Western Kentucky University WKYU-TV

Independent Auditor's Report, Financial Statements and Supplementary Information

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Independent Auditor's Report

President Timothy C. Caboni and Board of Regents Western Kentucky University Bowling Green, Kentucky

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of WKYU-TV (the Station), a public broadcasting entity operated by Western Kentucky University (University), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Station's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Station, as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 2, the financial statements of the Station are intended to present the financial position, changes in financial position, and cash flows of only that portion of the business-type activities that is attributable to the transactions of the Station. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the University as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, the changes in its financial position or its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



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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 Station's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited), the Schedules of the Station's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedules of the Station's Pension Contributions, the Schedules of the Station's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability and the Schedules of the Station's OPEB Contributions, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with GAAS, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

FORVIS, LLP

Louisville, Kentucky January 10, 2024

Introduction

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) (Unaudited) provides an overview of the financial position and activities of WKYU-TV (the Station) for the year ended June 30, 2023, with selected comparative information for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021. This discussion has been prepared by management and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes thereto, which follow this section. The financial statements and related notes and this discussion and analysis are the responsibility of management.

The Station is located on the campus of Western Kentucky University (University). The Station broadcasts Public Broadcasting Service and local programs that inform, enrich and entertain in concert with the mission of the University. The Station's skilled staff, students and volunteers serve viewers with comprehensive music and information programs that reflect current affairs, history and cultures.

Fiscal Year 2023 Highlights

- The Station's net position increased by \$600,673; 50.4%
- Operating revenues decreased by \$8,600; 2.55% to \$329,250
- Operating expenses decreased by \$612,833; 24.8%
- Nonoperating revenues decreased by \$584,685; 21.5%

The Station adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, *Leases*, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The adoption of this statement resulted in recording lease assets of \$190,604 and lease liabilities of \$190,604 as of July 1, 2021. The impact of this statement is not reflected in the fiscal year June 30, 2021, amounts included in this MD&A.

Governmental Accounting Standards

The MD&A, financial statements and accompanying notes are prepared in accordance with GASB pronouncements.

Statements of Net Position

The statements of net position present a financial picture of the Station's financial condition at the end of the fiscal year by reporting assets (current and noncurrent), deferred outflows of resources, liabilities (current and noncurrent), deferred inflows of resources and net position.

Assets

Total assets of the Station at the end of fiscal years 2023, 2022 and 2021 were \$3,182,740, \$3,033,294 and \$2,751,371, respectively, of which cash and net capital assets represented the largest portions. Cash and assets held by Western Kentucky University Foundation (WKU Foundation) totaled \$2,735,893 or 86.0% of total assets at June 30, 2023, and net capital assets totaled \$291,550 or 9.2% of total assets at June 30, 2023. Cash and assets held by WKU Foundation totaled \$2,608,615 or 86.0% of total assets at June 30, 2022, and net capital assets totaled \$233,802 or 7.7% of total assets at June 30, 2022. Cash and assets held by WKU Foundation totaled \$2,556,635 or 92.9% of total assets at June 30, 2021, and net capital assets totaled \$176,944 or 6.4% of total assets at June 30, 2021.

Liabilities

Liabilities of the Station totaled \$3,830,997, \$3,696,106 and \$3,956,340 at June 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, of which unearned revenue was \$1,512,724, \$1,386,412 and \$1,339,691 and represented 39.5%, 37.5% and 33.9% of total liabilities, respectively. Net pension, net other postemployment benefit (OPEB) and lease liabilities were \$2,228,358, \$2,212,762 and \$2,222,625 at June 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively and represented 58.2%, 59.9% and 56.2% of total liabilities, respectively.

Net Position (Deficit)

Net position (deficit) of the Station was (\$591,983), (\$1,192,656) and (\$1,773,781) at June 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, and was divided into three major categories, defined as follows:

- *Net investment in capital assets* This category represents the Station's equity in equipment and lease assets.
- *Restricted* This category represents the Station's funds subject to externally imposed restrictions governing its use. The corpus of nonexpendable restricted resources is only available for investment purposes.
- *Unrestricted* This category represents net positions held by the Station that have no formal restrictions placed upon them.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

Condensed Statements of Net Position June 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021

	2023	2022	2021
Assets			
Current assets	\$ 2,438,316	\$ 2,274,509	\$ 2,266,856
Assets held by WKU Foundation	316,728	361,608	\$ 307,571
Capital and leased assets, net	427,696	397,177	176,944
Total assets	3,182,740	3,033,294	2,751,371
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Total deferred outflows of resources	383,081	366,284	291,060
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 3,565,821	\$ 3,399,578	\$ 3,042,431
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	\$ 1,628,540	\$ 1,508,044	\$ 1,733,715
Noncurrent liabilities	2,202,457	2,188,062	2,222,625
Total liabilities	3,830,997	3,696,106	3,956,340
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Total deferred inflows of resources	326,807	896,128	859,872
Net Position (Deficit)			
Net investment in capital assets	285,333	230,114	176,944
Restricted			
Non-expendable	174,771	199,356	166,678
Expendable	141,957	162,252	140,893
Unrestricted	(1,194,044)	(1,784,378)	(2,258,296)
Total net position (deficit)	(591,983)	(1,192,656)	(1,773,781)
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources			
and net position (deficit)	\$ 3,565,821	\$ 3,399,578	\$ 3,042,431

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position

The statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, which are generally referred to as the income statements, present the total revenues (operating and nonoperating) received and earned by the Station and expenses (operating and nonoperating) paid and owed by the Station and income or loss from operations for the fiscal year.

Revenues

Total operating revenues, which exclude University appropriations, of the Station for the fiscal years 2023, 2022 and 2021 were \$329,250, \$337,850 and \$298,722, respectively.

The Station received \$782,225, \$802,191 and \$748,724 during 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, of University appropriations and \$426,012, \$624,981 and \$329,438, during 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, of administrative support from the University, which are classified as nonoperating revenues. These funds were used to support Station operating activities.

Expenses

Total operating expenses of the Station for 2023, 2022 and 2021 were \$1,857,315, \$2,470,148 and \$1,752,428 respectively.

Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position Years Ended June 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021

	2023	2022	2021
Revenue			
Operating revenues			
Business and industry underwriting	\$ 12,350	\$ 15,950	\$ 1,000
Production	316,900	321,900	297,722
Total operating revenues	329,250	337,850	298,722
Expenses			
Operating expenses			
Program services	1,436,430	1,585,517	1,451,040
Supporting services	349,604	811,215	258,852
Depreciation and amortization	71,281	73,416	42,536
Total operating expenses	1,857,315	2,470,148	1,752,428
Operating Loss	(1,528,065)	(2,132,298)	(1,453,706)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)			
General appropriations from Western Kentucky University	782,225	802,191	748,724
Grants from Corporation for Public Broadcasting	707,992	768,414	593,714
Indirect administrative support	426,012	624,981	329,438
Interest expense on lease asset	(3,116)	(3,597)	-
Investment income	(40,615)	51,441	37,357
Miscellaneous income	256,240	469,993	113,842
Total nonoperating revenues	2,128,738	2,713,423	1,823,075
Change in Net Position	600,673	581,125	369,369
Net Position (Deficit), Beginning of Year	(1,192,656)	(1,773,781)	(2,143,150)
Net Position (Deficit), End of Year	\$ (591,983)	\$ (1,192,656)	\$ (1,773,781)

Statements of Cash Flows

The statements of cash flows provide a summary of the sources and uses of cash by defined categories. The primary purposes of the statement of cash flows are to provide information about the Station's cash receipts and payments during the year and to help assess the Station's ability to generate future net cash flows to meet obligations as they become due.

The major sources of cash from operating activities were business and industry underwriting of \$12,350, \$15,950 and \$1,000 and production of \$316,900, \$321,900, and \$297,722 for fiscal years 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively. The most significant uses of cash for operating activities were payments to employees of \$1,582,038, \$1,410,126 and \$1,389,477 and to suppliers of \$748,484, \$1,338,437 and \$663,573 for 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively.

The cash flows from noncapital financing activities included \$1,208,237, \$1,427,172 and \$1,078,162 during 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, received as general appropriations and indirect support from the University and \$834,304, \$815,134 and \$1,297,868 received during 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), which are the largest sources of cash for these fiscal years.

The cash flows from capital and related financing activities included \$101,800, \$103,044, and \$39,046 paid for capital assets during fiscal years 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

The cash flows from investing activities recognize the cash flows from proceeds from sales and maturities of investments and interest and dividends receipts.

	2023	2022	2021
Net cash used in operating activities Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities Net cash used in capital and related activities Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$(2,001,272) 2,298,781 (129,616) 4,265	\$(2,410,713) 2,541,433 (130,182) (2,595)	\$(1,754,328) 2,660,738 (39,046) 14,204
(Decrease) Increase in Cash	172,158	(2,057)	881,568
Cash, Beginning of Year	2,247,007	2,249,064	1,367,496
Cash, End of Year	\$ 2,419,165	\$ 2,247,007	\$ 2,249,064

Condensed Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended June 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021

Capital and Lease Assets

As of June 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, the Station had \$291,550, \$233,802 and \$176,944 of net investment in capital assets consisting of equipment. As of June 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021, respectively, the Station had \$136,146, \$163,375 and \$0 lease assets. Capital and lease assets at June 30, 2023, 2022 and 2021, are summarized below:

	2023	2022	2021
Equipment Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 7,550,113 (7,258,563)	\$ 7,622,583 (7,388,781)	7,519,538 (7,342,594)
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 291,550	\$ 233,802	\$ 176,944
Lease assets Accumulated amortization	\$ 190,604 (54,458)	\$ 190,604 (27,229)	\$ - -
Lease Assets, Net	\$ 136,146	\$ 163,375	\$-

Economic Factors Impacting Future Periods

The following are known facts and circumstances that may affect the future financial viability of the Station:

Due to the large amount of investments that are held by the WKU Foundation, the Station has to consider the fluctuations in the market. Realized and unrealized losses within these accounts can have an effect on operations.

In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak to be a pandemic. COVID-19 has impacted economic activity and financial markets globally and locally. The continued spread of the disease represents a significant risk that operations could be disrupted in the near future.

The extent to which COVID-19 impacts the Station will depend on future developments, which are still highly uncertain and cannot be predicted. As a result, the Station has not yet determined the impact this disruption may have on its financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2024.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Western Kentucky University's Public Radio and Television finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to David Brinkley, Executive Director of Public Broadcasting, Western Kentucky University, Academic Complex 153A, 1906 College Heights Boulevard, Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101. You may also contact David Brinkley via email at david.brinkley@wku.edu or via phone at 270.745.6140.

Western Kentucky University WKYU-TV Statements of Net Position June 30, 2023 and 2022

Assets

ASSELS	2023	2022
Current Assets		
Cash on deposit with University and WKU Foundation	\$ 2,419,165	\$2,247,007
Prepaid expenses	19,151	27,502
Total current assets	2,438,316	2,274,509
Noncurrent Assets		
Assets held by WKU Foundation	316,728	361,608
Capital assets	7,550,113	7,622,583
Accumulated depreciation	(7,258,563)	(7,388,781)
Lease assets	190,604	190,604
Accumulated amortization	(54,458)	(27,229)
Total noncurrent assets	744,424	758,785
Total assets	3,182,740	3,033,294
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Deferred outflows - KTRS Pension	157,575	215,748
Deferred outflows - KERS Pension	58,451	52,907
Deferred outflows – KTRS OPEB	128,734	57,899
Deferred outflows – KERS OPEB	38,321	39,730
Total deferred outflows of resources	383,081	366,284
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 3,565,821	\$ 3,399,578

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Statements of Net Position (Continued) June 30, 2023 and 2022

Liabilities

	2023	2022
Current Liabilities		
Accrued payroll	\$ 52,180	\$ 54,406
Accrued vacation	37,735	42,526
Lease liability	25,901	24,700
Unearned revenue	1,512,724	1,386,412
Total current liabilities	1,628,540	1,508,044
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Net pension liability – KTRS	808,032	889,822
Net pension liability – KERS	899,473	838,618
Net OPEB liability – KTRS	220,495	172,147
Net OPEB liability – KERS	157,995	145,112
Lease liability	116,462	142,363
Total noncurrent liabilities	2,202,457	2,188,062
Total liabilities	3,830,997	3,696,106
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Deferred inflows – KTRS Pension	153,983	561,825
Deferred inflows – KERS Pension	10,507	103,454
Deferred inflows – KTRS OPEB	123,307	172,933
Deferred inflows – KERS OPEB	39,010	57,916
Total deferred inflows of resources	326,807	896,128
Net Position (Deficit)		
Net investment in capital assets	285,333	230,114
Restricted		
Non-expendable	174,771	199,356
Expendable	141,957	162,252
Unrestricted	(1,194,044)	(1,784,378)
Total net position (deficit)	(591,983)	(1,192,656)
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources		
and net position (deficit)	\$ 3,565,821	\$ 3,399,578

Western Kentucky University WKYU-TV Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
Revenues		
Operating revenues		
Business and industry underwriting	\$ 12,350	\$ 15,950
Production	316,900	321,900
Total operating revenues	329,250	337,850
Expenses		
Operating expenses		
Program services		
Programming and production	1,190,542	1,202,338
Broadcasting	232,172	370,074
Program information and promotion	13,716	13,105
Total program services	1,436,430	1,585,517
Supporting services		
Management and general	224,655	701,570
Fundraising	113,721	95,691
Underwriting	11,228	13,954
Total supporting services	349,604	811,215
Depreciation and amortization	71,281	73,416
Total operating expenses	1,857,315	2,470,148
Operating Loss	(1,528,065)	(2,132,298)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
General appropriations from Western Kentucky University	782,225	802,191
Grants from Corporation for Public Broadcasting	707,992	768,414
Indirect administrative support	426,012	624,981
Subscriptions and memberships	49,593	39,500
Interest expense on lease asset	(3,116)	(3,597)
Investment income	(40,615)	51,441
Miscellaneous income	206,647	430,493
Total nonoperating revenues	2,128,738	2,713,423
Change in Net Position	600,673	581,125
Net Position (Deficit), Beginning of Year	(1,192,656)	(1,773,781)
Net Position (Deficit), End of Year	\$ (591,983)	\$ (1,192,656)

Western Kentucky University WKYU-TV Statements of Cash Flows

Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Business and industry underwriting received Production revenue received Payments to employees Payments to suppliers	\$ 12,350 316,900 (1,582,038) (748,484)	\$ 15,950 321,900 (1,410,126) (1,338,437)
Net cash used in operating activities	(2,001,272)	(2,410,713)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities General appropriations and indirect support from Western Kentucky University Grants from Corporation for Public Broadcasting Subscriptions and memberships Other noncapital financing activities	1,208,237 834,304 49,593 206,647	1,427,172 815,134 39,500 259,627
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	2,298,781	2,541,433
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities Purchase of capital assets Principal payments on lease liability Interest paid on lease liability	(101,800) (24,700) (3,116)	(103,044) (23,541) (3,597)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	(129,616)	(130,182)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Net purchases and sales on investments Interest and dividends	(2,394) 6,659	(7,726) 5,131
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	4,265	(2,595)
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	172,158	(2,057)
Cash, Beginning of Year	2,247,007	2,249,064
Cash, End of Year	\$ 2,419,165	\$ 2,247,007
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Flows Used in Operating Activities Operating loss Depreciation and amortization Changes in operating assets and liabilities Prepaid expenses Deferred outflows of resources Deferred inflows of resources Net pension liability Net OPEB liability Accrued expenses	\$ (1,528,065) 71,281 8,351 (16,797) (569,321) (20,935) 61,231 (7,017)	\$ (2,132,298) 73,416 (9,710) (75,224) 36,256 (132,807) (44,119) (126,227)
Net cash flows used in operating activities	\$ (2,001,272)	\$ (2,410,713)
Noncash Investing, Capital and Financing Activities PPP loan forgiveness Unrealized gain (loss) on investments	\$ - \$ (49,927)	\$ 170,865 \$ 37,445

Note 1: Nature of Operations

WKYU-TV (the Station) is a public television station operated by and receiving support from Western Kentucky University (University), Bowling Green, Kentucky. The Station is not considered a component unit but rather an operating unit of the University and its financial activity is included in the financial statements of the University.

Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting and Presentation

The Station prepares its financial statements as a business-type activity in conformity with applicable pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The financial statement presentation provides a comprehensive, entity wide perspective of the Station's assets, liabilities, deferred outflows and inflows, net position, revenues, expenses, changes in net position and cash flows. The Station's financial statements have been presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred.

The financial statements of the Station are intended to present the financial position, the changes in financial position, and cash flows of only that portion of the activities of the University that is attributable to the transactions of the Station. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the University as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows, for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Revenue Recognition

Contributions, pledges and grants are recorded as revenue in the accompanying statements of revenues, expenses and change in net position. In-kind contributions, other than the contribution from the University, are recognized as revenue at the estimated fair value at the date of the gift.

The portion of the University's indirect costs attributable to the Station's operations and the value of space provided for broadcast facilities are included as revenues and expenses and are computed in accordance with guidelines established by the CPB. Total indirect support from the University for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, was \$426,012 and \$624,981, respectively.

Expenses

When an expense is incurred for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available, the Station's policy is to allow for the flexibility to determine whether to first apply restricted or unrestricted resources based on the most advantageous application of resources in the particular circumstances.

Classification of Revenues

The Station has classified its revenues as either operating or nonoperating revenues according to the following criteria:

- Operating revenues Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as business and industry underwriting.
- Nonoperating revenues Nonoperating revenues includes activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions, such as (1) college appropriations, (2) most federal, state, and local grants and contracts, and (3) gifts and contributions.

Cash on Deposit with the University and Western Kentucky University Foundation

For administrative purposes, cash balances of the Station are included in bank accounts maintained by the University and the WKU Foundation. Details of accounting transactions affecting cash are maintained by each entity.

The University currently uses commercial banks and the Commonwealth of Kentucky (Commonwealth) as depositories. Deposits with commercial banks are covered by federal depository insurance or collateral held by the University's agent in the University's name. At the Commonwealth level, the University's accounts are pooled with other agencies of the Commonwealth. These Commonwealth pooled deposits are substantially covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held by the Commonwealth's agent in the Commonwealth's name.

WKU Foundation's cash is on deposit with commercial banks and is federally insured up to \$250,000 per bank by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Assets Held by WKU Foundation and Investment Income

The Station accounts for its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. Investment income consists of interest income and the net change for the year in the fair value of investments carried at fair value.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition, or fair value at the date of donation if acquired by gift. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of each asset and is not allocated to functional expense categories. Equipment with an estimated useful life of greater than one year and a cost of \$5,000 is capitalized and depreciated with one-half year's depreciation taken during the year of purchase or donation. Construction-in-progress is capitalized when incurred. Routine repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense in the year in which the expense was incurred or when the project was closed and are identified as projects less than \$100,000. The Station continues to track equipment with a cost of \$500 or more for insurance purposes consistent with applicable Kentucky Revised Statutes but does not capitalize items at these lower thresholds. The following estimated useful lives are being used by the Station:

Buildings and building improvements	15–40 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3-15 years
Land improvements and infrastructure	20 years

Lease Assets

Lease assets are initially recorded at the initial measurement of the lease liability, plus lease payments made at or before the commencement of the lease term, less any lease incentives received from the lessor at or before the commencement of the lease, plus initial direct costs that are ancillary to place the asset into service. Lease assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

Capital and Lease Asset Impairment

The Station evaluates capital and lease assets for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate a significant, unexpected decline in the service utility of a capital and lease asset has occurred. If a capital or lease asset is tested for impairment and the magnitude of the decline in service utility is significant and unexpected, the capital or lease asset historical cost and related accumulated depreciation or amortization are decreased proportionately such that the net decrease equals the impairment loss. No asset impairment was recognized during the years ended June 30, 2023 or 2022.

Deferred Outflows of Resources

The Station reports the consumption of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period as deferred outflows of resources in a separate section of its statements of net position.

Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue includes grant funding received from the CPB that has not been expended at the end of the fiscal year. CPB provides funds to the Station at the beginning of a funding period. Thus, any unspent CPB funds at the end of the fiscal year are recorded as unearned revenue until qualifying expenses have been incurred.

Deferred Inflows of Resources

The Station reports an acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period as deferred inflows of resources in a separate section of its statements of net position.

Net Position

The Station's net position is classified as follows:

Net Investment in Capital Assets: This represents the Station's total investment in capital and lease assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization and outstanding debt and lease liabilities related to those capital and lease assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets.

Restricted Net Position – Expendable: Restricted expendable net position includes resources in which the Station is legally or contractually obligated to spend resources in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties.

Restricted Net Position – Non-expendable: Non-expendable restricted net position consists of endowment and similar type funds in which donors or other outside sources have stipulated, as a condition of the gift instrument, that the principal is to be maintained inviolate and in perpetuity, and invested for the purpose of producing present and future income, which may either be expended or added to principal.

Unrestricted Net Position: Unrestricted net position represents resources derived from underwriting fees. These resources are used at the discretion of the governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and deferred inflows and outflows of resources and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note 3: Assets Held by WKU Foundation

Assets held by the WKU Foundation as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, consisted of cash equivalents, common equity, common fixed income and mutual funds. The fair value of the assets held by the WKU Foundation are \$316,728 and \$361,608 at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Fair Value Measurements: The Station categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The Station has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2023 and 2022:

• Assets held by the WKU Foundation of \$316,728 and \$361,608, which are valued at net asset value (NAV). There are no unfunded commitments and funds can be redeemed on a daily basis. The investment strategy is a long-term growth strategy and the underlying funds in the trust include cash, common stock, mutual funds, and fixed income securities.

Interest Rate Risk: The Station does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. However, bond resolutions govern the investment of bond reserves.

Credit Risk: The Station's general investment policy is to apply the prudent-person rule: Investments are made as a prudent person would be expected to act, with discretion and intelligence, to seek reasonable income, preserve capital, and, in general, avoid speculative investments. The Station's investment policy allows investments in U.S. Agency securities if such obligations are rated at the time of purchase at one of the three highest classifications established by at least two standard rating services.

The Station did not have any investment in debt securities as of June 30, 2023 and 2022. Therefore, the Station is not considered to have credit risk.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Station will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Station's investment policy requires that all amounts in excess of any insurance limits be collateralized by securities eligible for Station investment. The market value of the pledged securities shall equal or exceed the portion of the deposit requiring collateralization. The Station is fully collateralized as of June 30, 2023 and 2022.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The Commonwealth places no limit on the amount the Station may invest in any one issuer.

Investment income for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, consisted of:

	2023		2022	
Interest income, including interest earned on cash equivalents Net change in fair value of investments and	\$	6,659	\$	5,131
assets held by WKU Foundation		(47,274)		46,310
	\$	(40,615)	\$	51,441

Note 4: Capital Assets and Lease Assets

Capital assets consist of equipment. Capital assets activity for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, was:

	2023							
	Beginning			Ending				
	Balance	Additions	Disposals	Balance				
Equipment Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 7,622,583 (7,388,781)	\$ 101,800 (44,052)	\$ 174,270 (174,270)	\$ 7,550,113 (7,258,563)				
Capital assets, net	\$ 233,802	\$ 57,748	\$ -	\$ 291,550				
		20)22					
	Beginning			Ending				
	Balance	Additions	Disposals	Balance				
Equipment Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 7,519,538 (7,342,594)	\$ 103,045 (46,187)	\$ - -	\$ 7,622,583 (7,388,781)				
Capital assets, net	\$ 176,944	\$ 56,858	\$ -	\$ 233,802				

Changes in lease assets for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, are summarized as follows:

	2023							
	Be	eginning						Ending
	E	Balance	Additions		Disposals		E	Balance
Lease assets Less accumulated depreciation	\$	190,604 (27,229)	\$	(27,229)	\$	-	\$	190,604 (54,458)
Lease assets, net	\$	163,375	\$	(27,229)	\$	-	\$	136,146
			2022					
	Be	eginning					I	Ending
	Balance		Additions		Disposals		E	Balance
Lease assets Less accumulated depreciation	\$	190,604 -	\$	(27,229)	\$	-	\$	190,604 (27,229)
Lease assets, net	\$	190,604	\$	(27,229)	\$	-	\$	163,375

Note 5: Lease Liability

The following is a summary of long-term lease obligation transactions for the Station for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

						2023				
	Be	ginning					E	Ending	С	urrent
	В	alance	Addi	Iditions Reductions		Balance		Portion		
Lease liability	\$	167,063	\$	-	\$	(24,700)	\$	142,363	\$	25,901
						2022				
	Beginning						E	Ending	-	urrent
	B	alance	Addi	tions	s Reductions		ns Balance		Portion	
Lease liability	\$	190,604	\$		\$	(23,541)	\$	167,063	\$	24,700

The Station leases certain real estate and equipment, the terms of which expire in various years through 2027. Variable payments based upon the use of the underlying asset are not included in the lease liability because they are not fixed in substance.

The following is a schedule by year of future minimum payments under the leases as of June 30, 2023:

	P	Principal		terest
Year Ending 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 Thereafter	\$	25,901 27,143 28,428 29,758 31,133	\$	2,611 2,081 1,527 946 338
	\$	142,363	\$	7,503

Note 6: Natural and Functional Classifications of Operating Expenses

The Station's operating expenses by natural classification were as follows:

	2023							
	Со	mpensation			Dep	preciation		
	an	nd Benefits		Other	Am	ortization		Total
Program and supporting services Depreciation and amortization	\$	1,029,199	\$	756,835	\$	71,281	\$	1,786,034 71,281
Total operating expenses	\$	1,029,199	\$	756,835	\$	71,281	\$	1,857,315
				2022				
	Со	mpensation						
	an	nd Benefits		Other	Dep	preciation		Total
Program and supporting services Depreciation	\$	1,068,005	\$	1,328,727	\$	73,416	\$	2,396,732 73,416
Total operating expenses	\$	1,068,005	\$	1,328,727	\$	73,416	\$	2,470,148

Note 7: Risk Management

The Station and University are exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; business interruption; errors and omissions; employee injuries and illnesses; natural disasters and employee health and accident benefits. Commercial insurance coverage is purchased for claims arising from such matters other than those related to workers' compensation, employee health and certain natural disasters. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the three preceding years.

In 2006, the University opted out of the Kentucky public entity risk pool and began self-insuring workers' compensation claims. The University contracts with a third-party administrator for administration services related to workers' compensation claims.

As a result of the economic uncertainty stemming from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Station received a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan in March 2021, in the principal amount of \$170,865 from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Under the terms of the program, the PPP loan provided for conditional forgiveness if the Station utilized the loan proceeds on admissible expenses. The Station accounted for the PPP loan as a loan with the loan proceeds initially recorded as a liability on the statement of net position. The Station received formal forgiveness of the loan by the lender on October 26, 2021, and recorded a gain in nonoperating revenue in the financial statements during 2022.

Note 8: Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) Plans

Employees of the University are covered by one of three pension plans: the Optional Retirement Plan, the Kentucky Employees' Retirement System (KERS) Plan, and the Kentucky Teachers Retirement System (KTRS) Plan.

Optional Retirement Plan

Plan Description: University faculty and administrative staff hired after July 1, 1996, have the option of participating in the Optional Retirement Program, a defined contribution pension plan. The plan is administered by one of three providers chosen by the employee. The plan provides retirement benefits to plan members. Benefit provisions are contained in the plan document and were established and may be amended by action of the Commonwealth.

For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, contribution rates for plan members and the University expressed as a percentage of covered payrolls were 6.16% and 8.74%, respectively. Of the University's 8.74% contribution, 0.00% is paid to KTRS for unfunded liabilities.

The University's contributions to the Optional Retirement Program on behalf of the Station for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, were \$10,026 and \$7,442, respectively. Station employees' contributions to the Optional Retirement Program for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, were \$7,067 and \$5,245, respectively.

Kentucky Employees Retirement System

Plan Description: The University contributes to the KERS, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan and OPEB plan administered by the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority (KPPA), an agency of the Commonwealth. Under the provisions of Kentucky Revised Statute Section 61.645, the board of trustees ("KPPA Board") of KPPA administers the KERS, County Employees Retirement System and State Police Retirement System. Although the assets of the systems are invested as a whole, each system's assets are used only for the payment of benefits to members of that plan, and a pro rata share of administrative costs, in accordance with the provisions of Kentucky Revised Statute Sections 16.555, 61.570, and 78.630.

KPPA issues a publicly available financial report that includes audited financial statements and audited required supplementary information for KERS. The report may be obtained by writing to Kentucky Retirement System, Perimeter Park West, 1260 Louisville Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, or it may be found at the KPPA website at www.kyret.ky.gov.

Basis of Accounting: For purposes of measuring the net pension and OPEB liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB, pension and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of KERS and additions to/deductions from KERS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by KERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Pension Benefits Provided: The information below summarizes the major retirement benefit provisions of the plan. It is not intended to be, nor should it be interpreted as, a complete statement of all benefit provisions.

	Tier 1 Participation Prior to 9/1/2008	Tier 2 Participation 9/1/2008 through 12/31/13	Tier 3 Participation 1/1/2014
Benefit Formula	Final Compensation X Benefit Facto	or X Years of Service	Cash Balance Plan
Final Compensation	Average of the highest 5 fiscal years (must contain at least 48 months). Includes lump-sum compensation payments (before and at retirement).	Five complete fiscal years immediately preceding retirement; each year must contain 12 months. Lump-sum compensation payments (before and at retirement) are not to be included in creditable compensation.	No Final Compensation
Benefit Factor	1.97% or 2.0% for those retiring with service for all months between 1/1998 and 1/1999.	10 years or less = 1.10% . Greater than 10 years, but no more than 20 years = 1.30% . Greater than 20 years, but no more than 26 years = 1.50%. Greater than 26 years, but no more than 30 years = 1.75% . Additional years above 30 = 2.00% (2.00% benefit factor only applies to service earned in excess of 30 years).	No benefit factor. A life annuity can be calculated in accordance with actuarial assumptions and methods adopted by the board based on member's accumulated account balance.
Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)	No COLA unless authorized by the l impacts all retirees regardless of Tie	Legislature. If authorized, the COLA is r.	limited to 1.5%. This
Unreduced Retirement Benefit	Any age with 27 years of service. Age 65 with 48 months of service. Money purchase for age 65 with less than 48 months based on contributions and interest.	Rule of 87: Member must be at least service must equal 87 years at retirem provision. Age 65 with 5 years of ear purchased calculations.	ent to retire under this
Reduced Retirement Benefit	Any age with 25 years of service. Age 55 with 5 years of service.	Age 60 with 10 years of service. Excludes purchased service (exception: refunds, omitted, free military).	No reduced retirement benefit.

OPEB Benefits Provided: The information below summarizes the major retirement benefit provisions of the plan. It is not intended to be, nor should it be interpreted as, a complete statement of all benefit provisions:

Insurance Tier 1: Participation began before 7/1/2003

Benefit Eligibility: Recipient of a retirement allowance

Benefit: The percentage of member premiums paid by the retirement system are dependent on the number of years of service. Benefits also include duty disability retirements, duty death in service, nonduty death in service and surviving spouse of a retiree.

Insurance Tier 2: Participation began on or after 7/1/2003, but before 9/1/2008

Benefit Eligibility: Recipient of a retirement allowance with at least 120 months of service at retirement

Benefit: The system provides a monthly contribution subsidy of \$10 for each year of earned service. The monthly contribution is increased by 1.5% each July 1. Benefits also include duty disability retirements, duty death in service and nonduty death in service.

Insurance Tier 3: Participation began on or after 9/1/2008

Benefit Eligibility: Recipient of a retirement allowance with at least 180 months of service at retirement

Benefit: Tier 3 insurance benefits are identical to Tier 2, except Tier 3 members are required to have at least 180 months of service in order to be eligible.

Contributions: The University was required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate determined by Statute. Per Kentucky Revised Statute Section 78.545(33), normal contribution and past service contribution rates shall be determined by the KRS Board on the basis of an annual valuation last preceding July 1 of a new biennium. The KRS Board may amend contribution rates as of the first day of July of the second year of a biennium, if it is determined on the basis of a subsequent actuarial valuation that amended contribution rates are necessary to satisfy requirements determined in accordance with actuarial bases adopted by the KRS Board.

For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, participating employers in the plan contributed 9.97% (7.82% allocated to pension and 2.15% allocated to OPEB) and 10.10% (7.90% allocated to pension and 2.20% allocated to OPEB), respectively, as set by KRS, of each employee's creditable compensation. These percentages are inclusive of both pension and insurance payments for employers. Administrative costs of KRS are financed through employer contributions and investments earnings.

The University has met 100% of the contribution funding requirement for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022. Total contributions by the Plan were \$11,188,447 (\$9,029,608 related to pension and \$2,158,839 related to OPEB) and \$11,454,974 (\$9,224,126 related to pension and \$2,230,848 related to OPEB) for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. The OPEB contribution amount does not include the implicit subsidy of \$470,563 and \$408,534 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Contributions related to the Station were \$70,077 (\$54,964 related to pension and \$15,113 related to OPEB) for the year ended June 30, 2023, and \$69,122 (\$52,070 related to pension and \$17,052 related to OPEB for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Members whose participation began before 9/1/2008:

Contributions equal 5% of all creditable compensation. Interest paid on the members' accounts is currently 2.5%; and, per statute, shall not be less than 2.0%. Members are entitled to a full refund of contributions with interest.

Members whose participation began on or after 9/1/2008:

Contributions equal 6% of all creditable compensation, with 5% being credited to the member's account and 1% deposited to the KRS 401(h) Account. Interest paid on the members' accounts will be set at 2.5%. Member is entitled to a full refund of contributions and interest in their individual account; however, the 1% contributed to the insurance fund is nonrefundable.

Members whose participation on or after 1/1/2014:

Contributions equal to 6% of all creditable compensation, with 5% being credited to the member's account and 1% deposited to the KRS 401(h) Account. Interest paid on the members' accounts will be set at 2.5%. Member is entitled to a full refund of contributions and interest in their individual account; however, the 1% contributed to the insurance fund is nonrefundable.

Pension Information

Total Pension Liability: The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation measured as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

June 30, 2022

Valuation date	June 30, 2021
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level percent of pay
Price inflation	2.30%
Salary increases	3.30% to 15.30%
Amortization period	30 years, closed
Investment rate of return	5.25%

June 30, 2021

June 30, 2020
Entry Age Normal
Level percent of pay
2.30%
3.30% to 15.30%
30 years, closed
5.25%

The mortality table used for active members is Pub-2010 General Mortality Table projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members is a system-specific mortality table base on mortality experience from 2013–2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019. For disabled members, the mortality table used is Pub-2010 Disabled Mortality Table, with a 4-year set-forward for both male and female rates, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010.

Discount rate assumptions:

- (a) Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.25%.
- (b) **Projected Cash Flows:** The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the local employers and plan members would contribute the statutorily determined contribution rate of projected compensation over the remaining 29-year amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability.
- (c) **Long-Term Rate of Return:** The long-term expected rate of return was determined by using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rate of returns are developed for each asset class. The ranges are combined by weighting the expected future real rate of return by the target asset allocation percentage.
- (d) Municipal Bond Rate: The discount rate determination does not use a municipal bond rate.
- (e) **Periods of Projected Benefit Payments:** The long-term assumed rate of return was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.
- (f) **Assumed Asset Allocation:** The long-term expected rate of return was determined by using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rate of returns are developed for each asset class. The ranges are combined by weighting the expected future real rate of return by the target asset allocation percentage. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Growth		
Public Equity	32.50%	4.45%
Private Equity	7.00%	10.15%
Fixed Income		
Core Bonds	20.50%	0.28%
Specialty Credit/High Yield	15.00%	2.28%
Cash	5.00%	(0.91%)
Inflation Protected		
Real Estate	10.00%	3.67%
Real Return	10.00%	4.07%
Total	100.00%	_

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan assets was established by the KPPA Board at 5.25% based on a blending of the factors described above.

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2021		
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Growth		
U.S. Equity	16.25%	5.70%
Non-U.S. Equity	16.25%	6.35%
Private Equity	7.00%	9.70%
Specialty Credit/High Yield	15.00%	2.80%
Liquidity		
Core Bonds	20.50%	0.00%
Cash	5.00%	0.60%
Diversifying Strategies		
Real Estate	10.00%	5.40%
Opportunistic/Absolute Return	0.00%	N/A
Real Return	10.00%	4.55%
Total	100.00%	=

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan assets was established by the KRS Board at 5.25% based on a blending of the factors described above.

(g) Sensitivity Analysis: This paragraph requires disclosure of the sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the Station's allocated portion of the net pension liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate of 5.25%, as well as what the Station's allocated portion of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (4.25%) or one-percentage-point higher (6.25%) than the current rate:

			2022	
	 Decrease (4.25%)	Disc	Current count Rate (5.25%)	 Increase 6.25%)
Station's net pension liability	\$ 1,034,541	\$	899,473	\$ 788,258
			2021	
	Decrease (4.25%)	Disc	Current count Rate (5.25%)	 Increase 6.25%)
Station's net pension liability	\$ 966,050	\$	838,618	\$ 733,840

Employer's Portion of the Collective Net Pension Liability: The Station's proportionate share of the net pension liability at June 30, 2023 and 2022, is \$899,473, or approximately 0.0068% and \$838,618, or approximately 0.0063%, respectively. The net pension liabilities were distributed based on the employers' covered payroll provided for the measurement period ended June 30, 2022, and actual employer contributions to the plan for the measurement period ended June 30, 2021.

Measurement Date: June 30, 2021 and 2020, are the actuarial valuation dates and June 30, 2022 and 2021, are the measurement dates upon which the total pension liability is based.

Changes in Assumptions and Benefit Terms: There have been no assumption changes since June 30, 2021. Additionally, there have been no plan provisions changes that would materially impact the total pension liability since June 30, 2021.

House Bill 1 passed during the 2022 legislative session and included a provision that provided an approximate 8% across-the-board salary increase effective July 1, 2022, for eligible State employees. While this salary increase may produce an actuarial loss with respect to the liability attributable to Tier 1 and Tier 2 active members, *i.e.*, a higher total pension liability than expected based on current actuarial assumptions, there was not sufficient information available at the time the roll-forward total pension liability was calculated to make a reasonable adjustment to reflect these anticipated salary increases.

Changes Since Measurement Date: There were no changes between the measurement date of the collective net pension liability and the employer's reporting date.

Pension Expense: The Station was allocated pension expense of \$(31,688) and \$(68,962) related to the KERS plan for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows: Since certain expense items are amortized over closed periods each year, the deferred portions of these items must be tracked annually. If the amounts serve to reduce pension expense they are labeled as deferred inflows. If they will increase pension expense they are labeled as deferred outflows. The amortization of these amounts is accomplished on a level dollar basis, with no interest included in the deferred amounts. Experience gains/losses and the impact of changes in actuarial assumptions, if any, are amortized over the average remaining service life of the active and inactive System members at the beginning of the fiscal year. Investment gains and losses are amortized over a fixed five-year period.

Deferred inflows and outflows as of the measurement date include:

	2022				2021			
	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-	\$	1,054	\$	837	\$	4,352
Change of assumptions		-		-		-		-
Change in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate shares of contributions		-		9,453		-		81,294
Net differences between expected and actual								
investment earnings on plan investments		3,486		-		-		17,808
		3,486		10,507		837		103,454
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date		54,965		-		52,070		-
Total	\$	58,451	\$	10,507	\$	52,907	\$	103,454

Deferred outflows of resources resulting from employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$54,965 will be recognized as a reduction of net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2024. The remainder of the deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources are amortized over three to five years with remaining amortization as follows:

Year Ending June 30 2024 2025 2026 2027	\$ (10,540) (9) (880) 4,408
	\$ (7,021)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position: Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued pension plan financial reports.

OPEB Information

Total OPEB Liability: The total OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

June 30, 2022

June 30, 2021
2.30%
0.00%
3.30%-15.30%
6.25%
Initial trend starting at 6.20% at January 1, 2024, and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years.
Initial trend starting at 9.00% at January 1, 2024, and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years.

June 30, 2021

Actuarial valuation date Price inflation	June 30, 2020 2.30%
Payroll growth rate	0.00%
Salary increases	3.30%-15.30%
Investment rate of return	6.25%
Healthcare trend rates:	
Pre-65	Initial trend starting at 6.25% at January 1, 2021, and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years.
Post-65	Initial trend starting at 5.50% at January 1, 2021, and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 14 years.

The mortality table used for active members is Pub-2010 General Mortality Table projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members is a system-specific mortality table base on mortality experience from 2013–2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019. For disabled members, the mortality table used is Pub-2010 Disabled Mortality Table, with a 4-year set-forward for both male and female rates, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019.

Discount rate assumptions:

- (a) **Discount Rate:** The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 5.72%, which was an increase from the 5.26% discount rate used in the prior year. Based on the stated assumptions and the projection of cash flows as of each fiscal year ending, the plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions were projected to be sufficient to finance the future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on insurance plan investments was applied to all periods of the projected benefit payments paid from the retirement system. However, the cost associated with the implicit employer subsidy is not currently being included in the calculation of the actuarial determined contributions, and any cost associated with the implicit subsidy will not be paid out of the trust. Therefore, the municipal bond rate was applied to future expected benefit payments associated with the implicit subsidy.
- (b) **Projected Cash Flows:** The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the local employers and plan members would contribute the actuarially determined contribution rate of projected compensation over the remaining 26-year amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability.
- (c) **Long-Term Rate of Return:** The long-term expected rate of return was determined by using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rate of returns are developed for each asset class. The ranges are combined by weighting the expected future real rate of return by the target asset allocation percentage.
- (d) **Municipal Bond Rate:** The discount rate determination used a municipal bond rate of 3.69% as reported in Fidelity Index's "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index" as of June 30, 2022, which was increased from the 1.92% municipal bond rate used in the prior year.
- (e) **Period of Projected Benefit Payments:** Current assets, future contributions, and investment earnings are projected to be sufficient to pay the projected benefit payments from the retirement system. However, the cost associated with the implicit employer subsidy is not currently being included in the calculation of the system's actuarial determined contributions, and it is the actuary's understanding that any cost associated with the implicit subsidy will not be paid out of the system's trust. Therefore, the municipal bond rate was applied to future expected benefit payments associated with the implicit subsidy.

(f) **Assumed Asset Allocations:** The long-term expected rate of return was determined by using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rate of returns are developed for each asset class. The ranges are combined by weighting the expected future real rate of return by the target asset allocation percentage. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

2022 Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Equity		
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Public Equity	43.50%	4.45%
Private Equity	10.00%	10.15%
Fixed Income		
Core Bonds	10.00%	0.28%
Specialty Credit/High Yield	15.00%	2.28%
Cash	1.50%	(0.91%)
Inflation Protected		
Real Estate	10.00%	3.67%
Real Return	10.00%	4.07%
Total	100.00%	=

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan assets was established by the KPPA Board at 6.25% based on a blending of the factors described above.

2021 Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Growth		
U.S. Equity	21.75%	5.70%
Non-U.S. Equity	21.75%	6.35%
Private Equity	10.00%	9.70%
Specialty Credit/High Yield	15.00%	2.80%
Liquidity		
Core Bonds	10.00%	0.00%
Cash	1.50%	(0.60%)
Diversifying Strategies		
Real Estate	10.00%	5.40%
Opportunistic/Absolute Return	0.00%	N/A
Real Return	10.00%	4.55%
Total	100.00%	=

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan assets was established by the KRS Board at 6.25% based on a blending of the factors described above.

(g) **Sensitivity Analysis:** This paragraph requires disclosure of the sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate and changes in the healthcare cost trend rate.

The following presents the Station's allocated portion of the net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate of 5.72%, as well as what the Station's allocated portion of the System's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (4.72%) or one-percentage-point higher (6.72%) than the current rate:

				2022			
	1% Decrease (4.72%)		Disc	Current count Rate (5.72%)	1% Increase (6.72%)		
Station's net OPEB liability	\$	189,148	\$	157,995	\$	129,326	
				2021			
		1% Decrease (4.26%)		Current Discount Rate (5.26%)		1% Increase (6.26%)	
Station's net OPEB liability	\$	177,213	\$	145,112	\$	118,793	

The following presents the Station's allocated portion of the Non-hazardous net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the healthcare cost trend rate of percent, as well as what the Station's allocated portion of the System's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rate that is one-percentage-point lower or one-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

				2022			
	1%	Decrease		Current end Rate	1%	Increase	
	170 Decrease						
Station's net OPEB liability	\$	129,898	\$	157,995	\$	188,169	
	2021						
				urrent althcare			
			-	st Trend			
	1% Decrease		Rate		1% Increase		
Station's net OPEB liability	\$	177,213	\$	145,112	\$	118,793	

Employer's Portion of the Collective OPEB Liability: The Station's proportionate share of the Non-hazardous net OPEB liability at June 30, 2023 and 2022, is \$157,995, or approximately 0.0071%, and \$145,112, or approximately 0.0064%. The net OPEB liabilities were distributed based on the 2022 actual employer contributions to the plan.

Measurement Date: June 30, 2021 and 2020, the actuarial valuation dates and June 30, 2022 and 2021, are the measurement dates upon which the total OPEB liability is based.

Changes in Assumptions and Benefit Terms: Senate Bill 209 passed during the 2022 legislative session and increased the insurance dollar contribution for members hired on or after July 1, 2003 by \$5 for each year of service a member attains over certain thresholds, depending on a member's retirement eligibility requirement. This increase in the insurance dollar contribution does not increase by 1.5% annually and is only payable for non-Medicare retirees. Additionally, it is only payable when the member's applicable insurance fund is at least 90% funded. The increase is first payable January 1, 2023. Senate Bill 209 also allows members receiving the insurance dollar contribution to participate in a medical insurance reimbursement plan that would provide the reimbursement of premiums for health plans other than those administered by KPPA. The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022, is determined using these updated benefit provisions. In fiscal year 2023, for KERS, the Healthcare Trend Rate for Under Age 65 decreased from 6.25% to 6.20% and for Ages 65 and Older the Healthcare Trend Rate increased from 5.50% to 9.00%. The KERS Discount Rates used for Non-hazardous increased from 5.26% to 5.72%.

Changes Since Measurement Date: There were no changes between the measurement date of the collective net OPEB liability and the employer's reporting date.

OPEB Expense: The Station was allocated OPEB expense of \$(5,320) and \$(708) related to the KERS Non-hazardous Plan for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows: Since certain expense items are amortized over closed periods each year, the deferred portions of these items must be tracked annually. If the amounts serve to reduce OPEB expense they are labeled as deferred inflows. If they will increase OPEB expense they are labeled deferred outflows. The amortization of these amounts is accomplished on a level dollar basis, with no interest included in the deferred amounts. Experience gains/losses and the impact of changes in actuarial assumptions, if any, are amortized over the average remaining service life of the active and inactive System members at the beginning of the fiscal year. Investment gains and losses are amortized over a fixed five-year period.

Deferred inflows and outflows as of the measurement date include:

	2022				2021			
	Ō	eferred utflows esources	l	eferred nflows esources	ō	eferred utflows esources	l	eferred nflows esources
Differences between expected and actual	_				_			
experience	\$	3,850	\$	12,655	\$	8,405	\$	20,100
Changes of assumptions		8,881		10,482		14,273		136
Change in proportion and differences between employer contributions and		4 100		15.072				20 521
proportionate shares of contributions Net difference between projected and actual		4,100		15,873		-		29,531
earnings on OPEB plan investments		3,224		-		-		8,149
		20,055		39,010		22,678		57,916
Station contributions subsequent to the								
measurement date		18,266		-		17,052		-
Total	\$	38,321	\$	39,010	\$	39,730	\$	57,916

Deferred outflows of resources resulting from employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$18,266 will be recognized as a reduction of net OPEB liability in the year ending June 30, 2024. The remainder of the deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources are amortized over three to five years with remaining amortization as follows:

Year Ending June 30 2024 2025 2026 2027	\$ (13,274) (6,415) (1,819) 2,553
	\$ (18,955)

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position: Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued OPEB plan financial reports.

Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System

Plan Description: All full-time University faculty members and certain other staff occupying a position requiring certification or graduation from a four-year college or university as a condition of employment are covered by the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System (KTRS), a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee retirement system. KTRS is a defined benefit plan providing for retirement, disability, death benefits and health insurance. Participants have a fully vested interest after the completion of 60 months of service, 12 of which are current service.

KTRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information, and detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position. That report may be obtained by writing to Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System, 479 Versailles Road, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, by calling 502.573.3266, or visiting the website at <u>http://trs.ky.gov</u>.

Basis of Accounting: For purposes of measuring the net pension and OPEB liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB, pension and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the KTRS and additions to/deductions from KTRS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by KTRS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value, except for money market investments and participating interest-earning investment contracts that have a maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less, which are reported at cost.

Pension Plan Information

Pension Benefits Provided: The information on the following page summarizes the major retirement benefit provisions of the KTRS plan. It is not intended to be, nor should it be interpreted as, a complete statement of all benefit provisions:

	Tier 1 Participation Prior to July 1, 2008	Tier 2 Participation on or After July 1, 2008
Covered Employees	University faculty and professional staff that do not choose the Optional Retirement Plan (Deferred Contribution)	University faculty and professional staff that do not choose the Optional Retirement Plan (Deferred Contribution)
Benefit Formula	Final Compensation X Benefit Factor X Years	of Service
Final Compensation	Average of the highest 5 annual salaries reduced 5% per year from the earlier of age 60 or the date 27 years of service would have been completed. Average of the highest 3 annual salaries if age 55 with 27 or more years of service. The minimum annual service allowance for all members is \$440 multiplied by credited service.	Average of the highest 5 annual salaries reduced 6% per year from the earlier of age 60 or the date 27 years of service would have been completed. Average of the highest 3 annual salaries if age 55 with 27 or more years of service. The minimum annual service allowance for all members is \$440 multiplied by credited service.
Benefit Factor	Non-University members: 2.00% for service prior to 7/1/1983; 2.50% for service after 7/1/1983; 2.00% if participation after 7/1/2002 and less than 10 years; 2.50% if participation after 7/1/2002 and more than 10 years; 3.00% if retire after 7/1/2004 with more than 30 years. University members: 2.0% for each year of service.	Non-University members: 1.70% if less than 10 years; 2.00% if greater than 10 years, but no more than 20 years; 2.30% if greater than 20 years, but no more than 26 years; 2.50% if greater than 26 years, but no more than 30 years; 3.00% for service greater than 30 years. University members: 1.50% if less than 10 years; 1.70% if greater than 10 years, but less than 20 years; 1.85% if greater than 20 years, but less than 27 years; 2.00% if greater than 27 years.
Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)	1.5% annually additional ad hoc increases mus	st be authorized by the General Assembly.
Unreduced Retirement Benefit	Any age with 27 years of Kentucky service. Age 55 with 5 years of Kentucky service.	Any age with 27 years of Kentucky service. Age 60 with 5 years of Kentucky service. Age 55 with 10 years of Kentucky service.
Reduced Retirement Benefit	Must be retired for service or disability to be e supplement based upon a contribution supplen Trustees (KTRS Board). The retired member supplement.	nent table approved by the KTRS Board of

Contributions: Benefit and contribution rates are established by state statute. Per Kentucky Revised Statutes 161.540, 161.550 and 161.565, contribution requirements of the active employees and the participating organizations are established and may be amended by the KTRS Board. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, University employees were required to contribute 8.185% of their annual covered salary for retirement benefits. The University was contractually required to contribute 15.865% (13.010% allocated to pension, 2.775% allocated to medical insurance and 0.080% allocated to life insurance) and 15.865% (14.020% allocated to pension, 1.775% allocated to medical insurance and 0.070% allocated to life insurance) of covered payroll for plan members hired on or after July 1, 2008, and 9.775% (7.695% allocated to life insurance) and 9.775% (7.705% allocated to pension, 2.000% allocated to medical insurance and 0.080% allocated to life insurance) and 9.775% (7.705% allocated to pension, 2.000% allocated to medical insurance and 0.080% allocated to life insurance) and 9.775% (7.705% allocated to pension, 2.000% allocated to medical insurance and 0.080% allocated to life insurance) and 9.775% (7.695% allocated to life insurance) of covered payroll for plan members hired on or after July 1, 2022, for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. The actuarially determined amount, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the cost of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

The University has met 100% of the contribution funding requirement for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022. Total contributions by the Plan were \$6,943,857 (\$5,686,652 related to pension and \$1,257,205 related to OPEB) and \$6,687,887 (\$5,668,084 related to pension and \$1,019,803 related to OPEB) for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. In addition, the Commonwealth contributes ad hoc annual cost of living adjustments provided by the General Assembly for KTRS retirees. This contribution totaled \$7,242,560 and \$6,234,494 for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Contributions related to the Station were \$73,916 (\$60,851 related to OPEB) for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. and \$12,972 related to OPEB) for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Pension liabilities, pension expense, and deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions: At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Station reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected a reduction for pension support provided to the Station by the Commonwealth. The amount recognized by the Station as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the Station were as follows:

	 2023	2022		
Station's proportionate share of the net pension liability Commonwealth of Kentucky's proportionate share	\$ 808,032	\$	889,822	
of the net pension liability associated with the Station	 1,050,053		939,412	
Total	\$ 1,858,085	\$	1,829,234	

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023 and 2022. The Station's proportion of the net pension liability was based on actual contributions to the pension plan during the measurement period. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, the Station's proportion was 0.0046% and 0.0065% and the Commonwealth's proportion associated with the Station was 0.0059% and 0.0069%, respectively.

For the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Station recognized pension expense of \$(122,936) and \$(574,894) and revenue of \$22,266 and \$(161,309), respectively. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Station reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	2023				2022			
	C	Deferred Dutflows Resources		Deferred Inflows Resources	C	Deferred Dutflows Resources	Ī	eferred nflows Resources
Differences between expected and actual					_		_	
experience	\$	(28,054)	\$	-	\$	(16,762)	\$	8,060
Changes of assumptions		73,290		-		152,192		78,566
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments Changes in proportion and differences between Station contributions and		51,492		-		-		219,374
proportionate share of contributions		-		153,983		6,066		255,825
r - r		96,728		153,983		141,496		561,825
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date		60,847		-		74,252		-
Total	\$	157,575	\$	153,983	\$	215,748	\$	561,825

At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Station reported \$60,847 and \$74,252, respectively, as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Station contributions subsequent to the measurement date that will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the following fiscal year. Deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources at June 30, 2023, related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30 2024 2025 2026 2027	\$ (53,323) (14,836) (34,116) 45,020
	\$ (57,255)

Actuarial assumptions: The total pension liability was determined by actuarial valuations as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

June 30, 2021:

Price Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	3.00%–7.50%, including inflation
Investment Rate of Return	7.10%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

June 30, 2020:

Price Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	3.00%–7.50%, including inflation
Investment Rate of Return	7.10%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

The rates of mortality for the period after service retirement are according to the Pub2010 Mortality Table, projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups: service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 and 2020, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the five-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the KTRS Board on September 20, 2021. The Municipal Bond Index Rate used for this purpose is the June average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index.

The long-term expected return on the plan was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

2022 Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Nominal Rate of Return
Large Cap U.S. Equity	37.4%	4.2%
Small Cap U.S. Equity	2.6%	4.7%
Developed International Equity	16.5%	5.3%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.5%	5.4%
Fixed Income	15.0%	(0.1%)
High Yield Bonds	2.0%	1.7%
Other Additional Categories	5.0%	2.2%
Real Estate	7.0%	4.0%
Private Equity	7.0%	6.9%
Cash	2.0%	(0.3%)
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Total	100.0%	
2021 Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Nominal Rate of Return
	Allocation	Nominal Rate of Return
Large Cap U.S. Equity	Allocation 37.4%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2%
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity	Allocation 37.4% 2.6%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7%
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity Developed International Equity	Allocation 37.4% 2.6% 16.5%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7% 5.3%
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity Developed International Equity Emerging Markets Equity	Allocation 37.4% 2.6% 16.5% 5.5%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7% 5.3% 5.4%
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity Developed International Equity Emerging Markets Equity Fixed Income	Allocation 37.4% 2.6% 16.5% 5.5% 15.0%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7% 5.3% 5.4% (0.1%)
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity Developed International Equity Emerging Markets Equity Fixed Income High Yield Bonds	Allocation 37.4% 2.6% 16.5% 5.5% 15.0% 2.0%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7% 5.3% 5.4% (0.1%) 1.7%
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity Developed International Equity Emerging Markets Equity Fixed Income High Yield Bonds Other Additional Categories	Allocation 37.4% 2.6% 16.5% 5.5% 15.0% 2.0% 5.0%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7% 5.3% 5.4% (0.1%) 1.7% 2.2%
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity Developed International Equity Emerging Markets Equity Fixed Income High Yield Bonds Other Additional Categories Real Estate	Allocation 37.4% 2.6% 16.5% 5.5% 15.0% 2.0% 5.0% 7.0%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7% 5.3% 5.4% (0.1%) 1.7% 2.2% 4.0%
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity Developed International Equity Emerging Markets Equity Fixed Income High Yield Bonds Other Additional Categories	Allocation 37.4% 2.6% 16.5% 5.5% 15.0% 2.0% 5.0%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7% 5.3% 5.4% (0.1%) 1.7% 2.2%
Large Cap U.S. Equity Small Cap U.S. Equity Developed International Equity Emerging Markets Equity Fixed Income High Yield Bonds Other Additional Categories Real Estate Private Equity	Allocation 37.4% 2.6% 16.5% 5.5% 15.0% 2.0% 5.0% 7.0% 7.0%	Nominal Rate of Return 4.2% 4.7% 5.3% 5.4% (0.1%) 1.7% 2.2% 4.0% 6.9%

Changes in Assumptions and Benefit Terms Since Prior Measurement Date: There were no changes since the prior measurement date.

Changes Since Measurement Date: There were no changes between the measurement date of the collective net pension liability and the Station reporting date that are expected to have a significant effect on the Station's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability.

Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability at June 30, 2023 and 2022, was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will contribute the Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) in accordance with the LIF's funding policy determined by a valuation performed on a date two years prior to the beginning of the fiscal year in which the ADC applies.

Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Station's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate: The following table presents the net pension liability of the Station as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, calculated using the discount rate of 7.10%, as well as what the Station's net pension liability (in thousands) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.10%) or one-percentage-point higher (8.10%) than the current rate:

				2023	
	1%	Decrease (6.10%)	Disc	Current count Rate 7.10%)	 Increase 8.10%)
Station's net OPEB liability	\$	1,032,499	\$	808,032	\$ 622,754
				2022	
	1%	Decrease (6.10%)	Disc	Current count Rate (7.10%)	 Increase 8.10%)
Proportionate share of the collective net pension liability	\$	1,204,633	\$	889,822	\$ 630,927

Medical Insurance Plan

Plan Description: In addition to the OPEB benefits previously described, Kentucky Revised Statute 161.675 requires KTRS to provide post-employment healthcare benefits to eligible members and dependents. The KTRS medical insurance benefit is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan with a special funding situation. Changes made to the medical plan may be made by the KTRS Board, the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance and the General Assembly.

Benefits Provided: To be eligible for medical benefits, the member must have retired either for service or disability. The KTRS Medical Insurance Fund offers coverage to members under the age of 65 through the Kentucky Employees Health Plan administered by the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance. KTRS retired members are given a supplement to be used for payment of their health insurance premium. The amount of the member's supplement is based on a contribution supplement table approved by the KTRS Board. The retired member pays premiums in excess of the monthly supplement. Once retired members and eligible spouses attain age 65 and are Medicare eligible, coverage is obtained through the KTRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan.

Contributions: In order to fund the post-retirement healthcare benefit, seven and one-half percent (7.50%) of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed. Three and three quarters percent (3.75%) is paid by member contributions, three quarters percent (.75%) from state appropriation, and three percent (3.00%) from the employer. The state contributes the net cost of health insurance premiums for members who retired on or after July 1, 2010, who are in the non-Medicare eligible group. Also, the premiums collected from retirees as described in the plan description and investment interest help meet the medical expenses of the plan.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs: At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Station reported a liability of \$216,354 and \$169,881, respectively, for its proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that reflected a reduction for state OPEB support provided to the Station. The collective net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the collective net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the Station's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2022 and 2021, the Station's proportion was 0.0087% and 0.0079%, respectively.

The amount recognized by the Station as its proportionate share of the OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net OPEB liability at June 30, 2023 and 2022, that was associated with the Station were as follows:

	 2023	2022		
Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 216,354	\$	169,881	
associated with the Station	 13,589		76,399	
Total	\$ 229,943	\$	246,280	

For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, the Station recognized OPEB expense of \$(5,810) and \$(7,742) and revenue of (\$578) and \$12,524 for support provided by the Commonwealth. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Station reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs from the following sources:

2023				2022			
Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resourc	
\$	-	\$	90,939	\$	-	\$	101,027
	43,934		-		44,435		-
	11,503		-		-		18,117
	58,647		30,688		-		50,094
	114,084		121,627		44,435		169,238
	13,070		-		12,972		-
\$	127,154	\$	121,627	\$	57,407	\$	169,238
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Of the total amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, \$13,070 resulting from Station contributions subsequent to the measurement date and before the end of the fiscal year will be included as a reduction of the collective net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the Station's OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	
2024	\$ (13,043)
2025	(10,411)
2026	(7,212)
2027	9,288
2028	9,266
Thereafter	 4,569
	\$ (7,543)

Actuarial Assumptions: The total OPEB liability measured at June 30, 2022 and 2021, was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

June 30, 2022

Single Equivalent Interest Rate

Actuarial valuation date Investment rate of return	June 30, 2021 7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation.
Salary increases	3.00%–7.50%, including inflation
Inflation rate	2.50%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Healthcare cost trend rates:	2.7570
Under 65	7.00% for FYE 2022 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50%
Under 05	
A see (5 and Olden	by FYE 2032
Ages 65 and Older	5.125% for FYE 2022 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by FYE 2025
Medicare Part B Premiums	6.97% for FYE 2022 with an ultimate rate of 4.50%
	by 2034
Municipal Bond Index Rate	3.37%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation
<u>June 30, 2021</u>	
Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2020
Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation.
Salary increases	3.00%–7.50%, including inflation
Inflation rate	2.50%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Healthcare cost trend rates:	
Under 65	7.00% for FYE 2021 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50%
	by FYE 2031
Ages 65 and Older	5.00% for FYE 2022* decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50%
C	by FYE 2024
Medicare Part B Premiums	4.40% for FYE 2021 with an ultimate rate of 4.50%
	by 2034
Municipal Bond Index Rate	2.13%

*Based on known expected increase in Medicare-eligible costs in the year following the valuation date, an increase rate of 20.00% was used for FYE 2021.

7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups: service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members.

The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, rates of plan participation, and rates of plan election used in the June 30, 2021 and 2020, valuation were based on the results of the most recent actuarial experience studies for the System, which covered the five-year period ended June 30, 2020, adopted by the KTRS Board on September 20, 2021.

The remaining actuarial assumptions, *e.g.*, initial per capita costs, healthcare cost trends, used in the June 30, 2021 and 2020, valuations were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2021, valuation. The healthcare cost trend assumption was updated for the June 30, 2021, valuation and was shown as an assumption change in the TOL roll forward while the change in initial per capita claims costs were included with experience in the TOL roll forward.

The long-term expected return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS's investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

2022 Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Nominal Rate of Return
Global Equity	58.0%	5.1%
Fixed Income	9.0%	(0.1%)
Real Estate	6.5%	4.0%
Private Equity	8.5%	6.9%
Additional Category: High Yield	8.0%	1.7%
Other Additional Categories	9.0%	2.2%
Cash (LIBOR)	1.0%	(0.3%)
Total	100.0%	=

2021 Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Nominal Rate of Return
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Global Equity	58.0%	5.1%
Fixed Income	9.0%	(0.1%)
Real Estate	6.5%	4.0%
Private Equity	8.5%	6.9%
Additional Category: High Yield	8.0%	1.7%
Other Additional Categories	9.0%	2.2%
Cash (LIBOR)	1.0%	(0.3%)
Total	100.0%	_

Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

Sensitivity of the Station's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rates: The following table presents the Station's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate of 7.10%, as well as what the Station's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.10%) or one-percentage-point higher (8.10%) than the current rate:

			2023	
	 Decrease (6.10%)	Disc	Current count Rate 7.10%)	 Increase 8.10%)
Station's net OPEB liability	\$ 271,448	\$	216,354	\$ 170,740
			2022	
	 Decrease (6.10%)	Disc	Current count Rate (7.10%)	 Increase (8.10%)
Station's net OPEB liability	\$ 217,499	\$	169,881	\$ 130,528

Sensitivity of the Station's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates: The following presents the Station's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, as well as what the Station's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that were one-percentage-point lower or one-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

				2023		
			C	Current		
	1%	Decrease	Tre	end Rate	1%	Increase
Station's net OPEB liability	\$	162,191	\$	216,354	\$	283,711
				2022		
			(Current		
	1%	Decrease	Tr	end Rate	1%	Increase
Station's net OPEB liability	\$	123,428	\$	169,881	\$	227,717

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position: Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued KTRS financial report.

Changes of Benefit Terms: A new benefit tier was added for members joining the System on and after January 1, 2022. There were no other changes in benefit terms for the year ending June 30, 2023. In fiscal year 2023, for KTRS, the MIF Healthcare Cost Trend Rates for Ages 65 and Older and Medicare Part B Premiums increased from 5.00% to 5.125% and from 4.40% to 6.97%, respectively. The Municipal Bond Index Rate for KTRS MIF and LIF increased from 2.13% to 3.37%.

Life Insurance Plan

Plan Description: KTRS administers the life insurance plan as provided by Kentucky Revised Statute 161.655 to eligible active and retired members. The KTRS life insurance benefit is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan with a special funding situation. Changes made to the life insurance plan may be made by the KTRS Board and the General Assembly.

Benefits Provided: KTRS provides a life insurance benefit of \$5,000 payable for members who retire based on service or disability. KTRS provides a life insurance benefit of \$2,000 payable for its active contributing members. The life insurance benefit is payable upon the death of the member to the member's estate or to a party designated by the member.

Contributions: In order to fund the post-retirement life insurance benefit, four hundredths of one percent (.04%) of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed by the state.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs: At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Station reported a liability of \$4,141 and \$2,266, respectively, for its proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that reflected a reduction for state OPEB support provided to the Station. The collective net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the collective net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the Station's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2022 and 2021, the Station's proportion was 0.013% and 0.017%, respectively.

The amount recognized by the Station as its proportionate share of the OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net OPEB liability at June 30, 2023 and 2022, that was associated with the Station were as follows:

	2023	2022
Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the Station	\$ 4,141	\$ 2,266
Total	\$ 4,141	\$ 2,266

For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, the Station recognized OPEB expense of \$332 and \$328 and revenue of \$171 and \$157 for support provided by the Commonwealth. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Station reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs from the following sources:

	2023			2022				
	Οι	eferred Itflows esources	In	eferred flows esources	Out	ferred tflows sources	Ir	eferred Iflows esources
Differences between expected and actual	¢		¢	402	¢	105	¢	65
experience Changes of assumptions	\$	64	\$	492 546	\$	105	\$	65 852
Changes of assumptions		-		340		-		852
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments Changes in proportion and differences		1,134		-		-		2,070
between Station contributions and								
proportionate share of contributions		-		642		-		707
		1,198		1,680		105		3,694
Station contributions subsequent to the measurement date		382				387		_
Total	\$	1,580	\$	1,680	\$	492	\$	3,694

Of the total amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, \$382 resulting from Station contributions subsequent to the measurement date and before the end of the fiscal year will be included as a reduction of the collective net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the Station's OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	
2024	\$ (171)
2025	(171)
2026	(171)
2027	300
2028	(235)
Thereafter	 (32)
	\$ (480)

Actuarial Assumptions: The total OPEB liability measured at June 30, 2022 and 2021, was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

June 30, 2022

Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2021
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level Percent of Payroll
Amortization period	25 years
Asset valuation method	Five-year smoothed value
Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation
Projected salary increases	3.00%–7.50%, including inflation
Inflation rate	2.50%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Municipal Bond Index Rate	3.37%

June 30, 2021

Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2020
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level Percent of Payroll
Amortization period	26 years
Asset valuation method	Five-year smoothed value
Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation
Projected salary increases	3.00%–7.50%, including inflation
Inflation rate	2.50%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Municipal Bond Index Rate	2.13%

Mortality rates were based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups: service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members.

The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, rates of plan participation, and rates of plan election used in the June 30, 2021, valuation were based on the results of the most recent actuarial experience studies for the System, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the KTRS Board on September 20, 2021.

The remaining actuarial assumptions, *e.g.*, initial per capita costs, healthcare cost trends, used in the June 30, 2021, valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2021, valuation. The healthcare cost trend assumption was updated for the June 30, 2021, valuation and was shown as an assumption change in the TOL roll forward while the change in initial per capita claims costs were included with experience in the TOL roll forward.

The long-term expected return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

2022 Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Nominal Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	40.0%	4.4%
International Equity	23.0%	5.6%
Fixed Income	18.0%	(0.1%)
Real Estate	6.0%	4.0%
Private Equity	5.0%	6.9%
Other Additional Categories	6.0%	2.1%
Cash (LIBOR)	2.0%	(0.3%)
Total	100.0%	=

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS's investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

2021	Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Nominal Rate of Return
U.S. E	quity	40.0%	4.4%
Interna	tional Equity	23.0%	5.6%
Fixed 1	Income	18.0%	(0.1%)
Real E	state	6.0%	4.0%
Private	e Equity	5.0%	6.9%
Other A	Additional Categories	6.0%	2.1%
Cash (LIBOR)	2.0%	(0.3%)
Т	Total	100.0%	

Discount rate: The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability for life insurance was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

Sensitivity of the Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate: The following table presents the Station's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate of 7.10%, as well as what the Station's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.10%) or one-percentage-point higher (8.10%) than the current rate:

			2023							
	Current									
	1% Decrease (6.10%)		ount Rate /.10%)	1% Increase (8.10%)						
Station's net OPEB liability	\$ 6,399	\$	4,141	\$	2,311					

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			:	2022			
	1% Decrease (6.10%)		Disco	urrent ount Rate 7.10%)	1% Increase (8.10%)		
Station's net OPEB liability	\$	5,227	\$	2,266	\$	(144)	

OPEB plan fiduciary net position: Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued KTRS financial report.

Changes of benefit terms: A new benefit tier was added for members joining the System on and after January 1, 2022. There were no other changes in benefit terms for the year ending June 30, 2023 and 2022.

As discussed above, the KTRS OPEB benefits include a medical insurance plan and a life insurance plan.

		2022				
Medical insurance plan Life insurance plan	\$	216,354 4,141	\$	169,881 2,266		
	\$	220,495	\$	172,147		

Required Supplementary Information

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Required Supplementary Information

Schedules of the Station's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2	2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018	2	2017
KERS														
Station's proportion of the net pension liability		0.007%		0.007%		0.007%		0.007%		0.008%		0.007%		0.007%
Station's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	899,473	\$	838,618	\$	1,030,051	\$	1,035,238	\$	1,129,399	\$	973,810	\$	765,435
Station's covered payroll	\$	85,404	\$	101,753	\$	84,083	\$	92,235	\$	90,390	\$	78,185	\$	89,844
Station's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a														
percentage of its covered payroll		1,053.20%		824.17%		1,225.04%		1,122.39%		1,249.47%		1,245.52%		851.96%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		18.51%		18.48%		14.01%		13.66%		12.84%		13.30%		14.80%
KTRS														
Station's proportion of the net pension liability		0.005%		0.007%		0.006%		0.005%		0.007%		0.005%		0.009%
Station's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	808,032	\$	889,822	\$	831,196	\$	783,029	\$	999,838	\$	1,449,248	\$ 2	2,725,922
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated														
with the Station		1,050,055	_	939,414	_	874,155	_	848,489		743,872		1,155,023		256,916
Total	\$ <u></u>	1,858,087	\$	1,829,236	\$	1,705,351	\$	1,631,518	\$	1,743,710	\$	2,604,271	\$ <u>_</u>	<u>2,982,838</u>
Station's covered payroll	\$	561,008	\$	468,187	\$	387,530	\$	392,616	\$	379,520	\$	411,565	\$	456,219
Station's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a	Ψ	201,000	Ψ	100,107	Ψ	207,220	Ψ	2,010	Ψ	5,9,520	Ψ	111,505	Ψ	100,219
percentage of its covered payroll		144.03%		190.06%		214.49%		199.44%		263.45%		352.13%		597.50%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		56.41%		65.59%		58.27%		58.80%		59.30%		39.83%		35.22%

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Notes to Schedules

Changes in assumptions - In fiscal year 2023, there were no changes to the KERS plan or the KTRS plan.

In fiscal year 2022, for KERS, salary increases changed from 3.55%–15.55% to 3.30%–15.30%. The KERS amortization period changed from 26 years, closed to 30 years, closed. For KTRS, price inflation changed from 3.00% to 2.50%, salary Increases changed from 3.50%–7.30%, including inflation, to 3.00%–7.50%, including inflation, and the investment rate of return changed from 7.50%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation.

In fiscal year 2021, there were no changes to the KERS plan or the KTRS plan.

In fiscal year 2020, for KERS, the salary increase assumption changed from 3.05%, average to 3.55%–15.55%, varies by service. There were no changes for KTRS.

In fiscal year 2019, there were no changes to the KERS plan and the KTRS plan discount rate increased from 4.49% to 7.50%.

In fiscal year 2018, the KERS plan discount rate and assumed investment rate of return decreased from 6.75% to 5.25%, the assumed rate of inflation decreased from 3.25% to 2.30%, which also resulted in a 0.95% decrease in the salary increase assumption for all years of service. The payroll growth rate assumption decreased from 4.00% to 0.00% and the KTRS plan discount rate increased from 4.20% to 4.49%.

In fiscal year 2017, the KERS Non-hazardous investment rate and discount rate both decreased from 7.50% to 6.75% and the KTRS plan discount rate decreased from 4.88% to 4.20%.

In fiscal year 2016, the KERS plan inflation rate decreased from 3.50% to 3.25%, the estimated salary increases decreased from 4.50% to 4.00%, and the investment rate and discount rate both decreased from 7.75% to 7.50%. Additionally, the mortality tables changed from the 1983 and 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Tables to the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (adjusted for males and females). The KTRS plan discount rate decreased from 5.23% to 4.88%.

*The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the year-end that occurred one year prior.

**This is a 10-year schedule. However, the information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively. Years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of information is available.

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Required Supplementary Information Schedules of the Station's Pension Contributions June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
KERS Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 54,964 (54,964)	\$ 52,070 (52,070)	\$ 44,648 (44,648)	\$ 41,795 (41,795)	\$ 45,329 (45,329)	\$ 44,901 (44,901)	\$ 37,766 (37,766)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Station's covered payroll	\$ 98,089	\$ 85,404	\$ 101,753	\$ 84,083	\$ 92,235	\$ 90,390	\$ 78,185
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	56.03%	60.97%	43.88%	49.71%	49.15%	49.67%	48.3%
KTRS Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 60,851 (60,851)	\$ 74,252 (74,252)	\$ 103,127 (103,127)	\$ 61,230 (61,230)	\$ 90,830 (90,830)	\$ 66,948 <u>(66,948</u>)	\$ 70,525 (70,525)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Station's covered payroll	\$ 483,629	\$ 561,008	\$ 468,187	\$ 387,530	\$ 392,616	\$ 379,520	\$ 411,565
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	12.58%	13.24%	22.03%	15.80%	23.13%	17.64%	17.14%

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Notes to Schedules

Changes in assumptions - In fiscal year 2023, there were no changes to the KERS plan or the KTRS plan.

In fiscal year 2022, for KERS, salary increases changed from 3.55%–15.55% to 3.30%–15.30%. The KERS amortization period changed from 26 years, closed to 30 years, closed. For KTRS, price Inflation changed from 3.00% to 2.50%, salary increases changed from 3.50%–7.30%, including inflation, to 3.00%–7.50%, including inflation, and the investment rate of return changed from 7.50%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation.

In fiscal year 2021, there were no changes to the KERS plan or the KTRS plan.

In fiscal year 2020, for KERS, the salary increase assumption changed from 3.05%, average to 3.55%–15.55%, varies by service. There were no changes for KTRS.

In fiscal year 2019, there were no changes to the KERS plan and the KTRS plan discount rate increased from 4.49% to 7.50%.

In fiscal year 2018, the KERS plan discount rate and assumed investment rate of return decreased from 6.75% to 5.25%, the assumed rate of inflation decreased from 3.25% to 2.30%, which also resulted in a 0.95% decrease in the salary increase assumption for all years of service, the payroll growth rate assumption decreased from 4.00% to 0.00% and the KTRS plan discount rate increased from 4.20% to 4.49%.

In fiscal year 2017, the KERS Non-hazardous investment rate and discount rate both decreased from 7.50% to 6.75% and the KTRS plan discount rate decreased from 4.88% to 4.20%.

In fiscal year 2016, the KERS plan inflation rate decreased from 3.50% to 3.25%, the estimated salary increases decreased from 4.50% to 4.00%, and the investment rate and discount rate both decreased from 7.75% to 7.50%. Additionally, the mortality tables changed from the 1983 and 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Tables to the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (adjusted for males and females). The KTRS plan discount rate decreased from 5.23% to 4.88%.

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Required Supplementary Information Schedules of the Station's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2	2023 2022		2021		2020		2	2019	
KERS Station's proportion of the net OPEB liability Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$	0.007% 157,995	\$	0.007% 145,112	\$	0.007% 184,632	\$	0.007% 161,732	\$	0.008% 195,287
Station's covered payroll Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	\$	85,404 185.00%	\$	101,753 142.61%	\$	84,083 219.58%	\$	92,235 175.34%	\$	90,390 216.05%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability		38.15%		38.38%		29.47%		30.92%		27.32%
KTRS – Medical Insurance Station's proportion of the net OPEB liability Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$	0.009% 216,354	\$	0.008% 169,881	\$	0.007% 169,967	\$	0.007% 198,147	\$	0.007% 240,056
Station's covered payroll Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	\$	561,008 38.57%	\$	468,187 36.28%	\$	387,530 43.86%	\$	392,616 50.47%	\$	379,520 63.25%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability		47.75%		51.74%		39.05%		32.58%		25.50%
KTRS – Life Insurance Station's proportion of the net OPEB liability Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$	0.013% 4,141	\$	0.017% 2,266	\$	0.015% 5,044	\$	0.015% 4,537	\$	0.015% 4,313
Station's covered payroll Station's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	\$	561,008 0.74%	\$	468,187 0.48%	\$	387,530 1.30%	\$	392,616 1.11%	\$	379,520 1.14%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability		73.97%		89.15%		71.57%		73.40%		75.00%

Western Kentucky University WKYU-TV Required Supplementary Information Notes to Schedules of the Station's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability June 30, 2023 and 2022

Notes to Schedules

Changes in assumptions – In fiscal year 2023, for KERS, the healthcare trend rate for under age 65 decreased from 6.25% to 6.20% and for ages 65 and older the healthcare trend rate increased from 5.50% to 9.00%. The KERS discount rates used for Non-hazardous and Hazardous increased from 5.26% to 5.72% and from 5.01% to 5.59%, respectively. For KTRS, the MIF healthcare cost trend rates for ages 65 and older and Medicare Part B premiums increased from 5.00% to 5.125% and from 4.40% to 6.97%, respectively. The municipal bond index rate for KTRS MIF and LIF increased from 2.13% to 3.37%.

In fiscal year 2022, for KERS, the healthcare trend rate for under age 65 decreased from 6.40% to 6.25% and for ages 65 and older the healthcare trend rate increased from 2.90% to 5.50%. The KERS salary increases for Hazardous changed from 3.55%–19.55% to 3.55%–20.05%. The KERS discount rates used for Non-hazardous and Hazardous decreased from 5.43% to 5.26% and from 5.28% to 5.01%, respectively. For KTRS, salary increases changed from 3.50%–7.20% to 3.00%–7.50%, the inflation rate decreased from 3.00% to 2.50%, real wage growth decreased from 0.50% to 0.25%, Wage inflation decreased from 3.50% to 2.75%, and the municipal bond index rate decreased from 2.19% to 2.13%. The KTRS MIF healthcare cost trend rates for under age 65 and ages 65 and older decreased from 7.25% to 7.00% and 5.25% to 5.00%, respectively. The KTRS MIF Medicare Part B premiums decreased from 6.49% to 4.40%.

In fiscal year 2021, for KERS, the healthcare trend rates for under age 65 and older increased from 7.00% to 7.25% and 5.00% to 5.10%, respectively. The KTRS municipal bond index rate decreased from 3.50% to 2.19%. The KTRS MIF healthcare cost trends for under age 65 and ages 65 and older decreased from 7.50% to 7.25% and 5.50% to 5.25%, respectively. The KTRS MIF Medicare Part B premiums increased from 2.63% to 6.49%. The KTRS LIF salary increases changed from 3.50%–7.45% to 3.50%–7.20%.

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In fiscal year 2019, the KERS, Non-hazardous plan discount rate increased from 5.83% to 5.86% and the KERS Hazardous plan discount rate increased from 5.87% to 5.88%. The KTRS plan health care trend rates decreased from 1.02% to 0.00% for Medicare Part B premiums, the municipal bond index rate increased from 3.56% to 3.89%, the amortization period was changed from 27 years to 30 years and the inflation rate increased from 3.00% to 3.50%.

In fiscal year 2018, the KERS plan assumed investment rate of return decreased from 7.50% to 6.25%, the inflation rate decreased from 3.25% to 2.30%, which also resulted in a 0.95% decrease in the salary increase assumption for all years of service, the payroll growth rate assumption decreased from 4.00% to 0.00%. There were no changes in assumptions for the KTRS plan.

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Required Supplementary Information Schedules of the Station's OPEB Contributions June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022 2021		2020	2019		
KERS Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 15,113 (15,113)	\$ 17,052 (17,052)	\$ 11,924 (11,924)	\$ 8,561 (8,561)	\$		
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>		
Station's covered payroll	\$ 98,089	\$ 85,404	\$ 101,753	\$ 84,083	\$ 92,235		
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	15.41%	19.97%	11.72%	10.18%	10.06%		
KTRS – Medical Insurance Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 13,065 (13,065)	\$ 12,972 (12,972)	\$ 20,036 (20,036)	\$ 11,205 (11,205)	\$ 12,322 (12,322)		
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>		
Station's covered payroll	\$ 483,629	\$ 561,008	\$ 468,187	\$ 387,530	\$ 392,616		
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	2.70%	2.31%	4.28%	2.89%	3.14%		
KTRS – Life Insurance Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 385 (385)	\$ 387 (387)	\$ 468 (468)	\$ 229 (229)	\$ 152 (152)		
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u> </u>	\$	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>		
Station's covered payroll	\$ 483,629	\$ 561,008	\$ 468,187	\$ 387,530	\$ 392,616		
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.08%	0.07%	0.10%	0.06%	0.04%		

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