

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

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).

Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

- A This return/report is for: [X] a multiemployer plan [] a multiple-employer plan... B This return/report is: [] a single-employer plan [] a DFE... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... [X] D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [] automatic extension... 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: PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST FUND
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 501
1c Effective date of plan: 06/01/1959
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): BOARD OF TRUSTEES PLUMBERS WELFARE FUND
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 44-6012692
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 816-279-5534
2d Business code (see instructions): 238220

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.

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature, Date, and Name. Rows include signatures of plan administrator (JOSH MCQUEEN), employer/plan sponsor (BOB FITZPATRICK), and DFE.

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

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor BOARD OF TRUSTEES PLUMBERS AND PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 2329 SOUTH 22ND STREET ST. JOSEPH, MO 64503	3b Administrator's EIN 44-6012692 3c Administrator's telephone number 816-279-5534
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4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
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5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	170
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6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).		
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	6a(1)	161
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2)	180
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b	9
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c	0
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d	189
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e	
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	
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)	
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)	
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6h	

7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	16
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8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
 4A 4D 4E 4F 4L

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules (1) <input type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____ (5) <input type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	b General Schedules (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u> 2 </u> (4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information) (5) <input type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) <input type="checkbox"/> G (Financial Transaction Schedules)
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Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

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 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 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 _____

<p>SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)</p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Insurance Information</p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p> <p>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</p>	<p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p>2024</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<p>A Name of plan PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST FUND</p>	<p>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 501</p>
<p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOARD OF TRUSTEES PLUMBERS WELFARE FUND</p>	<p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 44-6012692</p>

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

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE CO

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
06-6033492	60054	0159096	501	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

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

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

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

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

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

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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information
 Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

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

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b Premiums paid to carrier **6b**

c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year **6c**

d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. **6d**
 Specify nature of costs ▶

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

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

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

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

b Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)			
	7c(2)			
	7c(3)			
	7c(4)			
	7c(5)			
(6) Total additions			7c(6)	
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))			7d	
e Deductions:				
	7e(1)			
	7e(2)			
	7e(3)			
	7e(4)			
(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....			7f	0

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

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

9 Experience-rated contracts:

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

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	180715
b	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

**SCHEDULE A
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Insurance Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

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

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

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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier

THE UNION LABOR LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
13-1423090	69744	SL10439	189	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

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

(a) Total amount of commissions paid 31854	(b) Total amount of fees paid
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

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

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**333 WEST 34TH STREET
NEW YORK, NY 10001**

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
31854			3

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6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b Premiums paid to carrier **6b**

c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year **6c**

d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. **6d**
 Specify nature of costs ▶

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

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

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

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

b Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)			
	7c(2)			
	7c(3)			
	7c(4)			
	7c(5)			
(6) Total additions			7c(6)	
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))			7d	
e Deductions:				
	7e(1)			
	7e(2)			
	7e(3)			
	7e(4)			
(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....			7f	0

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9 Experience-rated contracts:

a	Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		391859
	(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	9a(2)		
	(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)		
	(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3))		9a(4)	391859
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	(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
	(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
	(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
	(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
	(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
	(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)		
	(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
	(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)		9c(2)	
d	Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
	(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
	(3) Other reserves		9d(3)	
e	Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOARD OF TRUSTEES PLUMBERS WELFARE FUND	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 44-6012692	

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

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

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

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

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

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

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47-0836395

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10		18260	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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(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?
16 11		80321	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

AETNA

06-6033492

(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?
12 14 49		148852	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
14		13347	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
 (complete as many entries as needed)

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

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c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024	
A Name of plan PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST FUND	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 501
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOARD OF TRUSTEES PLUMBERS WELFARE FUND	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 44-6012692

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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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.

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets			
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	4121023	
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	313228	366327
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)	46888	567586
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	31503	4915973
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e	1620	5905
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	4514262	5855791
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g	251825	367677
h Operating payables.....	1h	27376	36024
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	279201	403701
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	4235061	5452090

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)	4084369	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	65282	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		4149651
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	133370	
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		133370
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		4283021

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	2278335	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	669638	
(3) Other.....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		2947973
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	13347	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)	16700	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	1560	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	621	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	80321	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	2392	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)	3078	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		118019
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		3065992

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		1217029
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **DEBOER & ASSOCIATES, PC**

(2) EIN: **47-0836395**

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.)		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.)		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.)		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.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		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?		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?		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.)		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.)		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?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		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.			

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

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

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

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

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

**Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45
Health and Welfare Trust Fund**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED
December 31, 2024 and 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees
Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund
St. Joseph, MO

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits and plan's benefit obligations as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits and of changes in plan's benefit obligations for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits and plan's benefit obligations of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits and changes in plan's benefit obligations for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund'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 Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal 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 generally accepted auditing standards, 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 Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund'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 Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

De Boer & Associates, PC

July 17, 2025

PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents		
Money markets and savings	\$ 3,415,973	\$ 31,503
Certificates of deposit	1,500,000	-
Checking accounts	<u>-</u>	<u>4,121,023</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	4,915,973	4,152,526
Receivables		
Accrued interest receivable	11,566	-
Employer contributions (Note 2)	366,327	313,228
Stop loss receivable	478,387	-
Other receivables	<u>77,633</u>	<u>46,888</u>
Total receivables	933,913	360,116
Prepaid expenses	<u>5,905</u>	<u>1,620</u>
Total assets	<u>5,855,791</u>	<u>4,514,262</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	1,591	8,948
Reciprocal contributions payable	<u>34,433</u>	<u>18,428</u>
Total liabilities	<u>36,024</u>	<u>27,376</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 5,819,767</u>	<u>\$ 4,486,886</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Additions to plan assets attributed to		
Investment income		
Interest	\$ 133,370	\$ 532
Contributions		
Employer contributions	4,084,369	3,880,953
Participant contributions	<u>65,282</u>	<u>71,544</u>
Total contributions	<u>4,149,651</u>	<u>3,952,497</u>
Total additions	4,283,021	3,953,029
Deductions from plan assets attributed to		
Benefits paid to or for participants:		
Health claims	1,772,564	1,463,280
Prescriptions	388,515	260,740
Insurance premiums - dental and vision	180,651	167,589
Insurance premiums - stop loss	391,859	347,988
Claims administration fees	97,128	93,235
ACA Fees	<u>1,404</u>	<u>1,188</u>
Total benefits paid	<u>\$ 2,832,121</u>	<u>\$ 2,334,020</u>

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**PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**

	2024	2023
Deductions from plan assets, continued		
Administrative expenses:		
Actuarial fees	\$ 80,321	\$ 49,125
Accounting fees	18,260	17,288
Administrative fees (Note 4)	13,347	4,500
Insurance expense	1,694	2,393
Legal fees	2,392	599
Office expense	1,544	2,295
Reciprocity fees	461	450
Total administrative expenses	118,019	76,650
Total deductions	2,950,140	2,410,670
Net increase during year	1,332,881	1,542,359
Net assets available for benefits		
Beginning of year	4,486,886	2,944,527
End of year	\$ 5,819,767	\$ 4,486,886

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND
STATEMENTS OF PLAN'S BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS
DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**

	2024	2023
AMOUNTS CURRENTLY PAYABLE TO OR FOR PARTICIPANTS, BENEFICIARIES, AND DEPENDENTS		
Claims payable	\$ 9,277	\$ 17,225
Claims incurred but not reported	358,400	234,600
Total amounts currently payable	367,677	251,825
OTHER OBLIGATIONS FOR CURRENT BENEFIT COVERAGE, AT PRESENT VALUE OF ESTIMATED AMOUNTS		
Accumulated eligibility credits (Note 7)	2,708,200	2,410,400
Total obligations other than postretirement benefit obligations	3,075,877	2,662,225
POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS		
Current retirees, beneficiaries, and dependents	1,281,106	1,019,699
Active participants fully eligible for benefits	3,298,688	2,686,110
Active participants not yet fully eligible for benefits	5,805,753	5,159,488
Total postretirement benefit obligations	10,385,547	8,865,297
Plan's total benefit obligations	\$ 13,461,424	\$ 11,527,522

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN PLAN'S BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	2024	2023
AMOUNTS CURRENTLY PAYABLE TO OR FOR PARTICIPANTS, BENEFICIARIES AND DEPENDENTS		
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 251,825	\$ 152,470
Claims reported and approved for payment	2,153,131	1,726,075
Claims paid	(2,161,079)	(1,724,020)
Change in claims incurred but not reported	123,800	97,300
Balance at end of year	367,677	251,825
OTHER OBLIGATIONS FOR CURRENT BENEFIT COVERAGE, AT PRESENT VALUE OF ESTIMATED AMOUNTS		
Balance at beginning of year	2,410,400	1,955,500
Change in accumulated eligibility credits	297,800	454,900
Balance at end of year	2,708,200	2,410,400
Total obligations other than postretirement benefit obligations	3,075,877	2,662,225
POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS		
Balance at beginning of year	8,865,297	10,149,509
Increase (decrease) during the year attributable to:		
Changes in actuarial assumptions	793,284	(2,647,743)
Actual experience gain (loss)	(90,626)	641,658
Benefits paid	817,592	721,873
Balance at end of year	10,385,547	8,865,297
Plan's total benefit obligations at end of year	\$ 13,461,424	\$ 11,527,522

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PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 1 – DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan Agreement for a complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 45 Health and Welfare Trust Fund was formed in 1959 under an agreement between the Master Plumbers of St. Joseph, Missouri, and Vicinity, and The United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada, Local Union No. 45, AFL-CIO (the Union). The purpose of the Plan is to provide health care benefits for the participants covered by the collective bargaining agreements between the Union and employer association members. The agreements provide for employers of members of the labor union to make contributions to the Plan in such amounts as provided for in the applicable collective bargaining agreements that are in effect between the employer and the labor union. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended.

Benefits

The Plan provides health benefits for medical, hospital, surgical, prescription drug, dental, visions, and disability benefits to eligible employees and to their beneficiaries and covered dependents as specified in the Plan. The Plan also provides similar benefits to retired employees and their dependents, if they have continued their eligibility through self-contributions. Effective October 1, 2017 only retirees who were not eligible for Medicare are allowed to participate in the plan.

The Plan has entered into a stop loss insurance arrangement in an effort to limit its exposure for self-insured benefits (individual participant claims over a specific dollar amount). Premiums for stop loss insurance are included in the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. Stop loss refunds totaling \$1,326,049 and \$22,080 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, have been netted with claims paid in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

Contributions

The Plan agreement provides that employers of individuals performing work as specified in the collective bargaining agreements contribute an amount for each hour worked by the employee. An active employee is entitled to make self-contributions to continue coverage if hours paid in on his or her behalf fall below the minimum required. Retired or disabled individuals who were previously covered as active employees may make self-contributions at specified rates to continue coverage under the Plan.

Eligibility

Participants shall become eligible on the first day of the second calendar month following the first obtainment of 300 credited hours in a period of no more than three consecutive months. Retired employees are eligible provided that the retiree was covered under this Plan on the day immediately preceding the date of their retirement.

PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN, Continued

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the financial statement presentation, the Fund considers all highly liquid investments such as money markets, savings accounts, and certificates of deposit to be cash equivalents.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Use of Estimates

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

Estimated Health Claims Incurred But Not Reported

Plan liabilities for health claims incurred but not reported represent estimated health claims that are incurred in 2024 and 2023, but are not yet reported as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and are expected to be reported. The health claims liability for claims incurred but not reported is based on the plan's previous experience of claims reported after the year they were incurred and actual information available between year-end and the date the financial statements were issued.

Receivables

Participating employers' contributions receivable represents accrued contributions from employers for the current year that were received after the end of the year. Delinquent employer contributions are not recorded as revenue until the amounts are known and are considered collectible, or they are actually received.

Accumulated Eligibility Credits (Hour Bank) for Participants' Future Benefits

From time to time, the Trustees shall determine the maximum annual hourly requirement to support the benefit program. The requirement shall take into consideration the hourly rate of contribution, plan cost, and the Fund administrative expenses.

The hours an employee works for contributing employers that are in excess of 300 hours in a 3-month work period shall be credited to an hour bank which will be individually maintained for each employee. However, hours credited to the hour bank may not be used later than 12 months after the date they are credited to the hour bank.

If the employee works less than 300 hours but more than 100 hours during any work period, the hour bank hours may be used to make up the difference. If the work hours plus any hour bank hours are less than 100 hours during any work period, then the employee must satisfy the initial eligibility conditions of the Plan.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, *Continued*

If the employee is unable to meet the minimum eligibility requirements of 100 hours during a quarterly work period he may qualify for continued coverage if he meets the Plan requirements regarding Union membership, out-of-work list, no refusal of employment and agrees to self-contribute the difference of required contribution from employer of 300 hours and the hours he actually worked.

Date of Management's Review

Subsequent events were evaluated through July 17, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Risks and Uncertainties

The actuarial present value of benefit obligations is reported based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, health care inflation rates, and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near-term would be material to the financial statements.

Postretirement Benefits

The postretirement benefit obligation represents the actuarial present value of those estimated future benefits that are attributed to employee service rendered to the date of the financial statements, reduced by the actuarial present value of contributions expected to be received in the future from current Plan participants. Postretirement benefits include future benefits expected to be paid to or for (1) currently retired or terminated employees and their beneficiaries and dependents and (2) active employees and their beneficiaries and dependents after retirement from service with the participating employers. Prior to an active employee's full eligibility date, the postretirement benefit obligation is the portion of the expected postretirement benefit obligation that is attributed to that employee's service in the industry rendered to the valuation date.

The actuarial present value of the expected postretirement benefit obligation is determined by an actuary and is the amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to historical claims-cost data to estimate future annual incurred claims costs per participant and to adjust such estimates for the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as those for death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment.

For measurement purposes, claim costs were developed and age graded from claims experienced from 2024 and 2023. Per capita costs were developed using weighted claims history during this period.

PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

Postretirement Benefits, Continued

The following are actuarial assumptions for the upcoming years:

Health care cost trend rates	7.75% graded to 4.50% over 11 years for 2024 and 7.25% graded to 4.50% over 11 years for 2023
Discount rate	5.50% for 2024 and 4.75% for 2023
Retirement rates	5% for ages 52-57 15% for ages 58-59 20% for ages 60-61 25% for ages 62-63 50% for ages 64-66 100% for 67 and over
Mortality table	Pri-2012 Healthy Retiree Blue Collar Headcount-weighted Tables, projected generationally from 2012 with Scale MP-2021 for 2024 and 2023.

Actuarial assumption changes since the prior year valuation also include:

- Updating the valuation-year per capita claims cost and modifying the future trend rate on per-capita health costs

The health care cost trend rate assumption has a significant effect on the amounts reported to the accompanying financial statements. If the assumed rate increased by one percentage point in each year, that would increase the obligation as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 by \$1,389,797 and \$1,281,014, respectively.

The foregoing assumptions are based on the presumption that the Plan will continue. Were the Plan to terminate, different actuarial assumptions and other factors might be applicable in determining the actuarial present value of the retirement benefit obligation.

NOTE 3 – BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

The Plan's deficiency of net assets over benefit obligations at December 31, 2024 and 2023, relates primarily to the postretirement benefit obligation, the funding of which is not covered by the contribution rate provided by the current bargaining agreement, and by the obligation for accumulated eligibility credits. It is expected that the deficiency will be funded through future increases in the collectively bargained contribution rates and/or changes to benefits provided by the Plan.

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NOTE 4 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In 2024 and 2023, the Fund paid \$13,347 and \$4,500, respectively to the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union Local #45 (Union) to administer the Plan. This amount is an annual fee that has been determined should be paid by the benefit funds (based on a time study) for the Union’s staff’s time spent administrating the Plan. Previously, the Union had chosen not to charge the Plan for the full actual cost of the services they provide to the Plan. However, starting in September 2024, the Union charged the Plan for the full actual cost of services they provided.

NOTE 5 – TAX STATUS

The Trust established under the Plan to hold the Plan’s assets is qualified pursuant to Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code as a tax-exempt organization. The Plan has obtained a favorable tax determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the Plan sponsor believes that the Plan, as amended, continues to qualify and to operate in accordance with applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan’s financial statements.

The Plan has adopted guidance on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board. Management of the Plan believes that the Plan has taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements in order to comply with the provisions of this guidance. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE 6 – PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed an intention to do so, the Plan may be terminated by joint agreement between the participating employers and the union, subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. In the event of termination, the trustees shall use the funds available to pay any and all obligations of the Plan. Any surplus after paying all outstanding obligations shall be applied by the trustees in such manner as will in their opinion best effectuate the purpose of the Trust agreement.

NOTE 7 – ACCUMULATED ELIGIBILITY CREDITS LIABILITY

	2024	2023
Two year average cost of benefits provided per eligible participant per month	\$ 1,501.22	\$ 1,448.56
Number of months of coverage currently available to eligible participants based on their past service	1,804	1,664
Estimated accumulated eligibility credits	\$ 2,708,200	\$ 2,410,400

PLUMBERS & PIPEFITTERS LOCAL 45 HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8 – RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the accompanying 2024 and 2023 financial statements to the Schedule H of Form 5500:

	2024	2023
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 5,819,767	\$ 4,486,886
End of year benefit obligations for:		
Claims incurred but not reported	(358,400)	(234,600)
Claims payable	(9,277)	(17,225)
Total adjustment for amounts payable at end of year	(367,677)	(251,825)
Net assets available for benefits per Schedule H of Form 5500	\$ 5,452,090	\$ 4,235,061

The following is a reconciliation of benefits paid to participants per the accompanying 2024 financial statements to the Schedule H of Form 5500:

Benefits paid to or for participants per financial statements	\$ 2,832,121
Add: Benefit obligations payable at end of year	367,677
Less: Benefit obligations payable at beginning of year	(251,825)
Benefits paid to or for participants per Schedule H of Form 5500	\$ 2,947,973

NOTE 9 – CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

At December 31, 2024, the book balance of deposits in local banks was \$4,915,973 while the bank balance was \$5,050,306, of which \$4,770,301 was not insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Company ("FDIC"). There is no collateral on these deposits.