

Financial Statements and Report of  
Independent Certified Public  
Accountants

**Skoll Foundation**

December 31, 2023

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Board of Directors  
Skoll Foundation

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Skoll Foundation (the “Entity”), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2023, and the related statements of activities, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as of December 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audits of the financial statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (US 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 Entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

**Responsibilities of management for the financial statements**

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

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 Entity’s ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

**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 US 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 US 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 Entity'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 Entity'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.

*Grant Thornton LLP*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
September 20, 2024

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**December 31, 2023**

**ASSETS**

Cash	\$ 4,261,864
Prepaid expenses and other assets	193,922
Federal excise tax refund receivable	784,357
Investments, at fair value	782,889,222
Investment receivable	11,372,275
Program-related investments, net	6,234,261
Property and equipment, net	<u>1,340,847</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 807,076,748</u></u>

**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

**Liabilities**

Accounts payable	\$ 152,897
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	852,176
Grants payable, net	45,692,670
Deferred federal excise tax payable	<u>4,826,515</u>
Total liabilities	51,524,258

**Net assets**

Without donor restrictions	<u>755,552,490</u>
Total net assets	755,552,490
Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$ 807,076,748</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

**Year ended December 31, 2023**

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>
<b>Revenue</b>	
Contributed services	\$ 3,860,586
Investment gains, net	104,005,339
Event revenue	<u>1,620,956</u>
Total net gains	109,486,881
<b>Expenses</b>	
Grants, net	39,551,867
Direct charitable activities	14,668,346
Program services	6,250,470
Operational support	<u>11,030,615</u>
Total expenses	71,501,298
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	37,985,583
<b>Net assets, beginning of year</b>	<u>717,566,907</u>
<b>Net assets, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 755,552,490</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

**Year ended December 31, 2023**

**Cash flows from operating activities:**

Change in net assets	\$ 37,985,583
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	
Depreciation and amortization	207,965
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	(106,308,051)
Net realized and unrealized loss on PRIs	917,965
Investment management expenses	2,794,566
Deferred excised taxes	1,045,841
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	
Prepaid expenses and other assets	315,712
Federal excise tax liability	229,326
Accounts payable	141,960
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	(141,558)
Grants payable, net	<u>(18,639,816)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	(81,450,507)

**Cash flows from investing activities:**

Proceeds from program related investments	199,832
Purchases of investments	(486,267,185)
Proceeds from the sale of investments	<u>567,652,903</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>81,585,550</u>

**NET CHANGE IN CASH** 135,043

**Cash, beginning of year** 4,126,821

**Cash, end of year** \$ 4,261,864

**Supplemental data:**

Cash paid for excise taxes	<u><u>\$ 2,665,400</u></u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### NOTE A - THE ORGANIZATION

Skoll Foundation (the “Foundation”) is a private foundation established by Jeffrey Skoll in 2002. The Foundation catalyzes transformational social change by investing in, connecting, and championing social entrepreneurs and other social innovators who together advance bold and equitable solutions to the world’s most pressing problems. The Foundation is organized as a non-profit charitable corporation and operates from an office in Palo Alto, California.

#### NOTE B - BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### ***Basis of Presentation***

The financial statements and accompanying notes are presented on the accrual basis of accounting and in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to not-for-profit organizations.

##### ***Net Assets without Donor Restrictions***

Net assets without donor restrictions represent resources which do not have donor-imposed stipulations available to support the Foundation’s operations.

##### ***Net Assets with Donor Restrictions***

Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that will be met by actions of the Foundation and/or the passage of time.

##### ***Cash***

Cash consists of demand deposits maintained at a major commercial bank.

##### ***Revenue Recognition***

Contributions are recognized as revenue when they are received or unconditionally pledged. Revenues are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions unless there are donor-imposed purposes and/or time restrictions on the gifted assets. Event revenue, generated by the Skoll World Forum, is reported in the year for which the Forum is held. Expenses are reported as decreases in net assets without donor restrictions. Gains or losses on investments and other assets or liabilities are reported as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulation or by law.

##### ***Investments***

Investments are recorded at fair value, determined in accordance with the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 820, *Fair Value Measurements*. ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchal disclosure framework which prioritizes and ranks the level of market price observable inputs used in measuring investments at fair value.

The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). A financial instrument’s categorization in the hierarchy is based upon the lowest level input that is significant



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to the fair value measurement based on quoted market prices. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 - Inputs based on quoted market prices for identical assets or liabilities in an active market. An active market for the asset or liability is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.
- Level 2 - Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data. Price inputs are quoted prices for identical or similar financial instruments in markets that are not active, and model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs or significant value drivers are observable in active markets.
- Level 3 - Pricing inputs are unobservable and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the investment. These inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation. Due to the inherent uncertainty of these estimates, these values may differ materially from the values that would have been used had a ready market for these investments existed. Investments that are included in this category generally include private fund investment structures and limited interests.

Investments in equity and debt securities with readily determinable prices are stated at fair value. Private investments that do not carry publicly observable prices are valued utilizing a variety of valuation methodologies.

Securities are classified within Level 3 when there is limited activity or less transparency around inputs to the valuation, such as when there is a lack of information related to equity securities held in private companies.

Equity securities classified in Level 3 include privately held companies. These private investments usually represent direct ownership in a formed entity or corporation and are likewise assigned a value according to the overall determination of value of the formed entity or corporation. The most common methodologies of valuation which are applied include, but are not limited to, liquidation of stockholders' equity (accounting value), observable pricing, and external qualified opinions of valuation.

Inputs that are used in internal valuation will vary according to investment characteristics. Most common forms of inputs include, but are not limited to, audited financial statements, ownership capitalization tables, purchase and sales agreements, limited liability company agreements, debt covenant agreements, and public comparable. Additionally, unobservable inputs learned through confidential and insider relationships with invested entities or corporations may be employed in valuation.

If quoted market prices are not available or accessible for debt securities, then fair values are estimated using pricing models or matrix pricing. The pricing models or matrices used in internal valuation of private debt investments most generally compare the relevant characteristic of an observed comparable to the valued investment and apply a relationship between the comparable and the valued investment over a period of time or at a certain point in time to derive estimates of value. Various factors considered in the comparison evaluation include, but are not limited to, the following: market price activity, yield (spread) momentum, callability features, and capital structure amendments. The fair values of corporate debt securities estimated using pricing models or matrix pricing include observable prices of corporate debt securities that do not trade in active markets and are generally classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. Such securities are classified within Level 3 when there is limited activity or less transparency around inputs to the valuation.

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Financial derivative instruments are recorded at fair value based on the last reported sale price or, if they are traded over-the-counter, at the most recent bid price in the accompanying statement of financial position, with changes in the fair value reflected in the accompanying statement of activities.

Investments in partnerships and limited liability companies that do not have readily available market values are stated at fair value as reported by the general partner. These investments include a diverse range of vehicles, including private equity, absolute return funds, real estate, and commodity funds. The valuation of these investments is based on the most recent value provided by the general partner, usually with a December 31 “as of” date. To evaluate the overall reasonableness of the valuation carrying value, management obtains and considers the audited financial statements of such investments. Management believes this method provides a reasonable estimate of fair value. However, the recorded value may differ from the market value had a readily available market existed for such investments, and those differences could be material. Gains and losses on investments resulting from market fluctuations are recorded in the statement of activities in the period that such fluctuations occur. Realized gains or losses on sales of investments are calculated on an adjusted cost basis. Dividend and interest income are accrued when earned. Management has elected the fair value option for recording these types of investments in lieu of consolidation.

Cash equivalents categorized as investments are comprised of money market mutual funds.

***Program-Related Investments***

The Foundation makes investments which advance its charitable mission and qualify as charitable distributions by the Internal Revenue Service. Such investments earn below risk-adjusted market rates of return. Program-related investments made in the form of loans and deposits are valued at cost while those made through private equity funds are recorded at fair value. Program-related investments at December 31, 2023 include \$2,869,857 of loans with maturity dates ranging from 2024 to 2026 made directly to individual businesses and investment funds and \$3,364,404 invested in private equity funds with maturity dates through 2025. As of December 31, 2023, there were two approved, but unfunded, program-related investments totaling \$1,310,143.

As of December 31, 2023, the Foundation committed a \$1,000,000 guaranty for the sole purpose of guaranteeing a working capital line of credit in the same amount in favor of KickStart, a Foundation grantee. The guarantee would take effect should KickStart ever default on its line of credit. To date, this has never occurred.

Management has reviewed all program-related investments held at cost, totaling \$2,869,857, and has evaluated each investment for impairment. The Foundation periodically reviews the valuation of program-related loans and adjusts their carrying value based on various factors, including exchange rates, fund manager valuations, and interest and principal payment performance. At December 31, 2023, program-related investments were written-down by \$798,995 based on the performance of matured and active program-related loans. The Foundation has not created an allowance for credit losses.

Program-related investments measured at fair value are valued based on Level 3 inputs per the fair value hierarchy. The following is a roll-forward of activity for these program-related investments:

Ending Balance at December 31, 2022	Transfer to Level 3	Realized Gains (Losses)	Change in Unrealized Gains (Losses)	Purchases	Sales and Settlements	Ending Balance at December 31, 2023
\$ 3,750,857	\$ -	\$ (304,779)	\$ 118,158	\$ -	\$ (199,832)	\$ 3,364,404

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***Property and Equipment***

Property and equipment are stated at cost and depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated lives of the respective assets as follows:

Computers and software	3 years
Furniture and fixtures	5 - 10 years
Leasehold improvements	5 - 15 years

***Grants***

Grant expenditures are recognized in the period the grant is approved provided the grant is not subject to future contingencies. Conditional grants are recognized as grant expense and as a grant payable in the period in which the grantee meets the terms of the conditions. Grants payable that are expected to be paid in future years are recorded at the present value of expected future payments.

As of December 31, 2023, the Foundation had awarded conditional grants totaling \$500,000 which were not recognized as liabilities in the financial statements. During the year ended December 31, 2023, \$1,452,183 was recorded as grant expense as conditions were met pursuant to terms in the grant agreements.

***Contributed Services***

Contributed services are recognized as revenues and expenses if the services received (a) create or enhance long-lived assets or (b) require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. The Foundation received contributed services for investment management services and facility use services. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the fair value of contributed services recognized within the accompanying statement of activities included:

Description of Services Received	For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	Utilization	Donor Restrictions	Valuation Technique and Inputs
Investment management services	\$ 2,375,000	Net against investment income	None	Comparable Market Rates
Facility use services	1,485,586	Program Direct Charitable Activities Operations	None	Comparable Market Rates
	\$ 3,860,586			

***Fair Value of Financial Instruments***

The carrying amounts of cash, investment sales receivable, program-related investments, accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities, and grants payable approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these items. Investments are carried at estimated fair value as described above.

***Concentrations of Credit Risk***

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Foundation to credit risk consist primarily of cash, investments, and program-related investments. The Foundation maintains cash primarily with one major

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financial institution. Such cash amounts may exceed Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation limits. The Foundation monitors its investments and has not experienced any significant credit losses.

#### ***Use of Estimates***

The preparation of the 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, revenue, expenses, and the disclosure of commitments at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### ***Foreign Currencies***

Foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. Dollars based on exchange rates as of December 31, 2023. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. Dollars at the exchange rate prevailing on the transaction date.

#### ***Income Taxes***

ASC 740 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an entity's financial statements and provides guidance on the recognition, re-recognition, and measurement of benefits related to an entity's uncertain tax positions, if any. The Foundation is subject to a federal tax of 1.39% on its net investment income. Tax expense in 2023 related to this was \$2,894,726, along with a deferred tax benefit adjustment of \$1,045,841 based on accumulated unrealized gains and losses. The Foundation is also subject to federal and state income taxes on unrelated business income. The Foundation generates unrelated business income from some of its investments. Information needed to calculate the tax on those investments is not yet received but based on information to date and prior year activity any tax due will not be material to the financial statements. The Foundation's federal returns are currently open under the statute of limitations for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for subsequent years, and the Foundation's California returns are open for the year ended December 31, 2019 and for subsequent years.

The Foundation does not anticipate that there will be any material changes in the unrecognized tax positions over the next twelve months.

#### ***Recent Accounting Pronouncements***

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, *Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, which replaces the incurred loss methodology with an expected loss methodology that is referred to as the current expected credit loss (CECL) methodology. The measurement of expected credit losses under the CECL methodology is applicable to financial assets measured at amortized cost, including loans receivable (program-related investments (loans)). The new guidance was adopted by the Foundation effective January 1, 2023, and was determined not to have a material impact on the financial statements.

#### **NOTE C - INVESTMENTS**

The investment goals of the Foundation include inflation-adjusted preservation of capital and providing funds for pursuing the Foundation's charitable mission. The Foundation diversifies its investments among various financial instruments and asset categories and uses multiple investment strategies. As a general

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practice, all financial assets of the Foundation are managed by external investment management firms. The Foundation's investments consisted of the following at December 31, 2023:

Cash equivalents	\$ 33,785,378
Absolute return	86,335,725
Credit strategies	62,546,575
Fixed income	41,468,841
Global equities	229,898,209
Private equity	264,965,971
Real assets	<u>63,888,523</u>
	<u>\$ 782,889,222</u>

Absolute return strategies are investments that seek to make positive returns by employing investment techniques that may include using short selling, futures, options, derivatives, arbitrage, leverage, and unconventional assets. Credit Strategies encompasses both private and public credit strategies of various investment grades and durations with the intention of enhancing portfolio liquidity while providing uncorrelated returns. Credit Strategies provides current income generation, inflation protection with yield-orientation, and generally shorter duration time horizon versus equities. Investments may include common and preferred shares, bank debt, trade claims and corporate bonds.

Fixed income consists of investments that provide a return in the form of fixed periodic payments and the eventual return of principal at maturity. Most of the investments in this category are U.S. Treasury securities.

Global equities consist of investments in funds or made directly that focus in equity securities listed in or with exposure to the United States, Europe, Asia, and other developing and emerging markets around the world. Private equity includes investments in funds that make investments in private companies, either directly in the company or through underlying funds. Real assets consist of investments in funds or made directly that focus on real estate, energy, commodities, renewable resources, and hard tradable assets.

The following table presents the assets that are measured at fair value on the statement of financial position by level within the valuation hierarchy at December 31, 2023:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Investments Measured at NAV	Total
Cash equivalents	\$ 33,785,378	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,785,378
Absolute return	-	-	8,614	86,327,111	86,335,725
Credit Strategies	5,669,803	-	-	56,876,772	62,546,575
Fixed income	41,468,841	-	-	-	41,468,841
Global equities	22,646,008	-	-	207,252,201	229,898,209
Private equity	-	-	105,557,465	159,408,506	264,965,971
Real assets	-	-	1,647,870	62,240,653	<u>63,888,523</u>
 Total investments	 <u>\$103,570,030</u>	 <u>\$ -</u>	 <u>\$107,213,949</u>	 <u>\$572,105,243</u>	 <u>\$782,889,222</u>

The amount included in the statement of activities for the year attributable to the change in unrealized gains related to Level 3 assets still held at the reporting date was \$16,049,610. There were no other activities related to the Level 3 investment activity as of December 31, 2023.

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The Foundation uses Net Asset Value (“NAV”) to determine the fair value of all underlying investments which (a) do not have a readily determinable fair value and (b) prepare their financial statements consistent with the measurement principles of an investment company or have the attributes of an investment company. The following table lists the attributes of investments valued using NAV:

Fund	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency (if Currently Eligible)	Redemption Restrictions in Place at Year End
Absolute Return	\$ 86,327,111	\$ -	Monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or multi-year	Notification days ranging from 30-180 days, subject to lock-up conditions, where applicable
Credit Strategies	56,876,772	26,113,825	Monthly, quarterly, multi-year or not redeemable	Notification of 30-60 days, subject to lock-up conditions, where applicable
Global equities	207,252,201	-	Immediate, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or multi-year	Notification days ranging from 1-90 days subject to lock-up conditions, where applicable
Private equity	159,408,506	32,976,095	Not redeemable	Not redeemable
Real assets	<u>62,240,653</u>	<u>40,867,295</u>	Multi-year or not redeemable	Not redeemable
	<u>\$572,105,243</u>	<u>\$ 99,957,215</u>		

The Foundation has authorized its investment manager to use derivatives in the active management of the investment portfolio. In the opinion of the Foundation’s management, the use of financial derivative instruments in its investment program is appropriate and customary for the investment strategy employed. Using such instruments reduces certain investment risks and may add value to the portfolio. Financial derivative instruments are recorded at fair value in the statement of financial position along with other investments, and changes in the fair value are reflected in the accompanying statement of activities within investment gain, net. As of December 31, 2023, the Foundation did not have direct investment in financial derivative instruments, however there may be exposure to derivatives through commingled funds.

The investment assets of the Foundation are held in custody by a major financial services firm, except for assets invested with partnerships and commingled funds, which have separate arrangements related to their legal structure.

The Foundation holds a variety of investments which may involve exposure to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of investment securities could occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

As of December 31, 2023, the Foundation is committed to invest additional funding of \$99,957,215 in limited partnerships and similar interests.

As of December 31, 2023, the Foundation is committed to invest additional funding of \$1,310,143 in program-related investments in the form of loans and other investments.

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Investment gain reported in the statement of activities was comprised of the following for the year ended December 31, 2023:

Dividend and interest income	\$ 3,839,819
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	106,308,051
Net realized and unrealized losses on program-related investments	(917,965)
Investment expenses	(2,794,566)
Contributed investment management expenses	(2,375,000)
Third-party investment management expenses	<u>(55,000)</u>
Investment gains, net	<u>\$ 104,005,339</u>

**NOTE D - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

Property and equipment consisted of the following at December 31, 2023:

Computers and software	\$ 341,820
Furniture and fixtures	381,069
Leasehold improvements	2,366,558
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>(1,748,600)</u>
Property and equipment, net	<u>\$ 1,340,847</u>

**NOTE E - GRANTS PAYABLE**

Grants are recorded as grants payable when they are approved. Some of the grants are payable in installments, generally over a three-year period. Grants authorized but unpaid at December 31, 2023 were payable as follows:

	Due in 1 Year	Due in 1 - 5 Years	Total
Grants outstanding	\$ 23,258,937	\$ 25,709,140	\$ 48,968,077
Discount	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,275,407)</u>	<u>(3,275,407)</u>
Grants payable, net	<u>\$ 23,258,937</u>	<u>\$ 22,433,733</u>	<u>\$ 45,692,670</u>

At December 31, 2023, grants payable were discounted at a rate of 8.2%.

**NOTE F - FEDERAL EXCISE TAX**

The Internal Revenue Service has determined that the Foundation is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and the California Franchise Tax Board has determined that the Foundation is exempt from California franchise and/or income tax under Section 23701(d) of the Revenue and Taxation Code. The Foundation is subject to federal excise tax imposed on private foundations at 1.39%. The excise tax is imposed on net investment income, as defined by federal regulations. The Foundation provides for deferred federal excise tax on unrealized gains on investments at a rate of 1.39%.

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The components of the Foundation's federal excise tax expense in the statement of activities are as follows:

Current	\$ 2,894,726
Deferred	<u>1,045,841</u>
Federal excise tax expense	<u>\$ 3,940,567</u>

During 2023, the Foundation received a tax refund on unrelated business income resulting in a credit of \$239, and paid \$35,219 in state income taxes. Inclusive of federal excise taxes, total tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2023 totaled \$3,975,547.

**NOTE G - RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Foundation received contributed investment management and facility services by a firm, as discussed in Note B, whose principal is also a designator of the Foundation. The Foundation's contribution of services to the Skoll Fund is also discussed in Note I. Certain board members of the Skoll Fund also sit on the Board of the Foundation.

During 2023, the Foundation made seven grants to organizations where the Foundation's disqualified person served on the organization's board or advisory board. The total of such grants were \$2,360,000.

**NOTE H - RETIREMENT PLAN**

The Foundation sponsors a defined contribution plan (the "Plan") under Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b). The Plan covers all employees who meet eligibility requirements. Employer contributions to the Plan are made monthly and vest immediately. Total expenses related to the Plan were \$1,292,118 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

**NOTE I - ANALYSIS OF EXPENSES**

The Skoll Foundation's expenses have been allocated between program, direct charitable, and operational support activities, based on estimates made by the Foundation's management of time spent by employees on various activities. Program expenses pertain to the general grantmaking activities of the Skoll Foundation, such as reviewing proposals and awarding, monitoring and evaluating grants. Operational support expenses include costs related to managing the Skoll Foundation. Direct charitable expenses represent expenses related to the Skoll World Forum and the contribution of services, such as grantmaking and program coordination, to the Skoll Fund. The Skoll Fund awarded \$51,794,088 (unaudited) of grants during the 12-month period ended December 31, 2023. The Skoll Fund is a supporting organization associated with Silicon Valley Community Foundation. The Silicon Valley Community Foundation appoints the majority of the Skoll Fund's Directors. Together with the Foundation, the Skoll Fund's mission is to catalyze transformational social change by investing in, connecting, and championing social entrepreneurs and other social innovators who together advance bold and equitable solutions to the world's most pressing problems.

The allocation between direct charitable and program and administrative expenses is based on the assignment of payroll, employment taxes and benefits based on management estimates of the time spent on the relevant programs, direct assignment of non-payroll expenses to the relevant activities, and an allocation of remaining expenses based on the value and number of grants awarded and paid by the Skoll Fund and the Foundation during the reporting period.



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**December 31, 2023**

The Skoll Foundation's functional expenses, displayed by natural expense classification, for the year ended December 31, 2023 were as follows:

	Grants	Program Services	Direct Charitable Activities	Operational Support	Total Expenses
Grants awarded, net	\$39,551,867	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$39,551,867
Personnel	-	4,034,676	6,599,391	3,880,689	14,514,756
Taxes	-	-	-	3,975,547	3,975,547
Event expenses	-	-	4,941,891	-	4,941,891
Occupancy	-	412,949	675,448	397,189	1,485,586
Consultants/ professional services	-	1,163,708	1,356,361	1,341,347	3,861,416
Other	-	276,247	372,905	908,092	1,557,244
Travel expenses	-	362,890	722,350	527,751	1,612,991
	<u>\$39,551,867</u>	<u>\$ 6,250,470</u>	<u>\$14,668,346</u>	<u>\$11,030,615</u>	<u>\$71,501,298</u>

**NOTE J - LIQUIDITY AND FUNDS AVAILABLE**

The Foundation regularly monitors liquidity required to meet its operating needs, liabilities and other obligations as they become due. The Foundation has a goal to maintain financial assets, which consist of cash and short-term investments, on hand to meet at least 30 days of normal operating expenses, which are, on average, approximately \$2,000,000. At December 31, 2023, the Foundation had ample cash, cash equivalents and investments to cover operating expenses. The following assets could be readily made available within one year of the statement of financial position to meet general expenditures:

Financial assets:	
Cash	\$ 4,261,864
Cash equivalents	33,785,378
Liquid investments	<u>387,124,542</u>
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year	<u>\$ 425,171,784</u>

**NOTE K - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Foundation has evaluated subsequent events through September 20, 2024, the date the financial statements were issued and believes no additional disclosures are required in the financial statements.