| Form 5500 | Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan | OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 |
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| Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service<br>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration<br>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | 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).<br>▶ **Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.** | **2023**<br>**This Form is Open to Public Inspection** |

## 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.)
- [X] a single-employer plan
- [ ] a DFE (specify) ____

**B** This return/report is:
- [ ] the first return/report
- [ ] the final return/report
- [ ] an amended return/report
- [ ] a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

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

**D** Check box if filing under:
- [X] 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
FIRST CITIZENS' FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN

**1b** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**1c** Effective date of plan 01/01/1997

**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)
FIRST CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

200 MILL ROAD
SUITE 100
FAIRHAVEN, MA 02719

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FAIRHAVEN, MA 02719

**2b** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 04-1120944

**2c** Plan Sponsor's telephone number 508-999-1341

**2d** Business code (see instructions) 522130

**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. | 08/08/2024 | BRITTANY WHITE |
| | **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 |

**For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.**

**3a** Plan administrator's name and address [X] 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** | 233 |
| **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)** | 153 |
| **a(2)** | Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year | **6a(2)** | 139 |
| **b** | Retired or separated participants receiving benefits | **6b** | 0 |
| **c** | Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits | **6c** | 79 |
| **d** | Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**. | **6d** | 218 |
| **e** | Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. | **6e** | 0 |
| **f** | Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**. | **6f** | 218 |
| **g(1)** | Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) | **6g(1)** | 227 |
| **g(2)** | Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) | **6g(2)** | 215 |
| **h** | Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested | **6h** | 0 |
| **7** | Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) | **7** | |

**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 2T 3H 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)** [ ] Insurance
- **(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- **(3)** [X] 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)** [X] Trust
- **(4)** [ ] 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)** [X] **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)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- **(3)** [ ] **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 0
- **(4)** [X] **C** (Service Provider Information)
- **(5)** [X] **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) | Service Provider Information | OMB No. 1210-0110 |
|---|---|---|
| Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service | This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). | 2023 |
| Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration | ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.** | **This Form is Open to Public Inspection.** |
| Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | | |

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

**A** Name of plan
FIRST CITIZENS' FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
FIRST CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
04-1120944

## 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).. . . . . [X] 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)

GLOBAL RETIREMENT PARTNERS LLC

47-1411118

| (b) Service Code(s) | (c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-. | (h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 27 | ADVISOR | 20303 | Yes ☐ No ☒ | Yes ☐ No ☐ | | Yes ☐ No ☐ |

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

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| (b) Service Code(s) | (c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-. | (h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 37 60 64 65 | RECORDKEEPER | -2854 | 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 |
|---|---|---|
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL | 60 | 0 |

| **(d)** Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | | **(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |
|---|---|---|
| CALV US LG CP CRI I - SS&C GIDS, I | 2000 CROWN COLONY DRIVE<br>QUINCY, MA 02169 | 0.03% |

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

| **(d)** Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | | **(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |
|---|---|---|
| COL BALANCED I - COLUMBIA MGT INVE | 14785 PRESTON ROAD, SUITE 1000<br>DALLAS, TX 75254 | 0.25% |

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

| **(d)** Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | **(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |
|---|---|
| CRLN S MID CAP I - U.S. BANK N.A<br><br>31-0841368 | 0.15% |

## Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

| **(d)** Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | | **(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |
|---|---|---|
| INVS INTL DVSFD Y - INVESCO INVEST | 11 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 100<br>HOUSTON, TX 77046 | 0.25% |

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

| **(d)** Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | **(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |
|---|---|
| PUTN LG CAP VAL Y - PUTNAM INVESTO<br><br>04-2539562 | 0.25% |

| **(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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| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL | 60 | 0 |

| **(d)** Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | | **(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |
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| PUTNAM STABLE VALUE | ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE<br>BOSTON, MA 02109 | 0.25% |

## 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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| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL | 60 | 0 |

| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |
|---|---|
| PUTNAM STABLE VALUE<br>ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE<br>BOSTON, MA 02109 | 0.10% |

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

| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |
|---|---|
| TRP BLUE CHIP GRTH - T. ROWE PRICE<br>52-2269240 | 0.15% |

| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2 | (b) Service Codes (see instructions) | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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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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| **(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: MAYER HOFFMAN MCCANN PC | | **b** EIN: 43-1947695 |
| **c** Position: PLAN AUDITOR | | |
| **d** Address: 500 BOYLSTON STREET<br>BOSTON, MA 02116 | | **e** Telephone: 617-761-0600 |

Explanation: CHANGED AUDIT FIRMS AS A RESULT OF OUR PERIODIC RFP PROCESS.

| | |
|---|---|
| **a** Name: | **b** EIN: |
| **c** Position: | |
| **d** Address: | **e** Telephone: |

Explanation:

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|---|---|
| **a** Name: | **b** EIN: |
| **c** Position: | |
| **d** Address: | **e** Telephone: |

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

| SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) | DFE/Participating Plan Information | OMB No. 1210-0110 |
|---|---|---|
| Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service<br>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration | This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).<br>▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.** | **2023**<br>**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
FIRST CITIZENS' FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**C** Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
FIRST CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
04-1120944

## 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)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2060 X
**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY LLC
**c** EIN-PN 47-5459433-273 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 192065

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV MAT X
**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY
**c** EIN-PN 26-0788428-268 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 237187

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2035 X
**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY
**c** EIN-PN 26-0787945-261 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 641723

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM STABLE VALUE
**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY
**c** EIN-PN 04-3159710-202 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 528749

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2045 X
**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY
**c** EIN-PN 26-1208510-259 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 601598

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2025 X
**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY LLC
**c** EIN-PN 26-1384345-263 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1187413

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2055 X
**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY
**c** EIN-PN 27-3616920-272 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 937136

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| **a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2030 X | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN 26-0788040-262 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 1197234 |
| **a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2040 X | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN 26-1384398-260 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 648463 |
| **a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2050 X | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN 26-0787670-258 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 733548 |
| **a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTN RET ADV 2060 X | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN 27-3616920-273 | **d** Entity code C | **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: PUTN RET ADV 2050 X | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN 26-1208510-259 | **d** Entity code C | **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: PUTN RET ADV 2045 X | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN 26-1384398-260 | **d** Entity code C | **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: PUTN RET ADV 2040 X | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN 26-0787945-261 | **d** Entity code C | **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: PUTN RET ADV 2025 X | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN 26-1374344-263 | **d** Entity code C | **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: | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | |
| **a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: | | | |
| **b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): | | | |
| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | |

## Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs, other than DCGs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans. DCGs must report each participating plan using Schedule DCG.)

**a** Plan name

**b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN

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**b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN

| SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) | Financial Information | OMB No. 1210-0110 |
|---|---|---|
| Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service<br>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration<br>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | 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).<br>▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.** | **2023**<br>**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
FIRST CITIZENS' FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
FIRST CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
04-1120944

## 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) | 688 | 3430 |
| (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) | 247221 | 249405 |
| (9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts | 1c(9) | 6143584 | 6905116 |
| (10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts | 1c(10) | 0 | 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) | 3423184 | 4150544 |
| (14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) | 1c(14) | 0 | 0 |
| (15) Other | 1c(15) | 0 | 0 |

| | | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|---|---|---|---|
| **1d** Employer-related investments: | | | |
| **(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 | 9814677 | 11308495 |
| **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 through1j) | 1k | 0 | 0 |
| **Net Assets** | | | |
| **l** Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f) | 1l | 9814677 | 11308495 |

## 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) | 396005 | |
| **(B)** Participants | 2a(1)(B) | 641520 | |
| **(C)** Others (including rollovers) | 2a(1)(C) | 37498 | |
| **(2)** Noncash contributions | 2a(2) | 0 | |
| **(3)** Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)** | 2a(3) | | 1075023 |
| **b Earnings on investments:** | | | |
| **(1)** Interest: | | | |
| **(A)** Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit) | 2b(1)(A) | 99 | |
| **(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) | 12993 | |
| **(F)** Other | 2b(1)(F) | 0 | |
| **(G)** Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)** | 2b(1)(G) | | 13092 |
| **(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) | 72257 | |
| **(D)** Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)** | 2b(2)(D) | | 72257 |
| **(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) | | 0 |
| **(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) | | 0 |

| | | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| (6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts | 2b(6) | | 988759 |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts | 2b(7) | | 0 |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts | 2b(8) | | 0 |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities | 2b(9) | | 0 |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) | 2b(10) | | 845926 |
| c Other income | 2c | | 0 |
| d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2d | | 2995057 |
| **Expenses** | | | |
| e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits: | | | |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers | 2e(1) | 1483790 | |
| (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) | | 1483790 |
| 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) Salaries and allowances | 2i(1) | 0 | |
| (2) Contract administrator fees | 2i(2) | 0 | |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees | 2i(3) | -2854 | |
| (4) IQPA audit fees | 2i(4) | 0 | |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees | 2i(5) | 20303 | |
| (6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees | 2i(6) | 0 | |
| (7) Actuarial fees | 2i(7) | 0 | |
| (8) Legal fees | 2i(8) | 0 | |
| (9) Valuation/appraisal fees | 2i(9) | 0 | |
| (10) Other trustee fees and expenses | 2i(10) | 0 | |
| (11) Other expenses | 2i(11) | 0 | |
| (12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)** | 2i(12) | | 17449 |
| j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2j | | 1501239 |
| **Net Income and Reconciliation** | | | |
| k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d** | 2k | | 1493818 |
| l Transfers of assets: | | | |
| (1) To this plan | 2l(1) | | 0 |
| (2) From this plan | 2l(2) | | 0 |

## Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

**(1)** [X] 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)** [X] 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: AAFCPAS, INC. **(2)** EIN: 04-2571780

**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.) | **4a** | | X | |
| **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 | | 9000000 |
| **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 [X] 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) | Retirement Plan Information | OMB No. 1210-0110 |
|---|---|---|
| Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service<br>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration<br>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | 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).<br>▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.** | **2023**<br>**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
FIRST CITIZENS' FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
FIRST CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
04-1120944

## Part I Distributions

**All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.**

**1** Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions ..... **1**

**2** Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):

EIN(s): 04-6568107 _____

**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.)

**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.**

**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

**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**

## 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.

**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): _____

**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) | **14a** | |
| **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) | **14b** | |
| **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) | **14c** | |

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

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **a** The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year | **15a** | |
| **b** The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year | **15b** | |

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

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

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

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

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

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

**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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702438A .

# FIRST CITIZENS' FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
**AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022 AND**
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

**FIRST CITIZENS' FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN**

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# Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Administrator of
First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 401(k) Plan:

***Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit for the 2023 Financial Statements***

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 401(k) 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 December 31, 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements (2023 Financial Statements).

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 401(k) Plan's 2023 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 audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, 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 a certification from a qualified institution as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

***Opinion on the 2023 Financial Statements***

In our opinion, based on our audit and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements section

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying 2023 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 2023 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 on the 2023 Financial Statements***

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 401(k) Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

***Responsibilities of Management for the 2023 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 First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements***

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit for the 2023 Financial Statements 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 First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 401(k) 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 First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements*** (Continued)

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the 2023 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 Matters***

*2023 Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA*

The supplemental schedule, Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets Held at End of Year as of December 31, 2023, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary 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 audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the 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 schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

- 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).

***Other Matters*** (Continued)

*Auditor's Report on the 2022 Financial Statements*

Predecessor auditors performed an audit of the 2022 financial statements of First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 401(k) Plan. 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, the prior year audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan that were certified by a qualified institution. Their report dated August 17, 2023, indicated that (a) the amounts and disclosures in the 2022 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and (b) the information in the 2022 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 determines meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). Their report also indicated that the form and content of the 2022 supplemental schedule, other than the information in the 2022 supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, were presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA; and the information in the 2022 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).

AAFCPAs, Inc.

Westborough, Massachusetts
July 30, 2024

**FIRST CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN**

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2023 and 2022

| **Assets** | **2023** | **2022** |
|---|---|---|
| Investments, at fair value | $ 11,059,090 | $ 9,567,456 |
| Notes receivable from participants | 249,405 | 247,221 |
| **Net Assets Available for Benefits** | $ 11,308,495 | $ 9,814,677 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

**FIRST CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 401(K) PLAN**

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

| | |
|---|---|
| **Additions to Net Assets Attributed to:** | |
| Investment income: | |
| Net appreciation of investments | $ 1,834,685 |
| Interest and dividends | 72,356 |
| Total investment income | 1,907,041 |
| Interest income on notes receivable from participants | 12,993 |
| Contributions: | |
| Participant | 641,520 |
| Employer | 396,005 |
| Rollover | 37,498 |
| Total contributions | 1,075,023 |
| Total additions | 2,995,057 |
| **Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to:** | |
| Benefits paid to participants | 1,483,790 |
| Administrative expenses | 17,449 |
| Total deductions | 1,501,239 |
| Net increase | 1,493,818 |
| **Net Assets Available for Benefits:** | |
| Beginning of year | 9,814,677 |
| End of year | $ 11,308,495 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

## 1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the First Citizens' Federal Credit Union 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.

### a. General

The Plan is a defined contribution profit sharing plan with a cash deferral arrangement sponsored by First Citizens' Federal Credit Union and affiliate (collectively, the Plan Sponsor) (the Company) for the benefit of its employees. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Investment Committee is responsible for oversight of the Plan. Fidelity Management Trust Company, the trustee, provides recordkeeping services and serves as trustee and qualified institution for the Plan's investments. The Company is the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance and reports to the Investment Committee.

### b. Eligibility

Under the Plan, employees who have completed three months of service with the Company and are eighteen years of age or older are eligible to participate in the Plan and receive all Plan Sponsor contributions. An employee becomes a participant in the Plan on the first day of the month after satisfying the service requirements.

### c. Contributions

*Participant Contributions*

Each year, participants may contribute up to 100% of their pretax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan subject to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations. Participants may also elect to contribute a percentage of their eligible compensation into the Plan on an after-tax basis (Roth). Participants are allowed to rollover funds into the Plan from other qualifying retirement plans (rollover contributions). Participants who have reached the age of 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan, unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 5% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated balanced fund until changed by the participant. Automatically enrolled participants will have their deferral percentage increased annually by 1% until a deferral rate of 10% is reached.

*Employer Safe Harbor Matching Contributions*

The Company contributes 100% of the first 5% of eligible compensation that all plan participants contribute to the Plan. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the employer safe harbor matching contributions totaled $396,005.

**1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN** (Continued)

**c. Contributions** (Continued)

*Employer Discretionary Contributions*

The Company may make employer discretionary contributions. Such contributions are allocated in the same proportion of each eligible participant's compensation bears to total eligible participants' compensation. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no employer discretionary contributions made.

*Additional Employer Matching Contributions*

The Company may make an additional employer matching contribution up to 100% of the first 4% of eligible compensation that all plan participants contribute to the Plan. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no additional employer matching contributions made.

**d. Participant Accounts**

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and allocations of the Company's contributions and plan earnings or losses. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances or specific account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. Former employees may choose to leave their account invested with the Plan or have it distributed.

**e. Vesting**

Participants are fully vested in their own contributions, employer safe harbor matching contributions and related earnings thereon. Participants vest in the employer's discretionary contributions and additional employer matching contributions, including related earnings or losses, based on years of service as follows:

| Years of Service | Vested Percentage |
|---|---|
| Less than 1 year | 0% |
| 1 year | 25% |
| 2 years | 50% |
| 3 years | 75% |
| 4 or more years | 100% |

Participants become fully vested upon death or disability.

**f. Notes Receivable from Participants**

Participants may borrow amounts from their accounts not to exceed the lesser of $50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance, excluding employer discretionary contributions. Loan terms are generally for one to five years (primary residence loans allow a ten-year repayment term) and include a minimum borrowing amount of $1,000. A participant may only have one loan outstanding at a time. The loans are secured by the participant's vested account balance and bear interest at an interest rate equal to the prime rate reported in the Wall Street Journal plus 1% at the day the loan is given. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions.

## 1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (Continued)

### g. Payment of Benefits

The Plan provides for a normal retirement benefit to be paid to a participant, or their beneficiary, who has reached the normal retirement age of 65, with no option for early retirement. Upon termination of service, if a participant's account is greater than $1,000, the participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of their account or installment payments of such amounts. If the account balance is less than $1,000, after notification, the entire amount will be paid in a lump sum as soon as possible. If a former participant's vested account is greater than $1,000, but not more than $5,000, the Plan Administrator, after notification, may distribute their entire non-forfeited account balance to an Individual Retirement Account (IRA).

The Plan allows in-service withdrawals upon attainment of age 59 ½. A participant may request a withdrawal upon demonstration to the Plan Administrator that they are suffering a "hardship". Hardship is defined in applicable regulations promulgated or to be promulgated pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code (the Code) or standards established by the Secretary of the Treasury or their delegate.

### h. Forfeitures

Amounts forfeited by employees who have not met the four-year vesting period for the discretionary matching contributions and/or additional employer matching contributions are held by the qualified institution and redistributed to all employees as part of the subsequent year's employer safe harbor matching contributions made by the Company. At December 31, 2023, the Plan had no unallocated forfeitures. At December 31, 2022, the Plan had $1 of unallocated forfeitures. Employer safe harbor matching contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023, were reduced by $1,154 of forfeited nonvested accounts.

### i. Revenue Sharing

The Plan received revenue credits from the funds managed by Fidelity Management Trust Company. The revenue credit account can be used to pay plan expenses or can be allocated to eligible plan participants as defined in the agreement. During the year ended December 31, 2023, funds in the amount of $2,854 were used to pay plan expenses. The revenue sharing account totaled $3,430 and $688 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and is held within Fidelity Government Money Market Fund.

### j. SECURE Act 2.0

On December 29, 2022, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023, which included SECURE Act 2.0, was executed. SECURE Act 2.0 contains over ninety new retirement provisions, with varying effective dates through 2027. Since SECURE Act 2.0 provisions include both required and optional elements, the Plan Administrator will determine the optional provisions to elect and amend the plan document accordingly. Most of the significant provisions will become effective in 2024, and thereafter. Accordingly, there is no material impact to the Plan's 2023 financial statements.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Basis of Presentation

The Plan prepares its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP) established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB). References to U.S. GAAP in these notes are to the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC).

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

### Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 4 for disclosure of fair value measurement.

The assets of the Plan are invested in mutual funds and common collective trusts. Mutual funds are quoted at market prices on public exchanges, which represent the net asset value (NAV) of shared held by the Plan at year end. The Plan's interests in the common collective trusts are stated at NAV based on the information reported by the qualified institution using the audited financial statements of the collective trusts at year end. Gains and losses are recognized as incurred upon sale or maturity of investments or based on market value changes during the period.

Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income, including notes receivable from participants, is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation of investments includes realized and unrealized gains and losses.

### Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income on notes receivable from participants 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 and 2022. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the Plan Administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced, and a benefit payment is recorded. There were no defaulted loans at December 31, 2023.

### Contributions

Contributions from plan participants, employer safe harbor matching contributions, discretionary matching contributions and additional employer matching contributions from the Plan Sponsor are recorded in the year which the participant contributions are withheld from compensation.

### Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

### Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Asset management and fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses and other. Investment-related expenses are included in net appreciation of investments.

### Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through July 30, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no events that met the criteria for recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

## 3. INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY THE PLAN'S QUALIFIED INSTITUTION

The Plan Administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 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. Accordingly, Fidelity Management Trust Company, a qualified institution, has certified to the completeness and accuracy of all investments and notes receivable from participants reported in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the supplemental schedule, Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets Held at End of Year as of December 31, 2023, and the related investment transactions and investment income and interest income on notes receivable from participants reported in the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023.

At the request of the Plan Administrator, the Plan's independent auditors did not perform auditing procedures with respect to certified investment information, except for comparing such certified investment information included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule.

## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants, as of the measurement date. *Fair Value Measurement* establishes a hierarchy of valuation techniques based upon whether the inputs to those valuation techniques reflect assumptions other market participants would use based upon market data obtained from independent sources (also referred to as observable inputs).

The following summarizes the fair value hierarchy:

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; and
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

**4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT** (Continued)

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 measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value:

*Common collective trusts:* Valued at the NAV of units of a bank collective trust. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate the fair value, unless it is probable that all or a portion of the common collective trusts will be sold for an amount different from NAV. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan had no plans to sell the common collective trusts at an amount different from NAV. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. If the Plan were to initiate a full redemption of the collective trusts, the investment advisor reserves the right to temporarily delay withdrawal from the trusts in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

*Mutual funds:* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-ended mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily NAV and to transact at those prices and, accordingly, these investments are valued using observable inputs. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

There have been no changes in the fair value methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022. The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following tables present by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31:

| | 2023 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Description** | **Level 1** | **Level 2** | **Level 3** | **Total** |
| Mutual funds, at fair value | $ 4,153,974 | $ - | $ - | $ 4,153,974 |
| Investments measured at NAV | | | | 6,905,116 |
| Total investments, at fair value | | | | $ 11,059,090 |

## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT (Continued)

| Description | 2022 Level 1 | 2022 Level 2 | 2022 Level 3 | 2022 Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mutual funds, at fair value | $ 3,423,872 | $ - | $ - | $ 3,423,872 |
| Investments measured at NAV | | | | 6,143,584 |
| Total investments, at fair value | | | | $ 9,567,456 |

The following table summarizes the Plan's investments measured at fair value based on NAV as a practical expedient as of December 31:

| Type | Fair Value 2023 | Fair Value 2022 | Unfunded Commitment | Redemption Frequency | Redemption Notice Period |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Putnam Retirement Advantage Trusts | $ 6,376,367 | $ 5,675,143 | $ - | Daily | None |
| Putnam Stable Value Fund | 528,749 | 468,441 | $ - | Daily | None |
| Total common collective trusts, measured at NAV | $ 6,905,116 | $ 6,143,584 | | | |

## 5. COMMON COLLECTIVE TRUSTS

The Plan's investments in the Common Collective Trusts (CCTs) are represented by the CCTs' underlying investment in the Putnam Retirement Advantage Trusts and the Putnam Stable Value Fund, which invest in fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, commonly referred to as guaranteed investment contracts (GICs), synthetic investment contracts, and similarly designed contracts issued by insurance companies, banks and other financial institutions. The Plan's investments in the CCTs are not considered a fully benefit-responsive investment contracts and are reported at fair value (see Note 4).

## 6. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan provides for various investment options in a number of investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, 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 participant balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

## 7. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of plan termination, the participants would become fully vested in their employer contributions and all vested benefits would be paid to participants in accordance with plan provisions.

## 8. TAX STATUS

The Plan Sponsor has obtained an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020, in which the IRS stated that the restated prototype plan document was in compliance with applicable requirements of the Code. The Plan Administrator timely adopted the restated prototype plan. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is currently being operated in accordance with the Code.

U.S. GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognizes 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 applicable authorities. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions, however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

## 9. RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Section 3(14) of ERISA defines a party-in-interest to include, among others, fiduciaries or employees of the Plan, any person who provides services to the Plan or an employer whose employees are covered by the Plan. Accordingly, transactions with investment funds managed and held by the qualified institution are considered party-in-interest transactions.

The Plan also allows for a revenue sharing credit, which is used to offset certain amounts owed to Fidelity for its administrative services to the Plan. During 2023, the Plan paid the qualified institution administrative expenses totaling $20,303, which is presented net of $2,854 of the revenue sharing credit in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

## 10. RECLASSIFICATION

Certain amounts in the 2022 financial statements have been reclassified to conform with the 2023 presentation. There was no impact on the previously presented net assets available for benefits.

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December 31, 2023

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