# AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023



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# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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Board of Directors Gastric Cancer Foundation

# **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Gastric Cancer Foundation, (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, cash flows, and functional expenses for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Gastric Cancer Foundation as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Gastric Cancer Foundation, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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 Gastric Cancer Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. 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, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 controls 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 Gastric Cancer Foundation'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 judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Gastric Cancer Foundation'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.

Balance + Strategy

Chapel Hill, North Carolina April 7, 2025

#### STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

#### September 30, 2024 and 2023

# ASSETS

	2024	2023
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 686,814	\$ 834,469
Grants and contributions receivable	50,000	25,000
Prepaid expenses and other assets	 2,522	 2,065
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 739,336	\$ 861,534
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 11,154	\$ 5,143
Accrued payroll and related liabilities	10,998	-
Grants payable	 300,000	 400,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	 322,152	 405,143
NET ASSETS:		
Without donor restrictions	359,509	431,391
With donor restrictions	 57,675	 25,000
TOTAL NET ASSETS	 417,184	 456,391
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 739,336	\$ 861,534

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#### STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

## For the Years Ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

EXHIBIT B

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	2024							2023
	Without Donor Restrictions		With Donor Restrictions		Total			Totals
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:								
SUPPORT:								
Grants and contributions	\$ 488,066		\$	95,000	\$	583,066	\$	484,026
REVENUE:								
Other income		109		-		109		98
Net assets released from restrictions		62,325		(62,325)				
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE		550,500		32,675		583,175		484,124
EXPENSES:								
Program services		415,541		-		415,541		542,383
Management and general		174,585		-		174,585		148,198
Fundraising		32,256		-		32,256		30,520
TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES		622,382				622,382		721,101
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS		(71,882)		32,675		(39,207)		(236,977)
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR		431,391		25,000		456,391		693,368
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$	359,509	\$	57,675	\$	417,184	\$	456,391

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#### STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

#### For the Years Ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

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		2023					
	Without Donor Restrictions			With Donor Restrictions		Total	
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:		Kestrictions		Kesu ictions		1 otai	
SUPPORT:							
Grants and contributions	\$	459,026	\$	25,000	\$	484,026	
REVENUE:							
Other income		98		-		98	
Net assets released from restrictions		75,000		(75,000)			
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE		534,124		(50,000)		484,124	
EXPENSES:							
Program services		542,383		-		542,383	
Management and general		148,198		-		148,198	
Fundraising		30,520				30,520	
TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES		721,101		-		721,101	
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS		(186,977)		(50,000)		(236,977)	
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR		618,368		75,000		693,368	
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$	431,391	\$	25,000	\$	456,391	

#### STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## For the Years Ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

#### EXHIBIT C

	2024		2023		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:					
Changes in net assets	\$	(39,207)	\$	(236,977)	
Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to net					
cash used in operating activities:					
Changes in assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		-		120,203	
Grants and contributions receivable		(25,000)		-	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(457)		(2,065)	
Accounts payable		6,011		5,143	
Accrued payroll and related liabilities		10,998		(5,478)	
Grants payable		(100,000)		92,000	
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES		(147,655)		(27,174)	
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(147,655)		(27,174)	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING OF YEAR		834,469		861,643	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$	686,814	\$	834,469	
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES:					
Non-cash activity:					
Donated stock	\$	-	\$	2,139	

## STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

## For the Years Ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024							
	Program Services		Management and General					
					Fundraising			Totals
Grants to others	\$	300,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	300,000
Salaries and payroll taxes		56,213		110,565		24,091		190,869
Professional fees		28,243		44,618		4,061		76,922
Other expenses		27,500		5,087		-		32,587
Office expenses		1,560		8,451		800		10,811
Insurance		-		4,242		-		4,242
Fall campaign expenses		-		-		3,304		3,304
Travel expenses		1,825		1,238		-		3,063
Advertising and marketing		200		384				584
TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES	\$	415,541	\$	174,585	\$	32,256	\$	622,382

	2023								
	Program Services		Management and General						
					Fundraising		_	Totals	
Grants to others	\$	450,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	450,000	
Salaries and payroll taxes		40,180		100,546		24,108		164,834	
Professional fees		24,190		32,656		3,047		59,893	
Other expenses		25,112		3,330		-		28,442	
Office expenses		1,740		7,161		-		8,901	
Insurance		-		3,429		-		3,429	
Fall campaign expenses		-		-		3,365		3,365	
Travel expenses		1,161		584		-		1,745	
Advertising and marketing		-		492		-		492	
TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES	\$	542,383	\$	148,198	\$	30,520	\$	721,101	

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#### **ORGANIZATION**

Gastric Cancer Foundation (the "Foundation") is a nonprofit corporation whose mission is to improve the lives of people who are affected by gastric cancer and to work with leading researchers to find a cure. The Foundation funds research that increases understanding of the disease and focuses on developing better diagnostics and treatments and ultimately a cure. The Foundation supports patients with reliable and useful information and resources, and a compassionate community that truly understands.

#### SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Basis of Accounting.

The Foundation's financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"), which requires the use of certain estimates made by the Foundation's management. Accordingly, revenues and support are recognized when earned, and expenses are recognized when the obligation is incurred.

The Foundation reports gifts of cash and other assets as support with donor restrictions if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statements of activities and changes in net assets as net assets released from restrictions.

B. Cash and Cash Equivalents.

Cash and cash equivalents consist of monies on deposit at financial institutions and money market funds. At times, the Foundation places deposits with high-quality financial institutions that may be in excess of federally insured amounts. The Foundation has not experienced any financial loss related to such deposits.

C. Grants and Contributions Receivable.

Unconditional receivables that are expected to be collected within one year, are recorded at net realizable value and are recognized as support and assets in the period received. Receivables expected to be collected in future years are initially recorded at fair value using present value techniques incorporating risk-adjusted discount rates designed to reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset. In subsequent years, amortization of the discount is included in grants and contributions support in the statements of activities and changes in net assets. Conditional grants and contributions are recognized when conditions on which they depend are substantially met.

The Foundation provides an allowance for uncollectible accounts equal to the estimated losses that are expected to be incurred in collection. The allowance is based on historical collection experience and a review by management of the current status of the existing receivables. As of September 30, 2024 and 2023, management deemed all grants and contributions receivable fully collectible.

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# SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. Property and Equipment.

Property and equipment are stated at cost for purchased assets and at fair value on the date of the gift for donated assets. Property and equipment are capitalized if the life is expected to be greater than one year and if the cost exceeds \$2,500. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset. When assets are sold or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related depreciation is removed from the accounts, and any resulting gain or loss is included in the statements of activities and changes in net assets. As of September 30, 2024 and 2023, there were no assets meeting capitalization requirements.

E. Contributed Nonfinancial Assets.

The Foundation recognizes contributed services that create or enhance nonfinancial assets or that require specialized skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. Contributed nonfinancial assets are recorded at fair value at the time of donation. The Foundation did not monetize any contributed nonfinancial assets and, unless otherwise noted, contributed nonfinancial assets did not have donor restrictions.

F. Revenue and Revenue Recognition.

Revenue from grants and contributions is recognized when cash, securities or other assets, an unconditional promise to give, a grant award letter, or other notification is received. Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions.

Conditional grants and contributions, that is, those with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return, are not recognized until the conditions upon which they depend have been substantially met. There are no conditional grants at September 30, 2024 and 2023.

Revenue from contracts which are deemed to be exchange transactions are recognized as revenue without donor restrictions as performance obligations are completed either over time or at a point in time. Deferred revenue from exchange transactions results when cash receipts exceed revenue recognized. There is no revenue from contracts with customers in the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023.

G. Net Assets.

Net assets, support and revenue, and gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

<u>Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions</u> - Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor restrictions. These resources include amounts generated from operations and undesignated gifts.

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# SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

G. Net Assets (continued).

<u>Net Assets With Donor Restrictions</u> - Net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some donorimposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both.

H. Grant Expense.

Grant expense is recognized in the period the grant is approved, provided the grant is not subject to significant future conditions. Conditional grants are recognized as grant expense and as a grant payable in the period in which the grantee meets the terms of the conditions. The Foundation's board reviews grant applications and selects grant recipients. Funds were disbursed by management in the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023. Annual reporting is required from all grantees.

I. Estimates.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates, and those differences could be material.

J. Advertising and Marketing.

Advertising and marketing costs totaling \$584 and \$492, during the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, were expensed as incurred.

K. Income Tax.

The Foundation is an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and is classified as other than a private foundation. The Foundation is annually required to file a Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax (Form 990) with the IRS. The Foundation is exempt from state income taxes under section 23701(d) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. If applicable, the Foundation reports interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax positions as interest expense under management and general expenses.

L. New Accounting Pronouncement.

In June 2016, Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update 2016-13, *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses*. The standard requires credit impairment to be recognized as an allowance for credit losses, rather than as a direct write-down of the financial asset. This standard was effective October 1, 2023. There was no impact to the financial statements as a result of implementation.

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## LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY

Financial assets available for general expenditure, that is without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the statements of financial position date comprise the following at September 30:

Current liquid financial assets:	 2024	 2023
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 686,814	\$ 834,469
Grants and contributions receivable	 50,000	 25,000
	736,814	859,469
Less amounts unavailable for general expenditures		
within one year, due to:		
Restrictions by donor	(32,675)	-
Designation by board as operating reserve	 (200,000)	 (200,000)
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for		
general expenditures within one year	\$ 504,139	\$ 659,469

As part of the Foundation's liquidity management, it structures its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. The majority of the Foundation's expenditures consist of salaries and wages, professional fees, and grants to others. The bulk of these are for various program activities, which will vary depending on grants received. As such, the expenses would be decreased or eliminated completely if funding was not available. Additionally, the \$200,000, designated by the board as an operating reserve could be undesignated and utilized for general expenditures if considered necessary. Ultimately, management will adjust spending in accordance with funding sources. Management believes financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year to be sufficient.

#### **NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS**

Net assets without donor restrictions includes \$200,000, both at September 30, 2024 and 2023, designated by the board of directors as an operating reserve.

#### **NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS**

Net assets with donor restrictions at September 30, 2024 and 2023, consist of the following:

	2024		2023
Patient Resources	\$	32,675	\$ -
Restricted for time	25,000		25,000
	\$	57,675	\$ 25,000

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## **CONCENTRATIONS**

Grants and contributions receivable from two donors represent 100% of total grants and contributions receivable at September 30, 2024, and receivables from one donor represents 100% at September 30, 2023.

# CONTRIBUTED NONFINANICAL ASSETS

Numerous volunteers have donated significant amounts of their time and services to the Foundation for program and supporting activities. Additionally, the Foundation's board of directors serve without compensation. The financial statements do not reflect the value of these services donated by volunteers, as they do not meet recognition criteria prescribed by U.S. GAAP.

## **FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES**

The costs of providing various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities and changes in net assets and statements of functional expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated between the programs and supporting services benefited based on specific identification of expenditures and management estimates of time and resources devoted to those functions. Salaries and payroll taxes, professional fees, and office expenses are allocated on the basis of estimates of time and effort, and certain office expenses are allocated based on the purpose of the expenditure. Other expenses are directly coded to the appropriate function as incurred.

# **COMMITMENTS**

The Foundation has a subscription agreement with another organization that includes an annual subscription fee of \$12,000. The agreement has no end date but can be terminated by either party within sixty days.

## **CONTINGENCIES**

The Foundation is the recipient of grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and final audit by the grantor agencies. Such review and audit could lead to requests for reimbursement to the grantor agencies for expenditures disallowed under the compliance terms of the grant.

#### SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events for recognition or disclosure through April 7, 2025, which was the date that the financial statements were available to be issued. Management did not identify any events that occurred subsequent to year-end that require disclosure in the financial statements.