

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 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____ ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. ESOP W/401(K) PROVISIONS
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 01/01/1985
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) GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. 100 WEST ARKANSAS MT. PLEASANT, TX 75455
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-1656431
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 903-434-4215
2d	Business code (see instructions) 522110

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	07/31/2024	COREY MARTIN
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ 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	5 694
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(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) 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) 510 6a(2) 499 6b 22 6c 188 6d 709 6e 1 6f 710 6g(1) 650 6g(2) 657 6h 99
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 2G 2J 2K 2S 3D 3H

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) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ 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) ☒ **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2) ☐ **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3) ☐ **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (4) ☐ **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) ☐ **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2023 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2023 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) 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.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. ESOP W/401(K) PROVISIONS	B Three-digit plan number (PN) 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-1656431

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.

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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).....

No

Yes

☒
- 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)

NEWPORT GROUP, INC.

27-2037969

(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?
13 15	RECORDKEEPER	53171	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

FCG INVESTMENT COMPANY

84-5006323

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27 50	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	46655	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

WHITLEY PENN

75-2393478

(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?
10 50	AUDITOR	33990	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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)

FINANCIAL CONSULTING GROUP

62-1657685

(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?
50 70	CONSULTING	16659	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

NEWPORT TRUST COMPANY

27-4411131

(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?
21	TRUSTEE	15896	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

(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?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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
(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.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(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.	
(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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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)

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

Explanation:

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

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Explanation:

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.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. ESOP W/401(K) PROVISIONS	B Three-digit plan number (PN)	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-1656431	

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		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)	239986	234726
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	504891	495881
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	22951444	24187535
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	37820771	34337204
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	61517092	59255346
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
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	61517092	59255346

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)	1636670	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	2537278	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	294086	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		4468034
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	23602	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		23602
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	940684	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	674426	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		1615110
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(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)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		2136452
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		8243198

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	10338573	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		10338573
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	51571	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	18259	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)	33990	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	46655	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	15896	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		166371
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		10504944

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		-2261746
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

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: **WHITLEY PENN LLP**

(2) EIN: **75-2393478**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG 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. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
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.)	☒	☐	1216
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.)	☐	☒	
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.)	☐	☒	
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.)	☐	☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒	☐	8000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	☐	☒	
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?	☐	☒	
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?	☐	☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒	☐	
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.)	☐	☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	☐	☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	☐	☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	☐	☒	
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.	☐	☐	

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

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

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

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	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.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. ESOP W/401(K) PROVISIONS	B Three-digit plan number (PN) 001	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-1656431	

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

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
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): 75-3182674 Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3	

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

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

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): _____

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for: a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment) b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment) c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14a 14b 14c	
15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	
16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16b	
17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐		

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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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) and (b): a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____% b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: ☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more	
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: _____	

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No 21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2). ☐ Design-based safe harbor method ☐ "Prior year" ADP test ☒ "Current year" ADP test ☐ N/A	
22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q702656A</u> .	

**GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
WITH 401(k) PROVISIONS**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES**

**Years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022
with Report of Independent Auditors**

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Plan Administrator and Plan Participants of the
Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan with 401(k) Provisions

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan with 401(k) Provisions (the “Plan”), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”).

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 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 GAAP, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

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.

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 Schedules Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedules of Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4a – Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions and Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's ("DOL") 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 has been subjected to the 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.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying schedules is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content are presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Whitley Penn LLP

Plano, Texas
June 25, 2024

GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN WITH 401(k) PROVISIONS

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

	As of December 31,	
	2023	2022
Assets		
Investments, at fair value:		
Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. stock	\$ 34,337,204	\$ 37,820,771
Mutual funds	24,187,535	22,951,444
Total investments at fair value	58,524,739	60,772,215
Dividend receivable on company stock	234,726	239,986
Notes receivable from participants	495,881	504,891
Total assets	<u>59,255,346</u>	<u>61,517,092</u>
Liabilities		
Total liabilities	—	—
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 59,255,346</u>	<u>\$ 61,517,092</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN WITH 401(k) PROVISIONS

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

	For the Years Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022
Additions to (reductions from) net assets attributed to:		
Investment income (loss):		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 2,136,452	\$ (9,096,168)
Dividends	1,615,110	1,998,191
Total investment income (loss)	3,751,562	(7,097,977)
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	23,602	18,756
Contributions:		
Participant	2,537,278	2,418,793
Employer matching	1,636,670	1,575,920
Participant rollovers	294,086	319,309
Total contributions	4,468,034	4,314,022
Total additions to (reductions from) net assets	8,243,198	(2,765,199)
Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid to or for participants	10,338,573	9,393,772
Administrative and other expenses	166,371	167,355
Total deductions from net assets	10,504,944	9,561,127
Net decrease in net assets available for plan benefits	(2,261,746)	(12,326,326)
Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	61,517,092	73,843,418
Net assets available for benefits, end of year	<u>\$ 59,255,346</u>	<u>\$ 61,517,092</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN WITH 401(k) PROVISIONS

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2023 and 2022

A. Description of the Plan

General

The following description of the Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan with 401(k) Provisions (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

The Plan was effective January 1, 1985, restated most recently effective January 1, 2022. The Plan is a defined contribution plan and an employee stock ownership plan with 401(k) provisions whereby eligible employees of Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. (the "Company") are permitted to make contributions that are tax deferred under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code").

Contributions

A participant may elect to defer a percentage of his or her pretax compensation (elective contributions) subject to certain maximum limitations imposed by the Code (\$22,500 for 2023 and \$20,500 for 2022). Participants who are eligible to make salary deferral contributions under the Plan and who have attained age 50 before the close of the year may make catch-up contributions in accordance with, and subject to the limitations imposed by the Code (\$7,500 for 2023 and \$6,500 for 2022).

The Company may make two types of discretionary contributions to the Plan (as determined by the Board of Directors):

(1) A matching contribution of any amount up to \$1.00 for every dollar of salary deferral a participant makes up to 5% of their compensation, and (2) a non-elective (profit-sharing) contribution. Matching contributions were \$1,636,670 and \$1,575,920 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. There were no profit-sharing contributions for 2023 or 2022.

Eligibility

Subject to the conditions and limitations of the Plan, each employee of the Company or its subsidiaries shall become a participant in the Plan as of the first day of the month coincident with or next following the earlier of (i) the date he or she is hired in a full-time position requiring the completion of 1,000 hours of service during an eligibility computation period, or (ii) if hired in a part-time position, upon completion of 1,000 hours of service during an eligibility computation period.

Each such employee shall become eligible to make elective contributions and receive allocations of matching contributions on the first day of the month coincident with or next following the employee's date of hire and completion of eligibility requirements. Eligible employees who do not enroll or opt out will be automatically enrolled after 30 days from their date of hire or completion of their eligibility requirements.

Vesting

The percentage of the participant's account from employer profit-sharing contributions and matching contributions to which the participant will be entitled is calculated as follows:

Periods of Service	Vested Percentage
Less than two years	0%
Two but less than three	20%
Three but less than four	40%
Four but less than five	60%
Five but less than six	80%
Six or more years	100%

In the event of disability, attainment of normal retirement age, or death, the participant will become fully vested.

GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN WITH 401(k) PROVISIONS

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **December 31, 2023 and 2022**

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and allocations of: (a) the Company's contribution; (b) Plan earnings; and (c) forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested accounts, after allocations of administrative expenses. Allocations of the Company's profit-sharing contributions are based on the ratio of the participant's compensation to the total compensation of all participants for such Plan year. Participants have the right to direct the investment of their individual accounts, and any earnings or losses of an account are credited daily. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's account.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum amount equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance. Loan terms range up to five years or fifteen years for the purchase of a primary residence. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a rate commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Company. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, interest rates ranged from 3.25% to 8.50%. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions.

Benefit Payments

Participants are entitled to distribution of their vested account balance upon termination of employment either before or after attainment of normal retirement age, or due to death. Active employees may also receive distribution of any portion of their account attributable to rollover contributions, which by definition are fully vested. Benefits may either be distributed in cash (subject to 20% federal income tax withholding) or transferred directly to an IRA or another qualified plan. If withdrawing participants are not entitled to their entire account balance because they are partially vested, the non-vested portion is forfeited.

Forfeitures

Forfeited non-vested accounts are first used to pay administrative fees and then allocated to participant accounts. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, such forfeited non-vested amounts available for future use totaled \$265,530 and \$96,668, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeitures applied to the payment of administrative expenses totaled \$84,339 and \$78,697, respectively, while forfeited amounts allocated to participants totaled \$1,151 and \$150,000 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Investment Options

During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, participants directed their salary deferral contributions and employer match contributions to selected investments as made available and determined by the plan administrator, which included 31 mutual funds and Company common stock as of December 31, 2023. Participants may change the percentage of their elective contributions at any time, effective at the next payroll date.

Plan Expenses

Employees of the Company perform certain administrative functions with no compensation from the Plan. Substantially all administrative expenses are paid by the Plan. Expenses paid by the Company, if any, are excluded from these financial statements.

Voting Rights

Each participant shall have the right to direct the plan Trustee, Newport Group for 2023 and 2022, as to the manner in which whole and partial shares of Company stock allocated to their account are to be voted on matters brought before an annual or special shareholders' meeting. The Trustee shall vote allocated shares on each matter as directed by the participants and the Trustee shall have no discretion in such matters. The Trustee shall vote allocated shares for which it received no direction and unallocated shares in accordance with the fiduciary standards of Title I of ERISA.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2023 and 2022

B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are presented on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from these estimates and such differences could be material.

Contributions

Contributions from the Company and participants are accrued as they become obligations of the Company, as determined by the plan administrator, and in the period in which they are deducted, in accordance with salary deferral agreements.

Investment Valuation and Income

The investments of the Plan are stated at fair value as of the end of the year and are subject to market or credit risks customarily associated with equity investments. Fair value measurements are determined in accordance with GAAP, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about assets and liabilities measured at fair value. Refer to Note C for information related to the Plan's valuation methodologies.

Investment gains and losses are accounted for using the average cost basis of the securities sold. The net realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments include realized gains and losses on sales of investments and capital gains during the year and unrealized increases or decreases in the market value of investments held at year end. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are recorded at the unpaid principal balance plus accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2023 or 2022.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

C. Fair Value Measurements

GAAP defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date and establishes a three-tier hierarchy that is used to identify assets and liabilities measured at fair value. The hierarchy focuses on the inputs used to measure fair value and requires that the lowest level input be used. The three levels defined are as follows:

Level 1 — observable inputs that are based upon quoted market prices for identical assets or liabilities within active markets.

Level 2 — observable inputs other than Level 1 that are based upon quoted market prices for similar assets or liabilities, based upon quoted prices within inactive markets, or inputs other than quoted market prices that are observable through market data for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 — inputs that are unobservable for the particular asset or liability due to little or no market activity and are significant to the fair value of the asset or liability. These inputs reflect assumptions that market participants would use when valuing the particular asset or liability.

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The methodologies used to measure each major category of assets and liabilities are described below. These methodologies were consistently applied to all assets and liabilities and there have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

- *Mutual funds* are public investment vehicles valued using the Net Asset Value (“NAV”) provided by the administrator of the fund. The NAV is based on the value of the underlying assets owned by the fund, minus its liabilities and then divided by the number of shares outstanding. The NAV is a quoted price in an active market and classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.
- *Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. stock*. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company’s common stock was publicly traded, and the value was based on quoted market prices in an active market and is classified as Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.

The following table presents the Plan’s investments allocated to Company stock at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

	2023	2022
Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. stock		
Number of shares	1,021,462	1,091,957
Cost	\$ 23,281,902	\$ 24,393,574
Estimated fair value	\$ 34,337,204	\$ 37,820,771

The following tables detail the Plan’s investments at fair value by level, within the fair value hierarchy, as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. The Plan has no assets classified within Level 2 or Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy.

	2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. stock	\$34,337,204	\$ —	\$ —	\$34,337,204
Mutual funds	24,187,535	—	—	24,187,535
Total investments in the fair value hierarchy	\$58,524,739	\$ —	\$ —	\$58,524,739
Total investments at fair value				<u>\$58,524,739</u>

	2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. stock	\$37,820,771	\$ —	\$ —	\$37,820,771
Mutual funds	22,951,444	—	—	22,951,444
Total investments in the fair value hierarchy	\$60,772,215	\$ —	\$ —	\$60,772,215
Total investments at fair value				<u>\$60,772,215</u>

These items are classified in their entirety based on the lowest priority level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the placement of assets and liabilities within the levels of the fair value hierarchy.

The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. In such instances, the transfer is reported at the end of the reporting period. The Company evaluates the significance of transfers between levels based upon the nature of the financial instruments and size of the transfer relative to total net assets available for benefits.

D. Tax Status

The Plan obtained its latest opinion letter dated June 30, 2020 in which the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code.

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Once qualified, the Plan is required to operate in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualification. The Company believes that the Plan is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code and, therefore, believes that the Plan was qualified and the related trust was tax-exempt as of the financial statement date.

GAAP requires plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan and has concluded that as of December 31, 2023 there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

E. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. In the event the Plan terminates, all amounts credited to participant's accounts will become 100% vested.

F. Related Parties and Parties-in-Interest Transactions

Party-in-interest transactions include those with fiduciaries or employees of the Plan, any person who provides services to the Plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the Plan, and an employee organization whose members are covered by the Plan, a person who owns 50% or more of such an employer or employee organization, or relatives of such persons.

The Company employs Newport Group as the custodian of the Plan. Of the dividends paid on investments during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, \$940,684 and \$1,012,050 were attributable to the Company stock, respectively.

During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan invested in shares of mutual funds held in custody by Newport Group. Newport Group acted as trustee for only those investments as defined by the Plan. In addition, fees were paid to the Plan auditors and to third party administrators for investment advisory and consulting services.

Transactions in such investments and with these service providers qualified as party-in-interest transactions, but which qualify for an exemption from the prohibited transaction rules. Additionally, participants had the option to invest their salary deferrals and the Company's matching and profit-sharing contributions to various investments, including Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. stock (common stock of the Company) during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. Transactions in the Company's common stock qualified as parties-in-interest transactions, but which qualified for an exemption from the prohibited transaction rules.

Notes receivable from participants totaled \$495,881 and \$504,891 at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. These participant loans qualify as party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules.

G. Concentrations, Risks & Uncertainties

The Plan investments consist primarily of various mutual funds and the Company's common stock, which are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with these investments and to uncertainties inherent in estimates and assumptions, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of these investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

H. Subsequent Events

In preparing the accompanying financial statements, management has evaluated all subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through June 25, 2024, the date the financial statements were available for issuance.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

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**FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
December 31, 2023**

EIN: 75-1656431

Plan #: 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
*	GUARANTY BANCSHARES, INC.	Common stock	\$ 23,281,902	\$ 34,337,204
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2045 R6	Mutual fund	**	2,060,839
	AB LARGE CAP GROWTH FUND CLASS I	Mutual fund	**	1,984,785
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2025 R6	Mutual fund	**	1,874,224
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2030 R6	Mutual fund	**	1,743,807
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2050 R6	Mutual fund	**	1,732,137
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2055 R6	Mutual fund	**	1,687,318
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2035 R6	Mutual fund	**	1,365,729
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2060 R6	Mutual fund	**	1,268,270
	VANGUARD 500 INDEX ADMIRAL	Mutual fund	**	1,172,639
	VANGUARD WINDSOR II ADM	Mutual fund	**	1,130,714
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2040 R6	Mutual fund	**	1,033,365
	BAIRD AGGREGATE BOND INSTITUTIONAL	Mutual fund	**	860,458
	FIDELITY ADVISOR SMALL CAP GROWTH I	Mutual fund	**	762,187
	FEDERATED HERMES PRIME CASH OBL FUND	Mutual fund	**	650,942
	FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX	Mutual fund	**	570,887
	MFS RESEARCH INTERNATIONAL A	Mutual fund	**	442,103
	PRINCIPAL REAL ESTATE SECURITIES FUND CL	Mutual fund	**	396,171
	AMERICAN FUNDS TRGT DATE RET 2020 R6	Mutual fund	**	379,672
	GOLDMAN SACHS SMALL CAP VALUE INSIGHTS	Mutual fund	**	371,467
	VANGUARD SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT-GRADE ADM	Mutual fund	**	312,807
	VANGUARD LIFESTRATEGY INCOME INV	Mutual fund	**	306,074
	ALLSPRING SPECIAL MID CAP VALUE	Mutual fund	**	287,123
	T ROWE PRICE BALANCED - I	Mutual fund	**	279,779
	VANGUARD WELLESLEY INCOME ADM	Mutual fund	**	267,909
	MFS GLOBAL GROWTH R6	Mutual fund	**	250,654
	MASSMUTUAL HIGH YIELD FUND	Mutual fund	**	246,085
	MASSMUTUAL MID CAP GROWTH FUND	Mutual fund	**	239,041
	FIDELITY SMALL CAP INDEX	Mutual fund	**	177,117
	METROPOLITAN WEST ALPHATRAK 500	Mutual fund	**	165,249
	AMERICAN CENTURY EMERGING MARKETS R6	Mutual fund	**	134,574
	ALLSPRING DIVERSIFIED CAPITAL BUILDER	Mutual fund	**	33,409
	Total investments		23,281,902	58,524,739
*	Notes receivable from participants	***	—	495,881
			<u>\$ 23,281,902</u>	<u>\$ 59,020,620</u>

* A party-in-interest as defined by ERISA

** Cost omitted for participant directed investments

*** Interest rates ranging from 3.25% to 8.50% with various due dates

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FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE 4a - SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

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Participant contributions transferred late to Plan ☒ (Check here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are included)	Totals that Represent Non-Exempt Prohibited Transactions			
	Contributions not corrected	Contributions corrected outside VFCP	Contributions pending correction in VFCP	Total fully corrected under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
\$ 1,216	\$ —	\$ 1,216	\$ —	\$ —

Form 5500 annual return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan
Schedule H Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

See Supplemental Schedule attached with IQPA Opinion and Financial Statements.