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.**

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1210-0089

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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.)
- [X] 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:
- [X] 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
RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

1c Effective date of plan 03/01/1966

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)
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

1201 SOUTH BECKHAM AVENUE
TYLER, TX 75701-3320

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
75-1848732

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number
903-531-7111

2d Business code (see instructions)
522110

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.	09/29/2026	KIM CHRISTIE
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	09/29/2026	KIM CHRISTIE
	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

RETIREMENT COMMITTEE

POST OFFICE BOX 6170
TYLER, TX 75711

3b Administrator's EIN: 75-1509678

3c Administrator's telephone number: 903-531-7111

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**	296
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)**	70
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	70
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	149
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	51
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	270
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	18
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	288
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)**	
g(2)	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(2)**	
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.	**6h**	0
7	Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	**7**	

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

1A 1I

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

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

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 0
- (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 SB (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**

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▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**

▶ **Caution:** A penalty of $1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.

A Name of plan
RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
75-1848732

E Type of plan: [X] Single [ ] Multiple-A [ ] Multiple-B

F Prior year plan size: [ ] 100 or fewer [X] 101-500 [ ] More than 500

Part I Basic Information

1 Enter the valuation date: Month 01 Day 01 Year 2025

2 Assets:

a Market value	**2a**	77488404
b Actuarial value	**2b**	78187825

3 Funding target/participant count breakdown

	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target	(3) Total Funding Target
a For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment	168	45073494	45073494
b For terminated vested participants	47	4705477	4705477
c For active participants	71	18677122	19302984
d Total	286	68456093	69081955

4 If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b) [ ]

a Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions	**4a**	
b Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor	**4b**	

5 Effective interest rate	**5**	5.33 %
6 Target normal cost		
a Present value of current plan year accruals	**6a**	0
b Expected plan-related expenses	**6b**	322000
c Target normal cost	**6c**	322000

Statement by Enrolled Actuary

To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

SIGN HERE

Signature of actuary

05/20/2026
Date

AUBREY STADTLANDER
Type or print name of actuary

26-07943
Most recent enrollment number

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP
Firm name

515-362-2138
Telephone number (including area code)

PO BOX 9394
DES MOINES, IA 50306-9394
Address of the firm

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions [ ]

Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances

		(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
7	Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year)	0	13007072
8	Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year)	0	0
9	Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8)	0	13007072
10	Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of 0.62 %	0	80644
11	Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
a	Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year)		0
b(1)	Interest on the excess, if any, of line 38a over line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's effective interest rate of 5.16 %		0
b(2)	Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return		0
c	Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance		0
d	Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance		0
12	Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections	0	4303846
13	Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d – line 12)	0	8783870

Part III Funding Percentages

14	Funding target attainment percentage	14	100.46 %
15	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage	15	113.18 %
16	Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement	16	101.80 %
17	If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage.	17	%

Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls

18 Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:

(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees
			Totals ► 18(b)	0	18(c) 0

19	Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:		
a	Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years	19a	0
b	Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date.	19b	0
c	Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date	19c	0

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

a Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? ☐ Yes ☐ No

c If line 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year

(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th

Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost

21 Discount rate:

	1st segment:	2nd segment:	3rd segment:	
a Segment rates:	5.00 %	5.27 %	5.50 %	☐ N/A, full yield curve used

b Applicable month (enter code)	**21b**	0
22 Weighted average retirement age	**22**	65

23 Mortality table(s) (see instructions) ☒ Prescribed - combined ☐ Prescribed - separate ☐ Substitute

Part VI Miscellaneous Items

24 Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☒ Yes ☐ No

25 Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☐ Yes ☒ No

26 Demographic and benefit information

a Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☒ Yes ☐ No

b Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ☐ Yes ☒ No

27 If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment	**27**	

Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years

28 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years	**28**	0
29 Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a)	**29**	0
30 Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29)	**30**	0

Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year

31 Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):

a Target normal cost (line 6c)	**31a**	322000
b Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a	**31b**	322000

32 Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance	Installment
a Net shortfall amortization installment	0	0
b Waiver amortization installment	0	0

33 If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____)_and the waived amount	**33**	
34 Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33)	**34**	0

	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance	Total balance
35 Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement	0	0	0

36 Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35)	**36**	0
37 Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c)	**37**	0
38 Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)		
a Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)	**38a**	0
b Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances	**38b**	0
39 Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37)	**39**	0
40 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years	**40**	0

Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)

41 If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. ☐ 2019 ☐ 2020 ☒ 2021

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500)	Service Provider Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**	**2025** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection.**

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B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
75-1848732

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).. . . . . [X] Yes [ ] No

b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

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

PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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

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

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

SAGEVIEW ADVISORY GROUP LLC

201 E JOHN CARPENTER FWY
IRVING, TX 75062

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
16 50	CONSULTANT	41200	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [ ]		Yes [ ] No [ ]

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

PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
13 50	CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR	241428	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [X] No [ ]		Yes [ ] No [ ]

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

HENRY & PETERS P.C.

75-4503978

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10 99	ACCOUNTANT	16000	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [ ]		Yes [ ] No [ ]

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
(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.	

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

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

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
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Employee Benefits Security Administration

DFE/Participating Plan Information

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2025

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B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
75-1848732

Part I **Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)**
(Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: BLACKROCK INTL EQ IND

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
52-2265229-001	C	2061110

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: BLACKROCK RUSSELL 2000

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
52-2265233-001	C	802358

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: BLACKROCK S&P MIDCAP I

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
52-2265235-001	C	1208401

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: BLACKROCK S&P 500 INDEX

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
94-3224211-001	C	4806611

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: MULTI MAN LIABILITY DR SOL I

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
30-6225619-001	C	36742681

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: MULTI MAN LIABILITY DR SOL II

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
80-6049172-001	C	31775822

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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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.)

a Plan name

b Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN

a Plan name

b Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN

a Plan name

b Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN

a Plan name

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a Plan name

b Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

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
RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
75-1848732

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)	4654	4034
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	1593921	1201377
(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)	75889829	77396983
(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)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d Employer-related investments:			
(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	77488404	78602394
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 through1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
1l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	77488404	78602394

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)		
(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)		0
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	40774	
(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)		40774
(2) Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		0
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	4835211	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	4835211	
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0
(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)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		5901148
(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)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		5941922
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	4499094	
(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)		4499094
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)	16000	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	7000	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	305838	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)**	2i(12)		328838
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		4827932
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		1113990
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) [X] 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)** [X] 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: HENRY & PETERS, P.C. **(2)** EIN: 75-1503978

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.)	4a		X	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X		15000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	4n			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? [ ] Yes [X] 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.) ..... [X] Yes [ ] No [ ] Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year 595440.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Retirement Plan Information

This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

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

OMB No. 1210-0110

2025

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For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

A Name of plan
RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
75-1848732

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 | 0

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

EIN(s): 42-0127290

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 | 0

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)? ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.

5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. **Date:** Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.

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

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

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

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

Part III Amendments

9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box. ..... ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☒ No

Part IV ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.

10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box* ☐ *and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify):

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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): _____

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

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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): _____

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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 ___/___/_____ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number_____.

RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Retirement Plan for the
Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc.
Tyler, Texas

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Retirement Plan for the Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc. (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, 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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) 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. 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 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements and supplemental schedules are prepared on 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 described in Note 2; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for 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.

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards, 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.

Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year), is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplemental information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such 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 audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

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

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

Henry & Peters, P.C.

Tyler, Texas
August 13, 2026

RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value	$ 80,245,762	$ 77,483,750
Total assets	80,245,762	77,483,750
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$ 80,245,762	$ 77,483,750

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:		
Investment income:		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$ 5,901,149	$ 263,157
Interest	41,393	299,907
Dividends	-	115,017
Total investment income	5,942,542	678,081
Other income	-	4,413
Total additions	5,942,542	682,494
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:		
Benefits paid to participants	4,499,094	4,295,640
Administrative expenses	328,838	262,985
Total deductions	4,827,932	4,558,625
Net increase (decrease)	1,114,610	(3,876,131)
Transfer in of Plan assets (Note 5)	1,647,402	-
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS		
Beginning of year	77,483,750	81,359,881
End of year	$ 80,245,762	$ 77,483,750

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the Retirement Plan for the Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc. (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

GENERAL

The Plan is a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering substantially all employees of Southside Bancshares, Inc. ("Company") and its subsidiary, Southside Bank ("Bank"), who have completed one year of service (at least 1,000 hours) and were hired prior to January 1, 2006. Individuals hired after December 31, 2005 are not eligible to participate in the Plan. Plan participants rehired after December 31, 2005 will not accrue additional benefits under the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Department of Labor's ("DOL") Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Effective December 31, 2020, the Plan was amended to discontinue the accrual of future benefits of all participants. As of December 31, 2020, credited service, covered compensation, and final average monthly compensation were each frozen for purposes of calculating retirement benefits.

The Plan's Administrator is made up of two committees appointed by the Board of Directors of the Company. The committees have overall responsibility for the operation and administration of the Plan. This includes determining the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitoring investment performance.

NORMAL RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Effective December 31, 2005, if a participant retires on their normal retirement date (age 65), they will receive a monthly benefit equal to the following, with formula (1) and formula (2) calculated and summed as described below:

Formula (1)	x	the fraction in which the numerator is their credited service ***as of*** 12/31/05 and the denominator is their total credited service at normal retirement date.
		Plus
Formula (2)	x	the fraction in which the numerator is their credited service ***after*** 12/31/05 and the denominator is their total credited service at normal retirement date.

Formula (1) is the amount equal to:

1. 2% of the participant's final average monthly compensation, multiplied by years of credited service, not to exceed 20 years; plus
2. 1% of the participant's final average monthly compensation, multiplied by years of credited service in excess of 20 years, if any; plus
3. 0.60% of that portion, if any, of the participant's final average monthly compensation that is in excess of the monthly covered compensation that applies, multiplied by the number of years of credited service not in excess of 35 years.

Formula (2) is the amount equal to:

1. 0.90% of the participant's final average monthly compensation, multiplied by years of credited service; plus
2. 0.54% of that portion of the participant's final average monthly compensation which exceeds their monthly covered compensation, multiplied by years of credited service not in excess of 35 years.

The final average monthly compensation and years of credited service amounts utilized in Formula (1) and Formula (2) are calculated as of December 31, 2020, the date the accrual of future benefits was frozen.

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN - CONTINUED

EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Vested participants who terminate service on or after September 1, 2014 can commence benefits before age 55 within the later of (i) September 1, 2016 or (ii) the first year anniversary of the date of termination of service. Any vested terminated participant is given the option to elect to commence payment of retirement benefits in a lump sum if their single-sum account value is $100,000 or less. Upon the attainment of age 55 and completion of 15 years of credited service or the attainment of age 60, a participant will be eligible for early retirement benefits. The early retirement benefit is calculated under the same formula as the normal retirement benefit except it is based on the participant's final average monthly compensation at their early retirement date, and it will be reduced by early retirement factors as set forth in the Plan document.

DISABILITY RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Active participants that become totally and permanently disabled are eligible to receive disability retirement benefits. Disability benefits are paid until normal retirement age at which time disabled participants begin receiving normal retirement benefits computed as though they had been employed to normal retirement age with their annual compensation remaining the same as at the time they became disabled.

VESTING

Participants who terminate employment after they are vested but before they are eligible for a retirement benefit are entitled to receive a vested benefit from the Plan starting at age 65 or may elect to start payments early, either within a one year time period after termination of service or any time after age 55. Benefits will be actuarially reduced for early payment. Participants become 100% vested in their plan benefit after completing five years of vesting service or reaching age 60.

PLAN TERMINATION

In the event the Plan terminates, the net assets of the Plan will be allocated, as prescribed by ERISA and its related regulations, generally to provide the following benefits in the order indicated:

1. Annuity benefits that former employees or their beneficiaries have been receiving for at least three years, or that employees eligible to retire for that three-year period would have been receiving if they had retired with benefits in the normal form of annuity under the Plan. The priority amount is limited to the lowest benefit that was payable (or would have been payable) during those three years. The amount is further limited to the lowest benefit that would be payable under Plan provisions in effect at any time during the five years preceding Plan termination.
2. Other vested benefits insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC), a U.S. government agency, up to the applicable limitations (discussed below).
3. All other vested benefits (that is, vested benefits not insured by the PBGC).
4. All nonvested benefits.

Certain benefits under the Plan are insured by the PBGC if the Plan terminates. Generally, the PBGC guarantees most vested normal age retirement benefits, early retirement benefits, and certain disability and survivor's pensions. However, the PBGC does not guarantee all types of benefits under the Plan, and the amount of benefit protection is subject to certain limitations. Vested benefits under the Plan are guaranteed at the level in effect on the date of the Plan's termination.

Whether all participants receive their benefits should the Plan terminate at some future time will depend on the sufficiency, at that time, of the Plan's net assets to provide for accumulated benefit obligations, and may also depend on the financial condition of the Plan sponsor and the level of benefits guaranteed by the PBGC.

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN - CONTINUED

FUNDING POLICY

Employee contributions are neither required nor allowed. The Plan's funding policy is for the Company to make annual contributions, as determined by the actuary in accordance with minimum required contributions under ERISA, in amounts such that all employees' benefits will be fully provided for by the time they retire. During 2025 and 2024, no contributions were made by the Company, based on minimum required contribution amounts computed by the Plan's actuary.

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA.

TRUSTEE

As trustee for the Plan, Principal is responsible for executing and recording approved transactions.

NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements of the Plan have been prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is modified with respect to investments, which are recorded at fair value.

Under this basis of accounting, revenue is recognized when received rather than earned, and expenses are recognized when paid rather than when incurred. Had the financial statements been prepared under the accrual basis of accounting, receivables, payables, revenues, and expenses would be reflected in the period in which they were considered to have been earned or incurred regardless of whether such transactions have been finally settled by the receipt or payment of cash.

INVESTMENT VALUATION AND INCOME RECOGNITION

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a settlement-date basis. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year. Interest income is recorded on the modified cash basis. Dividends are recorded on the pay date.

USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of the Plan's financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting requires the Plan Administrator to make significant estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and accumulated Plan benefits at the dates of the financial statements, the reported amounts of changes in net assets available for Plan benefits and accumulated Plan benefits during the reporting periods, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual amounts could differ from those estimates.

The Plan uses an actuary to determine the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits. A change in the actuarial assumptions used could significantly change the amount of the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits.

NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

PAYMENT OF BENEFITS

Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The Plan's expenses are paid either by the Plan or the Company, as provided by the Plan document. Expenses that are paid directly by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Certain expenses incurred in connection with the general administration of the Plan that are paid by the Plan are recorded as deductions in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis). In addition, certain investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments presented in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis).

NOTE 3 - 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 prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation method 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 need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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

Money market funds: Valued at the $1 per unit price as quoted by the financial institution and classified as interest-bearing cash. These investments are classified as Level 1 investments.

Collective investment trusts: The collective trusts are composed of investment contracts that are valued at the net asset value (NAV) of the units of the collective trust funds. The NAV, as provided by the trustee, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. For each account, the redemption frequency is daily with a 1-day notice period. There are currently no redemption restrictions or unfunded commitments.

NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS - CONTINUED

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2025 and 2024. Certain investments that are measured at fair value using the NAV per share (or its equivalent) as a practical expedient have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this footnote are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the statement of net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis).

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2025 Using:			
	Total	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Other Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Interest-bearing cash	$ 2,848,779	$ 2,848,779	$ -	$ -
Investments measured at NAV:				
Collective investment trusts	77,396,983			
Total	$ 80,245,762	$ 2,848,779	$ -	$ -

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2024 Using:			
	Total	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Other Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Interest-bearing cash	$ 1,593,921	$ 1,593,921	$ -	$ -
Investments measured at NAV:				
Collective investment trusts	75,889,829			
Total	$ 77,483,750	$ 1,593,921	$ -	$ -

Gains and losses (realized and unrealized) included in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024 are reported in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

The Plan's policy is to recognize transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 and into and out of Level 3 at the end of the reporting period. For the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3.

NOTE 4 - ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS

Accumulated Plan benefits are those future periodic payments that are attributable under the Plan's provisions to the service that participants have rendered as of the valuation date. Accumulated Plan benefits include benefits expected to be paid to (a) retired and terminated participants or their beneficiaries, (b) beneficiaries of deceased participants, and (c) present participants or their beneficiaries. Benefits under the Plan are generally based on employees' years of service and compensation levels.

The accumulated Plan benefits for active employees are estimated using their average monthly compensation for the highest consecutive five-year period prior to the valuation date. Benefits payable under all circumstances - retirement, death, disability, and termination of employment - are included, to the extent they are deemed attributable to employee service rendered to the valuation date.

The actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits is determined by an actuary and is that amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to adjust the accumulated Plan benefits to reflect the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as death, disability, withdrawal or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment. For the reporting periods ended January 1, 2025 and 2024, actuaries from Principal were utilized. The methodologies and assumptions utilized each period were consistent.

The actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits as of January 1, 2025 and 2024 is as follows:

	2025	2024
Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits:		
Vested benefits:		
Active participants	$ 20,311,691	$ 21,710,116
Participants currently receiving payments	46,241,375	45,473,210
Other participants	5,217,163	5,842,180
	71,770,229	73,025,506
Nonvested benefits	612,288	701,715
Total actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits	$ 72,382,517	$ 73,727,221

Changes in accumulated plan benefits for the year ended January 1, 2025 are as follows:

Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits, January 1, 2024	$ 73,727,221
Increase (decrease) during the year attributable to:	
Actuarial (gains)/losses	(629,344)
Decrease in the discount period	3,580,280
Benefits paid	(4,295,640)
Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits, January 1, 2025	$ 72,382,517

NOTE 4 - ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS - CONTINUED

The significant assumptions utilized in the January 1, 2025 actuarial computations are as follows:

Long-term rate of return:	5.25%
Discount rate:	5.00%
Mortality rates:	PRI-2012 mortality projected forward from 2012 using MP-2021 scale
Retirement age:	Age 65
Disability rates:	Wyatt 1985 Disability Study Class 1 unisex rates

Termination rates, as shown below for the representative ages by gender:

Attained Age	Males	Females
20	6.6%	6.6%
25	5.3%	5.3%
30	4.8%	4.8%
35	4.5%	4.5%
40	3.9%	3.9%
45	3.2%	3.2%
50	1.5%	1.5%
55	0.3%	0.3%
60 and over	0.0%	0.0%

Retirement rates, as shown below for the representative ages by gender:

Age	Males	Females
55-59	2%	2%
60	10%	10%
61	5%	5%
62	20%	20%
63-64	10%	10%
65	70%	70%
66-69	10%	10%
70	100%	100%

The foregoing actuarial assumptions are based upon the presumption that the Plan will continue. If the Plan were to terminate, different actuarial assumptions and other factors might be applicable in determining the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits.

NOTE 5 - PLAN RESTATEMENT AND MERGER

Subsequent to year end, the Plan was restated effective January 1, 2026. Amongst other changes to the Plan document, the restatement updated provisions to align with SECURE 2.0 Act, updated the lump-sum payment limit from $100,000 to $300,000, and changed disability benefits to be the same benefit as if participants terminated due to separation of service.

The restatement also included a supplement to the Plan document whereby, as of close of day on December 31, 2025, Southside Bancshares Inc. Defined Benefit Plan for Former Employees of OmniAmerican Bank ("OmniAmerican Plan") merged into the Plan and ceased to exist as a separate plan. Effective January 1, 2026, the ten active participants under the OmniAmerican Plan became participants under the Plan, and the benefits for those participants will be unchanged and paid from the Plan in accordance with provisions previously established by the OmniAmerican Plan. The estimated actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits transferred from the OmniAmerican Plan at January 1, 2026 was $566,993. On December 30, 2025, the OmniAmerican Plan transferred assets of $1,647,402 to the Plan, as reported on the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits. As of December 31, 2025, the transfer was still in transit and included in interest-bearing cash.

NOTE 6 - TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has determined and informed the Plan Administrator that the Plan is qualified and tax-exempt under the appropriate sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan Administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe the Plan is designed and is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

The preparation of the Plan's financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting requires the Plan Administrator to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) for any uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by tax authorities; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Plan's income tax returns for the past three years are subject to examination by tax authorities and may change upon examination.

NOTE 7 - RELATED PARTY AND PARTIES-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Parties-in-interest are defined under DOL regulations as any fiduciary to the Plan, any party rendering services to the Plan, the employer and certain others.

The Plan holds units of money market and collective investment trust funds issued and managed by Principal, the trustee. These investments qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

The Plan has a number of service providers. Such parties are parties-in-interest under ERISA and administrative expenses paid to these providers are party-in-interest transactions and reported on the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

NOTE 8 - 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 the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis).

Plan contributions are made, and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits are reported based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, inflation rates, and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term would be material to the financial statements.

NOTE 9 - RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO SCHEDULE H OF FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements at December 31, 2025 and 2024, to the Form 5500:

	2025	2024
Net assets available for benefits per financial statements	$ 80,245,762	$ 77,483,750
Add: Interest income receivable	4,034	4,654
Transfer in of Plan assets	(1,647,402)	-
Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	$ 78,602,394	$ 77,488,404

The following is a reconciliation of total additions to plan assets per the financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024 to the Form 5500:

	2025	2024
Total additions per financial statements	$ 5,942,542	$ 682,494
Change in interest income receivable	(620)	4,654
Total income per Form 5500	$ 5,941,922	$ 687,148

NOTE 10 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Plan Management has evaluated other subsequent events through August 13, 2026, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE:

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE SUBSIDIARIES OF
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES, INC.
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4(I) - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2025

(a)	(b) Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor or similar party	(c) Description of investment, including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Money Market Funds			
*	Principal	Short-Term Inv Fund A S1	$ 2,848,779	$ 2,848,779
	Collective Investment Trusts			
*	Principal	Blackrock International Equity Index CIT N; 55,878 units	1,613,259	2,061,110
*	Principal	Blackrock Russell 2000 Index CIT N; 12,172 units	651,507	802,358
*	Principal	Blackrock S&P Midcap Index CIT N; 13,179 units	1,036,375	1,208,401
*	Principal	Blackrock S&P 500 Index CIT N; 15,017 units	3,555,328	4,806,611
*	Principal	Multi-Manager Liability Driven CIT I; 2,008,302 units	33,406,476	36,742,681
*	Principal	Multi-Manager Liability Driven CIT II; 1,611,048 units	30,373,284	31,775,822
			$ 73,485,008	$ 80,245,762

* Investment considered a party-in-interest transaction.

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SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

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EIN 75 1848732
PLAN NUMBER 001
PLAN YEAR 01/01/2025 TO 12/31/2025

(A)	(B) Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor or similar party.	(C) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value.	(D) Cost	(E) Current Value
	PRINCIPAL	Common/Collective Trust BLACKROCK INTL EQ IND	$ 0.00	$ 2,061,110.15
	PRINCIPAL	Common/Collective Trust BLACKROCK RUSSELL 2000	$ 0.00	$ 802,358.08
	PRINCIPAL	Common/Collective Trust BLACKROCK S&P MIDCAP I	$ 0.00	$ 1,208,400.80
	PRINCIPAL	Common/Collective Trust BLACKROCK S&P 500 INDEX	$ 0.00	$ 4,806,611.14
	PRINCIPAL	Common/Collective Trust MULTI MAN LIABILITY DR SOL I	$ 0.00	$ 36,742,680.80
	PRINCIPAL	Common/Collective Trust MULTI MAN LIABILITY DR SOL II	$ 0.00	$ 31,775,822.01
	Transfer Business	Interest Bearing Cash Short Term Inv Fund	$ 0.00	$ 1,201,376.82

SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

Assumptions prescribed by law

Mortality

Before benefit payment period

IRS Prescribed Mortality - Optional Combined Table for Small Plans, male and female.

During benefit payment period

IRS Prescribed Mortality - Optional Combined Table for Small Plans, male and female.

Assumptions selected by actuary

Asset return

5.25% for the current plan year.

The asset return is developed as a weighted average rate based on the target asset allocation of the plan and the long-term capital market assumptions. The calculated return is on an arithmetic mean basis. For details, see the Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions link.

Expected expense

The expected expense included in target normal cost is an estimate based on prior year expenses paid from plan assets, with an updated estimate of PBGC premiums. This is the best estimate available of upcoming year's expenses.

Retirement

Active participants

Age	Probability of retirement
55-59	2%
60	10%
61	5%
62	20%
63-64	10%
65	70%
66-69	10%
70	100%

Inactive participants are assumed to retire at age 65.

This assumption was selected by your prior actuary. We believe this assumption is reasonable with the plan's design, and we will continue to monitor and make appropriate adjustments.

Disability

Wyatt 1985 Disability Study Class 1 unisex rates

This assumption was selected by your prior actuary. We believe this assumption is reasonable with the plan's design, and we will continue to monitor and make appropriate adjustments.

Marriage

100% married; husbands are 3 years older than wives.

This assumption was selected by your prior actuary. We believe this assumption is reasonable with the plan's design, and we will continue to monitor and make appropriate adjustments.

Withdrawal

Table T-3 less GAM51NM from the Actuary's Pension Handbook.

Selected rates of withdrawal are shown below:

Age	Rate of withdrawal	Age	Rate of withdrawal
20	6.6%	40	3.9%
25	5.3%	45	3.2%
30	4.8%	50	1.5%
35	4.5%	55	0.3%

This assumption was selected by your prior actuary. We believe this assumption is reasonable with the plan's design, and we will continue to monitor and make appropriate adjustments.

Form of benefit and basis

60% of active participants will elect a benefit paid in a lump sum at the assumed retirement ages. The remaining active participants will elect a monthly annuity on the normal form at the assumed retirement age.

Participants who are already terminated on the valuation date are assumed to receive their benefit on the normal form at age 65.

This assumption was selected by your prior actuary. We believe this assumption is reasonable with the plan's design, and we will continue to monitor and make appropriate adjustments.

Methods prescribed by law

Liability measure

Funding target is the present value of the benefits accrued on the valuation date.

Target normal cost is based on benefits expected to accrue during the current plan year and includes an estimate of plan expenses for the year.

Lump sum payments

Lump sum payments are valued using the plan's funding target interest rates as required, per IRS guidance. These rates could differ from actual plan lump sum rates.

Methods selected by plan sponsor

Asset method

The asset valuation method is prescribed by law for plans that elect to use a value other than market value.

For each of the preceding two years, an expected value of assets at the end of the year is compared to the end of year market value. The resulting gain or loss is recognized evenly over three plan years.

The expected value includes contributions, distributions, any deducted administrative expenses, and expected earnings (based on the lesser of the assumed interest rate or the maximum allowable rate). The deferred gains and losses are added to the current market value and then restricted to no more than 110% and no less than 90% of that market value.

When actual returns exceed the assumed return, the actuarial value of assets will lag below market value. The lag and the smoothing effect are limited since the value must be within 10% of market value.

Segment rates

24-month average with no weighting to prior law basis. Use rates where December is the last month included in the average.

PBGC premium basis

Variable rate premiums are calculated using census, market value of assets and the one-month average of corporate bond rates in effect on the valuation date. You elected this Standard interest method for the 01/01/2023 plan year and the method must be used for five years before a change can be made.

Segment 1 years 0-5	Segment 2 years 5-20	Segment 3 years 20+
4.65%	5.28%	5.63%

Methods elected by actuary

Retirees

Assets and liabilities for current and future retirees are included.

Vested benefits

A benefit is included in vested benefits if it meets the requirements under PBGC. The benefit is multiplied by the participant's vesting percentage applicable to each benefit on the valuation date.

The following ancillary benefits are always treated as nonvested: disability benefits payable to retirement age unless in pay status, pre-retirement death benefits in excess of the survivor annuity death benefit and post retirement death benefits for non-retired participants except as noted in the Plan provisions.

Assumptions and methods elected by actuary - plan accounting (ASC 960)

With the exceptions below, all assumptions and methods are the same as those used in determining your plan's regular funding target and target normal cost.

Mortality	Based on Pri-2012 Total dataset base rate mortality table projected generationally using MP-2021.
Mortality base rates	Before benefit payment period Employee amount-weighted, male and female During benefit payment period Retiree amount-weighted, male and female Contingent survivors – Contingent survivor amount-weighted, male and female after the original participant's death. Participants in pay status who cannot be identified as survivors use the same table as retirees. The Society of Actuaries (SOA) is an actuarial organization that periodically reviews mortality data and publishes mortality tables and improvement scales. In October 2019, the SOA released the Pri-2012 Mortality Tables for private-sector retirement plans in the U.S. The Pri-2012 report contains different sets of mortality tables based on complete dataset or various subsets. The Total dataset base rate table was selected based on information provided by the plan sponsor. Pri-2012 section 12.4. provided three approaches for designated beneficiaries in the calculation of joint-and-survivor annuities. We believe "Approach 2" is reasonable for this plan.
Mortality improvement	MP-2021 is the most recent improvement scale published by the SOA in October 2021. In selecting this assumption, we considered the other parameters available in the MIM-2021-v4 application tool issued by the SOA in October 2023 and consider the selections in MP-2021 reasonable. Based on the sponsor's input, plan experience does not show a need for long-term excess death or Covid death load adjustments.
Interest rate used to value liabilities	5.00% The interest rate used to value ASC 960 liabilities is developed as long-term expected geometric return on plan assets. Arithmetic expected return is calculated as the weighted average of broad asset classes' arithmetic returns of the plan's target asset allocation, and then converted to the geometric under lognormal distribution assumption. For details, see Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions link.

Treatment of administrative expenses	No adjustments are made for administrative expenses, either through a reduction in the discount rate or by calculating a present value of future expenses. Plan sponsors may change their administrative expense handling at any time. Our approach provides consistent handling of ASC 960 liabilities from year to year, whether expenses are paid with plan assets or directly by the employer. Note - expenses paid with plan assets are required to be included in funding normal cost. As a result, the plan is reimbursed annually through required funding. Exception – contributions are not required due to assets sufficiently in excess of liabilities to fund both expenses and normal cost. In this case, administrative expenses are taken from the excess assets.
Basis for lump sums	Interest rate Based on the three segment yield curve: 3.55%/3.95%/4.95% The plan document defines the lump sum interest rate based on IRC §417(e) rates which closely tie to the high quality corporate bond yields. According to our most recent study, the long-term expected yields for short/intermediate/long corporate bonds are 3.55%/3.95%/4.95%. For details, see Corporate AA yield in Table 3 of Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions link. Mortality We have selected the same mortality assumption for lump sum payments, but with a 50/50 blend of male and female total dataset base rates and mortality improvement scales. This reflects the IRS practice of defining lump sum mortality on a unisex basis.

SCHEDULE SB (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**

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2025

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For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**

▶ **Caution:** A penalty of $1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.

A Name of plan
Retirement Plan for the Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc.

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF
Southside Bancshares, Inc.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
75-1848732

E Type of plan: [X] Single [ ] Multiple-A [ ] Multiple-B

F Prior year plan size: [ ] 100 or fewer [X] 101-500 [ ] More than 500

Part I Basic Information

1 Enter the valuation date: Month 01 Day 01 Year 2025

2 Assets:

a Market value	**2a**	77488404
b Actuarial value	**2b**	78187825

3 Funding target/participant count breakdown

	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target	(3) Total Funding Target
a For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment	168	45073494	45073494
b For terminated vested participants	47	4705477	4705477
c For active participants	71	18677122	19302984
d Total	286	68456093	69081955

4 If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b) [ ]

a Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions	**4a**	
b Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor	**4b**	
5 Effective interest rate	**5**	5.33 %
6 Target normal cost		
a Present value of current plan year accruals	**6a**	0
b Expected plan-related expenses	**6b**	322000
c Target normal cost	**6c**	322000

Statement by Enrolled Actuary

To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

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Signature of actuary

05/20/2026

Date

Aubrey Stadtlander

Type or print name of actuary

2607943

Most recent enrollment number

Principal Financial Group

Firm name

515-362-2138

Telephone number (including area code)

PO Box 9394
Des Moines, IA 50306-9394

Address of the firm

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions [ ]

Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances

		(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
7	Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year)	0	13007072
8	Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year)	0	0
9	Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8)	0	13007072
10	Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of 0.62 %	0	80644
11	Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
a	Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year)		0
b(1)	Interest on the excess, if any, of line 38a over line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's effective interest rate of 5.16 %		0
b(2)	Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return		0
c	Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance		0
d	Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance		0
12	Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections	0	4303846
13	Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d – line 12)	0	8783870

Part III Funding Percentages

14	Funding target attainment percentage	14	100.46 %
15	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage	15	113.18 %
16	Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement	16	101.80 %
17	If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage.	17	%

Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls

18 Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:

(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees
			Totals ► 18(b)	0	18(c) 0

19	Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:		
a	Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years	19a	0
b	Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date.	19b	0
c	Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date	19c	0

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

a Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? ☐ Yes ☐ No

c If line 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year

(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th

Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost

21 Discount rate:

a Segment rates:	1st segment: 5.00 %	2nd segment: 5.27 %	3rd segment: 5.50 %	☐ N/A, full yield curve used

b Applicable month (enter code)	**21b**	0
22 Weighted average retirement age	**22**	65

23 Mortality table(s) (see instructions) ☒ Prescribed - combined ☐ Prescribed - separate ☐ Substitute

Part VI Miscellaneous Items

24 Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ☒ Yes ☐ No

25 Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ☐ Yes ☒ No

26 Demographic and benefit information

a Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ☒ Yes ☐ No

b Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ☐ Yes ☒ No

27 If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment	**27**	

Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years

28 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years	**28**	0
29 Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a)	**29**	0
30 Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29)	**30**	0

Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year

31 Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):

a Target normal cost (line 6c)	**31a**	322000
b Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a	**31b**	322000

32 Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance	Installment
a Net shortfall amortization installment	0	0
b Waiver amortization installment	0	0

33 If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____) and the waived amount	**33**	
34 Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33)	**34**	0

	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance	Total balance
35 Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement	0	0	0

36 Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35)	**36**	0
37 Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c)	**37**	0
38 Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)		
a Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)	**38a**	0
b Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances	**38b**	0
39 Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37)	**39**	0
40 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years	**40**	0

Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)

41 If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. ☐ 2019 ☐ 2020 ☒ 2021

The weighted average retirement age is weighted by the expected percentage of active participants retiring at each age. The retirement rate reflects only those participants who meet retirement eligibility. An active participant working past assumed retirement age is expected to retire at current age.

(1) Age	(2) Expected Active Headcount	(3) Retirement Rate	(4) Expected Retirements (2)*(3)	(5) Weighted Age (1)*(4)
55	33.3475	0.0200	0.6669	36.6822
56	35.3467	0.0200	0.7069	39.5883
57	34.2473	0.0200	0.6849	39.0419
58	35.1475	0.0200	0.7029	40.7710
59	35.9817	0.0200	0.7196	42.4585
60	40.7494	0.1000	4.0749	244.4965
61	36.0468	0.0500	1.8023	109.9427
62	37.6714	0.2000	7.5343	467.1258
63	32.5114	0.1000	3.2511	204.8219
64	30.6982	0.1000	3.0698	196.4686
65	29.0778	0.7000	20.3545	1,323.0399
66	10.5266	0.1000	1.0527	69.4754
67	12.3946	0.1000	1.2395	83.0435
68	12.0506	0.1000	1.2051	81.9442
69	11.7338	0.1000	1.1734	80.9630
70	10.4373	1.0000	10.4373	730.6087
71	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	71.0000
Total			59.6762	3,861.4721
Average				64.71

Schedule SB, Part V - Summary of Plan Provisions
Retirement Plan for the Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc.
EIN 75-1848732 Plan No. 001

This report reflects the maximum benefit limits under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 415 and maximum compensation limits under IRC Section 401 in effect on the first day of each plan year.

The following is a summary of plan provisions and does not alter the intent or meanings of the provisions contained in the contract or plan document. This report reflects the provisions of the plan signed 12/13/2012 including amendments through number 7.

Plan eligibility

Coverage

Employees hired after 12/31/2005 are not eligible to participate in the plan. All other employees are eligible to participate on the first day of the month coincident or next following the first anniversary of hire.

Normal retirement benefit

Age

Attained age 65.

Form

Monthly annuity payable for ten years certain and life (optional forms may be elected in advance of retirement).

Amount (accrued benefit)

Total accrued benefit is Formula 1 + Formula 2.

Formula 1 is the sum of the following multiplied by accrual service as of 12/31/05 divided by total accrual service as of normal retirement date.

a) 2% of average compensation multiplied by accrual service at normal retirement date (up to 20 years) + 1% of average compensation multiplied by accrual service at normal retirement date (in excess of 20 years)

b) 0.60% of average compensation in excess of covered compensation multiplied by accrual service at normal retirement date (up to 35 years)

Formula 2 is the sum of the following multiplied by accrual service after 12/31/05 divided by total accrual service as of normal retirement date.

a) 0.90% of average compensation multiplied by accrual service at normal retirement date

b) 0.54% of average compensation in excess of covered compensation multiplied by accrual service at normal retirement date (up to 35 years)

All accrued benefits were frozen 12/31/2020.

Early retirement benefit	
Age/service	Attained age 55 and 15 years of service or attained age 60.
Form	Same as normal retirement benefit.
Amount	Accrued benefit on early retirement date reduced by 2% for each month that the early retirement date precedes age 62 and 6% for each age between 60 and 55. This reduction applies to Formula 1a and Formula 2a. Accrued benefit on early retirement date reduced by 6 2/3% for each year up to five and 3 1/3% for each year between five and ten that the early retirement date precedes normal retirement date. This reduction applies to Formula 1b and Formula 2b.

Late retirement benefit	
Age	No maximum age.
Form	Same as normal retirement benefit.
Amount	Greater of accrued benefit on late retirement date or accrued benefit on normal retirement date actuarially increased to late retirement date.

Termination benefit	
Vesting percentage	100% after five years of vesting service or after age 60.
Form	Same as normal retirement benefit with income deferred until normal retirement date.
Amount	Accrued benefit on date of termination multiplied by the vesting percentage.

Disability retirement benefit

Eligibility

Terminates service prior to normal retirement date and is totally and permanently disabled.

Form

Monthly income payable until normal retirement, death, or recovery and a deferred annuity payable at the normal retirement date.

Amount

The excess, if any, of:

50% of the participant's Frozen Average Compensation at the date of termination due to disability,

LESS

64% of the actual monthly disability benefit, if any, which the participant is entitled to receive under the Social Security Act as in effect on the January 1st immediately preceding the date of commencement of disability benefits.

- Ignoring any increases in benefit levels under Social Security Act after such applicable January 1st

The amount shall not exceed the monthly retirement income to which the participant would have been entitled on their Normal Retirement Date.

Survivor annuity death benefit (a vested benefit)

Eligibility

Qualified married participant fully or partially vested in an accrued benefit.

Form

Monthly annuity payable to spouse, deferred to participant's earliest retirement date if later than the date of death.

Amount

If death occurs, the amount paid to the surviving spouse is equal to the amount that would have been paid had the participant terminated employment on the date of death and survived to his/her earliest retirement age, retired with a qualified joint and 50% survivor annuity in effect, then died the next day.

Death benefit

Survivor annuity death benefit (a vested benefit)

Eligibility

Any participant who elected or defaulted to electing for death coverage

Form

Monthly annuity payable to beneficiary (optional forms available)

Amount

Payable first day of month coincident or next following date of death
Greater of:

A. If death occurs before early retirement date – single sum determined as of date of death of benefit as of normal retirement date. Or if death occurs before on or after early retirement date – single sum determined as of date of death of immediate benefit.

B. Smaller of

a. 30 times final average pay at death (frozen 12/31/20)

b. 100 times frozen accrued benefit

Definitions

Accrual service

Continues to accrue for early retirement eligibility purposes only.

Vesting service

Elapsed time in days, where 365 days counts as 1 year.

Optional forms of benefit payments

The optional forms of benefit payments are:

- Monthly annuity payable for life or 5, 10 or 15 years certain and life
- Monthly annuity payable as a survivorship life annuity with survivorship percentages of 50, 66 2/3, 75, or 100 (this option can also be taken as a joint and either survivorship annuity – i.e. the benefit changes upon the death of either the participant or the beneficiary)
- Monthly annuity payable as a survivorship life annuity with survivorship percentages of 50, 66 2/3, 75, or 100 with 5, 10 or 15 years certain (this option can also be taken as a joint and either survivorship annuity – i.e. the benefit changes upon the death of either the participant or the beneficiary)
- Single sum payment if under $100,000

The optional form conversion basis is 8.0% interest and the 1983 Group Annuity Mortality table for payments other than lump sums.

Lump sum provisions

Small amount force out (SAFO) – allowed up to $5,000.

Lump sums in excess of SAFO - are allowed up to $100,000 at termination of employment and retirement.

Conversion – greater of the deferred or immediate rate with early retirement factor based on the applicable interest rate and applicable mortality table as set forth in Code Section 417. The applicable interest rate uses the second calendar month preceding the first day of the stability period which is the plan year.

Changes in Principal Eligibility or Benefit Provisions

There have been no changes in principal eligibility or benefit provisions since the last valuation.

Significant Event

The enrolled actuary has not been made aware that any significant events have occurred during the year.

Schedule SB, Line 24 – Change in Actuarial Assumptions
Retirement Plan for the Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc.
EIN 75-1848732 Plan No. 001

Certain non-prescribed assumptions have been changed since last year. These assumptions were changed to better reflect the anticipated experience of your plan. See the attachment, Part V – Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods, for the rationale for each assumption.

The assumed asset return for the current year has increased from 5.00% to 5.25%. This rate is used in the calculation of the actuarial value of plan assets.

Structured Attachment	Schedule SB, line 26a Schedule of Active Participant Data	2025
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation		This Form is Open to Public Inspection

Name of Plan	Retirement Plan for the Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc.						
Plan Year Begin Date	01/01/2025	Plan Year End Date	12/31/2025	EIN	75-1848732	PN	001

Attained Age	YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE					
	Under 1			1 to 4		
	No.	Average		No.	Average	
		Compensation	Cash Balance		Compensation	Cash Balance
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 to 29	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 to 34	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 to 39	0	0	0	0	0	0
40 to 44	0	0	0	0	0	0
45 to 49	0	0	0	0	0	0
50 to 54	0	0	0	0	0	0
55 to 59	0	0	0	0	0	0
60 to 64	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 to 69	0	0	0	0	0	0
70 & Up	0	0	0	0	0	0

Attained Age	YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE					
	5 to 9			10 to 14		
	No.	Average		No.	Average	
		Compensation	Cash Balance		Compensation	Cash Balance
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 to 29	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 to 34	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 to 39	0	0	0	0	0	0
40 to 44	0	0	0	0	0	0
45 to 49	0	0	0	0	0	0
50 to 54	0	0	0	0	0	0
55 to 59	0	0	0	0	0	0
60 to 64	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 to 69	0	0	0	0	0	0
70 & Up	0	0	0	0	0	0

Name of Plan	Retirement Plan for the Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc.						
Plan Year Begin Date	01/01/2025	**Plan Year End Date**	12/31/2025	**EIN**	75-1848732	**PN**	001

Attained Age	YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE					
	15 to 19			20 to 24		
	No.	Average		No.	Average	
		Compensation	Cash Balance		Compensation	Cash Balance
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 to 29	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 to 34	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 to 39	0	0	0	0	0	0
40 to 44	9	0	0	1	0	0
45 to 49	9	0	0	8	0	0
50 to 54	4	0	0	5	0	0
55 to 59	3	0	0	3	0	0
60 to 64	4	0	0	2	0	0
65 to 69	2	0	0	1	0	0
70 & Up	0	0	0	0	0	0

Attained Age	YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE					
	25 to 29			30 to 34		
	No.	Average		No.	Average	
		Compensation	Cash Balance		Compensation	Cash Balance
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 to 29	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 to 34	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 to 39	0	0	0	0	0	0
40 to 44	0	0	0	0	0	0
45 to 49	0	0	0	0	0	0
50 to 54	3	0	0	0	0	0
55 to 59	3	0	0	1	0	0
60 to 64	2	0	0	0	0	0
65 to 69	2	0	0	2	0	0
70 & Up	0	0	0	0	0	0

Name of Plan	Retirement Plan for the Subsidiaries of Southside Bancshares, Inc.						
Plan Year Begin Date	01/01/2025	**Plan Year End Date**	12/31/2025	**EIN**	75-1848732	**PN**	001

Attained Age	YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE					
	35 to 39			40 & Up		
	No.	Average		No.	Average	
		Compensation	Cash Balance		Compensation	Cash Balance
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	
25 to 29	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 to 34	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 to 39	0	0	0	0	0	0
40 to 44	0	0	0	0	0	0
45 to 49	0	0	0	0	0	0
50 to 54	0	0	0	0	0	0
55 to 59	0	0	0	0	0	0
60 to 64	5	0	0	0	0	0
65 to 69	1	0	0	0	0	0
70 & Up	1	0	0	0	0	0