

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

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan LOCAL 455 DEATH BENEFIT FUND
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 501
1c	Effective date of plan 01/01/1985
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) LOCAL 455 DEATH BENEFIT FUND 1301 LORIENT STREET ST. PAUL, MN 55117
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 36-3354233
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 651-455-0455
2d	Business code (see instructions) 238290

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	05/15/2026	SCOTT SEATH
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 1747
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1) 1150 6a(2) 1204 6b 415 6c 192 6d 1811 6e 6f 6g(1) 6g(2) 6h
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7

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

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

4L

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ 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 _____
- (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 _____

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2025 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
	For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025	
	A Name of plan LOCAL 455 DEATH BENEFIT FUND	B Three-digit plan number (PN) 501
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 LOCAL 455 DEATH BENEFIT FUND	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 36-3354233	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		
1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.			
Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	96585	77329
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	215074	289559
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
1e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
1f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	311659	366888

Liabilities

1g Benefit claims payable	1g		
1h Operating payables	1h		
1i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
1j Other liabilities	1j		
1k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k		

Net Assets

1l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	311659	366888
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)		
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	54353	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B), (C), and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		54353
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	100	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		100
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	8301	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B), and (C)	2b(2)(D)		8301
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		18657
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		81411

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	25000	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		25000
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	913	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	269	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		1182
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		26182

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		55229
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **NOVAK FRANCELLO, LLC**

(2) EIN: **61-1436956**

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

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

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

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

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

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

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

U.A. PIPEFITTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL UNION 455
DEATH BENEFIT FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2025

U.A. PIPEFITTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL UNION 455
DEATH BENEFIT FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Participants and Trustees of the
U.A. Pipefitters Association Local Union 455
Death Benefit Fund

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the U.A. Pipefitters Association Local Union 455 Death Benefit Fund (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits - modified cash basis as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits - modified cash basis for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the years then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 2.

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 the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to that matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note 2, and for determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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 is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all Plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Report on Supplemental Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental Schedule of Assets Held at End of Year and Schedule of Reportable Transactions are referred to as "supplemental information," are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The supplemental Schedule of Assets Held at End of Year and Schedule of Reportable Transactions are supplemental information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Supplemental information is the responsibility of the Plan's management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the 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.

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

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

Novak Francella LLC

Columbia, Maryland
May 4, 2026

**U.A. PIPEFITTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL UNION 455
DEATH BENEFIT FUND**

**STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS
AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS**

DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
ASSETS		
CASH - dividend bearing	<u>\$ 73,990</u>	<u>\$ 94,589</u>
INVESTMENTS - at fair value		
Exchange traded funds	289,559	215,074
Sweep deposit account	<u>3,339</u>	<u>1,996</u>
Total investments	<u>292,898</u>	<u>217,070</u>
Total assets	<u>366,888</u>	<u>311,659</u>
NET ASSETS		
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u><u>\$ 366,888</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 311,659</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

U.A. PIPEFITTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL UNION 455
DEATH BENEFIT FUND

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
ADDITIONS		
Contributions	\$ 54,353	\$ 45,504
Interest and dividends	8,401	6,553
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	<u>18,657</u>	<u>10,628</u>
Total additions	<u>81,411</u>	<u>62,685</u>
DEDUCTIONS		
Benefits paid to beneficiaries	25,000	42,500
Administrative expenses	<u>1,182</u>	<u>-</u>
Total deductions	<u>26,182</u>	<u>42,500</u>
NET INCREASE	55,229	20,185
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS		
Beginning of year	<u>311,659</u>	<u>291,474</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$ 366,888</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 311,659</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

U.A. PIPEFITTERS ASSOCIATES LOCAL UNION 455
DEATH BENEFIT FUND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The Local 455 Death Benefit Fund (the Plan), has been established by the United Association of Pipefitters-Steamfitters Local 455 (the Local), to provide death benefits to families and beneficiaries of its members.

Any member of the Local in good standing, active or retired, is eligible for benefits at the time of death. A benefit of \$2,500, is payable to the designated beneficiary at the time of the members death. In the case of accidental death the benefit is \$5,000. The accidental coverage applies only to the active (working) members of the Local.

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Method of Accounting - The financial statements are prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Except for assets and liabilities which arise from cash transactions and investments, revenue is recognized when received rather than when earned. Expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred.

Valuation of Investments and Recognition of Income - Investments in exchange traded funds and sweep deposit accounts are presented at fair value, and changes in market value during the year are recognized as a component of investment income. The fair value of investments in exchange traded funds and sweep deposit accounts are determined by quoted market prices or net asset value of the fund as reported by the investment custodian.

NOTE 3. FUNDING POLICY

Benefits are funded through members' dues pursuant to the Local Bylaws with the rate established by the Plan Trustees.

NOTE 4. TAX STATUS

The Plan obtained its latest determination letter on September 10, 1985, in which the Internal Revenue Service stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements under section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code. Plan management believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

NOTE 4. TAX STATUS (continued)

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 U.S. Federal, state, or local taxing authorities. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. Typically, plan tax years will remain open for three years; however, this may differ depending upon the circumstances of the Plan.

Management evaluated the Plan's tax positions and concluded that the Plan has not taken any position that would impede a finding by the IRS and that the Trust funding the plan is exempt from federal income tax. Therefore, no provision or liability for income taxes has been included in the financial statements.

NOTE 5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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

Basis of Fair Value Measurement:

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's 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 maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

NOTE 5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. In such instances, the transfer is reported at the beginning of the reporting period.

For the year ended December 31, 2025, there were no transfers in or out of levels 1, 2, or 3.

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2025			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Exchange traded funds	\$ 289,559	\$ 289,559	\$ -	\$ -
Sweep deposit account	3,339	3,339	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 292,898</u>	<u>\$ 292,898</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2024			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Exchange traded funds	\$ 215,074	\$ 215,074	\$ -	\$ -
Sweep deposit account	1,996	1,996	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 217,070</u>	<u>\$ 217,070</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Contributions to the Plan are remitted by the Local each month. During the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, the Local remitted \$54,353 and \$45,505, respectively, to the Plan. Certain administrative expenses are paid by the Local on behalf of the Plan.

NOTE 7. PRIORITIES UPON TERMINATION

It is the intent of the Trustees to continue the Plan in full force and effect; however, unless modified by the Trustees, the Plan shall terminate only in the event that the Local ceases to exist for any reason, including, but not limited to, merger with another International or Local Union or revocation of the Local's charter. In the event that the Local ceases to exist, the assets of the Plan shall be payable immediately on a pro rata basis to all current members in good standing at the time the Local ceases to exist.

NOTE 8. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through May 4, 2026, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and they have been evaluated in accordance with relevant accounting standards.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

U.A. PIPEFITTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL UNION 455
DEATH BENEFIT FUND

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD AT END OF YEAR

DECEMBER 31, 2025

Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i

EIN: 36-3354233
Plan No: 501

(a)	(b)	(c)			(d)	(e)
	Issuer, Borrower	Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value			Cost	Current Value
		Type	Shares/ Principal	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	
		<u>Exchange traded funds:</u>				
	Ishares Core MSCI	ETF	114			\$ 5,857 \$ 7,663
	Ishares Core MSCI EAFE	ETF	185			13,317 16,550
	Ishares Core S&P Mid Cap	ETF	174			9,863 11,484
	Ishares Core S&P Small	ETF	100			10,550 12,018
	Ishares Iboxx High Yield	ETF	208			16,154 16,771
	Ishares US Treasury Bond	ETF	2,210			49,972 50,885
	Vanguard High Dividend	ETF	143			16,644 20,523
	Vanguard S&P 500	ETF	81			38,482 50,798
	Vanguard Short Term Cor	ETF	298			23,097 23,760
	Vanguard Total Bond	ETF	1,068			77,131 79,107
		Total exchange traded funds			261,067	289,559
		<u>Sweep deposit account:</u>				
	Schwab Premier Bank		3,339			3,339 3,339
		Total investments			264,406	292,898
	<u>Reconciliation to Form 5500</u>					
		<u>Cash-dividend bearing:</u>				
	Checking account		29,972	0.05 %		29,972 29,972
	Savings account		44,018	0.15		44,018 44,018
		Total cash-dividend bearing			73,990	73,990
		Total investments per Form 5500			\$ 338,396	\$ 366,888

U.A. PIPEFITTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL UNION 455
DEATH BENEFIT FUND

SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i

EIN: 36-3354233
Plan No.: 501

(a) Identity of Party Involved	(b) Description	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset	(i) Net Gain (Loss) on Transaction
	Vanguard Total Bond	\$ 20,703	N/A	\$ 20,703	\$ 20,703	N/A
	Vanguard Total Bond	N/A	\$ 2,922	2,873	2,922	\$ 49

THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WILL BE PLACED IN THE
ATTACHMENT FOR THE ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION

SEE ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION FOR SCHEDULE
OF ASSETS HELD

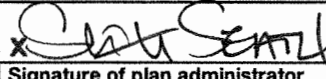
Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the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

Part II	Basic Plan Information - enter all requested information
1a Name of plan LOCAL 455 DEATH BENEFIT FUND	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 501
	1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1985
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) LOCAL 455 DEATH BENEFIT FUND 1301 L'ORIENT STREET ST. PAUL MN 55117	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 36-3354233 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 651-455-0455 2d Business code (see instructions) 238290

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

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

SIGN HERE		05.15.2020	SCOTT SEATH
	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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3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN
	3c Administrator's telephone number

4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
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5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	1747
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1), 6a(2), 6b, 6c, and 6d).		
a (1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	6a(1)	1150
a (2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2)	1204
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	6b	415
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c	192
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c	6d	1811
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	6e	
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	
g (1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(1)	
(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(2)	
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6h	
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	

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

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:
4L

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) ☐ Insurance	(1) ☐ Insurance
(2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) ☒ Trust	(3) ☒ Trust
(4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	(4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

- (1)** ☒ **H** (Financial Information)
(2) ☐ **I** (Financial Information - Small Plan)
(3) ☐ **A** (Insurance Information) - Number Attached ____
(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 _____

SEE ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION FOR SCHEDULE
OF FIVE PERCENT TRANSACTIONS