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| <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;">2022</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 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2023</u> and ending <u>02/28/2023</u> | |
| A This return/report is for: | <input type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan <input type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan <input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) ____ |
| B This return/report is: | <input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the final return/report <input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months) |
| C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. | ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> |
| D Check box if filing under: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 5558 <input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension <input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program <input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description) |
| E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. | ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| Part II | Basic Plan Information —enter all requested information |
| <p>1a Name of plan <u>CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN</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>CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC</u></p> <p><u>132 EAST PUTNAM AVE.</u> <u>COS COB, CT 06807</u></p> | <p>1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u></p> <p>1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2020</u></p> <p>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>26-1540939</u></p> <p>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>203-340-9971</u></p> <p>2d Business code (see instructions) <u>451211</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.

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| SIGN HERE | Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. | 12/14/2023 | PAUL SCALZO |
| | Signature of plan administrator | Date | Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator |
| SIGN HERE | Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. | 12/14/2023 | PAUL SCALZO |
| | 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 |

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| 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 | 5 232 |
| 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 a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits..... d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)..... h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested..... | 6a(1) 209 6a(2) 0 6b 0 6c 0 6d 0 6e 0 6f 0 6g 0 6h 0 |
| 7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) | 7 |
| 8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 3D 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) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor | 9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary | b General Schedules (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ¹ A (Insurance Information) (4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information) (5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) <input type="checkbox"/> 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 2022 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2022 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 A
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Insurance 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.**

▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).

OMB No. 1210-0110

2022

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For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2023** and ending **02/28/2023**

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| A Name of plan CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001 |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC | D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 26-1540939 |

Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
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| (b) EIN | (c) NAIC code | (d) Contract or identification number | (e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year | Policy or contract year | |
|-------------------|----------------------|--|--|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | (f) From | (g) To |
| 71-0294708 | 86509 | 81E915 | 0 | 01/01/2023 | 02/28/2023 |

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

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| (a) Total amount of commissions paid 0 | (b) Total amount of fees paid 0 |
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

| (b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid | | (e) Organization code |
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| | (c) Amount | (d) Purpose | |
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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information
 Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

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| 4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end..... | 4 | 0 |
| 5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end..... | 5 | 0 |

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

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| b Premiums paid to carrier | 6b | |
| c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year | 6c | |
| d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount..... Specify nature of costs ▶ | 6d | |

e Type of contract: (1) individual policies (2) group deferred annuity
 (3) other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) deposit administration (2) immediate participation guarantee
 (3) guaranteed investment (4) other ▶

b Balance at the end of the previous year **7b** 284767

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| c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year | 7c(1) | 0 |
| (2) Dividends and credits..... | 7c(2) | -1906 |
| (3) Interest credited during the year..... | 7c(3) | 238 |
| (4) Transferred from separate account..... | 7c(4) | |
| (5) Other (specify below) | 7c(5) | |

(6) Total additions..... **7c(6)** -1668

d Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**)..... **7d** 283099

e Deductions:

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| (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year | 7e(1) | 0 |
| (2) Administration charge made by carrier..... | 7e(2) | 18 |
| (3) Transferred to separate account..... | 7e(3) | 283081 |
| (4) Other (specify below) | 7e(4) | 0 |

(5) Total deductions..... **7e(5)** 283099

f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)..... **7f** 0

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information
 If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** Health (other than dental or vision)
- b** Dental
- c** Vision
- d** Life insurance
- e** Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
- f** Long-term disability
- g** Supplemental unemployment
- h** Prescription drug
- i** Stop loss (large deductible)
- j** HMO contract
- k** PPO contract
- l** Indemnity contract
- m** Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

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| a | Premiums: (1) Amount received | 9a(1) | |
| | (2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid | 9a(2) | |
| | (3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve..... | 9a(3) | |
| | (4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3))..... | | 9a(4) |
| b | Benefit charges (1) Claims paid..... | 9b(1) | |
| | (2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves | 9b(2) | |
| | (3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))..... | | 9b(3) |
| | (4) Claims charged | | 9b(4) |
| c | Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) -- | | |
| | (A) Commissions | 9c(1)(A) | |
| | (B) Administrative service or other fees | 9c(1)(B) | |
| | (C) Other specific acquisition costs..... | 9c(1)(C) | |
| | (D) Other expenses | 9c(1)(D) | |
| | (E) Taxes | 9c(1)(E) | |
| | (F) Charges for risks or other contingencies | 9c(1)(F) | |
| | (G) Other retention charges..... | 9c(1)(G) | |
| | (H) Total retention..... | | 9c(1)(H) |
| | (2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)..... | | 9c(2) |
| d | Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement..... | | 9d(1) |
| | (2) Claim reserves | | 9d(2) |
| | (3) Other reserves | | 9d(3) |
| e | Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)..... | | 9e |

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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| a | Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier | 10a | |
| b | If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount | 10b | |
| | Specify nature of costs. | | |

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? Yes No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

**SCHEDULE C
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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.**

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For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2023** and ending **02/28/2023**

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| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC | D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 26-1540939 | |

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? |
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| 26 | SERVICE PROVIDER | 0 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | 0 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

(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? |
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| 26 | INVESTMENT ADVISORY SERV | 183 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | 0 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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

| (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? |
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| | | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

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 |
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| PATRIOT FINANCIAL GROUP INSURANCE | 99 | 1505 |
| (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. | |
| | OTHER FEES | |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2 | (b) Service Codes (see instructions) | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| (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. | |
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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 |
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| (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. | |
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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:

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| SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> | 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 <hr/> 2022 <hr/> This Form is Open to Public Inspection. |
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| 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: AB GLOBAL BOND FUND | b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: AMERICAN FUNDS FDMNTL INV | b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: AMERICAN FUNDS NEW WORLD | b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: AMERICAN FUNDS NW PRSPCTV | b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: CLRBRG SMCP FD IS | b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: DFA GLOBAL REAL EST | b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: DFA INFL-PROT-SEC PORT INS | b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: DFA US TARGETED VI PORT | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JPMORGAN EQUITY INCOME FUND | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: MFS GROWTH FUND | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: NEUBERG BERM MDCP GRW FND | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PGIM HIGH YIELD FUND | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGRD 500 INDEX FUND | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGRD BALANCED INDEX FND | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGRD MID-CAP INDEX FUND | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGRD SMALL-CAP INDEX FND | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGRD TOT INT STK IN F | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA | | |
| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VIRTUS CRDX MC VI EQ FD

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA GV MNY MKT

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2025

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2030

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2035

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2040

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2045

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2050

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2055

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2060

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION INC.

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INTERMEDIATE BOND FUND

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

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| c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000 | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

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| 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):

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| 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:

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| 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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| 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):

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| 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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**SCHEDULE H
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Financial Information

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).

► **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**

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For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2023** and ending **02/28/2023**

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| A Name of plan CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► | 001 |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC | D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 26-1540939 | |

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..... | 1a | 0 | 0 |
| b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts): | | | |
| (1) Employer contributions..... | 1b(1) | 0 | 0 |
| (2) Participant contributions..... | 1b(2) | 0 | 0 |
| (3) Other..... | 1b(3) | 0 | 0 |
| c General investments: | | | |
| (1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)..... | 1c(1) | 284767 | 0 |
| (2) U.S. Government securities..... | 1c(2) | 0 | 0 |
| (3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities): | | | |
| (A) Preferred..... | 1c(3)(A) | 0 | 0 |
| (B) All other..... | 1c(3)(B) | 0 | 0 |
| (4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities): | | | |
| (A) Preferred..... | 1c(4)(A) | 0 | 0 |
| (B) Common..... | 1c(4)(B) | 0 | 0 |
| (5) Partnership/joint venture interests..... | 1c(5) | 0 | 0 |
| (6) Real estate (other than employer real property)..... | 1c(6) | 0 | 0 |
| (7) Loans (other than to participants)..... | 1c(7) | 0 | 0 |
| (8) Participant loans..... | 1c(8) | 45978 | 0 |
| (9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts..... | 1c(9) | 0 | 0 |
| (10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts..... | 1c(10) | 4049768 | 0 |
| (11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts..... | 1c(11) | 0 | 0 |
| (12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities..... | 1c(12) | 0 | 0 |
| (13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)..... | 1c(13) | 0 | 0 |
| (14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)..... | 1c(14) | 0 | 0 |
| (15) Other..... | 1c(15) | 0 | 0 |

| 1d Employer-related investments: | | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|---|-------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Employer securities..... | 1d(1) | 0 | 0 |
| (2) Employer real property..... | 1d(2) | 0 | 0 |
| e Buildings and other property used in plan operation..... | 1e | 0 | 0 |
| f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)..... | 1f | 4380513 | 0 |
| Liabilities | | | |
| g Benefit claims payable..... | 1g | 0 | 0 |
| h Operating payables..... | 1h | 0 | 0 |
| i Acquisition indebtedness..... | 1i | 0 | 0 |
| j Other liabilities..... | 1j | 0 | 0 |
| k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)..... | 1k | 0 | 0 |
| Net Assets | | | |
| l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)..... | 1l | 4380513 | 0 |

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.

| Income | | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|--|----------|------------|-----------|
| a Contributions: | | | |
| (1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers..... | 2a(1)(A) | 0 | |
| (B) Participants..... | 2a(1)(B) | 0 | |
| (C) Others (including rollovers)..... | 2a(1)(C) | 5059 | |
| (2) Noncash contributions..... | 2a(2) | 0 | |
| (3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A), (B), (C), and line 2a(2)..... | 2a(3) | | 5059 |
| b Earnings on investments: | | | |
| (1) Interest: | | | |
| (A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)..... | 2b(1)(A) | 238 | |
| (B) U.S. Government securities..... | 2b(1)(B) | 0 | |
| (C) Corporate debt instruments..... | 2b(1)(C) | 0 | |
| (D) Loans (other than to participants)..... | 2b(1)(D) | 0 | |
| (E) Participant loans..... | 2b(1)(E) | 0 | |
| (F) Other..... | 2b(1)(F) | 0 | |
| (G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)..... | 2b(1)(G) | | 238 |
| (2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock..... | 2b(2)(A) | 0 | |
| (B) Common stock..... | 2b(2)(B) | 0 | |
| (C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)..... | 2b(2)(C) | 0 | |
| (D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A), (B), and (C)..... | 2b(2)(D) | | 0 |
| (3) Rents..... | 2b(3) | | 0 |
| (4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds..... | 2b(4)(A) | 0 | |
| (B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)..... | 2b(4)(B) | 0 | |
| (C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result..... | 2b(4)(C) | | |
| (5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate..... | 2b(5)(A) | 0 | |
| (B) Other..... | 2b(5)(B) | 0 | |
| (C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)..... | 2b(5)(C) | | |

| | | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
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| (6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts | 2b(6) | | 0 |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts | 2b(7) | | 131020 |
| (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) | | 0 |
| c Other income | 2c | | -1906 |
| d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2d | | 134411 |
| Expenses | | | |
| e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits: | | | |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers | 2e(1) | 90632 | |
| (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) | | 90632 |
| f Corrective distributions (see instructions) | 2f | | 0 |
| g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) | 2g | | 0 |
| h Interest expense | 2h | | 0 |
| i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees | 2i(1) | 0 | |
| (2) Contract administrator fees..... | 2i(2) | 665 | |
| (3) Investment advisory and management fees | 2i(3) | 0 | |
| (4) Other | 2i(4) | 0 | |
| (5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4) | 2i(5) | | 665 |
| j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2j | | 91297 |
| Net Income and Reconciliation | | | |
| k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d | 2k | | 43114 |
| l Transfers of assets: | | | |
| (1) To this plan | 2l(1) | | 0 |
| (2) From this plan..... | 2l(2) | | 4423627 |

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: ROSENFELD AND COMPANY, PLLC

(2) EIN: 27-4077786

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 0.

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) |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------|
| REDBOX 401(K) PLAN | 26-1540939 | 002 |
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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 _____.

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| 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> 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection. |
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For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 02/28/2023

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| A Name of plan <u>CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN</u> | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ | <u>001</u> |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC</u> | D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>26-1540939</u> | |

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| 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.....

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| 1 | 0 |
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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): 71-0294708

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.....

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| 3 | |
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| 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)? Yes No 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.

| | | |
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| 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? Yes No 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? Yes No N/A

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| 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..... Increase Decrease Both 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?..... Yes No

11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?..... Yes 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.)..... Yes No

12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?..... Yes No

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (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 _____

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

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| 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:

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|--|------------|--|
| 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:

| | | |
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| 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 _____



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

February 28, 2023 and December 31, 2022

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Participants and Plan Administrator of the
Chicken Soup for the Soul, LLC 401(k) Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Chicken Soup for the Soul, LLC 401(k) 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) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of February 28, 2023 and December 31, 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the period ended February 28, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan's 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 Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits 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, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of February 28, 2023 and December 31, 2022 and for the period ended February 28, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note C to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying 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.
- the information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).



Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. 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 one year after the date that the financial statements are 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 Financial Statements

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

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

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 Matter — Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year), ("Schedule H") as of and for the period ended February 28, 2023 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplemental information required by the Department of Labor'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 supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits 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 supplemental schedule 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 supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion

- The form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

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- The information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

ROSENFELD AND COMPANY, PLLC

New York, New York
December 12, 2023

**CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FEBRUARY 28, 2023 AND DECEMBER 31, 2022**

| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|--|-------------|---------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Investments at fair value: | | |
| Pooled separate accounts | \$ - | \$ 4,049,768 |
| Fixed income account | - | 284,767 |
| Total investments | <u>-</u> | <u>4,334,535</u> |
| Receivables: | | |
| Participant loans | - | 45,978 |
| Total receivables | <u>-</u> | <u>45,978</u> |
| Total assets | <u>-</u> | <u>4,380,513</u> |
| NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 4,380,513</u> |

CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
PERIOD ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2023

ADDITIONS

Investment income:

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments | \$ 129,114 |
| Interest and dividends | 238 |
| Net investment income | <u>129,352</u> |

Contributions:

| | |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Rollover | 5,059 |
| Total contributions | <u>5,059</u> |

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Total additions | <u>134,411</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|

DEDUCTIONS

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Benefits paid to participants | 90,632 |
| Administrative expenses | 665 |
| Total deductions | <u>91,297</u> |

| | |
|--------------|---------------|
| Net increase | <u>43,114</u> |
|--------------|---------------|

| | |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Transfer from the Plan | (4,423,627) |
|------------------------|-------------|

Net assets available for benefits:

| | |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Beginning of year | 4,380,513 |
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| | |
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| End of year | <u><u>\$ -</u></u> |
|-------------|--------------------|

**CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FEBRUARY 28, 2023 AND DECEMBER 31, 2022**

NOTE A - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the Chicken Soup for the Soul, LLC 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions. As of February 28, 2023 the Plan was terminated and all assets were transferred to a new plan.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all eligible employees of Chicken Soup for the Soul, LLC (the "Company"). The basic plan entry requirements include an age requirement of at least twenty-one years of age. Eligible employees are allowed to enroll in the plan on the first day of the month coinciding with or next following date after meeting eligibility criteria. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Contributions

Participants may contribute a percentage of their compensation to the Plan on a pre-tax basis through elective salary deferrals; however, annual contributions may not exceed the maximum allowed under the Internal Revenue Code in any calendar year. Participants of qualifying age may make additional "catch-up" contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans. Contributions are subject to certain limitations.

The Company may make discretionary matching contributions at the option of the Board of Directors. There were no matches made in 2023.

Investment Options

The Plan holds various investments made up of primarily underlying stocks, bonds, and mutual funds. The Plan also has a fixed income account choice which seeks to protect against any loss of principal while providing returns in excess of money market funds and one-year U.S. Treasury bills. All assets in the stable value fund are credited with interest using a declared monthly rate determined by Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company ("Voya") and are stated in advance.

Participants are permitted to direct the plan administrators as to respective percentages of their account balances to be invested. They are also permitted to change those percentages; and to direct the plan administrators to transfer a percentage of their accounts invested in the various accounts in accordance with guidelines established by the Plan. These balances can come from elective deferral contributions, participant and rollover contributions, and other contributions.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with applicable participant contributions, the Company's discretionary matching contribution, and allocations of Plan earnings or losses. The participant accounts are also charged with a portion of the administrative expenses of the Plan. Allocations are based on participant compensation or account balances, as defined by the Plan. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

**CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN
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NOTE A - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (Continued)

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their elective deferred contributions plus actual earnings thereon including the safe harbor provision contributions. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts plus actual earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service when a discretionary contribution is made. A participant is 0% vested until second annual year of service is completed and then participants become vested in 20% increments following one annual year of service. Participants are fully vested in Company contributions after six years of credited service.

Forfeitures

Any non-vested portion of the Company's matching contribution that a participant has lost the right to is called a forfeiture. These amounts should first be used to pay plan administrative expenses where any excess amounts should then be used to restore previously forfeited account balances of participants who have been rehired and any additional excess amounts after that will be used to reduce Company matching contributions. At both February 28, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the unused forfeiture account balance was \$- and \$3,787, respectively.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Loan terms cannot exceed five years, unless the proceeds are used to acquire a principal residence. The loans are secured by the vested balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates which are commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Plan administrator. At February 28, 2023, there were no outstanding loans.

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Delinquent participant loans are reclassified as distributions based upon the terms of the plan document.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to retirement, attainment of age 59 ½, termination of employment, death, or disability, the participant's account may be distributed to the participant or beneficiary (in the event of the participant's death) through a lump sum payment or annual installments. A participant is entitled to receive a lump-sum payment or an installment in an amount equal to the vested value of his or her account. Also, under certain hardship circumstances, a participant may withdraw a portion of the amounts credited to their account. Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

The administrative expenses of the Plan are paid for in part by the Plan through charges to the participant accounts and in part by the plan sponsor directly. For the period ended February 28, 2023 plan expenses charged to participant accounts were \$665. Net investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FEBRUARY 28, 2023 AND DECEMBER 31, 2022

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Investment contracts held by a defined-contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value. However, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined-contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. The Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits presents the fair value of the investment contracts which is 100% of contract value.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts, changes therein and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The investments are reported at their fair market value and are valued daily using publicly available quoted market prices. The change in market value from year to year for the investments are reported as unrealized gains and losses. The Plan does not share in the realized gains of the investments, just in the change in market value. In addition, certain investment assets generate interest and dividend income for the Plan. See Note E for discussion of fair value measurements.

NOTE C - UNAUDITED INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY CUSTODIAN

Voya held the Plan's investment assets and has certified that all information pertaining to investments included in the financial statements is complete and accurate. This investment information has not been audited by the independent auditors.

The accompanying financial statements include the following unaudited information as of February 28, 2023 and December 31, 2022 that was obtained from data prepared and certified to be complete and accurate by the Plan's custodian:

| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|---|-------------------|--------------|
| Investments | \$ - | \$ 4,334,535 |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments | <u>\$ 129,114</u> | |
| Interest and dividend income | <u>\$ 238</u> | |

Investment balances and information is included in supplemental Schedule H.

CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FEBRUARY 28, 2023 AND DECEMBER 31, 2022

NOTE D - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits. The effects of COVID-19 may negatively impact significant estimates and possibly subject the Plan to vulnerability due to certain concentrations.

NOTE E - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") *Accounting Standards Codification* (ASC) 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, provides the 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 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurements. 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 February 28, 2023 and December 31, 2022:

Pooled Separate Accounts

These separate accounts invest mainly in mutual funds, stocks, and fixed income securities. Some of the separate accounts are invested in identical mutual funds that are actively traded with publicly quoted pricing inputs and are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.

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NOTE E - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

Fixed Income Account

The fixed income account credited interest rate, account balance and formulas upon which payments may be based are observable through the contract and related communications. Fund balances are provided on statements and are classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of:

| | February 28, 2023 | | | Fair Value |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|------------|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | |
| Pooled Separate Accounts | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Fixed Income Account | - | - | - | - |
| Total investments at fair value | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |

| | December 31, 2022 | | | Fair Value |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------|---------|--------------|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | |
| Pooled Separate Accounts | \$ 4,049,768 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 4,049,768 |
| Fixed Income Account | - | 284,767 | - | 284,767 |
| Total investments at fair value | \$ 4,049,768 | \$ 284,767 | \$ - | \$ 4,334,535 |

NOTE F - PLAN TERMINATION

The company has expressed intent to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. On February 28, 2023 the plan terminated and entire plan assets were transferred to Fidelity Retirement Plan. Due to the plan termination, participants have become 100% vested in their accounts.

NOTE G - TAX STATUS

The Plan has not obtained a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") stating that the Plan was in compliance with the applicable requirement of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). The Plan is relying on the IRS approval of the standardized prototype plan that it is utilizing. The IRS has determined and informed the custodian by a letter dated November 30, 2020 that the prototype plan document was designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC. The plan administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, the plan administrator believes that the Plan was qualified and the related trust was tax-exempt as of the financial statement date.

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NOTE G - TAX STATUS (Continued)

The Plan has determined that it does not have any material unrecognized tax benefits or obligations as of December 31, 2023. The 2020, 2021, and 2022 tax years remain subject to examination by major tax jurisdictions.

NOTE H - EXEMPT PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are managed by Voya. Voya is the custodian as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Fees paid by the Plan for investment management services were \$665 for the period ended February 28, 2023.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE



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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
FEBRUARY 28, 2023

EIN: 26-1540939
 Plan No. 001

| (a) | (b) Identity of Issue, 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 |
|-----|--|---|-------------|-------------------------|
| | Pooled Separate Accounts: | | | \$ - |
| | Fixed Income Account: | | | - |
| | PLAN TERMINATED AND ALL ASSETS TRANSFERRED OUT | | | <u>\$ -</u> |

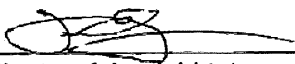
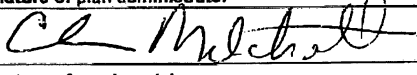
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| Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for 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). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500. | OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 <div style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">2022</div> This Form is Open to Public Inspection |
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| Part I Annual Report Identification Information | |
| For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2023</u> and ending <u>02/28/2023</u> | |
| A This return/report is for: | <input type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan; <input type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan; <input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) _____ B This return/report is: <input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the final return/report; <input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months). C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> D Check box if filing under: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 5558; <input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension; <input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program; <input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description) E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> |

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|--|---|--|-----|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|---|----------------|--|--------|
| Part II Basic Plan Information -- enter all requested information | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1a Name of plan CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 401 (k) PLAN 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) CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL, LLC 132 EAST PUTNAM AVE. 05 COS COB CT 06807 | <table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%;">1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width:50%; text-align: center;">001</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1c Effective date of plan</td> <td style="text-align: center;">01/01/2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">26-1540939</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number</td> <td style="text-align: center;">(203) 340-9971</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2d Business code (see instructions)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">451211</td> </tr> </table> | 1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ | 001 | 1c Effective date of plan | 01/01/2020 | 2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) | 26-1540939 | 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number | (203) 340-9971 | 2d Business code (see instructions) | 451211 |
| 1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ | 001 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1c Effective date of plan | 01/01/2020 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) | 26-1540939 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number | (203) 340-9971 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2d Business code (see instructions) | 451211 | | | | | | | | | | |

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.

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| SIGN HERE |  | 12/14/23 | Paul Scelzo |
| | Signature of plan administrator | Date | Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator |
| SIGN HERE |  | 12/14/23 | Chris Mitchell |
| | 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 |

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

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| 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 and the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan name | 4b EIN 4d PN |
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| 5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year | 5 | 232 |
| 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) | 209 |
| a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year | 6a(2) | 0 |
| b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits | 6b | 0 |
| c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits | 6c | 0 |
| d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c. | 6d | 0 |
| e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits | 6e | 0 |
| f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e | 6f | 0 |
| g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) | 6g | 0 |
| h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested | 6h | 0 |

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

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| 9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor | 9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor |
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| 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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary | b General Schedules (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information - Small Plan) (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>1</u> A (Insurance Information) (4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information) (5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) <input type="checkbox"/> G (Financial Transaction Schedules) |

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| Part III | Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans) |
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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 2022 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2022 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 _____
