio	BlackRock Emerging Markets 529 Portfolio	Virtus Duff & Phelps Global Infrastructure Portfolio
Additions						
Investment Income (Expense)						
Investment Earnings	\$ 77,138	\$ 152,405	\$ 599,645	\$ -	\$ 355,602	\$ 6,098
Class Action Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	29,056	37,444	(616,142)	3,973,719	695,149	(7,167)
State Administrative Fees	(316)	(524)	(1,866)	(7,075)	(4,339)	(15)
12b-1 Fees	(3,225)	(4,128)	(16,716)	(77,993)	(41,932)	(120)
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(1,663)	(2,738)	(9,704)	(36,931)	(22,687)	(80)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	100,990	182,459	(44,783)	3,851,720	981,793	(1,284)
Other Participant Transactions Program Contributions Total Increase	879,347	1,014,809	1,353,257	5,378,592	3,840,411	137,604
from Participant Transactions	879,347	1,014,809	1,353,257	5,378,592	3,840,411	137,604
Total Additions	980,337	1,197,268	1,308,474	9,230,312	4,822,204	136,320
Deductions						
Program Distributions	443,979	682,986	1,618,813	4,512,829	3,516,570	3,536
Total Deductions	443,979	682,986	1,618,813	4,512,829	3,516,570	3,536
Change in Net Position	536,358	514,282	(310,339)	4,717,483	1,305,634	132,784
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	969,371	1,764,332	7,220,834	24,714,831	15,892,691	
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 1,505,729	\$ 2,278,614	\$ 6,910,495	\$ 29,432,314	\$ 17,198,325	\$ 132,784

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### College Savings Program Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position by Portfolio (Continued) Bright Directions For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Total
Additions	
Investment Income (Expense)	
Investment Earnings	\$ 191,915,575
Class Action Recovery	-
Net Change in Fair Value of Investments	390,472,883
State Administrative Fees	(1,713,640)
12b-1 Fees	(17,724,375)
Other Operating Expenses	(7,031,591)
Management and Bank Custodial Fees	(9,210,275)
Net Investment Earnings (Loss)	546,708,577
Other Participant Transactions	
Program Contributions	 2,890,818,457
Total Increase	
from Participant Transactions	2,890,818,457
Total Additions	3,437,527,034
Deductions	
Program Distributions	2,874,902,315
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Total Deductions	2,874,902,315
Change in Net Position	562,624,719
Net Position, Beginning of Fiscal Year	6,450,038,695
Net Position, End of Fiscal Year	\$ 7,012,663,414



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#### College Savings Program Key Performance Measures June 30, 2024 and 2023 (Unaudited)

	Illie	nois	Out of	Stato	To	<u>tal</u>
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Bright Start						
Number of Participant Accounts	276,344	259,905	55,152	52,963	331,496	312,868
Market Value	\$9,969,981,577	\$ 8,441,483,339	\$2,168,836,434	\$1,819,136,104	\$12,138,818,011	\$10,260,619,443
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	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Bright Directions						
Number of Participant Accounts	·		48,772	47,868	245,425	241,30
Market Value	\$5,240,137,744	\$4,696,606,118	\$2,539,333,667	\$2,316,403,007	\$7,779,471,411	\$7,013,009,12

#### Notes:

The difference between the Market Value presented above and the information presented in the statements is because two systems are used to calculate the information and each uses a different level of decimal rounding.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Participant Accounts" is defined as the number of unique relationships between an account owner and beneficiary.

College Savings Program Investment Policy Statement Bright Start (Effective November 2023) (Unaudited)

#### 1.0 Statement of Purpose of Investment Policy

The purpose of this Investment Policy Statement (the "Policy") is to assist contractors retained by the Office of the Illinois State Treasurer (the "Treasurer") to provide services related to the management of the assets of the Illinois College Savings Pool (the "Pool") that are contributed to the Bright Start College Savings Program (the "Program") and to assist the Treasurer in evaluating the performance of such contractors by:

- Describing the Treasurer's investment objectives;
- Providing general guidelines for the investment of assets of the Program;
- Describing the Treasurer's long-term investment strategy;
- Describing the process of evaluating the performance of employees or contractors that provide investment management services to the Program;
- Describing the Treasurer's objective to include sustainability factors within the investment decision process; and
- Specifying the responsibilities of any contractors that provide investment management services to the Program.

This is the official Policy of the Program. Deviation from this Policy is not permitted without prior, explicit, written permission from the Treasurer.

#### 2.0 Establishment and Authority of Entity

The Program has been established as part of the Illinois College Savings Pool, and is intended to qualify as a qualified tuition program in accordance with Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Program was established to provide families with an opportunity to invest toward future higher education expenses.

#### 3.0 Investment Philosophy

Bright Start offers high-quality and low-cost investment products that allow participants to construct a college savings strategy that aligns with their unique risk and return characteristics. The Treasurer has adopted a long-term total return strategy for the Program and its investments. To achieve the Program's objectives, investments shall be diversified so as to minimize the risk of loss. While some asset classes may experience short-term and intermediate-term volatility, their long-term return assumptions justify their inclusion. A long-term focus on investment results as well as prudent diversification across financial markets will be the primary risk control mechanisms.

In its investment strategy, the Treasurer relies on prevailing financial theory, which currently utilizes a long-term diversified asset allocation strategy. A prudently allocated investment program possesses a significant level of diversification, which produces risk reduction. In terms of impact, diversification shall be considered along the following lines: (1) asset classes (stocks, bonds, cash, etc.); (2) geography/country; (3) industry; (4) maturity; and (5) duration.

Contributions to the Program will be directed to one or more of the available Age-Based, Target, or Individual Portfolios (the "Portfolios"), each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund. The determination of the investment parameters of each Portfolio shall be made by the Treasurer and shall take into account the financial characteristics of the investments in the Program. The investment parameters will also give due consideration to the fact that the investment horizon for participants will vary from a few months to over 18 years.

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The Treasurer will review the investment performance of each Portfolio at least quarterly and shall review this Policy at least annually.

The holdings of the Program and the Portfolios may be divided into the following broad asset categories:

- A. Short-Term Investments;
- B. Domestic Fixed Income Investments:
- C. Global Fixed Income Investments;
- D. Real Estate Investments:
- E. Domestic Equity Investments; and
- F. International Equity Investments.

The Treasurer will establish reasonable guidelines for each Portfolio, specifying (as applicable) limits on asset and asset class exposures, risk constraints and investment return objectives. While the investment parameters offered under the Program are developed by the Treasurer, participants bear the risk of investment results. Individual participants who seek investments materially different from those offered may wish to select an investment alternative outside of the Program.

Section 30 of the State Treasurer Act (15 ILCS 505/30) declares that it is the policy of the Treasurer to promote and encourage the use of businesses owned by or under the control of qualified veterans of the armed forces of the United States, qualified service-disabled veterans, minority persons, women, or persons with a disability ("MWVD Persons") and sets forth the aspirational goal of directing 25% of the total dollar amount of funds under management, purchases of investment securities, and other contracts to businesses owned by or under the control of MWVD Persons. As such, consistent with achieving the foremost investment objectives of the Treasurer set forth herein, the Treasurer will endeavor to identify and evaluate investment managers that are more than 50% owned and/or managed by MWVD Persons.

Pursuant to the Illinois Sustainable Investing Act (30 ILCS 238/1 et seq.), the Treasurer shall prudently integrate sustainability factors into its investment decision-making, investment analysis, portfolio construction, risk management, due diligence and investment ownership in order to maximize anticipated financial returns, minimize projected risks, and more effectively execute its fiduciary duties.

Sustainability analysis adds an additional layer of rigor to the fundamental analytical approach and can be used to evaluate past performance and to plan future decision-making. As a complement to traditional financial analysis, an accounting of sustainability factors provides a more complete view of risks and value prospects that may materially impact an investment fund or portfolio company's long-term value. Sustainability factors shall be integrated within a framework predicated on the following:

- A. **Materiality** The Treasurer considers whether and to what extent a sustainability risk or opportunity exists that is reasonably likely to have a material impact on the financial condition or operating performance of a company, investment fund, or other investment vehicle.
- B. **Industry-Specific Information** The Treasurer considers whether and to what extent the financially material sustainability risk or opportunity in question is relevant and applicable to individual industries.
- C. **Integration of Material Sustainability Factors** The Treasurer prudently integrates material and relevant sustainability factors, including, but not limited to (1) corporate governance, financial incentives and quality of leadership, (2) environmental factors, (3) social capital factors, (4) human

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capital, and (5) business model and innovation, as components of portfolio construction, investment decision-making, investment analysis and due diligence, prospective value proposition, risk management, and investment ownership in internally and externally managed investment programs.

- D. **Active Ownership** The Treasurer attentively oversees investment holdings to address sustainability risks and opportunities through the exercise of proxy voting rights and direct engagement with entities, such as investment funds, portfolio companies, government bodies, and other organizations.
- E. **Regular Evaluation of Sustainability Factors** The Treasurer performs a recurring annual evaluation, at a minimum, of sustainability factors to ensure the factors are relevant to the evolving marketplace.
- F. Additional Relevant and Financially Material Factors The Treasurer considers other relevant factors such as legal, regulatory, and reputational risks that contribute to an optimal risk management framework and are necessary to protect and create long- term investment value.

#### 4.0 Investment Objectives

The overall investment line-up for the Program and, as applicable, the Portfolios provided to the participants, shall seek to achieve the following long-term investment objectives:

- A. A long-term competitive rate of return on investments that is equal to or exceeds a return of the applicable benchmarks shown in Section 7.0 hereof; and
- B. An investment program flexible enough to meet the needs of participants based upon their age or investment objective and that provides each participant with the ability to invest in a diversified portfolio to meet their investment goals.

#### 5.0 Investment Responsibilities

The Treasurer is responsible for the investment policy statement, the direction of investments, and administration of the assets of the Program. In order to properly carry out his responsibilities, the Treasurer may rely on one or more contractors to assist in the administration of the Program. The Treasurer will engage and plan to rely heavily on said contractor (the "Manager") for administrative services as well as the contractor's pertinent investment advisor, should they retain one, for investment management services. The Treasurer also plans to rely heavily on an external investment consultant for investment advisory services. Among the current responsibilities of the Manager is the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this Policy and the rebalancing of the Age-Based and Target Portfolios when market movement and/or cash flows cause an asset class to be outside its policy allocation bands. With the Treasurer's approval, the Manager may retain an investment advisor to provide it with portfolio design, due diligence, and ongoing monitoring services with respect to the Portfolios and the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this Policy. The Treasurer and the Manager shall meet quarterly to review portfolio performance as compared to the applicable benchmarks and peer group performance.

In managing the investments of the Program and the Portfolios, the Manager agrees that it will act with the skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and with like objectives.

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In addition, the Treasurer may engage an independent investment consultant that will:

- Measure investment performance results, evaluate the investment program, and advise the Treasurer as to the performance and continuing appropriateness of each investment manager;
- Recommend modifications to the investment policies, objectives, guidelines, or management structure as appropriate; and
- Promptly inform the Treasurer regarding significant matters pertaining to the investment program.

#### 6.0 Investment Parameters

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the age of the participant or the investment objective of the Portfolio. Each Portfolio may allocate assets among domestic equity, international equity, real estate, domestic fixed-income, global fixed-income and/or short-term investments. The asset allocation of each Portfolio will be established by the Treasurer and managed by the Manager. The Treasurer may adjust the weighting in stocks, bonds, real estate, and cash in each Portfolio and may change the underlying investment funds within the Portfolios consistent with this Policy.

The Policy target asset allocations and benchmarks for the underlying investments within the Age-Based and Target Portfolios are shown in the following table. There is a permissible range of plus or minus 10% of the target allocation for each underlying investment fund.

#### 7.0 Plan Options

**Direct Plan: Index Age-Based and Target Portfolios** 

Age-Based	Portfolios					Age	of Benefici	ary				
Aggr	essive Option	0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 – 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19+		
Mode	erate Option*		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 – 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19+	
Cons	ervative Option	0-2 3-5 6-8 9-10 11-12 13-14 15-16 17-18 19-										19+
I Target Portfolios   1 '					Balanced Portfolio						Fixed Income	
Asset Class	Benchmark											
Domestic Equity	CRSP U.S. Total Market Index	57.0%	52.0%	48.0%	42.0%	36.0%	30.0%	25.0%	20.0%	13.0%	7.0%	0.0%
Real Estate	MSCI US REIT Index	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
International Equity	FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index	36.0%	32.0%	27.0%	23.0%	20.0%	16.0%	12.0%	8.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%
	BofA/Merrill Lynch – High Yield Master II Index	0.0%	1.0%	3.0%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%	7.0%	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%	0.0%

Domestic Fixed	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 1-5 Year Government / Credit Float Adjusted Index	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.0%	11.0%	14.0%	22.0%	25.0%	22.0%	20.0%
Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index	0.0%	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%	15.0%
	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index	0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	9.0%	11.0%	12.0%	14.0%	15.0%
	Bloomberg Barclays											
Global	Global Aggregate ex- USD Float Adjusted RIC Capped Index (USD Hedged)	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	0.0%
Bonds	Bloomberg USD Emerging Markets Government RIC Capped Index	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
High Yield Savings	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%	23.0%	50.0%

<sup>\*</sup> The Children Saving's Account program invested assets will automatically be invested into the Moderate Index Age-Based portfolio.

#### Direct Plan: Multi-Firm Age-Based and Target Portfolios

Age-Based I	Portfolios					Ag	e of Benefic	ciary							
Aggres	ssive Option	0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19+					
Moder	ate Option		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19+				
Conse	rvative Option			0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	15 - 16 17 - 18				
Target Porti	folios	Equity Portfolio		Balanced Portfolio							Fixed Income				
Asset Class	Benchmark														
	Russell 1000 Value	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.5%	0.0%			
	S & P 500 Index	23.0%	21.0%	19.0%	17.0%	14.0%	12.0%	10.0%	8.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%			
Domestic	Russell 1000 Growth	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	1.5%	0.0%			
Equity	Russell 2500 Value	5.5%	5.0%	4.5%	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
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Global Real Estate	FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%			
	MSCI ACWI ex-U.S. Index	26.0%	23.5%	20.0%	17.0%	14.5%	12.0%	9.5%	6.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%			
International Equity	MSCI World ex-U.S. Small Cap Index	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
	MSCI Emerging Markets Index	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%	2.5%	1.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
	Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	0.0%			

	Bloomberg Barclays 1-3 Year U.S. Government / Credit Bond Index	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.0%	11.0%	14.0%	22.0%	25.0%	22.0%	20.0%
Domestic Fixed Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	0.0%	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%	15.0%
	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index	0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	9.0%	11.0%	12.0%	14.0%	15.0%
	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
CLLIB	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index (Hedged)	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	0.0%
Global Bonds	JPM Emerging Markets Bond Index Global Diversified	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
High Yield Savings	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%	23.0%	50.0%

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Core Bond	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index
Short Term U.S. TIPs	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index
Global Bonds	Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex USD Float Adjusted RIC Capped Index
All Cap US Equity	CRSP U.S. Total Market Index
Large Cap Value	Russell 1000 Value
Large Cap Blend	S&P 500 Index
Large Cap Growth	Russell 1000 Growth

Small-Cap Value	Russell 2500 Value, Russell 2000 Value
Small-Cap Growth	Russell 2500 Growth
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#### 2.0 Establishment and Authority of Entity

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Pursuant to the Illinois Sustainable Investing Act (30 ILCS 238/1 et seq.), the Treasurer shall prudently integrate sustainability factors into its investment decision-making, investment analysis, portfolio construction, risk management, due diligence and investment ownership in order to maximize anticipated financial returns, minimize projected risk, and more effectively execute its fiduciary duty. Sustainability analysis adds an additional layer of rigor to the fundamental analytical approach and can be used to evaluate past performance and to plan future decision-making. As a complement to traditional financial analysis, an accounting of sustainability factors provides a more complete view of risks and value prospects that may materially impact an investment fund or portfolio company's long-term value. As such, consistent with achieving the foremost investment objectives of the Treasurer set forth herein, the Treasurer will prudently exercise investment stewardship and integrate sustainability factors within such a framework predicated on the following:

- A. **Materiality** The Treasurer considers whether and to what extent a sustainability risk or opportunity exists that is reasonably likely to have a material impact on the financial condition or operating performance of a company, investment fund, or other investment vehicle.
- B. **Industry-Specific Information** The Treasurer considers whether and to what extent the financially material sustainability risk or opportunity in question is relevant and applicable to individual industries.
- C. Integration of Material Sustainability Factors The Treasurer prudently integrates material

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and relevant sustainability factors, including, but not limited to (1) corporate governance and leadership factors, (2) environmental factors, (3) social capital factors, (4) human capital factors, and (5) business model and innovation factors, as components of portfolio construction, investment decision-making, investment analysis and due diligence, prospective value proposition, risk management, and investment ownership, given that these tangible and intangible factors may have material financial impacts;

- D. **Active Ownership** The Treasurer attentively oversees investment holdings to address sustainability risks and opportunities through the exercise of proxy voting rights and direct engagement with entities, such as investment funds, portfolio companies, government bodies, and other organizations.
- E. **Regular Evaluation of Sustainability Factors** The Treasurer performs a recurring annual evaluation, at a minimum, of sustainability factors to ensure the factors are relevant to the evolving marketplace.
- F. Additional Relevant and Financially Material Factors The Treasurer considers other relevant factors such as legal, regulatory, and reputational risks that contribute to an optimal risk management framework and are necessary to protect and create long- term investment value.

#### 4.0 Investment Objectives

The overall investment program for the Program and, as applicable, the Portfolios provided to the participants, shall seek to achieve the following long-term investment objectives:

- A. A long-term competitive rate of return on investments that is equal to or exceeds a return of the applicable benchmarks shown in Section 7.0 hereof; and
- B. An investment program flexible enough to meet the needs of participants based upon their age or investment objective and that provides each participant with the ability to invest in a diversified portfolio to meet his or her investment goals.

#### 5.0 Investment Responsibilities

The Treasurer is responsible for the investment policy statement, the direction of investments, and administration of the assets of the Program. In order to properly carry out his responsibilities, the Treasurer may rely on one or more contractors to assist in the administration of the Program. The Treasurer will engage and plan to rely heavily on said contractor (the "Manager") for administrative services as well as the contractor's pertinent investment advisor, should they retain one, for investment management services. The Treasurer also plans to rely heavily on an external investment consultant for investment advisory services. Among the current responsibilities of the Manager is the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this Policy and the rebalancing of the Age-Based and Target Portfolios when market movement and/or cash flows cause an asset class to be outside its policy allocation bands. With the Treasurer's approval, the Manager may retain an investment advisor to provide it with portfolio design, due diligence, and ongoing monitoring services with respect to the Portfolios and the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this Policy. The Treasurer and the Manager shall meet quarterly to review portfolio performance as compared to the applicable benchmarks and peer group performance.

In managing the investments of the Program and the Portfolios, the Manager agrees that it will act with the skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like

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capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and with like objectives.

In addition, the Treasurer may engage an independent investment consultant that will:

- Measure investment performance results, evaluate the investment program, and advise the Treasurer as to the performance and continuing appropriateness of each investment manager;
- Recommend modifications to the investment policies, objectives, guidelines, or management structure as appropriate; and
- Promptly inform the Treasurer regarding significant matters pertaining to the investment program.

#### 6.0 Investment Parameters

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the age of the participant or the investment objective of the Portfolio. Each Portfolio may allocate assets among domestic equity, international equity, real estate, fixed-income, and/or short-term investments. The asset allocation of each Portfolio will be established by the Treasurer and managed by the Manager. The Treasurer may adjust the weighting in stocks, bonds, real estate, and cash in each Portfolio and may change the underlying investment funds within the Portfolios consistent with this Policy.

The Policy target asset allocations and benchmarks for the underlying investments within the Age-Based and Target Portfolios are shown in the following table. There is a permissible range of plus or minus 10% of the target allocation for each underlying investment fund.

#### 7.0 Plan Options

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#### Direct Plan: Index Age-Based and Target Portfolios

Age-Based Porti	folios					Age	of Benefic	iary				
Ag	gressive Option	0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 – 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +		
	oderate Option		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 – 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +	
Con	servative Option			0 - 2	3 - 5	6 – 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +
Target Portfolio	s	Equity Portfolio				Balanced Portfolio						Fixed Income
Asset Class	Benchmark											
Domestic Equity	CRSP U.S. Total Market Index	57.0%	52.0%	48.0%	42.0%	36.0%	30.0%	25.0%	20.0%	13.0%	7.0%	0.0%
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Domestic Fixed	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 1-5 Year Government / Credit Float Adjusted Index	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.0%	11.0%	14.0%	22.0%	25.0%	22.0%	20.0%
Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index	0.0%	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%	15.0%
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	Bloomberg USD Emerging Markets Government RIC Capped Index	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
High Yield Savings	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%	23.0%	50.0%

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Pursuant to the Illinois Sustainable Investing Act (30 ILCS 238/1 et seq.), the Treasurer shall prudently integrate sustainability factors into its investment decision-making, investment analysis, portfolio construction, risk management, due diligence, and investment ownership in order to maximize anticipated financial returns, minimize projected risk, and more effectively execute its fiduciary duty. As such, consistent with achieving the foremost investment objectives of the Treasurer set forth herein, the Treasurer will prudently exercise investment stewardship and integrate sustainability factors within such a framework predicated on the following:

- A. Integration of Material Sustainability Factors Prudent integration of material sustainability factors, including, but not limited to (1) corporate governance and leadership factors, (2) environmental factors, (3) social capital factors, (4) human capital factors, and (5) business model and innovation factors, as components of portfolio construction, investment decision-making, investment analysis and due diligence, prospective value proposition, risk management, and investment ownership, given that these tangible and intangible factors may have material and relevant financial impacts;
- B. **Regular Evaluation of Sustainability Factors** Recurring evaluation of sustainability factors to ensure the factors are relevant and decision-useful to the Program and the evolving marketplace;
- C. Active Ownership Attentive oversight of investment holdings to encourage the advancement of sustainability accounting and disclosure through the exercise of proxy voting rights and engagement with entities such as investment funds, investment holdings, portfolio companies, government bodies, and other organizations and move the marketplace toward more prudent, sustainable business practices; and

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D. **Additional Relevant and Financially Material Factors** – Consideration of other relevant factors such as legal, regulatory, and reputational risks that enable an optimal risk management framework and supports long-term investment value.

#### 4.0 Investment Objectives

The overall investment program for the Program and, as applicable, the Portfolios provided to the participants, shall seek to achieve the following long-term investment objectives:

- A. A long-term competitive rate of return on investments that is equal to or exceeds a return of the applicable benchmarks shown in Section 7.0 hereof; and
- B. An investment program flexible enough to meet the needs of participants based upon their age or investment objective and that provides each participant with the ability to invest in a diversified portfolio to meet his or her investment goals.

#### 5.0 Investment Responsibilities

The Treasurer is responsible for the investment policy statement, the direction of investments, and administration of the assets of the Program. In order to properly carry out his responsibilities, the Treasurer may rely on one or more contractors to assist in the administration of the Program. The Treasurer will engage and plan to rely heavily on said contractor (the "Manager") for administrative services as well as the contractor's pertinent investment advisor, should they retain one, for investment management services. The Treasurer also plans to rely heavily on an external investment consultant for investment advisory services. Among the current responsibilities of the Manager is the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this Policy and the rebalancing of the Age-Based and Target Portfolios when market movement and/or cash flows cause an asset class to be outside its policy allocation bands. With the Treasurer's approval, the Manager may retain an investment advisor to provide it with portfolio design, due diligence, and ongoing monitoring services with respect to the Portfolios and the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this Policy. The Treasurer and the Manager shall meet quarterly to review portfolio performance as compared to the applicable benchmarks and peer group performance.

In managing the investments of the Program and the Portfolios, the Manager agrees that it will act with the skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and with like objectives.

In addition, the Treasurer may engage an independent investment consultant that will:

- Measure investment performance results, evaluate the investment program, and advise the Treasurer as to the performance and continuing appropriateness of each investment manager;
- Recommend modifications to the investment policies, objectives, guidelines, or management structure as appropriate; and
- Promptly inform the Treasurer regarding significant matters pertaining to the investment program.

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#### 6.0 Investment Parameters

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the age of the participant or the investment objective of the Portfolio. Each Portfolio may allocate assets among domestic equity, international equity, real estate, fixed-income, and/or short-term investments. The asset allocation of each Portfolio will be established by the Treasurer and managed by the Manager. The Treasurer may adjust the weighting in stocks, bonds, real estate, and cash in each Portfolio and may change the underlying investment funds within the Portfolios consistent with this Policy.

The Policy target asset allocations and benchmarks for the underlying investments within the Age-Based and Target Portfolios are shown in the following table. There is a permissible range of plus or minus 10% of the target allocation for each underlying investment fund.

#### 7.0 Plan Options

**Direct Plan: Index Age-Based and Target Portfolios** 

Age-Based Port	folios					Age	of Benefic	iary				
Ag	gressive Option	0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 – 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +		
M	oderate Option		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 – 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +	
Cor	servative Option			0 - 2	3 - 5	6 – 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +
Target Portfolio	s	Equity Portfolio				Balanced Portfolio						Fixed Income
Asset Class	Benchmark											
Domestic Equity	CRSP U.S. Total Market Index	57.0%	52.0%	48.0%	42.0%	36.0%	30.0%	25.0%	20.0%	13.0%	7.0%	0.0%
Real Estate	MSCI US REIT Index	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
International Equity	FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index	36.0%	32.0%	27.0%	23.0%	20.0%	16.0%	12.0%	8.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%
	BofA/Merrill Lynch – High Yield Master II Index	0.0%	1.0%	3.0%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%	7.0%	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%	0.0%
Domestic Fixed	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 1-5 Year Government / Credit Float Adjusted Index	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.0%	11.0%	14.0%	22.0%	25.0%	22.0%	20.0%
Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index	0.0%	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%	15.0%
	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index	0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	9.0%	11.0%	12.0%	14.0%	15.0%
Foreign Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate ex- USD Float Adjusted RIC Capped Index (USD Hedged)	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%	0.0%
Money Market	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%	11.5%	25.0%
High Yield Savings	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%	11.5%	25.0%

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#### Direct Plan: Multi-Firm Age-Based and Target Portfolios

Age-Based Port	Age-Based Portfolios Age of Beneficiary											
	gressive Option	0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 – 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +		
	oderate Option		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 – 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +	40
Target Portfolio	nservative Option	Equity Portfolio		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 – 8  Balanced Portfolio	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 + Fixed Income
Asset Class	Benchmark											
	Russell 1000 Value	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.5%	0.0%
Dama atia	S & P 500 Index	23.0%	21.0%	19.0%	17.0%	14.0%	12.0%	10.0%	8.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%
Domestic Equity	Russell 1000 Growth	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	1.5%	0.0%
	Russell 2500 Value	5.5%	5.0%	4.5%	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Russell 2500 Growth	5.5%	5.0%	4.5%	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%
Global Real Estate	FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
	MSCI ACWI ex-U.S. Index	26.0%	23.5%	20.0%	17.0%	14.5%	12.0%	9.5%	6.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%
International Equity	MSCI World ex-U.S. Small Cap Index	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	MSCI Emerging Markets Index	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%	2.5%	1.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	BofA/Merrill Lynch – High Yield Master II Index	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	0.0%
	Bloomberg Barclays 1-3 Year U.S. Government / Credit Bond Index	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.0%	11.0%	14.0%	22.0%	25.0%	22.0%	20.0%
Domestic Fixed Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	0.0%	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%	15.0%
	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index	0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	9.0%	11.0%	12.0%	14.0%	15.0%
	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
Global Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index (Hedged)	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%	0.0%
Money Market	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%	11.5%	25.0%
High Yield Savings	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%	23.0%	50.0%

\*Benchmarks are subject to change as mutually agreed by the Treasurer and Manager in order to ensure that they remain appropriate for each underlying investment and consistent with industry standards.

Each underlying investment fund's return objective is to equal or exceed, over a five-year rolling period, the return of the applicable benchmark. Volatility, measured by the standard deviation of quarterly returns over that period, is expected to be similar to the benchmark. Each underlying investment is also expected to perform favorably relative to its peer group.

To the extent that the assets of a Portfolio are invested in one or more underlying investments approved by the Treasurer having investment objectives consistent with the above-noted asset allocation categories, the above-noted percentage guidelines shall be deemed satisfied. This shall be the case even if such an underlying investment's assets may not be entirely invested in the asset class in which such underlying investment has been placed.

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#### **Individual Fund Portfolios:**

To provide additional diversity and flexibility to participants the Individual Fund Portfolios and underlying investment funds the Treasurer selects will be described in the Program's current Program Disclosure Statement and may include the following asset classes:

Asset Class	Benchmark
High Yield Savings	3 Month T-Bills
Money Market	3 Month T-Bills
Short Term Fixed Income	Bloomberg Barclays 1-3 Year U.S. Government/Credit Bond Index Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 1-5 Year Government/Credit Float Adjusted Index
Core Bond	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index
High Yield Bonds	BofA/Merrill Lynch – High Yield Master II Index
Short Term U.S. TIPs	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index
Foreign Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate ex-USD Float Adjusted RIC Capped Index (USD Hedged)
Global Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index (Hedged)
Bank Loans	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index
Balanced	60% S&P 500 Index / 40% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index
All Cap US Equity	CRSP U.S. Total Market Index
Large Cap Value	Russell 1000 Value
Large Cap Blend	S&P 500 Index
Large Cap Growth	Russell 1000 Growth
Small-Cap Value	Russell 2500 Value
Small-Cap Growth	Russell 2500 Growth
All-Country Non-US	FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index
Emerging Market	MSCI Emerging Markets Index
Non-U.S. Small Cap	MSCI World ex-U.S. Small Cap Index
Real Estate	MSCI U.S. REIT Index FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index

#### 8.0 Minority- and Woman-Owned Portfolios

The Treasurer may also add additional Individual Fund Portfolios – for example, Minority, Woman, Veteran, and Disabled-Managed Portfolios – for participants who would like to have a more diverse set of investment options as new viable options become available. The woman- and minority-owned underlying investment funds utilized in the program shall be screened on the following initial criteria: (1) firms with at least 50% woman and/or racial minority ownership or (2) funds that have a woman and/or racial minority investment manager that makes the portfolio management decisions (i.e., a minority-owned subadvisor), and (3) funds that deliver above median returns over a 3-year and/or 5-year time period. The woman- and minority-owned options provided in the program shall include relatively high scoring female- and minority-owned investment managers representing a diverse set of asset classes.

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the investment objective of the Portfolio. The Treasurer may

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change the underlying investment funds within specially designated portfolios, such as the woman- and minority-owned portfolios, consistent with this Policy.

The Treasurer may also add additional portfolios – for example, a veteran- or disabled-owned and/or managed portfolio – as new viable options become available.

College Savings Program
Investment Policy Statement
Bright Directions
(Effective November 2023)
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#### 1.0 Statement of Purpose of Investment Policy

The purpose of this Investment Policy Statement (the "Policy") is to assist contractors retained by the Office of the Illinois State Treasurer ("Treasurer") to provide services related to the management of the assets of the Illinois College Savings Pool (the "Pool") that are contributed to the Bright Directions College Savings Program (the "Program") and to assist the Treasurer in evaluating the performance of such contractors by:

- Describing the Treasurer's investment philosophy for the Program;
- Describing the Treasurer's investment objectives for the Program;
- Describing the Treasurer's long-term investment strategy;
- Specifying the responsibilities of any contractors that provide investment management services to the Program to thereby provide a basis to evaluate the performance of such contractors;
- · Providing investment parameters for the investment of assets of the Program; and
- Describing the Treasurer's objective to include sustainability factors within the investment decision process.

This is the official Policy of the Program. Deviation from this Policy is not permitted without prior, explicit, written permission from the Treasurer.

#### 2.0 Establishment and Authority of Entity

The Bright Directions College Savings Program has been established as part of the Illinois College Savings Pool and is intended to qualify as a qualified tuition program in accordance with Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Program is sold through financial advisors and was established to complement the existing Bright Start College Savings Program by allowing families to utilize a financial advisor to assist them with investing towards future higher education expenses.

#### 3.0 Participating Financial Institution

Accounts in the Program will be distributed through registered broker-dealers and financial institutions that have entered into a Selling Agent Agreement with the designated distributor for the Program. All new accounts in the Program will be processed through the designated participating financial institution.

#### 4.0 Investment Philosophy

Bright Directions offers high-quality investment products that allow participants, with the guidance of an advisor, to construct a college savings strategy that aligns with their unique risk and return characteristics. The Treasurer has adopted a long-term total return strategy for the Program and its investments. To achieve the Program's objectives, investments shall be diversified so as to minimize the risk of loss. While some asset classes may experience short-term and intermediate-term volatility, their long-term return assumptions justify their inclusion. A long-term focus on investment results as well as prudent diversification across financial markets will be the primary risk control mechanisms.

As part of its investment strategy, the Treasurer relies on prevailing financial theory, which currently utilizes a long-term diversified asset allocation strategy. A prudently allocated investment program possesses a significant level of diversification, which produces risk reduction. In terms of impact, diversification shall be considered along the following lines: (1) asset classes (stocks, bonds, cash, etc.); (2) geography/country; (3) industry; (4) maturity; and (5) duration.

Contributions to the Program will be directed to one or more of the available Age-Based, Target, or

Individual Portfolios ("the Portfolios"), each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund. The determination of the investment parameters of each Portfolio shall be made by the Treasurer and shall take into account the financial characteristics of the investments in the Program. The investment parameters will also give due consideration to the fact that the investment horizon for participants will vary from a few months to over 18 years.

The Treasurer will review the investment performance of each Portfolio at least quarterly and shall review this Policy at least annually.

The holdings of the Program and the Portfolios are divided into the following broad asset categories:

- A. Short-Term Investments;
- B. Domestic Fixed Income Investments;
- C. Global Fixed Income Investments;
- D. Real Estate Investments;
- E. Global Infrastructure Investments;
- F. Domestic Equity Investments; and
- G. International Equity Investments.

The Treasurer will establish reasonable guidelines for each Portfolio, specifying (as applicable) limits on asset and asset class exposures, risk constraints and investment return objectives. While the investment parameters offered under the Program are developed by the Treasurer, participants bear the risk of investment results. Individual participants who seek investments materially different from those offered may wish to select an investment alternative outside of the Program.

Section 30 of the State Treasurer Act (15 ILCS 505/30) declares that it is the policy of the Treasurer to promote and encourage the use of businesses owned by or under the control of qualified veterans of the armed forces of the United States, qualified service-disabled veterans, minority persons, women, or persons with a disability ("MWVD Persons") and sets forth the aspirational goal of directing 25% of the total dollar amount of funds under management, purchases of investment securities, and other contracts to businesses owned by or under the control of MWVD Persons. As such, consistent with achieving the foremost investment objectives of the Treasurer set forth herein, the Treasurer will endeavor to identify and evaluate investment managers that are more than 50% owned and/or managed by MWVD Persons.

Pursuant to the Illinois Sustainable Investing Act (30 ILCS 238/1 et seq.), the Treasurer shall prudently integrate sustainability factors into its investment decision-making, investment analysis, portfolio construction, risk management, due diligence and investment ownership in order to maximize anticipated financial returns, minimize projected risk, and more effectively execute its fiduciary duties.

Sustainability analysis adds an additional layer of rigor to the fundamental analytical approach and can be used to evaluate past performance and to plan future decision-making. As a complement to traditional financial analysis, an accounting of sustainability factors provides a more complete view of risks and value prospects that may materially impact an investment fund or portfolio company's long-term value. Sustainability factors shall be integrated within a framework predicated on the following:

- A. **Materiality** The Treasurer considers whether and to what extent a sustainability risk or opportunity exists that is reasonably likely to have a material impact on the financial condition or operating performance of a company, investment fund, or other investment vehicle.
- B. Industry-Specific Information The Treasurer considers whether and to what extent the

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financially material sustainability risk or opportunity in question is relevant and applicable to individual industries.

- C. Integration of Material Sustainability Factors The Treasurer prudently integrates material and relevant sustainability factors, including, but not limited to (1) corporate governance, financial incentives and quality of leadership, (2) environmental factors, (3) social capital factors, (4) human capital, and (5) business model and innovation, as components of portfolio construction, investment decision-making, investment analysis and due diligence, prospective value proposition, risk management, and investment ownership in internally and externally managed investment programs.
- D. **Active Ownership** The Treasurer attentively oversees investment holdings to address sustainability risks and opportunities through the exercise of proxy voting rights and direct engagement with entities, such as investment funds, portfolio companies, government bodies, and other organizations.
- E. **Regular Evaluation of Sustainability Factors** The Treasurer performs a recurring annual evaluation, at a minimum, of sustainability factors to ensure the factors are relevant to the evolving marketplace.
- F. Additional Relevant and Financially Material Factors The Treasurer considers other relevant factors such as legal, regulatory, and reputational risks that contribute to an optimal risk management framework and are necessary to protect and create long- term investment value.

#### 5.0 Investment Objectives

The overall investment program for the Program and, as applicable, the Portfolios provided to the participants shall seek to achieve the following long-term investment objectives:

- A. A long-term competitive rate of return on investments that is equal to or exceeds a return of the applicable benchmarks shown in Section 8.0 hereof; and
- B. An investment program flexible enough to meet the needs of participants based upon their age or investment objective and which provides each individual with the ability to invest in a diversified portfolio to meet their long-term investment goals.

#### 6.0 Investment Responsibilities

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In managing the investments of the Program and the Portfolios, the Manager agrees that it will act with the skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and with like objectives.

In addition, the Treasurer may engage an independent investment consultant that will:

- Measure investment performance results, evaluate the investment program, and advise the Treasurer as to the performance and continuing appropriateness of each investment manager;
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#### 7.0 Investment Parameters

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the age of the participant or the investment objective of the Portfolio. Each Portfolio may allocate assets among domestic equity, international equity, real estate, global listed infrastructure, domestic fixed-income, global fixed- income and/or short-term investments. The asset allocation of each Portfolio will be established by the Treasurer and managed by the Manager. The Treasurer may adjust the weighting in stocks, bonds, real estate, and cash in each Portfolio and may change the underlying investment funds within the Portfolios consistent with this Policy.

The policy target asset allocations and benchmarks for the underlying investments within the Age-Based and Target Portfolios are shown in the following table. There is a permissible range of plus or minus 10% of the target allocation for each underlying investment fund.

#### 8.0 Plan Options

Multi-Firm Age-Based and Target Portfolios

Age-Based Po	ortfolios	Age of Beneficiary										
Aggress	ive Option	0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19+		
Modera	te Option		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19+	
Conserv	Conservative Option			0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19+
Target Portfo	Target Portfolios			Fund 80		Fund 60		Fund 40		Fund 20	Fund 10	Fixed Income
Asset Class	Benchmark											
	Russell 1000 Value	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.5%	0.0%
	S & P 500 Index	23.0%	21.0%	19.0%	17.0%	14.0%	12.0%	10.0%	8.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%
	Russell 1000 Growth	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	1.5%	0.0%
Domestic	Russell 2000 Value	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Equity	Russell 2500 Value	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Russell Mid Cap Growth	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%
	Russell 2000 Growth	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Global Real Estate	FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%
Global Listed Infrastructure	FTSE Developed Core Infrastructure 50/50 Index	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	MSCI EAFE	24.0%	21.5%	18.0%	15.5%	13.5%	10.5%	8.0%	5.0%	4.0%	2.0%	0.0%
1	MSCI World ex- U.S.	4.0%	3.5%	2.00/	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
International Equity	Small Cap	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.070	2.076	1.5%	1.070	0.076	0.076	0.0%

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	U.S. Gov't/Credit 1-5yr	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	5.5%	7.0%	11.0%	12.5%	11.0%	10.0%
	Bloomberg Barclays 1- 3 Year U.S. Gov't/Credit Bond Index	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	5.5%	7.0%	11.0%	12.5%	11.0%	10.0%
<b>D</b> (1)	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond	0.0%	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%	15.0%
Domestic Fixed Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index	0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	9.0%	11.0%	12.0%	14.0%	15.0%
	Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	0.0%
	Cradit Suissa	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
Global Bonds	Index (Hedged)	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	0.0%
	JPM Emerging Markets Bond Index Global Diversified	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%
High Yield Savings	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%	23.0%	50.0%

#### Index Age-Based Portfolios

Age-Based Po	ortfolios	Age of Beneficiary										
Moderate Option*		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 – 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19+		
Asset Class	Benchmark											
Domestic Equity	Russell 3000 Index	52.0%	48.0%	42.0%	36.0%	30.0%	25.0%	20.0%	13.0%	7.0%		

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Asset Class	Benchmark
High Yield Savings	3 Month T-Bill

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High Yield	Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index
Global Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate (USD Hedged), JPM Emerging Markets Bond Index Global Diversified
U.S. Short Term TIPS	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index
Balanced	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index; S&P 500; MSC EAFE
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Foreign Stock	MSCI ACWI ex U.S., MSCI EAFE, MSCI World ex U.S. Small Cap, and MSCI Emerging Markets
Sustainable Investment	Russell 1000 Growth, S&P 500
Real Estate	DJ Wilshire Real Estate Securities, FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global
Global Listed Infrastructure	FTSE Develop Core Infrastructure 50/50 Index
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In addition to the individual fund options described above, the Program offers a comprehensive line-up of passively managed Exchange Traded Funds ("ETFs") that provide low-cost exposure across asset classes such as: core and short-term fixed income, U.S. large-cap, mid-cap, and small-cap equity, developed and emerging market equity, and U.S. and global REIT investments.

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#### 1.0 Statement of Purpose of Investment Policy

The purpose of this Investment Policy Statement (the "Policy") is to assist contractors retained by the Office of the Illinois State Treasurer ("Treasurer") to provide services related to the management of the assets of the Illinois College Savings Pool that are contributed to the Bright Directions College Savings Program (the "Program") and to assist the Treasurer in evaluating the performance of such contractors by:

- Describing the Treasurer's investment philosophy for the Program;
- Describing the Treasurer's investment objectives for the Program;
- Specifying the responsibilities of the Treasurer and any contractors that provide investment
  management services to the Program to thereby provide a basis to evaluate the performance of
  contractors that provide services to the Program;
- Providing investment parameters for the investment of assets of the Program;
- Describing the Treasurer's objective to include sustainability factors within the investment decision process; and
- Detailing the investment plan options available through the Program and the applicable performance benchmarks.

This is the official Policy of the Program. Deviation from this Policy is not permitted without prior, explicit, written permission from the Treasurer.

#### 2.0 Establishment and Authority of Entity

The Bright Directions College Savings Program has been established as part of the Illinois College Savings Pool and is intended to qualify as a qualified tuition program in accordance with Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Program is sold through financial advisors and was established to complement the existing Bright Start College Savings Program by allowing families to utilize a financial advisor to assist them with investing toward future college education expenses.

#### 3.0 Participating Financial Institution

Accounts in the Program will be distributed through registered broker-dealers and financial institutions that have entered into a Selling Agent Agreement with the designated distributor for the Program. All new accounts in the Program will be processed through the designated participating financial institution.

#### 4.0 Investment Philosophy

The Treasurer has adopted a long-term total return strategy for the Program and its investments. To achieve the Program's objectives, investments shall be diversified so as to minimize the risk of loss. While some asset classes may experience short-term and intermediate-term volatility, their long-term return assumptions justify their inclusion. A long-term focus on investment results as well as prudent diversification across public security markets will be the primary risk control mechanisms.

As part of its investment strategy, the Treasurer has relied on prevailing financial theory, which currently utilizes a long-term diversified asset allocation strategy. A prudently allocated investment program

possesses a significant level of diversification, which produces risk reduction. In terms of impact, diversification shall be considered along the following lines: (1) asset classes (stocks, bonds, cash, etc.); (2) geography/country; (3) industry; and (4) maturity.

Contributions to the Program will be directed to one or more of the available Age-Based, Target, Individual, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund. The determination of the investment parameters of each Portfolio shall be made by the Treasurer and shall take into account the financial characteristics of the investments in the Program. The investment parameters will also give due consideration to the fact that the investment horizon for participants will vary from a few months to over 18 years.

The Treasurer will review the investment performance of each Portfolio at least quarterly and shall review this Policy at least annually.

The holdings of the Program and the Portfolios are divided into the following broad asset categories:

- A. Short-Term Investments;
- B. Fixed Income Investments;
- C. Real Estate Investments;
- D. Domestic Equity Investments; and
- E. International Equity Investments.

The Treasurer will establish reasonable guidelines for each Portfolio, specifying (as applicable) limits on asset and asset class exposures, risk constraints and investment return objectives. While the investment parameters offered under the Program are developed by the Treasurer, participants bear the risk of investment results. Individual participants who seek investments materially different from those offered may wish to select an investment alternative outside of the Program.

Section 30 of the State Treasurer Act (15 ILCS 505/30) declares that it is the policy of the Treasurer to promote and encourage the use of businesses owned by or under the control of qualified veterans of the armed forces of the United States, qualified service-disabled veterans, minority persons, women, or persons with a disability ("MWVD Persons") and sets forth the aspirational goal of directing 25% of the total dollar amount of funds under management, purchases of investment securities, and other contracts to businesses owned by or under the control of MWVD Persons. As such, consistent with achieving the foremost investment objectives of the Treasurer set forth herein, the Treasurer will endeavor to identify and evaluate investment managers that are more than 50% owned and/or managed by MWVD Persons.

Pursuant to the Illinois Sustainable Investing Act (30 ILCS 238/1 et seq.), the Treasurer shall prudently integrate sustainability factors into its investment decision-making, investment analysis, portfolio construction, risk management, due diligence and investment ownership in order to maximize anticipated financial returns, minimize projected risk, and more effectively execute its fiduciary duty. Sustainability analysis adds an additional layer of rigor to the fundamental analytical approach and can be used to evaluate past performance and to plan future decision-making. As a complement to traditional financial analysis, an accounting of sustainability factors provides a more complete view of risks and value prospects that may materially impact an investment fund or portfolio company's long-term value. As such, consistent with achieving the foremost investment objectives of the Treasurer set forth herein, the Treasurer will prudently exercise investment stewardship and integrate sustainability factors within such a framework predicated on the following:

A. Materiality – The Treasurer considers whether and to what extent a sustainability risk or opportunity

exists that is reasonably likely to have a material impact on the financial condition or operating performance of a company, investment fund, or other investment vehicle.

- B. **Industry-Specific Information** The Treasurer considers whether and to what extent the financially material sustainability risk or opportunity in question is relevant and applicable to individual industries.
- C. Integration of Material Sustainability Factors The Treasurer prudently integrates material and relevant sustainability factors, including, but not limited to (1) corporate governance and leadership factors, (2) environmental factors, (3) social capital factors, (4) human capital factors, and (5) business model and innovation factors, as components of portfolio construction, investment decision-making, investment analysis and due diligence, prospective value proposition, risk management, and investment ownership, given that these tangible and intangible factors may have material financial impacts;
- D. **Active Ownership** The Treasurer attentively oversees investment holdings to address sustainability risks and opportunities through the exercise of proxy voting rights and direct engagement with entities, such as investment funds, portfolio companies, government bodies, and other organizations.
- E. **Regular Evaluation of Sustainability Factors** The Treasurer performs a recurring annual evaluation, at a minimum, of sustainability factors to ensure the factors are relevant to the evolving marketplace.
- F. Additional Relevant and Financially Material Factors The Treasurer considers other relevant factors such as legal, regulatory, and reputational risks that contribute to an optimal risk management framework and are necessary to protect and create long- term investment value.

#### 5.0 Investment Objectives

The overall investment program for the Program and, as applicable, the Portfolios provided to the participants shall seek to achieve the following long-term investment objectives:

- A long-term competitive rate of return on investments that is equal to or exceeds a return
  of the applicable benchmarks shown in Section 7.0 hereof; and
- An investment program flexible enough to meet the needs of participants based upon their
  age or investment objective and which provides each individual with the ability to invest in a
  diversified portfolio to meet his or her long-term investment goals.

#### 6.0 Investment Responsibilities

The Treasurer is responsible for the investment policy statement, the direction of investments and administration of the assets of the Program. In order to properly carry out his responsibilities, the Treasurer may rely on one or more contractors to assist in the administration of the Program. The Treasurer will engage and plan to rely on said contractor (the "Manager") for administrative services as well as the contractor's pertinent investment advisor, should they retain one, for certain investment management

services. The Treasurer also plans to rely heavily on an external investment consultant for investment advisory services. Among the current responsibilities of the Manager is the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this Policy and the rebalancing of the Age-Based and Target Portfolios when market movement and/or cash flows cause an asset class to be outside its policy allocation bands. With the Treasurer's approval, the Manager may retain an investment advisor to provide it with portfolio design, due diligence and ongoing monitoring services with respect to the Portfolios and the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this policy. The Treasurer and the Manager shall meet quarterly to review portfolio performance as compared to the applicable benchmarks and peer group performance.

In managing the investments of the Program and the Portfolios, the Manager agrees that it will act with the skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and with like objectives.

In addition, the Treasurer may engage an independent investment consultant that will:

- Measure investment performance results, evaluate the investment program, and advise the Treasurer as to the performance and continuing appropriateness of each investment manager;
- Recommend modifications to the investment policies, objectives, guidelines, or management structure as appropriate; and
- Promptly inform the Treasurer regarding significant matters pertaining to the investment program.

#### 7.0 Investment Parameters

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the age of the participant or the investment objective of the Portfolio. Each Portfolio may allocate assets among domestic equity, international equity, real estate, fixed-income, and/or short-term investments. The asset allocation of each Portfolio will be established by the Treasurer and managed by the Manager. The Treasurer may adjust the weighting in stocks, bonds, real estate, and cash in each Portfolio and may change the underlying investment funds within the Portfolios consistent with this Policy.

The policy target asset allocations and benchmarks for the underlying investments within the Age- Based and Target Portfolios are shown in the following table. There is a permissible range of plus or minus 10% of the target allocation for each underlying investment fund.

#### 8.0 Plan Options

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#### Multi-Firm Age-Based and Target Portfolios

Age-Based Portfolios		Age of Beneficiary											
Aggressive Option		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 – 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +			
Moderate Option			0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 – 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +		
Conservative Option		Fund 100		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 – 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 + Fixed	
Target Portfolio	Target Portfolios			Fund 80		Fund 60		Fund 40		Fund 20	Fund 10	Income	
Asset Class	Benchmark												
	Russell 1000 Value	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.5%	0.0%	
	S & P 500 Index	23.0%	21.0%	19.0%	17.0%	14.0%	12.0%	10.0%	8.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%	
Damastia.	Russell 1000 Growth	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	1.5%	0.0%	
Domestic Equity	Russell 2000 Value	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
' '	Russell 2500 Value	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	Russell Mid Cap Growth	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	
	Russell 2000 Growth	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Global Real Estate	FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	
	MSCI EAFE.	24.0%	21.5%	18.0%	15.5%	13.5%	10.5%	8.0%	5.0%	4.0%	2.0%	0.0%	
International Equity	MSCI World ex- U.S. Small Cap	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	MSCI Emerging Markets	8.0%	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	4.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Gov't/Credit 1-5yr	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	5.5%	7.0%	11.0%	12.5%	11.0%	10.0%	
	Bloomberg Barclays 1-3 Year U.S. Gov't/Credit Bond Index	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	5.5%	7.0%	11.0%	12.5%	11.0%	10.0%	
Domestic Fixed	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond	0.0%	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%	15.0%	
Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index	0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	9.0%	11.0%	12.0%	14.0%	15.0%	
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	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	
Global Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate (USD Hedged)	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%	0.0%	
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	BofA/Merrill Lynch – High Yield Master II Index	1.0%	3.0%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%	7.0%	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%		
Domestic Fixed	Bloomberg U.S. Universal 1-5 Year Index	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.0%	11.0%	14.0%	22.0%	25.0%	22.0%		
Income	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%		
	Bloomberg U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	9.0%	11.0%	12.0%	14.0%		
Foreign Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate ex- USD Float Adjusted RIC Capped Index (USD Hedged)	0.5%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%		
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U.S. Short Term TIPS	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index						
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Large Cap Value	Russell 1000 Value Index						
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#### 1.0 Statement of Purpose of Investment Policy

The purpose of this Investment Policy Statement (the "Policy") is to assist contractors retained by the Office of the Illinois State Treasurer ("Treasurer") to provide services related to the management of the assets of the Illinois College Savings Pool that are contributed to the Bright Directions College Savings Program (the "Program") and to assist the Treasurer in evaluating the performance of such contractors by:

- Describing the Treasurer's investment philosophy for the Program;
- Describing the Treasurer's investment objectives for the Program;
- Specifying the responsibilities of the Treasurer and any contractors that provide investment management services to the Program to thereby provide a basis to evaluate the performance of contractors that provide services to the Program;
- Providing investment parameters for the investment of assets of the Program;
- Describing the Treasurer's objective to include sustainability factors within the investment decision process; and
- Detailing the investment plan options available through the Program and the applicable performance benchmarks.

This is the official Policy of the Program. Deviation from this Policy is not permitted without prior, explicit, written permission from the Treasurer.

#### 2.0 Establishment and Authority of Entity

The Bright Directions College Savings Program has been established as part of the Illinois College Savings Pool and is intended to qualify as a qualified tuition program in accordance with Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Program is sold through financial advisors and was established to complement the existing Bright Start College Savings Program by allowing families to utilize a financial advisor to assist them with investing toward future college education expenses.

#### 3.0 Participating Financial Institution

Accounts in the Program will be distributed through registered broker-dealers and financial institutions that have entered into a Selling Agent Agreement with the designated distributor for the Program. All new accounts in the Program will be processed through the designated participating financial institution.

#### 4.0 Investment Philosophy

The Treasurer has adopted a long-term total return strategy for the Program and its investments. To achieve the Program's objectives, investments shall be diversified so as to minimize the risk of loss. While some asset classes may experience short-term and intermediate-term volatility, their long-term return assumptions justify their inclusion. A long-term focus on investment results as well as prudent diversification across public security markets will be the primary risk control mechanisms.

As part of its investment strategy, the Treasurer has relied on prevailing financial theory, which currently utilizes a long-term diversified asset allocation strategy. A prudently allocated investment program possesses a significant level of diversification, which produces risk reduction. In terms of impact, diversification shall be considered along the following lines: (1) asset classes (stocks, bonds, cash, etc.); (2) geography/country; (3) industry; and (4) maturity.

Contributions to the Program will be directed to one or more of the available Age-Based, Target, Individual, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund. The determination of the investment parameters of each Portfolio shall be made by the Treasurer and shall take into account the financial characteristics of the investments in the Program. The investment parameters will also give due consideration to the fact that the investment horizon for participants will vary from a few months to over 18 years.

The Treasurer will review the investment performance of each Portfolio at least quarterly and shall review this Policy at least annually.

The holdings of the Program and the Portfolios are divided into the following broad asset categories:

- A. Short-Term Investments:
- B. Fixed Income Investments;
- C. Real Estate Investments;
- D. Domestic Equity Investments; and
- E. International Equity Investments.

The Treasurer will establish reasonable guidelines for each Portfolio, specifying (as applicable) limits on asset and asset class exposures, risk constraints and investment return objectives. While the investment parameters offered under the Program are developed by the Treasurer, participants bear the risk of investment results. Individual participants who seek investments materially different from those offered may wish to select an investment alternative outside of the Program.

Section 30 of the State Treasurer Act (15 ILCS 505/30) declares that it is the policy of the Treasurer to promote and encourage the use of businesses owned by or under the control of qualified veterans of the armed forces of the United States, qualified service-disabled veterans, minority persons, women, or persons with a disability ("MWVD Persons") and sets forth the aspirational goal of directing 25% of thetotal dollar amount of funds under management, purchases of investment securities, and other contracts to businesses owned by or under the control of MWVD Persons. As such, consistent with achieving the foremost investment objectives of the Treasurer set forth herein, the Treasurer will endeavor to identify and evaluate investment managers that are more than 50% owned and/or managed by MWVD Persons.

Pursuant to the Illinois Sustainable Investing Act (30 ILCS 238/1 et seq.), the Treasurer shall prudently integrate sustainability factors into its investment decision-making, investment analysis, portfolio construction, risk management, due diligence and investment ownership in order to maximize anticipated financial returns, minimize projected risk, and more effectively execute its fiduciary duty. As such, consistent with achieving the foremost investment objectives of the Treasurer set forth herein, the Treasurer will prudently exercise investment stewardship and integrate sustainability factors within such a framework predicated on the following:

A. Integration of Material Sustainability Factors – Prudent integration of material sustainability factors, including, but not limited to (1) corporate governance and leadership factors, (2) environmental factors, (3) social capital factors, (4) human capital factors, and (5) business model and innovation factors, as components of portfolio construction, investment decision-making, investment analysis and due diligence, prospective value proposition, risk management, and investment ownership, given that these tangible and intangible factors may have material and relevant financial impacts;

- B. **Regular Evaluation of Sustainability Factors** Recurring evaluation of sustainability factors to ensure the factors are relevant and decision-useful to the Program and the evolving marketplace;
- C. Active Ownership Attentive oversight of investment holdings to encourage the advancement of sustainability accounting and disclosure through the exercise of proxy voting rights and engagement with entities – such as investment funds, investment holdings, portfolio companies, government bodies, and other organizations – and move the marketplace toward more prudent, sustainable business practices; and
- D. **Additional Relevant and Financially Material Factors** Consideration of other relevant factors such as legal, regulatory, and reputational risks that enable an optimal risk management framework and supports long-term investment value.

#### 5.0 Investment Objectives

The overall investment program for the Program and, as applicable, the Portfolios provided to the participants shall seek to achieve the following long-term investment objectives:

- A long-term competitive rate of return on investments that is equal to or exceeds a return of the applicable benchmarks shown in Section 7.0 hereof; and
- An investment program flexible enough to meet the needs of participants based upon their age or investment objective and which provides each individual with the ability to invest in a diversified portfolio to meet his or her long-term investment goals.

#### 6.0 Investment Responsibilities

The Treasurer is responsible for the investment policy statement, the direction of investments and administration of the assets of the Program. In order to properly carry out his responsibilities, the Treasurer may rely on one or more contractors to assist in the administration of the Program. The Treasurer will engage and plan to rely on said contractor (the "Manager") for administrative services as well as the contractor's pertinent investment advisor, should they retain one, for certain investment management services. The Treasurer also plans to rely heavily on an external investment consultant for investment advisory services. Among the current responsibilities of the Manager is the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this Policy and the rebalancing of the Age-Based and Target Portfolios when market movement and/or cash flows cause an asset class to be outside its policy allocation bands. With the Treasurer's approval, the Manager may retain an investment advisor to provide it with portfolio design, due diligence and ongoing monitoring services with respect to the Portfolios and the implementation of the investment strategy outlined in this policy. The Treasurer and the Manager shall meet quarterly to review portfolio performance as compared to the applicable benchmarks and peer group performance.

In managing the investments of the Program and the Portfolios, the Manager agrees that it will act with the skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and with like objectives.

In addition, the Treasurer may engage an independent investment consultant that will:

- Measure investment performance results, evaluate the investment program, and advise the Treasurer as to the performance and continuing appropriateness of each investment manager;
- Recommend modifications to the investment policies, objectives, guidelines, or management structure as appropriate; and
- Promptly inform the Treasurer regarding significant matters pertaining to the investment program.

#### 7.0 Investment Parameters

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of a designated mix of investments or an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the age of the participant or the investment objective of the Portfolio. Each Portfolio may allocate assets among domestic equity, international equity, real estate, fixed-income, and/or short-term investments. The asset allocation of each Portfolio will be established by the Treasurer and managed by the Manager. The Treasurer may adjust the weighting in stocks, bonds, real estate, and cash in each Portfolio and may change the underlying investment funds within the Portfolios consistent with this Policy.

The policy target asset allocations and benchmarks for the underlying investments within the Age- Based and Target Portfolios are shown in the following table. There is a permissible range of plus or minus 10% of the target allocation for each underlying investment fund.

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#### 8.0 Plan Options

Age-Based Portfolios		Age of Beneficiary											
Aggressive Option		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 10	11 – 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +			
Moderate Option			0 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 – 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 +	40 :	
Conservative Option		Fund 100		0 - 2	3 - 5	6 – 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 16	17 - 18	19 + Fixed	
Target Portfolio	Target Portfolios			Fund 80		Fund 60		Fund 40		Fund 20	Fund 10	Income	
Asset Class	Benchmark												
	Russell 1000 Value	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.5%	0.0%	
	S & P 500 Index	23.0%	21.0%	19.0%	17.0%	14.0%	12.0%	10.0%	8.0%	5.0%	2.0%	0.0%	
Domestic	Russell 1000 Growth	11.5%	10.5%	10.0%	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	1.5%	0.0%	
Equity	Russell 2000 Value	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	Russell 2500 Value	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	Russell Mid Cap Growth	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	
	Russell 2000 Growth	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Global Real Estate	FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	
International Equity	MSCI EAFE.	24.0%	21.5%	18.0%	15.5%	13.5%	10.5%	8.0%	5.0%	4.0%	2.0%	0.0%	
	MSCI World ex- U.S. Small Cap	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%	1.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	MSCI Emerging Markets	8.0%	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	4.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Gov't/Credit 1-3yr	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	5.5%	7.0%	11.0%	12.5%	11.0%	10.0%	
	ML 1-3 yr Treasury	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	5.5%	7.0%	11.0%	12.5%	11.0%	10.0%	
Domestic Fixed	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond	0.0%	5.0%	12.0%	18.0%	20.0%	23.0%	24.0%	27.0%	25.0%	25.0%	15.0%	
Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index	0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	9.0%	11.0%	12.0%	14.0%	15.0%	
	BofA/Merrill Lynch – High Yield Master II Index	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	0.0%	
	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	
Global Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate (USD Hedged)	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%	0.0%	
Money Market	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%	11.5%	25.0%	
High Yield Savings	3-month T-Bills	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%	11.5%	25.0%	

Each underlying investment fund's return objective is to equal or exceed, over a five-year rolling period, the return of the applicable benchmark. Volatility, measured by the standard deviation of quarterly returns over that period, is expected to be similar to the benchmark. Each underlying investment fund is also expected to perform favorably relative to its peer group.

To the extent that the assets of a Portfolio are invested in one or more underlying investment funds approved by the Treasurer having investment objectives consistent with the above-noted asset allocation

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categories, the above-noted percentage guidelines shall be deemed satisfied. This shall be the case even if such underlying investment fund's underlying assets may not be entirely invested in the asset class in which such underlying investment fund has been placed.

#### **Individual Fund Portfolios**

Participants in the Program open their Accounts through registered broker-dealers and other financial advisors. As a result, the Treasurer deems it appropriate to offer individual funds as separate Portfolios in the Program. The Individual Fund Portfolios and underlying investment funds the Treasurer selects will be described in the Program's current Program Disclosure Statement and may include the following asset classes:

Asset Class	Benchmark
High Yield Savings	3 Month T-Bill
Money Market	3 Month T-Bill
Ultra Short Bond	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Gov't/Credit 1-3yr Index
Low Duration	ML 1-3 Treasury Index
Bank Loans	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index
Corporate Bond	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit Index
Intermediate Bond	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index
High Yield	BofA/Merrill Lynch – High Yield Master II Index
Global Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate (USD Hedged)
U.S. Short Term TIPS	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0–5 Year TIPS Index
Balanced	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index; S&P 500; MSCI EAFE
Large Cap Value	Russell 3000 Value Index, Russell 1000 Value Index
Large Cap Growth	Russell 1000 Growth Index
Large Cap Blend	Russell 1000 Index, S&P 500
Mid-Cap Value	Russell 2500 Value Index
Mid-Cap Growth	Russell Mid-Cap Growth Index
Mid-Cap Blend	Wilshire 4500 Index
Small-Cap Value	Russell 2000 Value Index
Small-Cap Growth	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Small-Cap Blend	Russell 2000 Index
Foreign Stock	MSCI EAFE, MSCI World ex U.S. Small Cap, and MSCI Emerging Markets
Socially Responsible	S&P 500
Real Estate	DJ Wilshire Real Estate Securities

#### 9.0 Minority- and Woman-Owned Portfolios

The Program has included the Woman- and Minority-Owned Portfolios for participants who would like to have a more diverse set of investment options. The woman- and minority-owned underlying investment funds utilized in the program were screened on the following initial criteria: (1) firms with at least 50% female and/or racial minority ownership or (2) funds that have a woman and/or racial minority investment manager that makes the portfolio management decisions (*i.e.*, a minority-owned subadvisor), and (3) funds that delivered above median returns over a 3-year and/or 5-year time period. The woman- and minority-owned options provided in the program include relatively high scoring woman- and minority-owned investment managers representing a diverse set of asset classes.

Contributions will be invested in one or more of the available Portfolios, each composed of an individual investment fund, which is appropriate for the investment objective of the Portfolio. The Treasurer may change the underlying investment funds within specially designated portfolios, such as the woman- and minority-owned portfolios, consistent with this Policy. The Treasurer may also add additional portfolios – for example, a veteran- or disabled-owned and/or managed portfolio – as new viable options become available.

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards



### Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

The Honorable Frank J. Mautino Auditor General State of Illinois

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, we have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the College Savings Program, a fiduciary (private-purpose trust) fund of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College Savings Program's financial statements, and we have issued our report thereon dated July 31, 2025.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer's internal control as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer's internal control of The College Savings Program. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the State of Illinois, Office of the Treasurer's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

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

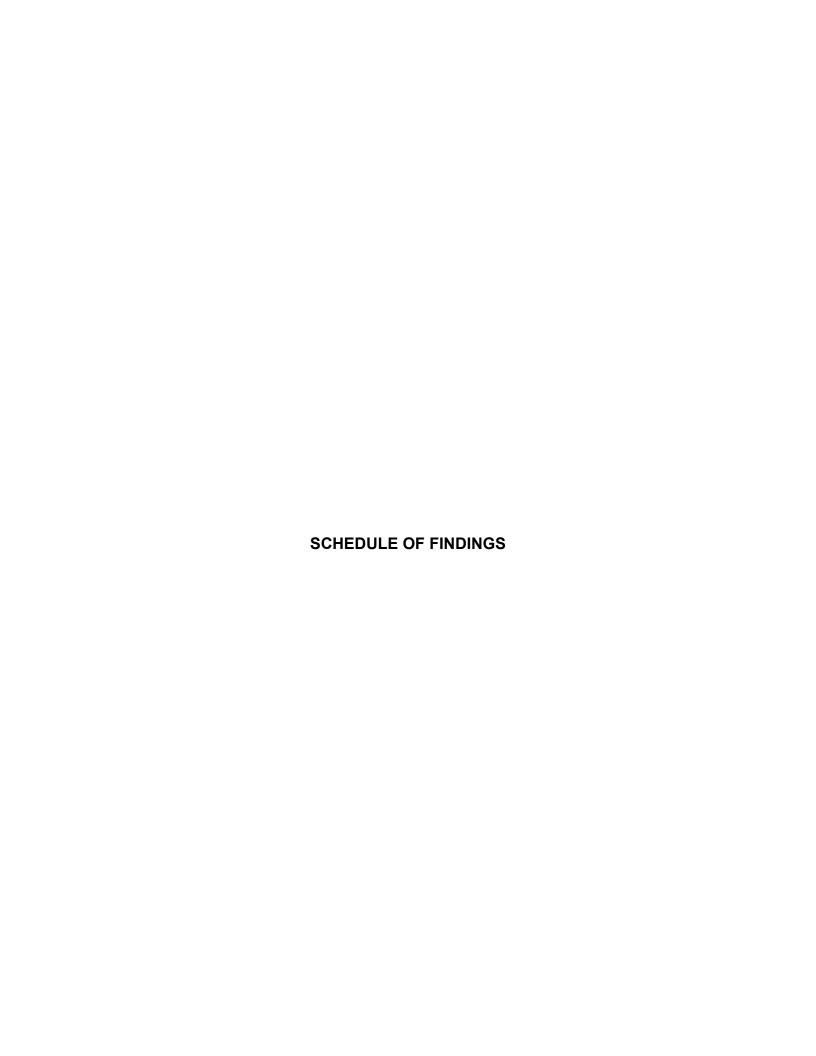
#### **Purpose of this Report**

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

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Crowe LLP

Springfield, Illinois July 31, 2025



### State of Illinois Office of the Treasurer

### College Savings Program Schedule of Findings – Prior Finding Not Repeated For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### A. **FINDING** (Inadequate Internal Controls Related to Review of Financial Statements)

During the prior audit, the Office of the Treasurer (Office) did not have adequate controls over the review of the financial statements.

During the current audit, we noted the Office implemented controls over the financial reporting process of The College Savings Program to properly review the financial statements. (Finding Code No. 2023-001)