## THE MILITARY COLLEGE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

(A Component Unit of the State of South Carolina) CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, AND SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND REPORTS UNDER THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE THEREON

Year Ended June 30, 2024

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#### **Report of Independent Auditor**

To the Members of the Board of Visitors The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina Charleston, South Carolina

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities, the fiduciary activities, and the aggregate non-governmental discretely presented component units of The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina ("The Citadel"), a component unit of the State of South Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise The Citadel's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of another auditor, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities, the fiduciary activities, and the aggregate non-governmental discretely presented component units of The Citadel, as of June 30, 2024, 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 The Citadel Foundation, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation, which are presented as non-governmental discretely presented component units. The Citadel Foundation, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation represent 100% of total assets, 100% of net position, and 100% of total revenues of the aggregate non-governmental discretely presented component units as of June 30, 2024. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinions, insofar as they relate to the amounts included for The Citadel Foundation, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation, are based solely on the reports 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 The Citadel, 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. The financial statements of The Citadel Foundation, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **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 The Citadel'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 The Citadel'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 The Citadel'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.

#### **Other Matters**

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, the Schedule of The Citadel's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of The Citadel's Pension Contributions, The Citadel's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability, and the Schedule of The Citadel's OPEB Contributions, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise The Citadel's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Award* is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements themselves, and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the schedule of unrestricted net position, excluding GASB 68, pension, and GASB 75, OPEB but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 11, 2024, on our consideration of The Citadel'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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of The Citadel's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering The Citadel's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Cherry Bekaert LLP

Greenville, South Carolina October 11, 2024, except for our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards for which the date is March 6, 2025

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements and Financial Analysis**

The Citadel ("The Citadel" or the "College") is pleased to present its financial statements for fiscal year 2024. While audited financial statements for fiscal year 2023 are not presented with this report, condensed operations and financial position data will be presented in this section in order to illustrate certain increases and decreases. However, the emphasis of discussions about these statements will be on current year data. This discussion focuses on the combined operations and financial positions of the College, defined for purposes of this discussion as both the primary institution – The Citadel, and its blended component unit – The Citadel Trust. The discussion excludes the College's non-governmental component units – The Citadel Foundation, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation.

During fiscal year 2015, The Citadel received a renewed 10-year accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges ("SACSCOC"), with no recommendations for improvements or further action required.

Total recurring state appropriations, which include other items such as state health insurance allocations, increased \$5.6 million from \$16.2 million in 2023 to \$21.8 million in 2024. The Citadel also received non-recurring appropriations for various capital projects, general maintenance, and updates to the campus. In 2024, The Citadel received \$17.5 million in non-recurring general appropriations per Proviso 118.19 for construction of a new Engineering Building. The Citadel also received capital reserve funds totaling \$11.5 million per FY22-23 Bill H\*4301 of which the entire amount is allocated towards the Engineering Building. With consistent state appropriations, The Citadel did not increase tuition for in state students (Corps of Cadets, College Transfer Program, and Graduate College included).

Based on decreased cadet enrollment and no increase in cadet fees, there was a \$0.2 million decrease in student tuition and fee revenue, net of scholarship allowances. The Citadel is monitoring the in-state vs. out-of-state mix of enrolled students for potential revenue impacts.

Cadet enrollment decreased 0.6% between fiscal years and other student categories also decreased by 4.4%. The Citadel Graduate College increased 3.7%. Increases in enrollment for future semesters are expected as the programs continue enrolling more students.

Student Category	Fall 2023* Enrollment	Fall 2022** Enrollment	# Increase / (Decrease)	% Increase / (Decrease)
Cadets	2,226	2,252	(12)	(0.6)%
Graduate Students	1,064	975	38	3.7%
Others (Active Duty, Veteran, etc.)	437	466	(20)	(4.4)%
Totals	3,727	3,721	6	0.2%

\* Source: Citadel Institutional Research Fall 2023 Student Enrollment Profile

\*\* Source: Citadel Institutional Research Fall 2022 Student Enrollment Profile

Cohort	Fall 2023 Retention***	Fall 2022 Retention****
Retention rate of full-time bachelor's degree seeking undergraduate student who entered institution in the prior Fall	88%	84%

\*\*\* Source: Citadel Institutional Research Common Data Set 2023-2024

\*\*\*\* Source: Citadel Institutional Research Common Data Set 2022-2023

#### Overview of the Financial Statements and Financial Analysis, Continued

Sales and services revenue increased by \$2.9 million in 2024. This increase is composed of a \$4.6 million increase in auxiliary revenue pledged for revenue bonds and a \$1.9 million decrease in auxiliary revenue not pledged for revenue bonds. Auxiliary student fee revenue increased \$1.4 million over the last year. In addition, an increase in scholarship allowances of \$1.0 million netted against auxiliary revenue also occurred. Fiscal year 2024 marked the seventh year partnering with Sodexo as its food service provider. Revenues for the Sodexo fee-based auxiliary decreased \$1.3 million. Revenues for the Cadet Store and Sodexo profit based increased \$0.7 million and \$0.3 million, respectively. Sales and services in athletics increased \$0.2 million.

Athletics fee-based revenue stayed materially the same year-over-year. Athletics sales revenue, the only auxiliary revenues not pledged for revenue bonds, decreased by \$1.9 million in fiscal year 2024. The Athletic Department (the "Department") revenues are largely dependent upon attendance at sporting events while expenses are driven by scholarships, facility maintenance and compensation. The College closely monitors the financial position of the Department to ensure long-term success. The College's bondholder of the Series 2015 Athletic Facilities Revenue bond requires a bond coverage ratio of 100%. As of June 30, 2024, management believes the College reported an above adequate bond coverage ratio for the Series 2015 Athletic Facility Bond. See Note 24 for additional information.

Operating expenses decreased in fiscal year 2024. Compensation and benefits decreased by \$1.5 million due to an increase in unexecuted labor. Services and supplies expenses decreased by \$5.5 million, \$5.4 million of which is due to a reduction in expenses specific to fiscal year 2024 funds. These expenses include a \$1.0 million decrease in IT equipment purchases, \$1.1 million decrease in expenses related to cadet uniforms and a \$2.3 million decrease in renovation expenses.

In fiscal year 2024, The Citadel adjusted the net pension liability based on guidance from the South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority. In fiscal year 2024, the pension liability beginning balance was \$89.0 million. During fiscal year 2024, adjustments to the net pension liability were made based on actuarial data and a change in expected investment returns. The net pension liability decreased by \$4.0 million, the deferred outflows decreased by \$0.4 million, and the deferred inflows increased by \$1 million. These adjustments decreased the pension liability to \$84.9 million.

In fiscal year 2024, The Citadel adjusted the net OPEB liability based on guidance from the South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority. In fiscal year 2024, the OPEB liability beginning balance was \$78.4 million. During fiscal year 2024, adjustments to the net OPEB liability were made based on actuarial data and a change in expected investment returns. The net OPEB liability decreased by \$14.2 million, the deferred outflows decreased by \$5.4 million, and the deferred inflows increased by \$6.0 million. These adjustments decreased the OPEB liability to \$64.2 million.

An influence on the financial results of The Citadel Trust, Incorporated (the "Trust") during 2024 was the increase in investment returns. Approximately 99% of the Trust's pooled assets are invested in the Richmond Fund, a limited partnership managed by Spider Management Company, LLC ("Spider"), a subsidiary of the University of Richmond. The Richmond Fund invests in traditional investments as well as in alternative investments such as private equity, venture capital, real assets, and hedge funds. The Richmond Fund's return increased from 2.20% in fiscal year 2023 to 6.62% in fiscal year 2024. Investment market values (including cash and money market holdings within existing positions) increased from \$126.6 million in 2023 to \$129.8 million in 2024 due to increased investment earnings during the year.

#### Overview of the Financial Statements and Financial Analysis, Continued

In August 2013, the Trust's Board of Directors ratified a memorandum of understanding ("MOU") with The Citadel Alumni Association ("CAA") allowing the CAA to invest in The Trust's unitized investment pool and gain access to The Trust's more diversified pool of investments managed by Morgan Stanley and Spider management. The CAA contributed \$3.1 million in October 2013 and \$0.8 million in March 2014. Per the MOU, these funds were invested in the same manner and with the same due care in which The Trust's funds are invested. The fair value of the CAA investments at June 30, 2023 was \$7.1 million. The fair value of the CAA investments at June 30, 2023 was \$7.1 million. The fair value of the CAA investments. The Trust does not recognize any revenues from the investment returns on the CAA's investments.

This report consists of a series of financial statements, prepared in accordance with GASB in Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis–for State and Local Governments*, and Statement No. 35, *Basic Financial Statement–and Management's Discussion and Analysis–for Colleges and Universities*, and Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. These financial statements focus on the financial condition of the College, the results of operations and cash flows of the College as a whole.

There are three financial statements presented: The Statement of Net Position; The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position; and The Statement of Cash Flows. These statements present financial information in a format similar to that used by private corporations. The College's net position (the difference between assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows) is one indicator of the improvement or erosion of the College's financial health when considered with nonfinancial facts such as enrollment levels and the condition of the facilities.

#### **Statement of Net Position**

The Statement of Net Position presents the assets and deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows, and net position of the College as of the end of the fiscal year. The Statement of Net Position is a point of time financial statement. The purpose of the Statement of Net Position is to present to the readers of the financial statements a fiscal snapshot of the College. The Statement of Net Position presents end-of-year data concerning assets (property that we own and what we are owed by others), deferred outflows of resources (a consumption of assets applicable to a future reporting period), liabilities (what we owe to others and have collected from others before we have provided the service), deferred inflows of resources (an acquisition of net assets that is applicable to a future reporting position), and net position (assets and deferred outflows of resources minus liabilities and deferred inflows of resources). It is prepared under the accrual basis of accounting, where revenues and assets are recognized when the service is provided and expenses and liabilities are recognized when others provide the service to us, regardless of when cash is exchanged.

From the data presented, readers of the Statement of Net Position are able to determine the assets available to continue the operations of the College. They are also able to determine how much the College owes vendors and lending institutions. Finally, the Statement of Net Position provides a picture of the net position (assets and deferred outflows of resources minus liabilities and deferred inflows of resources) and their availability for expenditure by the institution.

#### Statement of Net Position, Continued

Net position is divided into three major categories. The first category, net investment in capital assets, provides the institution's equity in property, plant, and equipment owned by the College. The next category is restricted net position, which is divided into two categories, nonexpendable and expendable. Restricted nonexpendable net position consists solely of the College's permanent endowment funds that are only available for investment purposes. Expendable restricted net position is available for expenditure by the institution but must be spent for purposes as determined by donors and/or external entities that have placed time or purpose restrictions on the use of the assets. The final category is unrestricted net position. Unrestricted assets are available to the institution for any lawful purpose of the College. Although unrestricted net position is subject to externally imposed stipulations, substantially all the College's unrestricted net position has been designated for various academic and research programs and initiatives. Unrestricted net position is reported as a net negative balance as a result of The Citadel's prior year adoption of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, in fiscal year 2015 and GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, in fiscal year 2018. The negative balance resulting from The Citadel's portion of the unfunded pension and OPEB liabilities of the state of South Carolina exceeds the positive unrestricted net position of the various other unrestricted funds within the College.

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	2024	2023	(De	ecrease)	Percent
Assets:					
Current assets	\$ 108,190	\$ 62,480	\$	45,710	73.2%
Capital assets, net	202,415	189,561		12,854	6.8%
Other assets	176,263	 185,548		(9,285)	-5.0%
Total Assets	 486,868	 437,589		49,279	11.3%
Deferred Outflows of Resources	 26,769	 32,631		(5,862)	-18.0%
Liabilities:					
Current liabilities	22,684	28,828		(6,144)	-21.3%
Noncurrent liabilities	 194,061	 215,273		(21,212)	-9.9%
Total Liabilities	 216,745	 244,101		(27,356)	-11.2%
Deferred Inflows of Resources	 47,952	41,027		6,925	16.9%
Net Position:					
Net investment in capital assets	155,581	143,123		12,458	8.7%
Restricted - nonexpendable	72,764	68,762		4,002	5.8%
Restricted - expendable	117,351	107,441		9,910	9.2%
Unrestricted	 (96,755)	 (134,234)		37,479	-27.9%
Total Net Position	\$ 248,941	\$ 185,092	\$	63,849	34.5%

#### Condensed Summary of Net Position (thousands of dollars)

#### Total Assets - Overall Increase of \$49.3 million

The \$45.7 million increase in current assets is composed of a \$45.2M million increase in The Citadel current assets and a \$0.5 million increase in Trust current assets.

The \$45.2 million increase in The Citadel current assets is primarily attributable to increase in current unrestricted cash of \$43.0 million and current unrestricted accounts receivable of \$11.0 million due to draw downs of capital appropriations and other funds for capital projects.

#### Statement of Net Position, Continued

The \$0.5 million increase in Trust current assets is primarily attributable to a decrease in current unrestricted cash of \$1.0 million offset by an increase of \$0.5 million increase in due from other funds and \$1.2 million in current restricted cash.

The \$12.9 million increase in capital assets, net is composed of a \$11.7 million increase in capital assets not being depreciated and a \$1.2 million increase in capital assets net of depreciation, both primarily due to changes in The Citadel capital assets.

The Citadel capital assets (net of depreciation) increased by \$1.2 million. Depreciation expense increased \$1.5 million.

The \$9.3 million decrease in other assets is composed of a \$14.2 million decrease in The Citadel other assets and a \$4.9 million increase in Trust other assets.

The decrease in The Citadel other assets is mainly attributable to a \$20.7 million decrease in noncurrent unrestricted cash and cash equivalents and \$7.5 million decrease in noncurrent restricted cash and cash equivalents, offset by a \$14.0 million increase in restricted accounts receivable for state appropriations and capital reserve funds.

The increase in The Trust other assets is mainly attributable to a \$5.7 million increase in noncurrent unrestricted investments and a \$5.2 million increase in noncurrent restricted investments, offset by a decrease of \$5.8 million in noncurrent restricted marketable securities.

#### Deferred Outflows of Resources – Overall Decrease of \$5.9 million

Deferred outflows related to pensions decreased by \$5.4 million and OPEB deferred outflows decreased by \$0.4 million both of which are primarily related to changes in assumptions which resulted in a change in the respective liabilities and amortization of prior year deferrals as current year pension and OPEB expenses.

#### Total Liabilities – Overall Decrease of \$27.4 million

The Citadel current liabilities decreased \$6.1 million mainly due to decrease of \$3.6 million in deposits, \$1.6 million in retainages payable, and \$1.3 million in accrued payroll and related liabilities. Trust current liabilities remained relatively unchanged year-over-year.

The \$21.1 million decrease in noncurrent liabilities is entirely attributable to The Citadel, primarily driven by a \$14.2 million reduction in the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024, and a \$4.0 million decrease in the net pension liability. Further, there was a \$3.0 million decrease in bonds payable due to scheduled payments on outstanding debt.

Trust noncurrent liabilities remained unchanged year-over-year.

#### Statement of Net Position, Continued

#### Deferred Inflows of Resources - Overall Increase of \$7.0 million

Deferred inflows related to pensions increased by \$1.0 million and an increase in OPEB deferred inflows of \$6.0 million both of which are primarily related to changes in assumptions which resulted in a change in the respective liabilities and amortization of prior year deferrals as current year pension and OPEB expenses.

#### Net Position – Overall Increase of \$63.8 million

The net position increased primarily due to an increase in unrestricted by \$37.5 million when Capers Hall and other projects were capitalized. There was also a \$14.4 million increase in capital projects due to an increase in state appropriations and capital reserve funds for various on campus projects.

Unrestricted net position increased by \$37.4 million. There was a \$1.5 million decrease in The Trust unrestricted net position.

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position presents the revenues earned and expenses incurred during the year. Activities are reported as either operating or nonoperating. A public college's dependency on state aid and gifts will result in operating deficits. GASB requires state appropriations and gifts to be classified as nonoperating revenues. The utilization of long-lived assets, referred to as capital assets, is reflected in the financial statements as depreciation, which amortizes the cost of an asset over its expected useful life.

Changes in total net position, as presented on the Statement of Net Position, are based on the activity presented in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. The purpose of the statement is to present the revenues received by the College, both operating and nonoperating, and the expenses paid by the College, operating and nonoperating and any other revenues, expenses, gains, and losses received or spent by the College.

Generally speaking, operating revenues are received for providing goods and services to the various customers and constituencies of the College. Operating expenses are those expenses paid to acquire or produce the goods and services provided in return for the operating revenues, and to carry out the mission of the College. Nonoperating revenues are revenues received for which goods and services are not provided. State capital appropriations and capital grants and gifts are considered neither operating nor nonoperating revenues and are reported after Income before other revenues, expenses, gains, or losses.

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, Continued

Condensed Summary of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (thousands of dollars)

	 2024	 2023	crease/ ecrease)	Percent Change
Revenues:				
Student tuition and fees, net	\$ 44,416	\$ 44,203	\$ 213	0.5%
Sales and services	39,477	36,547	2,930	8.0%
Grants and contracts	12,956	11,899	1,057	8.9%
Investment income	8,310	380	7,930	2086.8%
Other operating revenues	 9,256	 7,544	 1,712	22.7%
Total Operating Revenues	 114,415	 100,573	 13,842	13.8%
State appropriations	 22,179	39,035	 (16,856)	-43.2%
Grants and contracts	13,363	12,633	730	5.8%
Gifts	5,680	6,555	(875)	-13.3%
Investment income (loss)	6,832	(1,291)	8,123	-629.2%
Other nonoperating revenues	 1,387	 1,963	 (576)	-29.3%
Total Nonoperating Revenues	49,441	58,895	(9,454)	-16.1%
Total Revenues	163,856	 159,468	4,388	2.8%
Expenses:				
Compensation and employee benefits	75,516	76,984	(1,468)	-1.9%
Services and supplies	44,856	50,361	(5,505)	-10.9%
Utilities	4,323	4,312	11	0.3%
Depreciation	7,641	6,139	1,502	24.5%
Scholarships and fellowships	 5,981	13,007	 (7,026)	-54.0%
Total Operating Expenses	138,317	150,803	(12,486)	-8.3%
Interest expense on capital asset-related debt	 1,270	1,737	(467)	-26.9%
Total Nonoperating Expenses	 1,270	 1,737	 (467)	-26.9%
Total Expenses	 139,587	152,540	 (12,953)	-8.5%
Income before capital				
contributions, additions to permanent				
endowments, and transfers	 24,269	 6,928	 17,341	250.3%
Capital Contributions, Additions to Permanent				
Endowments, and Transfers				
Capital grants and appropriations	38,185	32,647	5,538	17.0%
Permanent endowment additions	 1,395	 1,035	 360	34.8%
Total Capital Contributions, Additions to				
Permanent Endowments, and Transfers	 39,580	 33,682	 5,898	17.5%
Change in Net Position	63,849	40,610	23,239	57.2%
Net Position, Beginning	 185,092	 144,482	 40,610	28.1%
Net Position, Ending	\$ 248,941	\$ 185,092	\$ 63,849	34.5%

#### Total Revenues - Overall Increase of \$4.4 million

Operating revenues increased by \$13.8 million. The Citadel operating revenues increased by \$5.5 million and Citadel Trust operating revenues increased by \$8.3 million.

Citadel tuition and fees increased by \$0.2 million in 2024.

Sales and services revenue increased by \$2.9 million in 2024. This increase is composed of a \$4.6 million increase in auxiliary revenue pledged for revenue bonds and a \$1.9 million decrease in auxiliary revenue not pledged for revenue bonds. Sales and Services of Educational and Other Activities remained materially the same.

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, Continued

Pledged revenues from auxiliary fee-based and profit-based revenue increased by \$4.6 million over last year primarily due to increases in prices as well as slight increases in enrollment. Revenues for Sodexo fee-based sources increased \$1.3 million. Revenues for the Cadet Store and Sodexo profit based increased \$0.7 million and \$0.3 million, respectively. Sales and services in athletics increased \$0.2 million. Revenues from the athletic facility fee stayed materially the same.

Athletics sales revenue, the only auxiliary revenues not pledged for revenue bonds, decreased by \$1.9 million in fiscal year 2024.

Operating grant revenue increased by \$1.1 million. Federal operating grants increased by \$2.1 million, state operating grants decreased by \$1.0 million, and nongovernmental operating grants remained steady.

Other operating revenues increased by approximately \$0.1 million. This increase is primarily related to other fees charged by The Citadel for services provided.

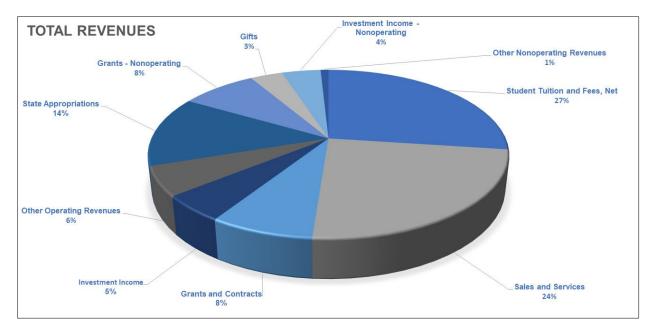
The \$8.3 million increase in Trust operating revenues is mainly attributable to an increase of \$7.9 million in investment returns within the Trust's unitized investment pool due to positive returns from the Richmond Fund of 6.62%.

Nonoperating revenues decreased by \$9.5 million. This decrease is composed of a \$9.0 million decrease in The Citadel nonoperating revenues and a \$0.5 million decrease in Citadel Trust nonoperating revenue.

The major components of The Citadel decrease in nonoperating revenues were decreases in non-recurring state appropriations of \$16.7 million, offset by an increase of \$8.1 million in investment income.

Total recurring state appropriations, which include other items such as state health insurance allocations, increased \$5.6 million from \$16.2 million in 2023 to \$21.8 million in 2024. This is the highest amount of state appropriations received since it last peaked in fiscal year 2008 at \$16.9 million.

The Citadel also received nonrecurring appropriations for various capital projects, general maintenance, and updates to the campus. In 2024, The Citadel received \$17.8 million in non-recurring general appropriations per Proviso 118.19 for construction of a new Engineering Building. The Citadel also received capital reserve funds totaling \$11.5 million per FY22-23 Bill H\*4301 of which the entire amount is allocated towards the Engineering Building.



### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, Continued

#### Total Expenses – Overall Decrease of \$12.9 million

Operating expenses decreased by \$12.9 million. This is mainly driven by decrease of \$5.5 million in services and supplies, \$7.0 million in scholarships and fellowships, \$1.5 million in compensation and benefits. These decreases were slightly offset by an increase of \$1.5 million in depreciation.

Scholarship expenses decreased by \$7.0 million. Scholarship expense is the portion of total scholarships that is refunded to students. The remaining scholarship amount is netted against tuition and fee revenue as a scholarship allowance. Total scholarships decreased by \$7.0 million in part due to an increase in the scholarship allowance of \$3.7 million.

Nonoperating expenses decreased by \$0.5 million due to a decrease of \$0.5 million in interest expense on capital asset-related debt.

#### TOTAL EXPENSES BY FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION Depreciation Instruction 6% 25% Auxiliary Enterprises 28% Research 3% Endowments 0% **Public Service** 0% Scholarships and Fellowships Academic Support 3% 9% Student Services 6% Operations and Maintenance of Institutional Support Plant 11% 9% TOTAL EXPENSES BY NATURAL CLASSIFICATION Scholarships and Fellowships Depreciation 6% 4% Utilities 3% Services and Supplies 32% Compensation and Employee Benefits 55%

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, Continued

# Capital Contributions, Additions to Permanent Endowments, and Transfers – Overall Increase of \$5.9 million

Citadel capital grants and gifts and transfers from the Trust increased by \$6.9 million. State one-time capital appropriations increased by \$1.4 million.

Permanent endowment additions increased by approximately \$0.4 million.

### The Military College of South Carolina MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) JUNE 30, 2024

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

The final statement presented is the Statement of Cash Flows. The Statement of Cash Flows presents detailed information about the cash activity of the College during the year. The statement is divided into five parts. The first part deals with operating cash flows and shows the net cash from the operating activities of the institution. The second section reflects cash flows from noncapital financing activities. This section reflects the cash received and spent for nonoperating, non-investing, and noncapital financing purposes. The third section deals with cash flows from capital and related financing activities. This section deals with the cash used for the acquisition and construction of capital and related items. The fourth section reflects the cash flows from investing activities and shows the purchases, proceeds, and interest received from investing activities. The fifth section reconciles the net cash from the operating income or loss reflected on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, at June 30, 2024 and 2023 were as follows:

		Increase/	
2024	2023	(Decrease)	Percent
\$ 4,903,347	\$ 4,896,863	\$ 6,484	0.1%
17,169,693	5,500,458	11,669,235	212.2%
368,801	368,801	-	-
2,649,153	3,028,809	(379,656)	-12.5%
169,575,020	166,937,463	2,637,557	1.6%
4,094,193	4,552,880	(458,687)	-10.1%
237,060	291,914	(54,854)	-18.8%
3,182,983	3,455,066	(272,083)	-7.9%
235,195	528,749	(293,554)	-55.5%
\$ 202,415,445	\$ 189,561,003	\$ 12,854,442	6.8%
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The following construction projects were completed and capitalized for a total cost of \$8.1 million during 2024, including: Daniel Library HVAC Replacement, Deas Hall Weight Room Renovation, HAC & Hollings Hall Roof Replacement, Stevens Barracks Window Replacement, Stevens Barracks Roof Replacement, and Watts Barracks Mechanical Room Renovation. Several projects are in process and comprise the \$17.2 million remaining in The Citadel construction in progress: Fire Pump Water Tank Replacement, Mims Housing Renovation, Wilson Housing Renovations, Summerall Chapel Stained Glass Restoration, Summerall Chapel AV Replacement, Summerall Chapel Accessible Entrance, and School of Engineering Building.

The Trust capital assets remained materially the same year over year.

The Citadel capitalized \$19.9 million of new land, construction in progress, and buildings and improvements net of disposals in 2024 and recognized depreciation expense of approximately \$7.6 million.

Net investment in capital assets, increased by \$12.9 million due to the capitalization of Capers Hall and other capital projects. The Citadel capital assets, net of depreciation, increased by \$12.9 million, while Trust capital assets remained materially the same.

## The Military College of South Carolina MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) JUNE 30, 2024

#### **Economic Outlook**

The economic position of The Citadel is closely tied to that of the State of South Carolina and the City of Charleston. The South Carolina economy continued to show strength in 2024, with the City of Charleston and the coastal regions leading that growth. Charleston has been dubbed the Silicon Harbor as it is becoming one of the new start-up technology hubs of the country. Charleston has attracted many Fortune 500 businesses including Boeing and Volvo to the area and, from a tourism standpoint, the City of Charleston was recently ranked the No. 1 city in the nation by Travel and Leisure magazine.

In September 2024, U.S. News & World Report named The Citadel the No. 1 public institution offering up to a master's degree in the South for the fourteenth consecutive year and ranked The Citadel the No. 1 higher education institution (private and public) in the South. The Citadel was also ranked No. 1 for the best colleges for veterans in the South. The Citadel's School of Engineering was also ranked No. 18 for best undergraduate engineering programs in the nation and is included in the top ten for Most Innovative Schools in the South.

As the College continues to pay down long-term debt, its financial position should continue to strengthen over the upcoming years. The College obtained funding for on campus maintenance needs and various other capital projects. Donor support for upcoming projects continues to be promising.

The Citadel's base state appropriations increased by a total of \$5.6 million from \$16.2 million in 2023 to \$21.8 million in 2024.

The outlook for The Citadel Trust is closely aligned with the outlook for the economy as a whole and with the financial markets. The Trust was impacted by positive investment results in fiscal year 2024. The Richmond Fund saw a return of 6.62% in fiscal year 2024. Trust maintains a diversified investment portfolio in an effort to position itself as favorably as possible in the current volatile marketplace. The overall goal of the Richmond Fund is preservation of capital, and the expectation is that this investment will protect The Trust during market downturns benefiting from investment gains during market rallies. The Directors are closely monitoring The Trust's current scholarship spending policy of 4.4% of the five-year rolling average of endowment market values, and are prepared to make changes as needed if the outlook for long-term market returns trends in a manner where it cannot fulfill The Trust's spending rate. The Citadel hopes to maintain a high level of incoming donations through its work on the upcoming capital campaign for the Mighty Citadel 2026 Strategic Plan.

The Citadel currently is involved in a number of legal proceedings. Please see Note 22 for a complete discussion of current litigation.

#### More Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of The Citadel's finances and demonstrate The Citadel's accountability for the money it receives. Any questions about this report or requests for information may be addressed to the Associate Vice President for Finance, The Citadel, 171 Moultrie Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29409.

### The Military College of South Carolina

### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

### JUNE 30, 2024

\$	60,659,043 - 12,236,932 107,957 4,890,883 1,240,152	\$	272,620 5,870,435 350,800 - - -	\$	60,931,663 5,870,435 12,587,732 107,957
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	8,667		2,728		11,395
	-				942,289
	87,971,973		20,217,929		108,189,902
	2,027,856		-		2,027,856
	-		5,971,178		5,971,178
	215,916		-		215,916
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	9,899,832		184,526		10,084,358
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	-		98,234,691		98,234,691
	58,140,379		-		58,140,379
	248,725		110,966		359,691
	-		85,356		85,356
	270,564,988				378,678,452
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### The Military College of South Carolina

### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

### JUNE 30, 2024

	The Citadel		с	The itadel Trust	Total
LIABILITIES					
Current Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	\$	6,934,989	\$	158,290	\$ 7,093,279
Retainages Payable		344,691		-	344,691
Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities		3,155,105		10,701	3,165,806
Accrued Compensated Absences and Related Liabilities		1,992,387		-	1,992,387
Accrued Interest Payable		362,537		-	362,537
Unearned Revenues		3,828,936		-	3,828,936
Bonds Payable		2,800,000		-	2,800,000
Notes Payable		61,057		-	61,057
Subscriptions Payable		161,206		-	161,206
Deposits		2,874,262		-	2,874,262
Total Current Liabilities		22,515,170		168,991	 22,684,161
Noncurrent Liabilities					
Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities		69		-	69
Accrued Compensated Absences and Related Liabilities		1,158,482		-	1,158,482
Bonds Payable		43,275,721		-	43,275,721
Notes Payable		191,540		-	191,540
Deposits		263,289		-	263,289
Net OPEB Liability		64,189,404		-	64,189,404
Net Pension Liability		84,982,208		-	84,982,208
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		194,060,713		-	 194,060,713
Total Liabilities	\$	216,575,883	\$	168,991	\$ 216,744,874
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Amounts Related to Net OPEB Liability	\$	42,982,297	\$	-	\$ 42,982,297
Amounts Related to Net Pension Liability		4,645,499		-	4,645,499
Amounts Related to Lease Receivable		323,873		-	323,873
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	47,951,669	\$	-	\$ 47,951,669
NET POSITION					
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$	153,198,065	\$	2,383,165	\$ 155,581,230
Restricted for Nonexpendable:	-		-		
Scholarships		-		63,301,452	63,301,452
Other		-		9,462,861	9,462,861
Restricted for Expendable:					
Scholarships, Research, Instruction and Other		8,418,683		38,566,518	46,985,201
Loans		2,082		1,854,945	1,857,027
Capital Projects		68,027,724		118,522	68,146,246
Debt Service		362,537		-	362,537
Unrestricted		(109,230,452)		12,474,939	(96,755,513)
Total Net Position	Ś	120,778,639	\$	128,162,402	\$ 248,941,041

### The Military College of South Carolina

### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

#### YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	The Citadel	The Citadel Trust	Total
REVENUES			
Operating Revenues			
Student Tuition and Fees (Net of Scholarship Allowance			
of \$18,145,392)	\$ 44,416,247	\$-	\$ 44,416,247
Federal Grants and Contracts	6,827,730	-	6,827,730
State Grants and Contracts	6,017,029	-	6,017,029
Nongovernmental Grants and Contracts	111,641	-	111,641
Sales and Services of Educational and Other Activities	427,781	-	427,781
Sales and Services of Auxiliary Enterprises - Pledged			
(Net of Scholarship Allowance of \$7,942,326)	31,679,378	-	31,679,378
Sales and Services of Auxiliary Enterprises - Not Pledged	7,357,724	12,050	7,369,774
Other Fees	7,401,089	-	7,401,089
Investment Income (Net of Investment Expense of \$786,427)	-	8,309,853	8,309,853
Endowment Income	-	984,581	984,581
Other Operating Revenues	857,420	12,000	869,420
Total Operating Revenues	105,096,039	9,318,484	114,414,523
EXPENSES			
Operating Expenses			
Compensation and Employee Benefits	75,481,173	34,701	75,515,874
Services and Supplies	44,812,495	43,496	44,855,991
Utilities	4,322,915	-	4,322,915
Depreciation	7,608,575	32,703	7,641,278
Scholarships and Fellowships	5,980,552		5,980,552
Total Operating Expenses	138,205,710	110,900	138,316,610
Operating Income (Loss)	(33,109,671)	9,207,584	(23,902,087)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)			
State Appropriations	22,179,480	-	22,179,480
Federal Grants and Contracts	3,082,390	-	3,082,390
State Grants and Contracts	132,499	-	132,499
Nongovernmental Grants	9,981,259	166,875	10,148,134
Gifts	2,733,283	2,947,171	5,680,454
Investment Income	6,831,775	-	6,831,775
Interest on Capital Asset-Related Debt	(1,270,073)	-	(1,270,073)
Gain on Disposal of Capital Assets	26,203	-	26,203
Other Nonoperating Revenues	1,212,941	147,658	1,360,599
Net Nonoperating Revenues	44,909,757	3,261,704	48,171,461
Income Before Other Revenues,			
Expenses, Gains, or Losses	11,800,086	12,469,288	24,269,374
State Capital Appropriations	29,000,000	-	29,000,000
Capital Grants and Gifts, Net of Adjustments	9,185,093	-	9,185,093
Additions to Permanent Endowments	-	1,394,601	1,394,601
Transfers From (To) Component Unit	8,407,772	(8,407,772)	-
Total Other Revenues and Transfers	46,592,865	(7,013,171)	39,579,694
Decrease in Net Position	58,392,951	5,456,117	63,849,068
NET POSITION			
Net Position - Beginning of Year	62,385,688	122,706,285	185,091,973
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 120,778,639	\$ 128,162,402	\$ 248,941,041

### THE CITADEL The Military College of South Carolina STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

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		Citadel	Cita	del Trust		Total
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Student Tuition and Fees	\$	50,554,992	\$	-	\$	50,554,992
Grants and Contracts		5,999,253		-		5,999,253
Sales and Services of Educational and Other Activities		(9,439,792)		-		(9,439,792)
Sales and Services of Auxiliary Enterprises		38,295,406		12,050		38,307,456
Other Operating Receipts		857,420		12,000		869,420
Payments to Employees for Salaries and Benefits		(81,610,140)		(24,537)		(81,634,677)
Payments to Suppliers		(44,192,923)		(23,273)		(44,216,196)
Payments for Utilities		(4,322,915)		-		(4,322,915)
Payments to Students for Scholarships and Fellowships		(5,980,552)		-		(5,980,552)
Net Cash from Operating Activities		(49,839,251)		(23,760)		(49,863,011)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES						
State Appropriations		11,039,674		-		11,039,674
Gifts and Grants for Other than Capital Purposes		15,824,370		4,825,810		20,650,180
Other Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		1,212,941		(467,743)		745,198
Transfers from (to) Component Unit		8,407,772		(8,407,772)		-
Net Cash from Noncapital Financing Activities		36,484,757		(4,049,705)		32,435,052
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES						
State Capital Appropriations		32,500,011		-		32,500,011
Capital Grants and Gifts Received		9,095,369		-		9,095,369
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets		26,203		-		26,203
Purchases of Capital Assets		(23,719,709)		(6,481)		(23,726,190)
Proceeds from Debt Issuance		257,695		-		257,695
Principal Paid on Capital Debt Subscription Payables and Leases,						
Net of Discount		(3,198,294)		-		(3,198,294)
Interest Paid on Capital Related Debt		(1,411,388)		-		(1,411,388)
Net Cash from Capital and Related Financing Activities		13,549,887		(6,481)		13,543,406
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Interest and Dividends on Investments		6,831,775		7,977,064		14,808,839
Purchase of Investments, Net of Sales		-		(4,158,626)		(4,158,626)
Net Cash from Investing Activities		6,831,775		3,818,438		10,650,213
Net Change in Cash		7,027,168		(261,508)		6,765,660
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year		67,375,181		1,937,549		69,312,730
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$	74,402,349	\$	1,676,041	\$	76,078,390

### The Military College of South Carolina STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED) YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		The Citadel	C	The itadel Trust		Total
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash from Operating Activities						
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	(33,109,671)	\$	9,207,584	\$	(23,902,087)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash	Ŷ	(33,103,071)	Ŷ	5,207,504	Ŷ	(23,302,007)
from Operating Activities:						
Depreciation Expense		7,608,575		32,703		7,641,278
Pension Expense		(2,655,604)		-		(2,655,604)
OPEB Expense		(2,760,676)		-		(2,760,676)
Interest and Dividends on Investments		-		(8,309,853)		(8,309,853)
Realized and Unrealized Gains on Investments		-		(984,581)		(984,581)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:						
Accounts Receivable, Net		(14,398,258)		-		(14,398,258)
Inventories		(2,157,189)		-		(2,157,189)
Prepaid Expenses		303,164		20,223		323,387
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses		2,473,597		-		2,473,597
Accrued Salaries and Related Expenses		(1,256,750)		10,164		(1,246,586)
Accrued Compensated Absences and Related Liabilities		544,063		-		544,063
Unearned Revenue		(889,865)		-		(889 <i>,</i> 865)
Student and Other Deposits		(3,540,637)		-		(3,540,637)
Net Cash from Operating Activities	\$	(49,839,251)	\$	(23,760)	\$	(49,863,011)
Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents Balances						
Current Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	60,659,043	\$	272,620	\$	60,931,663
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		1,815,618		1,218,895		3,034,513
Noncurrent Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents		2,027,856		-		2,027,856
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		9,899,832		184,526		10,084,358
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	74,402,349	\$	1,676,041	\$	76,078,390

## THE CITADEL The Military College of South Carolina STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2024

	Custodial Funds				
ASSETS					
Investment in Limited Partnership (at fair value)	\$	6,808,661			
Total Assets		6,808,661			
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS					
Net Position					
Restricted for other organization		6,808,661			
Total Liabilities and net position	\$	6,808,661			

## THE CITADEL The Military College of South Carolina STATEMENT OF CHANGES FIDUCIARY NET POSITION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Custodial Funds
Additions:	
Investment return, net	\$ 490,687
Total additions	490,687
Deductions:	
Distributions to other organization	(800,000)
Total deductions	(800,000)
Decrease in net position	(309,313)
Net Position	
Net position, beginning of year	7,117,974
Net position, end of year	\$ 6,808,661

#### The Military College of South Carolina Non-Governmental Discretely Presented Component Units STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		The Citadel Foundation ember 31, 2023	Brigadier	Citadel Foundation er 31, 2023	The Citadel Real Estate Foundation December 31, 2023		
ASSETS	\$	20 261 200	\$		\$	263,969	
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable	Ş	20,361,309	Ş	-	Ş	10,500	
Unconditional promises to give receivable, net		- 20,991,530		- 1,455,029		10,500	
Prepaid expenses		20,991,330 511,841		1,433,029		- 85,000	
Long-term investments (at fair value)		255,412,944		- 30,249,095		85,000	
Investments related to split-interest agreements (at fair value)		3,002,729		50,249,095		-	
Other investments		1,436,957		-		-	
		7,918,161		1 264 006		-	
Due from related parties Other receivables				1,264,996		-	
Cash value of life insurance policies		87,696 1,065,639		- 447,334		-	
·				447,334		-	
Property and equipment, net		29,720		-		26,061,938	
Intangible assets, net Non-depreciable property		1,746,211		-		۔ 1,928,500	
Other property held for sale, net		- 575,000		-		1,928,500	
		,		-		-	
Land, improvements, and other assets held for investment		618,360		-		-	
Right-of-use asset - operating lease Total assets	\$	1,327,613 315,085,710	\$	33,416,454	\$	28,349,907	
		515,005,710	<u>ب</u>	33,410,434		20,343,307	
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS							
Liabilities							
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	12,255,292	\$	94,722	\$	608,938	
Net grants payable to The Citadel		7,031,810		-		-	
Due to related parties		1,242,696		-		6,102,079	
Bonds payable, net		-		-		8,900,287	
Notes payable		4,000,000		-		640,585	
Note payable due to related party		-		-		2,000,000	
Deferred rental income		-		-		15,000	
Annuities and life income funds payable		1,245,905		-		-	
Charitable gift annuities		1,183,912		38,231		-	
Lease liabilities - operating leases		1,405,729		-		-	
Total liabilities		28,365,344		132,953		18,266,889	
Net Assets							
Without donor restrictions		78,125,081		1,632,151		9,983,018	
With donor restrictions		208,595,285		31,651,350		100,000	
Total net assets		286,720,366		33,283,501		10,083,018	
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	315,085,710	\$	33,416,454	\$	28,349,907	
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#### The Military College of South Carolina Non-Governmental Discretely Presented Component Units STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

	The Citadel Foundation For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	The Citadel Brigadier Foundation For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	The Citadel Real Estate Foundation For the Year Ended December 31, 2023		
REVENUES, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT Without donor restrictions					
Lease revenue	\$-	\$-	\$ 193,795		
Contributions of cash and other financial assets	1,027,150	1,779,215	, 193,795 7,650		
Contributions of confinancial assets	2,998	961,610	185,718		
	2,558		165,718		
Special events	-	177,559	-		
Investment return, net	362,015	15,562	-		
Net unrealized and realized gain on investments	169,987	60,205	-		
Net unrealized and realized gain on investment in The Richmond Fund, LP	5,572,241	-	-		
Citadel Trust service fees	503,800	-	-		
Changes in value of split interest agreements	(209,007)	(200)	-		
Other income	570	5,020	263		
Income tax refund	32,697	-	-		
Net assets released from restrictions	23,525,881	1,694,400	133,250		
Sustainability fees	1,316,909	-	-		
Transfers of net assets	358,635	(18,565)	-		
Total without donor restrictions	32,663,876	4,674,806	520,676		
With donor restrictions					
Contributions of cash and other financial assets	20,376,507	1,785,053	-		
Contributions of nonfinancial assets	65,933	-	133,250		
Investment return, net	-	581,276	-		
Net unrealized and realized gain on investments	-	2,714,897	-		
Net unrealized and realized gain on investment in The Richmond Fund, LP	8,032,445	-	-		
Bad debt and change in allowance on promises to give	(103,307)	(22,720)	-		
Changes in value of split interest agreements	340,630	(4,843)	-		
Other income	173,485	-	-		
Net assets released from restrictions	(23,525,881)	(1,694,400)	(133,250)		
Sustainability fees	(1,316,909)	-	-		
Transfers of net assets	(358,635)	18,565	-		
Total with donor restrictions	3,684,268	3,377,828	-		
Total revenue, gains and other support	36,348,144	8,052,634	520,676		
EXPENSES					
Without donor restrictions					
Foundation grants for The Citadel	19,756,745	-	-		
Other gift grants to The Citadel	5,839,540	-	-		
Foundation grants for TCREF	7,650	-	-		
Program	4,096	2,637,037	2,169,788		
General and administrative	2,274,840	356,208	248,510		
Fundraising	6,652,298	1,012,684			
Total without donor restrictions	34,535,169	4,005,929	2,418,298		
Total expenses	34,535,169	4,005,929	2,418,298		
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS					
Without donor restrictions	(1,871,293)	668,877	(1,897,622)		
With donor restrictions	3,684,268	3,377,828	(_,,		
Total change in net assets	1,812,975	4,046,705	(1,897,622)		
Net assets at beginning of the period:	1,012,975	-,0+0,703	(1,007,022)		
Without donor restrictions	70 006 274	062 274	11 990 640		
	79,996,374	963,274	11,880,640		
With donor restrictions	204,911,017	28,273,522	100,000		
Total net assets at beginning of period	284,907,391	29,236,796	11,980,640		
Net assets at end of the period:	70 405 651		0.000.075		
Without donor restrictions	78,125,081	1,632,151	9,983,018		
With donor restrictions	208,595,285	31,651,350	100,000		
Total net assets at end of period	\$ 286,720,366	\$ 33,283,501	\$ 10,083,018		

#### NOTE 1—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Nature of Organization**: The Citadel ("The Citadel" or the "College") is a state-assisted, co-educational institution of higher education. The College is granted an annual appropriation for operating purposes as authorized by the South Carolina General Assembly. The appropriation as enacted becomes the legal operating budget for the College. The Appropriation Act authorizes expenditures from funds appropriated from the General Fund of the State of South Carolina (the "State") and authorizes expenditures of total operating funds. The laws of the State and the policies and procedures specified by the State for state agencies and institutions are applicable to the activities of The Citadel. The Citadel was established as an institution of higher education by Section 59-101-10 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina. The Citadel is a discretely presented component unit of the State.

The Citadel is governed by the Board of Visitors ("BOV"), which has eleven members, seven members appointed by the General Assembly, three by The Citadel Alumni Association, and one by the Governor. The BOV administers have jurisdiction over, and is responsible for, the management of The Citadel.

**Reporting Entity**: The financial reporting entity, as defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, and amended by GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*, and further amended by GASB Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus*, consists of the primary government and its component units. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationships with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Accordingly, the financial statements include the accounts of the College, as the primary government, and the accounts of the following entities as component units:

The Citadel Trust ("The Trust") was formed in 1991 as a non-profit eleemosynary corporation for the purpose of investing funds in order to provide scholarship and other financial assistance or support to The Citadel. The Trust is governed by a Board of Directors appointed by The Citadel BOV. In addition, The Citadel employees and facilities are used for virtually all activities of The Trust. As such, the Trust has been reported as a blended component unit in the financial statements. The Trust is considered governmental in nature and, therefore, is subject to the governmental accounting model. Separate financial statements of The Trust can be requested from the College's controller at the following address: The Citadel, 171 Moultrie St., Charleston, South Carolina 29409.

The Citadel Foundation ("TCF") was established in 1961 as The Citadel Development Foundation, a separately chartered corporation. TCF's original goal was to support academic programs at The Citadel. In August 2000, The Citadel Development Foundation amended its charter to establish The Citadel Foundation as the College's official fundraising entity. TCF handles all gifts to TCF; gifts to restricted accounts, programs, and activities at the College; and gifts to The Trust, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Alumni Association for their specific activities and programs. TCF is governed by a board comprised of directors of the former Citadel Development Foundation, plus three other ex-officio members: the chairman of The Citadel BOV, the president of The Citadel, and a representative from The Citadel Brigadier Foundation. Although the College does not control the timing or amount of receipts from TCF, the majority of resources, or income thereon, that TCF holds and invests, is restricted to the activities of The Citadel by the donors. Because of the nature and significance of its relationship with the College, TCF is considered a discretely presented component unit of the College. TCF reports its financial results on a calendar-year basis. Copies of TCF's separately issued financial statements can be obtained by sending a request to the following address: The Citadel Foundation, 171 Moultrie St., Charleston, South Carolina 29409.

#### NOTE 1—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

The Citadel Brigadier Foundation ("TCBF") is a separately chartered corporation organized exclusively to receive and manage private funds for support of athletic programs at The Citadel. A board elected by members of TCBF governs the organization. The Citadel Athletic Director is an ex-officio member of the TCBF Board of Directors. Funds raised by TCBF are used to provide scholarships for varsity athletes at The Citadel. Although the College does not control the timing or amount of receipts from TCBF, the majority of resources, or income thereon, that TCBF holds and invests, is restricted to the activities of The Citadel by the donors. Because of the nature and significance of its relationship with the College, TCBF is considered a discretely presented component unit of the College. TCBF reports its financial results on a calendar-year basis. Copies of TCBF's separately issued financial statements can be obtained by sending a request to the following address: The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, 171 Moultrie St., Charleston, South Carolina 29409.

The Citadel Real Estate Foundation ("TCREF") was formed and created in January 2016 and is a separately chartered corporation. TCREF was organized for the specific purpose to operate exclusively for the benefit of The Citadel, as well as to perform the functions of and to carry out the purposes of The Citadel, by providing support and assistance to The Citadel in such a manner as determined by TCREF's Board of Directors. TCREF was created to purchase, receive, hold, invest, reinvest, lease, mortgage, develop, and administer cash and other property of any nature (real, personal, intangible, or mixed). All directors of TCREF's Board must be appointed by vote of TCREF's Board, and the Chairman of the Citadel BOV is entitled to nominate one candidate to represent the BOV which must be approved by TCREF's board. The Chairman of TCF's Board is entitled to also nominate one candidate to represent TCF which must be approved by TCREF's Board. The Chairman of the Citadel serve as ex officio, nonvoting advisers to TCREF's Board. Because of the nature and significance of its relationship with the College, its basic financial statements are discretely presented with those of The Citadel. TCREF reports its financial results on a calendar year basis. Copies of TCREF's separately issued financial statements can be obtained by sending a request to the following address: The Citadel Real Estate Foundation, 171 Moultrie St., Charleston, South Carolina 29409.

TCF, TCBF, and TCREF are private not-for-profit organizations that report under the Financial Accounting Standard Board standards. Because these organizations are deemed not to be governmental entities and use a different reporting model, their balances and transactions are reported on separate financial statements. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. No modifications have been made to TCF's, TCBF's, and TCREF's financial information in the College's financial reporting entity for these differences.

**Financial Statements**: The financial statements of The Citadel have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as prescribed in GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*, and GASB Statement No. 35, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for Public Colleges and Universities*, and Statement No. 37, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*: *Omnibus*, and GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. The financial statement presentation provides a comprehensive, entity-wide perspective of the College's net position, revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and cash flows that replaces the fund-group perspective previously required.

#### NOTE 1—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

**Basis of Accounting**: For financial reporting purposes, The Citadel, along with its governmental component unit, is considered a special-purpose government engaged only in business-type activities. Accordingly, the College's financial statements have been presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred. Student tuition and auxiliary enterprise fees are presented net of scholarships and fellowships applied to student accounts, while stipends and other payments made directly are presented as scholarship and fellowship expenses. All significant intrafund transactions and balances have been eliminated. The Citadel reports fiduciary activities as custodial funds as defined in GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. Accordingly, the custodial funds are reported in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position and have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**: For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, The Citadel considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Funds invested through the South Carolina State Treasurer's Office are considered cash equivalents. Restricted cash and cash equivalents are comprised of bond proceeds, debt service funds, and externally restricted funds.

**Investments and Related Income**: The Trust's investments in marketable securities at the date of the Statement of Net Position are stated at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools* and GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. Marketable securities are reported based on the quoted market value as reported on the last business day of the year on actively traded markets. Investment earnings in pooled or common investments in which multiple funds are invested are allocated among the funds in a proportion of each fund's beginning fair value to the total. Investments contributed to The Trust are recorded at the fair value on the date of the gift. Purchases and sales are accounted for on the settlement date. An increase or decrease in the fair value of investments is recorded on a monthly basis. Earnings are recorded monthly.

The investment in the limited partnership is reported based on the financial statements and other information received from the general partner. The Trust believes that the stated value of the investment in the limited partnership is a reasonable estimate of its fair value as of June 30, 2024; however, such investment is not marketable and some of the underlying investments held by the limited partnership do not have quoted market values. The estimated value is subject to uncertainty and could differ had a ready market existed, and such difference could be material. The amount of gain or loss associated with this investment is reflected in the accompanying financial statements based on The Trust's relative share of investment in the limited partnership. Actual gains or losses are dependent upon the general partners' distributions during the life of the partnership.

Most TCF investments are in a limited partnership which is accounted for based on TCF's net asset value ("NAV") (at fair value) in the investment. The carrying value, which approximates fair value, is determined by adding the historical investment cost, the amount of any income allocated to TCF, and deducting any expenses allocated to TCF. Other investments in marketable equity investments with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are carried at fair value. Some other investments are carried at cost; these assets include equity securities without readily determinable fair values.

TCBF accounts for its investments at fair value based on quoted market prices. The increase or decrease in the fair value of investments is recorded on a quarterly basis and are included in the change in net assets in the Statement of Activities. TCBF carries its investments in real estate at fair market value as of the date the real estate was donated to TCBF.

#### NOTE 1—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

**Accounts Receivable**: Accounts receivable consists of tuition and fee charges to students and auxiliary enterprise services provided to students, faculty, and staff. Accounts receivable also include amounts due from the federal government, state and local governments, or private sources, in connection with reimbursement of allowable expenditures made pursuant to The Citadel's grants and contracts. Accounts receivable is recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts. State capital appropriations receivable, in which all eligibility requirements have been met are also included in accounts receivable.

**Inventories**: Inventories, which consist of uniforms and accessories, postage stamps, and bookstore and gift shop inventories for resale, are carried at the lower of cost or market. The cost of inventory items is reported on a weighted average basis.

**Noncurrent Cash and Investments**: Noncurrent cash and investments primarily consist of permanently endowed funds and federal student loan funds. These funds are externally restricted and are classified as noncurrent assets in the Statement of Net Position.

**Prepaid Expenses**: Expenditures for services paid in the current or prior fiscal years and benefiting more than one accounting period are allocated among accounting periods. Amounts reported in this asset account consist primarily of insurance, subscriptions, library periodicals, maintenance and service agreements, and travel reservations and deposits.

**Capital Assets**: Capital assets are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition or acquisition value at the date of donation in the case of gifts. The Citadel and The Trust follow capitalization guidelines established by the State. All land is capitalized, regardless of cost. Qualifying improvements that rest in or on the land itself are recorded as depreciable land improvements. Major additions and renovations and other improvements that add to the usable space, prepare existing buildings for new uses, or extend the useful life of an existing building are capitalized. The College capitalizes movable personal property with a unit value in excess of \$5,000 and a useful life in excess of two years and depreciable land improvements, buildings and improvements, and intangible assets costing in excess of \$100,000. Routine repairs and maintenance and library materials, except individual items costing in excess of \$5,000, are charged to operating expenses in the year in which the expense was incurred.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 15 to 50 years for buildings and improvements and land improvements, 2 to 25 years for machinery, equipment, and vehicles, and subscription-based information technology arrangements ("SBITA") based on the underlying assets life or term, whichever is less. On assets capitalized prior to fiscal year 2013, a full year of depreciation was taken the year the asset was placed in service and no depreciation is taken in the year of disposition. Beginning in fiscal year 2013, assets were depreciated based on the number of months the asset was in service during the fiscal year.

**Unearned Revenues and Deposits**: Unearned revenues include amounts received for tuition and fees and certain auxiliary activities prior to the end of the fiscal year but related to the subsequent accounting period. Unearned revenues also include amounts received from grant sponsors that have not yet been earned.

Deposits represent dormitory room deposits, security deposits for possible room damage and key loss, student fee refunds, and other miscellaneous deposits. Student deposits are recognized as revenue during the semester for which the fee is applicable and earned when the deposit is nonrefundable to the student under the forfeit terms of the agreement.

#### NOTE 1—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

**Compensated Absences**: Employee vacation pay expense is accrued at year-end for financial statement purposes. The liability and expense incurred are recorded at year-end as accrued compensated absences in the Statement of Net Position and as a component of compensation and employee benefit expense in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.

**Noncurrent Liabilities**: Noncurrent liabilities include (1) principal amounts of bonds payable and notes payable with contractual maturities greater than one year; (2) estimated amounts for accrued compensated absences and other liabilities that will not be paid within the next fiscal year, and (3) other liabilities that, although payable within one year, are to be paid from funds that are classified as noncurrent assets.

**Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources**: Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until then.

Changes in net pension liability and other postemployment benefits ("OPEB") liability not included in pension expense and OPEB expense, respectively, are reported as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources. Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date of the net pension liability and OPEB liability are reported as deferred outflows of resources.

**Net Position**: The Citadel's net position is classified as follows:

**Net Investment in Capital Assets**: This represents the College's total investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets.

**Restricted Net Position – Expendable**: Restricted expendable net position includes resources in which The Citadel is legally or contractually obligated to spend resources in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties.

**Restricted Net Position – Nonexpendable**: Nonexpendable restricted net position consists of endowment and similar type funds in which donors or other outside sources have stipulated, as a condition of the gift instrument, that the principal is to be maintained inviolate and in perpetuity, and invested for the purpose of producing present and future income, which may either be expended or added to principal.

**Unrestricted Net Position**: Unrestricted net position represents resources derived from student tuition and fees, appropriations, and sales and services of educational departments and auxiliary enterprises, net of the College's pension plan and OPEB liabilities. These resources are used for transactions relating to the educational and general operations of the College, and may be used at the discretion of the respective governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose. These resources also include auxiliary enterprises, which are substantially self-supporting activities that provide services for students, faculty, and staff.

The Citadel's policy for applying expenses that can use both restricted and unrestricted resources is delegated to the departmental administrative level. General practice is to first apply the expense to restricted resources, then to unrestricted resources.

#### NOTE 1—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

**Income Taxes**: The Citadel is a political subdivision of the State and is, therefore, generally exempt from federal and state income taxes under applicable federal and state statutes and regulations on related income. Certain activities of The Citadel may be subject to taxation as unrelated business income.

The Trust is a not-for-profit organization as described in Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") Section 501(c)(3) and related income is exempt from federal income tax under IRC Section 501(a).

TCF, TCBF, and TCREF are not-for-profit organizations described in IRC Section 501(c)(3) and are exempt from federal income tax under IRC Section 501(a). TCF, TCBF, and TCREF are classified by the Internal Revenue Service as other than private foundations and base their tax-exempt status on their support of the College.

**Classification of Revenues and Expenses**: The Citadel has classified its revenues and expenses as either operating or nonoperating revenues according to the following criteria:

**Operating Revenues and Expenses**: Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as (1) student tuition and fees, net of scholarship discounts and allowances; (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, net of scholarship discounts and allowances; (3) grants and contracts that are essentially the same as contracts for services that finance programs The Citadel would not otherwise undertake. For The Trust, operating revenues consist of investment income and net increases or decreases in fair value of investments. Operating expenses include all expense transactions incurred other than those related to investing, capital, or noncapital financing activities.

**Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses:** Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions. These revenues include gifts and contributions, appropriations, investment income (except investment income for The Trust as mentioned above), and any grants and contracts not classified as operating revenue or not restricted by the grantor to be used exclusively for capital purposes. Nonoperating expenses include interest paid on capital asset related debt, losses on disposal of assets, and refunds to grantors.

**Sales and Services of Educational and Other Activities**: Revenues from sales and services of educational and other activities generally consist of amounts received from instructional, laboratory, research, and public service activities that incidentally create goods and services which may be sold to students, faculty, staff, and the general public.

Auxiliary Enterprises and Internal Service Activities: Auxiliary enterprise revenues primarily represent revenues generated by intercollegiate athletics, cadet store, bookstore, barracks, dining hall, infirmary, laundry, tailor shop, and faculty/staff quarters. Revenues of internal service and auxiliary enterprise activities and the related expenditures of College departments have been eliminated.

**Scholarship Discounts and Allowances**: Student tuition and fee revenues and certain other revenues from students are reported net of scholarship discounts and allowances in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. Scholarship discounts and allowances are the difference between the stated charge for goods and services provided by the College, and the amount that is paid by students and/or third parties making payments on the students' behalf. Certain governmental grants, such as Pell grants and other federal, state, or nongovernmental programs, are recorded as either operating or nonoperating revenues in The Citadel's financial statements. To the extent that revenues from such programs are used to satisfy tuition and fees and other student charges, the College has recorded a scholarship discount and allowance.

#### NOTE 1—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

**Rebatable Arbitrage**: Arbitrage involves the investment of proceeds from the sale of tax-exempt securities in a taxable investment that yields a higher rate of return, resulting in income in excess of interest costs. Federal law requires entities to rebate to the government such income on tax-exempt debt if the yield from these earnings exceeds the effective yield on the related tax-exempt debt issued.

Governmental units that issue no more than \$5 million in total of all such debt in a calendar year are exempt from the rebate requirements. For this purpose, tax-exempt indebtedness includes bonds and certain capital leases and installment purchases. Rebates are payable every five years or at maturity of the debt, whichever is earlier. However, the potential liability is calculated annually for financial reporting purposes.

The Citadel is not aware of any rebatable arbitrage liabilities as of June 30, 2024.

**Use of Estimates**: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, deferred inflows/outflows of resources, revenues, and expenditures/expenses, and affect disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Lease Receivable:** The Citadel has recorded a lease receivable in accordance with GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*. The lease receivable is measured at the present value of lease payments expected to be received during the lease term. The deferred inflow of resources is measured as the lease receivable balance adjusted for prepayments received or incentives paid. The lease receivable is amortized, and lease revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

**Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements**: The Citadel has entered into subscriptionbased information technology arrangements ("SBITAs") for the right to use information technology software and cloud computing arrangement assets from both external and related parties. As a result, the Citadel has recorded certain intangible right-to-use assets and subscription liabilities in accordance with GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs)*. The SBITAs expire at various dates, and some have renewal options. Subscription liabilities and the related right-touse subscription assets are recorded based on the present value of expected payments over the term of the respective SBITA. The expected payments are discounted using the interest rate stated per the SBITA contract, or the Citadel's estimated incremental borrowing rate if there is no stated contractual interest rate.

#### NOTE 2—CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, OTHER DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS

Most deposits and investments of The Citadel are under the control of the State Treasurer who, by law, has sole authority for investing state funds. Deposits and investments in marketable securities of The Trust, The Citadel's blended component unit, are not under the State Treasurer's control and are deposited or invested by financial institutions, brokers, and others specified by trust agreements. The Trust's investment in a limited partnership is managed by the partnership's general partner.

The following schedule reconciles deposits and investments within the footnotes to the Statement of Net Position amounts:

	The Citadel C			The itadel Trust	Fid	The uciary Fund	Total
Statement of Net Position:							
Current assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	60,659,043	\$	272,620	\$	-	\$ 60,931,663
Investment in limited partnership (at fair value)		-		5,870,435		-	5,870,435
Restricted assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents		1,815,618		1,218,895		-	3,034,513
Investment in limited partnership (at fair value)		-		11,501,489		-	11,501,489
Noncurrent assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents		2,027,856		-		-	2,027,856
Investment in limited partnership (at fair value)		-		5,971,178		-	5,971,178
Restricted assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents		9,899,832		184,526		-	10,084,358
Marketable securities (at fair value)		-		1,131,065		-	1,131,065
Investment in limited partnership (at fair value)		-		98,234,691		6,808,661	 105,043,352
Total Statement of Net Position	\$	74,402,349	\$	124,384,899	\$	6,808,661	\$ 205,595,909
Notes: Deposits and Investments							
Cash on hand	\$	22,625	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 22,625
Deposits held by State Treasurer		74,379,724		-		-	74,379,724
Other deposits		-		1,676,041		-	1,676,041
Marketable securities (at fair value)		-		1,131,065		-	1,131,065
Investment in limited partnership (at fair value)				121,577,793		6,808,661	 128,386,454
Total Notes	\$	74,402,349	\$	124,384,899	\$	6,808,661	\$ 205,595,909

#### Deposits

*Custodial Credit Risk*: Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, The Citadel's deposits may not be returned to the College. For deposits held by the State Treasurer, state law requires full collateralization of all State Treasurer bank balances. The State Treasurer must correct any deficiencies in collateral within seven days. Information pertaining to the reported amounts, fair values, and credit risk of the State Treasurer's deposits and investments is disclosed in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report ("ACFR") of the State.

With respect to investments in the State's internal cash management pool, all the State Treasurer's investments are insured or registered or are investments for which the securities are held by the State or its agents in the State's name. Information pertaining to the reported amounts, fair values, interest rate, and credit risk of the State Treasurer's investments is disclosed in the ACFR of the State.

#### NOTE 2—CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, OTHER DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS, Continued

With respect to The Citadel's and The Trust's other deposits at year-end, all these deposits are either insured or collateralized with securities held by the entity or by its agent in the entity's name, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the entity's name. The Trust has a formal investment policy that requires all cash deposits held at banks to be held in a bank trust department in a collateralized form.

#### Investment Pool

All investments are held by The Trust, a component unit of The Citadel. See disclosure below regarding investments held on behalf of the Citadel Alumni Association. Marketable securities are stated at fair value based on quoted prices. Investment earnings in pooled or common investments in which multiple funds are invested are allocated among the funds in a proportion of each fund's beginning fair value to the total.

Investments contributed to The Trust are recorded at the fair value on the date of the gift. Purchases and sales are accounted for on the settlement date. The increase or decrease in the fair value of marketable securities is recorded on a monthly basis. Earnings are recorded monthly. Authorized investments include U.S. government/government-insured securities, corporate stocks and bonds, and open-ended mutual funds, as authorized by trust agreements and The Trust's Board of Directors. The investment in the limited partnership is stated using NAV of The Trust's investment in the fund. Investment earnings are recorded on a quarterly basis.

The Trust's Board of Directors has a formal investment policy, and current investments are within the guidelines which have been established by the board.

#### Marketable Securities

The Trust's marketable securities are maintained at the trust/investment departments of Bank of America, Wells Fargo, and Morgan Stanley.

As of June 30, 2024, The Trust had marketable securities and maturities as shown below:

		MATURITIES IN YEARS											
Investment Type	F	Less Than Fair Value 1 Year 1-5 Years						/ears	More 10 Y				
Mutual bond funds	\$	155,910	\$	155,910	\$	-	\$		\$	-			
Common stocks	\$	125,330											
Fixed income		155,910											
Mutual equity funds		849,825											
Total marketable securities	\$	1,131,065											

*Market Risk*: Market risk is the risk that changes in market factors contrary to the position that is held will adversely affect the portfolio. Long funds and equity positions are exposed to declining markets, while short funds and equity positions are exposed to ascending markets. The Trust has addressed market risk by structuring a balanced, diversified investment portfolio across numerous investment types, industry sectors, and public/private markets.

#### NOTE 2—CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, OTHER DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS, Continued

**Custodial Credit Risk**: Custodial credit risk is risk that the investor will not be able to recover the value of its investments that are in the possession of its safekeeping custodian. All The Trust's marketable securities are either insured or collateralized with securities held by the entity or by its agent in the entity's name, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the entity's name. The Trust has a formal investment policy that requires all investments held at banks to be held in a bank trust department in a collateralized form.

*Interest Rate Risk*: Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Trust investment policy states, "The Trust Board of Directors is aware of interest rate risk to bond principal valuation. Long dated bonds, which have the most principal risk in a rising interest rate environment, may be used by investment managers whose style utilizes strategies which include long dated bonds."

*Credit Risk*: Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Trust's investment policy addresses credit risk by requiring that each fixed income portfolio manager for its pooled investment fund maintain an overall weighted average credit rating of Baa/BBB or better by Moody's and Standard & Poor's rating services, respectively. In addition, the minimum acceptable credit quality rating for a new purchase is investment grade "Baa/BBB." In the event a bond is downgraded below investment grade, the investment manager shall immediately evaluate the fixed income portfolio position and take appropriate action. An exception to holding below investment grade bonds is the ownership by The Trust of bond index pooled vehicles.

At June 30, 2024, The Trust had fixed income securities and quality ratings as shown below:

			Quality Rating									
Investment Type	Fa	air Value		Aaa/Aa		Α	Baa/Ba		Below BA		Unrated	
Mutual bond funds	\$	155,910	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	155,910

Unrated investments include money market funds which are invested in commercial paper and other short-term obligations rated by a nationally recognized rating organization in the highest short-term rating category, or, if unrated, of equivalent quality, and in other corporate obligations and municipal obligations rated in the two highest rating categories, or if unrated, of equivalent quality.

**Concentration of Credit Risk**: Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of The Trust's investment in a single issuer. The Trust's policy for reducing this risk of loss is to require each investment manager to limit the investment in any one issuer to a maximum of 5% for equity investments and 10% for fixed income investments (except for securities issued by the U.S. government and its agencies). There were no investments with concentrations above the stated thresholds at June 30, 2024. The Trust's Board of Directors reviews substantial equity positions for the entire investment pool on a quarterly basis.

**Foreign Currency Risk**: Foreign currency risk is the risk of loss arising from changes in exchange rates for investments denominated in foreign currencies. The Trust foreign currency risk policy states: "The Trust Board of Directors is aware of the risk from fluctuating currency values in that portion of the fund which is invested in international securities. Investment managers who invest in international securities may purchase and sell currencies to facilitate currency exchange rates. Such currency transactions are at the discretion of the international investment manager(s) and it is recognized by the Board of Directors of The Trust that while entering into forward currency transactions could minimize the risk of loss due to decline in the value of the hedged currency, such transactions could also limit any potential gain that may result from an increase in the value of the currency." As of June 30, 2024, the Trust had no investments with foreign currency risk.

### NOTE 2—CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, OTHER DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS, Continued

### Investment in Limited Partnership

In December 2009, The Trust's Board of Directors approved a motion to pursue a co-investment relationship with an affiliate, TCF, in The Richmond Fund, LP (the "Fund"), a Virginia limited partnership managed by Spider Management Company, LLC ("Spider"), a Virginia limited liability company and wholly-owned subsidiary of the University of Richmond (the "University"). On January 1, 2010, this transaction was consummated and \$25,000,000 of holdings at Smith Barney, a division of Citigroup Global Markets, Inc., were liquidated and invested in the Fund. During 2020, substantially all The Trust's marketable securities were sold and then immediately used to purchase an additional interest in the Fund. Investment in the Fund is only available to tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the IRC to which contributions may be made that are deductible under IRC Section 170 and are "accredited investors" within the meaning set forth in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

The Fund's investment objective is to provide steady gains during market upswings through a diverse array of public/private and domestic/international investments, while preserving capital during down market downswings. The Fund is invested as if it is part of the endowment of the University, and the time-weighted returns for the Fund and the University are blended on a quarterly basis. The assets of the Fund, when combined with the University's endowment assets on a pro forma basis, will be invested in accordance with the University Investment Policy Statement. The Trust's investment in the Fund is subject to an initial five-year lockup period and withdrawal restrictions.

At June 30, 2024, the fair value of the investment in the Richmond Fund, LP was \$128,386,454 or approximately 99% of total investments for The Trust and the fiduciary fund and approximately 95% of total assets for The Trust and the fiduciary fund. The Fund is audited on a semi-annual basis on June 30 and December 31.

### Investments – The Citadel Alumni Association

In August 2013, The Trust's Board of Directors ratified a memorandum of understanding ("MOU") with The Citadel Alumni Association ("CAA") which allowed the CAA to invest in The Trust's unitized investment pool to gain access to The Trust's more diversified pool of investments. The CAA contributed \$3,100,000 in October 2013 and \$830,313 in March 2014. Per the MOU, these funds were invested in the same manner and with the same due care in which The Trust's funds are invested. The fair market value of the CAA investments at June 30, 2024 is \$6,808,661. These funds have been recorded on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. The Trust does not recognize any revenues from the investment returns on the CAA investments.

### NOTE 2—CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, OTHER DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS, Continued

### Investments - Non-Governmental Discretely Presented Component Units

#### The Citadel Brigadier Foundation

Investment earnings in pooled or common investments in which multiple funds are invested are allocated among the funds in a proportion of each fund's beginning fair value to the total.

At December 31, 2023, TCBF's investments are as follows:

	Cost		Fair Value	
Investments carried at fair value				
Mutual funds - various	\$ 12,074,610	\$	15,070,861	
Common stock - equities	5,344,485		6,132,345	
Fixed income	6,384,617		6,200,018	
Partnerships	1,202,341		1,698,009	
Money market fund	 1,147,862		1,147,862	
Total investments	\$ 26,153,915	\$	30,249,095	

### The Citadel Foundation

In February 2008, TCF initiated a co-investment relationship with Spider. TCF acquired limited partnership interests in the Fund through contributions of capital. At December 31, 2023, TCF's investment with Spider accounted for 98% of the total value of TCF's investments.

TCF maintains master investment accounts for its individual accounts. Realized and unrealized gains and losses and income from securities in the master investment accounts are allocated periodically to the individual accounts based on the relationship of the market value of each individual account to the total market value of the master investment accounts, as adjusted for additions to or deductions from those accounts.

At December 31, 2023, TCF investments were composed of the following:

	Cost	Fair Value
Investments carried at fair value		
Investment in The Richmond Fund, LP	\$ 163,882,019	\$ 255,412,944
Mutual funds - various equities and fixed income	2,523,134	2,923,189
Equities	610,488	759,907
Exchange traded funds/closed end funds	209,866	211,833
Cash and money market funds	544,757	544,757
Total investments	\$ 167,770,264	\$ 259,852,630

### NOTE 3—FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Trust has adopted applicable accounting standards for its financial assets and liabilities which clarify that fair value is an exit price, representing the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Trust utilizes market data or assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. The standards establish a hierarchy which gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the hierarchy are as follows:

Investments that are measured and reported at fair value are classified according to the following hierarchy:

- *Level 1*: Investments reflect prices quoted in active markets.
- *Level 2*: Investments reflect prices that are based on similar observable asset either directly or indirectly, which may include inputs in markets that are not considered to be active.
- *Level 3*: Investments reflect prices based upon unobservable sources.

The categorization of investments within the hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the instrument and should not be perceived as the particular investment's risk.

Debt securities, equity securities, and mutual funds classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued directly from a predetermined primary external pricing vendor. There are no assets classified as Level 2 or 3 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

The tables below present the balances of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis by level within the hierarchy at June 30, 2024:

	Fair Value Measurements Using							
Investments by Fair Value Level	June 30 2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3				
Equity Securities								
Common stocks	\$ 125,330	\$ 125,330	\$ -	\$ -				
Total Equity Securities	125,330	125,330						
Mutual Funds								
Equities	849,825	849,825	-	-				
Fixed Income	155,910	155,910						
Total Mutual Funds	1,005,735	1,005,735						
Total Investments by Fair Value Level	\$ 1,131,065	\$ 1,131,065	\$-	\$-				
Investments Measured at the Net Asset Value (NAV)	_							
Investment in Richmond Fund, LP	\$ 121,577,793							
Investment in Richmond Fund, LP Fiduciary Fund	6,808,661							
Total Investments in Richmond Fund, LP	\$ 128,386,454							
Total Investments	\$ 129,517,519							

### NOTE 3—FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, Continued

The valuation method for investments measured at NAV per share, or equivalent, is presented in the table below.

	June 30				
Investments	2024	Redemption	Frequency		
Investment in Richmond Fund, LP	\$ 128,386,454	(a)	(a)		

There were no unfunded commitments at June 30, 2024.

- 1) The Fund consists of investments in securities and investment funds to achieve investment returns that mirror that investment returns achieved by the University's endowment through a blended rate of return agreement.
  - a) Each limited partner in the Fund has the right to withdraw an amount not to exceed 10% of its capital account as of the last business day of each fiscal quarter upon at least 60 days' prior written notice to the general partner stating the amount to be withdrawn, provided that the limited partner must maintain a capital account of not less than \$50,000,000, after giving effect to the partial withdrawal, subject to the right of the general partner to waive such thresholds. Each limited partner has the right to withdraw an amount not to exceed 50% of its capital account as of the last business day of the fiscal quarter upon at least one year's prior written notice to the general partner stating the amount to be withdrawn, provided that the partner became a limited partner at least five years prior to the date of such withdrawal and provided further that the capital account balance shall be at least \$50,000,000 following such withdrawal. In the event that a limited partner requests the withdrawal of all its capital account, 50% will be distributed pursuant to the above and the balance shall be distributed over time as reasonably practical as cash becomes available. Distributions of any capital withdrawals by a limited partner shall equal the ownership interest of the partner's capital less any expenses of the Fund in connection with the withdrawal and any early withdrawal penalty fee. The five-year period and one-year notice period described above may be waived upon an early employee withdrawal event or an early investment withdrawal event. An early employee withdrawal event occurs if there is a change in management of the Fund by the general partner without approval from two-thirds of the limited partners. An early investment withdrawal event occurs if there is a change of greater than 15% from one fiscal quarter to the immediately following fiscal quarter in any asset allocation in the Fund's investment policy. Upon either of the abovementioned early withdrawal events, a limited partner shall have three months to provide the general partner with notice of its intention to withdraw all, but not less than all, of its capital account. Such withdrawals shall be distributed as reasonably practical as cash becomes available over a two-year period on the last day of each fiscal quarter.

### NOTE 4—ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLES

### **Accounts Receivable**

Accounts receivable as of June 30, 2024 are summarized as follows:

	The Citadel		The Citadel Trust		Total
Receivables:					
Student fees	\$	4,745,918	\$	-	\$ 4,745,918
Grants and contracts		6,914,321		113,125	7,027,446
Customers-auxiliaries		10,555,144		263,963	10,819,107
State capital appropriations		33,415,516		-	33,415,516
Capital Reserve Fund		24,724,863		-	24,724,863
Gross receivables		80,355,762		377,088	 80,732,850
Less allowance for uncollectible:					
Student fees		(1,285,059)		-	(1,285,059)
Customers		(1,720,350)		-	 (1,720,350)
Accounts receivable, net	\$	77,350,353	\$	377,088	\$ 77,727,441

Allowances for estimated uncollectible accounts receivable are established and will be evaluated annually based upon the following aging methodology adopted by The Citadel in the current fiscal year. Receivable balances aged less than one year are considered current, balances aged between one year and three years are reserved for via the allowance for uncollectible accounts, and all balances aged greater than three years are written off.

State non-capital appropriations receivable represent outstanding state funds that have been appropriated but not yet drawn. The State has authorized these funds for various operating expenditures and the College is not obligated to repay these funds to the State. State capital appropriations receivable represent outstanding Capital Reserve funds that have been appropriated but not yet drawn. The State has authorized these funds for improvements and expansion of state facilities. The College is not obligated to repay these funds to the state. All eligibility requirements related to the state non-capital appropriations and state capital appropriations have been met, as defined by GASB Statement No. 33.

### NOTE 4—ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLES, Continued

### **Contributions Receivable**

Contributions receivable is comprised of pledges for gifts to support the College. Contributions receivable is accounted for at their estimated net realizable value or the present value of long-term pledges. Discount to present value was calculated using a 1% interest rate for 2024.

The composition of contributions receivable at June 30, 2024 is summarized as follows:

	The Citadel		The Citadel Trust		Total
Contributions Receivable:					
Total contributions receivable	\$	315,867	\$	243,604	\$ 559,471
Less:					
Unamortized discount to present value		(14,838)		(9,795)	(24,633)
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(12,625)		(90,458)	 (103,083)
Total contributions receivable, net	\$	288,404	\$	143,351	\$ 431,755

Payments on contributions receivable as of June 30, 2024 are expected to be received in the following years ending June 30:

	The Citadel		The Citadel Trust		Total
2025	\$	39,679	\$	32,385	\$ 72,064
2026		79,391		55,191	134,582
2027		68,898		29,021	97,919
2028		71,190		19,796	90,986
2029		29,246		5,075	34,321
Due after 2029		-		1,883	 1,883
Total	\$	288,404	\$	143,351	\$ 431,755

Pledges for permanent endowments do not meet the eligibility requirements, as defined by GASB Statement No. 33, until the related gift is received. Accordingly, permanent endowment pledges to The Trust totaling \$183,075 are not recognized as assets in the accompanying financial statements. Because of uncertainties with regard to their realizability and valuation, bequest intentions and other conditional promises are not recognized as assets until the specified conditions are met.

### NOTE 5—RESTRICTED ASSETS

The purposes and amounts of restricted assets at June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Asset Restricted For	The Citadel		The Citadel Trust	
Current:				
Cash and cash equivalents: Donor/sponsor specified College administered loan program Capital projects	\$	1,132,683 - 682,935	\$	965,195 5,800 247,900
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,815,618	\$	1,218,895
Investment in limited partnership (at fair value): Donor/sponsor specified Contributions Receivable, net:	\$		\$	11,501,489
Donor/sponsor specified Capital projects	\$	- 39,679	\$	32,385 -
Total contributions receivable, net	\$	39,679	\$	32,385
Accounts Receivable, net: Donor/sponsor specified Capital projects	\$	6,914,321 58,721	\$	26,288
Total accounts receivable, net	\$	6,973,042	\$	26,288
Prepaid Expenses: Donor/sponsor specified	\$	8,667	\$	2,728
Due from other funds: Endowment	\$		\$	942,289
Noncurrent:				
Cash and cash equivalents: Capital projects Endowment	\$	9,899,832 -	\$	- 184,526
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$	9,899,832	\$	184,526
Marketable securities (at fair value): Capital projects Endowment	\$	-	\$	112,722 1,018,343
Total marketable securities (at fair value)	\$	-	\$	1,131,065
Investment in limited partnership (at fair value): Endowment	\$	_	\$	98,234,691
Contributions Receivable, net: Donor/sponsor specified Capital projects	\$	- 248,725	\$	110,966 -
Total contributions receivable, net	\$	248,725	\$	110,966
Accounts Receivable, net: Capital projects	\$	58,140,379	\$	-
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance: Endowment	\$		\$	85,356

### NOTE 6—CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 is summarized as follows:

	July 1, 2023	Increases	Decreases	June 30, 2024
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land and improvements	\$ 4,896,863	\$ 6,484	\$-	\$ 4,903,347
Construction-in-progress	5,500,458	19,810,065	(8,140,830)	17,169,693
Fine arts	368,801			368,801
Total capital assets not being depreciated	10,766,122	19,816,549	(8,140,830)	22,441,841
Other capital assets:				
Land improvements	15,777,070	-	-	15,777,070
Buildings and improvements	268,026,316	8,140,830	-	276,167,146
Machinery, equipment, and other	13,939,927	623,345	(418,165)	14,145,107
Vehicles	894,057	55,826	(34,703)	915,180
Intangibles	6,748,529	-	-	6,748,529
Right-to-use subscription assets	789,238		(52,093)	737,145
Total other capital assets at historical cost	306,175,137	8,820,001	(504,961)	314,490,177
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	12,748,261	379,656	-	13,127,917
Buildings and improvements	101,088,853	5,503,273	-	106,592,126
Machinery, equipment, and other	9,387,047	1,082,032	(418,165)	10,050,914
Vehicles	602,143	110,680	(34,703)	678,120
Intangibles	3,293,463	272,083	-	3,565,546
Right-to-use subscription assets	260,489	293,554	(52,093)	501,950
Total accumulated depreciation	127,380,256	7,641,278	(504,961)	134,516,573
Other capital assets, net	178,794,881	1,178,723		179,973,604
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 189,561,003	\$ 20,995,272	\$ (8,140,830)	\$ 202,415,445

### NOTE 7—UNEARNED REVENUES

The composition of unearned revenues at June 30, 2024 is summarized as follows:

	The		Т	he
		Citadel	Citade	l Trust
Advance collection of student fees	\$	3,143,754	\$	-
Deposits for event rentals		119,365		-
Other unearned revenue		565,817		-
Total unearned revenue	\$	3,828,936	\$	-

### NOTE 8—BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE

### **Bonds Payable**

At June 30, 2024, bonds payable consisted of the following:

	Interest Rate	Maturity Dates	Balance June 30, 2024	Debt Retired in Fiscal Year 2024
Revenue Bonds Series 2015	Fixed at 3.49%	04/01/2029	\$ 4,580,000	\$ 825,000
Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds Series 2015	Fixed at 4.67%	02/01/2031	6,360,000	745,000
GO State Institution Bonds Series 2021 Premium Total Bonds Payable	Fixed at 5.00%	06/30/2040	27,330,000 7,805,721 \$ 46,075,721	1,110,000 168,531 \$2,848,531

General revenue bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of net revenues derived by The Citadel from the operation of the facilities constructed with the bond proceeds. These bonds are additionally secured by a pledge of additional funds. Additional funds are all available funds and academic fees of The Citadel which are not (1) otherwise designated or restricted; (2) funds derived from appropriations; and (3) tuition funds pledged to the repayment of state institution bonds. Athletic facilities revenue bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of three sources of revenue: athletic facility fee, athletic fee, and Skybox & Club Seat revenues.

The outstanding bonds, as described above, contain (1) a provision that in an event of default, the timing of repayment of outstanding amounts, including principal and interest, become immediately due and throughout the continuance of the default, all moneys, securities, gross revenues, payments and receipts in its possession and the income therefrom shall be owed to the trustee (South Carolina State Treasurer). The outstanding bonds, as described above, also contain a subjective acceleration clause that allows the lender to accelerate payment of the entire principal amount, plus all interest accrued thereon and which will accrue thereon to the date of payment, to become immediately due in the event of default.

As of June 30, 2024, management believes it is in compliance with all related bond covenants of its issued debt.

All bonds are payable in semiannual installments plus interest. The scheduled maturities of bonds payable are as follows:

Bonds	Principal	I Interest		t Paymen	
2025	\$ 2,800,0	00 \$	1,648,154	\$	4,448,154
2026	2,930,0	00	1,523,639		4,453,639
2027	3,065,0	00	1,393,208		4,458,208
2028	3,200,0	00	1,256,629		4,456,629
2029	3,350,0	00	1,113,885		4,463,885
Thereafter	22,925,0	00	5,193,170		28,118,170
Add: Unamortized premium	7,805,7	21	-		7,805,721
Total	\$ 46,075,7	21 \$	12,128,685	\$	58,204,406

### NOTE 8—BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE, Continued

For the year ended June 30, 2024, The Citadel paid principal and interest on the bonds as follows:

Bond Type	 Principal		Interest
Revenue Bonds	\$ 825,000	\$	188,635
Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds	745,000		331,804
GO State Institution Bonds	 1,110,000		1,246,800
Total	\$ 2,680,000	\$	1,767,239

At June 30, 2024, the notes payable balance is \$252,597.

All notes are payable in monthly installments plus interest. The scheduled maturities of notes payable are as follows:

Notes	P	Principal		Interest		ayments
2025	\$	61,057	\$	23,384	\$	84,441
2026		55,155		17,258		72,413
2027		56,522		11,601		68,123
2028		61,169		5,502		66,671
2029		18,694		404		19,098
Total	\$	252,597	\$	58,149	\$	310,746

### NOTE 9—LEASES

Lease receivable activity consisted of the following for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	Bala	ance as of					Bala	ance as of
	Jul	y 1, 2023	Add	ditions	Re	ductions	Jun	e 30, 2024
Lease Receivable								
MUSC Infirmary Lease	\$	431,830	\$	-	\$	107,958	\$	323,873

### NOTE 10—SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS

SBITA activity consisted of the following for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	Bala	ance as of					Bala	ance as of
	Ju	ly 1, 2023	Add	itions	Re	ductions	Jun	e 30, 2024
Subscription liabilities	\$	450,625	\$	-	\$	289,419	\$	161,206

Future principal and interest lease payments for SBITA obligations as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

Subscription Liabilities	Principal		Interest		Payments	
2025	\$	161,206	\$	3,910	\$	165,116

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS

The South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority ("PEBA"), created July 1, 2012 and governed by an 11-member board, is the state agency responsible for the administration and management of the various Retirement Systems and retirement programs of the State of South Carolina, including the State Optional Retirement Program ("State ORP") and the South Carolina Deferred Compensation Program, as well as the State's employee insurance programs. As such, PEBA is responsible for administering the South Carolina Retirement Systems' ("Systems") five defined benefit pension plans. The Retirement Funding and Administration Act of 2017, which became effective July 1, 2017, increased the employer and employee contribution rates, established a ceiling on the South Carolina Retirement System ("SCRS") and South Carolina Police Officers Retirement System ("PORS") employee contribution rates, lowered the assumed rate of return, required a scheduled reduction of the funding periods, and addressed various governance issues including the assignment of the PEBA Board as custodian of the retirement trust funds and assignment of the Retirement Systems Investment Commission ("RSIC") and PEBA as co-trustees of the assets of the retirement trust funds. By law, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority ("SFAA"), which consists of five elected officials, also reviews certain PEBA Board decisions regarding the actuary of the Systems.

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Systems and additions to/deductions from the Systems fiduciary net position have been determined on the accrual basis of accounting as they are reported by the Systems in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. For this purpose, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Benefit and refund expenses are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Investments are reported at fair value.

PEBA issues an ACFR containing financial statements and required supplementary information for the Systems' Pension Trust Funds. The ACFR is publicly available through the Retirement Benefits' link on PEBA's website at www.peba.sc.gov, or a copy may be obtained by submitting a request to PEBA, 202 Arbor Lake Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29223. PEBA is considered a division of the primary government of the State of South Carolina and, therefore, retirement trust fund financial information is also included in the ACFR of the State of South Carolina.

### **Plan Descriptions**

SCRS, a cost–sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established effective July 1, 1945, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-1-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement and other benefits for teacher and employees of the State and political subdivisions. SCRS covers employees of state agencies, public school districts, higher education institutions, other participating local subdivisions of government and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly at or after the 2012 general election.

State ORP is a defined contribution plan that is offered as an alternative to SCRS to certain newly hired employees of state agencies, institutions of higher education, public school districts and individuals first elected to the General Assembly at or after the general election in November 2012. State ORP participants direct the investment of their funds into a plan administered by one of four third party service providers. PEBA assumes no liability for State ORP benefits. Rather, the benefits are the liability of the four third party service providers. For this reason, State ORP assets are not part of the retirement systems' trust funds for financial statement purposes.

PORS, a cost–sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established effective July 1, 1962, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-11-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement and other benefits for police officers and firefighters. PORS also covers peace officers, coroners, probate judges, and magistrates.

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS, Continued

### Membership

Membership requirements are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A brief summary of the requirements under each system is presented below:

**SCRS**: Generally, all employees of covered employers are required to participate in and contribute to the system as a condition of employment. This plan covers general employees, teachers, and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly beginning with the November 2012 general election. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012, is a Class Three member.

**State ORP:** As an alternative to membership in SCRS, newly hired state, public school, and higher education employees and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly beginning with the November 2012 general election have the option to participate in the State ORP. Contributions to the State ORP are at the same rates as SCRS. A direct remittance is required from the employers to the member's account with the ORP service provider for the employee contribution and a portion of the employer contribution (5%). A direct remittance is also required to SCRS for the remaining portion of the employer contribution and an incidental death benefit contribution, if applicable, which is retained by SCRS.

**PORS:** To be eligible for PORS membership, an employee must be required by the terms of his employment, by election or appointment, to preserve public order, protect life and property, and detect crimes in the State; to prevent and control property destruction by fire; or to serve as a peace officer employed by the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, or the Department of Mental Health. Probate judges and coroners may elect membership in PORS. Magistrates are required to participate in PORS for service as a magistrate. PORS members, other than magistrates and probate judges, must also earn at least \$2,000 per year and devote at least 1,600 hours per year to this work, unless exempted by statute. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012, is a Class Three member.

### **Benefits**

Benefit terms are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. PEBA does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms without a legislative change in the code of laws. Key elements of the benefit calculation include the benefit multiplier, years of service, and average final compensation/ current annual salary. A brief summary of the benefit terms for each system is presented below:

**SCRS:** A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 65 or with 28 years credited service regardless of age. A member may elect early retirement with reduced pension benefits payable at age 55 with 25 years of service credit. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension upon satisfying the Rule of 90 requirement that the total of the member's age and the member's creditable service equals at least 90 years. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a reduced deferred annuity at age 60 if they satisfy the five or eight-year earned service requirement, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program.

The annual retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of 1% or \$500 every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase. Members who retire under the early retirement provisions at age 55 with 25 years of service are not eligible for the benefit adjustment until the second July 1 after reaching age 60 or the second July 1 after the date they would have had 28 years of service credit had they not retired.

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS, Continued

### Benefits, Continued

**PORS:** A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 25 years of service regardless of age. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 27 years of service regardless of age. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a deferred annuity at age 55 with five or eight years of earned service, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program. Accidental death benefits are also provided upon the death of an active member working for a covered employer whose death was a natural and proximate result of an injury incurred while in the performance of duty.

The retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of 1% or \$500 every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase.

### Contributions

Actuarial valuations are performed annually by an external consulting actuary to ensure applicable contribution rates satisfy the funding parameters specified in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. Under these provisions, SCRS and PORS contribution requirements must be sufficient to maintain an amortization period for the financing of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) over a period that does not exceed the number of years scheduled in state statute. Legislation in 2017 increased, but also established a ceiling for SCRS and PORS employee contribution rates. Effective July 1, 2017, employee rates were increased to a capped rate of 9.00% for SCRS and 9.75% for PORS. The legislation also increased employer contribution rates beginning July 1, 2017 for both SCRS and PORS by two percentage points and further scheduled employer contribution rates to increase by a minimum of one percentage point each year through July 1, 2022. If the scheduled contributions are not sufficient to meet the funding periods set in state statute, the board shall increase the employer contribution rates as necessary to meet the funding periods set for the applicable year. The maximum funding period of SCRS and PORS is scheduled to be reduced over a 10-year schedule from 30 years beginning fiscal year 2018 to 20 years by fiscal year 2028.

Additionally, the board is prohibited from decreasing the SCRS and PORS contribution rates until the funded ratio is at least 85%. If the most recent annual actuarial valuation of the Systems for funding purposes shows a ratio of the actuarial value of system assets to the actuarial accrued liability of the system (the funded ratio) that is equal to or greater than 85%, then the board, effective on the following July 1, may decrease the then current contribution rates upon making a finding that the decrease will not result in a funded ratio of less than 85%. If contribution rates are decreased pursuant to this provision, and the most recent annual actuarial valuation of the system shows a funded ratio of less than 85%, then effective on the following July first, and annually thereafter as necessary, the board shall increase the then current contribution rates until a subsequent annual actuarial valuation of the system shows a funded ratio that is equal to or greater than 85%.

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS, Continued

### Contributions, Continued

Required <u>employee</u> contribution rates<sup>1</sup> are as follows:

	Fiscal Year 2024 <sup>1</sup>	Fiscal Year 2023 <sup>1</sup>
SCRS		
Employee Class Two	9.00%	9.00%
Employee Class Three	9.00%	9.00%
State ORP		
Employee	9.00%	9.00%
PORS		
Employee Class Two	9.75%	9.75%
Employee Class Three	9.75%	9.75%

Required <u>employer</u> contribution rates<sup>1</sup> are as follows:

	Fiscal Year 2024 <sup>1</sup>	Fiscal Year 2023 <sup>1</sup>
SCRS		
Employee Class Two	18.41%	17.41%
Employee Class Three	18.41%	17.41%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.15%	0.15%
State ORP		
Employee <sup>2</sup>	18.41%	17.41%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.15%	0.15%
PORS		
Employee Class Two	20.84%	19.84%
Employee Class Three	20.84%	19.84%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.20%	0.20%
Employer Accidental Death Program	0.20%	0.20%

- <sup>1</sup> Calculated on earnable compensation as defined in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.
- <sup>2</sup> Of this employer contribution, 5% of earnable compensation must be remitted by the employer directly to the ORP vendor to be allocated to the member's account with the remainder of the employer contribution remitted to the SCRS.

As described above, total required employer contributions to the SCRS, State ORP, and PORS pension plans from the College were \$5,117,527, \$3,307,650, and \$255,317, respectively, for the year ended June 30, 2024.

### **Actuarial Assumptions and Methods**

Actuarial valuations of the plans involve estimates of the reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and future salary increases. Amounts determined regarding the net pension liability are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. South Carolina State statute requires that an actuarial experience study be completed at least once in each five-year period. An experience report on the Systems was most recently issued for the period ended June 30, 2019.

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS, Continued

### Actuarial Assumptions and Methods, Continued

The June 30, 2022 SCRS and PORS data are based on actuarial valuation performed as of July 1, 2022. The pension liability was rolled forward from the valuation date to the plans' fiscal year-end, June 30, 2023, using generally accepted actuarial principles.

The following table provides a summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods used to calculate the pension liability as of June 30, 2023:

	SCRS	PORS
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal	Entry age normal
Investment rate of return <sup>1</sup>	7.0%	7.0%
Projected salary increases	3.0% to 11.0% (varies by service) <sup>1</sup>	3.5% to 10.5% (varies by service) <sup>1</sup>
Benefit adjustments <sup>1</sup> Includes inflation at 2.25%	Lesser of 1% or \$500 annually	Lesser of 1% or \$500 annually

The post-retiree mortality assumption is dependent upon the member's job category and gender. The base mortality assumptions, the 2020 Public Retirees of South Carolina ("PRSC") Mortality table, was developed using the Systems' mortality experience. These base rates are adjusted for future improvement in mortality using published Scale AA projected from the year 2020.

Assumptions used in the determination of the June 30, 2023 pension liability are as follows:

Former Job Class	Males	Females
Educators	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 95%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 94%
General Employees and Members of the General Assembly	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 97%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 107%
Public Safety and Firefighters	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 127%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 107%

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS, Continued

### Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is based upon 20-year capital market assumptions. The long-term expected rate of returns represent assumptions developed using an arithmetic building block approach primarily based on consensus expectations and market based inputs. Expected returns are net of investment fees.

The expected returns, along with the expected inflation rate, form the basis for the target asset allocation adopted at the beginning of the 2021 fiscal year. The long-term expected rate of return is produced by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target allocation percentage and adding expected inflation and is summarized in the following table. For actuarial purposes, the 7.0% assumed annual investment rate of return used in the calculation includes a 4.75% real rate of return and a 2.25% inflation component.

Asset Class	Target Asset Allocation	Expected Arithmetic Real Rate of Return	Long-Term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return
Public Equity	46.0%	6.62%	3.04%
Bonds	26.0%	0.31%	0.08%
Private Equity	9.0%	10.91%	0.98%
Private Debt	7.0%	6.16%	0.43%
Real Assets			
Real Estate	9.0%	6.41%	0.58%
Infrastructure	3.0%	6.62%	0.20%
Total Expected Return	100.0%		5.31%
nflation for Actuarial Purposes			2.25%
Total Expected Nominal Return			7.56%

### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from participating employers in SCRS and PORS will be made based on the actuarially determined rates based on provisions in the South Carolina Code of Laws. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all the projected future benefit payments of current 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 pension liability.

### Sensitivity Analysis

The following table presents the College's proportionate share of the net pension liability of the respective plan calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the College's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1.00 % lower (6.00%) or 1.00% higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS, Continued

### Sensitivity Analysis, Continued

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate					
System	1.00%CurrentDecreaseDiscount Rate(6.00%)(7.00%)		1.00% Increase (8.00%)		
SCRS	\$107,488,449	\$ 83,189,233	\$ 62,992,602		
PORS	\$ 2,529,259	\$ 1,792,975	\$ 1,189,862		

### **Net Pension Liability**

At June 30, 2024, the College reported liabilities of \$83,189,233 and \$1,792,975 for its proportionate shares of the SCRS and PORS net pension liabilities, respectively. The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liabilities used to calculate the net pension liabilities were determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022 projected forward to June 30, 2023. The College's proportionate shares of the net pension liabilities were based on a projection of the College's long-term share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023 (measurement date), the College's proportionate shares of the SCRS and PORS plans were .344078% and .058900%, respectively, which was a decrease of .015562% and .003221%, respectively, from its proportionate shares as of June 30, 2022, which were .359640% and .062121%, respectively.

### Pension Expense

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the College recognized pension expense for the SCRS and PORS plans of \$5,571,763 and \$205,005, respectively.

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS, Continued

### **Deferred Inflows of Resources and Deferred Outflows of Resources**

At June 30, 2024, the College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources for the combined plans:

	SCRS and PORS			
	Deferred Outflows of Resources		h	Deferred nflows of esources
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on				
pension plan investments	\$	-	\$	116,945
Assumption changes		1,313,602		-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date		5,372,844		-
Changes in proportion and differences between the College's				
contributions and proportionate share of contributions		6,411		4,275,754
Difference in expected and actual experience in liability				
measurement		1,528,688		252,800
Total	\$	8,221,545	\$	4,645,499

The \$5,372,844 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from College contributions subsequent to the measurement date for the SCRS and PORS plans during the year ended June 30, 2024 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liabilities in the year ending June 30, 2025.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows for the SCRS and PORS plans, respectively:

		SCRS
Years Ending June 30:		
2025		546,555
2026		2,960,723
2027		(1,774,607)
2028		48,794
Total	\$	1,781,465
	PORS	
		PORS
Years Ending June 30:		PORS
Years Ending June 30: 2025		PORS (362)
-		
2025		(362)
2025 2026		(362) 81,612

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the College recognized a combined SCRS and PORS revenue amount of \$445,045 through a non-employer contribution appropriated in the State of South Carolina's budget. The State of South Carolina's budget appropriated these funds directly to PEBA for the SCRS and PORS trust funds. This non-employer contribution balance is recorded within other nonoperating revenues on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.

### NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS, Continued

### Additional Financial and Actuarial Information

Detailed information regarding the fiduciary net position of the plans administered by PEBA is available in the Systems' audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, which includes the accounting and financial reporting actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023 (including the unmodified audit opinion on the financial statements). Additional actuarial information is available in the accounting and financial valuation as of July 1, 2022.

### NOTE 12—POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws and the annual Appropriations Act, the State of South Carolina provides postemployment health and dental and long-term disability benefits through the South Carolina Retiree Health Insurance Trust Fund ("SCRHITF") and the South Carolina Long-Term Disability Insurance Trust Fund ("SCLTDITF"), collectively referred to as the OPEB Trust Funds ("OPEB Trusts"), to retired state and school district employees and their covered dependents.

### **Plan Description**

The OPEB Trusts were established by the State of South Carolina as Act 195, which became effective on May 2008. The SCRHITF was created to fund and account for the employer costs of the State's retiree health and dental plans. The SCLTDITF was created to fund and account for the employer costs of the State's Basic Long-Term Disability Income Benefit Plan. In accordance with Act 195, the OPEB Trusts are administered by the PEBA – Insurance Benefits and the State Treasurer is the custodian of the funds held in trust. The Board of Directors of PEBA has been designated as the Trustee. The OPEB Trusts are cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit plans. Article 5 of the State Code of Laws defines the two plans and authorizes the Trustee to at any time adjust the plans, including its benefits and contributions, as necessary to insure the fiscal stability of the plans. In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws and the annual Appropriations Act, the state provides post-employment health and dental and long-term disability benefits to retired state and school district employees and their covered dependents.

### Benefits

The SCRHITF is a healthcare plan that covers retired employees of the State of South Carolina, including all agencies and public-school districts. The SCRHITF provides health and dental insurance benefits to eligible retirees. Generally, retirees are eligible for the health and dental benefits if they have established at least ten years of retirement service credit. For new hires beginning employment May 2, 2008 and after, retirees are eligible for benefits if they have established 25 years of service for 100% employer funding and 15 to 24 years of service for 50% employer funding.

The SCLTDITF is a long-term disability plan that covers employees of the State of South Carolina, including all agencies and public-school districts and all participating local governmental entities. The SCLTDITF provides disability payments to eligible employees that have been approved for disability.

### **Contributions and Funding Policies**

Section 1-11-710 of the South Carolina Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, requires these postemployment and long-term disability benefits to be funded through non-employer and employer contributions for active employees and retirees to the PEBA – Insurance Benefits. Non-employer contributions consist of an annual appropriation by the General Assembly and the statutorily required transfer from PEBA – Insurance Benefits' reserve.

### NOTE 12—POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS, Continued

### Contributions and Funding Policies, Continued

The SCRHITF is funded through participating employers that are mandated by state statute to contribute at a rate assessed each year by the Department of Administration Executive Budget Office on active employee covered payroll. The covered payroll surcharge for the year ended June 30, 2023, was 6.25%. The SCRS collects the monthly covered payroll surcharge for all participating employers and remits it directly to the SCRHITF. Other sources of funding for the SCRHITF also include the implicit subsidy, or age-related subsidy inherent in the healthcare premium's structure. The implicit subsidy represents a portion of the health care expenditures paid on behalf of the active employee is reclassified as a retiree health care expenditure on behalf of the active employee is reclassified as a retiree health care expenditure so that the employer's contributions towards the plan reflect the underlying age-adjusted, retiree benefit costs. Non-employer contributions include the mandatory transfer of accumulated PEBA – Insurance Benefits' reserves and the annual appropriation budgeted by the General Assembly. It is also funded through investment income.

The SCLTDITF is funded through employer contributions for active employees that elect health insurance coverage. For this group of active employees, PEBA – Insurance Benefits bills and collects premiums charged to state agencies, public school districts, and other participating local governments. The monthly premium per active employee was \$3.22 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The SCLTDITF premium is billed monthly by PEBA – Insurance Benefits and transferred monthly to the SCLTDITF. It is also funded through investment income.

The allocation percentage of the OPEB amounts are calculated differently for each OPEB Trust. For the SCRHITF, the allocation percentage is based on the covered payroll surcharge contribution for each employer.

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the OPEB Trusts, and additions to and deductions from the OPEB Trusts fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they were reported by the OPEB Trusts. For this purpose, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Therefore, benefit and administrative expenses are recognized when incurred at fair value.

Total required employer contributions to the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF from the College were \$3,355,513 and \$21,052 respectively, for the year ended June 30, 2024.

### **Actuarial Assumptions and Methods**

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plans (as understood by the employer and plan participants) and include the types of benefits provided at the time the valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point.

## NOTE 12—POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS, Continued

### Actuarial Assumptions and Methods, Continued

Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation for SCRHITF:

Valuation Date:	June 30, 2022
Actuarial Cost Method:	Entry Age Normal
Inflation:	2.25%
Investment Rate of Return:	2.75%, net of OPEB Plan investment expenses; including inflation.
Single Discount Rate:	3.86% as of June 30, 2023.
Demographic Assumptions:	Based on the experience study performed for the SCRS for the 5- year period ending June 30, 2019.
Mortality:	For healthy retirees, the gender-distinct South Carolina Retirees 2020 Mortality Tables are used with fully generational mortality projections based on a fully generational basis by the 80% of Scale UMP to account for future mortality improvements and adjusted with multipliers based on plan experience.
Health Care Trend Rate:	Initial trend starting at 6.00% and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.00% over a period of 13 years.
Aging Factors:	Based on plan specific experience.
Retiree Participation:	79% for retirees who are eligible for funded premiums.
	59% participation for retirees who are eligible for partial funded premiums.
	20% participation for retirees who are eligible for non-funded premiums.
Notes:	The discount rate changed from 3.69% as of June 30, 2022 to 3.86% as of June 30, 2023.

### NOTE 12—POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS, Continued

### Actuarial Assumptions and Methods, Continued

Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation for SCLTDITF:

Valuation Date:	June 30, 2022
Actuarial Cost Method:	Entry Age Normal
Inflation Rate:	2.25%
Investment Rate of Return:	3.00%, net of Plan investment expense; including inflation.
Single Discount Rate:	3.57% as of June 30, 2023
Salary, Termination, and Retirement Rates:	Based on the experience study performed for the SCRS for the 5-year period ending June 30, 2019.
Disability Incidence:	The disability incidence rates used in the valuation are 165% of the rates developed for the South Carolina Retirement Systems pension plans.
Disability Recovery:	For participants in payment, 1987 CGDT Group Disability; for active employees, 60% were assumed to recover after the first year and 93% were assumed to recover after the first two years.
Offsets:	45% are assumed to be eligible for Social Security benefits; assumed percentage who will be eligible for a pension plan offset varies based on employee group.
Expenses:	Third party administrative expenses were included in the benefit projections.
Notes:	The discount rate changed from 3.41% as of June 30, 2022 to 3.57% as of June 30, 2023.

### Net OPEB Liability

At June 30, 2024, the College reported liabilities of \$64,147,104 and \$42,300 for its proportionate share of the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF net OPEB liabilities, respectively. The net OPEB liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liabilities used to calculate the net OPEB liabilities were determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022 projected forward to June 30, 2023. The College's proportionate shares of the collective net OPEB liabilities and collective OPEB expense was determined using the College's payroll-related contributions over the measurement period. At June 30, 2023 (measurement date), the College's proportionate shares of the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF were .489991% and .276270%, respectively, which was the same as its proportionate shares of the net OPEB liabilities as of June 30, 2023, which was a decrease of .024321% and .017479%, respectively, from its proportionate shares as of June 30, 2022, which were .514312% and .293749%, respectively.

### NOTE 12—POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS, Continued

### **OPEB** Expense

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the College recognized OPEB expense for the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF plans of \$334,237 and \$27,582, respectively.

### Single Discount Rate

The Single Discount Rate of 3.86% was used to measure the total OPEB liability for the SCRHITF. The accounting policy for this plan is to set the Single Discount Rate equal to the prevailing municipal bond rate. Due to the plan's investment and funding policies, the difference between a blended discount rate and the municipal bond rate would be less than several basis points (several hundredths of 1.00%).

A Single Discount Rate of 3.57% was used to measure the total OPEB liability for the SCLTDITF. This Single Discount Rate was based on an expected rate of return on plan investments of 3.00% and a municipal bond rate of 3.86%. The projection of cash flows to determine this Single Discount Rate assumed that employer contributions will remain \$38.64 per year for each covered active employee. Based on these assumptions, the plan's Fiduciary Net Position and future contributions were sufficient to finance the benefit payments through the year 2033. As a result, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to project benefit payments through the year 2033, and the municipal bond rate was applied to all benefit payments after that date.

The long-term expected rate of return represents assumptions developed using an arithmetic building block approach primarily based on consensus expectations and market-based inputs. The expected returns, along with the expected inflation rate, form the basis for the target asset allocation adopted at the beginning of the 2018 fiscal year. The long-term expected rate of return is produced by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target allocation percentage and adding expected inflation. This information is summarized in the following table:

### South Carolina Retiree Health Insurance Trust Fund

Asset Class	Target Asset Allocation	Expected Arithmetic Real Rate of Return	Allocation-Weighted Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Domestic Fixed Income	80.00%	0.95%	0.76%
Cash equivalents	20.00%	0.35%	0.07%
Total	100.00%	_	0.83%
Expected Inflation		-	2.25%
Total Return			3.08%
Investment Return Assumption			2.75%

#### South Carolina Long-Term Disability Insurance Trust Fund

Asset Class	Target Asset Allocation	Expected Arithmetic Real Rate of Return	Allocation-Weighted Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Domestic Fixed Income	80.00%	0.95%	0.76%
Cash equivalents	20.00%	0.35%	0.07%
Total	100.00%	_	0.83%
Expected Inflation		=	2.25%
Total Return			3.08%
Investment Return Assumption			3.00%

### NOTE 12—POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS, Continued

### **Sensitivity Analysis**

The following table presents the SCRHITF's net OPEB liability calculated using a Single Discount Rate of 3.69%, as well as what the plan's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a Single Discount Rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher:

	Current				
Plan	1% Decrease (2.86%)	Discount Rate (3.86%)	1% Increase (4.86%)		
SCRHITF net OPEB liability	\$75,723,058	\$64,147,104	\$54,811,004		

Regarding the sensitivity of the SCRHITF's net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates, the following table presents the plan's net OPEB liability, calculated using the assumed trend rates as well as what the plan's net OPEB liability would be if were calculated using a trend rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher:

Plan	1% Decrease	Rate	1% Increase
SCRHITF net OPEB liability	\$53,263,944	\$64,147,104	\$78,129,611

The following table presents the SCLTDITF's net OPEB liability calculated using a Single Discount Rate of 3.41%, as well as what the plan's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a Single Discount Rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher:

	Current				
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase		
Plan	(2.57%)	(3.57%)	(4.57%)		
SCLTDITF net OPEB liability (asset)	\$47,518	\$42,300	\$37,257		

The SCLTDITF's net OPEB liability is not affected by changes in the healthcare cost trend rates due to the method used to calculate benefit payments. Therefore, the sensitivity to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates have not been calculated.

### NOTE 12—POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS, Continued

### Deferred outflows and inflows of resources:

At June 30, 2024, the College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources for the combined plans:

	SCRHITF and SCLTDITF				
		Deferred		Deferred	
	C	Outflows of		Inflows of	
	F	Resources Resou		Resources	
let difference between projected and actual investment					
experience	\$	719,001	\$	63,089	
let difference between projected and actual experience					
in liability measurement		1,146,034		14,622,579	
Assumption changes		12,874,212		20,614,449	
Changes in proportion and differences between the					
College's contributions and proportionate share of					
contributions		431,872		7,682,180	
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date		3,376,566		-	
Total	\$	18,547,685	\$	42,982,297	
experience let difference between projected and actual experience in liability measurement Assumption changes Changes in proportion and differences between the College's contributions and proportionate share of contributions Contributions		719,001 1,146,034 12,874,212 431,872 3,376,566		63,089 14,622,579 20,614,449 7,682,180	

### **Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience**

The \$3,376,566 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from College contributions subsequent to the measurement date for the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF plans during the year ended June 30, 2024, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liabilities in the year ending June 30, 2025.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows for the SCRHITF and SCLTDITF plans:

	SCRHITF and
Years Ending June 30:	SCLTDITF
2025	(3,783,934)
2026	(3,554,854)
2027	(3,972,820)
2028	(5,816,001)
2029	(7,103,542)
Thereafter	(3,580,027)
Total	<u>\$ (27,811,178)</u>

PEBA – Insurance Benefits issues audited financial statements and required supplementary information for the OPEB Trust Funds. This information is publicly available through the PEBA – Insurance Benefits' link on PEBA's website at www.peba.sc.gov or a copy may be obtained by submitting a request to PEBA – Insurance Benefits, 202 Arbor Lake Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29223. PEBA is considered a division of the primary government of the State of South Carolina and, therefore, OPEB Trust Funds financial information is also included in the ACFR of the State of South Carolina.

### NOTE 13—LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

					Due Within	
	July 1, 2023 Additions		Reductions	June 30, 2024	One-Year	
Bonds and Notes Payable:						
Revenue Bonds	\$ 5,405,000	\$-	\$ 825,000	\$ 4,580,000	\$ 855,000	
Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds	7,105,000	-	745,000	6,360,000	780,000	
Go State Institution Bonds	28,440,000	-	1,110,000	27,330,000	1,165,000	
Premium	7,974,252	-	168,531	7,805,721	-	
Notes payable	55,246	257,695	60,344	252,597	61,057	
Total Bonds and Notes Payable	48,979,498	257,695	2,908,875	46,328,318	2,861,057	
Other Liabilities						
Accrued compensated absences	2,606,806	648,245	104,182	3,150,869	1,992,387	
Subscriptions payable	450,625	-	289,419	161,206	161,206	
Deposits	6,678,188	258,251	3,798,888	3,137,551	2,874,262	
Unearned revenues	4,718,801	803,272	1,693,137	3,828,936	3,828,936	
Net pension liability	89,047,577	-	4,065,369	84,982,208	-	
Net OPEB liability	78,434,188		14,144,784	64,289,404		
Total Other Liabilities	181,936,185	1,709,768	24,095,779	159,550,174	8,856,791	
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 230,915,683	\$ 1,967,463	\$ 27,004,654	\$ 205,878,492	\$ 11,717,848	

Additional information regarding bonds and notes payable is included in Note 8. Additional information regarding unearned revenues is included in Note 7. Additional information regarding net pension liabilities is included in Note 11. Additional information regarding OPEB liabilities is included in Note 12.

### NOTE 14—DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

The composition of deferred inflows of revenues at June 30, 2024 is summarized as follows:

	The	The		
	 Citadel	Citade	el Trust	 Total
Amounts related to net OPEB liabilities	\$ 42,982,297	\$	-	\$ 42,982,297
Amounts related to net pension liabilities	4,645,499		-	4,645,499
Amounts related to lease receivable	 323,873		-	 323,873
Total deferred inflows of resources	\$ 47,951,669	\$	-	\$ 47,951,669

See Note 11 for a description of the deferred inflows of resources related to the pension liabilities. See Note 12 for a description of the deferred inflows of resources related to the OPEB liabilities.

### NOTE 15—CONSTRUCTION COSTS AND COMMITMENTS

### Capitalized

The Citadel has obtained the necessary funding for the acquisition, construction, renovation, and equipping of certain facilities which will be capitalized in the applicable plant asset categories upon completion. Management estimates that The Citadel has sufficient resources available and/or future resources identified to satisfactorily complete the construction of these projects which are expected to be completed in varying phases over the next three years at an estimated cost of \$13,134,740. Of the total estimated cost, \$4,711,687 was unexpended at June 30, 2024. Of the unexpended balance at June 30, 2024, The Citadel had remaining commitment balances of approximately \$17,727,447 with certain property owners, engineering firms, construction contractors, and vendors related to these projects. During the current year, The Citadel capitalized substantially complete and in-use projects in the amount of \$8,140,830.

Major capital projects at June 30, 2024, which constitute construction-in-progress that will be capitalized when completed, are listed below.

The amount expended includes only capitalized project expenditures for projects that are less than 99% complete and does not include any non-capitalized expenditures.

	Estimated	Amount	
Project Title	Cost	Expended	
Bond Hall Annex Roof Replacement Byrd	\$ 250,000	\$ 228,044	
Hall Domestic Water Replacement Bond	500,000	108,904	
369 & 370 Renovation	350,000	105,084	
Cade Store Renovation	350,000	85,710	
Congress St & Misc Paving	885,000	87,898	
Coward Hall HVAC Replacement Phase	242,000	164,410	
Coward Hall Kitchen Conditioning St	22,070	7,300	
Duckett 215 Lab Renovation	509,030	127,513	
Fire Pump Water Tank Replacement ST	2,550,000	267,035	
J.H.S. East Stands Reconstruction	137,500	102,851	
Leadership Reaction Course	30,000	29,439	
MFH HVAC Replacement 2023	250,000	22,505	
MCH Chick-fil-A Refresh	460,000	44,052	
MCH Buyer Roof Replacement	20,000	3,500	
Mims Housing Reno 2022	1,400,000	1,237,656	
Summerall Chapel Stained Glass Rest	678,515	3,175	
Summerall Chapel Stained Glass Rest	948,000	524,048	
Summerall Chapel AV	620,000	600,007	
Tailor Shop Window & Door Replacement	3,500	1,750	
Thompson Hall Classroom Renos	567,000	51,327	
Thompson Hall Chiller Replacement	275,000	17,725	
201-203 Richardson Ave. Renovation	108,000	97,820	
Total	\$ 11,155,615	\$ 3,917,753	

### NOTE 15—CONSTRUCTION COSTS AND COMMITMENTS, Continued

### **Non-Capitalized**

At June 30, 2024, the estimated costs of open projects on these non-capitalized projects total \$2,649,971. This amount includes costs incurred to date of \$1,157,376 and estimated costs to complete of \$1,492,595. Of the unexpended balance at June 30, 2024, The Citadel had remaining commitment balances of approximately \$208,868 with certain property owners, engineering firms, construction contractors, and vendors related to these projects.

The Citadel anticipates funding these projects out of current resources, current and future bond issues, private gifts, student fees, and state bond proceeds. The state has provided capital reserve funds, lottery appropriations, and research infrastructure bonds to fund improvements and expansion of state facilities.

The Citadel is not obligated to repay these funds to the state. Authorized funds can be requested as needed once state authorities have given approval to begin specific projects and project expenditures have been incurred.

### NOTE 16—DONOR RESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS

The Trust manages most donor-restricted endowments. If a donor has not provided specific instructions, state law generally permits The Trust's Board of Directors to authorize for expenditure the net appreciation (realized and unrealized) of the investments of endowment funds. Any net appreciation that is spent is required to be spent for the purposes for which the endowment was established.

The Trust chooses to spend only a portion of the investment income (including changes in the value of investments) each year. Under the policy established by The Trust's Board of Directors, 4.4% of the average market value of endowment investments at the end of the previous five years has been authorized for expenditure. The remaining amount, if any, is retained to be used in future years when the amount computed using the spending policy exceeds the investment income. At June 30, 2024, net appreciation of \$461,679 is available to be spent, all of which is restricted to specific purposes.

### NOTE 17—SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS

In December 1993, a benefactor established a charitable remainder unitrust, consisting of publicly traded common stock valued at \$60,000,000, to which The Trust is entitled to one-third of the remaining assets upon the benefactor's death. During fiscal year 2003, the above donor distributed approximately \$1 million of stock from this charitable remainder unitrust to each of the three beneficiaries. Annually the unitrust is to pay to the benefactor 6% of the net fair market value of the assets in the charitable remainder trust, valued as of the first day of each taxable year of such trust. If income from these assets is insufficient to pay this amount, it will be paid from principal. The unitrust is irrevocable and is not managed by The Citadel or The Trust. Since the ultimate amount received cannot be reasonably estimated and the eligibility requirement for the gift has not been met, these unitrust assets are not included in these financial statements.

During fiscal year 1999, another donor established a charitable remainder trust ("CRT"), consisting of assets valued at less than \$600,000, to which The Trust is entitled to all the remaining assets upon the death of the CRT beneficiaries. The pledge for the CRT is restricted for scholarships. The CRT is irrevocable and is not managed by The Citadel or The Trust. Since the ultimate amount received cannot be reasonably estimated and the eligibility requirement for this gift has not been met, these trust assets are not included in these financial statements.

### NOTE 18—DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS

Certain separately chartered legal entities whose activities are related to those of The Citadel exist primarily to provide financial assistance and other support to the College and its educational program. They include TCF, TCBF, and TCREF. Because the activities and resources of these entities are for the sole benefit of The Citadel, they are considered component units of the College and are discretely presented in The Citadel's financial statements as non-governmental reporting entities. Following is a more detailed discussion of each of these entities and a summary of the significant transactions between these entities and The Citadel for the year ended June 30, 2024.

### The Citadel Foundation

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, TCF received current year contributions of \$14,715,305 on behalf of The Citadel and The Trust, \$3,927,137 of this total was recorded as gifts, \$1,249,587 was recorded as additions to permanent endowments, and \$8,479,745 was recorded as capital gifts in nonoperating revenues. The Trust paid TCF a fee of \$200,000 for its fundraising services.

The Citadel and The Trust recorded non-governmental grants of \$8,809,685 from TCF for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. These funds were used to support scholarships, salaries, and various academic programs and at the College. In addition, TCF provided a grant of \$600,000 to support stadium debt service.

The amount due to or from TCF varies during the fiscal year based on amounts due for grants and expenses incurred on behalf of TCF and contributions collected by TCF on behalf of The Citadel. TCF's Statement of Financial Position dated December 31, 2023, shows a grant payable to The Citadel of \$7,031,810. At June 30, 2024, the net amount due from TCF to The Citadel was \$1,151,892.

### The Citadel Real Estate Foundation

The Citadel Real Estate Foundation is a supporting organization of TCF. During the year ended June 30, 2024, The Citadel received approximately \$1,341,847 of agency fund capital contributions from TCREF related to construction of the Bastin Hall School of Business on The Citadel's campus, with approximately \$4,066 in constructions costs being incurred.

### The Citadel Brigadier Foundation

The Citadel and The Trust recorded non-governmental grants of \$2,314,355 from TCBF in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

TCBF reimburses The Citadel for certain expenses incurred on behalf of TCBF. The reimbursement totaled \$41,382 for the year ended June 30, 2023. \$488 remained outstanding between TCBF and The Citadel at June 30, 2024.

### NOTE 19—RELATED PARTIES

### Citadel Alumni Association

CAA is a separately chartered corporation organized exclusively to promote alumni activities at The Citadel. CAA's activities are governed by its Board of Directors.

As described in Note 2, CAA has an investment in The Trust's unitized investment pool. As of June 30, 2024, CAA's portion of this investment is \$6,808,661, and is included as investment in limited partnership on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position.

The activities of CAA are not included in The Citadel's financial statements. However, The Citadel's statements include transactions between the College and the CAA. Following is a summary of the significant transactions between The Citadel and CAA for the year ended June 30, 2024.

### NOTE 19—RELATED PARTIES, Continued

The College shares the costs of operating the John Monroe Holliday Alumni Center building with CAA. Expenses related to routine operations of the alumni center are allocated based on the joint use of the building by The Citadel staff who function as both the College Alumni Office and the Alumni Association Office. All expenses related to income production are borne by the CAA. CAA prepares an annual accounting of the net income of rental activities each May. After covering CAA income producing costs, any amount remaining is split on the same basis as building operating expenses. For the year ended June 30, 2024, The Citadel's share of John Monroe Holliday Alumni operating profits was \$300,000.

CAA reimburses The Citadel for certain expenses incurred on behalf of CAA. The reimbursement totaled \$1,790,389 for the year ended June 30, 2024, of which \$306,245 was for activity for the year ended June 30, 2024, with \$82,950 remaining payable to The Citadel as of June 30, 2024.

### NOTE 20—TRANSACTIONS WITH STATE ENTITIES

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The Citadel is granted an annual appropriation for operating purposes as authorized by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina. State appropriations are recognized as revenue when received and available. Amounts that are not expended by fiscal year-end lapse and are required to be returned to the General Fund of the state unless the College receives authorization from the General Assembly to carry the funds over to the next year.

The original appropriation is The Citadel's base budget amount presented in the General Funds column of Section 8, Part IA, of the 2011-12 Appropriation Act. The following is a reconciliation of the original appropriation as enacted by the General Assembly to state appropriations revenue reported in the financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

State Appropriations	
Original appropriation	\$ 20,803,210
Additional appropriation	1,027,485
Non-recurring appropriation	17,500,006
Appropriation allocations from the State Commission on Higher Education	
For Academic Endowment Match	12,644
For Technology Grant Program	336,141
Capital Reserve Fund	 11,499,994
Total State Appropriation Revenues	\$ 51,179,480

The Citadel received substantial funding from the Commission on Higher Education ("CHE") for scholarships on behalf of students that is accounted for as operating state grants and contracts. Additional amounts received from CHE are accounted for as nonoperating revenue. The Citadel also receives state funds from various other state agencies for public service projects.

### NOTE 20—TRANSACTIONS WITH STATE ENTITIES, Continued

The following is a reconciliation of Non-Recurring and Capital Reserve Fund appropriations recognized for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

Non-Recurring Appropriations	
Engineering Building (FY24)	\$ 17,500,006
Total Non-Recurring Appropriations	\$ 17,500,006
Capital Reserve Fund Appropriations Engineering Building (FY24)	\$ 11,499,994
Total Capital Reserve Fund Appropriations	\$ 11,499,994

The following is a summary of amounts received from state agencies for scholarships, sponsored research, and public service projects for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

	Operating Revenue		Nonoperating Revenue	
Received from the Commission on Higher Education (CHE):				
LIFE Scholarships	\$	3,238,535	\$	-
Palmetto Fellows Scholarships		533,921		-
Need-Based Grants		992,191		-
Hope Scholarships		375,200		-
SC National Guard		409,064		-
Other Operational Grants		468,118		-
Other Non-Operational Grants		-		132,499
Total	\$	6,017,029	\$	132,499

The Citadel provided no significant services free of charge to any state agency during the fiscal year. Services received at no cost from state agencies include maintenance of certain accounting records by the Comptroller General; banking, bond trustee, and investment services from the State Treasurer; legal services from the Attorney General; and grants services from the Governor's Office.

Other services received at no cost from the various offices of the State Budget and Control Board include pension plan administration, insurance plans administration, audit services, personnel management, assistance in the preparation of the State Budget, review and approval of certain budget amendments, procurement services, and other centralized functions.

The Citadel had financial transactions with various state agencies during the fiscal year. Significant payments were made to divisions of the State Budget and Control Board for pension and insurance plans, employee and employer contributions, insurance coverage, office supplies, and interagency mail. Significant payments were also made for unemployment and workers' compensation coverage for employees to the Employment Security Commission and State Accident Fund. The amounts of 2024 expenditures applicable to related transactions with state entities are not readily available.

### NOTE 21—RISK MANAGEMENT

The Citadel is exposed to various risks of loss and maintains state or commercial insurance coverage for each of those risks. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses for the covered risks. Settlement claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three years.

The State of South Carolina believes it is more economical to manage certain risks internally and set aside assets for claim settlement. Several State funds accumulate assets, and the State itself assumes substantially all the risk for the following claims of covered employees:

- 1. Unemployment compensation benefits
- 2. Workers' compensation benefits for job-related illnesses or injuries
- 3. Health and dental insurance benefits
- 4. Long-term disability and group-life insurance benefits

Employees elect health insurance coverage either through a health maintenance organization or through the state's self-insured plan.

The Citadel and other entities pay premiums to the South Carolina Insurance Reserve Fund ("SCIRF"), which issues policies, accumulates assets to cover the risk of loss, and pays claims incurred for covered losses relating to the following activities:

- 1. Theft, damage to, or destruction of assets
- 2. Real property, its contents, and other equipment
- 3. Motor vehicles and watercraft
- 4. Torts
- 5. Natural disasters

The SCIRF is a self-insurer and purchases reinsurance to obtain certain services and to limit losses in certain areas. The SCIRF's rates are determined actuarially.

The Citadel obtains coverage through a commercial insurer for employee fidelity bond insurance for all employees for losses arising from theft or misappropriation.

In management's opinion, claim losses in excess of insurance coverage, if any, are unlikely, and, if incurred, would be insignificant to the College's financial position. Furthermore, there is no evidence of asset impairment or other information to indicate that a loss expenditure and liability should be recorded at year-end. Therefore, no loss accrual has been recorded for underinsured and uninsured losses.

### NOTE 22—CONTINGENCIES AND LITIGATION

The Citadel and certain school officials currently face three lawsuits. Two involve The Citadel's former summer camp (collectively, "summer camp cases"), and the third alleges due process and Title IX violation against a third cadet. In the opinion of management and counsel, the risk of material loss in excess of insurance coverage for these cases is not likely. Therefore, an estimated liability has not been recorded. In the opinion of management and counsel, the risk of insurance coverage for the recorded. In the opinion of management and counsel, the risk of material loss in excess of insurance coverage for the remaining two, state court cases, is not likely.

### NOTE 22—CONTINGENCIES AND LITIGATION, Continued

### Summer Camp Cases

### Background:

From 1957 until 2006, The Citadel operated a summer camp for children between 10 and 15 years old. Between 1997 and 2001, "Counselor 1", a 1997 graduate of The Citadel, served in various positions as counselor at the camp. During the summers of 2001, 2002, and 2003, "Counselor 2" served as a counselor, likewise serving in various positions.

In 2001, a camper accused Counselor 1 of sexually assaulting him during the camp. Those accusations ultimately led to Counselor 1's court-martial. Five former campers subsequently filed suits alleging Counselor 1 had assaulted them while at the camp. The Citadel and its general liability insurer, the SCIRF, settled those claims in 2006 for \$3,850,000. The SCIRF paid approximately \$3,300,000 to settle those cases; The Citadel contributed \$500,000 to settle the cases. In 2011, a sixth former camper filed a suit against The Citadel. In 2014, a seventh former camper, the older brother of the sixth former camper, also filed a suit. In June 2014, the SCIRF, The Citadel's insurer, settled those cases.

In 2007, a camper from 2002 reported that Counselor 2 had allegedly engaged in sexual misconduct with him during 2002. The former camper alleged Counselor 2 had engaged in similar conduct with other campers during 2001. The Citadel, through its General Counsel, investigated the allegations but found no corroboration. The Citadel did not report the allegations to law enforcement.

In 2011, Counselor 2 was arrested for sexually abusing numerous boys in the Charleston area. In 2012, he was sentenced to 50 years of imprisonment.

### Litigation:

Counselor 1: As noted above, seven former campers filed a total of eight cases against The Citadel related to Counselor 1's conduct (Camper Six filed both a general liability lawsuit against The Citadel in state court and a Section 1983 lawsuit against individual defendants in federal court). The original five plaintiffs settled their claims with The Citadel and the SCIRF in June 2006. Campers six and seven settled their claims in June 2014.

Counselor 2: Eleven plaintiffs filed a total of 22 cases against The Citadel and four of its employees in connection with Counselor 2's actions. All 11 filed a total of twelve cases in state court against The Citadel alleging gross negligence against the school; one plaintiff, a mother, filed two cases, one on her own behalf and one for her son. The Citadel won two of these cases on summary judgment in 2015, and the South Carolina Court of Appeals and Supreme Court affirmed; it settled two additional cases during the spring of 2017. In November 2019, one of the plaintiffs in state court dismissed his case with prejudice. In the fall of 2021, The Citadel filed motions for summary judgment in the seven remaining cases, arguing they were controlled by the opinions issued by the South Carolina Court of Appeals and the South Carolina Supreme Court in 2016, 2017, and 2018. The trial court informally stayed any further proceedings in the remaining cases, pending the Supreme Court's final actions. One of the plaintiffs dismissed his case after the filing of that motion. The presiding judge granted the motion in another case. However, the judge denied the motions in the remaining five cases. The Citadel's insurer, the SCIRF, subsequently settled three of those cases for fifty-thousand (\$50,000) dollars each. The plaintiff in one of the remaining cases has long since ceased communicating with his counsel, therefore, his attorney has moved to be relieved as counsel. After the court grants that motion, The Citadel will move to dismiss the case for lack of prosecution. The SCIRF is negotiating with the attorney in the final case and expects to settle it before the end of 2024.

### NOTE 22—CONTINGENCIES AND LITIGATION, Continued

The SCIRF has defended The Citadel pursuant to a \$1 million insurance policy in all of these cases. Under the Tort Claims Act, The Citadel's liability is capped at \$300,000 per plaintiff, and \$600,000 per occurrence. Indeed, The Citadel believes the maximum exposure to the school for all five cases, combined, is \$600,000, and that the amount is covered by its insurance policy through the Insurance Reserve Fund.

### Other Cases

In March, 2024, Jane Roe, attorney in fact and mother of John Doe, sued The Citadel, former TAC officer Ken Boes, and three unknown assailants for injuries John Doe allegedly suffered while a cadet in the Spring of 2016. She claims Boes groomed John Doe in an attempt to sexually abuse him, and Boes's actions led to an assault by three unknown cadets. She specifically states Boes did not assault Doe, and Doe does not know who did. She alleges The Citadel negligently hired, trained, or retained Boes, allowing him to Groom Doe, and negligently trained and supervised the three unknown cadets, resulting in their assault on him.

The Insurance Reserve Fund is providing The Citadel and Boes with a defense in this matter, The Tort Claims Act applies, The Citadel does not believe the case represents a threat to its finances. Indeed, The Citadel anticipates a court will eventually dismiss all claims against it based on the three-year statute of limitations.

### Other Possible Contingencies

The Citadel participates in certain federal programs. These programs are subject to financial and compliance audits by the grantor or its representatives. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant. Management believes disallowances, if any, will not be material.

### NOTE 23—OPERATING EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

For the year ended June 30, 2024, operating expenses by functional classification are summarized as follows:

	Compensation and Employee Benefits	Supplies and Services	Utilities	Scholarships and Fellowships	Depreciation	Total
Instruction	\$ 33,193,748	\$ 1,298,178	\$ 120	\$ 9,436	\$ -	\$ 34,501,482
Research	1,363,932	1,590,768	-	1,014,519	-	3,969,219
Public service	120,538	317,225	-	4,279	-	442,042
Academic support	8,152,960	3,991,218	-	499,762	-	12,643,940
Student services	5,247,602	2,382,657	-	56,335	-	7,686,594
Institutional support	9,480,718	6,327,872	-	26,777	-	15,835,367
Operations and maintenance						
of plant	6,629,877	2,411,284	3,294,398	1,570	-	12,337,129
Scholarships and fellowships	1,372	174,540	-	3,826,264	-	4,002,176
Endowments	-	611,436	-	-	-	611,436
Auxiliary enterprises	11,325,127	25,750,813	1,028,397	541,610	-	38,645,947
Depreciation					7,641,278	7,641,278
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 75,515,874	\$ 44,855,991	\$ 4,322,915	\$ 5,980,552	\$ 7,641,278	\$138,316,610

### NOTE 24—ATHLETIC GRANT-IN-AID

The College's athletic grant-in-aid is athletic scholarships funded by private donations through TCBF to The Citadel. The Citadel annually awards athletic scholarships in excess of the support from TCBF, thus additional budgeted supplements are required from The Trust and The Citadel (via auxiliary surpluses) to help fund this aid. The Citadel's Athletic Department is a self-supporting operating unit that is responsible for covering any unfunded balances in athletic grant-in-aid through its annual operating surpluses.

The Athletic Department revenues are largely dependent upon attendance at sporting events, while expenses are driven by scholarships, faculty maintenance, and compensation. The College closely monitors the financial position of the department to ensure long-term success. The College's bondholder of the Series 2015 Athletic Faculties Revenue Board requires a bond coverage ratio of 100%. As of June 30, 2024, management believes the College reported an above adequate bond coverage ratio for the Series 2015 Athletic Faculties Revenue Bond.

### NOTE 25—SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Citadel has evaluated subsequent events through October 11, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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# The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULE OF THE CITADEL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (UNAUDITED) YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

Fiscal Year	The Citadel's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Pi S	he Citadel's oportionate hare of the Vet Pension Liability	To Pa	he Citadel's otal Covered ayroll During Measurement Period	The Citadel's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Total Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
South Carolina Ret	tirement System (SCR	S)					
2024	0.344078%	\$	83,189,233	\$	50,307,397	165.36%	58.60%
2023	0.359640%		87,184,573		49,674,397	175.51%	57.06%
2022	0.368505%		79,749,168		48,486,865	164.48%	60.75%
2021	0.378334%		96,670,913		48,964,334	197.43%	50.71%
2020	0.387627%		88,511,328		47,770,656	185.28%	54.40%
2019	0.387908%		86,917,934		47,067,006	184.67%	54.10%
2018	0.368970%		83,060,931		44,909,987	184.95%	53.34%
2017	0.365879%		78,151,289		43,430,316	179.95%	52.91%
2016	0.368400%		69,867,963		42,226,239	165.46%	56.99%
2015	0.364117%		62,688,876		40,281,067	155.63%	59.92%
Police Officers' Re	tirement System (POR	S)					
2024	0.058900%	\$	1,792,975	\$	1,031,984	173.74%	67.80%
2023	0.062121%		1,863,004		983,129	189.50%	66.45%
2022	0.064934%		1,670,706		976,411	171.11%	70.37%
2021	0.066526%		2,206,127		987,936	223.31%	58.79%
2020	0.060844%		1,743,752		882,669	197.55%	62.69%
2019	0.495790%		1,404,845		686,248	204.71%	61.73%
2018	0.052500%		1,438,160		706,945	203.43%	60.94%
2017	0.060320%		1,530,078		769,034	198.96%	60.44%
2016	0.061650%		1,343,594		763,719	175.93%	64.57%
2015	0.063290%		1,311,984		761,174	172.36%	67.55%

# The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULE OF THE CITADEL'S PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS (UNAUDITED) YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

Fiscal Year	Actuarial Required Pension Contribution		Actual Pension Contributions		Contribution Deficiency (Excess)		he Citadel's otal Covered Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Total Covered Payroll	
South Carolina F	Retiremen	it System (SC	RS)						
2024	\$	5,117,527	\$	5,117,527	\$	-	\$ 52,463,083	9.75%	
2023		4,583,691		4,583,691		-	50,307,397	9.11%	
2022		4,428,428		4,428,428		-	49,674,397	8.91%	
2021		3,755,282		3,755,282		-	48,486,865	7.74%	
2020		3,857,503		3,857,503		-	48,964,334	7.88%	
2019		3,567,024		3,567,024		-	47,770,656	7.47%	
2018		3,362,502		3,362,502		-	47,067,006	7.14%	
2017		4,234,165		4,234,165		-	44,909,987	9.43%	
2016		3,919,630		3,919,630		-	43,430,316	9.03%	
2015		3,765,017		3,765,017		-	42,226,239	8.92%	
Police Officers' I	Retiremer	nt System (PC	RS)						
2024	\$	255,317	\$	255,317	\$	-	\$ 1,225,130	20.84%	
2023		204,746		204,746		-	1,031,984	19.84%	
2022		185,221		185,221		-	983,129	18.84%	
2021		166,285		166,285		-	976,411	17.03%	
2020		168,341		168,341		-	987,936	17.04%	
2019		140,735		140,735		-	882,669	15.94%	
2018		100,803		100,803		-	686,248	14.69%	
2017		97,840		97,840		-	706,945	13.84%	
2016		105,665		105,665		-	769,034	13.74%	
2015		102,415		102,415		-	763,719	13.41%	

# The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULE OF THE CITADEL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY (UNAUDITED)

# YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

Fiscal Year	The Citadel's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	The Citadel's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability		The Citadel's Total Covered Payroll During the Measurement Period		The Citadel's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Total Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability
South Carolina Re	etiree Health Insuranc	e Tru	st Fund (SCRHI	TF)			
2024	0.489991%	\$	64,147,104	\$	51,339,382	124.95%	11.24%
2023	0.515389%		78,236,325		50,657,526	154.44%	9.64%
2022	0.530392%		110,444,486		49,463,276	223.29%	7.48%
2021	0.541909%		97,822,413		49,952,269	195.83%	8.39%
2020	0.556303%		84,121,495		48,653,325	172.90%	8.44%
2019	0.553743%		78,468,622		47,753,254	164.32%	7.91%
2018	0.540944%		73,269,979		44,199,350	165.77%	7.60%
2017	0.540944%		78,267,191		42,989,958	182.06%	7.07%
South Carolina Lo	ong-Term Disability Ins	uran	ce Trust Fund (	SCLTDI	F)		
2024	0.276270%	\$	42,300		(1)	(1)	68.01%
2023	0.293749%		34,032		(1)	(1)	75.04%
2022	0.304514%		9,665		(1)	(1)	92.84%
2021	0.307601%		933		(1)	(1)	99.29%
2020	0.315036%		6,201		(1)	(1)	95.17%
2019	0.319095%		9,768		(1)	(1)	92.20%
2018	0.318105%		5,767		(1)	(1)	95.29%
2017	0.318105%		2,208		(1)	(1)	98.15%

(1) Contributions to the SCLTDIF are based upon a fixed fee per covered employee. Therefore covered payroll is not applicable to the SCLTDIF.

This data is presented for those years in which information is available.

### The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULE OF THE CITADEL'S OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS (UNAUDITED) YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

Fiscal Year	Red	Actuarial quired OPEB ontribution		ctual OPEB ntributions	D	ntribution Deficiency (Excess)	he Citadel's otal Covered Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Total Covered Payroll
South Carolina F	Retiree H	lealth Insurand	ce Trus	st Fund (SCRHI	TF)			
2024	\$	3,355,513	\$	3,355,513	\$	-	\$ 53,688,214	6.25%
2023		3,208,711		3,208,711		-	51,339,382	6.25%
2022		3,166,095		3,166,095		-	50,657,526	6.25%
2021		3,091,455		3,091,455		-	49,463,276	6.25%
2020		3,122,017		3,122,017		-	49,952,269	6.25%
2019		2,943,526		2,943,526		-	48,653,325	6.05%
2018		2,626,429		2,626,429		-	47,753,254	5.50%
2017		2,431,382		2,431,382		-	44,199,350	5.50%
South Carolina L	.ong-Ter	m Disability In	suran	ce Trust Fund (	SCLTDIF	;)		
2024	\$	21,052	\$	21,052	\$	-	(1)	(1)
2023		21,072		21,072		-	(1)	(1)
2022		22,242		22,242		-	(1)	(1)
2021		23,042		23,042		-	(1)	(1)
2020		23,249		23,249		-	(1)	(1)
2019		23,226		23,226		-	(1)	(1)
2018		23,094		23,094		-	(1)	(1)
2017		23,026		23,026		-	(1)	(1)

(1) Contributions to the SCLTDIF are based upon a fixed fee per covered employee. Therefore covered payroll is not applicable to the SCLTDIF.

This data is presented for those years in which information is available.

#### The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULES OF UNRESTICTED NET POSITION, EXCLUDING GASB 68, PENSION, AND GASB 75, OPEB FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 THROUGH 2024

	2019	2020		202	21	2022	2023	2024
Unrestricted Net Position, As Reported	(105,133,123)	(103,251,	183)	(105	,333,215)	 (120,752,070)	\$ (134,233,735)	\$ (96,755,513)
Less Deferred Outflows of Resources:								
Amounts Related to Net OPEB Liability	(6,082,725)	(11,505,	413)	(21	,857,243)	(28,951,767)	(23,982,475)	(18,547,685)
Amounts Related to Net Pension Liability	(12,115,226)	(9,127,	919)	(13	,866,876)	(10,749,907)	(8,648,377)	(8,221,545)
Add Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources:								
Net OPEB Liability	78,478,390	84,127,	696	97	,823,346	110,454,151	78,434,188	64,189,404
Net Pension Liability	88,322,779	90,255,	080	98	,877,173	81,419,874	89,047,577	84,982,208
Amounts Related to Net OPEB Liability	6,419,856	7,950,	381	8	,278,606	8,724,226	36,932,979	42,982,297
Amounts Related to Net Pension Liability	805,384	811,	662	2	,005,879	14,886,722	3,662,566	4,645,499
Unrestricted Net Position, Excluding OPEB and Pension	\$ 50,695,335	\$ 59,260,	304	\$ 65	,927,670	\$ 55,031,229	\$ 41,212,723	\$ 73,274,665



### Report of Independent Auditor 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 the Members of the Board of Visitors The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina Charleston, South Carolina

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 business-type activities, the fiduciary activities and the aggregate non-governmental discretely presented component units of The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina ("The Citadel"), a component unit of the state of South Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise The Citadel's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 11, 2024, except for our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards for which the date is March 6, 2025. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of The Citadel Foundation, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation (non-governmental discretely presented component units of The Citadel), as described in our report on The Citadel's financial statements. The financial statements of The Citadel Foundation, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation (nongovernmental discretely presented component units of The Citadel) were not audited in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and, accordingly, this report does not include reporting on internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters associated with The Citadel Foundation. The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation (non-governmental discretely presented component units of The Citadel) or that are reported on separately by those auditors who audited the financial statements of The Citadel Foundation, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and The Citadel Real Estate Foundation (nongovernmental discretely presented component units of The Citadel).

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

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered The Citadel's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") as a basis for designing 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 Citadel's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of The Citadel's internal control.

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

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

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether The Citadel'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 financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of The Citadel'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 Citadel's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Cherry Bekaert LLP

Greenville, South Carolina October 11, 2024, except for our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards for which the date is March 6, 2025



### Report of Independent Auditor on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

To the Members of the Board of Visitors The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina Charleston, South Carolina

### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

### **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina ("The Citadel")'s compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of The Citadel's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Citadel's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, The Citadel complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section of our report.

We are required to be independent of The Citadel and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of The Citadel's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for Compliance**

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to The Citadel's federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on The Citadel's compliance based on our audit. 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, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about The Citadel's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 Citadel's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and
  performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of The Citadel's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to
  design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control
  over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an
  opinion on the effectiveness of The Citadel's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such
  opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

#### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Cherry Bekaert LLP

Greenville, South Carolina March 6, 2025

### THE CITADEL The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

### Section I—Summary of Auditor's Results

#### **Financial Statements**

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP: Unmodified

<ul> <li>Material weakness identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiency identified?</li> </ul>			yes yes	X X	no none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statemer	nts noted?		yes	<u> </u>	no
Federal Awards					
Internal control over major federal programs: <ul> <li>Material weakness identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiency identified?</li> </ul>			yes yes	<u>X</u> X	no none reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance major federal programs:	e for	Unmod	dified		
Any audit findings disclosed that are required reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.51			yes	_X	no
Identification of major federal programs:					
Federal Assistance Listing Number(s)	Name of Fe udent Financial Ass		-		
84.007	Federal Supplem		-		
84.033	Federal Work-Stu	udy Prog	gram		
84.063	Federal Pell Grar	nt Progra	am		
84.268	Federal Direct St	udent Lo	oans		
Various	Research and De	evelopm	ent Clust	er	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:		<u>\$ 750,0</u>	<u>000</u>		
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		<u>X</u>	/es	I	no
Section II—Financial Statement Findings					
None noted.					

### Section III—Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None noted.

# THE CITADEL The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

### Section IV—Prior Year Audit Findings

None noted.

### The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Federal Assistance Listing		Passed through to	Total Federal
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Number	Grant / Award Number	Subrecipients	Expenditures
Research and Development Cluster:				
J.S. Department of Commerce Passed through SC Sea Grant Consortium				
Southeast Heat & Equity Pilot	11.417	NOAA-OAR-SG-2022-2007025	\$-	\$ 1,475
NOA ECU RISA	11.431	NOAA-OAR-CPO-2022-2007019	÷ -	9,375
R/ED-3a: Kids Teaching Flood Resili	11.417	NA23OAR4170319	-	36,783
NOAA SC Sea Grant R/WCR-1 Climate A	11.417	NA24OARX417C0150	4,167	7,929
otal US Department of Commerce			4,167	55,562
epartment of Defense				
NGA - Grant to The Citadel	12.357	HM04761912005	<u>138,636</u> 138,636	148,762
otal Department of Defense			130,030	140,702
ational Security Agency 2022 DoD CySP	12.905	H98230-22-1-0261	_	97,360
2022 GenCyber Camp	12.905	H98230-22-1-0201 H98230-22-1-0097	-	113,995
2021 GenCyber Grant Program	12.905	H98230-21-1-0125		390,480
023 DoD CySP	12.902	H98230-23-1-0120		16,467
Passed through the University of South Carolina	12.002	100200 20 10100		10,401
NSA USC 2022 NCAE-C	12.905	H98230-22-1-0301	-	41,301
NCAE-C- Grant Program	12.905	H98230-20-1-0367	-	25,591
assed through University of Memphis	.2.000			20,001
Cybersecurity Community Development	12.905	H98230-21-1-0319	-	159,465
Passed through Norwich University				,
2021 NCAE-C-003	12.905	H98230-21-1-0167	7,425	618,219
Norwich subaward	12.905	H98230-20-1-0388	-	25,000
Norwich 22341-GC2302	12.902	H98230-20-1-0388	-	394,124
2020 CAE Sr. Military College	12.905	H98230-20-1-0388	-	41,384
2022 SMC DoD Cyber Institutes	12.903	H98230-22-1-0334	-	28,477
otal National Security Agency			7,425	1,951,863
epartment of Transportation				
Passed through Clemson University				
Clemson Subaward -19212112021810 C2M2	20.701	69A3551747117	6,684	73,966
Passed through the University of Florida	00 704	0040554747404		07.400
STRIDE	20.701	69A3551747104	-	37,139
otal Department of Transportation			6,684	111,105
lational Aeronautics and Space Administration Passed through College of Charleston				
Space Grant Campus Director	43.008	80NSSC20M0054	-	2,626
Palmetto Academy	43.008	80NSSC20M0054	-	7,500
Palmetto Academy 2024	43.008	80NSSC20M0054	-	15,258
otal National Aeronautics and Space Administration			-	25,384
ational Science Foundation				
Collaborative Research on Variability Changes	47.050	2103016	-	40,951
CyberCorps: Principled Leaders with Cybersecurity Expertise	47.076	1946553	-	683,065
Computer Science for All	47.076	1923503	-	7,414
Integrating Computing in STEM	47.076	1742332	-	600
MCA	47.050	2219258	47,417	69,102
Noyce Learning to Lead	47.076	2151088	-	354,507
NSF DRL DRK-12 2300322	47.076	2300322	-	299,341
S-STEM	47.076	1741611	-	161,471
Passed through Georgia State University	47.075	0010007		00.070
Cognitive Self Regulation and Metacognition Passed through Clemson University	47.075	2043667	-	20,972
NSF Clem RII Track-1 in SC	47.083	2242812	-	33,743
otal National Science Foundation			47,417	1,671,166
S Department of Navy				
Pondberry Mapping and Monitoring at Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort SC	84.XXX	N62470-21-2-9017	-	15,590
Tensility II	84.024	GCR Control #: 0919019-H09	-	96,653
otal US Department of Navy			-	112,243
epartment of Education				
Excellence for Veteran Student Success	84.116G	P116G220039	-	219,482
otal Department of Education			-	219,482
ational Institute of Health				
Passed through University of South Carolina				
Interactions of Climate on Oceans and Human Health	93.113	5P01ES028942-05	-	8,136
USC Subaward 20-3996	93.113	5P01ES028942-02	-	3,267
assed through College of Charleston				
Investigating Tropic Exposure	93.113	1R15ES034169		6,148
otal National Institute of Health			-	17,551
otal Research and Development Cluster			204,329	4,313,118

The accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are an integral part of this statement.

### The Military College of South Carolina SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Grant / Award Number	Passed through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures	
Student Financial Assistance Programs Cluster:					
Department of Education Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants Federal Work-Study Program Federal Pell Grant Program Federal Direct Student Loans Total Student Financial Assistance Programs Cluster	84.007 84.033 84.063 84.268	P007A143769 P033A163769 P063P170375 P268K180375	\$ - - - - -	\$ 112,126 106,587 2,988,491 18,618,827 21,826,031	
Other Programs:					
Department of Defense ROTC Language and Culture Training Grant/Project Go 2020-2021 ROTC Language and Culture Training Grant/Project Go 2021-2022 Project Go FY22-23 Project Go FY23-24 Total Department of Defense	12.357 12.357 12.357 12.357 12.357	H98210-18-2-0002 H98210-18-2-0002 H98230-18-2-0002 H9821023C0010		31,385 378,795 294,175 704,355	
National Endowment for the Humanities SC Humanities Veterans of 1969 Total Department of Treasury PTE State of South Carolina CARES Accelerate	45.129	21-2071-1		8,409 8,409	
Small Business Administration SBA VBOC Total Small Business Administration	59.044	SBAOVVB230030		356,345 356,345	
Department of Education Middle East and North Africa Business Project Bridging the Gap Through Competency Total Department of Education	84.999 84.425	P153A210020 / 521489-CT	- 	1,268 426,033 427,301	
Total Other Programs				1,496,410	
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 204,329	\$ 27,635,559	

## THE CITADEL The Military College of South Carolina NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1—BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina ("The Citadel") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (the "Uniform Guidance"). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of The Citadel, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of The Citadel.

#### NOTE 2—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. There were no federal awards passed through to sub-recipients.

#### NOTE 3—INDIRECT COST RATE

The Citadel has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

#### NOTE 4—LOANS OUTSTANDING

During the year ended June 30, 2021, The Citadel liquidated its Federal Perkins Loan portfolio and in doing so retired, purchased, or assigned The Citadel's outstanding loans to the U.S. Department of Education (the "Department"), completed its National Student Loan Data System ("NSLDS") reporting requirements, returned the Federal Capital Contribution to the Department, and filed its final Fiscal Operations Report and Application to Participant ("FISAP").

The Federal Direct Student Loan program provides loan capital directly from the federal government (rather than through private lenders) to vocational, undergraduate, and graduate students and their parents. The loans are made directly from the federal government; therefore, there is no loan balance recorded at the college level.