

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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).

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Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

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

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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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, a single-employer plan, a DFE, etc.
B This return/report is: the first return/report, the final return/report, an amended return/report, a short plan year return/report, etc.
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, etc.
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here.

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan: AREA RESOURCE FOR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES, INC. AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 001
1c Effective date of plan: 10/01/2002
2a Plan sponsor's name, mailing address, city or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 04-3342213
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 802-280-1911
2d Business code (see instructions): 624100

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

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

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes rows for employer/plan sponsor and DFE.

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN	
	4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	369
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1)	303
	6a(2)	320
	6b	0
	6c	77
	6d	397
	6e	0
	6f	397
	6g(1)	181
6g(2)	203	
6h	0	
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	

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

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

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input checked="" 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)

a Pension Schedules

- (1) **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2) **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3) **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (4) **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 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 _____

**SCHEDULE A
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Insurance Information

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

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

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

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

A Name of plan AREA RESOURCE FOR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES, INC. AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AREA RESOURCE FOR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES, INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 04-3342213

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

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier

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(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
36-1493430	57541	INDIV.CONTRACTS		01/01/2024	12/31/2024

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

(a) Total amount of commissions paid 0	(b) Total amount of fees paid 0
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

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

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GROTON, VT 05046**

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
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(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

Part II	Investment and Annuity Contract Information Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.
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4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	6c	
d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	

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

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

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

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

b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
	7c(2)	
	7c(3)	
	7c(4)	
	7c(5)	
(2) Dividends and credits.....		
(3) Interest credited during the year.....		
(4) Transferred from separate account		
(5) Other (specify below)..... ▶		
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e Deductions:		
	7e(1)	
	7e(2)	
	7e(3)	
	7e(4)	
(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year		
(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....		
(3) Transferred to separate account		
(4) Other (specify below)..... ▶		
(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f	

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

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

9 Experience-rated contracts:

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

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets		
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	
(3) Other	1b(3)	
c General investments:		
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)	
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)	
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	0 44486
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	0
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	0
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	0
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	6126606 7054721
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)	0 62325
(15) Other.....	1c(15)	2653666 2378928

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	8780272	9540460
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	8780272	9540460

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	374794	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	622819	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	77165	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		1074778
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	478	
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		478
(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)		0
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		0
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		767783
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		1843039

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	1060145	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		1060145
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	22706	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)	0	
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)	0	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	0	
(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)		22706
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		1082851

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		760188
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **TSS FINANCIAL PARTNERS, LLP**

(2) EIN: **99-1443496**

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

(1) This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2) It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

A Name of plan <u>AREA RESOURCE FOR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES, INC. AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>AREA RESOURCE FOR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>04-3342213</u>	

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

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

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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): 36-1493430 95-6817943

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

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

6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a	
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b	
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....	6c	

If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.

7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?..... Yes No N/A

8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? Yes No N/A

Part III	Amendments
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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

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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(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 _____

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
 Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____%
 High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:
 0-5 years 5-10 years 10-15 years 15 years or more

20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? Yes No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:
 Yes.
 No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.
 No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.
 No. Other. Provide explanation: _____

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? Yes No

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).
 Design-based safe harbor method
 "Prior year" ADP test
 "Current year" ADP test
 N/A

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 03 / 31 / 2017 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number J500865A.

**ARIS AND MEMBERS
RETIREMENT PLAN**

**Financial Statements
and
Independent Auditors' Report**

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and
for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors
ARIS and Members Retirement Plan:

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of ARIS and Members 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 statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of ARIS and Members 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 certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 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 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

Basis for Opinion

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of ARIS and Members 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 ARIS and Members 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 audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, 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).

TSS Financial Partners, LLP

Lebanon, New Hampshire
October 15, 2025

VT Credentials No. 192.0134118

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
As of December 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets		
Mutual funds, at fair value	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>	\$ <u>6,068,556</u>
Investments, at contract value		
Individual variable annuity contracts	2,378,928	2,653,666
Unallocated insurance contracts	<u>62,325</u>	<u>58,050</u>
Investments at contract value	<u>2,441,253</u>	<u>2,711,716</u>
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>44,486</u>	<u>-</u>
Total receivables	<u>44,486</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 9,540,460</u>	<u>\$ 8,780,272</u>

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

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Additions to net assets attributable to

Investment income	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 408,203
Earnings	359,580
Total investment income	<u>767,783</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>478</u>
Contributions	
Employer	374,794
Participant	622,819
Rollovers	77,165
Total contributions	<u>1,074,778</u>
Total additions	<u>1,843,039</u>

Deductions from net assets attributable to

Benefits paid directly to participants	1,060,145
Administrative expenses	22,706
Total deductions	<u>1,082,851</u>
Total net additions	760,188

Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	<u>8,780,272</u>
Net assets available for benefits, end of year	<u><u>\$ 9,540,460</u></u>

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

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

1. Description of Plan:

The following description of the ARIS (“Company”) and Members Retirement Plan (“Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions.

General – The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of the Company. Employees must be 18 years or older and must have completed one year of service with 1,000 hours of service to be eligible for the employer contribution. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA).

Contributions – Participants are allowed to elect to defer from one percent (1%) up to one hundred percent (100%) of pre-tax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan. The safe harbor contribution will be made as a matching contribution equal to 100% of the participant’s deferrals up to five percent (5%) of the eligible participant’s pre-tax annual compensation. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers several mutual funds as investment options for participants. Contributions are subject to certain IRS limitations.

Contributions from Plan participants and the Company’s contributions are recorded in the year in which the employee contributions are withheld from compensation.

Participant Accounts – Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contributions, and the Company’s contributions, as well as allocations of Plan earnings. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant’s vested account.

Vesting – Participants are vested immediately in their contributions and safe harbor employer matching contributions, plus actual earnings thereon.

Payment of Benefits – Participants may not make withdrawals from their Participant’s Contribution Account except for:

- (1) Normal retirement - age 65;
- (2) Total and permanent disability;
- (3) Death;
- (4) Termination of employment;
- (5) Attainment of age 59½; or
- (6) Financial hardship

Distributions will be paid as soon as possible following termination date, except for financial hardship withdrawals which are payable immediately. Distributions are paid to participants in a lump sum or annual payments.

Forfeited Accounts – As participants are at all times 100% vested in their accounts, there were no forfeitures in 2024.

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

1. Description of Plan (continued):

Notes Receivable from Participants – Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of (i) 50% of a participant’s vested account balance as of the date the loan is made or (ii) \$50,000 reduced by the highest outstanding loan balance, if any, from the Plan during the one year period ending immediately before the date of the new loan. Loans are secured by the participant’s account and bear a reasonable rate of interest based on the prevailing rate as defined by the Plan. Loan terms are a minimum of 1 year, not to exceed 5 years, except for the purpose of acquiring a primary residence, which can be 15 years. Loans are to be repaid through salary reductions consistent with the payroll practices of the Company.

2. Summary of Accounting Policies:

The following are the significant accounting policies followed by the Plan:

Basis of Accounting – The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition – The Plan’s investments are stated at fair value (except for the fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract 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 8 for discussion of 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.

Contributions – Contributions from Plan participants and the matching contributions from the Employer are recorded in the year in which the employee contributions are withheld from compensation.

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.

Payment of Benefits – Benefits are recorded when paid.

Expenses – Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Company. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Investment related expenses are included in net depreciation of fair value of investments.

Subsequent Events – The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 15, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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3. **Plan Termination:**

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company 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 would become fully vested and would be entitled to the full value of their account.

4. **Investments:**

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. Modern Woodmen of America and Reliance Trust serve as the Plan's custodians. They have provided the Plan administrator with certifications as to the completeness and accuracy of cash, investment balances, supplemental schedule, interest and dividend income, realized gains (losses) on the sale of investments and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments in accordance with the Department of Labor Regulations.

5. **Tax Status:**

The Plan has adopted a 403(b) volume submitter plan. The Plan administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, the plan administrator believes the Plan was compliant and was tax exempt as of the financial statement date.

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 if the Plan 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.

6. **Risks and Uncertainties:**

The Plan invests in various 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.

7. **Investments, at Contract Value:**

Participants may direct their contributions to an unallocated insurance contract with T. Rowe Price. Through September 2021, participants could also direct their contributions to individual variable annuity contracts with Modern Woodmen of America. As of September 2021, no additional contributions were directed here, however participants may have funds remaining in these contracts. These contracts meet the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value represents contributions made under the contracts, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses.

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements

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7. Investments, at Contract Value (continued):

The contracts held by the Plan are guaranteed investment contracts. Modern Woodmen and T. Rowe Price, are contractually obligated to repay the principal and interest at a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The weighted average interest rate for the investment with Modern Woodmen was 3.24% for the year ended December 31, 2024. The interest rate for the investment with T. Rowe Price ranged from 3.0% to 3.1% for the year ended December 31, 2024.

The Plan's ability to receive amounts due in accordance with fully benefit-responsive investment contracts is dependent on the third-party issuers' abilities to meet their financial obligations. The issuers' abilities to meet their contraction obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

Certain events limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuers. Such events include the following: (1) amendments to the Plan documents (including complete or partial Plan termination or merger with another plan); (2) changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions; (3) bankruptcy of the Plan sponsor or other Plan sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan; (4) the failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA; or (5) premature termination of the contract. No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuers and that also would limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the participants.

In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contract with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. Such events include the following: (1) an uncured violation of the Plan's investment guidelines, (2) a breach of material obligation under the contract; (3) a material misrepresentation; or (4) a material amendment to the agreements without the consent of the issuer.

8. 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 under FASB ASC 820 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.
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8. Fair Value Measurements (continued):

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;

Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;

Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;

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.

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: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of the different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024</u>			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>
Total investments at fair value	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>

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8. Fair Value Measurements (continued):

	<u>Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023</u>			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	\$ <u>6,068,556</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>6,068,556</u>
Total investments at fair value	\$ <u><u>6,068,556</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>6,068,556</u></u>

9. Related Party and Party-In-Interest Transactions:

The Company provides certain accounting and administrative services to the Plan for which no fees are charged. The employees that provide these services are also contributing participants in the Plan. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Plan investments are managed by Modern Woodmen of America and T. Rowe Price. Modern Woodmen of America and Reliance Trust are the custodians and recordkeepers for the Plan and, therefore, transactions with Modern Woodmen, Reliance Trust, and T. Rowe Price qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Notes receivable from participants are also considered party-in-interest transactions. However, under the provisions of ERISA, these transactions meet the criteria for exemption, are not considered prohibited transactions and do not need to be reported in the supplementary schedules of Form 5500.

**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE REQUIRED BY
THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN
Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
As of December 31, 2024

(a)	(b) IDENTITY OF ISSUER, BORROWER, LESSOR OR SIMILAR PARTY	(c) DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	(d) COST	(e) MARKET VALUE
	Participant Directed			
	Columbia Dividend Income Instl3	Mutual Funds	**	\$ 7,925
	PGIM Total Return Bond R6	Mutual Funds	**	2,848
	Allspring Spec Md Cp Val 6	Mutual Funds	**	428
	JPMorgan Large Cap Growth Fund Class R6	Mutual Funds	**	20,789
	Blackrock Inflation Protected Bond Fund Class K	Mutual Funds	**	11,431
	Franklin Small Cap Value R6	Mutual Funds	**	2,921
	AMG Timesquare Mid Cap Growth Z	Mutual Funds	**	31,577
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index	Mutual Funds	**	8,039
	JPMorgan Small Cap Growth R6	Mutual Funds	**	6,562
	Fidelity 500 Index	Mutual Funds	**	38,728
	Fidelity Small Cap Index	Mutual Funds	**	5,658
*	T Rowe Price Government Money I	Mutual Funds	**	745
	Hartford Schroders International STK SDR	Mutual Funds	**	22,905
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2005 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	13,370
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2020 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	488,775
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2025 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	1,063,949
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2030 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	1,936,619
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2035 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	954,005
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2040 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	533,322
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2045 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	510,081
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2050 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	645,291
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2055 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	384,035
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2060 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	188,395
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2065 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	32,788
	Blackrock Technology Opportunities Instl	Mutual Funds	**	19,989
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2010 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	14,805
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2015 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	103,040
	Brown Advisory Sustainable Growth I	Mutual Funds	**	5,701
	Total Mutual Funds			<u>7,054,721</u>
*	Modern Woodmen of America	Interest rates from 3.09% - 3.24%	**	<u>2,378,928</u>
	The Standard Stable Asset II	Interest rates from 3.0% - 3.1%	**	62,325
*	Notes receivable from participants	Interest rates at 8.75% - 9.00%		<u>44,486</u>
				<u>\$ 9,540,460</u>

*Indicates a party-in-interest to the plan

**Cost information is omitted for investments that are fully participant directed

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b), and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

► **Complete all entries in accordance with the Instructions to the Form 5500.**

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)

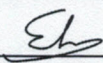
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here ►

Part II Basic Plan Information --- enter all requested information

<p>1a Name of plan Area Resource for Individual Services, Inc. and Members Retirement Plan</p>	<p>1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ► <u>001</u></p>
<p>2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (If foreign, see instructions)</p> <p>Area Resource for Individual Services, Inc.</p> <p>P.O. Box 4409 72 South Main Street US White River Junction VT 05001-4409</p>	<p>1c Effective date of plan <u>10/01/2002</u></p> <p>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>04-3342213</u></p> <p>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>(802) 280-1911</u></p> <p>2d Business code (see instructions) <u>624100</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.

SIGN HERE		<u>10/8/2025</u>	<u>Elizabeth Lundberg</u>
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN and the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 369
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).	
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	6a(1) 303
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2) 320
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	6b 0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c 77
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d 397
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	6e 0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f 397
g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(1) 181
g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(2) 203
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6h 0
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .	7

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

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

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

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

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

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 _____

**ARIS AND MEMBERS
RETIREMENT PLAN**

**Financial Statements
and
Independent Auditors' Report**

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and
for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors
ARIS and Members Retirement Plan:

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of ARIS and Members 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 statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of ARIS and Members 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 certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 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 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

Basis for Opinion

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of ARIS and Members 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 ARIS and Members 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 audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, 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).

TSS Financial Partners, LLP

Lebanon, New Hampshire
October 15, 2025

VT Credentials No. 192.0134118

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
As of December 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets		
Mutual funds, at fair value	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>	\$ <u>6,068,556</u>
Investments, at contract value		
Individual variable annuity contracts	2,378,928	2,653,666
Unallocated insurance contracts	<u>62,325</u>	<u>58,050</u>
Investments at contract value	<u>2,441,253</u>	<u>2,711,716</u>
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>44,486</u>	<u>-</u>
Total receivables	<u>44,486</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 9,540,460</u>	<u>\$ 8,780,272</u>

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

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Additions to net assets attributable to

Investment income	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 408,203
Earnings	359,580
Total investment income	<u>767,783</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>478</u>
Contributions	
Employer	374,794
Participant	622,819
Rollovers	77,165
Total contributions	<u>1,074,778</u>
Total additions	<u>1,843,039</u>

Deductions from net assets attributable to

Benefits paid directly to participants	1,060,145
Administrative expenses	22,706
Total deductions	<u>1,082,851</u>
Total net additions	760,188

Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	<u>8,780,272</u>
Net assets available for benefits, end of year	<u><u>\$ 9,540,460</u></u>

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

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

1. Description of Plan:

The following description of the ARIS (“Company”) and Members Retirement Plan (“Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions.

General – The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of the Company. Employees must be 18 years or older and must have completed one year of service with 1,000 hours of service to be eligible for the employer contribution. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA).

Contributions – Participants are allowed to elect to defer from one percent (1%) up to one hundred percent (100%) of pre-tax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan. The safe harbor contribution will be made as a matching contribution equal to 100% of the participant’s deferrals up to five percent (5%) of the eligible participant’s pre-tax annual compensation. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers several mutual funds as investment options for participants. Contributions are subject to certain IRS limitations.

Contributions from Plan participants and the Company’s contributions are recorded in the year in which the employee contributions are withheld from compensation.

Participant Accounts – Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contributions, and the Company’s contributions, as well as allocations of Plan earnings. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant’s vested account.

Vesting – Participants are vested immediately in their contributions and safe harbor employer matching contributions, plus actual earnings thereon.

Payment of Benefits – Participants may not make withdrawals from their Participant’s Contribution Account except for:

- (1) Normal retirement - age 65;
- (2) Total and permanent disability;
- (3) Death;
- (4) Termination of employment;
- (5) Attainment of age 59½; or
- (6) Financial hardship

Distributions will be paid as soon as possible following termination date, except for financial hardship withdrawals which are payable immediately. Distributions are paid to participants in a lump sum or annual payments.

Forfeited Accounts – As participants are at all times 100% vested in their accounts, there were no forfeitures in 2024.

ARIS AND MEMBERS RETIREMENT PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

1. Description of Plan (continued):

Notes Receivable from Participants – Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of (i) 50% of a participant’s vested account balance as of the date the loan is made or (ii) \$50,000 reduced by the highest outstanding loan balance, if any, from the Plan during the one year period ending immediately before the date of the new loan. Loans are secured by the participant’s account and bear a reasonable rate of interest based on the prevailing rate as defined by the Plan. Loan terms are a minimum of 1 year, not to exceed 5 years, except for the purpose of acquiring a primary residence, which can be 15 years. Loans are to be repaid through salary reductions consistent with the payroll practices of the Company.

2. Summary of Accounting Policies:

The following are the significant accounting policies followed by the Plan:

Basis of Accounting – The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition – The Plan’s investments are stated at fair value (except for the fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract 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 8 for discussion of 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.

Contributions – Contributions from Plan participants and the matching contributions from the Employer are recorded in the year in which the employee contributions are withheld from compensation.

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.

Payment of Benefits – Benefits are recorded when paid.

Expenses – Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Company. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Investment related expenses are included in net depreciation of fair value of investments.

Subsequent Events – The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 15, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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3. **Plan Termination:**

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company 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 would become fully vested and would be entitled to the full value of their account.

4. **Investments:**

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. Modern Woodmen of America and Reliance Trust serve as the Plan's custodians. They have provided the Plan administrator with certifications as to the completeness and accuracy of cash, investment balances, supplemental schedule, interest and dividend income, realized gains (losses) on the sale of investments and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments in accordance with the Department of Labor Regulations.

5. **Tax Status:**

The Plan has adopted a 403(b) volume submitter plan. The Plan administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, the plan administrator believes the Plan was compliant and was tax exempt as of the financial statement date.

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 if the Plan 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.

6. **Risks and Uncertainties:**

The Plan invests in various 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.

7. **Investments, at Contract Value:**

Participants may direct their contributions to an unallocated insurance contract with T. Rowe Price. Through September 2021, participants could also direct their contributions to individual variable annuity contracts with Modern Woodmen of America. As of September 2021, no additional contributions were directed here, however participants may have funds remaining in these contracts. These contracts meet the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value represents contributions made under the contracts, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses.

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7. Investments, at Contract Value (continued):

The contracts held by the Plan are guaranteed investment contracts. Modern Woodmen and T. Rowe Price are contractually obligated to repay the principal and interest at a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The weighted average interest rate for the investment with Modern Woodmen was 3.24% for the year ended December 31, 2024. The interest rate for the investment with T. Rowe Price ranged from 3.0% to 3.1% for the year ended December 31, 2024.

The Plan's ability to receive amounts due in accordance with fully benefit-responsive investment contracts is dependent on the third-party issuers' abilities to meet their financial obligations. The issuers' abilities to meet their contraction obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

Certain events limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuers. Such events include the following: (1) amendments to the Plan documents (including complete or partial Plan termination or merger with another plan); (2) changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions; (3) bankruptcy of the Plan sponsor or other Plan sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan; (4) the failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA; or (5) premature termination of the contract. No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuers and that also would limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the participants.

In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contract with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. Such events include the following: (1) an uncured violation of the Plan's investment guidelines, (2) a breach of material obligation under the contract; (3) a material misrepresentation; or (4) a material amendment to the agreements without the consent of the issuer.

8. 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 under FASB ASC 820 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.
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8. Fair Value Measurements (continued):

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;

Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;

Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;

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.

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: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of the different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024</u>			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>
Total investments at fair value	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>7,054,721</u>

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8. Fair Value Measurements (continued):

	<u>Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023</u>			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	\$ <u>6,068,556</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>6,068,556</u>
Total investments at fair value	\$ <u><u>6,068,556</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>6,068,556</u></u>

9. Related Party and Party-In-Interest Transactions:

The Company provides certain accounting and administrative services to the Plan for which no fees are charged. The employees that provide these services are also contributing participants in the Plan. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Plan investments are managed by Modern Woodmen of America and T. Rowe Price. Modern Woodmen of America and Reliance Trust are the custodians and recordkeepers for the Plan and, therefore, transactions with Modern Woodmen, Reliance Trust, and T. Rowe Price qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Notes receivable from participants are also considered party-in-interest transactions. However, under the provisions of ERISA, these transactions meet the criteria for exemption, are not considered prohibited transactions and do not need to be reported in the supplementary schedules of Form 5500.

**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE REQUIRED BY
THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

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Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
As of December 31, 2024

(a)	(b) IDENTITY OF ISSUER, BORROWER, LESSOR OR SIMILAR PARTY	(c) DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	(d) COST	(e) MARKET VALUE
	Participant Directed			
	Columbia Dividend Income Instl3	Mutual Funds	**	\$ 7,925
	PGIM Total Return Bond R6	Mutual Funds	**	2,848
	Allspring Spec Md Cp Val 6	Mutual Funds	**	428
	JPMorgan Large Cap Growth Fund Class R6	Mutual Funds	**	20,789
	Blackrock Inflation Protected Bond Fund Class K	Mutual Funds	**	11,431
	Franklin Small Cap Value R6	Mutual Funds	**	2,921
	AMG Timesquare Mid Cap Growth Z	Mutual Funds	**	31,577
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index	Mutual Funds	**	8,039
	JPMorgan Small Cap Growth R6	Mutual Funds	**	6,562
	Fidelity 500 Index	Mutual Funds	**	38,728
	Fidelity Small Cap Index	Mutual Funds	**	5,658
*	T Rowe Price Government Money I	Mutual Funds	**	745
	Hartford Schroders International STK SDR	Mutual Funds	**	22,905
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2005 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	13,370
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2020 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	488,775
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2025 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	1,063,949
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2030 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	1,936,619
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2035 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	954,005
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2040 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	533,322
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2045 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	510,081
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2050 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	645,291
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2055 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	384,035
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2060 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	188,395
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2065 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	32,788
	Blackrock Technology Opportunities Instl	Mutual Funds	**	19,989
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2010 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	14,805
*	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2015 I Class	Mutual Funds	**	103,040
	Brown Advisory Sustainable Growth I	Mutual Funds	**	5,701
	Total Mutual Funds			<u>7,054,721</u>
*	Modern Woodmen of America	Interest rates from 3.09% - 3.24%	**	<u>2,378,928</u>
	The Standard Stable Asset II	Interest rates from 3.0% - 3.1%	**	62,325
*	Notes receivable from participants	Interest rates at 8.75% - 9.00%		<u>44,486</u>
				<u>\$ 9,540,460</u>

*Indicates a party-in-interest to the plan

**Cost information is omitted for investments that are fully participant directed