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| <div>Form 5500</div> <div>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security<br/>Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div> | <div>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</div> <div>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).</div> <div>▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</div> | <div>OMB Nos. 1210-0110<br/>1210-0089</div> <div>2025</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</div> |
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| Part I                                                                                     | Annual Report Identification Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 08/31/2025 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| A                                                                                          | This return/report is for: <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) _____</div></div> |
| B                                                                                          | This return/report is: <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the final return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)</div></div>                                                                           |
| C                                                                                          | If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. .... ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| D                                                                                          | Check box if filing under: <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Form 5558</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description)</div></div>                                                                                                                                       |
| E                                                                                          | If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. .... ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| Part II | Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 1a      | Name of plan<br>ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1b      | Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 1c      | Effective date of plan<br>04/01/2001                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2a      | Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan)<br>Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)<br>City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)<br>THE ALLIANCE GROUP<br><br>1475 SOUTH PRINCE ROAD<br>CHANDLER, AZ 85286 |
| 2b      | Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>91-1858530                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2c      | Plan Sponsor's telephone number<br>813-724-3780                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2d      | Business code (see instructions)<br>561300                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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.

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| SIGN HERE | Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. | 03/03/2026 | J.J. HUTZENBILER                                             |
|           | 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                      |

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| <b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN<br><br><b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number<br><br><div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>                                                                             |
| <b>4</b> If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report:<br><b>a</b> Sponsor's name<br><b>c</b> Plan Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>4b</b> EIN<br><br><b>4d</b> PN                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>5</b> 914                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ).<br><b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year .....<br><b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year .....<br><b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....<br><b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits .....<br><b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> .....<br><b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. ....<br><b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> .....<br><b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) .....<br><b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) .....<br><b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested..... | <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <b>6a(1)</b> 810<br><b>6a(2)</b> 0<br><b>6b</b> 0<br><b>6c</b> 0<br><b>6d</b> 0<br><b>6e</b> 0<br><b>6f</b> 0<br><b>6g(1)</b> 479<br><b>6g(2)</b> 0<br><b>6h</b> 0 |
| <b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>7</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:

2S 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3H 3D 2U

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

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

**a Pension Schedules**

- (1)** ☒ **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 2025 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2025 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code \_\_\_\_\_

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| <div>SCHEDULE A<br/>(Form 5500)<br/><div>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</div><div>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</div><div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div></div> | <div>Insurance Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> <div>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</div> | <div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2025</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</div> |
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| For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 08/31/2025 |                                                      |     |
| A Name of plan<br>ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN                                           | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶                     | 001 |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br>THE ALLIANCE GROUP               | D Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>91-1858530 |     |

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| 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. |
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier  
JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY (USA)

| (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     |
| 01-0233346 | 65838         | 90137                                 | 0                                                                           | 01/01/2025              | 08/31/2025 |

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.

|                                      |                               |
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| (a) Total amount of commissions paid | (b) Total amount of fees paid |
| 0                                    | 28641                         |

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  
BENEFIT PLANS, INC  
16924 FRANCES ST, STE 100  
OMAHA, NE 68130

| (b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |             | (e) Organization code |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
|                                               | (c) Amount                      | (d) Purpose |                       |
|                                               | 28641                           | TPA FEES    | 5                     |

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

| (b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |             | (e) Organization code |
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|                                               | (c) Amount                      | (d) Purpose |                       |
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|                                               | (c) Amount                      | (d) Purpose |                       |
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**Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information**

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

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

**6** Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶

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| <b>b</b> Premiums paid to carrier .....                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>6b</b> |  |
| <b>c</b> Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year .....                                                                                                                                                  | <b>6c</b> |  |
| <b>d</b> 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. ....<br>Specify nature of costs ▶ | <b>6d</b> |  |

**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 ▶ **GROUP ANNUITY**

|                                                                                                         |              |  |          |
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| <b>b</b> Balance at the end of the previous year .....                                                  | <b>7b</b>    |  | <b>0</b> |
| <b>c</b> Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year .....                                   | <b>7c(1)</b> |  |          |
| (2) Dividends and credits .....                                                                         | <b>7c(2)</b> |  |          |
| (3) Interest credited during the year .....                                                             | <b>7c(3)</b> |  |          |
| (4) Transferred from separate account .....                                                             | <b>7c(4)</b> |  |          |
| (5) Other (specify below) .....                                                                         | <b>7c(5)</b> |  |          |
| ▶                                                                                                       |              |  |          |
| (6) Total additions .....                                                                               | <b>7c(6)</b> |  | <b>0</b> |
| <b>d</b> Total of balance and additions (add lines <b>7b</b> and <b>7c(6)</b> ) .....                   | <b>7d</b>    |  | <b>0</b> |
| <b>e</b> Deductions:                                                                                    |              |  |          |
| (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year .....                         | <b>7e(1)</b> |  |          |
| (2) Administration charge made by carrier .....                                                         | <b>7e(2)</b> |  |          |
| (3) Transferred to separate account .....                                                               | <b>7e(3)</b> |  |          |
| (4) Other (specify below) .....                                                                         | <b>7e(4)</b> |  |          |
| ▶                                                                                                       |              |  |          |
| (5) Total deductions .....                                                                              | <b>7e(5)</b> |  | <b>0</b> |
| <b>f</b> Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line <b>7e(5)</b> from line <b>7d</b> ) ..... | <b>7f</b>    |  | <b>0</b> |

**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:

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

**10** Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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| <b>a</b> Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier .....                                                                                                                                                                                       | <b>10a</b> |  |
| <b>b</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. ....<br>Specify nature of costs. | <b>10b</b> |  |

**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. ▶

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| <b>SCHEDULE C</b><br><b>(Form 5500)</b><br><br>Department of the Treasury<br>Internal Revenue Service<br><br>Department of Labor<br>Employee Benefits Security Administration<br><br>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | <b>Service Provider Information</b><br><br>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).<br><br>▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b> | OMB No. 1210-0110                              |
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| For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 08/31/2025                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                |
| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br>ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶                                                                                                                                                                                | 001                                            |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br>THE ALLIANCE GROUP                                                                                                                                       | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>91-1858530                                                                                                                                                            |                                                |

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

**1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation**

- a** Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).. . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

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

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

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| (b)<br>Service Code(s) | (c)<br>Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d)<br>Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e)<br>Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f)<br>Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g)<br>Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-. | (h)<br>Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
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| 26                     | INVESTMENT ADVISOR                                                                                | 27546                                                                  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |

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

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| (b)<br>Service Code(s)        | (c)<br>Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d)<br>Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e)<br>Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f)<br>Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g)<br>Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-. | (h)<br>Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
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| 15 28 59<br>60 62 63<br>67 68 | RECORDKEEPER                                                                                      | 4094                                                                   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                                            | 500                                                                                                                                                                             | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                          |

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

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

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

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

| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes<br>(see instructions)                                                                                                                            | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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|                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                    |                                           |
| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |                                           |
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| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes<br>(see instructions)                                                                                                                            | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |                                           |
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| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes<br>(see instructions)                                                                                                                            | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |                                           |
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**4** Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

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| <b>(a)</b> Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions) | <b>(b)</b> Nature of Service Code(s) | <b>(c)</b> Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide |
|                                                                                 |                                      |                                                                                            |
| <b>(a)</b> Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions) | <b>(b)</b> Nature of Service Code(s) | <b>(c)</b> Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide |
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| <b>(a)</b> Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions) | <b>(b)</b> Nature of Service Code(s) | <b>(c)</b> Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide |
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| <b>(a)</b> Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions) | <b>(b)</b> Nature of Service Code(s) | <b>(c)</b> Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide |
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| <b>(a)</b> Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions) | <b>(b)</b> Nature of Service Code(s) | <b>(c)</b> Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide |
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| <b>(a)</b> Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions) | <b>(b)</b> Nature of Service Code(s) | <b>(c)</b> Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide |
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**Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)**  
(complete as many entries as needed)

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

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

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| <div>SCHEDULE D<br/>(Form 5500)<br/><br/>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service<br/><br/>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> | <div>DFE/Participating Plan Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> | <div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2025</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</div> |
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| For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 08/31/2025 |                                                      |     |
| A Name of plan<br>ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN                                           | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶                     | 001 |
| C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br>THE ALLIANCE GROUP        | D Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>91-1858530 |     |

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| Part I | Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)<br>(Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs) |
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| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2065 |                 |                                                                                                |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                 |                                                                                                |
| c EIN-PN 01-0233346-000                                          | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2060 |                 |                                                                                                |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                 |                                                                                                |
| c EIN-PN 01-0233347-000                                          | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2055 |                 |                                                                                                |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                 |                                                                                                |
| c EIN-PN 01-0233348-000                                          | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2050 |                 |                                                                                                |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                 |                                                                                                |
| c EIN-PN 01-0233349-000                                          | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2045 |                 |                                                                                                |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                 |                                                                                                |
| c EIN-PN 01-0233350-000                                          | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2040 |                 |                                                                                                |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                 |                                                                                                |
| c EIN-PN 01-0233351-000                                          | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2035 |                 |                                                                                                |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                 |                                                                                                |
| c EIN-PN 01-0233352-000                                          | d Entity code P | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>VANGUARD TARGET RET 2030</b>       |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233353-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>VANGUARD TARGET RET 2025</b>       |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233354-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>VANGUARD TARGET RET 2020</b>       |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233355-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>VANGUARD TARGET RET INCOME</b>     |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233356-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>JH LIFESTYLE BLEND AGGRESSIVE</b>  |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233357-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>JH LIFESTYLE BLEND GROWTH</b>      |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233358-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>JH LIFESTYLE BLEND BALANCED</b>    |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233359-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>JH LIFESTYLE BLEND MODERATE</b>    |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233360-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>JH LIFESTYLE BLN CONSERVATIVE</b>  |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233361-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>AMERICAN FUNDS NEW PERSPECTIVE</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233362-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>DFA REAL ESTATE SECURITIES</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>        |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233363-000</b>                                            | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>DFA U.S. SMALL CAP FUND</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>     |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233364-000</b>                                         | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>FIDELITY ADVISOR ENERGY FUND</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>          |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233365-000</b>                                              | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX FUND</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>         |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233366-000</b>                                             | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>FRANKLIN GROWTH FUND</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>  |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233367-000</b>                                      | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>INVESCO DISCOVERY MID CAP GROW</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>            |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233368-000</b>                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>ISHARES GOLD TRUST ETF</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>    |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233369-000</b>                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>JH DISCIPLINED VALUE MID CAP</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>          |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233370-000</b>                                              | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>JPMORGAN EMERGING MARKETS EQ</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>          |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233371-000</b>                                              | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <b>PUTNAM SMALL CAP GROWTH FUND</b> |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <b>JOHN HANCOCK USA</b>          |                               |                                                                                                              |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>01-0233372-000</b>                                              | <b>d</b> Entity code <b>P</b> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>0</b> |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE HEALTH SCI |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233373-000                                          | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE SCI & TECH |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233374-000                                          | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: UNDISCOVERED MGR BEHAVIORAL |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA         |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233375-000                                             | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD EXPLORER FUND |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA    |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233376-000                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD GROWTH INDEX FUND |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA        |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233377-000                                            | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD MID-CAP GROWTH ETF |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA         |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233378-000                                             | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD MID-CAP VALUE ETF |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA        |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233379-000                                            | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD SMALL CAP VALUE INDEX |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA            |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233380-000                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: 500 INDEX FUND      |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233381-000                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: DFA INTERNATIONAL VALUE |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA     |                        |                                                                                                     |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233382-000                                         | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) | 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: HARTFORD INTERNATIONAL OPPOR |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA          |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233383-000                                              | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: ISHARES MSCI EAFE GROWTH ETF |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA          |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233384-000                                              | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JOHN HANCOCK DISCIPLINED VALUE |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA            |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233385-000                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JOHN HANCOCK INTL GROWTH |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA      |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233386-000                                          | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE DIVIDEND GROWTH |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA           |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233387-000                                               | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TOTAL INTL STOCK IDX |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA           |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233388-000                                               | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TOT WLD STK INDEX ETF |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA            |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233389-000                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD VALUE INDEX FUND |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA       |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233390-000                                           | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: BLACKROCK GLOBAL ALLOCATION |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA         |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233391-000                                             | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FRANKLIN UTILITIES FUND |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA     |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233392-000                                         | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JOHN HANCOCK INFRASTRUCTURE |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA         |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233393-000                                             | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PIMCO ALL ASSET     |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233394-000                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: BLACKROCK HIGH YIELD FUND |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA       |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233395-000                                           | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: DFA INFLATION-PROTECTED SEC |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA         |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233396-000                                             | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: OPPORTUNISTIC FIXED INCOME |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA        |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233397-000                                            | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PIMCO INCOME FUND   |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233398-000                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PIMCO INTL BOND USD-HEDGED |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA        |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233399-000                                            | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TOTAL BOND MARKET IDX |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA            |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233400-000                                                | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JOHN HANCOCK STABLE VAL |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA     |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233401-000                                         | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

  

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JPMORGAN MIDCAP VALUE FUND |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA        |                        |                                                                                                       |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 01-0233402-000                                            | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0 |

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

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

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| <div>SCHEDULE H</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury<br/>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div> | <div>Financial Information</div> <div>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).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> | OMB No. 1210-0110                      |
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For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 08/31/2025

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| <div>A Name of plan</div> <div>ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN</div>                             | <div>B Three-digit plan number (PN)</div> <div>001</div>                |
| <div>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500</div> <div>THE ALLIANCE GROUP</div> | <div>D Employer Identification Number (EIN)</div> <div>91-1858530</div> |

| Part I                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Asset and Liability Statement |                       |                 |
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| <b>1</b> 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. <b>Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.</b> MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions. |                               |                       |                 |
| Assets                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                               | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
| <b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>1a</b>                     | 16762                 | 0               |
| <b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                               |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>1b(1)</b>                  | 50286                 | 0               |
| <b>(2)</b> Participant contributions.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>1b(2)</b>                  | 13119                 | 0               |
| <b>(3)</b> Other .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>1b(3)</b>                  |                       |                 |
| <b>c</b> General investments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                               |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>1c(1)</b>                  |                       |                 |
| <b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>1c(2)</b>                  |                       |                 |
| <b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                               |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>1c(3)(A)</b>               |                       |                 |
| <b>(B)</b> All other .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>1c(3)(B)</b>               |                       |                 |
| <b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                               |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>1c(4)(A)</b>               |                       |                 |
| <b>(B)</b> Common .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>1c(4)(B)</b>               |                       |                 |
| <b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>1c(5)</b>                  |                       |                 |
| <b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>1c(6)</b>                  |                       |                 |
| <b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <b>1c(7)</b>                  |                       |                 |
| <b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>1c(8)</b>                  | 123869                | 0               |
| <b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>1c(9)</b>                  |                       |                 |
| <b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>1c(10)</b>                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>1c(11)</b>                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>1c(12)</b>                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>1c(13)</b>                 | 21555876              | 0               |
| <b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>1c(14)</b>                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(15)</b> Other.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>1c(15)</b>                 |                       |                 |

| <b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:                               |              | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Employer securities .....                                         | <b>1d(1)</b> |                       |                 |
| (2) Employer real property .....                                      | <b>1d(2)</b> |                       |                 |
| <b>1e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation .....   | <b>1e</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>1f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e) ..... | <b>1f</b>    | 21759912              | 0               |

**Liabilities**

|                                                                            |           |   |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| <b>1g</b> Benefit claims payable .....                                     | <b>1g</b> |   |   |
| <b>1h</b> Operating payables .....                                         | <b>1h</b> |   |   |
| <b>1i</b> Acquisition indebtedness .....                                   | <b>1i</b> |   |   |
| <b>1j</b> Other liabilities .....                                          | <b>1j</b> |   |   |
| <b>1k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j) ..... | <b>1k</b> | 0 | 0 |

**Net Assets**

|                                                            |           |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|---|
| <b>1l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f) ..... | <b>1l</b> | 21759912 | 0 |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|---|

**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 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>a Contributions:</b>                                                                                    |                 |            |           |
| (1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers .....                                        | <b>2a(1)(A)</b> | 276065     |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Participants .....                                                                              | <b>2a(1)(B)</b> | 698509     |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers) .....                                                              | <b>2a(1)(C)</b> | 64695      |           |
| (2) Noncash contributions .....                                                                            | <b>2a(2)</b>    |            |           |
| (3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> ..... | <b>2a(3)</b>    |            | 1039269   |
| <b>b Earnings on investments:</b>                                                                          |                 |            |           |
| (1) Interest:                                                                                              |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit) .....       | <b>2b(1)(A)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities .....                                                                | <b>2b(1)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments .....                                                                | <b>2b(1)(C)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....                                                        | <b>2b(1)(D)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(E)</b> Participant loans .....                                                                         | <b>2b(1)(E)</b> | 5031       |           |
| <b>(F)</b> Other .....                                                                                     | <b>2b(1)(F)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....                              | <b>2b(1)(G)</b> |            | 5031      |
| (2) Dividends: <b>(A)</b> Preferred stock .....                                                            | <b>2b(2)(A)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Common stock .....                                                                              | <b>2b(2)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds) .....                                  | <b>2b(2)(C)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....                  | <b>2b(2)(D)</b> |            | 0         |
| (3) Rents .....                                                                                            | <b>2b(3)</b>    |            |           |
| (4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: <b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds .....                                 | <b>2b(4)(A)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions) .....                                              | <b>2b(4)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result .....                  | <b>2b(4)(C)</b> |            | 0         |
| (5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: <b>(A)</b> Real estate .....                         | <b>2b(5)(A)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Other .....                                                                                     | <b>2b(5)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....         | <b>2b(5)(C)</b> |            | 0         |

|                                                                                                 |               | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------|-----------|
| (6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....                              | <b>2b(6)</b>  |            |           |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....                              | <b>2b(7)</b>  |            |           |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....                      | <b>2b(8)</b>  |            |           |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....                            | <b>2b(9)</b>  |            |           |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) ..... | <b>2b(10)</b> |            | 1806357   |
| <b>c</b> Other income .....                                                                     | <b>2c</b>     |            |           |
| <b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....        | <b>2d</b>     |            | 2850657   |

**Expenses**

|                                                                                             |               |         |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------|---------|
| <b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:                                  |               |         |         |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....             | <b>2e(1)</b>  | 2754418 |         |
| (2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....                               | <b>2e(2)</b>  |         |         |
| (3) Other .....                                                                             | <b>2e(3)</b>  |         |         |
| (4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....                 | <b>2e(4)</b>  |         | 2754418 |
| <b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....                                  | <b>2f</b>     |         | 2895    |
| <b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....         | <b>2g</b>     |         | 10709   |
| <b>h</b> Interest expense .....                                                             | <b>2h</b>     |         |         |
| <b>i</b> Administrative expenses:                                                           |               |         |         |
| (1) Salaries and allowances .....                                                           | <b>2i(1)</b>  |         |         |
| (2) Contract administrator fees .....                                                       | <b>2i(2)</b>  |         |         |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees .....                                                                | <b>2i(3)</b>  |         |         |
| (4) IQPA audit fees .....                                                                   | <b>2i(4)</b>  |         |         |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....                                | <b>2i(5)</b>  |         |         |
| (6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....                                      | <b>2i(6)</b>  |         |         |
| (7) Actuarial fees .....                                                                    | <b>2i(7)</b>  |         |         |
| (8) Legal fees .....                                                                        | <b>2i(8)</b>  |         |         |
| (9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....                                                          | <b>2i(9)</b>  |         |         |
| (10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....                                                  | <b>2i(10)</b> |         |         |
| (11) Other expenses .....                                                                   | <b>2i(11)</b> |         |         |
| (12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....        | <b>2i(12)</b> |         | 0       |
| <b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total ..... | <b>2j</b>     |         | 2768022 |

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

|                                                                               |              |  |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--|----------|
| <b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> ..... | <b>2k</b>    |  | 82635    |
| <b>l</b> Transfers of assets:                                                 |              |  |          |
| (1) To this plan .....                                                        | <b>2l(1)</b> |  |          |
| (2) From this plan .....                                                      | <b>2l(2)</b> |  | 21842547 |

**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: **SKIBBIE CPA INC**

(2) EIN: **27-0851321**

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

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

**Part IV Compliance Questions**

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

During the plan year:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                 | No                                  | Amount        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)                 |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.) |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)                                                                                                                             |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)                                                                                                                  |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                     | <b>500000</b> |
| <b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?                                                                                                                                                                          |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?                                                                                                                                       |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?                                                                                                                             |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)                                                                                                                                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                     |               |
| <b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)                                                                                     |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?                                                                                                                                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                     |               |
| <b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |               |
| <b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.                                                                                                                        |                                     |                                     |               |

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

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

| <b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s)                               | <b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s) | <b>5b(3)</b> PN(s) |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| PANDO 401(K) PLAN                                          | 88-3328544          | 001                |
| VENSURE EMPLOYER SERVICES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN | 37-1508469          | 001                |
|                                                            |                     |                    |
|                                                            |                     |                    |

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

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

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <div>SCHEDULE R<br/>(Form 5500)<br/><br/>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service<br/><br/>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration<br/><br/>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>                                                                                                                            | <div>Retirement Plan Information</div> <div>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).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> | <div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2025</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</div> |
| For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 08/31/2025                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| A Name of plan<br>ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001                                                            |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br>THE ALLIANCE GROUP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | D Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>91-1858530                                            |
| Part I                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Distributions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                 |
| All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1                                                                                               |
| 2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):<br><br>EIN(s): 01-0233346                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 3                                                                                               |
| Part II                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                 |
| 4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 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? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 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? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Part III                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Amendments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                 |
| 9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box..... <input type="checkbox"/> Increase <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> No          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Part IV                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                 |
| 10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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.) ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Schedule R (Form 5500) 2025 v. 250312                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |

**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

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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): \_\_\_\_\_

**a** Name of contributing employer

**b** EIN

**c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

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

**a** The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....

**14a**

**b** The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....

**14b**

**c** The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....

**14c**

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

**a** The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year.....

**15a**

**b** The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year.....

**15b**

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

**a** Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year.....

**16a**

**b** If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers.....

**16b**

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

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

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

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

**a** Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

Public Equity: \_\_\_\_\_% Private Equity: \_\_\_\_\_% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: \_\_\_\_\_%

High-Yield Debt: \_\_\_\_\_% Real Assets: \_\_\_\_\_% Cash or Cash Equivalents: \_\_\_\_\_% Other: \_\_\_\_\_%

**b** Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:

☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more

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

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

**b** If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation.....

## **Part VII IRS Compliance Questions**

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

**21b** If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).

☒ Design-based safe harbor method

☐ "Prior year" ADP test

☐ "Current year" ADP test

☐ N/A

**22** If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q703066A.

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| <div>SCHEDULE MEP<br/>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> | <div>MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER RETIREMENT<br/>PLAN INFORMATION</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the<br/>Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and<br/>Section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code)</div> <div>► File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> | <div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2025</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public<br/>Inspection</div> |
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|                                                                                                 |                                          |     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----|
| For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 08/31/2025      |                                          |     |
| A Name of plan<br>ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN                                                | B Three-digit<br>Plan number (PN)..... ► | 001 |
|                                                                                                 |                                          |     |
| C Plan administrator's name as shown on line 3a of Form 5500/Form 5500-SF<br>THE ALLIANCE GROUP | D Administrator's EIN<br>91-1858530      |     |

|        |                                                                                            |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Part I | Type of Multiple-Employer Pension Plan. All multiple-employer pension plans must complete. |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

1 Check the appropriate box to indicate type of multiple-employer pension plan. (Only defined contribution plans may check lines 1a, 1b, and 1c. Defined benefit plans and defined contribution plans not checking lines 1a, 1b, or 1c should check line 1d. See Instructions).

a ☐ association retirement plan (See 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)

b ☒ professional employer organization plan (PEO Plan) (See 29 CFR 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)

c ☐ pooled employer plan (PEP) (See 29 CFR 2510.3-44) (Complete Parts II and III)

d ☐ other multiple-employer pension plan (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_ (Complete Part II)

|         |                                     |
|---------|-------------------------------------|
| Part II | Participating Employer Information. |
|---------|-------------------------------------|

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|                                                          |                      |                                                                   |                                                                              |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>CALABRETTO BUILDING | 2b EIN<br>20-5029827 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions<br>for the Plan Year<br>1.50 | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable<br>to Participating Employer<br>0 |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>ACCESS COMMERCIAL   | 2b EIN<br>26-0671021 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions<br>for the Plan Year<br>0.00 | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable<br>to Participating Employer<br>0 |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                           |    |                                                                     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2e Does the plan include any individuals not participating through an employer or who are individual working owners?                                                                      | 2e | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2f If you answer "Yes" in line 2e, enter a good faith estimate of the percentage of total contributions made by all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a during the plan year. | 2f |                                                                     |
| 2g If you answer "Yes" in Line 2e, enter the aggregate account balances for all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a.                                                          | 2g |                                                                     |

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| 2a Name of Participating Employer                                      | 2b EIN               | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year          | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ANEQUIM                                                                | 81-2093810           | 5.50                                                            | 0                                                                         |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>APOGEE ADVISORS                   | 2b EIN<br>46-3623619 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br>1.40  | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br>0 |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>BEAUTIFUL JOURNEY, LLC            | 2b EIN<br>90-0993725 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br>1.20  | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br>0 |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>BLUESTONE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC | 2b EIN<br>41-2102264 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br>10.40 | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br>0 |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>CERFIED PROPERTY MANAGEMENT       | 2b EIN<br>20-4075381 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br>0.00  | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br>0 |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>RESTORE MAX                       | 2b EIN<br>20-1717635 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br>0.70  | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br>0 |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>RINGENBERG & RATTNER              | 2b EIN<br>84-4267888 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br>2.80  | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br>0 |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>THE ALLIANCE GROUP                | 2b EIN<br>91-1858530 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br>0.00  | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br>0 |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer<br>THE COUNTRY CLUB OF LINCOLN       | 2b EIN<br>47-0134590 | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br>0.00  | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br>0 |

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|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CLASSIC MARBLE & FIBERGLASS       | 26-1603659 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer | 2b EIN     | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer |
| COLLEGE WORLD SERIES, INC.        | 47-6042402 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer | 2b EIN     | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer |
| J DEVELOPMENT                     | 82-1668778 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer | 2b EIN     | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer |
| CUSTOM PACK, INC.                 | 47-0530324 | 1.10                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer | 2b EIN     | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer |
| DANTE'S PIZZERIA                  | 26-2812860 | 0.30                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer | 2b EIN     | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer |
| ELIZABETH DUNKLEBERGER DDS        | 20-3117520 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer | 2b EIN     | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer |
| FIRSTAR FIBER                     | 84-1442015 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer | 2b EIN     | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer |
| FREMONT THERAPY & WELLNESS        | 82-1081572 | 4.20                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| 2a Name of Participating Employer | 2b EIN     | 2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year | 2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer |
| FUSION BOILER WORKS               | 26-4820623 | 0.80                                                   | 0                                                                    |

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|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HOMAHA SENIOR CARE                | 82-4724868 | 1.30                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| JOE'S KARTING                     | 27-0284650 | 4.30                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| INSPECTIX                         | 82-1125666 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| LEIBMAN FINANCIAL SERVICES        | 47-0826544 | 5.20                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| THE GREEN SPOT                    | 45-1058334 | 2.40                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| URBAN DEVELOPMENT                 | 26-1562366 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| VONDRA DENTAL                     | 27-5486161 | 6.90                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| BELLING DENTAL                    | 32-0226455 | 1.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| WALNUT CREEK FAMILY DENTISTRY     | 83-2108917 | 0.30                                                   | 0                                                                    |

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| WAY TO STAY HOMECARE              | 82-2949102 | 1.40                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MAXON REPAIR GROUP                | 83-0597580 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MCGILL BROTHERS, INC.             | 47-0770132 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MCGILL LAW                        | 27-4831202 | 4.90                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MC SHEETS DDS PC                  | 87-1130013 | 3.90                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MILLARD FAMILY EYECARE            | 47-0766558 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| HUSKER POWER PRODUCTS             | 47-0805197 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MICHAEL THORFINNSON DDS           | 47-0603332 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| WOOD RIVER ENERGY                 | 46-4484599 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |

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|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| MITCHELL & ASSOCIATES             | 47-0685851 | 8.40                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MOBILE ON DEMAND                  | 20-4826845 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MONTAGE BUILDERS                  | 47-4753955 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| MRK                               | 47-0799026 | 5.10                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| OMAHA BY DESIGN                   | 45-4457803 | 1.70                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| OMAHA COUNTRY CLUB                | 47-0258920 | 19.80                                                  | 0                                                                    |
| MILLARD FAMILY DENTAL             | 83-1821050 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| LORDS LAMBS                       | 36-4845232 | 0.40                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| OUTDOOR LIVING                    | 20-8399922 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |

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|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PAIN CENTER OF THE MIDLANDS       | 47-4758885 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| RENEWABLE FUELS                   | 51-0672623 | 1.70                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| QUALITY CLINICAL RESEARCH         | 20-4024182 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| PONDEROSA VISION                  | 84-1217081 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| PRIORITY GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS     | 30-0921695 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| PRIORITY TECHNOLOGIES, INC.       | 47-0798739 | 0.00                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| YORCMO                            | 86-1313317 | 0.20                                                   | 0                                                                    |
| FIRST MANAGEMENT                  | 47-0803198 | 1.20                                                   | 0                                                                    |
|                                   |            |                                                        |                                                                      |

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| <b>Part III</b> | <b>Pooled Employer Plan Information</b> |
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**Line 3.** All Pooled employer plans must answer all of the questions in Part III, in addition to completing all of Parts I and II.

**3a** Is the pooled plan provider (identified as the plan sponsor and administrator in Part II of the Form 5500) currently in compliance with the Form PR (Pooled Plan Provider Registration Statement) requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-44)..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

**3b** If line 3a is "Yes", enter the ACK ID for the most recent Form PR that was required to be filed under the Form PR filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid ACK ID will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)  
ACK ID \_\_\_\_\_

# Alliance Group

## Retirement Plan



**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**AUGUST 31, 2025**



# ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AUGUST 31, 2025

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Administrator, Plan Management and Participants  
Alliance Group Retirement Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of the Alliance Group 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 August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the eight months ended August 31, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of Alliance Group 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 a qualified institution as of August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024, and for the eight months ended August 31, 2025, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

### *Opinion*

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the 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 Alliance Group 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 Alliance Group Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 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 the Alliance Group 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 Alliance Group 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 Schedules Required by ERISA***

The supplemental schedule: Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are 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 schedules, 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 schedules 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 schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are 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 schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedules related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

***Other Matter — Plan Liquidation***

During 2025, the Plan was discontinued, and all Plan assets were transferred to the Vensure Employer Services, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan.

*Skibbie CPA pc.*

February 3, 2026

## ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN

### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AUGUST 31, 2025, AND DECEMBER 31, 2024

|                                   | <u>8/31/25</u> | <u>12/31/25</u> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| ASSETS                            |                |                 |
| Cash                              | \$ -           | \$ 16,762       |
| Investments at fair value         | -              | 21,555,876      |
| RECEIVABLES                       |                |                 |
| Employer contributions            | -              | 50,286          |
| Employee contributions            | -              | 13,119          |
| Participant notes receivable      | -              | 123,869         |
| TOTAL RECEIVABLES                 | -              | 187,274         |
| NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS | \$ -           | \$ 21,759,912   |

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE EIGHT MONTHS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2025

|                                                       |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| ADDITIONS                                             |              |
| Additions to net assets attributable to:              |              |
| Participant contributions                             | \$ 698,509   |
| Employer contributions                                | 276,065      |
| Rollover contributions                                | 64,695       |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments         | 1,806,357    |
| Interest income on notes receivable from participants | 5,031        |
| TOTAL ADDITIONS                                       | 2,850,657    |
| DEDUCTIONS                                            |              |
| Deductions to net assets attributable to:             |              |
| Benefits paid to participants                         | 2,754,4418   |
| Administrative expenses                               | 2,895        |
| Corrective distributions                              | 10,709       |
| TOTAL DEDUCTIONS                                      | 2,768,022    |
| NET INCREASE (DECREASE)                               | 82,635       |
| TRANSFERS To (From) the PLAN                          | (21,842,547) |
| NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS                     |              |
| Beginning of year                                     | 21,759,912   |
| End of year                                           | \$ -         |

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

## ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN

### Notes to Financial Statements

#### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Alliance Group Retirement Plan (the “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 was a defined contribution plan covering all employees, with the exclusion of Union employees and Nonresident aliens of The Alliance Group (hereafter referred to as the “Company”) and the employer organizations who had adopted the Plan (see “Participating Employer” as described below), who had met the eligibility requirements established by their respective Participating Employer. Entry dates were the first day of the Plan year quarter. The Plan was established on April 1, 2001, and was subject to the provisions of the Employment Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) as amended.

The Plan was a “multiple employer” plan as described in Section 413(c) of the Internal Revenue Code (the “Code”). The Company is a Professional Employer Organization (PEO) and provides payroll processing and human resource services to its clients. Each client of the Company had the option of adopting this plan for the benefit of its employees. A client that adopted this plan was known as a “Participating Employer”. Each Participating Employer established its eligibility requirements relating to age and length of service for its employees in accordance with the provisions of the Plan and the Code.

A client that did not adopt this plan may adopt its own retirement plan. Any client adopting its own retirement plan was subject to its plan’s regulations and not those of this Plan. Therefore, their plan information was not included in these financial statements.

##### *Contributions*

Each year, participants could contribute pre-tax deferrals or Roth (after-tax) deferrals up to the dollar limit set by law and as defined in the Plan. Participants who attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year were eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants also could contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans (rollover contributions).

The Plan did not include auto-enrollment provisions. Eligible employees had to enroll if they wished to participate in the Plan.

The Company and each participating employer could elect to make matching, safe harbor, profit sharing, or other discretionary contributions to the Plan.

Participant and Company contributions were invested as directed by the participant in investment options offered by the Plan.

## ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN

### Notes to Financial Statements

#### 1. Description of Plan (continued...)

##### *Plan termination*

During 2025, the Plan was discontinued, and all Plan assets were transferred to the Vensure Employer Services, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan.

##### *Participant accounts*

Participants directed their account balance into various investment options offered by the Plan. Participant accounts were credited with the participant's contributions, the Participating Employer's contributions, if any, and investment earnings and/or losses and charged with the participant's benefit payments and applicable transactions charges, which were considered administrative expenses. Allocations were based on participant compensation, deferrals, or the earnings and losses of the participant's account balances, as defined. Income was allocated daily based on the number of shares or units in the participant's account. The benefit to which a participant was entitled was the benefit that could be provided from the participant's vested account.

##### *Vesting*

Participants were immediately vested in their contributions and Company or Participating employer's safe harbor contributions plus actual earnings on the contributions. Vesting in the Company's matching and discretionary contribution portion of their accounts plus actual earnings thereon was based on years of continuous service. A participant was 100 percent vested after meeting the service requirement established by the participating employer not to exceed the ERISA maximum of 6 years or attaining the retirement age of 65, or upon death or disability.

##### *Notes receivable from participants*

Participants could borrow from the vested portion of their account balance a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum of the lesser of \$50,000 or 50 percent of their account balance. The loans were secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at the Prime Lending Rate plus 1% determined as of the date of the loan request or such other rate of interest as would be commercially reasonable. Principal and interest were paid ratably through payroll deductions.

##### *Payment of benefits*

On termination of service, death, disability or retirement, a participant, or their beneficiary, could elect to receive distributions under the Plan, made in lump-sums. Participant consent was required only if the distribution was over \$5,000. In-service withdrawals could be taken after attaining age 59-1/2. Withdrawals could also be made in conjunction with IRS hardship distribution regulations.

##### *Forfeited accounts*

Forfeited nonvested accounts could be used to pay plan administrative expenses and/or used to reduce the Company's or the Participating Employers' matching or discretionary contributions. Forfeited account balances were \$ 0 and \$11,859 as of August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024, respectively.

## ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN

### Notes to Financial Statements

#### 2. Summary of Accounting Policies

##### *Basis of Accounting and Use of Estimates.*

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires Plan management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

##### *Investment Valuation and Income Recognition.*

Plan investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. 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 (depreciation) includes gains and losses on investments purchased and sold as well as held during the year.

##### *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 an accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed as incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024. Delinquent participant loans are recorded as distributions based upon the terms of the Plan documents.

##### *Payment Benefits.*

Benefits are recorded when paid, except for material corrective distributions which are accrued during the year in which the originating contributions were made. The Plan does not accrue non-distributed benefits related to participants who have withdrawn from the Plan.

##### *Expenses.*

Plan expenses paid directly by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Fees charged directly to participant accounts are included in administrative expenses. Investment-related expenses are included in net appreciation of the fair value of investments.

##### *Subsequent Events.*

Plan management has evaluated events and transactions that occurred between August 31, 2025, and February 3, 2026, which is the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, for possible recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

## **ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN**

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **3. Information Certified by the Plan Custodian**

Plan management has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, all investments and notes receivable from participants reported in the accompanying Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits as of August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024, and the supplemental Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of August 31, 2025, and the related investment activity reported in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits for the eight months ended August 31, 2025 has been reported to the Plan and certified as complete and accurate by the Plan's custodian, John Hancock Life Insurance Company.

#### **4. Fair Value Measurements**

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under Topic 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.
- 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.

## ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN

### Notes to Financial Statements

#### 4. Fair Value Measurements (continued...)

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024.

*Pooled separate accounts.* Investments in pooled separate accounts are valued using the unadjusted NAV as of the reporting date, which is the basis for current transactions. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. Pooled separate accounts are valued based on the underlying investments (i.e., common stock, mutual funds, and short-term securities) in the separate account as reported by Principal Financial Group. While the majority of the underlying assets values are based on quoted prices, NAV of the pooled separate accounts are not publicly quoted.

*Collective Trust Funds:* Valued at the NAV of the units held by the Plan at year-end. The NAV, as provided by the trustee/custodian, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV. Participant transactions (issuances and redemptions) may occur daily. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the collective trust, the issuer reserves the right to require advance notification to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner as discussed below.

*John Hancock Stable Value Fund.* A stable value fund that is composed primarily of fully benefit-responsive investment contracts that is valued at the net asset value of units of the bank collective trust. The net asset value is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported net asset value. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the collective trust, the issuer reserves the right to require 12 months' notification in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

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

## ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN

### Notes to Financial Statements

#### 4. Fair Value Measurements (continued...)

The fair value of the Plan's participant-directed investments as of August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024, are set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy in the table below. Classification within the fair value hierarchy table is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

| <u>8/31/2025</u>                         | <u>Level 1</u> | <u>Level 2</u> | <u>Level 3</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Pooled Separate Accts                    | -              | -              | -              | -            |
| Total assets in the fair value hierarchy | -              | -              | -              | -            |
| Investments measured at net asset value* |                |                |                |              |
| Investments at fair value                | -              | -              | -              | -            |

  

| <u>12/31/2024</u>                        | <u>Level 1</u> | <u>Level 2</u> | <u>Level 3</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Pooled Separate Accts                    |                | 21,542,333     |                | 21,542,333   |
| Total assets in the fair value hierarchy | -              | 21,542,333     | -              | 21,542,333   |
| Investments measured at net asset value* |                |                |                | 13,543       |
| Investments at fair value                | -              | 21,542,333     | -              | 21,555,876   |

Certain investments that are measured at fair value using the NAV per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient as of August 31, 2025.

| <u>Fund</u>                    | <u>Fair Value</u> | <u>Unfunded<br/>Commitments</u> | <u>Redemption<br/>Frequency</u> | <u>Redemption<br/>Notice<br/>Period</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| John Hancock Stable Value Fund | -0-               | N/A                             | Daily                           | N/A                                     |

There are no participant redemption restrictions for these investments; the redemption notice period is applicable only to the Plan.

## **ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN**

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **5. Investments Recorded at Contract Value**

The Plan did not hold any investments recorded at contract value as of August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024.

#### **6. Rollover Contributions**

The Plan accepted a rollover, provided the rollover did not jeopardize the tax-exempt status of the Plan or create adverse tax consequences for the Employer. The amounts rolled over were separately accounted for in a "Participant's Rollover Account." For purposes of this Section, the term Participant included any Eligible Employee who was not yet a Participant.

#### **7. Related-Party Transactions and Party-in-Interest Transactions**

Certain Plan investments are shares of pooled separate accounts managed by John Hancock Life Insurance Company, the custodian, as defined by the Plan. Fees incurred within these investments qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Investment fees paid to parties-in-interest are netted against investment returns.

During 2024 and 2025, fees were also paid to Benefit Plans, Inc., Wealth Plan Investment Management LLC, and Skibbie CPA Inc. for their advisory and administrative services to the Plan. These fees amounted to \$315,822 for 2024 and \$60,281 for 2025 and are netted against investment returns. These fees included investment fees, third party administrative fees, and other professional service fees, and are based on customary charges as agreed upon by the Plan. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions for which there is a statutory exemption. Certain administrative functions are performed by officers or employees of the Plan's sponsor. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan.

#### **8. Tax Status**

Although the Plan has not received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service, it has adopted a pre-approved Prototype Plan. The Plan has been amended and the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified and that the related trust is tax-exempt.

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/DOL. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of August 31, 2025, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken. The Plan has recognized no interest or penalties related to uncertain tax positions.

## **ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN**

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **9. 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 statement of net assets available for benefits.

#### **10. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500**

Certain differences may exist between the recording of accruals for financial reporting purposes and IRS/Department of Labor's (DOL) Form 5500 purposes. There were no such differences as of August 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024, or for the eight months ended August 31, 2025.

#### **11. Transfers to/from other plans**

New participating employers transferring from other plans and employers terminating participation in the Plan are reflected as net transfers to other plans in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. An entity can become a participating employer in the Plan under certain terms and conditions as permitted by the Plan. A participating employer could at any time elect to terminate its participation in the Plan as set forth in the Plan document. For the eight months ended August 31, 2025, total transfers out of the Plan were \$21,842,547.

#### **12. Plan termination**

During 2025, the Plan was discontinued, and all Plan assets were transferred to the Vensure Employer Services, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan.

## **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

**ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN**

Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of the Period)

AUGUST 31, 2025

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| (b) Identity of issue, borrower,<br>(a) lessor, or similar party |  | (c) Description of investment | (d)<br>Cost | (e) Current<br>value |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
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None...

Total Assets Held

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| <b>Form 5500</b><br><br>Department of the Treasury<br>Internal Revenue Service<br><br>Department of Labor<br>Employee Benefits Security<br>Administration<br><br>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | <b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b><br><br>This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).<br><br>▶ <b>Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</b> | OMB Nos. 1210-0110<br>1210-0089<br><br><b>2025</b><br><br><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b> |
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| <b>Part I</b>                                                                                          | <b>Annual Report Identification Information</b>                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 08/31/2025             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>A</b> This return/report is for:                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) |
|                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan <input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) _____                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>B</b> This return/report is:                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the final return/report                                                                                                                    |
|                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)                                                                                     |
| <b>C</b> If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ....                                | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>D</b> Check box if filing under:                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 5558 <input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension <input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program                                                                                                       |
|                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description) _____                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>E</b> If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. .... | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| <b>Part II</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Basic Plan Information</b> —enter all requested information |
| <b>1a</b> Name of plan<br>ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001                   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>1c</b> Effective date of plan<br>04/01/2001                 |
| <b>2a</b> Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan)<br>Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)<br>City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)<br>THE ALLIANCE GROUP<br><br>1475 South Prince Road<br><br>Chandler AZ 85286 | <b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>91-1858530   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number<br>(813) 724-3780    |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions)<br>561300           |

**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.

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| <b>SIGN HERE</b> |  | 3/3/2026 | J.J. Hutzenbiler                                             |
|                  | Signature of plan administrator                                                     | Date     | Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator       |
| <b>SIGN HERE</b> |                                                                                     |          |                                                              |
|                  | Signature of employer/plan sponsor                                                  | Date     | Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor |
| <b>SIGN HERE</b> |                                                                                     |          |                                                              |
|                  | Signature of DFE                                                                    | Date     | Enter name of individual signing as DFE                      |

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# **ALLIANCE GROUP RETIREMENT PLAN**

Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of the Period)

AUGUST 31, 2025

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| (a) | (b) Identity of issue, borrower,<br>lessor, or similar party | (c) Description of investment | (d)<br>Cost | (e) Current<br>value |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
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None...

Total Assets Held

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