FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2022

AND

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors NEADS, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of NEADS, Inc. (NEADS), which comprise the statement of financial position as of August 31, 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of NEADS as of August 31, 2022, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). 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 NEADS 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 opinion.

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 NEADS' ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are issued or available to be issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS 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 substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, 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
 NEADS' 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 NEADS' 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 NEADS' 2021 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated December 8, 2021. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended August 31, 2021, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

Ballus Lynch, LLP

Worcester, Massachusetts January 18, 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AUGUST 31, 2022 (With Summarized Comparative Financial Information for 2021)

	Without Donor With Donor		or Totals		
	Restrictions	Restrictions	2022	2021	
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash	\$ 46,655	\$ 723,889	\$ 770,544	\$ 2,284,295	
Grants and other receivables	107,484	-	107,484	74,930	
Contributions receivable, net	-	215,776	215,776	120,892	
Prepaid expenses	46,431	-	46,431	39,407	
Other current assets	7,313		7,313	6,085	
Total current assets	207,883	939,665	1,147,548	2,525,609	
Investments	1,737,368	2,158,956	3,896,324	4,080,250	
Long-term contributions receivable, net	-	260,000	260,000	49,833	
Property and equipment, net	8,862,871		8,862,871	7,319,433	
Total assets	\$ 10,808,122	\$ 3,358,621	\$ 14,166,743	\$ 13,975,125	
Liabilities and Net Assets					
Current Liabilities					
Note payable, bank	\$ 345,000	\$ -	\$ 345,000	\$ 395,000	
Current maturities of long-term debt	7,385	-	7,385	15,281	
Current maturities of capital lease obligations	1,161	-	1,161	4,420	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	327,391		327,391	546,974	
Total current liabilities	680,937		680,937	961,675	
Long-term liabilities					
Long-term debt, less current maturities	16,130	-	16,130	23,550	
Long-term capital lease obligation, less current maturities				1,161	
Total long-term liabilities	16,130		16,130	24,711	
Net assets					
Without donor restrictions					
Undesignated	8,373,687	-	8,373,687	5,901,331	
Board designated for endowment	1,737,368		1,737,368	1,491,932	
Total net assets without donor restrictions	10,111,055	-	10,111,055	7,393,263	
With donor restrictions		3,358,621	3,358,621	5,595,476	
Total net assets	10,111,055	3,358,621	13,469,676	12,988,739	
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 10,808,122	\$ 3,358,621	\$ 14,166,743	\$ 13,975,125	

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2022

(With Summarized Comparative Financial Information for 2021)

	With	out Donor	W	ith Donor		To	tals	
	Res	strictions	R	estrictions		2022		2021
Support and revenue								
General fees and contributions	\$ 2	2,700,083	\$	613,494	\$	3,313,577	\$	4,509,800
Contributed goods and services		187,688		-		187,688		265,611
Grants and foundation gifts		125,750		1,339,408		1,465,158		1,436,611
Interest income		3,403		-		3,403		4,291
Net investment return		(338,700)		(365,738)		(704,438)		587,869
Other income		783		-		783		1,962
Net assets released from restrictions	3	3,824,019		(3,824,019)		-	_	
Total support and revenue	6	5,503,026		(2,236,855)		4,266,171		6,806,144
Expenses								
Program	3	3,047,740		-		3,047,740		2,773,422
Management and general		437,689		-		437,689		373,504
Fundraising		299,805			_	299,805		233,993
Total expenses	3	3,785,234				3,785,234		3,380,919
Change in net assets	2	2,717,792		(2,236,855)		480,937		3,425,225
Net assets, beginning of year	7	7,393,263		5,595,476		12,988,739		9,563,514
Net assets, end of year	\$ 10),111,055	\$	3,358,621	\$	13,469,676	\$	12,988,739

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2022

(With Summarized Comparative Financial Information for 2021)

		Management	Fund	То	tals
	Program	and General	Raising	2022	2021
Salaries and benefits	\$ 1,804,032	\$ 301,478	\$ 191,315	\$ 2,296,825	\$ 2,131,315
Kennel supplies and dog care	137,526	ψ 301,170 -	· -	137,526	82,240
Veterinary fees	282,116	_	-	282,116	344,122
Purchase of dogs	9,362	_	_	9,362	7,469
Education	7,077	-	-	7,077	4,404
Repairs and maintenance	100,037	1,087	7,611	108,735	62,990
Motor vehicles	23,221	-	-	23,221	15,535
Rent expense	1,273	-	-	1,273	150
Utilities	77,637	844	5,907	84,388	59,858
Telephone	18,485	1,113	2,672	22,270	19,515
Insurance	46,304	4,076	2,287	52,667	52,341
Fund raising expense	-	-	10,137	10,137	11,219
Advertising and printing	141,422	18,988	22,405	182,815	93,615
Office supplies	71,995	12,031	7,635	91,661	69,536
Postage	553	11,220	6,617	18,390	17,505
Professional services	73,832	54,022	-	127,854	98,304
Travel and entertainment	4,162	11,140	2,928	18,230	12,616
Fees	-	2,286	34,384	36,670	36,241
Interest expense	15,100	-	-	15,100	15,462
Depreciation	228,123	844	5,907	234,874	224,506
Miscellaneous	5,483	18,560		24,043	21,976
Total expenses	\$ 3,047,740	\$ 437,689	\$ 299,805	\$ 3,785,234	\$ 3,380,919

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2022

(With Summarized Comparative Financial Information for 2021)

	2022	2021
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 480,937	\$ 3,425,225
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash		
provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	234,874	224,506
Loss on disposition of property, plant, and equipment	2,332	-
Net investment return	746,371	(564,215)
Contributions and grants restricted for capital improvement	(190,621)	(2,600,996)
Income recognized on government grant	-	(371,000)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Grants and other receivables	(32,554)	(74,430)
Contributions receivable	(407,669)	(1,000)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(8,252)	(18,177)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(219,583)	(111,371)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	605,835	(91,458)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of investments	(635,920)	(309,548)
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	73,475	168,661
Purchases of property and equipment	(1,780,644)	(2,148,102)
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,343,089)	(2,288,989)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from contributions and grants restricted for:		
Acquisition of property and equipment	293,239	2,438,271
Proceeds from government grant	-	371,000
Net payments on line of credit	(50,000)	(71,378)
Principal payments of long-term debt	(15,316)	(36,602)
Principal payments of capital lease obligation	(4,420)	(4,082)
Net cash provided by financing activities	223,503	2,697,209
Net change in cash	(1,513,751)	316,762
Cash, beginning of year	2,284,295	1,967,533
Cash, end of year	\$ 770,544	\$ 2,284,295

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 - DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

NEADS, Inc. ("NEADS") is a non-profit organization that breeds, raises, trains and places Service Dogs with adults and children who are deaf or physically disabled, veterans with PTSD, and children with autism. In addition, NEADS Assistance Dogs provide integrated therapeutic assistance when partnered with professionals in the classroom, hospital, ministry and courthouse settings.

2 - <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u>

NEADS prepares its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles promulgated in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) for not-for-profit entities. The significant accounting and reporting policies used by NEADS are described subsequently to enhance the usefulness and understandability of the financial statements.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements of NEADS have been prepared on the accrual basis. Accordingly, assets are recorded when the organization obtains the rights to ownership or is entitled to claims for receipt and liabilities are recorded when the obligations are incurred.

Accounting estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. On an ongoing basis, NEADS management evaluates the estimates and assumptions based upon historical experience and various other factors and circumstances. NEADS management believes that the estimates and assumptions are reasonable in the circumstances; however, the actual results could differ from those estimates.

Net assets

The financial statements report net assets and changes in net assets in two classes that are based upon the existence or absence of restrictions on use that are placed by its donors, as follows:

<u>Net assets without donor restrictions</u> - Net assets without donor restrictions are resources available to support operations. The only limits on the use of these net assets are the broad limits resulting from the nature of NEADS, the environment in which it operates, the purposes specified in its corporate documents and its application for tax-exempt status, and any limits resulting from contractual agreements with creditors and others that are entered into in the course of its operations. In addition, the governing board of NEADS may elect to designate such resources for specific purposes. This designation may be removed at the board's discretion.

<u>Net assets with donor restrictions</u> - Net assets with donor restrictions are resources that are restricted by a donor for use for a particular purpose or in a particular future period. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, and the restriction will expire when the resources are used in accordance with the donor's instructions or when the stipulated time has passed. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature; NEADS must continue to use the resources in accordance with the donor's instructions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

2 - <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

Net assets (continued)

NEADS unspent contributions are included in this class if the donor limited their use.

When a donor's restriction is satisfied, either by using the resources in the manner specified by the donor or by the passage of time, the expiration of the restriction is reported in the financial statements by reclassifying the net assets from net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions. Net assets restricted for acquisition of buildings or equipment (or less commonly, the contribution of those assets directly) are reported as net assets with donor restrictions until the specified asset is placed in service by NEADS, unless the donor provides more specific directions about the period of its use.

Summarized comparative information

The financial statements include certain prior year summarized comparative information in total but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with NEADS financial statements for the year ended August 31, 2021, from which the summarized information was derived.

Classification of transactions

All revenues and net gains are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions in the statement of activities unless the donor specified the use of the related resources for a particular purpose or in a future period. All expenses and net losses other than losses on endowment investments are reported as decreases in net assets without donor restrictions. Net gains on endowment investments increase net assets with donor restrictions, and net losses on endowment investments reduce that net asset class.

Concentration of credit risk

NEADS maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. NEADS has not experienced any losses in such accounts and does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

Contributions receivable

Contributions receivable are unconditional promises to give that are recognized as contributions when the promise is received. Contributions receivable that are expected to be collected in less than one year are reported at net realizable value. Contributions receivable that are expected to be collected in more than one year are recorded at net realizable value at the date of promise. That net realizable value is computed using a present value technique applied to anticipated cash flows. Amortization of the resulting discount is recognized as additional contribution revenue. The allowance for uncollectible contributions receivable is determined based on management's evaluation of the collectability of individual promises. Promises that remain uncollected more than one year after their due dates are written off unless the donors indicate that payment is merely postponed. NEADS did not have an allowance for uncollectible contributions receivable recorded at August 31, 2022 and 2021.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. Alternative investments which do not have readily determinable fair values are carried at estimated fair values using the net asset value per share of the investment as reported by the investment managers as a practical expedient. NEADS reviews and evaluates the net asset values reported by the investment managers and has determined that the net asset values are calculated in a manner consistent with the measurement principles of FASB ASC Topic 946 as of the balance sheet date. Those estimated fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for these securities existed.

Investment income is recorded in net assets without donor restriction unless its use is restricted by explicit donor stipulations.

Endowment funds

NEADS endowment consists of individual donor restricted funds established for a variety of purposes. Its endowment includes both donor restricted endowment funds and funds designated by NEADS to function as endowments. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed or legal restrictions.

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, NEADS classifies as donor restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified as non-expendable net assets is classified as expendable net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by NEADS in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by state law.

In accordance with the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act, NEADS may consider the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds: the duration and preservation of the fund; the purposes of NEADS and the donor-restricted endowment fund; general economic conditions; the possible effect of inflation and deflation; the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments; other resources of NEADS; and the investment policies of NEADS.

NEADS has adopted investment and spending policies for its board-designated and other endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding for its programs while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Under this policy, as approved by the Board, the endowment assets are invested in a portfolio of debt and equity securities with the objective of achieving long-term capital appreciation while moderating the level of investment risk. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount.

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, NEADS 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). NEADS has invested in debt and equity securities that target a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

2 - <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

Endowment funds (continued)

NEADS has a policy of appropriating for distribution each quarter actual income plus realized and unrealized gains. In establishing this policy, NEADS considered the long-term expected return on its endowment. This is consistent with NEADS' objective to maintain the purchasing power of its endowment.

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor imposed restrictions require NEADS to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. NEADS may appropriate for expenditure from these underwater endowment funds in accordance with the prudent measures prescribed by state law. Such deficiencies amounted to \$67,834 and \$0 as of August 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Property and equipment

Property and equipment are reported in the statement of financial position at cost, if purchased, and at fair value at the date of donation, if donated. All land and buildings are capitalized. Equipment is capitalized if it has a cost of \$2,500 or more and a useful life when acquired of more than one year. Repairs and maintenance that do not significantly increase the useful life of the asset are expensed as incurred. Depreciation and amortization is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

Impairment of long-lived assets and long-lived assets to be disposed of

Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable.

Contributions, gifts, and grants

Contributions, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized when received. All contributions are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions unless use of the contributed assets is specifically restricted by the donor. Amounts received that are restricted by the donor to use in future periods or for specific purposes are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. Unconditional promises with payments due in future years have an implied restriction to be used in the year the payment is due, and therefore are reported as restricted until the payment is due, unless the contribution is clearly intended to support activities of the current fiscal year. Conditional promises, such as matching grants, are not recognized until they become unconditional, that is, until all conditions on which they depend are substantially met.

Gifts-in-kind contributions

NEADS receives contributions in a form other than cash or investments. If material, donated supplies and other items are recorded as contributions at the date of gift and as expenses when the donated items are placed into service or distributed. If NEADS receives a contribution of land, buildings, or equipment, the contributed asset is recognized as an asset at its estimated fair value at the date of gift, provided that the value of the asset and its estimated useful life meets NEADS capitalization policy. Donated use of facilities is reported as contributions and as expenses at the estimated fair value of similar space for rent under similar conditions. If the use of the space is promised unconditionally for a period greater than one year, the contribution is reported as a contribution and an unconditional promise to give at the date of gift, and the expense is reported over the term of use.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

2 - <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

Gifts-in-kind contributions (continued)

NEADS benefits from personal services provided by a substantial number of volunteers. Those volunteers have donated significant amounts of time and services in NEADS program operations and in its fund-raising events. However, the majority of the contributed services do not meet the criteria for recognition in financial statements. GAAP allows recognition of contributed services only if (a) the services create or enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) the services would have been purchased if not provided by contribution, require specialized skills, and are provided by individuals possessing those skills. Donated services, primarily veterinary services, that met these criteria of \$66,203 and \$165,643 were recognized in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Expense recognition and allocation

The cost of providing NEADS programs and other activities is summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities and statement of functional expenses. Expenses that can be identified with a specific program or support service are charged directly to that program or support service. Costs common to multiple functions have been allocated among the various functions benefited using a reasonable allocation method that is consistently applied, as follows:

- Salaries and wages, benefits, and payroll taxes are allocated based on activity reports prepared by key personnel.
- Occupancy, depreciation, amortization, and interest are allocated on a square foot basis dependent on the programs and supporting activities occupying the space.
- Telephone and internet services, insurance, supplies and miscellaneous expenses that cannot be directly identified are allocated on the same basis as occupancy for each program and supporting activity.

Management periodically evaluates the basis on which costs are allocated.

General and administrative expenses include those costs that are not directly identifiable with any specific program, but which provide for the overall support and direction of NEADS.

Fundraising costs are expensed as incurred, even though they may result in contributions received in future years. NEADS generally does not conduct its fundraising activities in conjunction with its other activities. In the few cases in which it does, joint costs have been allocated between fundraising and general and administrative expenses in accordance with standards for accounting for costs of activities that include fundraising. Additionally, advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Advertising expense was \$182,815 and \$93,615 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Tax-exempt status

NEADS is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC), though it would be subject to tax on income unrelated to its exempt purposes (unless that income is otherwise excluded by the IRC). Contributions to NEADS are tax deductible to donors under Section 170 of the IRC. NEADS is not classified as a private foundation.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3 - RISKS AND UNCERTANTIES

The COVID-19 pandemic, whose effects first became known in January 2020, is having a broad impact on commerce and financial markets around the world. Market risks include global events which could impact the financial statements such as a pandemic or international conflict. The United States and global markets experienced significant volatility in value resulting from uncertainty caused by the pandemic. NEADS is closely monitoring this situation and is actively working to minimize the impact of this situation. The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on NEADS's operational and financial performance will depend on certain developments, including the duration and spread of the outbreak and its impacts on NEADS's donors, employees, and vendors, all of which at present, cannot be determined. Accordingly, the extent to which COVID-19 may impact NEADS's financial position, net income and cash flows is uncertain and the accompanying financial statements include no adjustments relating to the effects of this pandemic.

4 - <u>LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY</u>

Financial assets available for general expenditure, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of August 31, 2022 and 2021 are:

	2022	2021
Financial assets:		
Cash	\$ 770,544	\$ 2,284,295
Grants and other receivables	107,484	74,930
Contributions receivable, net	475,776	170,725
Investments	3,896,324	4,080,250
Total financial assets	5,250,128	6,610,200
Less: Financial assets held to meet donor-imposed restrictions: Contributions receivable unavailable for spending until due, which		
are also subject to purpose restrictions	475,776	162,725
Purpose-restricted net assets, net	2,557,773	2,358,697
Endowment assets	325,072	392,906
Less: Board-designated endowment assets, net	1,737,368	1,375,144
Amount available for general expenditures within one year	\$ 154,139	\$ 2,320,728

The above table reflects endowment funds as unavailable because it is NEADS's intention to invest those resources for the long-term support of NEADS. However, in the case of need, the Board of Directors could appropriate resources from the donor-restricted funds available for general use (\$325,072) or from its designated endowment fund (\$1,737,368). Notes 2 and 9 provide more information about those funds and about the spending policies for all endowment funds.

NEADS regularly monitors liquidity required to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments, while also striving to maximize the investment of its available funds. NEADS receives significant contributions with donor restrictions to be used in accordance with the associated purpose restrictions. NEADS anticipates releasing approximately \$1 million annually from purpose restricted resources as it satisfies its program requirements. In addition, the Organization receives support without donor restrictions; such support has historically represented more than 80% of annual program funding needs. In addition to the available financial assets summarized above, NEADS has various sources of liquidity at its disposal, including a line of credit. See note 7 for information about the NEADS's line of credit.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

5 - <u>INVESTMENTS</u>

Investments are included in the following classes of net assets:

	2022	2021
Donor restricted endowment Board-designated endowment With donor restrictions Without donor restrictions	\$ 325,072 1,737,368 1,833,884	\$ 392,906 1,491,932 1,725,525 469,887
	\$ 3,896,324	\$ 4,080,250
Investments are comprised of the following:		
	2022	2021
Money market funds Fixed income – mutual and exchange traded funds Equity based mutual funds Alternative investments	\$ 42,156 1,729,826 2,060,380 63,962	\$ 51,566 1,664,740 2,308,907 55,037
	\$ 3,896,324	\$ 4,080,250
Investment return is reflected in the financial statements for 2022 and 2021 as follows	vs:	
	2022	2021
Interest and dividend income Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) Investment management fees	\$ 70,948 (746,371) (29,015)	\$ 49,790 564,215 (26,136)
Total investment return	\$ (704,438)	\$ 587,869

NEADS investments are subject to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility risks. Further, because of the significance of the investments to NEADS financial position and the level of risk inherent in most investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of these investments could occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

6 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment, together with estimated useful lives, consist of the following:

	Estimated		
	Useful Lives	2022	2021
Land	-	\$ 642,618	\$ 172,890
Buildings and improvements	15 - 39 years	10,008,006	6,240,992
Furniture and equipment	3 - 7 years	901,918	700,265
Motor vehicles	5 years	218,414	218,414
Construction in process	-		2,660,083
		11,770,956	9,992,644
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization		2,908,085	2,673,211
		\$ 8,862,871	\$ 7,319,433

Depreciation expense for property and equipment was \$234,874 and \$224,506 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

7 - NOTES PAYABLE, BANK

NEADS had a line of credit to meet the needs of construction with a maximum obligation of \$1,000,000. The amount of the note was collateralized by certain investments of NEADS and included interest equal to the prime rate, minus 0.50%. The line was not utilized in 2021 or 2022 and was closed out in 2022. NEADS also has a line of credit, due on demand, with its bank with a borrowing limit of \$645,000. The line of credit is secured by certain assets of NEADS. Interest is equal to the prime rate, minus 0.50% (5.00% at August 31, 2022). Outstanding advances on this line of credit were \$345,000 and \$395,000 at August 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

8 - LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	 2022	 2021
Note payable, secured by property, due in monthly installments of \$716, including interest at 6%, through August 2022.	\$ -	\$ 8,325
Note payable, secured by property, due in monthly installments of \$716, including interest at 6%, through August 2025.	 23,515	 30,506
Less: Current maturities of long-term debt	 23,515 7,385	 38,831 15,281
	\$ 16,130	\$ 23,550
Maturities of long-term debt in subsequent years are as follows:		
2023 2024 2025	\$ 7,385 7,840 8,290	
	\$ 23,515	

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9 - ENDOWMENT ASSETS

Endowment assets include board designated and donor restricted funds. Changes in endowment assets for the year ended August 31, 2022 are as follows:

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Endowment assets, beginning of year	\$ 1,491,932	\$ 392,906	\$ 1,884,838
Investment return: Interest and dividends Net appreciation (realized/unrealized) Investment management fees	25,942 (272,909) (10,609)	6,832 (71,872) (2,794)	32,774 (344,781) (13,403)
Total investment return	(257,576)	(67,834)	(325,410)
Additions	576,487	-	576,487
Appropriation for expenditure	(73,475)		(73,475)
Endowment assets, end of year	\$ 1,737,368	\$ 325,072	\$ 2,062,440

During 1992, a donation of \$50,000 was made to the Greater Worcester Community Foundation to benefit NEADS. This donation is managed by the Community Foundation Distribution Committee. NEADS will be entitled to the net income and as much of the principal as the Distribution Committee deems necessary to support the operations and/or needs of NEADS. NEADS will recognize this support when it is received. No support has been recognized in these financial statements.

10 - LEASES

NEADS leases certain equipment under a capital lease agreement. Property and equipment includes the following furniture equipment acquired under current capital lease agreements:

	2022	2021
Furniture and equipment Less: Accumulated depreciation	\$ 16,178 15,167	\$ 16,178 11,123
	\$ 1,011	\$ 5,055

Future minimum lease payments under this capital lease, together with the present value of future minimum lease payments as of August 31, 2022 are as follows:

Year Ending

2023	\$ 1,176
Total minimum lease payments Less: Amount representing interest	1,176 15
Present value of minimum lease payments	\$ 1,161

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

10 - LEASES (Continued)

NEADS also leases equipment under a long-term lease agreement classified as an operating lease for financial statement purposes.

Future minimum lease payments as of August 31, 2022 are as follows:

Year Ending

2023 2024	\$ 4,585 164
	\$ 4,749

Lease expense was \$15,691 and \$16,691 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

11 - NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

At August 31, 2022 and 2021, net assets with donor restrictions are available for the following purposes or periods:

	2022	2021
Purpose restrictions, available for spending:		
Capital acquisition and expansion	\$ -	\$ 2,681,148
Dog training programs	2,557,773	2,358,697
Total purpose restricted net assets	2,557,773	5,039,845
Time restrictions:		
Contributions receivable, which are unavailable for spending until due,		
some of which are also subject to purpose restrictions	475,776	162,725
Endowment funds, which must be appropriated by the Board of Directors before use:		
Investment in perpetuity, the income and appreciation from which is		
expendable for general operating needs	325,072	392,906
Total net assets with donor restrictions	\$ 3,358,621	\$ 5,595,476

The Board of Directors has designated \$1,737,368 and \$1,491,932 of net assets without donor restriction for long-term investment as of August 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

During 2022 and 2021, net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purpose or by the occurrence of other events specified by donors as follows:

	2022	 2021
Purpose restrictions:		
Capital acquisition and expansion	\$ 2,871,769	\$ -
Completion of dog training programs	952,250	 893,658
	\$ 3,824,019	\$ 893,658

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

12 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

NEADS reports fair value measures of its assets and liabilities using a three-level hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value. This hierarchy, established by GAAP, requires that entities maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The asset or liability's measurement within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the measurement. The three levels of inputs used to measure fair value are as follows:

- Level 1: Valuation is based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2: Valuation is based on observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3: Valuation is based on unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation.

When available, NEADS measures fair value using level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. However, level 1 inputs are not available for many of the assets and liabilities that NEADS is required to measure at fair value (for example, unconditional promises to give and in-kind contributions).

The primary uses of fair value measures in NEADS financial statements are:

- initial measurement of noncash gifts, including gifts of investment assets and unconditional promises to give.
- recurring measurement of endowment and long-term investments.

Determination of fair value

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for items measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used during the year ended August 31, 2022.

Money market, fixed income mutual and exchange traded funds and equity based mutual funds: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded. Fair value hierarchy for each is based on the level of active trading within the respective markets for each asset or liability.

Alternative investments: NEADS, as a practical expedient, estimates the fair value of its alternative investments based on the net asset value (or its equivalent) as reported by the fund manager. NEADS has evaluated the audited financial statements of its holdings as of the balance sheet date and believes that reported net asset value (or its equivalent) is calculated consistent with the guidance of ASC 820-10-35-59.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

12 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

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

NEADS financial assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis were recorded using the fair value hierarchy at August 31, 2022 as follows:

	August 31, 2022							
		Level 1	L	evel 2	L	evel 3		Total
Investments								
Money market funds	\$	42,156	\$	-	\$	-	\$	42,156
Fixed income – mutual and								
exchange traded funds		1,729,826		-		-	1	1,729,826
Equity based mutual funds		2,060,380		-		-		2,060,380
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$	3,832,362	\$		\$	-	3	3,832,362
Investments measured at net asset value								63,962
Total investments at fair value							\$ 3	3,896,324

NEADS financial assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis were recorded using the fair value hierarchy at August 31, 2021 as follows:

	August 31, 2021							
		Level 1	I	Level 2	L	evel 3		Total
Investments								
Money market funds	\$	51,566	\$	-	\$	-	\$	51,566
Fixed income – mutual and								
exchange traded funds		1,664,740		-		-	1	1,664,740
Equity based mutual funds		2,308,907		-				2,308,907
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$	4,025,213	<u>\$</u>	_	\$		2	4,025,213
Investments measured at net asset value								55,037
Total investments at fair value							\$ 4	4,080,250

There were no transfers between the levels during the year. NEADS policy is to recognize transfers in and out of the levels at the end of the fiscal year; interim changes in the availability of fair value inputs are not recognized.

NEADS does not measure any liabilities at fair value on a recurring or non-recurring basis on the statement of financial position.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

12 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

As discussed above in the financial statements, NEADS estimates the fair value of its investments in certain entities using the net asset value per share of the investment. Further information about these investments is presented below:

			Redemption Frequency	
	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	(If Currently Eligible)	Redemption Notice Period
Private equity funds	\$ 63,962	\$	Quarterly	None

The private equity funds are closed end funds with an indeterminate liquidation period. Prior to liquidation, NEADS is eligible to have their investments purchased back through a limited repurchase program at a price that may reflect a discount from the purchase price paid for the shares being repurchased. NEADS intends to hold these investments until liquidation by the fund and does not intend to take part in the repurchase program.

13 - GOVERNMENT GRANT INCOME

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) was established under the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") and administered by the Small Business Administration ("SBA"). NEADS was granted a loan of \$371,000 in 2021 under the PPP, administered by an SBA approved bank. The loan is uncollateralized and fully guaranteed by the Federal government. NEADS initially recorded the loan as a conditional grant and subsequently recognized \$371,000 in 2021 as a government grant withing grants and foundation gifts on the statement of activities upon receiving forgiveness for the full amount of the loan and accrued interest from the SBA.

14 - <u>RETIREMENT PLAN</u>

NEADS has a 403(b) retirement plan covering substantially all employees. NEADS made matching contributions to the plan in the amount of \$7,679 and \$7,258 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

15 - DONATED GOODS AND SERVICES

Donated goods and services were comprised of the following:

	2022	2021
Goods		
Kennel supplies and dog care	\$ 121,485	\$ 99,968
Services		
Veterinary & professional fees	66,203	165,643
	<u>\$ 187,688</u>	\$ 265,611

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

16 - STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Supplemental disclosures of cash flows information is as follows:

Cash paid for interest totaled \$15,100 and \$15,462 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

17 - <u>SUBSEQUENT EVENTS</u>

Subsequent events have been evaluated through January 18, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Events occurring after that date have not been evaluated to determine whether a change in the financial statements would be required.