# Louisiana Educational Television Authority Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting

**Combined Annual Financial Report** 

June 30, 2023

*With Comparative Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2022* 

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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To Management of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority Baton Rouge, Louisiana

### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, and each major fund of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority, a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Louisiana Educational Television Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, and each major fund of Louisiana Educational Television Authority as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting, Inc. (the "Affiliate"), a nonprofit organization, which represents 1 percent, 1 percent, and 15 percent, respectively, of the combined assets, combined net position, and combined revenues as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Affiliate, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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. 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 Louisiana Educational Television Authority, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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

### 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 opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Louisiana Educational Television Authority'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 Louisiana Educational Television Authority'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.

### **Report on Summarized Comparative Information**

We have previously audited Louisiana Educational Television Authority's 2022 combined financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated December 22, 2022. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022 is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statement from which it has been derived.

### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis; schedule of budgetary comparison – general fund; schedule of employer's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability; schedule of employer's proportionate share of net pension liability; and schedule of employer's pension contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### **Supplementary and Other Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the combined financial statements of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority. The accompanying combining statement of functional expenditures, schedule of direct revenues, schedule of expenses, and revenue reconciliation are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

The combining statement of functional expenditures, schedule of direct revenues, schedule of expenses, and revenue reconciliation is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic combined financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic combined financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the combined financial statements or to the combined financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic combined financial statements as a whole.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 12, 2024, on our consideration of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 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 Louisiana Educational Television Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

### **Restriction of Use**

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Louisiana Educational Television Authority and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Covington, Louisiana January 12, 2024

Management's Discussion and Analysis

### Introduction

The Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority ("LETA") presents a narrative overview and analysis of LETA's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2023. This section focuses on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts in comparison with the prior year's information.

As with other sections of this financial report, the information contained within this MD&A should be considered only a part of a greater whole. The readers of this statement should take time to read and evaluate all sections of this report, including the footnotes and the supplementary information that is provided in addition to the MD&A.

### **Financial Highlights**

The following financial highlights are derived from the financial statements included in this report and provide an overview into the financial status of LETA.

- LETA's liabilities exceeded assets at June 30, 2023 by \$14,556,406. Total assets decreased by \$3,032,736, approximately 27%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023.
- Capital assets acquired by LETA are not included in the accompanying financial statements, since LETA acts only as a custodian of these assets and title actually rests with the State of Louisiana.
- LETA had no debt instruments (notes payables or bonds) in the current fiscal year.

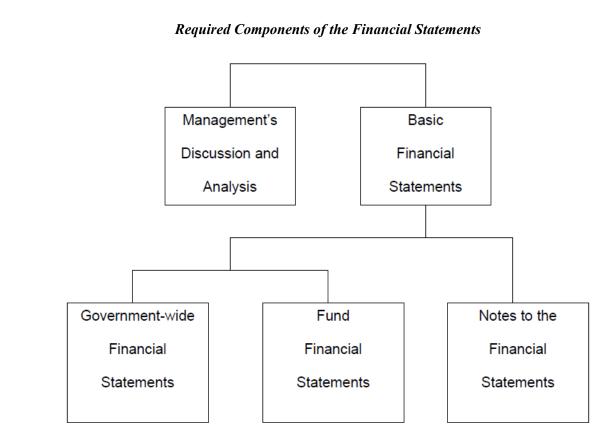
In addition to the information contained in this report that directly reflects LETA's financial status, a component unit, the Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting (the "Foundation") is also shown.

- Foundation's assets exceeded liabilities at June 30, 2023 by \$53,626,189. Total assets increased by \$3,765,950 from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023.
- The Foundation's net results from activities decreased by \$7,563,527, about 201%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to LETA's basic financial statements. LETA's basic financial statements consist of three components: government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements.

The basic financial statements present two different views of LETA through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of LETA.



### **Basic Financial Statements**

The first two statements in the basic financial statements are the government-wide financial statements. They provide both short and long-term information about LETA's financial status. The next statements are fund financial statements. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of LETA's operations and provide more detail than the government-wide statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the notes to financial statements. The notes to financial statements explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, supplemental information is provided to show greater details on LETA's operations. Budgetary information can be found in this part of the statements.

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of LETA's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about LETA's financial status as a whole.

The statement of net position presents the current and long-term portions of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. This may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of LETA is improving or deteriorating. The statement of activities presents information showing how LETA's net position changed as a result of current year operations. Regardless of when cash is affected, all changes in net position are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, there are transactions included that will not affect cash until future fiscal periods.

### Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at LETA's most significant activities. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. LETA, like all other governmental entities, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or noncompliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or LETA's budget requirements. LETA's fund financial statements consist of only governmental funds.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

The notes to financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

#### **Other Information**

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required and other supplementary information as listed in the table of contents.

### **Financial Analysis of the Entity**

#### Louisiana Educational Television Authority

The following is a condensed Statement of Net Position for LETA at June 30, 2023 with comparative amounts at June 30, 2022:

	2023	2022	Variance	% Variance
Assets				
Current assets	\$ 6,886,655	\$ 9,479,949	\$ (2,593,294)	-27.36%
Noncurrent assets	1,421,885	1,861,327	(439,442)	-23.61%
	8,308,540	11,341,276	(3,032,736)	-26.74%
Deferred outflows of resources	4,437,652	3,212,796	1,224,856	38.12%
	\$ 12,746,192	\$ 14,554,072	\$ (1,807,880)	-12.42%
Liabilities				
Current liabilities	\$ 1,868,293	\$ 1,949,698	\$ (81,405)	-4.18%
Noncurrent liabilities	20,996,653	20,913,392	83,261	0.40%
	22,864,946	22,863,090	1,856	0.01%
Deferred inflows of resources	3,238,048	3,330,995	(92,947)	-2.79%
Net Position				
Net investment in capital assets	(6,413)	277	(6,690)	-2415.16%
Restricted for capital projects	2,150,607	2,150,639	(32)	0.00%
Unrestricted	(15,500,996)	(13,790,929)	(1,710,067)	12.40%
	(13,356,802)	(11,640,013)	(1,716,789)	14.75%
	\$ 12,746,192	\$ 14,554,072	\$ (1,807,880)	-12.42%

Restricted net position represents amounts that are not available for spending as a result of legislative requirements. Conversely, unrestricted net position represents amounts that do not have any limitations on how it may be spent.

Current assets decreased by \$2,593,294, approximately 27%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 due primarily from a decrease in cash since LETA incurred significant costs associated with capital projects. From June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 noncurrent assets decreased by \$439,442, approximately 24% due to the amortization of right to use assets.

From June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 deferred outflows of resources increased by \$1,224,856, approximately 38%, due to changes in LETA's pension plan and other post-employment benefits plan valuations.

Current and noncurrent liabilities were fairly consistent from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

	2023	2022	Variance	% Variance
Revenues				
Program revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 1,254,745	\$ 626,511	\$ 628,234	100.28%
Capital grants and contributions	-	109,105	(109,105)	-100.00%
General revenues				
State appropriations	8,708,678	13,615,298	(4,906,620)	-36.04%
General contributions	-	206,400	(206,400)	-100.00%
Support from component unit	644,377	1,183,016	(538,639)	-45.53%
	10,607,800	15,740,330	(5,132,530)	-32.61%
Expenses				
Program services	7,569,826	6,443,479	1,126,347	17.48%
Management and general	1,231,785	1,061,320	170,465	16.06%
	8,801,611	7,504,799	1,296,812	17.28%
Change in net position	1,806,189	8,235,531	(6,429,342)	-78.07%
Capital assets purchased for				
the benefit of the State of LA	(2,796,549)	(1,706,757)	(1,089,792)	63.85%
Funds rescinded by the State	(726,429)	-	(726,429)	100.00%
Net position, beginning of year	(11,640,013)	(18,168,787)	6,528,774	-35.93%
Net position, end of year	\$(13,356,802)	\$(11,640,013)	\$ (1,716,789)	14.75%

The following is a condensed Statement of Activities for LETA for the year ended June 30, 2023 with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2022:

LETA's total revenues decreased by \$5,132,530, approximately 32%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 due primarily from a decrease in state appropriations. Expenses increased by \$1,296,812, approximately 17%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 due primarily from increased spendings on capital projects.

### Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting

The following is a condensed Statement of Net Position for the Component Unit at June 30, 2023 with comparative amounts at June 30, 2022:

<b>.</b> .		2023		2022	 Variance	% Variance	
Assets Current assets	\$ 5	53,795,380	\$ 5	50,029,430	\$ 3,765,950	7.53%	
Liabilities							
Current liabilities	\$	169,191	\$	707,902	\$ (538,711)	-76.10%	
Deferred inflows of resources		503,343		-	503,343	100.00%	
Net Position							
Unrestricted	5	53,122,846	4	9,321,528	 3,801,318	7.71%	
	\$ 5	53,795,380	\$ 5	50,029,430	\$ 3,765,950	7.53%	

Restricted net position represents resources that are not available for spending as a result of grant or debt requirements. Conversely, unrestricted net position are resources that do not have any limitations on how these amounts may be spent.

Current assets increased by \$3,765,950, approximately 8%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023. The primary reason for the change is an increase in investments and endowment investments.

Current liabilities decreased by \$538,711, approximately 76%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 due primarily from a decrease in unearned underwriting revenues.

The following is a condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position for the Component Unit for the year ended June 30, 2023 with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2022:

	2023	2022	Variance	% Variance
Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 2,057,521	\$ 1,229,855	\$ 827,666	67.30%
Operating grants	3,969,853	4,487,365	(517,512)	-11.53%
Capital grants	-	239,414	(239,414)	-100.00%
Investment returns (losses)	3,370,440	(3,679,467)	7,049,907	191.60%
Endowment returns (losses)	459,606	(501,745)	961,351	191.60%
	9,857,420	1,775,422	8,081,998	455.22%
Expenses				
Program services	4,512,276	3,656,607	855,669	23.40%
Management and general	702,449	698,008	4,441	0.64%
Support to LETA	644,377	1,183,016	(538,639)	-45.53%
Grant to subrecipient	197,000	-	197,000	100.00%
	6,056,102	5,537,631	321,471	9.36%
Change in net position	3,801,318	(3,762,209)	7,760,527	201.04%
Net position, beginning of year	49,321,528	53,083,737	(3,762,209)	-7.09%
Net position, end of year	\$ 53,122,846	\$ 49,321,528	\$ 3,998,318	7.71%

Foundation's charges for services increased by \$827,666, approximately 67%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 primarily from an increase in projects and local productions and prior year deferred underwriting revenue becoming earned in the current year.

Investment and endowment investment returns increased by a total of \$8,011,258, approximately 192%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 primarily from improved market conditions during the current fiscal year.

Capital assets are transferred from the Foundation to LETA at year-end and reported as "financial support transferred to LETA" since all capital assets are carried by the State of Louisiana. Support paid to LETA decreased by \$538,639, approximately 46%, from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 primarily from a decrease in transmitter station assets being transferred to LETA as the Repack Project nears completion.

### **Right to Use Assets**

As of June 30, 2023, LETA had \$1,421,885, net of accumulated amortization, invested in right to use assets / leases to be used for television broadcasting. The following is a summary of right to use assets at June 30, 2023 with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2022:

	2023 2022 Variance		% Variance	
Broadcasting equipment	\$ 1,421,885	\$ 1,861,327	\$ (439,442)	-23.61%

The decrease in right to use assets is caused from the amortization of the right to use assets.

LETA implemented GASB Statement 87, Leases during the current fiscal year. The prior year balance is for comparative purposes only. See notes to financial statements for more detailed information.

### **Noncurrent Liabilities**

As of June 30, 2023, LETA had \$1,427,545 of lease obligations outstanding. The following is a summary of lease obligations at June 30, 2023 with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2022:

	2023	2022	Variance	% Variance
Lease obligations	\$ 1,427,545	\$ 1,860,151	\$ (432,606)	-23.26%

The decrease in lease obligations is caused from LETA making the contractually required monthly principal payments on the three leases in effect during the current fiscal year.

### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

For the year ended June 30, 2023, expenses on the budgetary basis exceeded revenues by \$58,442. The revenue balance consists of state appropriations carried forward from the 2022 fiscal year and includes \$3,400,199 state appropriations to be carried forward to the 2024 fiscal year to cover costs associated with building and transmittal tower repairs and maintenance.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, revenues on the budgetary basis exceeded expenses by \$1,330,445. Over the last decade, LETA has had to rely on increased entrepreneurial activities and increased support from the Foundation for revenues. In addition, LETA has continued to decrease operating expenses through performance and quality improvement efforts.

### Factors Considered in the Development of Next Year's Budget and Goals

LETA's officials considered the following factors and indicators when setting next year's budget, establishing fiscal year goals, and addressing other issues that will impact LETA's operations. Included among the factors considered were:

- A fundamental shift in the broadcasting environment requiring new digital distributions.
- An increase in LETA's self-generated and IAT revenue budget appropriation with continued reliance on production projects for basic state operating budget.
- LETA's dedicated staff continues to shoulder increasing responsibilities as the staff has been reduced by 26% over the past 10 years from 76 employees in fiscal year 2013 to the current staff of 56.
- Continued partnership with the Office of the Secretary of State to expand the Louisiana Digital Media Archive, a library of Louisiana's historical media collection.
- Continued work with the Louisiana Department of Transportation's Storm Water Campaign to educate the public about ways to protect our environment.
- Continued commitment to LETA's educational initiatives through an increased number of partnerships with Louisiana Department of Education and other statewide and local community entities.
- Continued partnership with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) to enhance GOHSEP's education and training programs and to expand community outreach and public awareness related to hurricane preparedness and other emergency situations.
- LETA will focus on a redundant Network Infrastructure Backup plan that will allow the uninterrupted delivery of our programming signal statewide. This will allow LETA to continue to deliver critical emergency information to the public such as the Governor's live press conferences during emergency events.
- LETA will work with the Louisiana Department of Health to create messages for various health related issues, including but not limited to, vaccinations, Medicare, Medicaid, maternal healthcare, and health equity and diversity.

## **Contacting the Louisiana Educational Television Authority**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of LETA's finances and to show LETA's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, please contact:

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## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Combined Statement of Net Position June 30, 2023 With Summarized Totals as of June 30, 2022

					Memorandum Only		
	Primary Government	Component Unit	1		Intercompany Eliminations	1 2	
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES							
Current Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,667,765	\$ 1,937,756	\$ 435,408	\$ 7,040,929	\$ -	\$ 7,040,929	\$ 10,295,334
Cash restricted for capital projects	2,150,607	-	-	2,150,607	-	2,150,607	2,150,639
Certificates of deposit	-	-	133,742	133,742	-	133,742	133,312
Investments	-	44,696,889	-	44,696,889	-	44,696,889	41,326,447
Endowment investments	-	6,095,030	-	6,095,030	-	6,095,030	5,635,425
Accounts receivable, net	42,966	89,845	-	132,811	-	132,811	37,878
Grants and contributions receivable, net	-	550,343	30,042	580,385	-	580,385	30,770
Due from related party	-	291,806	-	291,806	(291,806)	-	-
Cost of programs not yet broadcast	-	133,711	-	133,711	-	133,711	110,522
Prepaid expenses	25,317	-	9,512	34,829	-	34,829	57,782
	6,886,655	53,795,380	608,704	61,290,739	(291,806)	60,998,933	59,778,109
Noncurrent Assets							
Right to use assets, net	1,421,885	-	-	1,421,885	-	1,421,885	1,861,327
Capital assets, net	-	-	25,501	25,501	-	25,501	24,950
	1,421,885	-	25,501	1,447,386	-	1,447,386	1,886,277
	8,308,540	53,795,380	634,205	62,738,125	(291,806)	62,446,319	61,664,386
Deferred Outflows of Resources					· · /		
Deferred outflows related to pension plan	2,856,693	-	-	2,856,693	-	2,856,693	1,465,818
Deferred outflows related to OPEB plan	1,580,959	-	-	1,580,959	-	1,580,959	1,746,978
	4,437,652	-	-	4,437,652	-	4,437,652	3,212,796
	\$ 12,746,192	\$ 53,795,380	\$ 634,205	\$ 67,175,777	\$ (291,806)	\$ 66,883,971	\$ 64,877,182

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Combined Statement of Net Position *(Continued)* June 30, 2023 With Summarized Totals as of June 30, 2022

					Memorandum Only		
	Primary Government	Component Unit	Affiliate	Total	Intercompany Eliminations	Combined	2022 Combined
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOW							
<b>RESOURCES, AND NET POSITIO</b>	DN						
Current Liabilities							
Accounts payable	\$ 760,743	\$ 57,582	\$ 24,668	\$ 842,993	\$ -	\$ 842,993	\$ 741,045
Accrued salaries and wages	111,131	-	3,763	114,894	-	114,894	290,761
Accrued interest payable	753	-	-	753	-	753	899
Due to related party	66,862	-	224,944	291,806	(291,806)	-	-
Unearned revenues	-	111,609	20,000	131,609	-	131,609	551,807
Note payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lease obligations, current	434,724	-	-	434,724	-	434,724	432,606
Accrued compensated absences	35,630	-	39,003	74,633	-	74,633	80,904
Other postemployment benefit liability, current	458,450	-	-	458,450	-	458,450	448,175
	1,868,293	169,191	312,378	2,349,862	(291,806)	2,058,056	2,546,197
Noncurrent Liabilities							
Lease obligations	992,821	-	-	992,821	-	992,821	1,427,545
Accrued compensated absences	409,738	-	-	409,738	-	409,738	375,968
Pension liability	11,394,118	-	-	11,394,118	-	11,394,118	7,955,226
Other postemployment benefit liability	8,199,976	-	-	8,199,976	-	8,199,976	11,154,653
1 1 5 5	20,996,653			20,996,653		20,996,653	20,913,392
	22,864,946	169,191	312,378	23,346,515	(291,806)	23,054,709	23,459,589
Deferred Inflows of Resources	)	,	- )- · · ·	- ) )	( - ))	- ) )	- , ,
Deferred inflows related to pension plan	261,375	-	-	261,375	-	261,375	2,523,345
Deferred inflows related to OPEB plan	2,976,673	-	-	2,976,673	-	2,976,673	807,650
Deferred inflows related to grants	_,, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	503,343	-	503,343	-	503,343	-
	3,238,048	503,343		3,741,391		3,741,391	3,330,995
Net Position	3,230,010	000,010		5,7 11,571		5,711,591	5,550,555
Net investment in capital assets	(6,413)	_	-	(6,413)	_	(6,413)	277
Restricted for capital projects	2,150,607	-	_	2,150,607	-	2,150,607	2,150,639
Unrestricted	(15,500,996)	53,122,846	321,827	37,943,677	_	37,943,677	35,935,682
omesured	(13,356,802)	53,122,840	321,827	40,087,871		40,087,871	38,086,598
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	\$ 12,746,192	\$ 53,795,380	\$ 634,205	\$ 67,175,777	\$ (291,806)	\$ 66,883,971	\$ 64,877,182

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.* 

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Combined Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2023 With Summarized Totals for the Year Ended June 30, 2022

								1	Memorandum On	ly	
		I	Program Revenue	es	Primary Govt.	Component Unit	Affiliate				
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net Revenue (Expense) and Changes in Net Assets	Net Revenue (Expense) and Changes in Net Assets	Net Revenue (Expense) and Changes in Net Assets	Total	Intercompany Eliminations	Combined	<b>2022</b> Combined
Primary Government											
Programming and production	\$ 3,115,533	\$ 677,716	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,437,817)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,437,817)	\$ -	\$ (2,437,817)	\$ (2,198,595)
Broadcasting	4,108,656	577,029	-	-	(3,531,627)	-	-	(3,531,627)	(108,319)	(3,639,946)	(3,336,585)
Program information	345,637	-	-	-	(345,637)	-	-	(345,637)	-	(345,637)	(290,929)
Management and general	1,231,785				(1,231,785)	-	-	(1,231,785)		(1,231,785)	(1,061,320)
	8,801,611	1,254,745	-	-	(7,546,866)	-	-	(7,546,866)	(108,319)	(7,655,185)	(6,887,429)
Component Unit	6,056,102	2,057,521	2,546,950			(1,451,631)		(1,451,631)	722,320	(729,311)	(631,650)
Affiliate	3,267,348		3,183,451				(83,897)	(83,897)	1,453,279	1,369,382	2,472,636
General Revenues											
State appropriations					8,708,678	-	-	8,708,678	-	8,708,678	13,615,298
Contributions not assigned to a	specific program				-	-	-	-	-	-	206,400
Financial support from related p	arty				644,377	1,422,903	-	2,067,280	(2,067,280)	-	-
Interest and investment earnings	S				-	3,370,440	641	3,371,081	-	3,371,081	(3,678,467)
Interest and investment earnings	s - endowment				-	459,606	-	459,606	-	459,606	(501,745)
					9,353,055	5,252,949	641	14,606,645	(2,067,280)	12,539,365	9,641,486
Increase (decrease) in net posi	ition				1,806,189	3,801,318	(83,256)	5,524,251	-	5,524,251	4,595,043
Funds rescinded by the State of	Louisiana				(726,429)	-	-	(726,429)	-	(726,429)	-
Capital assets purchased for the	benefit of the Sta	ate of Louisiana			(2,796,549)	-	-	(2,796,549)	-	(2,796,549)	(1,706,757)
Net position, beginning of year					(11,640,013)	49,321,528	405,083	38,086,598		38,086,598	35,198,312
Net position, end of year					\$ (13,356,802)	\$ 53,122,846	\$ 321,827	\$ 40,087,871	\$ -	\$ 40,087,871	\$ 38,086,598

Fund Financial Statements

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds June 30, 2023 With Comparative Amounts as of June 30, 2022

			2023						2022						
		General Fund	Capital Projects Fund		Total Funds				General Fund		Capital Projects Fund		Total Funds		
ASSETS				·											
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents	\$	4,667,765	\$	2,150,607	\$	6,818,372		\$	7,080,416	\$	2,150,639	\$	9,231,055		
Accounts receivable	ψ	42,966	ψ	2,150,007	Ψ	42,966		ψ	20,252	Φ	2,150,057	ψ	20,252		
Due from related party				_		-			181,625		-		181,625		
Prepaid lease		25,317		-		25,317			47,017		-		47,017		
-	\$	4,736,048	\$	2,150,607	\$	6,886,655		\$	7,329,310	\$	2,150,639	\$	9,479,949		
LIABILITIES AND FUND E	BALAN	CES													
Current Liabilities Accounts payable	\$	760,743	\$		\$	760,743		\$	699,170	\$		\$	699,170		
Accrued salaries payable	Φ	111,131	φ	-	Φ	111,131		φ	290,104	Φ	-	φ	290,104		
Due to related party		66,862		_		66,862			36,970		_		36,970		
1 5		938,736		-		938,736			1,026,244		-		1,026,244		
Fund Balances															
Restricted		-		2,150,607		2,150,607			-		2,150,639		2,150,639		
Unassigned		3,797,312		-		3,797,312			6,303,066		-		6,303,066		
		3,797,312		2,150,607		5,947,919			6,303,066		2,150,639		8,453,705		
	\$	4,736,048	\$	2,150,607	\$	6,886,655		\$	7,329,310	\$	2,150,639	\$	9,479,949		

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Combined Statement of Net Position For the Year Ended June 30, 2023 With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	2023		2022	
Total fund balances as reflected on the governmental funds balance sheet	\$	5,947,919	\$	8,453,705
Right to use assets / leases used in the governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet				
Right to use assets, net of amortization		1,421,885		1,861,327
Contributions to the pension and OPEB plans in the current fiscal year and changes in assumptions and other inputs resulting from the plans' valuations are deferred outflows of resources on the statement of net position		4,437,652		3,212,796
Changes in assumptions and other inputs resulting from the pension and OPEB plans' valuations are deferred inflows of resources on the statement of net position		(3,238,048)		(3,330,995)
Liabilities that are not due and payable in the current period are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet; however, the liabilities are recorded in the combined statement of net position.				
Accrued interest payable Lease obligations Accrued compensated absences Pension liability Other postemployment benefits obligation		(753) (1,427,545) (445,368) (11,394,118) (8,658,426)		(899) (1,860,151) (417,742) (7,955,226) (11,602,828)
Net position as reflected on the statement of net position	\$	(13,356,802)	\$	(11,640,013)

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2023 With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	2023			2022				
	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Funds	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Funds		
Revenues								
State appropriations	\$ 8,708,678	\$ -	\$ 8,708,678	\$ 13,615,298	\$ -	\$ 13,615,298		
Grants and contributions	-	-	-	315,505	-	315,505		
Financial support from component unit	644,377	-	644,377	1,183,016	-	1,183,016		
Projects and local productions	677,716	-	677,716	316,092	-	316,092		
Lease and rental revenues	577,029	-	577,029	310,419		310,419		
	10,607,800	-	10,607,800	15,740,330	-	15,740,330		
Expenditures								
Programming and production	3,416,303	-	3,416,303	3,076,900	-	3,076,900		
Broadcasting	7,242,544	-	7,242,544	5,520,255	230,557	5,750,812		
Program information	379,056	-	379,056	341,274	-	341,274		
Management and general	1,349,222	32	1,349,254	1,241,545	-	1,241,545		
	12,387,125	32	12,387,157	10,179,974	230,557	10,410,531		
Excess(deficiency) of revenues over								
expenditures	(1,779,325)	(32)	(1,779,357)	5,560,356	(230,557)	5,329,799		
Other Financing Sources(Uses)								
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	725,000	725,000		
Transfers (out)	-	-	-	(725,000)	-	(725,000)		
Funds rescinded by the state	(726,429)	-	(726,429)	-	-	-		
	(726,429)	-	(726,429)	(725,000)	725,000	-		
Change in fund balances	(2,505,754)	(32)	(2,505,786)	4,835,356	494,443	5,329,799		
Fund balances, beginning of year	6,303,066	2,150,639	8,453,705	1,467,710	1,656,196	3,123,906		
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 3,797,312	\$ 2,150,607	\$ 5,947,919	\$ 6,303,066	\$ 2,150,639	\$ 8,453,705		

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## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Combined Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	2023		2022	
Increase (decrease) in fund balances as shown on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances	\$	(2,505,786)	\$ 5,329,799	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. In the combined statement of activities, the cost of these assets should be allocated over the estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. However, Louisiana Educational Television Authority is only the custodian of these assets and the State of Louisiana is the owner. Neither the capital assets nor the depreciation expense are recorded in these financial statements.				
Capital assets purchased for the benefit of the State of Louisiana		2,796,549	1,706,757	
Governmental funds report the acquisition of right to use assets / leases as expenditures when lease expenses are incurred. On the statement of activities, the costs of these leases are reported as assets and allocated over the life of the lease as amortization expense.				
Change in right to use assets / leases		(439,442)	1,861,327	
Principal payments made on leases Change in accrued interest on leases		432,606 146	(1,860,151) (899)	
Some expenses reported in the combined statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources; therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds:				
Change in accrued compensated absences		(27,626)	66,653	
Change in pension liability		(3,438,892)	4,752,242	
Change in other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability Changes in deferred outflows of resources related to the		2,944,402	(988,635)	
pension and OPEB plans Changes in deferred inflows of resources related to the		1,224,856	(1,250,416)	
pension and OPEB plans		92,947	 (1,381,146)	
Increase in net position as reflected				
on the statement of activities	\$	1,079,760	\$ 8,235,531	

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## 1. History and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### Organization

The Louisiana Educational Television Authority ("LETA") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana's executive branch. LETA is supervised by its members as provided in Louisiana Revised Statutes 17:2503.C. LETA is charged statutorily with making the benefits of educational and public television available to and promoting their use by citizens of Louisiana. LETA's operations are funded through an annual lapsing legislative appropriation. In addition, LETA has received funds from the State of Louisiana for the purpose of constructing and maintaining transmitter and tower facilities throughout the State. Amounts included within LETA's foregoing financial statements are also included in the State of Louisiana's comprehensive annual financial report.

The Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting (the "Component Unit") was established August 7, 1992 as a nonprofit Louisiana Corporation. It was organized to direct all of its efforts to the support of the LETA. The Component Unit provides for an endowment to support public television in the State of Louisiana and may serve as a "repository" for funds to be utilized for the promotion, development, enhancement and assistance of public television in Louisiana. Furthermore, the Component Unit operates under the authority of its Board of Directors. A majority of the Directors are nominated and appointed by the non-LETA Directors and a minority of the Directors are nominated by LETA's board.

Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting, Inc. (the "Affiliate") is a Louisiana non-profit corporation that was incorporated on April 30, 1991. The Affiliate solicits funds for the benefit of LETA which operates Louisiana Public Broadcasting ("LPB"). The Affiliate operates under authority of its autonomous Board of Directors. The administrative office of the Affiliate is located in the LPB broadcast center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### Financial Reporting Entity

Based upon an assessment by the Louisiana Division of Administration - Office of Statewide Reporting and Accounting Policy ("OSRAP"), the Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting is included as a component unit of LETA. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") issued Statement No. 61 (GASB 61), "*The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and 34*" to determine if a component unit is included in the financial reporting entity of its primary government. It has been determined that LETA is able to impose its will on the Component Unit and the Component Unit provides specific financial benefits to, and may impose specific financial burdens on, LETA. In addition, OSRAP has determined that exclusion of the Component Unit from the financial reporting entity would render LETA's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Therefore, LETA's financial statements present the operations of the Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting as a discretely presented component unit.

The Component Unit and Affiliate are private nonprofit organizations that report under the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB"), including FASB Accounting Standards Codification 958, *Not-for-Profit Entities*. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. Nevertheless, the Component Unit and Affiliate follows LETA's - the primary government – financial reporting framework within these financial statements. Therefore, modifications have been made to the Component Unit and Affiliate's financial information for these differences. The Component Unit audited financial statements can be obtained from LETA's management.

Management has determined that the assets and revenues of the Affiliate do not meet the threshold for reporting component units. Therefore, the funds of the Affiliate were not presented in LETA's statements for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 but are presented in this combined annual financial report for analysis purposes only for reporting to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting ("CPB"). The Affiliate's audited financial statements can be obtained from Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting's management.

#### **Financial Statement Presentation**

LETA's financial statements include both government-wide and fund financial statements which categorize all of LETA's activities as governmental.

• Government-Wide Financial Statements:

In the government-wide statement of net position, the governmental activity column is presented on a consolidated basis by column and is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis. This basis recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. LETA's net position is reported in two parts – restricted for capital projects and unrestricted.

In addition, the government-wide statement of activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of LETA's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenues; such as: appropriations from the State of Louisiana, earnings on the capital projects cash account, and support transferred from the Component Unit. The statement of activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues and grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital specific grants. The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenues. LETA does not allocate indirect costs. This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of LETA as an entity and the change in LETA's net assets resulting from the current year's activities.

• Net Position:

The statement of net position reports net position as the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position is displayed in three components:

- Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted consists of amounts with constraints placed on the use by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted all other amounts that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is LETA's policy to use the restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as needed.

• Fund Financial Statements:

The financial transactions of LETA are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

All of LETA's funds are reported as governmental funds. The focus of the governmental funds measurement – in the fund financial statements – is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of LETA:

- The general fund is the general operating fund of LETA. It is used to account for the legislative appropriations provided to fund the general operating expenses of LETA and those other expenses not funded through other specific legislative appropriations of revenues.
- The capital projects fund is used to account for specific legislative appropriations and state general obligation bond revenues for the construction and maintenance of transmitter and tower facilities at the stations and conversion to digital transmission comprising LETA's network.
- Fund Balance

In fund financial statements, fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy primarily on the extent to which LETA is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Fund balance is reported in the following five components:

- Nonspendable This component consists of amounts that cannot be spent because they are either
   (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted This component consists of amounts that have constraints placed on them either externally by third-parties (creditors, grantors, contributions, or laws or regulations of other governments) or by law, through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation authorizes LETA to assess, levy, change or otherwise mandate payment of resources (from external resource providers) and includes a legally enforceable requirement (compelled by external parties) that those resources be used only for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation.
- Committed This component consists of amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of LETA. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless LETA removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) it employed previously to commit those amounts.
- Assigned This component consists of amounts that are constrained by LETA's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The authority for assigning fund balance is expressed by LETA or the designee as established in LETA's fund balance policy.
- Unassigned This component consists of amounts that have not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is LETA's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources (committed, assigned and unassigned) are available for use.

It is LETA's policy to use committed resources first, then assigned, and then unassigned as they are needed.

#### **Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus**

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

• Accrual

Governmental-type activities in the government-wide financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Modified Accrual

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available. "Measurable" means that the amount of the transaction can be determined, and "available" means that the amount of the transaction is collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all governmental fund type revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. Principal and interest on general long-term debt are recorded as fund liabilities when due.

### **Principles of Combination**

The accompanying Combined Statement of Net Position and Combined Statement of Activities are presented as combined financial statements for analysis purposes. The primary government, LETA, leases office space to the Component Unit and Affiliate. In addition, the Affiliate transfers funds in excess of specified amounts to the Component Unit, and the Component Unit provides financial support to LETA. The material transactions and accounts between the related entities have been eliminated. See Note 12 for further detail on related party transactions.

#### **Reclassifications**

Certain reclassifications have been made to the June 30, 2022 financial statements to conform to the current year presentation.

#### Memorandum Columns

The Affiliate, total, intercompany eliminations, and combined columns in the Combined Statement of Net Position and the Combined Statement of Activities are captioned "memorandum only" to indicate that this information is presented only to facilitate financial analysis as required by reporting guidelines established by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, a federal awarding agency.

#### Use of Estimates

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

### **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

LETA's budgetary process incorporates a yearly appropriation process, which is valid for a period of one year. Louisiana statute provides for an extension period of 45 days in order to liquidate encumbrances established prior to June 30. Budget revisions are allowed and implemented by budgetary amendment with approval of the Legislative Budget Committee and by interim emergency appropriations granted by the Interim Emergency Board. The budgetary information presented in the financial statements represented the last approved budgetary revisions enacted as reflected by the last approved budgetary amendment.

This budgetary information was adjusted for prepaid lease expense, general fund transfers between the General Fund and the Capital Outlay Fund, and in-kind contributions since LETA does not budget for these transactions. In addition, this budgetary information was adjusted for encumbrances outstanding at year end, and for other miscellaneous adjustments which were in the original budget but not recorded in the financial statements.

Budgetary data for the Capital Project Funds has not been presented in the accompanying financial statements as such funds are budgeted over the life of the respective project and not on an annual basis.

#### **Functional Allocation of Expenses**

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

#### Encumbrances

Encumbrances representing purchase orders, contracts or other commitments are recorded in budgetary funds to reserve portions of applicable appropriations. Encumbrances are part of the budgetary process and are included in actual expenditures when a comparison with budget is necessary. Encumbrances at year-end are not considered expenditures in the financial statements presented on the GAAP basis.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

For financial statement purposes, cash includes demand deposits and cash equivalents include amounts in money market funds. All highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less are considered cash equivalents.

### Petty Cash Fund

LETA maintains a permanent petty cash fund of up to \$3,500 as authorized by the Commissioner of Administration in accordance with State law. The funds are permanently established and periodically replenished from LETA's operating fund when expenditure vouchers are presented.

#### **Certificates of Deposit**

The Affiliate's certificates of deposit as reported in the statement of net position are measured at fair value (Level 1) on a recurring basis.

#### Investments

Investments are carried at fair value. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on trade dates, and realized gains and losses are determined on the basis of average cost of securities sold. Investment return includes interest, dividends, administrative fees, and realized and unrealized gains and losses, and is included in the statement of activities as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets.

The Component Unit invests in alternative investments consisting of managed futures, commodities, private equity, private real estate, and other non-traditional investments. These investments utilize a variety of instrument strategies incorporating marketable securities and, in some cases, derivative instruments, all of which are reported at fair value by the fund managers.

Distributions of alternative investments are recognized as income to the extent of the Component Unit's share of undistributed income of such investments; distributions in excess of the amount recognized as income are recorded as a reduction of investment cost. Investments considered to be permanently impaired in value are written down to their estimated net realizable value and the write down is recorded as a realized loss on investments.

#### Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists primarily of amounts owed by customers for educational, production, and uplink services provided. Management periodically reviews the status of all accounts receivable balances for collectability. Each receivable balance is assessed based on management's knowledge of the customer, the relationship with the customer, and the age of the receivable balance. As a result of these reviews, customer balances deemed to be uncollectible are charged to the allowance for doubtful accounts. LETA's management and the Component Unit's management has determined that the accounts receivable balance to be collectible and an allowance for doubtful accounts is considered unnecessary.

#### **Contributions Receivable**

The Affiliate's unconditional promises to give are primarily receivable from individuals and are carried at net realizable value, which approximates the present value of estimated future cash flows. Each receivable balance is assessed based on management's knowledge of the donor, the relationship with the donor, and the age of the receivable balance. As a result of these reviews, donor balances deemed to be uncollectible are charged to the allowance for uncollectible accounts in the amounts of \$5,301 and \$5,430 for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

#### Cost of Programs Not Yet Broadcast

Costs the Component Unit incurs for programs not yet broadcast are reported as prepaid expenses. Such costs relate to program rights purchased by the Component Unit that will be broadcast subsequent to June 30. Programs broadcasted within one year are classified as current assets whereas programs to be broadcasted in more than one year are classified as long-term. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, there were no long-term costs incurred for programs not yet broadcast. As the programs are broadcast, the costs incurred will be included in operating expenses. Program status is evaluated annually. Costs associated with programs not considered to have future benefit are adjusted to net realizable value.

### Capital Assets

Capital assets acquired by LETA are not included in the accompanying financial statements, but are reported in the State of Louisiana's comprehensive annual financial report. LETA acts only as a custodian of these assets and title actually rests with the State of Louisiana.

The Component Unit's equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and is depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense as incurred.

The Affiliate's policy is to capitalize property and equipment over \$1,000. The equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and is depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense as incurred.

Donations of property and equipment are recorded as contributions at their estimated fair value. Such donations are reported as unrestricted contributions unless the donor has restricted the donated asset to a specific purpose. The entities received no donated asset during the current fiscal year.

#### Accrued Compensated Absences

Employees of LETA, both classified and unclassified, earn annual and sick leave at various rates depending on the number of years of service. There is no limit on the amount of annual or sick leave that can be accumulated. LETA is legally liable to compensate an employee upon retirement or termination for up to 300 hours of unused annual leave. Upon retirement, the number of hours of unused annual leave in excess of 300 hours plus the number of hours of unused sick leave is computed into years or fraction of years and is added to the number of years of service earned by the retiree. The unused annual and sick leave is counted towards the number of years of service only for computing the rate of retirement pay due the retiree and does not count toward the number of years necessary for retirement. The liability for unused annual leave payable at June 30, 2023 and 2022 is \$445,368 and \$417,743, respectively.

The cost of leave privileges is recognized as an expense and a liability in the financial statements in the period in which the leave is earned. The compensated absences liability is recorded as a long-term liability with the portion expected to be paid within one year recorded as a current liability and an expense allocated on a functional basis. The accrued compensated absences balance is not recorded in the governmental fund-type financial statements at June 30, 2023 and represents a reconciling item between the fund and government-wide presentation.

#### Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) and additions to/deductions from LASERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by LASERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

### Post-Employment Health Care and Life Insurance Benefits

LETA provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. LETA recognizes the expense of providing these retiree benefits in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions.

### **Deferred Outflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This balance represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and is not recognized as an outflow of resources (expenses) until then. LETA has the following items that qualify for reporting in this category:

Pension plan – these deferred outflows result from pension contributions after the measurement date (deferred and recognized in the following fiscal year) and changes in assumptions, differences in projected and actual earnings on pension assets, and changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions (deferred and amortized over a closed five year period).

OPEB plan – these deferred outflows result from OPEB contributions after the measurement date (deferred and recognized in the following fiscal year).

#### **Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Deferred inflows of resources are acquisitions of net position by LETA that is applicable to a future reporting period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until then. LETA has the following items that qualify for reporting in this category:

Pension plan – these deferred inflows result from differences between expected and actual experience and changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions (deferred and amortized over a closed five year period).

OPEB plan – these deferred inflows result from changes in assumptions and changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions (deferred and amortized over a closed five year period).

### **Underwriting Contributions**

The Component Unit records revenue from program underwriting on a pro rata basis for the period covered, and for production underwriting on an estimated percentage-of-completion basis.

#### Grants and Contributions

Grants and contributions restricted to support such programs are included in deferred inflows of resources if the donor requires commensurate value in return for their support. In such cases, the costs incurred will be reported as expenses and the revenue will be recognized when the programs are initially broadcast. If the donor's support is nonreciprocal in nature, the grants and contributions are included as revenue. Grants and contributions with time and/or compliance stipulations are recognized as deferred inflows of resources. Once those stipulations are met, the grants and contributions are recognized as revenues.

### **Production Revenue and Expense**

The Component Unit uses the percentage-of-completion method of accounting for production revenue, whereby the cumulative production revenue earned equals the ratio of costs incurred to the estimated total costs at completion applied to the total committed revenues from outside sponsors. Production costs include charges by subcontractors plus all direct labor and other direct costs. Indirect and general and administrative expenses are charged to expense as incurred.

Cost estimates on programs are reviewed periodically as the work progresses and adjustments, if needed, are reflected in the period in which the estimates are revised.

### Leases

LETA and the Foundation have implemented GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*. This statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract.

LETA and the Foundation entered into contracts with Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corporation (Sprint Nextel) and Clearwire Corporation (Clearwire), in accordance with Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules, to lease excess capacity on its EBS frequencies to those entities. Under the terms of the contracts, the Foundation remains the licensee on the EBS frequencies and has responsibility for compliance with all educational and other requirements imposed by the FCC. LETA and the Foundation receives monthly lease payments and anniversary payments which are reported as charges for services on the statement of activities in the fiscal year the payment is due. LETA earned \$437,912 and the Foundation earned \$277,532 from these leases during the year ended June 30, 2023.

Under Statement No. 87, a capacity portion of an asset is an identified asset if it is physically distinct. A capacity or other portion of an asset that is not physically distinct is not an identified asset, unless it represents substantially all of the capacity of the asset and, therefore, provides the customer with the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the asset. Based upon these conditions, management has determined the leasing of the excess capacity is not physically distinct.

### Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Advertising expense for the Component Unit was \$24,752 and \$23,316 for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

### Income Taxes

The Component Unit and Affiliate have been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as organizations exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been included in these financial statements. With few exceptions, the Component Unit and Affiliate are no longer subject to federal or state examinations by tax authorities for the years before 2020.

The accounting standard on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes addresses the determination of whether tax benefits claimed or expected to be claimed on a tax return should be recorded in the financial statements. Under this guidance, the Component Unit and Affiliate may recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. There were no unrecognized tax benefits identified or recorded as liabilities for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022.

### 2. Deposits

All monies of LETA are deposited with the Louisiana Department of Treasury, which is responsible for maintaining these deposits in accordance with Louisiana State Law. Consequently, management of LETA does not have any control over the cash balances. Deposits consist of the following at June 30, 2023:

Deposits per statement of net position (reconciled bank balance)	\$ 6,818,372
Deposits held by Louisiana Treasury	\$ 4,664,265
Deposits held by financial institution	\$ 3,890
Category 3 bank balances:	
a. Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$ -
b. Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution	-
c. Uninsured and collateralized with securities	
held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent, but not in the	
Foundation's name	 -
Total category 3 bank balances	\$ -

### Custodial Deposit Risk

The Louisiana Department of Treasury is responsible for maintaining the cash balances and securing such balances from risk through custodial agreements. The risk disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States are included with the State of Louisiana's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

In the normal course of operations, the Component Unit and Affiliate maintains cash deposits with major financial institutions which, from time to time, may exceed federally insured limits. Management periodically assesses the financial condition of the institutions and believes the risk of incurring material losses related to this credit risk is remote.

### 3. Investments

The Component Unit's investments are measured at fair value and are comprised of the following at June 30:

	2023	2022
Money market	\$ 372,609	\$ 476,115
Government and agency securities	372,532	407,396
Corporate fixed income securities	236,544	227,204
Common and preferred stocks	6,221,406	6,680,471
Mutual funds	13,526,117	10,910,396
Exchange traded and closed end funds	12,404,140	10,331,434
Alternative investments	10,727,857	11,505,421
Pooled investments held by the Baton Rouge		
Area Foundation on behalf of the Foundation	835,684	788,010
	\$ 44,696,889	\$ 41,326,447

The following schedule summarizes the Component Unit's investment return, including interest and administrative fees, and its classification in the financial statements for the years ended June 30:

	2023			2022
Realized gains (losses)	\$	672,622	\$	1,289,815
Unrealized gains (losses)		1,821,456		(5,994,211)
Interest and dividend income		1,021,663		1,179,842
Investment fees		(145,301)		(154,913)
	\$	3,370,440	\$	(3,679,467)

#### Custodial Credit Risk

The risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction the Foundation will not be able to recover the value of investments that are in the possession of an outside party. At June 30, 2023, the Foundation's investments in common and preferred stocks and alternative investments are uninsured on the performance of the custodian and are exposed to custodial credit risk because they are held by the counterparty, but not in the Foundation's name. The Foundation's investments in mutual funds, money market funds, and external investment pools are not susceptible to custodial credit risk because its existence is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

#### Interest Rate Risk

The risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of investments. Also, investments can be highly sensitive to changes in interest rates due to their terms or characteristics. At June 30, 2023, the Foundation invested \$372,532 in government and government agency securities and \$236,544 in corporate fixed income securities which mature in one to five years. Within the board designated endowment, the Foundation invested \$50,800 in government and government agency securities and \$32,256 in corporate fixed income securities which mature in one to five years.

#### Credit Risk

The risk that the issuer or counterparty will not meet its obligations. This credit risk is measured by the credit quality ratings of investments in debt securities as described by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (rating agencies) such as Standard & Poor's (S&P) and Moody's. The Foundation limits its investment in bonds to those classified as investment grade by S&P (EBB or better) and Moody's (Baa or better). Investments in commercial paper must have a rating of not less than AI by S&P and PI by Moody's.

#### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

The risk of loss that may occur due to the amount of investment in a single issuer. The Foundation's investment policy establishes a target asset mix which is meant to diversify the portfolio and pose a lower risk that a concentration may exist.

### 4. Board Designated Endowment

The Component Unit's Board of Directors has designated 12% of total investments as a general endowment fund to support the mission of the Component Unit. Since the endowment resulted from an internal designation and is not donor-restricted, it is classified and reported as unrestricted.

The Component Unit has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while maintaining the purchasing power of the endowment assets. To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Component Unit relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Component Unit targets a diversified asset allocation to achieve its long-term return objectives within risk constraints.

Accordingly, over the long term, the Component Unit expects the current spending policies to allow its endowment to grow annually. This is consistent with the Component Unit's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets held in perpetuity or for a specified term as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment return.

The following schedule summarizes the changes in the Component Unit's endowment net assets for the years ended June 30:

	 2023	2022
Beginning balance	\$ 5,635,425	\$ 6,137,170
Purchases of investments	809,287	717,094
Sales of investments	(689,783)	(577,331)
Realized gains on sales of investments	91,721	175,885
Unrealized gains on investments	 248,380	 (817,393)
Ending balance	\$ 6,095,030	\$ 5,635,425

	2023			2022
Money market	\$	50,810	\$	64,925
Government and agency securities		50,800		55,554
Corporate fixed income securities		32,256		30,983
Common and preferred stocks		848,373		910,973
Mutual funds		1,844,470		1,487,781
Exchange traded and closed end funds		1,691,474		1,408,832
Alternative investments		1,462,890		1,569,921
Pooled investments held by the Baton Rouge				
Area Foundation on behalf of the Foundation		113,957		107,456
	\$	6,095,030	\$	5,636,425

The Component Unit's board designated endowment was comprised of the following at June 30:

The following schedule summarizes endowment investment return, including interest and administrative fees, and its classification in the financial statements for the years ended June 30:

	2023			2022
Realized gains (losses)	\$	91,721	\$	175,885
Unrealized gains (losses)		248,380		(817,393)
Interest and dividend income		139,319		160,887
Investment fees		(19,814)		(21,124)
	\$	459,606	\$	(501,745)

The investments note disclosure for custodial credit risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk at Note 3 also applies to the investments held as endowment net assets.

### 5. Fair Value Measurements

The Component Unit has categorized its applicable financial instruments into a required fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The standard describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value which are as follows:

- Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Component Unit has the ability to access.
- Level 2 inputs to the valuations methodology include: quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.
- Level 3 inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. Unobservable inputs reflect the Board's own assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk). Unobservable inputs are developed based on the best information available in the circumstances and may include the Board's own data.

The Component Unit uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. The asset's fair value measurement level with the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. When available, valuation techniques maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Money market funds and investments in common and preferred and mutual funds are valued at the quoted market prices in the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

The investments in the Baton Rouge Area Foundation (the "BRAF") pool represent various specific investments and various pools of funds held by BRAF for the benefit of the Component Unit and other non-profit organizations. These funds are measured on a recurring basis through estimates and assumptions made by the BRAF. All of the Component Unit's pooled investments held by the BRAF are considered level 2 investments.

Alternative investments include asset classes, strategies, and structures that can help diversify a traditional portfolio through the types of investments owned or the techniques employed. The Foundation's alternative investments are hedge funds and alternative mutual funds. Fair value is determined based on the fund's net asset value as provided by the fund management. The objective of the funds is to seek absolute total return over a complete market cycle. These underlying investments are subject to certain restrictions and, generally, have no active established trading market.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total		
Cash equivalents						
Money market funds	\$ 110,148	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,148		
Investments						
Money market	372,609	-	-	372,609		
Government and agency securities	-	372,532	-	372,532		
Corporate debt securities	-	236,544	-	236,544		
Common and preferred stocks	6,221,406	-	-	6,221,406		
Mutual funds	13,526,117	-	-	13,526,117		
Exchange traded funds	12,404,140	-	-	12,404,140		
Alternative investments	-	-	10,727,857	10,727,857		
Pooled investments held by						
Baton Rouge Area Foundation	-	835,684	-	835,684		
	32,524,272	1,444,760	10,727,857	44,696,889		
Investments - endowment						
Money market	50,810	-	-	50,810		
Government and agency securities	-	50,800	-	50,800		
Corporate debt securities	-	32,256	-	32,256		
Common and preferred stocks	848,373	-	-	848,373		
Mutual funds	1,844,470	-	-	1,844,470		
Exchange traded funds	1,691,474	-	-	1,691,474		
Alternative investments	-	-	1,462,890	1,462,890		
Pooled investments held by						
Baton Rouge Area Foundation		113,957		113,957		
	4,435,127	197,013	1,462,890	6,095,030		
	\$ 37,069,547	\$ 1,641,773	\$ 12,190,747	\$ 50,902,067		

The following table sets forth by level the Component Unit's assets at fair value as of June 30, 2023:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total		
Cash equivalents						
Money market funds	\$ 110,190	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,190		
Investments						
Money market	476,115	-	-	476,115		
Government and agency securities	-	407,396	-	407,396		
Corporate debt securities	-	227,204	-	227,204		
Common and preferred stocks	6,680,471	-	-	6,680,471		
Mutual funds	10,910,396	-	-	10,910,396		
Exchange traded funds	10,331,434			10,331,434		
Alternative investments	-	-	11,505,421	11,505,421		
Pooled investments held by				, ,		
Baton Rouge Area Foundation	-	788,010	-	788,010		
-	28,398,416	1,422,610	11,505,421	41,326,447		
Investments - endowment						
Money market	64,925	-	-	64,925		
Government and agency securities	-	55,554	-	55,554		
Corporate debt securities	-	30,983	-	30,983		
Common and preferred stocks	910,973	-	_	910,973		
Mutual funds	1,487,781	-	-	1,487,781		
Exchange traded funds	1,408,832			1,408,832		
Alternative investments	-	-	1,568,921	1,568,921		
Pooled investments held by						
Baton Rouge Area Foundation	-	107,456	-	107,456		
<u> </u>	3,872,511	193,993	1,568,921	5,635,425		
	\$ 32,381,117	\$ 1,616,603	\$ 13,074,342	\$ 47,072,062		

The following table sets forth by level the Component Unit's assets at fair value as of June 30, 2022:

The following is a reconciliation of Level 3 investments for which significant unobservable inputs were used by the fund managers in determining the value June 30:

	2023	2022
Beginning balance	\$ 13,074,342	\$ 11,873,019
Purchases	621,890	1,393,082
Sales	(636,902)	(1,243,597)
Transfers in(out)	-	(901,623)
Unrealized gains (losses)	(868,583)	1,953,461
Ending balance	\$ 12,190,747	\$ 13,074,342

### 6. Capital Assets

The following schedule summarizes LETA's right-to-use/lease assets and related accumulated amortization:

	Balance at June 30, 2022				Deletions		-	Balance at ne 30, 2023
Right to use assets								
Land	\$	216,252	\$	-	\$	-	\$	216,252
Broadcast tower and building		271,559		-		-		271,559
Satellite		1,812,958		-		-		1,812,958
		2,300,769		-		-		2,300,769
Less accumulated amortization		(439,442)		(439,442)		-		(878,884)
	\$	1,861,327	\$	(439,442)	\$	-	\$	1,421,885

Amortization of the right to use assets was \$439,442 for the year ended June 30, 2023 and reported within broadcasting expenses on the statement of activities.

The Component Unit's property and equipment consist of the following:

	alance at e 30, 2022	Add	itions	Dele	tions	alance at e 30, 2023
Computer equipment Accumulated depreciation	\$ 69,938 (69,938)	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 69,938 (69,938)
	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -

The Affiliate's property and equipment consist of the following:

	Balance at June 30, 2022		A	dditions	Dele	etions	Balance at June 30, 2023		
Property and equipment Accumulated depreciation	\$	186,671 (161,721)	\$	3,464 (2,913)	\$	-	\$	190,135 (164,634)	
	\$	24,950	\$	551	\$	-	\$	25,501	

### 7. Noncurrent Liabilities

Balance at June 30, 2022					Payments and Additions Reductions		-	Balance at ne 30, 2023		 e Within ne Year
Lease obligations Accrued compensat	\$ ted	1,860,151	\$	-	\$	(432,606)	\$	1,427,545		\$ 434,724
absences		417,742		322,280		(294,654)		445,368	_	35,630
	\$	2,277,893	\$	322,280	\$	(727,260)	\$	1,872,913		\$ 470,354

The following is a summary of changes in LETA's noncurrent liabilities:

Information relating to LETA's other post-employment benefits liability and pension liability is available at note 9 and note 10, respectively.

#### Right to Use Assets / Leases

LETA entered into an agreement on February 29, 2012 to lease a tract of land for the purpose of maintaining a television broadcasting antenna tower and related television transmission facility. The lease was for an initial term of five years with renewal options through the year 2032 with monthly installments ranging from \$19,500 to \$22,574. The balance outstanding at June 30, 2023 is \$179,595.

LETA entered into an agreement on September 26, 2011 to lease satellite transmission for the purpose of program broadcasting. The lease has been renewed October 1, 2021 with a maturity date of January 31, 2026 with monthly installment of \$33,000. The balance outstanding at June 30, 2023 is \$1,019,055.

LETA entered into an agreement on November 11, 2016 to lease a television broadcasting antenna tower for the purpose of program broadcasting. The initial term of the lease is January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2022. LETA has the option and intention to renew the lease for 2 additional terms of five years each. The monthly lease payments are \$2,060 for the first term, \$2,122 for the second term, and \$2,186 for the third term. The balance outstanding at June 30, 2023 is \$228,895.

The following schedule summarizes the future principal and interest requirements for the leases at June 30, 2023:

Year Ending June 30:	 Principal	I	nterest	 Total
2024	\$ 434,725	\$	8,092	\$ 442,817
2025	436,484		6,331	442,815
2026	273,178		4,677	277,855
2027	43,396		3,871	47,267
2028	45,155		3,211	48,366
2029 - 2032	 194,607		5,966	 200,573
	\$ 1,427,545	\$	32,148	\$ 1,459,693

### 8. Commitments

LETA was committed to construction and engineering contracts during 2023. The significant commitments are as follows:

	Estimated	Costs Incurred	Remaining
	Cost	to Date	Balance
WYES transmitter	\$ 1,924,092	\$ (424,092)	\$ 1,500,000
Building renovations	292,000	(57,719)	234,281
Studio set updates	64,705	(44,820)	19,885
	\$ 2,280,797	\$ (526,631)	\$ 1,754,166

Management expects the projects to be completed during the 2024 fiscal year.

### 9. Other Postemployment Health and Life Insurance Benefits

#### Plan Description

The Office of Group Benefits ("OGB") administers the State of Louisiana's post-retirement benefits plan - a defined benefit, multiple-employer other postemployment benefit plan ("OPEB"). OPEB provides medical, prescription drug, and life insurance benefits to retirees, disabled retirees, and their eligible beneficiaries through premium subsidies. Current employees, who participate in an OGB health plan, while active, are eligible for plan benefits if they are enrolled in the OGB health plan immediately before the date of retirement and retire under one of the state sponsored retirement systems (Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System, Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, or Louisiana State Police Retirement System,) or they retire from a participating employer that meets the qualifications in the Louisiana Administrative Code 32:3.303. Benefit provisions are established under R.S. 42:851 for health insurance benefits and R.S. 42:821 for life insurance benefits. The obligations of the plan members, employer(s), and other contributing entities to contribute to the plan are established or may be amended under the authority of R.S. 42:802. There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria of paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75. Effective July 1, 2008, an OPEB trust fund was statutorily established; however, this plan is not administered as a trust and no plan assets have been accumulated as of June 30, 2023. The plan is funded on a "pay-as-you-go basis" under which the contributions to the plan are generally made at about the same time and in about the same amount as benefit payments become due.

Employer contributions are based on plan premiums and the employer contribution percentage. Premium amounts vary depending on the health plan selected and if the retired member has Medicare coverage. OGB offers retirees four self-insured healthcare plans and one fully insured plan. Retired employees who have Medicare Part A and Part B coverage also have access to four fully insured Medicare Advantage plans.

The employer contribution percentage is based on the date of participation in an OGB plan and employee years of service at retirement. Employees who begin participation or rejoin the plan before January 1, 2002, pay approximately 25% of the cost of coverage (except single retirees under age 65, who pay approximately 25% of the active employee cost). For those beginning participation or rejoining on or after January 1, 2002, the percentage of premiums contributed by the employer and retiree is based on the following schedule:

Service	Employer Percentage	Employee Percentage
Under 10 years	19%	81%
10-14 years	38%	62%
15-19 years	56%	44%
20+ years	75%	25%

In addition to healthcare benefits, retirees may elect to receive life insurance benefits. Basic and supplemental life insurance is available for the individual retirees and spouses of retirees subject to maximum values. Employers pay approximately 50% of monthly premiums for individual retirees. The retiree is responsible for 100% of the premium for dependents. Effective January 1, 2018, the total monthly premium for retirees varies according to age group.

#### Total Collective OPEB Liability and Changes in Total Collective OPEB Liability

At June 30, 2023, LETA reported a liability of \$8,658,426 for its proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability. The total collective OPEB liability was measured as of July 1, 2022 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

LETA's proportionate share percentage is based on the employer's individual OPEB actuarial accrued liability in relation to the total OPEB actuarial accrued liability for all participating entities included in the State of Louisiana reporting entity. At the July 1, 2022, LETA's proportion was 0.1283%, a decrease of 0.0016%.

The total collective OPEB liability in the July 1, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial methods, assumptions, and other inputs applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

- Inflation 2.80% and 2.40% for 2022 and 2023, respectively
- Actuarial cost method entry age normal, level percentage of pay
- Estimated remaining service lives 4.5 years
- Salary increase rate consistent with the State of Louisiana's pension plan
- Discount rate 4.09% based on the June 30, 2022 Standard & Poor's 20-year municipal bond index rate

- Mortality rates For active lives: the RP-2014 Blue Collar Employee Table, adjusted by 0.978 for males and 1.144 for females, and then projected on a fully generational basis by Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2018. For healthy retiree lives: the RP-2014 Blue Collar Healthy Annuitant Table, adjusted by 1.280 for males and RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Table, adjusted by 1.417 for females, projected from 2014 on a fully generational basis by Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2018. For disabled retiree lives: the RP-2000 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table, adjusted by 1.009 for males and 1.043 for females, not projected with mortality improvement.
- Healthcare cost trend rates 6.75% for pre-Medicare eligible employees grading down by 0.25% each year, beginning in 2021-2022, to an ultimate rate of 4.5% in 2030; 5.25% for post-Medicare eligible employees grading down by 0.25% each year, beginning in 2021-2022, to an ultimate rate of 4.5% in 2023-2024 and thereafter; the initial trend was developed using the National Health Care Trend Survey; the ultimate trend was developed using a building block approach which considers the Consumer Price Index, gross domestic product, and technology growth.
- Retirement the rates of retirement are consistent with the assumptions used in the June 30, 2022 pension valuations. The retirement rates for LASERS include DROP rates.

# Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents LETA's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability using the current discount rate as well as what LETA's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1.0% Decrease (3.09%)		 Current Discount Rate (4.09%)		1.0% Increase (5.09%)	
Proportionate share of total collective OPEB liability	\$	9,863,382	\$ 8,658,426	\$	7,673,872	

# Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

The following presents LETA's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability using the current healthcare cost trend rates as well as what LETA's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rates:

	Current Cost					
	1.0% Decrease		Trend Rate		1.0% Increase	
Proportionate share of total						
collective OPEB liability	\$	7,688,120	\$	8,658,426	\$	9,846,278

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

For the year ended June 30, 2023, LETA recognized OPEB expense of \$150,910. At June 30, 2023, LETA reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	263,390	\$	-
Changes in assumptions		593,834		2,845,227
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		265,285		119,499
Employer contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		458,450		11,947
	\$	1,580,959	\$	2,976,673

Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from LETA's benefit payments subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the total collective OPEB liability in the next fiscal year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Period Ended:	 Amount
6/30/2024	\$ (518,602)
6/30/2025	(405,057)
6/30/2026	(588,053)
6/30/2027	 (342,452)
	\$ (1,854,164)

#### Payables to the OPEB Plan

At June 30, 2023, LETA reported no contributions due to the plan.

### 10. Pension Liability

#### Plan Description

LETA is a participating employer in a statewide, public employee retirement system, the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System ("LASERS"). LASERS has a separate board of trustees and administers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, including classes of employees with different benefits and contribution rates ("subplans"). Article X, Section 29(F) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of all subplans administered by LASERS to the State Legislature. LASERS issues a public report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information, and a copy of the report may be obtained at www.lasersonline.org.

#### Plan Description and Benefits Provided

LASERS administers a plan to provide retirement, disability, and survivor benefits to eligible state employees and their beneficiaries as defined in R.S. 11:411-414. The age and years of creditable service ("service") required in order for a member to receive retirement benefits are established by R.S. 11:441 and vary depending on the member's hire date, employer and job classification. Act 992 of the 2010 Regular Legislative Session closed existing sub-plans for members hired before January 1, 2011, and created new subplans for regular members, hazardous duty members, and judges. The substantial majority of members may retire with full benefits at any age upon completing 30 years of service and at age 60 upon completing 5-10 years of service. Additionally, members may choose to retire with 20 years of service at any age, with an actuarially reduced benefit. Eligibility for retirement benefits and the computation of retirement benefits are provided for in R.S. 11:444.

The basic annual retirement benefit for members is equal to a percentage (between 2.5% and 3.5%) of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of service, generally not to exceed 100% of average compensation. Average compensation is defined as the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 36 consecutive months of employment for members employed prior to July 1, 2006, or highest 60 consecutive months of employment for members employed after that date. A member leaving service before attaining minimum retirement but after completing certain minimum service requirements, generally 10 years, becomes eligible for a benefit provided the member lives to the minimum service retirement age and does not withdraw the accumulated contributions.

Eligibility requirements and benefit computations for disability benefits are provided for in R.S. 11:461. All members with 10 or more years of service or members aged 60 or older regardless of date of hire who become disabled may receive a maximum disability benefit equivalent to the regular retirement formula without reduction by reason of age. Hazardous duty personnel who become disabled in the line of duty will receive a disability benefit equal to 75% of final average compensation.

Provisions for survivor benefits are provided for in R.S. 11:471-478. Under these statutes, the deceased member who was in state service at the time of death must have a minimum of five years of service, at least two of which were earned immediately prior to death, or who has a minimum of 20 years of service regardless of when earned in order for a benefit to be paid to a minor or handicapped child. Benefits are payable to an unmarried child until age 18 or age 23 if the child remains a full-time student. The minimum service requirement is 10 years for a surviving spouse with no minor children, and benefits are to be paid for life to the spouse or qualified handicapped child.

LASERS has established a Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). When members enter DROP, their status changes from active member to retiree even though they continue to work and draw their salary for a period up to three years. The election is irrevocable once participation begins. During participation, benefits otherwise payable are fixed and deposited in an individual DROP account. Upon leaving DROP, members must choose among available alternatives for the distribution of benefits that have accumulated in their DROP accounts.

#### Cost of Living Adjustments

As fully described in Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, LASERS allows for the payment of cost of living adjustments, or COLAs, that are funded through investment earnings when recommended by LETA of trustees and approved by the Legislature. These ad hoc COLAs are not considered to be substantively automatic.

#### **Contributions**

Article X, Section 29(E)(2)(a) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 assigns the Legislature the authority to determine employee contributions. Employer contributions are actuarially determined using statutorily established methods on an annual basis and are constitutionally required to cover the employer's portion of the normal cost and provide for the amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Employer contributions are adopted by the Legislature annually upon recommendation of the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee.

Employer contributions to LASERS for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 were \$1,410,783 and reported within the balance of deferred outflows of resources – pension plan in the statement of net position. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, active member contributions ranged from 7.5% to 8%, and employer contributions were 40.4%. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, active member contributions ranged from 7.5% to 8%, and employer contributions were 39.50%.

# Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2023, LETA reported a liability of \$11,394,110 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. LETA's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of LETA's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2022, LETA's proportion was 0.1283%, which was a decrease of 0.0016% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, LETA's recognized pension expense was \$1,096,741. At June 30, 2023, LETA reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and				
actual experience	\$	41,235	\$ -	
Changes of assumptions		196,999	-	
Net difference between projected and actual				
actual earnings on pension plan investments		917,756	-	
Changes in proportion and differences				
between employer contributions and				
proportionate share of contributions		289,920	261,375	
Employer contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		1,410,783	 	
Total	\$	2,856,693	\$ 261,375	

Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date totaled \$1,410,783. The balance is reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the next fiscal year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Amount
\$ 483,456
304,002
(232,073)
629,150
\$ 1,184,535

#### Actuarial Assumptions

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability are as follows:

Valuation date	June 30, 2022
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal cost
Estimated remaining service life ("ERSL")	2 years
Investment rate of return	7.25% per annum, net of investment expenses
Inflation rate	2.3%
Salary increases, including inflation and merit increases	3.0% to 12.8%, including inflation
Cost of living adjustments	Not substantively automatic
Mortality rate Non-disabled members Disabled members	Mortality rates based on the RP-2014 Healthy Mortality Table using MP-2018 Improvement Scale Mortality rates based on the RP-2000 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table
Termination, disability, and retirement	Termination, disability, and retirement assumptions were projected based on a five-year (2014-2018) experience study of the System's members

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification.

The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return*
Cash	0.39%
Domestic equity	4.57%
International equity	5.76%
Domestic fixed income	1.48%
International fixed income	5.04%
Alternative investments	8.30%
Total fund	5.91%

#### **Discount** Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions from participating employers will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

#### Sensitivity of the Employer's Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.25%) or one percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	Current				
	1.0% Decrease	Discount Rate	1.0% Increase		
	(6.25%)	(7.25%)	(8.25%)		
Employer's proportionate share					
of the net pension liability	\$ 14,337,126	\$ 11,394,118	\$ 8,710,523		

#### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued LASERS 2022 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report at www.lasersonline.org.

#### Payables to the Pension Plan

At June 30, 2023, LETA had no payables due to LASERS for the employee and employer legally-required contributions.

### 11. Retirement Plan

The Affiliate established a 401 (k) retirement plan (the "Plan") beginning on July 1, 2012. To be eligible to participate in the Plan an employee must be at least twenty-one years of age and complete 1,000 hours of service every year. Employer match is discretionary and can be changed from year to year. Employees can contribute between 3% and 10% of compensation and must be uniform for all affected participants. Participants are 100% vested upon entering the Plan.

### 12. Net Position – Deficient Balance

LETA has a deficit of \$13,356,802 in net position as of June 30, 2023. This is primarily due to the reporting of the net pension liability in accordance with GASB 68 in addition to recording of the net OPEB liability in accordance with GASB 75 which required LETA to record its proportionate share of the OPEB and net pension liabilities which is based on third party valuations. The board members will continue monitoring the deficit balance on an ongoing basis.

### 13. Related Party Transactions

An agreement was entered into between the Component Unit and the Affiliate. Under the terms of this agreement, the Affiliate transfers funds in excess of calculated amounts to the Component Unit to be used to pay for approved expenses. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Affiliate transferred \$1,422,903 to the Component Unit with \$216,750 of that amount reported as a related party receivable. For the year ended June 30, 2022, the Affiliate transferred \$2,321,538 to the Component Unit with \$294,978 of that amount reported as a related party receivable.

The Component Unit was organized to support LETA, the primary government. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Component Unit provided financial support to LETA totaling \$644,377. For the year June 30, 2022, the Component Unit provided financial support to LETA totaling \$1,183,016, with \$181,62 of that amount reported as a related party receivable by LETA and a related party payable by the Component Unit.

Employees of LETA perform services for the Component Unit for productions, programming, broadcasting, and administrative services. In return, the Component Unit reimburses LETA for the services performed by those personnel. These transactions are recorded as a reduction in salaries and related benefits in LETA's accounting records and as personnel expenses in the Component Unit's accounting records. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Component Unit reimbursed LETA \$410,878 for personnel expenses. For the year ended June 30, 2022, the Component Unit reimbursed LETA \$477,935 for personnel expenses.

The Component Unit reimburses LETA for the use of LETA's production, programming, and broadcasting equipment. For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 the Component Unit's equipment rental expense was 69,651 and \$79,577, respectively. These amounts are reported by LETA as charges for services on the statement of activities.

The Component Unit rents office space from LETA on a monthly basis. Rental revenue from the Component Unit was \$8,292 for each of the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022.

The Affiliate rents office space from LETA on a monthly basis. Rental revenue from the Affiliate was \$30,377 each of the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022.

When necessary, the Component Unit pays invoices on behalf of LETA when LETA does not have the funds available. The Component Unit reported \$66,862 and \$36,970 due from LETA at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, for invoices paid on LETA's behalf.

### 14. Contingency

LETA and the Component Unit participate in a number of federal and state programs. These programs require LETA and the Component Unit to comply with certain requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements applicable to the programs in which it participates. All funds expended in connection with government grants and contracts are subject to audit by government agencies. While the ultimate liability, if any, from such audits of government and contracts by government agencies is presently not determinable, should not, in the opinion of management, have a material effect on the financial position or results of operations. Accordingly, no provision for any such liability that may result has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

### 15. Risk Management

Losses arising from judgments, claims, and similar contingencies are paid through the state's selfinsurance fund operated by the Office of Risk Management, the agency responsible for the state's risk management program, or by General Fund appropriation.

There is no pending litigation or claims against LETA at June 30, 2023, which if asserted, in the opinion of LETA's legal advisors, would have at least a reasonable probability of an unfavorable outcome or for which resolution would materially affect the financial statements.

### 16. Concentrations

In the normal course of operations, the Component Unit maintains cash deposits with major financial institutions which, from time to time, may exceed federally insured limits. Management periodically assesses the financial condition of the institutions and believes the risk of incurring material losses related to this credit risk is remote.

Included in receivables are amounts due from various entities for such items as underwriting agreements, educational services, and production services. Payment of these accounts is dependent upon the various entities' ability to fund their projects and programs.

LETA received general fund appropriations from the State of Louisiana totaling \$8,708,678 for the year ended June 30, 2023 and \$13,615,298 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

The Component Unit received revenue totaling \$32,311,750 from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and \$1,422,903 from the Affiliate, Friends for Louisiana Public Broadcasting, during the year ended June 30, 2023. For the year ended June 30, 2022, the Component Unit received revenue totaling \$2,100,264 from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and \$2,321,538 from the Affiliate, Friends for Louisiana Public Broadcasting.

### 17. Subsequent Events

LETA evaluated subsequent events through January 12, 2024, which was the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Required Supplementary Information** 

### Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Budgetary Comparison – General Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Nonbudgeted Items and Adjustments	Actual Amounts Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues						
State appropriations	\$ 7,062,725	\$ 14,328,213	\$ 8,708,678	\$ 5,619,535	\$ 14,328,213	\$ -
Support from component unit	-	-	644,377	(644,377)	-	-
Projects and local productions	2,660,118	2,660,118	677,716	1,380,317	2,058,033	(602,085)
Lease and rental revenues			577,029	(577,029)		
	9,722,843	16,988,331	10,607,800	5,778,446	16,386,246	(602,085)
Expenditures						
Programming and production	3,262,353	3,496,485	3,416,303	87,508	3,503,811	(7,326)
Broadcasting	4,673,740	11,655,018	7,242,544	3,991,755	11,234,299	420,719
Program information	362,483	387,737	379,056	(21,700)	357,356	30,381
Management and general	1,424,267	1,449,091	1,349,222	-	1,349,222	99,869
	9,722,843	16,988,331	12,387,125	4,057,563	16,444,688	543,643
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over expenditures	-	-	(1,779,325)	1,720,883	(58,442)	(58,442)
<b>Other Financing Sources(Uses)</b>						
Funds rescinded by the State			(726,429)	726,429		
	-	-	(2,505,754)	2,447,312	(58,442)	(58,442)
Fund balances, beginning of year			6,303,066		(977,663)	
Fund balances, end of year			\$ 3,797,312		\$ (1,036,105)	

### Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Measurement Date	Proportion of the Total Collective OPEB Liability	Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability	Covered Employee Payroll	Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability as Percentage of the Covered Employee Payroll
June 30, 2016	0.1260%	\$ 11,435,950	\$ 3,455,704	330.93%
June 30, 2017	0.1260%	10,954,217	3,026,360	361.96%
June 30, 2018	0.1306%	11,146,734	3,207,924	347.48%
June 30, 2019	0.1255%	9,690,477	3,251,042	298.07%
June 30, 2020	0.1281%	10,614,193	3,183,632	333.40%
June 30, 2021	0.1267%	11,602,828	3,028,391	383.14%
June 30, 2022	0.1283%	8,658,426	3,013,293	287.34%

\*Amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date (previous fiscal year end).

This schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

### Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Fiscal Year*	Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	Covered Employee Payroll	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Employee Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2015	0.20725%	\$ 12,959,055	\$ 3,818,137	339%	65.0%
2016	0.19769%	13,445,836	3,829,130	351%	62.7%
2017	0.17559%	13,788,374	3,510,761	393%	57.7%
2018	0.17350%	12,212,510	3,320,017	368%	62.5%
2019	0.16300%	11,116,140	3,176,020	350%	64.3%
2020	0.16391%	11,874,848	3,197,712	371%	62.9%
2021	0.15365%	12,707,468	3,294,656	386%	58.0%
2022	0.14454%	7,955,226	3,192,643	249%	72.8%
2023	0.15072%	11,394,118	3,093,341	368%	63.7%

\*Amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date (previous fiscal year end).

This schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

### Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Fiscal Year*	Statutorily Required Contribution	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contribution	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Employee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll
2015	\$ 1,416,778	\$ 1,416,778	\$ -	\$ 3,829,130	37.0%
2016	1,306,003	1,306,003	-	3,510,761	37.2%
2017	1,188,566	1,188,566	-	3,320,017	35.8%
2018	1,203,177	1,203,177	-	3,176,020	37.9%
2019	1,211,933	1,211,933	-	3,197,712	37.9%
2020	1,341,028	1,341,028	-	3,294,656	40.7%
2021	1,280,695	1,280,695	-	3,192,643	40.1%
2022	1,221,870	1,221,870	-	3,093,341	39.5%
2023	1,410,783	1,410,783	-	3,500,361	40.3%

\*Amounts presented were determined as of the end of LETA's fiscal year.

This schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

### **Other Post-Employment Benefits Plan**

There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the requirements in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75 to pay related benefits and there are no benefit changes.

Fiscal Discount Measurement Year Date Rate 2023 7/1/2022 4.09% 2022 7/1/2021 2.18% 2021 2.66% 7/1/2020 2020 7/1/2019 2.79% 2019 2.98% 7/1/2018 2018 7/1/2017 3.13% 2017 7/1/2016 2.71%

Changes in the discount rate by year are as follows:

Additional changes of assumptions for the other post-employment benefits plan ("OPEB") include:

2019 – (a) baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2018 claims and enrollment and retiree contributions were updated based on 2019 premiums. The impact of the High Cost Excise Tax was revisited, reflecting updated plan premiums; (b) Demographic assumptions were revised for the Louisiana State Police Retirement System, the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana to reflect recent experience studies. The mortality assumption for LASERS was updated from the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant and Employee tables for males and females with generational projections using projection scale MP-2017 to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant and Employee tables for males and females using projection scale MP-2018; (c) the percentage of future retirees assumed to elect medical coverage was modified based on recent plan experience.

2020 – (a) baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2019 claims and enrollment and retiree contributions were updated based on 2020 premiums; (b) Life insurance contributions were updated to reflect 2020 premium schedules; (c) the impact of the High Cost Excise Tax was removed, and the High Cost Excise Tax was repealed in December 2019; (d) demographic assumptions were revised for LASERS to reflect the recent experience study.

2021 – (a) baseline per capita costs (PCCs) were updated to reflect 2020 claims and enrollment for the prescription drug costs and retiree contributions were updated based on 2021 premiums. 2020 medical claims and enrollment experience were reviewed but not included in the projection of expected 2021 plan costs. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, plan administrators do not believe this experience is reflective of what we can expect in future years; (b) the salary scale assumptions were revised for the LASERS and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; (c) medical participation rates, life participation rates, the age difference between future retirees and their spouses, Medicare eligibility rates, and medical plan election percentages have all been updated based on a review of OPEB experience from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

### Louisiana Educational Television Authority Notes to Required Supplementary Information

2022 – (a) healthcare cost trend increased from 6.75% - 4.50% for 2020 to 7.00% - 4.50% for 2021. (b) the discount rate has decreased from 2.66% to 2.18%; (c) medical plan election percentages were updated based on the coverage elections of recent retirees; (d) the healthcare cost trend rate assumption was revised based on updated National Health Care Trend Survey information; (d) and inflation rate changed from 2.80% as of July 1, 2020 to 2.40% as of July 1, 2021.

2023 - (a) the discount rate increased from 2.18% to 4.09%; (b) baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2022 claims and enrollment; (c) medical plan election percentages were updated based on the coverage elections of recent retirees.

#### **Pension Plan**

Fiscal Year	Discount Rate	Investment Rate of Return	Inflation Rate	Projected Salary Increase	Service Lives
2023	7.25%	7.25%	2.30%	3.0% to 12.8%	2 years
2022	7.40%	7.40%	2.30%	3.0% to 12.8%	2 years
2021	7.55%	7.55%	2.30%	3.0% to 12.8%	2 years
2020	7.60%	7.60%	2.50%	3.2% to 13.0%	2 years
2019	7.65%	7.65%	2.75%	3.8% to 12.8%	3 years
2018	7.70%	7.70%	2.75%	3.8% to 12.8%	3 years
2017	7.75%	7.75%	3.00%	4.0% to 13.0%	3 years
2016	7.75%	7.75%	3.00%	4.0% to 13.0%	3 years
2015	7.75%	7.75%	3.00%	4.0% to 13.0%	3 years

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Changes of assumptions for LASERS by year are as follows:

Additional changes of benefit terms and assumptions include:

2015 – A 1.5% COLA, effective July 1, 2014, provided by Act 102 of the 2014 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session.

2017 – A 1.5% COLA, effective July 1, 2016, provided by Acts 93 and 512 of the 2016 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session.

2018 – Effective July 1, 2017, the LASERS board adopted a plan to gradually reduce the discount rate in 0.05% increments. Per Act 94 of 2016 the projected contribution requirements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, include direct funding of administrative expenses, rather than a reduction in the assumed rate of return.

2020 – The LASERS termination, disability, and retirement assumptions and methods were updated based on experience study for the fiscal years July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018

### Louisiana Educational Television Authority Notes to Required Supplementary Information

2021 – Termination, disability, and retirement assumptions were projected based on a five-year (2014-2018) experience study of LASERS' members for 2019 salary increases were projected based on a 2014-2018 experience study of the LASERS' members. The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by LASERS and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The projected benefit payments do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

2022 – The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by LASERS and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The projected benefit payments do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

2023 –Act 656 of 2022 provided a one-time supplemental payment equal to the lesser of (1) the retiree's or beneficiary's monthly benefit, or (2) \$2,000. Eligibility is to be determined based on the current statutory COLA requirements based on the retiree's age, where applicable, as of June 30, 2022. Funds are to be paid from the Experience account not later than September 15, 2022. Act 170 of 2022 provided a supplemental appropriation of \$21,831,939 to LASERS, which includes State surplus funds and litter fines, to be applied to the IUAL, which is a component of the Original Amortization Base.

**Other Supplementary Information** 

### Louisiana Educational Television Authority Combining Statement of Functional Expenditures For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

		Program	Services		Supportin	ig Services			
	Programming		Program	Support to	Management			Intercompany	Total
	and Production	Broadcasting	Information	Related Party	and General	Fundraising	Total	Eliminations	Combined
<b>Primary Government</b>									
Operating services	\$ 1,246,540	\$ 1,491,416	\$ 137,971	\$ -	\$ 418,977	\$ -	\$ 3,294,904	\$ -	\$ 3,294,904
Professional services	-	-	-	-	21,700	-	21,700	-	21,700
Rents and leases	-	101,140	-	-	-	-	101,140	-	101,140
Amortization of leased assets	-	439,442	-	-	-	-	439,442	-	439,442
Personnel	1,868,320	2,075,910	207,591	-	790,823	-	4,942,644	-	4,942,644
Travel	673	748	75	-	285		1,781		1,781
	3,115,533	4,108,656	345,637		1,231,785		8,801,611		8,801,611
Component Unit									
Operating services	2,808,263	452,619	69,634	644,377	348,169	-	4,323,062	(644,377)	3,678,685
Professional services	947,500	-	90,168	-	89,427	-	1,127,095	-	1,127,095
Rents and leases	69,651	-	-	-	72,558	-	142,209	(77,943)	64,266
Personnel	225,983	-	-	-	184,895	-	410,878	-	410,878
Travel	40,172	5,286	-	-	7,400	-	52,858	-	52,858
	4,091,569	457,905	159,802	644,377	702,449		6,056,102	(722,320)	5,333,782
Affiliate									
Operating services	-	-	-	1,422,903	29,501	949,478	2,401,882	(1,422,903)	978,979
Professional services	-	-	-	-,, -	46,256	5,217	51,473	(-,·,· •••) -	51,473
Rents and leases	-	-	-	-	30,376	-	30,376	(30,376)	,
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	2,913	-	2,913	-	2,913
Personnel	-	-	-	-	193,394	580,181	773,575	-	773,575
Travel	-	-	-	-		7,129	7,129	-	7,129
				1,422,903	302,440	1,542,005	3,267,348	(1,453,279)	1,814,069
Combined									
Operating services	4,054,803	1,944,035	207,605	2,067,280	796,647	949,478	10,019,848	(2,067,280)	7,952,568
Professional services	947,500		90,168		157,383	5,217	1,200,268	(2,007,200)	1,200,268
Rents and leases	69,651	101,140		-	102,934		273,725	(108,319)	165,406
Amortization and depreciation		439,442	_	-	2,913	-	442,355	(100,515)	442,355
	2,094,303	2,075,910	207,591	-	1,169,112	580,181	6,127,097	-	6,127,097
1					1,107,114	200,101	0,147,077		0,121,07
Personnel Travel	40,845	6,034	75	-	7,685	7,129	61,768	-	61,768

### Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Direct Revenues For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Primary	Component		
	Government	Unit	Affiliate	Total
Source of Income				
Amounts provided by Public Broadcasting Entities				
CPB - Community Service Grants	\$ -	\$ 2,091,980	\$ -	\$ 2,091,980
CPB - all other funds from CPB	Ψ	219,770	÷	219,770
PBS - all payments except copyright royalties	-	117,450	-	117,450
Public broadcasting stations - all payments	-	38,275	_	38,275
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Local boards and departments of education				
NFFS Eligible				
Program and production underwriting	-	-	-	-
Other income eligible as NFFS				
Educational programming	-	414,414	-	414,414
Sale of recordings				
	-	414,414	-	414,414
State boards and departments of education NFFS Eligible				
Program and production underwriting		63,856	-	63,856
Grants and contributions other than underwriting	8,208,678	-	-	8,208,678
Other income eligible as NFFS				
Sale of recordings	-	-	-	-
Educational programming and productions	4,888	54,729	-	59,617
	8,213,566	118,585	-	8,332,151
NFFS Ineligible				
Rental income	7,310	-	-	7,310
Fees for services	131,400	54,500	-	185,900
Gifts and grants for facilities and equipment (TV only)	424,092	-	-	424,092
Other income ineligible for NFFS inclusion				
Insurance reimbursements	63,140	-	-	63,140
Passthrough of state appropriations	500,000		-	500,000
	1,125,942	54,500	-	1,180,442
	9,339,508	173,085	-	9,512,593
Foundations and nonprofit associations NFFS Eligible				
Program and production underwriting	-	219,856	-	219,856
Grants and contributions other than underwriting	-	247,000	21,250	268,250
Other income eligible as NFFS				
Educational Programming		82,400		82,400
	-	549,256	21,250	570,506
NFFS Ineligible				
Rental income	17,400	-	-	17,400
Fees for services	-	25,000	-	25,000
Other income ineligible for NFFS inclusion				
Sale of recordings	-	24,605	-	24,605
	17,400	49,605	-	67,005
	17,400	598,861	21,250	637,511

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Direct Revenues *(Continued)* For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	G	Primary overnment	C	omponent Unit		Affiliate		Total
Business and Industry								
NFFS Eligible	¢		¢	<b>67</b> 0.016	<b>•</b>		¢	<b>57</b> 0.016
Program and production underwriting	\$	-	\$	579,916	\$	-	\$	579,916
Grants and contributions other than underwriting		-		579.916		51,000		51,000 630,916
NEES Individa		-		579,910		51,000		630,916
NFFS Ineligible Rental income		437,912		277,532				715,444
Fees for services		60,284		17,147		-		77,431
Other income ineligible for NFFS inclusion		00,284		17,147		-		//,451
Sale of recordings				324				324
sale of recordings		498,196		295,003		<u> </u>		793,199
		498,196		874,919		51,000		1,424,115
Memberships and subscriptions								
(less than \$1,000 per individual donor)		-		-		1,961,150		1,961,150
Form of Revenue								
Special fundraising activities								
Gross special fundraising revenues		-		-		418,038		418,038
Passive income								
Interest and dividends		-		942,022		641		942,663
Royalties		-		2,812		-		2,812
		-		944,834		641		945,475
Gains and losses on investments								
Realized gains/losses on investments		-		672,622		-		672,622
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments		-		1,821,456		-		1,821,456
		-		2,494,078		-		2,494,078
Endowment revenue								
Interest and dividends on endowment funds		-		119,505		-		119,505
Realized net investment gains on endowment funds		-		91,721		-		91,721
Unrealized investment losses on endowment funds		-		248,380		-		248,380
		-		459,606		-		459,606
Gifts and bequests from major individual donors								
(more than \$1,000 per individual donor)		-		-		659,127		659,127
Other Direct Revenue								
Individual contribution (eligible)		-		2,792		18,662		21,454
Sales of products and services to individuals (not eligible)		-		4,453		54,224		58,677
		-		7,245		72,886		80,131
Total Revenue	\$	9,855,104	\$	8,434,517	\$	3,184,092	\$	21,473,713

## Louisiana Educational Television Authority Schedule of Direct Revenues *(Continued)* For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

		Primary overnment	0	Component Unit	Affiliate		 Total
Total Revenue	\$	9,855,104	\$	8,434,517	\$	3,184,092	\$ 21,473,713
Adjustments to Revenue							
Public broadcasting revenue		-		2,467,475		-	2,467,475
Capital funds exclusion		424,092		-		-	424,092
Revenue on line 20 not meeting the source, form,							
purpose, or recipient criteria		-		4,453		54,224	58,677
Other automatic subtractions from total revenue							
Special fundraising event expenses		-		-		305,988	305,988
Realized gains/losses on investments		-		672,622		-	672,622
Unrealized investment gains/losses		-		1,821,456		-	1,821,456
Realized and unrealized net investment gains/losses							
on endowment funds		-		340,101		-	340,101
Rental income		462,622		277,532		-	740,154
Fees for services		191,684		96,647		-	288,331
Other revenue ineligible as NFFS		563,140		24,929		-	588,069
		1,641,538		5,705,215		360,212	 7,706,965
Total Direct Nonfederal Financial Support	\$	8,213,566	\$	2,729,302	\$	2,823,880	\$ 13,766,748

## **PROGRAM SERVICES**

Programming and productions		
TV CSG	\$	1,736,367
TV Interconnection		34,411
Other CPB Funds		173,439
All Non-CPB Funds		5,184,942
		7,129,159
Broadcasting and engineering		
TV CSG		57,105
All Non-CPB Funds		4,509,456
		4,566,561
Program information and promotion		, ,
TV CSG		127,276
Other CPB Funds		-
All Non-CPB Funds		378,163
		505,439
SUPPORT SERVICES		,
Management and general		
TV CSG		510,499
All Non-CPB Funds		1,567,707
		2,078,206
Fundraising and membership development		))
All Non-CPB Funds		1,542,005
		1,542,005
Underwriting and grant solicitation		_,_ ,_ ,_ ,
TV CSG		128,092
		128,092
	¢	,
	\$	15,949,462

### **TOTAL EXPENSES**

Total TV CSG	\$ 2,559,339
Total TV Interconnection	34,411
Total Other CPB Funds	173,439
Total All Non-CPB Funds	13,182,273
	 15,949,462
INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	
Total capital assets purchased or donated	
Equipment	
Capital assets purchased for the benefit of the State of Louisiana	 2,796,549
	\$ 18,746,011
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
Total expenses (direct only)	\$ 15,949,462
Investment in capital assets (direct only)	 2,796,549
	\$ 18,746,011

### DATA FROM COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

<b>Combined Statement of Activities - Revenues</b> Charges for services Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Other revenues	\$ 3,312,266 5,730,401 14,606,645 23,649,312
DATA FROM CPB ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT	
Schedule A - Direct Revenue	
Total revenue from line 22	\$ 21,473,713
Reconciling Items	
Financial support provided by related parties eliminated for	
the CPB Annual Financial Report	2,067,280
Rent and lease fees charged to related parties eliminated for	
the CPB Annual Financial Report	 108,319
	\$ 23,649,312

Reports Required by Government Auditing Standards



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### 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*

To Management of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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 governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, and each major fund, of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority ("LETA"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise LETA's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 12, 2024.

### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered LETA's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the LETA's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of LETA'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 may exist that have not been identified.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether LETA's 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 determination of financial statement amounts. 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.

Timell & Martiney , 11c

Covington, Louisiana January 12, 2024

## A. Summary of Auditor's Reports

a. Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified		
b. Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weaknesses identified	yes	✓	no
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses	yes	✓	none noted
c. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted	yes	✓	no

### **B.** Findings in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

None noted.

### A. Findings in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

None