

<p><b>Form 5500</b></p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p><b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b></p> <p>This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</p> <p>▶ <b>Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</b></p>	<p>OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold;">2024</p> <hr/> <p><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b></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>VISION FIRST EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 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>PINNACLE EYE CARE, INC. D/B/A VISION FIRST</u></p> <p><u>4000 POPLAR LEVEL ROAD</u> <u>LOUISVILLE, KY 40213</u></p>	<p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2016</u></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>75-2993005</u></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>502-456-2980</u></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>621320</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.	09/25/2025	DEREK RADCLIFFE
	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>	173
<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>	157
	<b>6a(2)</b>	150
	<b>6b</b>	0
	<b>6c</b>	17
	<b>6d</b>	167
	<b>6e</b>	0
	<b>6f</b>	167
	<b>6g(1)</b>	158
	<b>6g(2)</b>	166
<b>h</b>	<b>6h</b>	8
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>	

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
2E 2P 2Q 3I

**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 _____
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DCG</b> (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>C</b> (Service Provider Information)
(5) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MEP</b> (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	(5) <input 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 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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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning <b>01/01/2024</b> and ending <b>12/31/2024</b>	
<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>VISION FIRST EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) <b>▶</b> <b>002</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>PINNACLE EYE CARE, INC. D/B/A VISION FIRST</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>75-2993005</b>

<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>Assets</b>		
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>	
<b>c</b> General investments:		
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	849 0
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>	
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>	
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>	
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>	
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>	
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>	
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>	
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>	
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>	
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>	
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	<b>1c(14)</b>	
<b>(15)</b> Other.....	<b>1c(15)</b>	

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)	14220360	15758820
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	14221209	15758820
<b>Liabilities</b>			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i	9781146	9487171
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	9781146	9487171
<b>Net Assets</b>			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	4440063	6271649

**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: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	765059	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)		
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A), (B), (C), and line 2a(2).....	2a(3)		765059
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F).....	2b(1)(G)		
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A), (B), and (C).....	2b(2)(D)		
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)	1538460	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B).....	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	<b>2b(6)</b>		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	<b>2b(7)</b>		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	<b>2b(8)</b>		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>2b(9)</b>		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		2303519

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	82898	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	<b>2e(2)</b>		
(3) Other .....	<b>2e(3)</b>		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		82898
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		366793
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	<b>2i(1)</b>		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	<b>2i(2)</b>		
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>		
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	<b>2i(4)</b>		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>		
(7) Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>		
(8) Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>		
(11) Other expenses .....	<b>2i(11)</b>		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		449691

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		1853828
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		22242

**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: **MATHER & CO. CPAS, LLC**

(2) EIN: **61-1210177**

**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.			

**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)
PINNACLE EYE CARE 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN	75-2993005	001

**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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<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>PINNACLE EYE CARE, INC. D/B/A VISION FIRST</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>75-2993005</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..... 

1		0
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**2** Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):  
EIN(s): 82-2263513

**Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.**

**3** Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year..... 

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<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 \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number \_\_\_\_\_.

**VISION FIRST  
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 and 2023  
with  
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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Schedules of loans or fixed income obligations in default or classified as uncollectible, leases in default or classified as uncollectible, assets (acquired and disposed of within year), nonexempt (prohibited) transactions, delinquent participant contributions, and reportable transactions have not been presented because there are no transactions applicable to reporting within these schedules.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trustee, Plan Administrator, and Participants  
Vision First Employee Stock Ownership Plan

### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Vision First Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the Plan's net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Management's Responsibilities for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

## Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule, Schedule H, Line 4i – 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 (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the 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.

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

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

*Mathew + Co. CPAs, LLC*

Louisville, Kentucky  
September 16, 2025

**VISION FIRST EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

**STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**  
**December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	<u>2024</u>			<u>2023</u>		
	<b>ASSETS</b>					
	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 849	\$ -	\$ 849
Investment in sponsor company common stock, at fair value	<u>4,727,646</u>	<u>11,031,174</u>	<u>15,758,820</u>	<u>3,792,096</u>	<u>10,428,264</u>	<u>14,220,360</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>4,727,646</b>	<b>11,031,174</b>	<b>15,758,820</b>	<b>3,792,945</b>	<b>10,428,264</b>	<b>14,221,209</b>
	<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Note payable	<u>-</u>	<u>9,487,171</u>	<u>9,487,171</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,781,146</u>	<u>9,781,146</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,487,171</b>	<b>9,487,171</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,781,146</b>	<b>9,781,146</b>
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,727,646</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,544,003</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 6,271,649</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,792,945</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 647,118</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,440,063</u></b>

See accompanying notes.

## VISION FIRST EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS Year ended December 31, 2024

	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Additions</b>			
Unrealized appreciation in fair value of investment in sponsor company common stock	\$ 410,256	\$ 1,128,204	\$ 1,538,460
Employer contributions	104,291	660,768	765,059
Allocation of 69,300 shares of sponsor company common stock, at fair value	<u>525,294</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>525,294</u>
Total additions	1,039,841	1,788,972	2,828,813
<b>Deductions</b>			
Benefit and withdrawal payments	82,898	-	82,898
Interest expense	-	366,793	366,793
Allocation of 69,300 shares of sponsor company common stock, at fair value	<u>-</u>	<u>525,294</u>	<u>525,294</u>
Total deductions	<u>82,898</u>	<u>892,087</u>	<u>974,985</u>
<b>Net increase</b>	<b>956,943</b>	<b>896,885</b>	<b>1,853,828</b>
Transfers to Pinnacle Eye Care 401(k) Savings Plan	(22,242)	-	(22,242)
Net assets available for benefits at beginning of year	<u>3,792,945</u>	<u>647,118</u>	<u>4,440,063</u>
<b>Net assets available for benefits at end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,727,646</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,544,003</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 6,271,649</u></b>

See accompanying notes.

## VISION FIRST EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Year ended December 31, 2023

	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>	<u>Total</u>
Additions			
Unrealized appreciation in fair value of investment in sponsor company common stock	\$ 266,805	\$ 876,645	\$ 1,143,450
Employer contributions	340,019	660,768	1,000,787
Allocation of 69,300 shares of sponsor company common stock, at fair value	<u>474,012</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>474,012</u>
Total additions	1,080,836	1,537,413	2,618,249
Deductions			
Benefit and withdrawal payments	307,025	-	307,025
Interest expense	-	377,418	377,418
Allocation of 69,300 shares of sponsor company common stock, at fair value	<u>-</u>	<u>474,012</u>	<u>474,012</u>
Total deductions	<u>307,025</u>	<u>851,430</u>	<u>1,158,455</u>
<b>Net increase</b>	773,811	685,983	1,459,794
Transfers to Pinnacle Eye Care 401(k) Savings Plan	(32,994)	-	(32,994)
Net assets available for benefits at beginning of year	<u>3,052,128</u>	<u>(38,865)</u>	<u>3,013,263</u>
<b>Net assets available for benefits at end of year</b>	<u>\$ 3,792,945</u>	<u>\$ 647,118</u>	<u>\$ 4,440,063</u>

See accompanying notes.

## VISION FIRST EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

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#### 1. Plan description

The following brief description of the Vision First Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan and Trust Agreement for a more comprehensive description of the Plan's provisions. Copies of the Plan and Trust Agreement are available from Pinnacle Eye Care, Inc. d/b/a Vision First (Vision First).

**General** – The Plan operates as a leveraged employee stock ownership plan designed to comply with Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 4975(e)(7). The Plan is subject to the applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA) and covers substantially all employees of Vision First and Louisville Optometric Centers III, PSC (collectively, the Company) who are 21 years of age or older and have completed one year of service provided they have completed a minimum of 1,000 hours of service. The Plan is administered by Company officers and an independent third-party trustee appointed by the Company's Board of Directors. The Company and WesBanco Bank, Inc. (WesBanco) are the custodians of the Plan's assets.

The Plan purchased 2,079,000 shares of the Company's common stock using proceeds borrowed from the Company (see Note 5) and holds the common stock in a trust established under the Plan. The borrowing is to be repaid by Company contributions and any dividends paid to the trust fund. As the Plan makes debt payments, an appropriate percentage of common stock is allocated to participants' accounts in accordance with applicable regulations under the IRC.

The borrowing is collateralized by the Plan's unallocated shares of Vision First's common stock. The Company has no rights against the shares once they are allocated to the Plan's participants. Accordingly, the Plan's accompanying financial statements present separately the assets and liabilities, and changes therein, pertaining to the accounts of participants with vested rights in allocated common stock (allocated) and common stock not yet allocated to participants (unallocated).

**Contributions** – The Company's contributions are determined each year by the Company's Board of Directors and must be sufficient to enable the Plan to make its regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest due on its borrowing.

**Participant accounts** – The Plan is a defined contribution plan under which separate accounts are maintained for each participant. The participants' accounts are credited as of the last day of each plan year with an allocation of cash, plan investment results, and forfeitures of terminated participants' nonvested accounts. Only those participants who earn

1,000 hours of service during the plan year and are employed by the Company on the last day of the plan year receive allocations.

The Company's contributions and forfeitures are allocated to participants' accounts pro rata based on total compensation, as defined in the Plan and Trust Agreement. Plan earnings are allocated each valuation date in the ratio that the value of each participant account as of the preceding valuation date bears to all such accounts. Participant loans are not permitted.

**Vesting** – Participant vesting occurs at a 20% rate each year after completion of the second year of service. A participant fully vests upon completion of six years of service. In addition, a participant fully vests in the event of death, disability, or attainment of normal retirement age, as defined in the Plan and Trust Agreement.

**Payments of benefits** – In the event of death, disability, retirement, or termination, a participant's vested benefit will be distributed in accordance with specific provisions of the Plan and Trust Agreement.

**Put option** – Under the IRC, the Company's common stock held by the Plan that is not readily tradable on an established market, or is subject to trading limitations, includes a put option. The put option is a right to demand the Company to buy any shares of Vision First's stock distributed to participants for which there is no market. The put price is representative of the fair value of the stock at the time it is sold to the Company. The purpose of the put option is to ensure plan participants have the ability to ultimately obtain cash.

**Diversification** – Diversification is offered to eligible participants close to retirement (as defined in the Plan and Trust Agreement) providing the opportunity for those participants to move a portion of their investment in Vision First's common stock into investments which are more diversified. Participants who are at least age 55 with at least ten years of participation in the Plan may elect to diversify a portion of their account. Diversification is offered to each eligible participant over a six-year period. In each of the first five years, a participant may diversify up to 25% of the shares allocated to his or her accounts, less any shares previously diversified. In the sixth year, the percentage changes to 50%. Participants who elect to diversify may receive a cash distribution or may direct the Plan to transfer the portion of their account that is covered by the diversification election to another of the Company's qualified plans which accepts such transfers.

**Forfeitures** – As of each valuation date, nonvested portions of terminated participants' accounts are added to the Company's contributions upon the occurrence of five consecutive one-year breaks in service from the participant's termination date, or during the year in which a distribution is paid to the former participant. Forfeitures totaling approximately \$31,000 and \$51,000 were reallocated to participants' accounts for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

**Voting rights** – Each participant is entitled to exercise voting rights attributable to the shares allocated to his or her account and is notified by the Plan's trustee prior to the time

such rights are to be exercised. The Plan's trustee is not permitted to vote any allocated share for which instructions have not been given by a participant. However, the Plan's trustee is required to vote any unallocated shares held by the Plan on behalf of the collective best interest of the plan participants and beneficiaries.

**Administration** – Certain administrative functions are performed by Company officers and employees. No such officers or employees receive compensation from the Plan. Certain accounting, legal, and other expenses to maintain the Plan's records may be paid by the Plan or the Company at management's discretion. Administration expenses paid by the Company are not reported as expenses on the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

## 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

**Basis of accounting** – The Plan's financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

**Estimates** – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

**Contributions and credit losses** – Company contributions are recorded based on amounts actually received or committed to be paid for the year. The Plan's management has determined that the Plan is not exposed to credit loss risk as the Plan's contributions represent only Company contributions. Accordingly, there is no provision for credit losses, no write-offs, or recoveries collected during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

**Investment valuation and income recognition** – As more fully described in Note 4, Vision First's common shares are valued at fair value as of the last day of the related plan year, as determined by annual independent valuation.

Realized gains and losses on the Plan's investments are recognized upon the sale of the related investments, and unrealized appreciation or depreciation is recognized at period end when the carrying values of the related investments are adjusted to their estimated fair values. Net realized and unrealized appreciation or depreciation in fair value of the Plan's investments includes gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year. 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.

**Benefit and withdrawal payments** – Benefit and withdrawal payments are recorded when paid.

**Fair value measurements** – The Plan applies the *Fair Value Measurement* topic of the Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) which requires determination of fair value based on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants as of the measurement date. The *Fair Value Measurement* topic emphasizes that fair value is a market-based measurement, not an entity-specific measurement, and it applies in conjunction with other ASC topics that require or permit fair value measurements and disclosures. Impacted assets and liabilities are measured and disclosed in one of three categories based on the significance and source of the inputs to their valuation. The hierarchy consists of three broad levels: Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3. Level 1 inputs have the highest priority and consist of observable unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access. Level 2 inputs include: a) quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; b) quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; c) inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and d) inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. Level 3 inputs have the lowest priority, are unobservable, and include judgments about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

An asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to its fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The Plan's management uses specific valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair values of the Plan's impacted assets and liabilities. When available, the Plan's management measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value.

These methods may produce fair value calculations that may not be indicative of net realizable values, or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan's management believes the valuation methods utilized are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine fair values of certain assets and liabilities could result in different fair value measurements as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

**Subsequent events** – The Plan's management has evaluated subsequent events through September 16, 2025, the date the financial statements were available for issue.

### **3. Investment in sponsor company common stock**

The Plan's investment in Vision First's common stock is non-participant directed. The following table sets forth information regarding the Plan's investment in Vision First's common stock as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>	
	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>
Number of shares	<b>623,700</b>	<b>1,455,300</b>	554,400	1,524,600
Cost	<b>\$ 3,534,300</b>	<b>\$ 8,246,700</b>	\$ 3,141,600	\$ 8,639,400
Fair value	<b>\$ 4,727,646</b>	<b>\$ 11,031,174</b>	\$ 3,792,096	\$ 10,428,264

#### 4. Fair value measurements

Vision First's common shares are valued at fair value through an annual independent valuation utilizing Level 3 inputs. The valuations as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 are based on a combination of a guideline public comparables (GPC) methodology, which is a market-approach to valuation which estimates the stock value by comparing the Company's performance and projected performance to publicly traded companies that share similarities with the Company, and a discounted cash flows (DCF) methodology, which is an income-approach to valuation which estimates the stock value by projecting future cash flows impacting the Vision First's common shares and discounting those projections using a rate commensurate with the related risks. The valuers utilized various inputs including: the sponsor's future cash flows, weighted average cost of capital, discount rate, and lack of marketability discount, public company comparables and multiples of income. The valuers considered various market, income, and asset-based approaches. Various business and industry factors were also considered by the valuers including: the nature of the plan Company's business, its capital structure, its historical performance, and its expected outlook.

The Plan's investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 are set forth in the following table:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>2024</u>			
<b>Sponsor company common stock</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 15,758,820</b>	<b>\$ 15,758,820</b>
<b>Total investments, at fair value</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 15,758,820</b>	<b>\$ 15,758,820</b>
	<u>2023</u>			
Sponsor company common stock	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,220,360	\$ 14,220,360
Total investments, at fair value	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,220,360	\$ 14,220,360

## 5. Note payable

The Plan has a term loan agreement with Vision First. The loan proceeds were used to purchase shares of Vision First's common stock on January 1, 2016. The note bears interest at 3.75%, matures on December 31, 2045, and requires annual principal and interest payments totaling approximately \$660,768. The Plan's unallocated shares serve as collateral for the loan.

Shares are released from collateral and allocated to participants as payments of principal and interest are made. The number of shares released in any year is the number of shares held as collateral, times the ratio of the current year payments divided by the total of that year's payments, plus all future years' principal and interest payments. As a result, 69,300 shares have been released and allocated to participants for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Aggregate maturities of the note payable as of December 31, 2024 are as follows:

2025	\$ 304,999
2026	316,437
2027	328,303
2028	340,615
2029	353,388
Thereafter	<u>7,843,429</u>
Total note payable	<u>\$ 9,487,171</u>

## 6. Plan termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue contributions, and at any time to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of plan termination, participants would become fully vested in their accounts.

## 7. Income tax status

The Plan received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) dated May 25, 2017 which stated the Plan and related trust as then designed, were in compliance with applicable IRC sections. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan's trustee, sponsor, and administrator are not aware of any occurrences that would adversely affect the Plan's qualified status, and believe the Plan is currently designed and operating in compliance with applicable IRC requirements, is qualified, and the related trust is tax-exempt.

GAAP requires the Plan's management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken uncertain tax positions that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, there are no uncertain positions taken, or expected to be taken, that would require recognition of a tax liability, or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by the IRS; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Plan's administrator believes the Plan is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to the year ended December 31, 2021.

## **8. Parties-in-interest assets and transactions**

The Plan's cash is held by WesBanco. The Plan's cash and its investment in the Company's common stock qualify as party-in-interest assets. The Company's contributions to the Plan qualify as party-in-interest transactions. These transactions are permitted under the plan provisions and are specifically exempt from the prohibition of party-in-interest transactions under ERISA.

## **9. Risks and uncertainties**

The Plan primarily invests in Vision First's common stock which is subject to an independent annual valuation. Vision First's common stock and its estimated value is impacted by various risks such as interest rate, market volatility, credit risk, the Company's profitability, and other factors. Therefore, it is at least reasonably possible a reduction in the value of the Plan's investment in Vision First's common stock reported as of December 31, 2024 will occur in the near term and that such reduction would materially affect participant account balances and amounts reported on the accompanying December 31, 2024 statement of net assets available for benefits.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**VISION FIRST EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**

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**December 31, 2024**

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*	Pinnacle Eye Care, Inc. d/b/a Vision First	2,079,000 shares of common stock	\$ 11,781,000	\$ 15,758,820

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