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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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
ASCEND MANAGEMENT, INC. 401(K) PLAN

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

1c Effective date of plan 01/31/2023

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)
ASCEND MANAGEMENT, INC.

8222 SOUTH 48TH STREET, SUITE 200
PHOENIX, AZ 85044

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
92-2059556

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number
520-640-7189

2d Business code (see instructions)
621330

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.	10/09/2026	NICOLE BYERS
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor

3b Administrator's EIN

3c Administrator's telephone number

4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report:

a Sponsor's name

4b EIN

c Plan Name

4d PN

5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	175
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)**	166
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	155
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	7
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	18
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	180
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	180
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)**	165
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)**	177
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:

2A 2E 2J 2F 2G 2S 3D 2K 2T

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)** [X] Insurance
- **(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- **(3)** [X] Trust
- **(4)** [ ] General assets of the sponsor

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)

- **(1)** [X] Insurance
- **(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- **(3)** [X] 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)** [X] **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- **(3)** [ ] **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- **(4)** [ ] **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- **(5)** [ ] **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

- **(1)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- **(3)** [X] **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 1
- **(4)** [X] **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 A (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Insurance Information

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

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

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

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B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
92-2059556

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

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
84-0467907	68322	1261442-01	2	01/01/2025	12/31/2025

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

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

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

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

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

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	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

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

4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	12054
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end	5	0

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

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

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity

(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

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

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

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee

(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☒ other ▶ GROUP ANNUITY CONTRACT

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	1524
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	10436		
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	108		
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)			
	(5) Other (specify below) ▶	7c(5)			
	(6)Total additions			7c(6)	10544
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			7d	12068
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)	14		
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)			
	(4) Other (specify below) ▶	7e(4)			
	(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	14
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)			7f	12054

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

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

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

9 Experience-rated contracts:				
a Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**			
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
(4) Earned (**(1)** + **(2)** - **(3)**)			**9a(4)**	0
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	**9b(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	**9b(2)**			
(3) Incurred claims (add **(1)** and **(2)**)			**9b(3)**	0
(4) Claims charged			**9b(4)**	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --				
(A) Commissions	**9c(1)(A)**			
(B) Administrative service or other fees	**9c(1)(B)**			
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	**9c(1)(C)**			
(D) Other expenses	**9c(1)(D)**			
(E) Taxes	**9c(1)(E)**			
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	**9c(1)(F)**			
(G) Other retention charges	**9c(1)(G)**			
(H) Total retention			**9c(1)(H)**	0
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			**9c(2)**	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			**9d(1)**	
(2) Claim reserves			**9d(2)**	
(3) Other reserves			**9d(3)**	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			**9e**	
10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:				
a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier			**10a**	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.			**10b**	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE 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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92-2059556

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).. . . . . ☐ 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

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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)

EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY O

8515 EAST ORCHARD ROAD
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

(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?
64	RECORDKEEPER	15430	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [X] No [ ]	0	Yes [X] No [ ]

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

MERRILL LYNCH PIERCE FENNER & SMITH

1400 AMERICAN BLVD BLDG #4
PRINCETON PLACE AT HOPEWELL
PENNINGTON, NJ 08534

(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?
27	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	12090	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [ ]		Yes [ ] No [ ]

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

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101 BRADFORD RD STE 200
STONEWOOD COMMONS
WEXFORD, PA 15090

(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	CONTRACT ADMIN	5607	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:

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

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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)	4316	21366
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	0	284
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	1985299	3425043
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	1524	12054
(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	1991139	3458747
Liabilities			
1g Benefit claims payable	1g		
1h Operating payables	1h		
1i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
1j Other liabilities	1j	7036	15120
1k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	7036	15120
Net Assets			
1l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	1984103	3443627

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)	547550	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	836055	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	89421	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		1473026
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		0
(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)	176468	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		176468
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		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)		
(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)		308548
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		1958042
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	465361	
(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)		465361
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)	33157	
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(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)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)**	2i(12)		33157
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		498518
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		1459524
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) [X] DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 **(2)** [ ] DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) **(3)** [ ] neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

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

(1) Name: BDO USA **(2)** EIN: 13-5381590

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		500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	**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.) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)

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

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
ASCEND MANAGEMENT, INC. 401(K) PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
92-2059556

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): 84-0467907

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

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

Part II Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)

4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ..... ☐ **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 _____

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 _____

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 07 / 13 / 2021 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q704568A .

Ascend Management, Inc.
401(k) Plan

Financial Statements and
ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedule
As of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and
for the Year Ended December 31, 2025

The report accompanying these financial statements was issued by BDO USA, P.C., a Virginia professional corporation, and the U.S. member of BDO International Limited, a UK company limited by guarantee.

Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan

Financial Statements and ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedule
As of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2025

Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Plan Administrator
Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan
Phoenix, Arizona

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency (qualified institution), provided that the investment information is prepared and certified to by the qualified institution in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and for the year ended December 31, 2025, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and the procedures performed as described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report:

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).
- The certified investment information in the accompanying financial statements agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by qualified institutions that management determined meet the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the *Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit* section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certifications, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of GAAP.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with GAAP.

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

Other Matter — Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The ERISA-required supplemental Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2025 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For

information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The certified investment information in the supplemental schedule agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by qualified institutions that management determined meet the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

BDO USA, P.C.

October 9, 2026

Financial Statements

Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31,	**2025**	2024
Assets		
Investments		
Investments, at fair value	**$ 3,425,043**	$ 1,985,299
Investments, at contract value	**12,054**	1,524
Total Investments	**3,437,097**	1,986,823
Receivables		
Employer contributions	**21,366**	4,316
Participant contributions	**284**	-
Total Receivables	**21,650**	4,316
Total Assets	**3,458,747**	1,991,139
Liabilities		
Benefits payable	**(15,120)**	(7,036)
Total Liabilities	**(15,120)**	(7,036)
Net Assets Available for Benefits	**$ 3,443,627**	$ 1,984,103

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

Year ended December 31,		2025
Additions		
Investment income:		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$	308,548
Interest and dividend income		176,468
Total Investment Income		485,016
Contributions:		
Employer		547,550
Participant		836,055
Rollover		89,421
Total Contributions		1,473,026
Total Additions		1,958,042
Deductions		
Benefits paid to participants		465,361
Administrative expenses		33,157
Total Deductions		498,518
Net Increase		1,459,524
Net Assets Available for Benefits, beginning of year		1,984,103
Net Assets Available for Benefits, end of year	$	3,443,627

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

1. Description of the Plan

The following description of the Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the Plan) is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the comprehensive Plan Document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan was adopted effective January 31, 2023 by Ascend Management, Inc. Ascend Management, Inc. is the sponsor of the Plan and Ascend Healthcare Medical, PC; Ascend Healthcare Medical Group, PC; and Ascend Healthcare, PLLC are participating employers (collectively, the Company). The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees of the Company, as defined below. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA).

Custodian and Administration of the Plan

The custodians and recordkeepers of the Plan are Empower Trust Company and Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America (collectively, Empower). The third-party administrator of the Plan is M2B Retirement Consulting (M2B). The administrator of the Plan is the Company. The custodians hold all assets of the Plan in accordance with the service provider contracts with the Company. Management determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitors investment performance.

Eligibility

Employees of the Company are considered eligible for participation, except for: (1) non-resident aliens; (2) union employees; and (3) leased employees. Participants must be 21 years of age to participate in the Plan. Additionally, a participant must complete three consecutive months of continuous service to participate in the Plan. An eligible participant can enter the Plan on the first day of the calendar month.

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute up to 100% of eligible compensation, as defined in the Plan. Salary deferral agreements shall be made, terminated, or changed according to procedures and limitations set up by the Plan Administrator and the Plan Document. The Plan also allows for Roth contributions. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 3% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated fund until changed by the participant. Automatic enrollment deferral contributions are increased by 1% each year subsequent to enrollment up to 10%. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollovers).

The Company makes safe harbor matching contributions to the Plan for each participant in an amount equal to 100% of the first 3% of eligible compensation that a participant contributes to the Plan plus 50% of the participant's matched employee contributions exceeding 3% of the eligible compensation but not exceeding 5% of the eligible compensation.

The Company may also make a non-elective discretionary contribution to the Plan. No non-elective discretionary contribution was made for the year ended December 31, 2025.

Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, employer contributions, and an allocation of net Plan earnings or losses. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which participants are entitled is the vested portion of their accounts.

Vesting

Participants are 100% vested in their individual deferral, Roth, and rollover contributions, Company safe harbor matching contributions, and the allocated earnings thereon. A participant's vested interest in the non-elective contributions is based upon the participant's years of continuous service. Non-elective contributions are subject to the following vesting schedule:

Vesting Service (in Years)	Vesting Percentage (%)
Less than 1	-
1 but less than 2	25
2 but less than 3	50
3 but less than 4	75
4 years or more	100

Participants become fully vested in the event of retirement, death, or disability, as defined by the Plan.

Payment of Benefits

A participant's entire interest in the Plan is payable upon death, attainment of normal retirement age (62), becoming disabled, as defined, or termination of service. A participant may elect to receive a lump-sum amount equal to the vested portion of the participant's account, leave the balance in the Plan, or roll over the vested balance to another qualified retirement plan or individual retirement account (IRA). Immediate lump-sum distributions may be made to terminated participants if the participant's vested account balance is $1,000 or less. For terminated participants with vested balances greater than $1,000, but less than $5,000, their vested balance may be automatically rolled into an IRA unless otherwise elected. Withdrawals from the Plan may also be made upon circumstances of financial hardship, in accordance with provisions specified in the Plan. Participants may also withdrawal an amount at age 59½ if certain criteria are met.

Forfeitures

At December 31, 2025 and 2024, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled approximately $7,200 and $200, respectively. These accounts may be used to pay administrative expenses and reduce future employer contributions. No forfeited funds were used in 2025.

2. Summary of Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates

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

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value with the exception of fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. 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. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by its investment advisers and custodian. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

The Plan's fully benefit-responsive investment contract (see Note 5) is valued at contract value.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation in the fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Contributions Receivable

Participant contributions and any related employer safe harbor matching contributions are recognized in the period during which the Company makes the respective payroll deduction from the participant's compensation. Non-elective contributions are recorded in the relevant period in accordance with the terms in the Plan document.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Company. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements.

Fees related to participant-initiated transactions are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment-related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

3. Certified Investment Information

Certain information disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule, related to investments held as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, and interest and dividend income, for the year ended December 31, 2025, was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Empower Trust Company, LLC, and Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America, qualified institutions.

4. Fair Value Measurements

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820, *Fair Value Measurement*, provides for a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under 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 methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets.
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets.
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability.
- Inputs that are derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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

Mutual Funds - Mutual funds are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-ended funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange

Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

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

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

December 31, 2025

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	$ 3,425,043	$ -	$ -	$ 3,425,043
Total Investments, at fair value	$ 3,425,043	$ -	$ -	$ 3,425,043

December 31, 2024

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	$ 1,985,299	$ -	$ -	$ 1,985,299
Total Investments, at fair value	$ 1,985,299	$ -	$ -	$ 1,985,299

5. Guaranteed Investment Contract

The Plan entered in a benefit-responsive guaranteed investment contract with Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America. Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America maintains the contributions in a general account. The guaranteed investment contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan.

Because the guaranteed investment contract is fully benefit-responsive, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits attributable to the guaranteed investment contract. Contract value, as reported to the Plan by Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America, represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. Participants ordinarily may direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value. There are no reserves against contract value for credit risk of the contract issuer or otherwise.

Certain events limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuer. Such events include the following: (1) amendments to the Plan documents (including complete or partial Plan termination or merger with another plan); (2) changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions; (3) bankruptcy of the Plan sponsor or other Plan sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan; or (4) the failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA. The Plan Administrator believes that any events that would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with participants are not probable of occurring.

6. Related Party and Party-in-Interest Transactions

Certain Plan investments are in funds and accounts that are managed by Empower or its subsidiaries and affiliates. Distribution processing fees are paid to Empower and M2B by participants. As described in Note 2, the Plan paid certain expenses related to Plan operations and investment activity to various service providers. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from prohibited transaction rules.

7. Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan holds various investment securities. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate risk, credit risk, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is 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 financial statements and participant account balances.

8. Plan Termination

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. In the event that the Plan is terminated, participants would become 100% vested in their accounts.

9. Tax Status

The Plan uses a pre-approved plan document sponsored by M2B, which received an opinion letter from the IRS, dated July 13, 2021, which states that the pre-approved plan document, as then designed, satisfies the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Although the Plan has been amended since the date of the opinion letter, Plan management believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no IRS examinations for any tax periods in progress.

10. Subsequent Events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 9, 2026, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedule

Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan

Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

EIN: 92-2059556 **Plan Number: 001**

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
	Mutual Funds			
	American Funds	2060 Trgt Date Retire R6	**	$ 594,181
	American Funds	2055 Trgt Date Retire R6	**	528,500
	American Funds	2050 Trgt Date Retire R6	**	451,414
	American Funds	2030 Trgt Date Retire R6	**	364,682
	American Funds	2035 Trgt Date Retire R6	**	349,298
	Fidelity Investments	Fidelity 500 Index	**	284,463
	American Funds	2045 Trgt Date Retire R6	**	241,996
	American Funds	2040 Trgt Date Retire R6	**	191,465
	American Funds	2065 Trgt Date Retire R6	**	85,634
	American Funds	2015 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6	**	63,450
	Fidelity Investments	International Index	**	46,056
	Fidelity Investments	Mid Cap Index	**	40,103
	AllianceBernstein	Large Cap Growth Z	**	35,065
	AllianceBernstein	Small Cap Growth Z	**	32,791
	JP Morgan	Mid Cap Growth R6	**	24,411
	Fidelity Investments	Small Cap Index	**	19,352
	American Funds	2020 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6	**	16,796
	American Funds	2025 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6	**	13,187
	Fidelity Investments	Us Bond Index	**	11,433
	MFS	Intl Diversification R6	**	10,402
	MFS	International Growth R6	**	9,263
	Allspring	Special Small Cap Value R6	**	8,636
	Hartford	Schroders Intl Multi-Cp Val Sdr	**	1,266
	PIMCO	Real Return Instl	**	1,199
	Total Mutual Funds			3,425,043
*	**Guaranteed Investment Contract**	EI Fixed Account- Series Class I	**	12,054
	Total			$ 3,437,097

* Party-in-interest, as defined by ERISA.

** The cost of participant-directed investments is not required to be disclosed.

TRANSACTIONS FOR REVIEW (5% REPORTABLE)

Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan

01-JAN-25 to 31-DEC-25

INVESTMENT OPTION	PURCHASE AMOUNT	PURCHASE UNITS/SHARES	PURCHASE COUNT	SALES AMOUNT	SALES UNITS/SHARES	SALES COUNT	COST OF SALES	TRANSACTION DATE
3GWAQ35	6,795.64	0.000000	1	0.00	0.000000	0	0.00	SERIES
4GWAQ35	85.87	0.000000	1	0.00	0.000000	0	0.00	SERIES
1RFJTX	66,428.30	4,957.651626	13	(427.95)	(31.381825)	12	(421.49)	SERIES
1RRCTX	7,661.12	534.312774	56	(125.28)	(8.753309)	26	(118.94)	SERIES
1RFDTX	8,894.34	559.296565	104	(18,096.48)	(1,070.611031)	116	(16,458.35)	SERIES
1RFETX	89,852.55	4,887.095812	430	(97,102.88)	(4,981.296183)	371	(83,026.05)	SERIES
1RFFTX	176,473.04	8,612.195129	769	(18,535.28)	(852.559491)	428	(16,864.75)	SERIES
1RFGTX	125,447.01	5,660.068130	800	(106,746.29)	(4,847.418117)	472	(94,605.77)	SERIES
1RFHTX	119,405.72	5,198.565692	733	(91,209.13)	(3,969.611022)	488	(81,664.19)	SERIES
1RFITX	188,439.15	8,261.675745	1118	(33,430.62)	(1,484.019801)	701	(31,016.23)	SERIES
1RFKTX	305,125.51	10,563.122961	1821	(55,261.38)	(1,883.547673)	1040	(49,248.48)	SERIES
1RFUTX	287,785.88	14,820.015704	1370	(45,237.47)	(2,416.774007)	910	(43,061.09)	SERIES
1RFVTX	43,049.66	2,214.316337	365	(3,500.15)	(169.867299)	188	(3,058.36)	SERIES
1FSPSX	32,276.69	592.601684	218	(6,161.04)	(109.144555)	149	(5,635.31)	SERIES
1SIDRX	1,257.61	93.550859	26	(1.60)	(0.119026)	6	(1.58)	SERIES
1MDIZX	4,002.58	151.885306	59	(55.16)	(2.107529)	26	(49.41)	SERIES
1MGRDX	3,707.42	79.512606	59	(50.71)	(1.091159)	26	(46.34)	SERIES
1QUAZX	16,275.43	229.603215	172	(4,942.32)	(67.344445)	103	(4,659.12)	SERIES
1FSSNX	16,507.57	620.597574	176	(6,706.82)	(253.182817)	87	(6,023.11)	SERIES
1ESPRX	4,156.29	109.160399	59	(48.08)	(1.259427)	26	(51.36)	SERIES
1FSMDX	24,253.01	705.919071	300	(6,537.59)	(190.743533)	154	(5,932.34)	SERIES
1JMGMX	11,505.02	216.073822	127	(775.03)	(14.818237)	76	(770.38)	SERIES
1APGZX	34,106.77	304.571542	197	(18,043.34)	(170.657224)	104	(18,946.37)	SERIES
1FXAIX	216,999.35	1,004.747372	971	(145,472.69)	(647.932617)	491	(120,271.49)	SERIES
1FXNAX	5,656.82	543.336933	169	(64.12)	(6.165165)	52	(63.74)	SERIES
1PRRIX	1,208.51	115.805313	30	(1.58)	(0.151307)	6	(1.58)	SERIES
1GWAQ35	3,554.67	0.000000	73	(14.02)	0.000000	22	(14.02)	SERIES

LEGEND

INVESTMENT OPTION:

3GWAQ35	EI Fixed Account - Series Class I
1RFJTX	American Funds 2015 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6
1RFDTX	American Funds 2025 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6
1RFFTX	American Funds 2035 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFHTX	American Funds 2045 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFKTX	American Funds 2055 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFVTX	American Funds 2065 Trgt Date Retire R6
1SIDRX	Hartford Schroders Intl Multi-Cp Val SDR
1MGRDX	MFS International Growth R6
1FSSNX	Fidelity Small Cap Index
1FSMDX	Fidelity Mid Cap Index
1APGZX	AB Large Cap Growth Z
1FXNAX	Fidelity US Bond Index
1GWAQ35	EI Fixed Account - Series Class I
4GWAQ35	EI Fixed Account - Series Class I
1RRCTX	American Funds 2020 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6
1RFETX	American Funds 2030 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFGTX	American Funds 2040 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFITX	American Funds 2050 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFUTX	American Funds 2060 Trgt Date Retire R6
1FSPSX	Fidelity International Index
1MDIZX	MFS Intl Diversification R6
1QUAZX	AB Small Cap Growth Z
1ESPRX	Allspring Special Small Cap Value R6
1JMGMX	JPMorgan Mid Cap Growth R6
1FXAIX	Fidelity 500 Index
1PRRIX	PIMCO Real Return Instl

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan

01-JAN-25 to 31-DEC-25

INVESTMENT OPTION	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	COST OF ASSETS	CURRENT VALUE
1RFJTX			66,006.81	63,450.35
1RRCTX			16,359.40	16,795.82
1RFDTX			12,713.72	13,186.97
1RFETX			319,223.07	364,681.50
1RFFTX			322,003.38	349,298.47
1RFGTX			176,089.62	191,465.07
1RFHTX			218,673.24	241,996.17
1RFITX			395,281.62	451,413.85
1RFKTX			481,231.29	528,499.82
1RFUTX			529,368.30	594,180.89
1RFVTX			76,007.14	85,634.41
1FSPSX			39,999.60	46,055.50
1SIDRX			1,256.02	1,266.01
1MDIZX			9,121.95	10,402.22
1MGRDX			8,535.44	9,263.53
1QUAZX			28,374.09	32,791.08
1FSSNX			17,186.44	19,352.38
1ESPRX			9,543.56	8,636.01
1FSMDX			36,009.42	40,103.40
1JMGMX			24,134.57	24,410.96
1APGZX			33,649.78	35,064.68
1FXAIX			248,373.03	284,462.81
1FXNAX			11,228.73	11,432.62
1PRRIX			1,206.93	1,199.33
1GWAQ35		1.450	4,856.73	4,900.53
			3,086,433.88	**3,429,944.38**
FORFEITURES			7,077.45	7,153.37

Attachment to Form 5500, Schedule H, Part 4, Item I
EIN # 92-2059556

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

Ascend Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan

01-JAN-25 to 31-DEC-25

INVESTMENT OPTION	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	COST OF ASSETS	CURRENT VALUE

LEGEND

INVESTMENT OPTION:

1RFJTX	American Funds 2015 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6	1RRCTX	American Funds 2020 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6
1RFDTX	American Funds 2025 Trgt Date Ret Inc R6	1RFETX	American Funds 2030 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFFTX	American Funds 2035 Trgt Date Retire R6	1RFGTX	American Funds 2040 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFHTX	American Funds 2045 Trgt Date Retire R6	1RFITX	American Funds 2050 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFKTX	American Funds 2055 Trgt Date Retire R6	1RFUTX	American Funds 2060 Trgt Date Retire R6
1RFVTX	American Funds 2065 Trgt Date Retire R6	1FSPSX	Fidelity International Index
1SIDRX	Hartford Schroders Intl Multi-Cp Val SDR	1MDIZX	MFS Intl Diversification R6
1MGRDX	MFS International Growth R6	1QUAZX	AB Small Cap Growth Z
1FSSNX	Fidelity Small Cap Index	1ESPRX	Allspring Special Small Cap Value R6
1FSMDX	Fidelity Mid Cap Index	1JMGMX	JPMorgan Mid Cap Growth R6
1APGZX	AB Large Cap Growth Z	1FXAIX	Fidelity 500 Index
1FXNAX	Fidelity US Bond Index	1PRRIX	PIMCO Real Return Instl
1GWAQ35	EI Fixed Account - Series Class I		

COST OF ASSETS: The original cost of the assets in each investment option as of the last day of the plan year
CURRENT VALUE: The value of all assets in each investment option as of the last day of the plan year