

<p>Form 5500</p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</p> <p>This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</p> <p>▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</p>	<p>OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold;">2021</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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Part I Annual Report Identification Information
 For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021

A This return/report is for: a multiemployer plan a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)

a single-employer plan a DFE (specify) _____

B This return/report is: the first return/report the final return/report

an amended return/report a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶

D Check box if filing under: Form 5558 automatic extension the DFVC program

special extension (enter description)

E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

<p>1a Name of plan <u>BANNER CORPORATION 401(K)/PROFIT SHARING PLAN</u></p>	<p>1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u></p>
<p>2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>BANNER CORPORATION</u></p> <p><u>P. O. BOX 907</u> <u>10 SOUTH FIRST AVENUE</u> <u>WALLA WALLA, WA 99362</u></p> <p><u>10 S. FIRST AVENUE</u> <u>WALLA WALLA, WA 99362</u></p>	<p>1c Effective date of plan <u>11/20/1972</u></p> <p>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1691604</u></p> <p>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>509-524-5879</u></p> <p>2d Business code (see instructions) <u>522120</u></p>

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	<u>Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.</u>	<u>10/05/2022</u>	<u>KRISTIN CHAPMAN</u>
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	

4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN	
	4d PN	

5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	2897
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6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).		
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year.....	6a(1)	2104
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2)	1941
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b	29
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c	874
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d	2844
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e	1
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	2845
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g	2740
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6h	0

7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7	
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8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 2T 3H 3D 2R

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor

10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- (1) **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2) **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3) **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary

b General Schedules

- (1) **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) 0 **A** (Insurance Information)
- (4) **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2021 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2021 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2021** and ending **12/31/2021**

A Name of plan BANNER CORPORATION 401(K)/PROFIT SHARING PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BANNER CORPORATION	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1691604	

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions)..... Yes No

b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
37 60 64 65 71	RECORDKEEPER	50003	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

STRATEGIC ADVISORS, INC.

04-2654524

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	ADVISOR	15712	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
BARON INTL GR INST - DST SYSTEMS I 43-1581814	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
JPM MID CAP GRTH I - JPMORGAN DIST 1 FEDERAL ST BOSTON, MA 02110	0.25%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
JPM SMALL CAP EQ R5 - JPMORGAN DIS 1 FEDERAL ST BOSTON, MA 02110	0.10%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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JPM US RSH ENH EQ I - JPMORGAN DIS 1 FEDERAL ST BOSTON, MA 02110	0.25%	
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PIONEER BOND Y - BNY MELLON INVEST 301 BELLEVUE PARKWAY WILMINGTON, DE 19809	0.23%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP GOVT MONEY FUND - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
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TRP GROWTH STOCK - T. ROWE PRICE S 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIRE BAL - T. ROWE PRICE SER 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2005 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2010 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2015 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2020 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2025 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2030 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2035 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2040 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2045 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2050 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2055 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2060 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

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TRP UST MONEY FUND - T. ROWE PRICE 52-2269240	0.15%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
VRTS DP REAL EST I - VIRTUS FUND S 4400 COMPUTER DRIVE WESTBOROUGH, MA 01581	0.25%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
VRTS V FOREIGN OPP I - VIRTUS FUND 4400 COMPUTER DRIVE WESTBOROUGH, MA 01581	0.25%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
VT INTL SM CAP I - FIS INVESTOR SE FAITH INVESTOR SERVICES, LLC 14785 PRESTON ROAD, SUITE 1000 DALLAS, TX 75254	0.10%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
AMERICAN GROWTH FUND OF AMERICA CLA 3500 WISEMAN BLVD SAN ANTONIO, TX 78251-4321	\$18.00	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
AMERICAN INVESTMENT CO OF AMERICA C 3500 WISEMAN BLVD SAN ANTONIO, TX 78251-4321	\$18.00	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
AMERICAN NEW PERSPECTIVE CLASS A 3500 WISEMAN BLVD SAN ANTONIO, TX 78251-4321	\$18.00	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide

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Part III	Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions) (complete as many entries as needed)
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a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
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d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021

A Name of plan <u>BANNER CORPORATION 401(K)/PROFIT SHARING PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN)	<u>001</u>
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>BANNER CORPORATION</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1691604</u>	

Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TRP RETIRE 2030 F</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>38-7010946-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>25886855</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TRP RETIRE 2055 F</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>35-6941728-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>5611819</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TRP RETIRE 2045 F</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>32-6199848-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>16778394</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TRP RETIRE 2050 F</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>30-6303214-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>9897541</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TRP RETIRE 2060 F</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>47-1088316-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>2623124</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TRP RETIRE 2020 F</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>36-7594871-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>15196076</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TRP RETIRE 2010 F</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>32-6199795-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>2863370</u>

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIRE 2025 F

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 37-6495447-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	32162051
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIRE 2040 F

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941729-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	15162740
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIRE 2035 F

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 36-7595013-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	19520753
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIRE BAL F

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 38-7011316-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	357944
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP STABLE VALUE A

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 52-1309931-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	8216146
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIRE 2005 F

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 61-6434302-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	1458393
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIRE 2015 F

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941654-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	4242730
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIRE 2065 F

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 85-1763138-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	56897
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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<p style="text-align: center;">SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)</p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Financial Information</p> <p style="font-size: small;">This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;">OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: large; font-weight: bold;">2021</p> <hr/> <p style="font-weight: bold;">This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021	
<p>A Name of plan BANNER CORPORATION 401(K)/PROFIT SHARING PLAN</p>	<p>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001</p>
<p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BANNER CORPORATION</p>	<p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1691604</p>

Part I Asset and Liability Statement

1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash.....	0	0
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
(1) Employer contributions	0	0
(2) Participant contributions.....	0	0
(3) Other	0	0
c General investments:		
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	7076376	6341085
(2) U.S. Government securities	0	0
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
(A) Preferred	0	0
(B) All other	0	0
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
(A) Preferred	0	0
(B) Common	0	1003373
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	0	0
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	0	0
(7) Loans (other than to participants).....	0	0
(8) Participant loans	3849830	3623777
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	7344111	160034833
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	0	0
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts.....	0	0
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	0	0
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	188445494	66979523
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	0	0
(15) Other.....	1603621	0

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d	Employer-related investments:		
(1)	Employer securities.....	1813286	1932356
(2)	Employer real property.....	0	0
e	Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	0	0
f	Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	210132718	239914947
Liabilities			
g	Benefit claims payable.....	0	0
h	Operating payables.....	0	0
i	Acquisition indebtedness.....	0	0
j	Other liabilities.....	0	0
k	Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	0	0
Net Assets			
l	Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	210132718	239914947

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
Income			
a	Contributions:		
(1)	Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	6712616	
	(B) Participants.....	15032142	
	(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2114744	
(2)	Noncash contributions.....	0	23859502
(3)	Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)		
b	Earnings on investments:		
(1)	Interest:		210266
	(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	3189	
	(B) U.S. Government securities.....	0	
	(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	0	
	(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	0	
	(E) Participant loans.....	207077	
	(F) Other.....	0	
	(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)		
(2)	Dividends: (A) Preferred stock.....	0	3273336
	(B) Common stock.....	39078	
	(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	3234258	
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)		
(3)	Rents.....		0
(4)	Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds.....	1584257	78991
	(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	1505266	
	(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....		
(5)	Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate.....	0	550362
	(B) Other.....	550362	
	(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		4692662
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		0
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	2b(10)		21175736
c Other income.....	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		53840855
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	23989708	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)	0	
(3) Other.....	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3).....	2e(4)		23989708
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f		0
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		3202
h Interest expense.....	2h		0
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees.....	2i(1)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	0	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees.....	2i(3)	15712	
(4) Other.....	2i(4)	50004	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4).....	2i(5)		65716
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		24058626
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		29782229
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		0
(2) From this plan.....	2l(2)		0

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

- (1) Unmodified (2) Qualified (3) Disclaimer (4) Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

- (1) DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: CLARK NUBER P.S.

(2) EIN: 91-1194016

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

- (1) This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.).....

	Yes	No	Amount
4a		X	

		Yes	No	Amount
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	4n		X	

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year?..... Yes No
 If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) Yes No Not determined
 If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>BANNER CORPORATION</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1691604</u>	

Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): <u>04-6568107</u>		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3	

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.			
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.			
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a		
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b		
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)	6c		
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.			
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.....	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease	<input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: Hourly Weekly Unit of production Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: Hourly Weekly Unit of production Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: Hourly Weekly Unit of production Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: Hourly Weekly Unit of production Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer _____

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: Hourly Weekly Unit of production Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: Hourly Weekly Unit of production Other (specify): _____

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:

a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: <input type="checkbox"/> last contributing employer <input type="checkbox"/> alternative <input type="checkbox"/> reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....	14b	
c The second preceding plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....	14c	

15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year.....	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year.....	15b	

16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year.....	16a	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers.....	16b	

17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment.....

Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment.....

19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) through (c)

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
 Stock: _____% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt:
 0-3 years 3-6 years 6-9 years 9-12 years 12-15 years 15-18 years 18-21 years 21 years or more

c What duration measure was used to calculate line 19(b)?
 Effective duration Macaulay duration Modified duration Other (specify): _____

20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? Yes No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:
 Yes.
 No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.
 No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.
 No. Other. Provide explanation _____

BANNER CORPORATION
401(k)/PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

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Independent Auditor's Report

**To the Administrative Committee
Banner Corporation 401(k)/Profit Sharing Plan
Walla Walla, Washington**

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Banner Corporation 401(k)/Profit Sharing Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), which comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements (2021 Financial Statements).

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the 2021 financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency (qualified institution), provided that the investment information is prepared and certified to by the qualified institution in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2021, and for the year then ended, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

In our opinion, based on our audit and the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report:

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying 2021 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).
- The certified investment information in the accompanying 2021 financial statements agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by a qualified institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).



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Basis for Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan 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 ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the 2021 Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with GAAP, 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. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

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

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the 2021 financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if, there is 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 GAAS, we:

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

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the 2021 financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of GAAP.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the 2021 financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with GAAP.

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

2021 Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplementary information, as listed in the accompanying table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. 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 financial statements. The information included in the supplementary information, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplementary information that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information. In forming our opinion on the supplementary information, we evaluated whether the supplementary information, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, are presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplementary information, other than the information in the supplementary information that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The certified investment information in the supplementary information agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by a qualified institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).



Auditor's Report on the 2020 Financial Statements

We were engaged to audit the 2020 financial statements of the Plan. As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the plan administrator instructed us not to perform, and we did not perform, any auditing procedures with respect to the information certified by a qualified institution. In our report dated September 9, 2021, we indicated that (a) because of the significance of the information that we did not audit, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion and accordingly, we did not express an opinion on the 2020 financial statements, and (b) the form and content of the information included in the 2020 financial statements other than that derived from the information certified by the qualified institution were presented in compliance with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Clark Nuber P.S.

Certified Public Accountants
September 9, 2022

BANNER CORPORATION 401(k)/PROFIT SHARING PLAN

**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2021 and 2020**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Assets:		
Investments at fair value-		
Mutual funds	\$ 72,200,484	\$ 195,521,870
Common trust funds	160,034,833	7,344,111
Self-directed brokerage accounts	2,123,497	1,813,286
Common stock of Banner Corporation	<u>1,932,356</u>	<u>1,603,621</u>
Total investments at fair value	236,291,170	206,282,888
Receivables-		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>3,623,777</u>	<u>3,849,830</u>
Total receivables	<u>3,623,777</u>	<u>3,849,830</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits	<u><u>\$ 239,914,947</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 210,132,718</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

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**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021**

Additions:

Contributions-	
Employee	\$ 15,032,142
Employer	6,712,616
Rollover	<u>2,114,744</u>
Total contributions	23,859,502
Investment income-	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	26,412,458
Interest and dividends	<u>3,568,895</u>
Net investment income	<u>29,981,353</u>
Total Additions	53,840,855
Deductions:	
Benefits paid to participants	23,992,910
Administrative expenses	<u>65,716</u>
Total Deductions	<u>24,058,626</u>
Net Increase in Net Assets Available for Benefits	29,782,229
Net Assets Available for Benefits:	
Beginning of year	<u>210,132,718</u>
End of Year	<u><u>\$ 239,914,947</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

BANNER CORPORATION 401(k)/PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 1 - Description of the Plan

The following description of the Banner Corporation 401(k)/Profit Sharing Plan (the Plan) provides general information only. Participants should refer to the plan document for complete information regarding the Plan's provisions.

General - The Plan is a defined contribution plan established by Banner Corporation (the Company) under the provisions of Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended.

Eligibility - Employees classified as contractors, consultants, interns, irregular part-time employees, or temporary employees (collectively Excluded Employees) are not eligible to participate in the Plan upon hire. However, Excluded Employees become eligible upon completion of 1,000 hours of service in an eligibility computation period. All other employees must complete 1 hour of service to become eligible for salary deferral contributions and safe harbor matching contributions. Eligible employees can enroll in the Plan on the first of the month following eligibility. To participate in the discretionary profit sharing, an employee must complete one year of service and work 1,000 hours annually as well as be employed on the last day.

Contributions - Participants may elect to contribute up to 75% of their compensation as pre-tax or Roth contributions. The Plan has an automatic enrollment feature which automatically enrolls eligible employees in the Plan for purposes of making elective deferral contributions, unless the employee elects otherwise within the grace period provided by the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants initially make contributions of 4% of eligible compensation which increases by 1% each year up to a maximum of 10%, unless otherwise elected. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other eligible defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations.

The Plan allows for discretionary profit sharing contributions and safe harbor matching contributions. The Company makes safe harbor matching contributions equal to 100% of participants' salary deferrals up to 4% of eligible compensation. There were no discretionary profit sharing contributions made for the plan year ended December 31, 2021.

Participant Accounts - Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of (i) the Company's contributions and (ii) Plan net earnings or losses and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses and other fees. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting - Participants are immediately vested in their salary deferral contributions and safe harbor matching contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Discretionary profit sharing contributions vest based on years of service as defined with the plan document as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Percentage Vested</u>
Less than 1	0%
1	5%
2	20%
3	40%
4	60%
5	80%
6	100%

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Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 1 - Continued

Payment of Benefits - Upon termination of service, retirement, death, or disability, a participant or beneficiary may elect to receive installments or a lump-sum distribution equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account. Participants who have attained age 59 ½ may also elect to receive a distribution of all or any portion of their account balance prior to termination of employment (in-service withdrawals). The Plan allows for hardship withdrawals in accordance with provisions specified in the plan document. Participants may also elect to receive in-service withdrawals from balances rolled into the Plan.

Notes Receivable From Participants - A participant may borrow the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of his or her vested balance, with a minimum loan of \$1,000. Loan terms range from one to five years or up to 10 years for the purchase of a primary residence. The interest rate is set at a reasonable rate as determined by the Company. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions.

Forfeitures - Upon termination of employment and payment of a participant's vested balance, the nonvested portion of a participant's account is applied against plan expenses and future Company contributions. During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Plan used approximately \$9,000 of forfeitures to pay plan expenses. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Plan held approximately \$7,500 and \$7,700 in unallocated forfeitures, respectively. If a terminated participant is rehired before five consecutive one-year breaks in service occur and repays the vested amount received, if any, the nonvested portion will be reinstated.

Note 2 - Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting - The financial statements of the Plan have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) requires the Plan's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition - Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is 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. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements. Purchases and sales are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation or depreciation in fair value of investments represents the change in fair value of assets from one period to the next and realized gains and losses on investments.

Notes Receivable From Participants - Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance. Accrued but unpaid interest, if any, would not have a material impact on the Plan's financial statements. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Benefits Paid to Participants - Benefits paid to participants are recognized when they are paid.

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Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 2 - Continued

Investment Management and Administrative Costs - Several of the investment fund options are subject to investment and administrative fees based on a percentage of invested assets, as disclosed in the fund's prospectus. All such fees are charged directly against the fund's investment performance and, therefore, are not separately disclosed in the accompanying financial statements. Transaction based fees for loans and distributions are charged directly to participant accounts. The Company may elect to pay other expenses related to the Plan's administration.

Subsequent Events - The Plan's management has evaluated subsequent events through September 9, 2022, the date on which the Plan's financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 - Fair Value Measurements

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

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2 - Inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities; or

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs that are significant to the fair value measurement.

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Mutual Funds - Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Stable Value Common Trust Fund - A stable value fund that is composed primarily of fully benefit-responsive investment contracts that is valued at the NAV of units of the collective trust fund. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported net asset value. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily.

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**Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021**

Note 3 - Continued

Common Stock of Banner Corporation - Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual security is traded.

Self-Directed Brokerage Accounts - Accounts primarily consist of mutual funds and common stocks that are valued on the basis of readily determinable market prices.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments at fair value:

	Fair Value Measurements as of December 31, 2021			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 72,200,484	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 72,200,484
Self-directed brokerage accounts	2,123,497			2,123,497
Common stock of Banner Corporation	1,932,356			1,932,356
Total Assets in the Fair Value Hierarchy	\$ 76,256,337	\$ -	\$ -	76,256,337
Investments measured at NAV ^(a)				160,034,833
Total Investments at Fair Value				\$ 236,291,170

	Fair Value Measurements as of December 31, 2020			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 195,521,870	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 195,521,870
Self-directed brokerage accounts	1,813,286			1,813,286
Common stock of Banner Corporation	1,603,621			1,603,621
Total Assets in the Fair Value Hierarchy	\$ 198,938,777	\$ -	\$ -	198,938,777
Investments measured at NAV ^(a)				7,344,111
Total Investments at Fair Value				\$ 206,282,888

(a) In accordance with Subtopic 820-10, certain investments that were measured at fair value using the NAV per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

BANNER CORPORATION 401(k)/PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 3 - Continued

The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using the NAV per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. There are no participant redemption restrictions for these investments; the redemption notice period is applicable only to the Plan.

	2021 Fair Value	2020 Fair Value	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
T. Rowe Price-				
Stable Value Common Trust Fund	\$ 8,216,146	\$ 7,344,111	Daily	12 - 30 months
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2065	56,897		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2005	1,458,393		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2010	2,863,370		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2015	4,242,730		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2020	15,196,076		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2025	32,162,051		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2030	25,886,855		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2035	19,520,753		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2040	15,162,740		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2045	16,778,394		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2050	9,897,541		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2055	5,611,819		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2060	2,623,124		Daily	Up to 30 Days
T. Rowe Price Retirement Balanced	357,944		Daily	Up to 30 Days

Note 4 - Certified Information

The plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Investments held at December 31, 2021 and 2020, and investment income or loss for the year ended December 31, 2021, that is disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplementary information, was obtained or derived from information supplied to the plan administrator and certified as complete and accurate by Fidelity Management Trust Company (Fidelity). The Plan's independent accountants did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this information, except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements and supplementary information.

Note 5 - Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become fully vested in their account balances.

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Note 6 - Income Tax Status

The Company adopted an FMR, LLC pre-approved plan document. FMR, LLC received an approval letter from the IRS dated June 30, 2020, which states that the form of the plan document satisfies the applicable provisions of the IRC. The Plan itself has not received a determination letter from the IRS; however, the Plan's management believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, no provision for income tax has been included in the Plan's financial statements. The Plan is subject to audits by the IRS; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

Note 7 - Related Party and Party-in-Interest Transactions

Certain Plan investments are managed by Fidelity and its affiliates. Fidelity is the trustee for the Plan and, therefore, transactions with such investments are party-in-interest transactions. The Plan pays certain expenses related to plan operations to various service providers and also issues loans to participants. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions.

Transactions involving Company common stock held by the Plan qualify as related party and party-in-interest transactions. At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Plan held 31,830 and 34,398 shares, respectively, of common stock of the Company, with a fair value of \$1,932,356 and \$1,603,621, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2021, sales of shares by the Plan totaled \$141,811. There were no purchases during the year ended December 31, 2021.

Note 8 - Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan provides for various investment options. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in risks in the near term would materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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**Attachment to Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4(i)
Schedule of Assets Held as of December 31, 2021**

Employer: Banner Corporation

EIN: 91-1691604

Plan No.: 001

(a)	(b) Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Various	Self-Directed Brokerage Accounts	**	\$ 2,123,497
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2065	Common Trust Fund	**	56,897
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2005	Common Trust Fund	**	1,458,393
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2010	Common Trust Fund	**	2,863,370
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	T. Rowe Price Retirement Balanced	Common Trust Fund	**	357,944
	Baron International Growth	Mutual Fund	**	1,602,469
	DFA International Core Equity	Mutual Fund	**	2,486,843
	T. Rowe Price Growth Stock	Mutual Fund	**	9,622,343
	DFA US Large Cap Value	Mutual Fund	**	4,437,972
	Virtus Real Estate Securities	Mutual Fund	**	1,351,141
	Pioneer Bond	Mutual Fund	**	3,017,449
	JP Morgan US Research Enhanced Equity	Mutual Fund	**	2,815,533
	T. Rowe Price US Treasury Money	Mutual Fund	**	6,035,051
	T. Rowe Price Stable Value Fund	Stable Value Common Trust Fund	**	8,216,146
	T. Rowe Price Government Money Market	Mutual Fund	**	7,508
	JP Morgan Mid Cap Growth	Mutual Fund	**	6,002,312
	Vanguard Mid Cap Index	Mutual Fund	**	4,494,514
	Vanguard Total International Bond Index	Mutual Fund	**	931,024
	PIM Diversified Income Fund	Mutual Fund	**	2,053,371
	JP Morgan Small Cap Equity	Mutual Fund	**	1,596,601
	Victory Trivalent International Small Cap	Mutual Fund	**	1,281,170
	Invesco Developing Markets	Mutual Fund	**	1,667,877
	Vanguard Small Cap Growth	Mutual Fund	**	3,786,937
	Vanguard Small Cap Value Index	Mutual Fund	**	1,850,730
	Vanguard Mid Cap Value Index	Mutual Fund	**	2,867,405
*	Banner Corporation Common Stock	Common Stock	**	1,932,356
	Fidelity 500 Index	Mutual Fund	**	14,292,234
*	Participant loans	Interest Rates from 4.25% to 6.5%	- 0 -	3,623,777
				<u>\$ 239,914,947</u>

* Party-in-interest as defined by section 3(14) of ERISA.

** Historical cost information omitted with respect to assets held for investment purposes on participant-directed individual account balances.

See independent auditor's report.