

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Form 5500</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p><b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</p> <p>▶ <b>Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</b></p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;">OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">2024</p> <hr/> <p style="font-weight: bold;">This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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**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:  a multiemployer plan  a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)

a single-employer plan  a DFE (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

special extension (enter description)

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

**Part II Basic Plan Information**—enter all requested information

<p><b>1a</b> Name of plan <u>WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN</u></p>	<p><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>002</u></p>
<p><b>2a</b> Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION</u> <u>WECU</u></p> <p><u>PO BOX 9750</u> <u>21 BELLWETHER WAY</u> <u>BELLINGHAM, WA 98227</u> <u>STE 111</u> <u>BELLINGHAM, WA 98225</u></p>	<p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>04/01/1997</u></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-0712539</u></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>360-676-1168</u></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>522130</u></p>

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

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

<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	07/24/2025	NOAH NELSON
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN	
	<b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number	
<b>4</b> 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: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <b>c</b> Plan Name	<b>4b</b> EIN	
	<b>4d</b> PN	
<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b>	610
<b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ). <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year ..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year ..... <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits ..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. .... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> ..... <b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	<b>6a(1)</b>	425
	<b>6a(2)</b>	418
	<b>6b</b>	0
	<b>6c</b>	194
	<b>6d</b>	612
	<b>6e</b>	1
	<b>6f</b>	613
	<b>6g(1)</b>	596
	<b>6g(2)</b>	599
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>	40

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
2F 2G 2J 2T 2E 3D

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

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

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

<b>a Pension Schedules</b>	<b>b General Schedules</b>
(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information)	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>H</b> (Financial Information)
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MB</b> (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>I</b> (Financial Information – Small Plan)
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>SB</b> (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>A</b> (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u>0</u>
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DCG</b> (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____	(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>C</b> (Service Provider Information)
(5) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MEP</b> (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	(5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>D</b> (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
	(6) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>G</b> (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

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<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>91-0712539</b>	

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

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

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	ADVISOR	82252	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?
37 60 64 65	RECORDKEEPER	63190	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

(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
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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(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.	
DODGE & COX STOCK I - SS&C GIDS, I 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10105	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.	
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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.

<b>(a)</b> Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	<b>(b)</b> Nature of Service Code(s)	<b>(c)</b> 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)

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

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<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
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<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
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Explanation:

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

<b>SCHEDULE D</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	<b>DFE/Participating Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>C</b> Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-0712539</u>	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b> (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>FA STABLE VALUE I</u>		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>FIDELITY MANAGEMENT TRUST COMPANY</u>		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>04-3022712-026</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>730169</u>
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)





<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information</b>  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).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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<b>Part I</b>	<b>Asset and Liability Statement</b>
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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
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	0	0
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	0	0
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	0	0
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>	0	0
<b>c</b> General investments:			
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	1494581	1616803
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>	0	0
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>	0	0
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>	0	0
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>	0	0
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	0	0
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>	0	0
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>	0	0
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>	0	0
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	604031	626678
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>	684076	730169
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>	0	0
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>	0	0
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>	0	0
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>	56379628	68705778
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b>	0	0
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b>	0	0

<b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	<b>1d(1)</b>	0	0
(2) Employer real property.....	<b>1d(2)</b>	0	0
<b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	<b>1e</b>	0	0
<b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	<b>1f</b>	59162316	71679428
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....	<b>1g</b>	0	0
<b>h</b> Operating payables.....	<b>1h</b>	0	0
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....	<b>1i</b>	0	0
<b>j</b> Other liabilities.....	<b>1j</b>	0	0
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	<b>1k</b>	0	0
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	<b>1l</b>	59162316	71679428

**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.

<b>Income</b>		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a Contributions:</b>			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers.....	<b>2a(1)(A)</b>	3205388	
<b>(B)</b> Participants.....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>	2509673	
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>	706488	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	<b>2a(2)</b>	0	6421549
(3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> .....	<b>2a(3)</b>		
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
<b>(1) Interest:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>	84227	132364
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>	0	
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>	0	
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>	0	
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>	48137	
<b>(F)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>	0	
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		132364
<b>(2) Dividends:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>	0	2206069
<b>(B)</b> Common stock.....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>	0	
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>	2206069	
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		2206069
<b>(3)</b> Rents.....	<b>2b(3)</b>		0
<b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>	0	0
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>	0	
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		
<b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Real estate.....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>	0	0
<b>(B)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>	0	
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

	(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	2b(6)	4277
(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)	7051786
<b>c</b> Other income .....	2c	0
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d	15816045

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:		
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	3138321
(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)	3138321
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	2f	0
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g	15170
<b>h</b> Interest expense.....	2h	0
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:		
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	2i(1)	0
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	2i(2)	0
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	2i(3)	63190
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	2i(4)	0
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	2i(5)	82252
(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)	145442
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j	3298933

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k	12517112
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:		
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)	0
(2) From this plan .....	2l(2)	0

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP

(2) EIN: 41-0746749

**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
<b>a</b> 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>b</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	
<b>c</b> 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	
<b>d</b> 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	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1000000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
<b>g</b> 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	
<b>h</b> 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	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
<b>j</b> 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	
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
<b>n</b> 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.		X	

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

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

<b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s)	<b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s)	<b>5b(3)</b> 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 \_\_\_\_\_.

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  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).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>002</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-0712539</u>	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Distributions</b>
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**All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.**

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

<b>1</b>	
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**2** Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):  
 EIN(s): 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..... 

<b>3</b>	
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<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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**4** Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....  Yes  No  N/A  
**If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.**

**5** If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. **Date:** Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_  
**If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.**

<b>6 a</b> Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....	<b>6a</b>	
<b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....	<b>6b</b>	
<b>c</b> 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).....	<b>6c</b>	

**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

<b>Part III</b>	<b>Amendments</b>
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**9** If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.....  Increase  Decrease  Both  No

<b>Part IV</b>	<b>ESOPs</b> (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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**10** Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? .....  Yes  No

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

**b** If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) .....  Yes  No

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

**Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

**13** Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (measured in dollars). See instructions. Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

**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:

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

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

<b>a</b> Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year .....	<b>16a</b>	
<b>b</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.....	<b>16b</b>	

**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.

**WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT  
UNION RETIREMENT PLAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
ERISA-REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**

**YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Investment Committee and Plan Administrators  
Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement Plan  
Bellingham, Washington

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement 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 statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

#### ***Opinion***

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

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

***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement 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 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 Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that 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.

***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) 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 auditors' 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.

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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement 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 Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

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

***Other Matter— Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA***

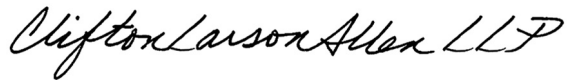
The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure 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.

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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, is 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).



**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Bellevue, Washington  
July 16, 2025

**WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN  
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**

	2024	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>INVESTMENTS (at Fair Value)</b>		
Mutual Funds	\$ 68,705,778	\$ 56,379,628
Money Market Fund	1,616,803	1,494,581
Stable Value Fund	730,169	684,076
Total Investments at Fair Value	71,052,750	58,558,285
<b>RECEIVABLES</b>		
Employer Contributions	3,413,140	3,205,388
Notes Receivable from Participants	642,173	604,031
Total Receivables	4,055,313	3,809,419
<b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>	\$ 75,108,063	\$ 62,367,704

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN  
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**

	2024	2023
<b>ADDITIONS:</b>		
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME</b>		
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 7,042,330	\$ 7,722,258
Interest and Dividends	2,304,029	1,468,215
Total Investment Income	9,346,359	9,190,473
<b>INTEREST INCOME ON NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTICIPANTS</b>	48,462	39,595
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS</b>		
Employer	3,413,140	3,225,606
Participants	2,509,673	2,230,780
Rollover	706,488	860,834
Total Contributions	6,629,301	6,317,220
Total Additions	16,024,122	15,547,288
<b>DEDUCTIONS:</b>		
<b>BENEFITS PAID TO PARTICIPANTS</b>	3,123,151	2,265,122
<b>DEEMED DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	15,170	18,480
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES</b>	145,442	119,183
Total Deductions	3,283,763	2,402,785
<b>NET INCREASE</b>	12,740,359	13,144,503
<b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:</b>		
Beginning of Year	62,367,704	49,223,201
End of Year	\$ 75,108,063	\$ 62,367,704

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN**

The Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement Plan (the Plan) was established on April 1, 1997. The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

**General**

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees of Whatcom Educational Credit Union (the Credit Union). The Plan has been amended throughout the years to comply with tax legislation and most recently restated effective January 1, 2018. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) as amended. The Investment Committee and Plan administrators are responsible for oversight of the Plan and determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitors investment performance.

**Eligibility**

All regular employees who have attained an age of 18 years to be eligible to participate in the Plan beginning the first day of the month following their hire date.

**Contributions**

The Plan includes a salary deferral arrangement allowed under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Eligible participants are permitted to elect to have a percentage, limited by Plan provisions, of their compensation contributed as pre-tax 401(k) or Roth contributions to 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 3% of eligible compensation, and their contributions invested in the designated default fund until changed by the participant. The Plan also contains an automatic increase provision, whereby the participant's deferral percentage is increased 1% annually until a deferral rate of 6% is reached.

Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. The Plan Sponsor made nonelective contributions of 8% of eligible compensation for employees hired before January 1, 2021 and 5% for eligible compensation for employees hired after January 1, 2021 and safe harbor employer contributions of 3% of eligible compensation for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Participants may also contribute rollover amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations.

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**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)**

**Participant Accounts**

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, employer nonelective contributions, and allocation of the Plan earnings or losses. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's account subject to Plan provisions.

**Vesting**

Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions and the Credit Union's safe harbor contributions, plus actual earnings (losses) thereon. Participants must complete 1,000 hours of service during a vesting computation period in order to receive credit for one year of service. Participants are 100% vested in all accounts upon reaching normal retirement age, death, or disability. Vesting in employer nonelective contributions is based on years of continuous service.

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

**Notes Receivable from Participants**

Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 and up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Loan transactions are treated as a transfer between the investment fund and the participant loan fund. Loan terms may range from one to five years or longer if used to purchase the primary residence of the participant. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates that range from 5.25% to 10.50% which are commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest is paid ratably through periodic payroll deductions.

**Payment of Benefits**

Upon termination of employment or retirement from the Plan Sponsor, a participant will receive an amount equal to the vested value of his or her account. The participant may elect to receive a distribution in the form of an annuity, a single sum cash payment, or a combination of the above. The Plan allows for in-service distributions if a participant reaches age 59½ and hardship distributions subject to Plan provisions. If a participant terminates employment and the participant's account balance does not exceed \$1,000, the Plan administrator will authorize the benefit payment without the participant's consent.

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**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)**

**Forfeitures Accounts**

Forfeitures are created when participants terminate employment before becoming entitled to their full benefits under the Plan. Forfeitures will be used to reduce the Credit Union's contributions to the Plan and then are used to reduce the Credit Union's administrative expenses to the Plan.

At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeitures of \$190,783 and \$171,873, respectively, were available to offset future Employer contributions. For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeitures of \$166,685 and \$166,629, respectively, were utilized to offset Credit Union contributions.

**NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting.

**Use of Estimates in Preparing Financial Statements**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make a number of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of net assets available for benefits and changes therein. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Investment Valuation and Income Recognition**

The 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 a discussion on fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

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**NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Notes Receivable from Participants**

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2024 or 2023. If a participant ceases to make note repayments and the Plan administrator deems the participant note to be in default, the participant note balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

**Payment of Benefits**

Benefits are recorded when paid.

**Administrative Expenses**

Certain of the Plan's administrative expenses are paid by the Credit Union and excluded from these financial statements. Certain recordkeeping expenses are paid by the Plan. Additionally, fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and included in administrative expenses.

**Subsequent Events**

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through July 16, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**NOTE 3 CERTIFICATION OF INVESTMENT INFORMATION**

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Fidelity Management and Trust Company (Fidelity), the trustee of the Plan has certified to the completeness and accuracy of:

- Investments and notes receivable from participants reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments, dividends, interest, and interest income from notes receivable from participants reflected on the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- Investments reflected on the schedule of assets (held at end of year).

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**NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

*Level 1* – 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 other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

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

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

*Level 3* – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

*Mutual Funds and Money Market Fund:* Valued at the net asset value (NAV) of shares held by the Plan at year-end. These funds are required to publish their daily NAV and to transact at that price. The mutual and money market funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

*Stable Value Fund:* Valued at the NAV of units of a trust company collective trust and is valued daily. NAV is a readily determinable fair value and is the basis for current transactions. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily.

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**NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)**

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

	2024			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Funds	\$ 68,705,778	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68,705,778
Money Market Fund	1,616,803	-	-	1,616,803
Stable Value Fund	-	730,169	-	730,169
Total Investments at Fair Value	\$ 70,322,581	\$ 730,169	\$ -	\$ 71,052,750

	2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Funds	\$ 56,379,628	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56,379,628
Money Market Fund	1,494,581	-	-	1,494,581
Stable Value Fund	-	684,076	-	684,076
Total Investments at Fair Value	\$ 57,874,209	\$ 684,076	\$ -	\$ 58,558,285

**NOTE 5 TAX STATUS**

The Plan is placing reliance on an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020, received from the IRS on the prototype plan indicating that the Plan is qualified under section 401 of the IRC and is exempt from federal income tax. The prototype plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter. However, the Plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believes the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the organization has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. 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 any intent to do so, the Credit Union has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their accounts. Any unallocated assets of the Plan shall be allocated to participant accounts and distributed in such a manner as the Credit Union may determine.

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**NOTE 7 PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

Certain Plan investments are managed by Fidelity. Fidelity is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. Fees incurred by the Plan for investment management services are included in net appreciation in fair value of the investments. These party-in-interest transactions are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA.

**NOTE 8 RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500**

The Plan submits an Annual Report/Return of Employee Benefit Plan (Form 5500) to the IRS. The Plan uses the accrual basis of accounting in preparation of the accompanying financial statements. However, Form 5500 is prepared under the cash basis of accounting.

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Financial Statements	\$ 75,108,063	\$ 62,367,704
Less: Contribution Receivable	(3,413,140)	(3,205,388)
Deemed Distributions	(15,495)	-
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	\$ 71,679,428	\$ 59,162,316

The following is a reconciliation of the net increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the years ended December 31:

	2024	2023
Net Increase in Net Assets Available for Benefits per Financial Statements	\$ 12,740,359	\$ 13,144,503
Less: Current Year Contributions Receivable	(3,413,140)	(3,205,388)
Add: Prior Year Contributions Receivable	3,205,388	2,754,079
Deemed Distributions	(15,495)	-
Net Increase in Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	\$ 12,517,112	\$ 12,693,194

**NOTE 9 RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The Plan may invest in various types of investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks; such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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**E.I.N. 91-0712539 PLAN NO. 002**  
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2024**

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost**	(e) Current Value
	Prudential Global Real Estate Fund Class Z	Mutual Fund		\$ 406,762
	GS Emerging Markets Equity Fund	Mutual Fund		1,307,708
	GS Small Cap Value Ins R6	Mutual Fund		1,494,376
	JPMorgan Large Cap Growth R6	Mutual Fund		5,012,174
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2060 R6	Mutual Fund		2,626,044
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2025 R6	Mutual Fund		432,529
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2035 R6	Mutual Fund		3,527,503
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2045 R6	Mutual Fund		5,082,984
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend Income R6	Mutual Fund		472,978
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2020 R6	Mutual Fund		724,206
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2030 R6	Mutual Fund		2,634,778
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2040 R6	Mutual Fund		5,996,617
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2050 R6	Mutual Fund		5,394,720
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2055 R6	Mutual Fund		3,470,179
	Dodge & Cox Stock	Mutual Fund		2,296,359
	Prudential Total Return BD R6	Mutual Fund		1,771,698
	AS SPL MID CP VAL R6	Mutual Fund		1,591,295
*	Fidelity 500 Index	Mutual Fund		7,672,249
*	Fidelity US Bond Index	Mutual Fund		393,605
	Nuveen Real Estate Securities Fund Class I	Mutual Fund		874,694
	AB Small Cap Growth Advisor Class	Mutual Fund		1,439,617
	Janus Henderson Enterprise Fund Class N	Mutual Fund		3,072,995
	FA SEMICONDUCTORS I	Mutual Fund		2,398,566
	MFS Global Alternative Strategy Fund R6	Mutual Fund		465,251
	The Hartford International Opportunities Fund Class Y	Mutual Fund		2,018,914
*	Fidelity Advisor Strategic Income Z	Mutual Fund		1,476,680
*	Fidelity Intl Pr Bond Index	Mutual Fund		318,934
*	Fidelity Mid Cap Index	Mutual Fund		2,667,021
*	Fidelity Small Cap Index	Mutual Fund		518,610
*	Fidelity International Growth Z	Mutual Fund		1,145,732
*	Fidelity MM Trust Retirement Gov Money Market II Portfolio	Money Market Fund		1,616,803
*	Fidelity Advisor Value Strategies M	Stable Value Fund		730,169
	Subtotal			<u>71,052,750</u>
*	Notes Receivable from Participants	Participant Loans, Ranging 1 to 10 Years Maturity with Interest Rates of 5.25% to 10.50%	-	642,173
		Total		<u>\$ 71,694,923</u>

\* Represents a Party-in-Interest to the Plan.

\*\* Cost omitted for participant-directed accounts.



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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
ERISA-REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**

**YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Investment Committee and Plan Administrators  
Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement Plan  
Bellingham, Washington

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement 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 statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

#### ***Opinion***

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

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

***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement 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 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 Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that 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.

***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) 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 auditors' 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.

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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement 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 Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

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

***Other Matter— Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA***

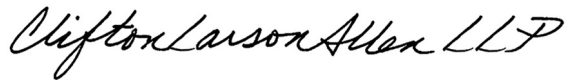
The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure 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.

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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, is 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).



**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Bellevue, Washington  
July 16, 2025

**WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN  
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**

	2024	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>INVESTMENTS (at Fair Value)</b>		
Mutual Funds	\$ 68,705,778	\$ 56,379,628
Money Market Fund	1,616,803	1,494,581
Stable Value Fund	730,169	684,076
Total Investments at Fair Value	71,052,750	58,558,285
<b>RECEIVABLES</b>		
Employer Contributions	3,413,140	3,205,388
Notes Receivable from Participants	642,173	604,031
Total Receivables	4,055,313	3,809,419
<b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>	\$ 75,108,063	\$ 62,367,704

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN  
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**

	2024	2023
<b>ADDITIONS:</b>		
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME</b>		
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 7,042,330	\$ 7,722,258
Interest and Dividends	2,304,029	1,468,215
Total Investment Income	9,346,359	9,190,473
<b>INTEREST INCOME ON NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTICIPANTS</b>	48,462	39,595
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS</b>		
Employer	3,413,140	3,225,606
Participants	2,509,673	2,230,780
Rollover	706,488	860,834
Total Contributions	6,629,301	6,317,220
Total Additions	16,024,122	15,547,288
<b>DEDUCTIONS:</b>		
<b>BENEFITS PAID TO PARTICIPANTS</b>	3,123,151	2,265,122
<b>DEEMED DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	15,170	18,480
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES</b>	145,442	119,183
Total Deductions	3,283,763	2,402,785
<b>NET INCREASE</b>	12,740,359	13,144,503
<b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:</b>		
Beginning of Year	62,367,704	49,223,201
End of Year	\$ 75,108,063	\$ 62,367,704

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN**  
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**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN**

The Whatcom Educational Credit Union Retirement Plan (the Plan) was established on April 1, 1997. The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

**General**

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees of Whatcom Educational Credit Union (the Credit Union). The Plan has been amended throughout the years to comply with tax legislation and most recently restated effective January 1, 2018. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) as amended. The Investment Committee and Plan administrators are responsible for oversight of the Plan and determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitors investment performance.

**Eligibility**

All regular employees who have attained an age of 18 years to be eligible to participate in the Plan beginning the first day of the month following their hire date.

**Contributions**

The Plan includes a salary deferral arrangement allowed under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Eligible participants are permitted to elect to have a percentage, limited by Plan provisions, of their compensation contributed as pre-tax 401(k) or Roth contributions to 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 3% of eligible compensation, and their contributions invested in the designated default fund until changed by the participant. The Plan also contains an automatic increase provision, whereby the participant's deferral percentage is increased 1% annually until a deferral rate of 6% is reached.

Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. The Plan Sponsor made nonelective contributions of 8% of eligible compensation for employees hired before January 1, 2021 and 5% for eligible compensation for employees hired after January 1, 2021 and safe harbor employer contributions of 3% of eligible compensation for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Participants may also contribute rollover amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations.

**WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN  
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**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)**

**Participant Accounts**

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, employer nonelective contributions, and allocation of the Plan earnings or losses. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's account subject to Plan provisions.

**Vesting**

Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions and the Credit Union's safe harbor contributions, plus actual earnings (losses) thereon. Participants must complete 1,000 hours of service during a vesting computation period in order to receive credit for one year of service. Participants are 100% vested in all accounts upon reaching normal retirement age, death, or disability. Vesting in employer nonelective contributions is based on years of continuous service.

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

**Notes Receivable from Participants**

Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 and up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Loan transactions are treated as a transfer between the investment fund and the participant loan fund. Loan terms may range from one to five years or longer if used to purchase the primary residence of the participant. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates that range from 5.25% to 10.50% which are commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest is paid ratably through periodic payroll deductions.

**Payment of Benefits**

Upon termination of employment or retirement from the Plan Sponsor, a participant will receive an amount equal to the vested value of his or her account. The participant may elect to receive a distribution in the form of an annuity, a single sum cash payment, or a combination of the above. The Plan allows for in-service distributions if a participant reaches age 59½ and hardship distributions subject to Plan provisions. If a participant terminates employment and the participant's account balance does not exceed \$1,000, the Plan administrator will authorize the benefit payment without the participant's consent.

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**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)**

**Forfeitures Accounts**

Forfeitures are created when participants terminate employment before becoming entitled to their full benefits under the Plan. Forfeitures will be used to reduce the Credit Union's contributions to the Plan and then are used to reduce the Credit Union's administrative expenses to the Plan.

At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeitures of \$190,783 and \$171,873, respectively, were available to offset future Employer contributions. For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeitures of \$166,685 and \$166,629, respectively, were utilized to offset Credit Union contributions.

**NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting.

**Use of Estimates in Preparing Financial Statements**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make a number of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of net assets available for benefits and changes therein. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Investment Valuation and Income Recognition**

The 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 a discussion on fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

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**NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Notes Receivable from Participants**

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2024 or 2023. If a participant ceases to make note repayments and the Plan administrator deems the participant note to be in default, the participant note balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

**Payment of Benefits**

Benefits are recorded when paid.

**Administrative Expenses**

Certain of the Plan's administrative expenses are paid by the Credit Union and excluded from these financial statements. Certain recordkeeping expenses are paid by the Plan. Additionally, fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and included in administrative expenses.

**Subsequent Events**

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through July 16, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**NOTE 3 CERTIFICATION OF INVESTMENT INFORMATION**

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Fidelity Management and Trust Company (Fidelity), the trustee of the Plan has certified to the completeness and accuracy of:

- Investments and notes receivable from participants reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments, dividends, interest, and interest income from notes receivable from participants reflected on the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- Investments reflected on the schedule of assets (held at end of year).

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**NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

*Level 1* – 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 other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

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

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

*Level 3* – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

*Mutual Funds and Money Market Fund:* Valued at the net asset value (NAV) of shares held by the Plan at year-end. These funds are required to publish their daily NAV and to transact at that price. The mutual and money market funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

*Stable Value Fund:* Valued at the NAV of units of a trust company collective trust and is valued daily. NAV is a readily determinable fair value and is the basis for current transactions. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily.

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**NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)**

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

	2024			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Funds	\$ 68,705,778	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68,705,778
Money Market Fund	1,616,803	-	-	1,616,803
Stable Value Fund	-	730,169	-	730,169
Total Investments at Fair Value	\$ 70,322,581	\$ 730,169	\$ -	\$ 71,052,750

	2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Funds	\$ 56,379,628	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56,379,628
Money Market Fund	1,494,581	-	-	1,494,581
Stable Value Fund	-	684,076	-	684,076
Total Investments at Fair Value	\$ 57,874,209	\$ 684,076	\$ -	\$ 58,558,285

**NOTE 5 TAX STATUS**

The Plan is placing reliance on an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020, received from the IRS on the prototype plan indicating that the Plan is qualified under section 401 of the IRC and is exempt from federal income tax. The prototype plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter. However, the Plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believes the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the organization has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. 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 any intent to do so, the Credit Union has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their accounts. Any unallocated assets of the Plan shall be allocated to participant accounts and distributed in such a manner as the Credit Union may determine.

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**NOTE 7 PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

Certain Plan investments are managed by Fidelity. Fidelity is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. Fees incurred by the Plan for investment management services are included in net appreciation in fair value of the investments. These party-in-interest transactions are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA.

**NOTE 8 RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500**

The Plan submits an Annual Report/Return of Employee Benefit Plan (Form 5500) to the IRS. The Plan uses the accrual basis of accounting in preparation of the accompanying financial statements. However, Form 5500 is prepared under the cash basis of accounting.

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Financial Statements	\$ 75,108,063	\$ 62,367,704
Less: Contribution Receivable	(3,413,140)	(3,205,388)
Deemed Distributions	(15,495)	-
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	\$ 71,679,428	\$ 59,162,316

The following is a reconciliation of the net increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the years ended December 31:

	2024	2023
Net Increase in Net Assets Available for Benefits per Financial Statements	\$ 12,740,359	\$ 13,144,503
Less: Current Year Contributions Receivable	(3,413,140)	(3,205,388)
Add: Prior Year Contributions Receivable	3,205,388	2,754,079
Deemed Distributions	(15,495)	-
Net Increase in Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	\$ 12,517,112	\$ 12,693,194

**NOTE 9 RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The Plan may invest in various types of investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks; such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

**WHATCOM EDUCATIONAL CREDIT UNION RETIREMENT PLAN**  
**E.I.N. 91-0712539 PLAN NO. 002**  
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2024**

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost**	(e) Current Value
	Prudential Global Real Estate Fund Class Z	Mutual Fund		\$ 406,762
	GS Emerging Markets Equity Fund	Mutual Fund		1,307,708
	GS Small Cap Value Ins R6	Mutual Fund		1,494,376
	JPMorgan Large Cap Growth R6	Mutual Fund		5,012,174
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2060 R6	Mutual Fund		2,626,044
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2025 R6	Mutual Fund		432,529
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2035 R6	Mutual Fund		3,527,503
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2045 R6	Mutual Fund		5,082,984
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend Income R6	Mutual Fund		472,978
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2020 R6	Mutual Fund		724,206
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2030 R6	Mutual Fund		2,634,778
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2040 R6	Mutual Fund		5,996,617
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2050 R6	Mutual Fund		5,394,720
	JPMorgan SmartRetirement Blend 2055 R6	Mutual Fund		3,470,179
	Dodge & Cox Stock	Mutual Fund		2,296,359
	Prudential Total Return BD R6	Mutual Fund		1,771,698
	AS SPL MID CP VAL R6	Mutual Fund		1,591,295
*	Fidelity 500 Index	Mutual Fund		7,672,249
*	Fidelity US Bond Index	Mutual Fund		393,605
	Nuveen Real Estate Securities Fund Class I	Mutual Fund		874,694
	AB Small Cap Growth Advisor Class	Mutual Fund		1,439,617
	Janus Henderson Enterprise Fund Class N	Mutual Fund		3,072,995
	FA SEMICONDUCTORS I	Mutual Fund		2,398,566
	MFS Global Alternative Strategy Fund R6	Mutual Fund		465,251
	The Hartford International Opportunities Fund Class Y	Mutual Fund		2,018,914
*	Fidelity Advisor Strategic Income Z	Mutual Fund		1,476,680
*	Fidelity Infl Pr Bond Index	Mutual Fund		318,934
*	Fidelity Mid Cap Index	Mutual Fund		2,667,021
*	Fidelity Small Cap Index	Mutual Fund		518,610
*	Fidelity International Growth Z	Mutual Fund		1,145,732
*	Fidelity MM Trust Retirement Gov Money Market II Portfolio	Money Market Fund		1,616,803
*	Fidelity Advisor Value Strategies M	Stable Value Fund		730,169
	Subtotal			71,052,750
*	Notes Receivable from Participants	Participant Loans, Ranging 1 to 10 Years Maturity with Interest Rates of 5.25% to 10.50%	-	642,173
		Total		\$ 71,694,923

\* Represents a Party-in-Interest to the Plan.

\*\* Cost omitted for participant-directed accounts.



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