Financial Statements Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Lifting Up Westchester, Inc.

## Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years 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. 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 Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. and to meet our other 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**

We draw attention to Note 2 "Adoption of ASC 842" in the notes to the financial statements which disclose the effects of the Lifting Up Westchester, Inc.'s Adoption of ASC (Topic 842) "Leases". 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Lifting Up Westchester, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

## 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 generally accepted 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, including omissions, 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 generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether
  due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks.
   Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and
  disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of
  expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Lifting Up Westchester, Inc.'s internal control.
  Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Lifting Up Westchester, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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April 18, 2023

Statements of Financial Position December 31, 2022 and 2021

		2022		2021
ASSETS				
Current assets	_		_	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	898,402	\$	1,302,576
Cash restricted - Open Arms reserves		105,518		90,444
Cash restricted - Orchard St. and litigation reserves		568,147		108,003
Investments - board restricted		1,034,844		1,090,414
Grant and accounts receivable-net		1,926,278		1,949,963
Promises to give		32,756		47,477
Prepaid expenses		30,120		6,588
Total Current Assets		4,596,065		4,595,465
Property and equipment, net		6,700,721		6,688,044
Other assets				
Operating lease right-of-use assets		775,832		-
Finance lease right-of-use assets		72,297		-
Security deposits		97,596		94,555
Total Other Assets		945,725		94,555
Total assets	\$	12,242,511	\$	11,378,064
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	96,012	\$	90,393
Accrued expenses	,	311,176	·	265,421
Litigation Reserve		450,000		400,000
Current portion of operating lease liability		652,524		-
Current portion of finance lease liability		34,947		_
Deferred revenue		19,003		14,557
Total current liabilities	_	1,563,662		770,371
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Long term liabilities		100 200		
Operating lease liability		123,308		-
Finance lease liability		40,772	_	<u>-</u>
Total long term liabilities		164,080		<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	-	1,727,742		770,371
Net assets				
Without donor restriction				
Undesignated		2,266,928		2,344,398
Board designated- operating reserve		718,230		844,988
Board designated- Open Arms building reserve		105,518		90,444
Board designated- Orchard Street building reserve		118,112		108,003
Board designated- special reserve		210,871		245,426
Board designated- investment in property and equipment		6,700,721		6,688,044
Total without donor restriction		10,120,380		10,321,303
With donor restrictions		394,389		286,390
Total net assets		10,514,769		10,607,693
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	12,242,511	\$	11,378,064

See notes to financial statements

Statements of Activities

Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

	2022			2021			
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	
SUPPORT AND REVENUE							
Support:							
Government grants	\$ 6,242,718	\$ 74,108	\$ 6,316,826	\$ 5,826,079	\$ 20,000	\$ 5,846,079	
Contributions and grants	517,889	949,606	1,467,495	714,876	580,549	1,295,425	
Fund raising events revenue	529,802	-	529,802	409,466	-	409,466	
Fund raising events expense	(123,343)	-	(123,343)	(82,040)	-	(82,040)	
In-kind contributions	236,336		236,336	139,969		139,969	
Total support	7,403,402	1,023,714	8,427,116	7,008,350	600,549	7,608,899	
Revenue:							
Program service fees	167,710	-	167,710	3,001,715	-	3,001,715	
Other	872	<u> </u>	872	3,943		3,943	
Total revenue	168,582	-	168,582	3,005,658	-	3,005,658	
Revenue released from restrictions	915,715	(915,715)	<u> </u>	605,607	(605,607)		
Total support and revenue	8,487,699	107,999	8,595,698	10,619,615	(5,058)	10,614,557	
EXPENSES							
Program services	7,319,150	-	7,319,150	9,428,940	-	9,428,940	
Management and general	855,144	_	855,144	987,826	_	987,826	
Fund raising	414,774	-	414,774	312,188	=	312,188	
Total expenses	8,589,068	-	8,589,068	10,728,954	-	10,728,954	
Change in operating activities	(101,369)	107,999	6,630	(109,339)	(5,058)	(114,397)	
Nonoperating activity							
Net investment income	(199,554)	-	(199,554)	100,600	-	100,600	
Sale of neighbors program	100,000		100,000	1,150,000		1,150,000	
Total Nonoperating activity	(99,554)	-	(99,554)	1,250,600	-	1,250,600	
Change in net assets	(200,923)	107,999	(92,924)	1,141,261	(5,058)	1,136,203	
Net assets - beginning of year	10,321,303	286,390	10,607,693	9,180,042	291,448	9,471,490	
Net assets - end of year	\$ 10,120,380	\$ 394,389	\$ 10,514,769	\$ 10,321,303	\$ 286,390	\$ 10,607,693	

# Statements of Functional Expenses Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

			2022					2021		
	Program	Management	Fund	Direct cost of	Total	Program	Management	Fund	Direct cost of	Total
	Services	General	Raising	<b>Donor Benefits</b>	Expenses	Services	General	Raising	<b>Donor Benefits</b>	Expenses
Salaries	\$ 2,634,913	\$ 428,106	\$ 215,619	\$ -	\$ 3,278,638	\$ 4,592,661	\$ 496,302	\$ 168,932	\$ -	\$ 5,257,895
Payroll taxes	237,619	31,066	14,808	-	283,493	335,691	36,017	12,206	-	383,914
Employee benefits	388,314	81,502	24,574	-	494,390	602,075	66,378	20,801	-	689,254
Total salaries and related expenses	3,260,846	540,674	255,001	-	4,056,521	5,530,427	598,697	201,939	-	6,331,063
Food and consumable supplies	161,188	_	_	_	161,188	90,007		_	_	90,007
Client assistance payments - net of check repayments	2,571,555		_		2,571,555	2,348,522		_	_	2,348,522
In-kind program supplies and assistance	204,740	_	31,596	_	236,336	139,923	46	_	_	139,969
Program activities	91,833	237	3,193	_	95,263	124,012	-	3,169	_	127,181
Transportation	38,678	1,711	-	_	40,389	70,402	_	-	_	70,402
Repairs and maintenance	83,001	14,746	_	_	97,747	100,269	16,587	1,964	_	118,820
Occupancy	75,990	71,881	74	_	147,945	45,468	71,301	32	_	116,801
Utilities	83,865	8,336	34	-	92,235	84,092	11,286	-	_	95,378
Telephone	41,374	6,676	-	-	48,050	53,703	6,577	_	_	60,280
Meals and entertainment	· -	· -	-	123,343	123,343	· -	· -	_	82,040	82,040
Professional fees and contract services	130,250	41,780	48,970	· -	221,000	150,762	105,221	46,345	-	302,328
Staff recruitment and training	32,355	53,154	6,876	-	92,385	84,658	31,654	1,476	_	117,788
Office expenses	28,114	43,391	58,248	_	129,753	125,975	44,720	45,265	-	215,960
Interest expense	2,707	· -	, -	-	2,707	30,251	341	-	_	30,592
Health facility assessment	2,218	-	-	-	2,218	15,411	-	-	_	15,411
Insurance	69,214	13,755	3,242	-	86,211	76,912	28,923	4,661	-	110,496
Postage	2,268	1,394	5,559	-	9,221	6,833	1,424	5,526	_	13,783
Lawsuit expenses	-	50,000	-	-	50,000	-	-	-	_	-
Bad debt expense	88,976				88,976_		61,966			61,966
Total expenses before depreciation	6,969,172	847,735	412,793	123,343	8,353,043	9,077,627	978,743	310,377	82,040	10,448,787
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Amortization expense Depreciation	35,653 314,325	735 6,674	368 1,613	-	36,756 322,612	- 351,313	- 0.000	- 1,811	-	- 362,207
Depreciation	314,325	7,409	1,981		359,368	351,313	9,083	1,811		
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Less expenses included with revenues on the statement of activities				(123,343)	(123,343)				(82,040)	(82,040)
Total expenses	\$ 7,319,150	\$ 855,144	\$ 414,774	\$ -	\$ 8,589,068	\$ 9,428,940	\$ 987,826	\$ 312,188	\$ -	\$ 10,728,954

## Statements of Cash Flow Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

	 2022	 2021
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	_	_
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ (92,924)	\$ 1,136,203
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		
Depreciation	322,612	362,207
Amortization of right-of-use assets	36,756	-
Realized and unrealized loss on investments	212,165	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		107.010
Decrease in accounts receivable	23,685	487,348
Decrease in promises to give	14,721	11,845
(Increase) in prepaid expenses	(23,532)	(1,542)
(Increase) in security deposits	(3,041)	(4,849)
Increase (Decrease) in accounts payable & accrued expenses	51,374	(114,118)
Increase in litigation reserve	50,000	-
Increase (Decrease) in deferred revenue	 4,446	 (7,551)
Net cash provided by operating activities	596,262	1,869,543
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Payment of principle portion of lease liability	(33,334)	-
Repayment of debt	 	 (1,159,542)
Net cash (used in) financing activities	(33,334)	 (1,159,542)
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(225, 222)	(000 507)
(Purchase) of property and equipment	(335,289)	(206,537)
Investments, net	(41,841)	-
Sale of investments	25,618	-
(Purchase) of investments	 (140,372)	 (114,157)
Net cash (used in) Investing Activities	 (491,884)	 (320,694)
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	71,044	389,307
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	1,501,023	1,111,716
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$ 1,572,067	\$ 1,501,023
Non-cash disclosure		
Contributions in-kind	\$ 236,336	\$ 139,969
Supplemental information		
Interest paid	\$ 2,707	\$ 30,592
Taxes paid	\$ -	\$ -
See notes to financial statements		

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2022 and 2021

#### **NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND PURPOSE**

Lifting Up Westchester provides life-changing support to people who have lost their housing or are struggling to meet other basic needs. The organization works together with those they serve to build a more secure future for them and their families.

Lifting Up Westchester is united by one, bold and unwavering belief: that stable housing is the foundation on which human wellbeing and advancement is built. When people have a secure, affordable home, they can focus on advancing their employment, education, and health. The Organization helps individuals find that home and build on that foundation to achieve greater self-sufficiency. By supporting others in living healthier and more productive lives, Lifting Up Westchester benefits the entire community.

## **NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

## **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities.

## **Basis of Presentation**

The Organization reports information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets that are based upon the existence or absence of restrictions on use that are placed by its donors: net assets without donor restrictions and net assets with donor restrictions. Net assets with donor restrictions are subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, such as those that the donor stipulates be maintained in perpetuity.

When a donor's restriction is satisfied, either by using the resources in the manner specified by the donor or by the passage of time, the expiration of the restriction is reported in the financial statements by reclassifying the net assets from net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions.

It is the policy of the Organization to account for donor-restricted funds, which are received and expended in the same year as unrestricted.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Organization considers all cash and other highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

## **Promises to Give**

Unconditional promises to give are recognized as contribution revenue in the period received as assets, decreases of liabilities or expenses depending on the form of the benefits received. Promises to give are recorded at net realizable value if expected to be collected in one year and at fair value if expected to be collected in more than one year. Conditional promises to give are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. All current promises to give are short term and undiscounted.

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## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES- Continued

## Allowance Method for Accounts Receivable

The Organization uses the allowance method for recording bad debt expense relating to their accounts receivable. The expense is computed based on a historical percentage of uncollected receivables. Actual write-offs are then applied to the allowance account. During 2022 and 2021, bad debt expense was \$88,976 and \$61,966 respectively, related to discontinued operations and grant adjustments.

## **Investments**

Investments are recorded at fair value. Net appreciation or depreciation in the fair value of investments, which consists of the realized gains or losses and the unrealized appreciation or depreciation on those investments, is recognized in the statement of activities. Realized gains and losses on the sale of investments are generally determined on the specific identification method on the trade date.

The fair value of debt and equity securities with readily determinable fair values are generally based on quoted market prices obtained from active markets.

## **Fair Value Measurements**

The fair value of the Organization's financial instruments approximates the carrying amounts reported in the statement of financial position for cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, short term investments and accounts payable and accrued expenses.

Fair value represents the price that would be received upon the sale of an asset or paid upon the transfer of a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants as of the measurement date. Valuation techniques that are consistent with the market, income or cost approach are used to measure fair value.

The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels as follows:

- Level I inputs Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets of identical assets or liabilities that the
  organization has the ability to access at the measurement date. Quoted market prices in an active
  market provide the most reliable evidence of fair value and should be used to measure fair value
  whenever available.
- Level II inputs Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level I that are observable for the
  asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in
  active markets).
- Level III inputs Are unobservable inputs when observable inputs are not available. Unobservable inputs should be developed based on the best information available.

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## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES- Continued

## Leases

At the inception of a contract, we assess whether the contract is, or contains, a lease. A lease is classified as a finance lease if any one of the following criteria are met: the lease transfers ownership of the asset by the end of the lease term, the lease contains an option to purchase the asset that is reasonably certain to be exercised, the lease term is for a major part of the remaining useful life of the asset or the present value of the lease payments equals or exceeds substantially all of the fair value of the asset. A lease is classified as an operating lease if it does not meet any one of the criteria.

For all leases a ROU asset and lease liability are recognized at the lease commencement date. The lease liability represents the present value of the lease payments under the lease. The ROU asset is initially measured at cost, which includes the initial lease liability, plus any initial direct costs incurred, less any lease incentives received. The lease liability is initially measured as the present value of the lease payments, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the risk-free rate.

## **Concentration of Revenue**

The Organization received 73% of its total support and revenue from federal, state, and local government agencies including but not limited to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, New York State Departments of Community Mental Health and Office for People with Developmental Disabilities, and the Westchester County Departments of Social Services and Community Mental Health. Support received from those grants and contracts is recognized when the services are provided and are subject to audit by the providing agency.

The Organization received 2% of its total support and revenue primarily from program service fees related to the Neighbors Program. Exchange revenue is recognized when earned. As of April 12, 2021 Always Compassionate Home Care assumed operational management of the Neighbors Program with the full legal transfer expected by the end of 2023.

The Organization received 25% of its total support and revenue primarily from fund raising and other contribution revenue.

## **Deferred Revenue**

Payments under cost-reimbursable contracts received in advance are deferred to the applicable period in which the related services are performed, or expenditures are incurred, respectively. Total deferred revenue as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$19,003 and \$14,557, respectively.

## **Estimates**

Management used estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from estimates.

## **Functional Allocation of Expenses**

The costs of providing various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. The statement of functional expenses also presents the natural classification of expenses by function. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited. The expenses that are allocated include depreciation,

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## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES- Continued

operations and maintenance of buildings and are allocated based on square footage, costs of all other categories were allocated on estimates of time and effort.

## **Income Taxes**

The Organization is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. However, income from certain activities not directly related to the Organization's tax-exempt purpose maybe subject to taxation as unrelated business income. In addition, the Organization qualifies for the charitable contribution deductions under Section 170(b)(1)(A) and has been classified as an organization other than a private foundation under Section 509(a)(2).

The Organization recognizes the tax benefit associated with tax positions taken for tax return purposes when it is more likely than not the position will be sustained upon examination by a taxing authority. The Organization does not believe they have taken any material uncertain tax positions and, accordingly they have not recorded any liability for unrecognized tax benefits.

## **Accounting Change: Adoption of ASC 842**

On January 1, 2022, the Organization adopted FASB Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, (Topic 842), Leases, which requires the recognition of the right-of-use, or ROU, assets and related operating and finance lease liabilities on the statement of financial position. As permitted by ASC 842, the organization elected the adoption date of January 1, 2022, which is the date of initial application. As a result, the statement of financial position prior to January 1, 2022 was not restated, and continues to be reported under ASC (Topic 840), Leases, which did not require the recognition of operating lease liabilities on the balance sheet, and is not comparative.

All leases are classified as either operating leases or finance leases. The lease classification affects the expense recognition in the statement of activities. Operating lease charges are recorded entirely in operating expenses. Finance lease charges are split, amortization of the ROU asset is recorded in operating expenses and an implied interest component is recorded in interest expense. The expense recognition for operating leases and finance leases under ASC 842 is substantially consistent with ASC 840. As a result, there is no significant difference in the results of operations presented in our statement of activities for each period presented.

The Organization adopted ASC 842 using a modified retrospective approach for all leases existing at January 1, 2022. The adoption had a substantial impact on our statement of financial position. The most significant impact was the recognition of the operating lease ROU assets and the operating lease liability. Accordingly, upon adoption an operating lease right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability of approximately \$775,832 was recognized. A financing lease right-of-use asset and lease liability of approximately \$72,297 and 75,719, respectively, was recognized. The Organization elected the package of practical expedients, which allowed, among other things, for not reassessing the lease classification or initial direct costs for existing leases. The application of the practical expedients did not have a significant impact on the measurement of the operating lease liability.

## **NOTE 3 - PROGRAMS**

**Shelters:** LUW operates two shelters in White Plains that provide shelter, nutritious food, and case management, counseling and referral services for men and women experiencing homelessness.

- Samaritan House is our 17-bed women's shelter; and
- Open Arms is our 38-bed men's shelter.

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#### **NOTE 3 - PROGRAMS**- Continued

Both facilities also serve as emergency drop-in shelters for both men and women with capacity for 20 additional adults. In 2022, the shelters provided 692 men and women with 19,980 nights of shelter. Open Arms and Samaritan House also provided approximately 50,431 meals. All shelter guests also receive case management support, employment services and housing placement services.

**Housing:** LUW has two main types of Housing programs:

- **Housing Success**: is a shelter-based program focused on helping shelter guests find market rate housing and helping them to transition into that housing successfully. Our Housing Success Specialists work intensively with guests to find, move into and adjust to their new homes/communities. After this initial transition (usually 6 to 12 months) contact is limited.
- **Supportive Housing**: supportive housing is for those clients with specific qualifying conditions who need ongoing case management and financial support to remain stably housed. Supportive Housing case managers are assigned long term to these clients and may support them for years in maintaining their housing and their wellbeing. LUW has 4 supportive housing programs- HOPWA, Ryan White, RAP/OMH, Turning Point.

In 2022 the Housing programs helped 269 individuals secure and maintain housing.

**Employment:** Increasing income is a key element of creating housing stability and a foundation for economic security. Creating employment opportunities for people, sets them on a path, to steadily grow their income so they can earn a living wage and maintain their housing. LUW has two employment programs

- **Job Central**: offers clients opportunities to gain the hard and soft skills needed to find, and keep, employment, and strengthen their foundation for independence; including vocational training, resume writing and interview skills to prepare our clients for the workforce. LUW Employment Specialists help clients find employment and support them and their employers to ensure that employment lasts.
- Rehousing in Supportive Environments (RISE): This is a partnership between LUW and
  other agencies to serve clients who are fleeing or survivors of domestic violence. Clients live in
  apartments and receive wraparound services consisting of supportive case management,
  domestic violence, and employment services. LUW serves as the employment services
  provider.

In 2022, we found 46 jobs.

**Community Central:** LUW has a number of programs designed to engage members of the community who may be struggling to meet basic needs:

- Grace's Community Kitchen serves a continental breakfast and hot lunch on weekdays to all
  who come to the kitchen. Takeaway meals and other essential items are also made available.
  In 2022, we served over 41,652 meals including hot meals, Grab & Go meals and grocery
  bags.
- The Charlie Bevier Outreach Team is present in our community kitchen and goes into the community to identify individuals who may be experiencing homelessness but are reluctant to enter a shelter. They seek to build trust and understanding to help individuals access the support they need, including referrals to medical, mental health, and substance abuse resources, and assistance with documentation to access government benefits, housing programs and job opportunities.
- Lifting Up Health & Lifeskills Programming: Community members are welcome all day for refreshments, social activities, classes and trainings and access to healthcare referrals.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2022 and 2021

## NOTE 3 - PROGRAMS- Continued

**Next Generation Education Opportunities:** Absent intervention, young people whose families are experiencing homelessness and poverty are likely to experience homelessness and poverty as adults. LUW provides a variety of educational enrichment programs for homeless and at-risk youth to break this cycle. Our Next Generation Education programs work with children of all ages on a continuum of academic and social support programs from age 5 through young adulthood.

- *Kidzlit* provides literacy and learning skills for elementary and middle school students living at the Coachman Family Shelter in the city of White Plains.
- Academic Enrichment & Mentoring Program for middle and high school students: provides middle and high school students in Yonkers with tutoring, career counseling, standardized test prep, and college counseling so that participants graduate high school and have plans to enter the work force or go on to college after graduation.
- **College Scholarship Program** provides financial scholarships to assist students experiencing homelessness or poverty to attend college.
- College Success Program supports 60 students, who are or have experienced homelessness
  and are struggling in college, to access all available resources (on campus and through LUW)
  to maximize their potential for success in graduating from college. College scholarships are
  also provided for students.
- **Summer Camp** provides a recreational and academic enriching summer camp experience for children who are unhoused or whose families are extremely low income.

In 2022, the program was able to serve 376 youth in our afterschool programs, 80 in our summer camp and 60 in our college scholarship and success program.

## **NOTE 4 - IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS**

Contributed services are recognized at fair value if the services received (a) create or enhance long-lived assets or (b) require specialized skills, are provided by individuals processing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. Contributions of tangible assets are recognized at fair value when received.

The value of In-kind contributions included on the statement of activities and the In-kind program Supplies & Assistance for the year ended December 31, 2022, are as follows:

Food	\$ 116,281
Consumables	65,269
Equipment and furniture	15,529
Clothing	 39,257
•	\$ 236,336

## **NOTE 5 - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS**

The Organization has a tax-deferred annuity retirement plan available for all employees. All full-time employees are eligible to enter the plan upon hire. All full-time employees are eligible for employer contributions upon completion of one year of service in which they have worked a minimum of 1,000 hours per year. The Organization matches up to \$1,500 of employee voluntary salary reduction contributions. Employer retirement plan contributions for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, were \$31,934 and \$43,326, respectively.

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## NOTE 5 - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS- Continued

On January 1, 2018, the Organization established a special retirement plan for its Home Health Aides to which the Organization makes employer contributions as part of its compliance with NYS wage parity requirements. Home Health Aides are eligible for this benefit immediately upon hire and receive an employer contribution to the plan per wage parity qualifying hour worked. As result of the sale of the Neighbors program to Always Compassionate Home Care in 2021, the employer contributions for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 were \$0 and \$116,000, respectively. The Plan was terminated in 2022.

## **NOTE 6 - CONCENTRATION OF RISK**

The Organization maintains bank accounts at four banks, which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000. Cash balances were in excess of the insured amounts at year end at two of the four banks by a total of \$922,455. Management believes these are reputable banks and does not believe there is any risk of loss.

#### **NOTE 7 - RELATED ENTITIES**

The Organization has a Limited Liability Corporation, GCCC Orchard Street, LLC. The LLC is 100% owned by Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. As a single-member entity, it is considered a "disregarded entity" by the Internal Revenue Code. GCCC Orchard Street, LLC owns the building purchased in 2007 located at 35 Orchard St. White Plains, NY. Intercompany rent of \$158,580 was eliminated in the consolidation. Additionally, Open Arms Housing Development Fund Company, Inc. was created to own 86 East Post Road. The HDFC is 100% owned by Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. and is consolidated into these financial statements. Intercompany rent of \$159,500 was eliminated in the consolidation.

## **NOTE 8 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

The Organization follows the practice of capitalizing all expenditures for land, buildings, and equipment in excess of \$3,000. Depreciation is computed by the straight-line method at rates based on the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Furniture and Fixtures	3-10
Office and Program Equipment	3-5
Transportation and Equipment	5-10
Building Improvements	5-19
Building	40

In 2007, the Organization purchased the building located at 35 Orchard Street, White Plains, NY which serves as its administrative and housing services headquarters. During 2014, 86 East Post Road was purchased for \$2,004,190, improvements of \$4,248,598 was spent from 2014 to 2016. The Organization leases property in White Plains, which houses Samaritan House, the Soup Kitchen, and Neighbors, and Mt Kisco.

As of December 31, 2022, the costs and related accumulated depreciation of buildings, property and equipment consisted of the following:

Account	Cost	_Accum Depr_	Net
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment	\$ 254,214	\$ (236,474)	\$ 17,740
Transportation Equipment	144,667	(114,744)	29,923
Land	255,000	-	255,000
Building & Improvements	9,432,916	(3,034,858)	6,398,058
	\$ 10,086,797	\$ (3,386,076)	\$ 6,700,721

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## NOTE 8 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT - Continued

As of December 31, 2021, the costs and related accumulated depreciation of buildings, property and equipment consisted of the following:

Account	Cost	Accum Depr	Net
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment	\$ 250,918	\$ (218,042)	\$ 87,899
Transportation Equipment	144,667	(104,028)	6,717
Land	255,000	- -	255,000
Building & Improvements	9,100,922	(2,741,393)	6,494,098
	\$ 9,751,507	\$ (3,063,463)	\$ 6,668,044

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$322,612 and \$362,207, respectively. Additions for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$335,290 and \$206,537, respectively

Due to paying off the mortgage early, in 2021, client had to write off the net mortgage cost for a loss of disposal of \$3,076.

## **NOTE 9 - INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

Generally accepted accounting principles provide a framework for measuring fair value. That framework establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Organization's investments consisted of publicly traded securities totaling \$1,034,844 and \$1,090,414. Investments are reported at fair value using a Level 1 measure as summarized below:

	2022			2021
Cash	\$	15,530	\$	26,450
Certificate of deposit		105,743		-
Mutual funds		689,599		842,645
Equities		223,972		221,319
Total investments	\$	1,034,844	\$	1,090,414

Net investment loss includes the following:

Dividends	\$ 35,049
Interest	5,324
Unrealized (loss)	(214,465)
Realized Gain	2,301
Investment Fees	(27,763)
Net Investment (loss)	\$ (199,554)

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#### NOTE 10 - NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

Donor restricted net assets were \$394,389 in 2022 and \$286,390 in 2021. These funds are set aside for:

	2022	2021
Scholarship	\$ 69,098	\$ 71,929
College Retention	-	43,775
Shelters	8,454	-
Outreach	28,195	-
Employment Retention	80,011	14,224
Housing Retention	208,631	156,462
-	\$ 394,389	\$ 286,390

## **NOTE 11 - BOARD DESIGNATED NET ASSETS**

In August 2018, the Board of Directors authorized the transfer of its Board restricted endowment into a Board designated special reserve fund, the balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$210,871 and \$245,426, respectively.

The Board has designated a capital reserve fund for the Open Arms Building and the Orchard Street Building, the balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$223,630 and \$198,447, respectively.

During 2020 the Board has designated an operating reserve fund with a goal of maintaining two months of expenses in a separate investment account, the balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$718,230 and \$844,988, respectively.

## **NOTE 12 - LEASES**

The Organization leases 75 properties on behalf of its clients at various terms under short and long-term operating lease agreements. Additionally, the Organization holds a copier through a financing lease agreement. The leases expire at various dates through 2025 and provide for renewal options ranging from one year to five years. There are no renewal options included in its lease agreement that are reasonably certain to be exercised.

While the agreement provides for minimum lease payments, it also includes payments adjusted for certain operating expenses. Variable payments that are not determinable at the lease commencement are not included in the measurement of the lease asset and liability. The lease agreement does not include any material residual value guarantees or restrictive covenants.

The weighted-average discount rate is based on the discount rate implicit in the lease. The Organization has elected the option to use the risk-free rate determined using a period comparable to the lease terms as the discount rate for leases where the implicit rate is not readily determinable. The Organization has applied the risk-free rate option to all classes of assets.

The Organization elected the practical expedient to not separate lease and non-lease components for real estate and office equipment leases.

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## NOTE 12 - LEASES - Continued

Total right-of-use assets and lease liabilities at December 31, 2022 are as follows:

Lease assets – classification in statement of financial position	
Operating right-of-use asset	\$ 775,832
Finance right-of-use asset	72,279
Total lease right-of-use asset	\$ 848,111
Lease liabilities – Classification in statement of financial position	
Operating lease liabilities	\$ 775,832
Finance lease liabilities	 75,719
Total lease liabilities	\$ 851,551

The components of operating lease expenses that are included the statement of activities for the year ended December 31, 2022 were as follows:

Operating lease cost	\$ 665,842
Finance lease cost	
Interest expense	2,707
Amortization of right-of-use assets	33,368

The following table summarizes the supplemental cash flow information for the year ended December 31, 2022:

Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities

Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 677,520
Operating cash flows from finance leases	36,756
Finance cash flows from finance leases	33,334

Weighted average lease term and discount rate as of December 31, 2022 were as follows:

Weighted-average remaining lease term in years	
Operating right-of-use asset	1.92
Financing right-of-use asset	2.14
Lease liabilities – Classification in statement of financial position	
Operating lease liabilities	2.98%
Financing lease liabilities	2.98%

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## NOTE 12 - LEASES - Continued

The future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating and finance leases are listed below as of December 31, 2022:

December 31,	Operating	Financing
2023	\$ 663,272	\$ 36,041
2024	102,767	36,041
2025	12,538	6,008
2026	8,028	-
2027	 2,007	 _
Total lease payment	788,612	78,090
Less: interest portion	 (12,780)	 (2,371)
Present value of lease liabilities	\$ 775,832	\$ 75,719

## **NOTE 13 - LITIGATION LIABILITY**

In January 2021, a class action suit was filed against Lifting Up Westchester's Neighbors Home Care Services program seeking back pay under various New York wage and hour laws. In December 2022, this matter was resolved pursuant to a court approved settlement under which Lifting Up Westchester paid \$450,000. \$400,000 was reserved in 2021. The Organization expensed an additional \$50,000 in 2022 to match the final settlement amount. This is listed as lawsuit expenses on the statement of functional expenses. Cash is expected to be remitted on this settlement in January 2023.

## **NOTE 14 - LINE OF CREDIT**

In February 2019, the Organization obtained a secured line of credit from The Westchester Bank maturing on September 30, 2023, for \$1,000,000, with interest payable at a rate of prime plus 0.25%. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021 there was no outstanding balance on the line of credit.

## **NOTE 15 - MORTGAGE**

In October 2018, the Organization obtained a mortgage with Leviticus 25:23 Alternative Fund Inc. for \$1,260,000. This mortgage term is \$9,309 per month with payments to be made over 204 months with interest payable at a rate of 5.25% percent. In August 2021, the loan was paid off in full.

## **NOTE 16 - BUILDING RESERVE**

The agreement between New York State Homeless Housing and Assistance Corporation (HHAC), contains an annual replacement and operating reserve requirement of \$15,074 per year for the Open Arms building. The funds deposited in the Operating Reserve Account, along with the interest earned on such funds, shall be withdrawn, and used only to meet costs directly connected with the operation of the Open Arms building, unless another use is approved in writing by HHAC, upon the written application of Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. The board created a building reserve fund for the Orchard Street property and the balances in the reserve account were \$118,112 at year end 2022, and 108,003 at year end 2021. In 2021, the Organization increased the reserve by \$60,000 in consideration of prior years of underfunding and current replacement costs. The reserve is reviewed and contributed to, as needed, on an annual basis. The funds shall be used only to meet costs directly connected to the property.

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## NOTE 17 - CORONAVIRUS, AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES Act)

In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) as a pandemic. The Governor of New York State subsequently closed all non-essential businesses and instituted rules for social distancing. The COVID-19 pandemic had significant impact on all of LUW's operations. As most of LUW programs qualified as essential services, LUW remained fully operational throughout the pandemic, but LUW's residential programs had to be reconfigured to allow for take-away or delivery of meals on a much larger scale, and the administrative staff were enabled to work remotely. LUW's home care program was particularly heavily impacted with a significant drop in program revenue as elderly patients were hospitalized with COVID or simply chose not to have personnel in their homes. Lifting Up Westchester was able to offset the financial impact of these challenges through a significant increase in donations to assist with pandemic relief efforts and the receipt of Payroll Protection Program funds to offset payroll costs particularly in the home care program.

In March 2021, The Organization received \$142,355, from Medicaid as relief payments to home care providers based on demonstrated loss of revenue due to COVID. This was recorded as accounts receivable and grant revenue as of December 31, 2021.

## **NOTE 18 - LIQUIDITY AND FUNDS AVAILABLE**

The following table reflects Lifting Up Westchester Inc.'s financial assets as of December 31, 2022, reduced by amounts not available for general expenditure within one year. Financial assets are considered unavailable when illiquid or not convertible to cash within one year, assets held for others, perpetual endowments, or because the Board has set aside the funds for specific reserve or long-term investments as Board designated. The Board designations could be drawn upon if the Board approves that action.

	2022	2021	
Financial Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts Receivable Promises to Give Financial assets, at year-end	\$ 1,572,067 1,926,278 32,756 3,531,101	\$ 1,501,023 1,949,963 47,477 3,498,463	
Less those unavailable for general expenditure within one year:  Board Designated for:			
Open Arms Building Reserve Orchard Street Building Reserve Special Reserve	(105,518) (118,112) (210,871)	(90,444) (108,003) (245,426)	
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditure within one year	\$ 3,096,600	\$ 3,054,590	

Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. regularly monitors its cashflow and liquidity needs as part of its financial reporting and analysis. In the event of unanticipated liquidity needs, Lifting Up Westchester Inc. has a Board designated operating reserve of \$718,230 as well as a \$1,000,000 line of credit as described in Note 14.

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## **NOTE 19 - NEIGHBORS PROGRAM**

Lifting Up Westchester Inc. initiated its home care program over thirty years ago when there were few providers of quality, affordable home care for low-income seniors. There are now a significant number of such providers serving Westchester and as the industry is experiencing significant consolidation due to changes in the reimbursement and regulatory environment, Lifting Up Westchester Inc. no longer believes maintaining its small program is in the best interests of its mission, clients, or employees. As a result, it applied to the NYS Department of Health for approval to transfer its operations to Always Compassionate Home Care, a larger, well-established provider of home care services in the state of NY. In connection with that application, Always Compassionate Home Care assumed operational management of the Organization's home care program effective April 12, 2021 and a full legal transfer of the program is expected by the end of 2023. The 2022 financials show an approximately \$2,800,000 reduction in revenue and a \$2,100,000 reduction in expenses as a result of the transfer of the home care program contracts and patients to Always Compassionate throughout the year.

## **NOTE 20 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

An employee of the organization was in a car accident in an Organization vehicle in January 2023. The driver of the other vehicle made a claim against the Organization's auto insurance alleging the accident was the employee's fault. No legal action has been filed to date. The Organization does not anticipate a settlement that would exceed the Organization's insurance coverage.

The Organization evaluated subsequent events through April 18, 2023, the date the financial statements are available to be issued.