



# **Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County**

## **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report**

**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021 AND JUNE 30, 2020**

• Pension Trust Fund of Tulsa County, Oklahoma •

**Tulsa County, Oklahoma**

**Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County (TCERS)**



ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT  
A PENSION TRUST FUND OF TULSA COUNTY,  
OKLAHOMA  
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED  
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**Introductory  
Section**



## TULSA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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October 11, 2021

Dear Fellow Participants:

On behalf of the Employees Retirement System of Tulsa County Board of Trustees, it is with great pleasure to present the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County, Oklahoma for the Fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

The annual financial report details statistical, financial, actuarial and investment information. We encourage our participants to review the ACFR. As of July 1, 2021, Tulsa County has 1,771 active participants. There are 1,388 retirees, 1 disability retirement, and 209 surviving spouses.

This year our portfolio ended with a positive 25.2% return on investments, net of expenses. Fair market value as of July 1, 2020, was \$284,291,102. As of June 30, 2021, the fair market value was \$344,854,962. During the final quarter of the fiscal year, the portfolio grew \$10,823,434 from March 31, 2021, to June 30, 2021. The employer's contribution rate is 15.0%, while the employee-member contribution rate is 3.5%. The Board's conservative, long-term perspective toward investment strategy continues to minimize risk while increasing profits.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to each Board member for their service this year on the Board of Trustees, as well as, Traci Scullaw, Acting Secretary to the Board. This has been a difficult period considering Covid 19 and a volatile market. Fortunately, the stock was strong. I encourage fellow participants will be patient with the Board of Trustees and maintain a long-term view with your investments. I would also like to thank you for the opportunity to Chair TCERS this year. It has been a pleasure to represent you.

Sincerely,

Toni L. Kizer, Chairwoman  
Board of Trustees

## **Letter of Transmittal**

Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County  
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December 21, 2021

To the Board of Trustees and Members of the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County:

State law requires, that after July 1 and before December 1 of each year, the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County (TCERS) publish an annual report that covers the operation of TCERS during the past fiscal year, including income, disbursements, and the financial condition at the fiscal year. This report is published, in part, to fulfill that requirement for the fiscal year end June 30, 2021.

The letter of transmittal contains the following four sections: formal transmittal of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, profile of the government, information useful in assessing the government's economic condition, and awards and acknowledgements.

Management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) immediately follows the independent auditor's report and provides a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis of the basic financial statements. MD&A complements this letter of transmittal and should be read in conjunction with it.

### **Financial Information**

The responsibility for both the accuracy of the data, and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures rests with the Board of Trustees. The current responsibility for the fund's accounting and investment control has been delegated to the Tulsa County Treasurer, who serves as an Ex-Officio member to the Board of Trustees. The responsibility for financial statement preparation rests with the Tulsa County Clerk, who serves as an Ex-Officio Member and Clerk to the Board of Trustees. All financial disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the TCERS's financial activities have been included.

The financial statements of TCERS are presented in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

This financial report also complies with the provisions of Title 19 OSA 953.1 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The accompanying financial statements (Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position) are reported on an accrual basis of accounting and in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned instead of when received and expenses are recognized when incurred instead of when actually paid.

### **Internal Control and Independent Audit**

Internal controls are currently in place, which are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that (1) assets are safeguarded from theft or misuse, (2) accounting data is accurate and reliable, and (3) compliance with managerial policies is encouraged. The internal control structure is designed to provide reasonable assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable

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reliable, and (3) compliance with managerial policies is encouraged. The internal control structure is designed to provide reasonable assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived from it, and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgment by management. In accordance with Title 19 OSA 171 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the State Auditor and Inspector is to perform an annual audit of all books and records of Tulsa County. The public accounting firm of Stanfield + O'Dell PC was selected by the Trustees of TCERS to audit the financial statements of TCERS. Since the retirement system has been classified as a "pension trust fund" of Tulsa County, these financial statements and related note disclosures are also incorporated into Tulsa County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

**Profile of the TCERS**

TCERS is governed by Title 19 OSA 951 through 965 of the Oklahoma Statutes and is operated to provide retirement, survivor, and disability benefits to general employees of Tulsa County and certain other organizations as permitted by law. The other entities and departments included within the TCERS are not necessarily considered component units of the TCERS for financial reporting purposes. The management of TCERS does not prepare or adopt a separate annual budget for TCERS's operations.

TCERS is a single employer, defined benefit pension plan. The employer and employee contribution rates for each member are established by the Tulsa County Board of County Commissioners after recommendation by the TCERS Board of Trustees based on an actuarial calculation which is performed to determine the adequacy of such contribution rates.

Members qualify for full retirement benefits at the specified normal retirement age of 62, or when the sum of the member's age and years of credited service equals 80. Members may start drawing early at age 55 at an actuarial reduced rate. For any member hired on or after July 1, 2017, members qualify for full retirement benefits at the specified normal retirement age of 65, or when the sum of the member's age and years of credited service equals 90. Members may start drawing early at age 55 at an actuarial reduced rate.

The Board of Trustees approves the benefit payment amount for each employee who retires. Employees must submit the required paperwork at least 15 days prior to the effective date of retirement. The investment and administrative expenses and refunds to terminated employees are listed as an agenda item for the Board of Trustees' monthly meeting and approved prior to disbursement.

**Information Useful in Assessing the Government's Economic Condition**

**Revenues - Additions to Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

The funds needed to finance retirement benefits are accumulated through the collection of employer and employee contributions and through income from investments. Contributions and investment income for fiscal years 2021 and 2020 are shown for comparison purposes.

	2021	2020	Amount Increase	Percentage Increase
Contributions:				
Employer	\$12,673,435	\$12,474,333	\$ 199,102	1.60%
Employee	2,955,046	2,501,353	453,693	18.14%
Net investment				
Income	<u>69,454,873</u>	<u>3,244,088</u>	<u>66,210,785</u>	<u>2,040.97%</u>
Total additions	<u>\$85,083,354</u>	<u>\$18,219,774</u>	<u>\$66,863,580</u>	<u>366.98%</u>

**Expenses - Deductions from Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

The primary deductions of a retirement system include the payment of benefits to retirees and beneficiaries, the refund of contributions to former members and the cost of administering the retirement system. Expenses of the retirement system for fiscal years 2021 and 2020 are shown for comparison purposes.

	2021	2020	Amount Increase	Percentage Increase
Benefits	\$24,191,894	\$22,761,216	\$1,430,678	6.29%
Administration	151,189	119,813	31,377	26.19%
Refunds	<u>176,411</u>	<u>128,836</u>	<u>47,575</u>	<u>36.93%</u>
Total deductions	<u>\$24,519,494</u>	<u>\$23,009,865</u>	<u>\$1,509,629</u>	<u>6.56%</u>

**Investment Activities**

Investments of the TCERS's funds are governed by Title 19 OSA 953.1A, as amended, of the Oklahoma Statutes. The Board of Trustees has retained a select number of outside investment management firms to provide for investment of the monies of the retirement system except for certain judgments against Oklahoma government entities and a small amount of cash. BOK Financial is the custodian of all cash and investments. A complete listing of the fees and commissions paid to investment managers retained by the Board of Trustees can be found on page 52, Schedule of Fees and Commissions and on page 46 in the Schedule of Investment Expenses, a supporting schedule for the **Financial Section** of this report.

The Board of Trustees adopted an Investment Policy which provides a framework for the management of the TCERS's investments. This Policy establishes the TCERS's investment policies and objectives.

TCERS experienced a total fund return of 25.63% for the fiscal year. The three-year annualized return is 9.46%. The five-year annualized return is 8.84%.

Additional information on the TCERS's investments is contained in the **Investment Section** of this report.

**Net Position Restricted for Pensions**

Funds are derived from the excess of additions over deductions and are accumulated to meet future benefit obligations to retirees and beneficiaries. This accumulated balance is referred to as the net position restricted for pensions in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position in the financial section of this report. The total pension liability is not disclosed in the financial statements but is disclosed in the required supplementary information schedules immediately following the notes to the financial statements. These schedules show the fair value of assets wherein the excess or shortfall of investment income over or under the expected rate of return of 6.75% is recognized over a five-year period.

Two actuarial valuations are prepared by an actuarial firm: one for *funding* purposes and the other for *accounting* purposes. The actuarial valuation done for *funding* purposes measures the present value of Actuarial Accrued Liabilities (AAL) estimated to be payable in the future to current retirees, beneficiaries, and employees for service earned to date. For plan year beginning July 1, 2021, the retirement system has an Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) of \$90,195,732. This July 1, 2021 funding valuation determined the funding ratio to be 78%. The actuarially determined Annual Contribution Rate (ADC) for plan year beginning July 1, 2021, was set equal to 11.54% of payroll for the amortization of the UAAL, plus the normal cost rate of 9.35% for a total contribution rate of 20.89% of payroll.

The actuarial valuation performed for plan year beginning July 1, 2021, for *accounting* purposes was done in accordance with GASB 67. This valuation was used to determine the Total Pension Liability

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(TPL) with pension expense to be recognized by Tulsa County and its component units. The Total Pension Liability (TPL) differs somewhat from the Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) in that it measures the present value of projected benefit payments attributed to past periods of member service in accordance with specific requirements of GASB 67. One of those requirements relates to the determination of the discount rate. The discount rate for TCERS, as determined in accordance with GASB 67, was the same as the expected long-term rate of return or 6.00%. Another requirement in determining the Total Pension Liability (TPL) is the use of the Entry Age Normal Cost Method which is the same method that is used for funding purposes. Consequently, the AAL was \$413,009,838 and the TPL was \$477,644,823 as of June 30, 2021. However, the determination of annual pension expense in accordance with GASB 67 differs significantly from the amount of actual employer contributions. Each component of pension expense is detailed in a required supplementary Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Pension Liability located following the notes to the financial statements. In addition, the Net Pension Liability (NPL), as determined in accordance with GASB 67, differs from the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) that was determined by the *funding* valuation. The main difference relates to the way plan assets are valued. For *accounting* purposes, plan assets are valued at fair market value and not valued using the actuarial method (which employs a technique known as smoothing) that is used for funding. Consequently, the net pension liability (NPL) used for accounting purposes was \$132,789,861, while the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) was \$90,195,732. For plan year beginning July 1, 2021, the NPL was greater than the UAAL.

### **Professional Services-Professional Consultants**

Professional consultants perform services essential to the efficient operation of the TCERS. The public accounting firm of Stanfield + O'Dell PC currently audits the financial statements of the TCERS. The independent auditor's report on the financial statements is included in the beginning part of the **Financial Section** of this report. Milliman conducts an actuarial valuation for the TCERS as of the last day of the fiscal year for the subsequent fiscal year. The actuary's certification letter is included in the beginning part of the **Actuarial Section** of this report.

### **Major Initiatives**

The Board of Trustees of the Retirement System (Board) and the Board of County Commissioners of Tulsa County (BOCC) approved the following adjustments to the TCERS:

Effective May 29, 2007, the BOCC and the Board approved a Resolution allowing retirees to return to work for Tulsa County on a part-time basis after the first month of retirement and remain eligible for retirement benefits, as permitted by 19 O.S. 2007, Section 956, as amended.

Beginning July 1, 2007, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed sixteen and one-half percent (16.5%) of the monthly compensation of each member, as permitted by 19 O.S. 2007, Section 956, as amended.

Effective July 1, 2008, the actuarial assumption of the effective rate of return on investments was reduced from 8 percent to 7.75 percent.

Effective July 1, 2010, the elected official service credit was repealed.

Effective July 1, 2010, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution to reduce the percentage of benefit schedule used to calculate benefits for persons who were not vested as of June 30, 2010 or hired after June 30, 2010. The spousal benefit percentage was reduced from 70% to 67% and the disability benefit percentages were reduced for the same persons.

On March 6, 2014, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued a favorable determination letter on the plan. The letter expired on January 31, 2019. The IRS has since discontinued the renewal of the determination letters.

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In October 2014, the Board implemented a Funding Policy to ensure that the Fund will be fully funded.

In October 2015, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the employee-member contribution rate, effective January 1, 2016 from 1% to 1.5% and effective July 1, 2016 from 1.5% to 2% of the employee's base salary.

Effective July 1, 2016, the actuarial assumption of the effective rate of return on investments was reduced from 7.75% to 7.25%.

Effective July 1, 2017, the employee contribution amount increased to 2.5% of the monthly base salary.

Effective July 1, 2017, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the retirement age to 65, Rule of 80 to Rule of 90, and early drawing percentages used to calculate early drawing retiree benefits, for employees hired on or after July 1, 2017.

Effective July 1, 2019, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the employer contribution rate from 14% to 15%. Effective January 1, 2020, the employee-member contribution rate increased from 2.5% to 3.5% of the employee's base salary.

### **Awards and Acknowledgements**

#### **Certificate of Achievement**

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition for excellence in state and local government financial reporting.

To be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a governmental unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized annual comprehensive financial report, whose content conforms to program standards. Such financial reports must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements. A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. TCERS has received a Certificate of Achievement for each consecutive year, since 1996. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Certificate of Achievement program requirements, and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

#### **Acknowledgments**

We wish to extend special thanks to Rachael Johnson in the Tulsa County Treasurer's Office for her help in preparing the **Investment Section** of this report. We also wish to extend special thanks to Traci Scullaw, Second Deputy, Tulsa County Clerk's office for preparing this ACFR.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Willis  
Secretary Board of Trustees – TCERS  
Tulsa County Clerk



Front row, left to right: Dennis Semler, John Baker, Michael Willis, John Fothergill, BOCC Chief Deputy for Karen Keith  
Back row, left to right: Sunilyn Hertz, Melissa Lord, Toni Kizer, Heather Little  
Not pictured: Ron Peters, Stan Sallee  
(photo courtesy of Belle McDaniel)

**Toni L. Kizer, Vice-Chairman** joined the County Clerk's office in July 2001. Kizer is the Director of Accounting in the County Clerk's office. She was elected to the Board of Trustees in 1997. She has served as Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Investment Committee Chairman.

**Sunilyn Hertt, Member** joined Tulsa County in September 2013. Hertt is a Training and Information Specialist in the Human Resources department. She was elected to the Board of Trustees, effective July 2018.

**Heather Little, Chairman** joined Tulsa County in May 2011. Little is an Internal Auditor in the Treasurer's office. She was elected to the Board of Trustees in May 2015. She has served as Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Investment Committee Chairman.

**John Baker** was elected to the Board effective July 1, 2011, as the retiree member. He worked in the Tulsa County Health Department for 39 years serving the citizens of Tulsa County before he retired. He has served as Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Investment Committee Chairman.

**Ron Peters** was elected **County Commissioner for District 3** and took office August 19, 2013. He served on the Board of Trustees from June 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

**Stan Sallee** was elected **County Commissioner for District 1**, in November 2018 and took office January 1, 2019. He served on the Board of Trustees from January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021.

**Michael Willis** was elected **County Clerk** in June 2016 and took office January 1, 2017. He serves as Clerk to the Board of Trustees.

**Dennis Semler** was elected **County Treasurer** in January 1995. He serves as Treasurer to the Board of Trustees. Semler also serves on the Board's Investment Committee. He is admitted to practice law by the State Supreme Court. Semler retired from Tulsa County September 30, 2020.

**John Fothergill** was appointed **County Treasurer** in October 2020. He was elected February 2021. He serves as Treasurer to the Board of Trustees.



(photo courtesy of Toni Kizer)

Traci Scullawl is the Second Deputy, Director of Administration and Support and the Retirement Payroll Director to the Board of Trustees. Traci may be reached at 918.596.5854 Monday through Friday, 8:00-5:00.

## **Summary of Plan Provisions**

### **History**

The Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County (TCERS) was established by Resolution of the Tulsa County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) effective July 1, 1965. This action was permitted by Title 19 OSA 951 through 965 of the Oklahoma Statutes to encourage continuity of dedicated service on the part of the employees and to promote public efficiency.

### **Administration**

TCERS is a single-employer defined benefit plan that is governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees. Ex-officio members include the Tulsa County Clerk, the Tulsa County Treasurer, and the Chairman of the Tulsa County BOCC. Two members are appointed by the Chairman of the BOCC subject to the approval of the entire Commission Board. Three members, who must be current employees, are elected at large from all participating employees. The final member, who must be retired and drawing benefits, is also elected at large from all participating employees and members. Effective July 1, 2003, retired members and beneficiaries of the system shall be allowed to vote in the election in which their representative is elected. All four are elected for three-year terms.

The Board of Trustees is given the authority to establish policy and procedures as necessary to ensure proper administration and the integrity of the TCERS. Trustees meet the last Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in Room 131 of the Tulsa County Headquarters Building, unless otherwise noted on the annual meeting notice filed in the County Clerk's office prior to December 15 and posted on the tulsacounty.org website. All meetings are open to any interested party and are conducted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.

### **Contributions**

In accordance with Title 19 OSA 954 of the Oklahoma Statutes, contribution rates as set by the Board are applied to all full-time base salaries and wages and the resulting contributions are credited to the pension fund monthly. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, the County contributed 8½% (the legal maximum was 10%) of the employee's base salary while the employees contributed \$1 per year. On July 1, 2003, the County's contribution rate increased to 10%.

Beginning July 1, 2007, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed 16.5% of the monthly compensation of each member. On July 1, 2007, the County's contribution rate increased to 12%. On July 1, 2010, the County's contribution rate increased to 14%, and the employee contribution rate increased to 0.05% of the base salary.

Effective July 1, 2012, the BOCC and the Board of Trustees approved a Resolution changing the employee contribution to a pre-tax basis.

On July 1, 2012, the employee's contribution rate increased to 0.25% of the base salary. On July 1, 2013, the employee's contribution rate increased to 1% of the base salary. Effective January 1, 2016, the employee's contribution rate increased to 1.50% of the base salary. Effective July 1, 2016, the employee's contribution rate increased from 1.50% to 2% of the base salary. Effective July 1, 2017, the employee's contribution rate increased from 2% to 2.5% of the base salary.

Beginning July 1, 2019, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed 18.5% of the monthly compensation of each member. On July 1, 2019, the County's contribution rate increased to 15%. Effective January 1, 2020, the employee's contribution rate increased from 2.5% to 3.5% of the base salary.

### **Employee Membership**

Membership is mandatory for all regular, full-time County employees, including those paid in whole or in part from the Court Fund, Law Library, and Election Board. In 1965, the employees covered by TCERS could count all their full-time regular employment service and were required to pay into TCERS three percent (3%) of their base salary up to a maximum of \$600 per month for at least 18

## Summary of Plan Provisions – continued

months before anyone could retire with benefits. The past service time was not funded and resulted in the start of the unfunded liability of the fund. A BOCC Resolution dated April 10, 1974 limited service credit prior to establishment of the fund to those employees who were contributing to the fund on March 6, 1974. The comparison of the TCERS membership for the past two fiscal years is a required disclosure in the notes to the financial statements and is also analyzed in the Management Discussion and Analysis.

### Entities and Departments

Entities and departments, which currently participate in the TCERS, are:

Tulsa County	Oklahoma State University Extension Agency Center
Court Fund	Tulsa Area Emergency Management Agency (civil defense)
Drainage District #12	Tulsa Health Department
Law Library	Tulsa County Public Facilities Authority (fairgrounds)

These entities and departments are not necessarily considered component units of the TCERS as determined by GASB Statement No. 14, as amended by GASB Statement No. 61.

### Retirement Benefits

To be eligible for retirement benefits, a regular retiree must be at least 62 years of age and have a minimum of five year's participation in the TCERS. The five years is not required to be continuous. Participants of the TCERS who take an unpaid leave of absence for personal illness (unless it meets the requirements of the Family and Medical Leave Act) for a period of one year or less will not be given credit toward retirement for this time off. This leave of absence will not affect consecutive employment with the County.

A member may also qualify for the Rule of 80 retirement if their age in years and months added to their years and months of participation in the TCERS equal the sum of 80 or more. There is no reduction of benefits for retirees in this category and there are no age requirements beyond those mentioned in the preceding sentence.

As of November 1, 2000, employees who are vested can retire as early as age 55 at a reduced benefit that is based on a specific percentage reduction table provided by the actuary. The percentages used to calculate normal retirement benefits are as follows:

Years of Credited Service	<u>Percentage of Benefit</u>		Years of Credited Service	<u>Percentage of Benefit</u>	
	If Vested as of June 30, 2010	If Vested <u>after</u> June 30, 2010		If Vested as of June 30, 2010	If Vested <u>after</u> June 30, 2010
5	12.5%	10.0%	13	34.0%	26.0%
6	15.0%	12.0%	14	37.0%	28.0%
7	17.5%	14.0%	15	40.0%	30.0%
8	20.0%	16.0%	16	42.0%	34.0%
9	22.5%	18.0%	17	44.0%	38.0%
10	25.0%	20.0%	18	46.0%	42.0%
11	28.0%	22.0%	19	48.0%	46.0%
12	31.0%	24.0%	20	50.0%	50.0%

21+ All vested employees: For each additional year of credited service beyond the 20<sup>th</sup>, the benefit percentage increases by 1.5%, to a maximum of 100%. (If the total of all credited service results in a fractional year of 183 days or more, the employee/member will receive credit for a full year.)

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For members hired after June 30, 2017, to be eligible for retirement benefits, a regular retiree must be at least 65 years of age and have a minimum of five year's participation in the TCERS. The five years is not required to be continuous. Participants of the TCERS who take an unpaid leave of absence for personal illness (unless it meets the requirements of the Family and Medical Leave Act) for a period of one year or less will not be given credit toward retirement for this time off. This leave of absence will not affect consecutive employment with the County.

For members hired after June 30, 2017, a member may also qualify for the Rule of 90 retirement if their age in years and months added to their years and months of participation in the TCERS equal the sum of 90 or more. There is no reduction of benefits for retirees in this category and there are no age requirements beyond those mentioned in the preceding sentence.

Under normal retirement, the monthly annuity payable to the employee is based on the above percentages applied to the average compensation of the highest paid three years of employment. Benefits are calculated on the average base payroll earnings of the employee and do not include overtime, allowances, et cetera.

### **Disability Benefits**

Disability benefits are available to participants who have become totally and permanently disabled as a direct result of County employment. The employee must have the required eight years participation in the retirement system to receive benefits. Medical proof of disability, as well as a written statement of condition and cause from the employee's supervisor must accompany applications for disability. The TCERS's Board of Trustees may require additional medical proof and makes the final determination of eligibility. There are no age requirements.

The percentage and base salary used to calculate benefits for employees who qualify for disability retirement is the same as that used in calculating regular retirement benefits except that the maximum percentage which may be applied is 40% (for a disability retiree having 15 or more credited years of service), if vested as of June 30, 2010. Anyone vested or hired after June 30, 2010, the maximum percentage is 40% (for a disability retiree having 18 years or more credited years of service).

A review of all disability retirees is conducted by the TCERS Board of Trustees each August, at which time disability retirees must submit medical proof that they remain disabled. This requirement for the annual disability review ends when the retiree reaches age 62.

### **Surviving Spouse**

As of November 1, 2000, a surviving spouse is eligible to receive 70% of the retirement benefit of a vested, deceased employee who was retired, or who had reached the Rule of 80. If the vested employee had not reached the age of 62 or attained the Rule of 80, the surviving spouse can either start receiving full retirement benefits when their spouse would have reached the age of 62 or attained the Rule of 80 or start receiving retirement benefits at a reduced percentage calculated by an actuarial formula when their spouse would have reached the age of 55.

As of July 1, 2010, a surviving spouse of a member who was not vested as of June 30, 2010, or was hired after June 30, 2010, is eligible to receive 67% of the retirement benefit to which the employee/retiree was entitled.

For members hired after June 30, 2017, a surviving spouse is eligible to receive 67% of the retirement benefit of a vested, deceased employee who was retired, or who had reached the Rule of 90. If the vested employee had not reached the age of 65 or attained the Rule of 90, the surviving spouse can either start receiving full retirement benefits when their spouse would have reached the age of 65 or attained the Rule of 90 or start receiving retirement benefits at a reduced percentage calculated by an actuarial formula when their spouse would have reached the age of 55.

## Summary of Plan Provisions – continued

### **Military Service Credit**

For all employees hired on or after July 1, 2000, a new military service policy became effective. Military service credit is provided to those TCERS members who submit acceptable documentation of honorable discharge from full-time active military duty in the Armed Services of the United States (Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard).

The following provisions apply in crediting the employee's active military service prior to employment: TCERS members may qualify for up to four years of credit for active military service (less any time credited in another retirement system). Military service credit allowed under this provision may not be counted toward vesting in the retirement system under the regular five-year service requirement or under the Rule of 80. Military retirees and those eligible to become military retirees are ineligible for the TCERS military service credit unless documentation is presented to confirm that either the Armed Forces or the Veterans Administration of the United States has found the employee to have a 20% or greater service-related disability.

Persons employed prior to July 1, 2000, have an additional option for calculating military service credit.

Effective July 1, 2006, the Board of Trustees repealed the military service credit previously created by TCERS and left in effect only the military service credit created by State Statute pursuant to 19 O.S. Section 956.

### **Return of Vested or Non-Vested Employee**

In the event a **vested** or **non-vested** former employee returns to work as a regular employee in a TCERS participating department or division, the employee may acquire additional service credit to apply toward vesting and retirement, if the employee left prior contributions to TCERS intact.

### **Income Tax - Retirees**

Effective with the year 1989, a portion of benefits from the TCERS is not subject to Oklahoma state income tax. However, for federal income tax purposes, the greater portion of your benefit will be taxable each month. The Tax Reform Act of 1986 changed the way the taxable amount of benefits is computed for those retiring after July 1, 1986. The new regulations spread the non-taxable portion (that which employees paid in) of their retirement benefit over the actuarially forecasted lifetime (and the surviving spouse, if applicable). A 1099-R statement will be mailed at the end of each January. It will show (1) the gross amount of retirement benefits for the previous calendar year, (2) the amount withheld from retirement benefits, and (3) the taxable amount of retirement benefits for the year.

## INTRODUCTORY SECTION

### List of Professional Consultants\*

#### **Actuary**

Milliman

#### **Auditors**

Stanfield + O'Dell, PC

#### **Custodian Bank**

BOK Financial

#### **Investment Consultants**

AndCo

#### **Investment Managers**

Aberdeen Asset Management  
Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC  
Chickasaw Capital Management  
Bryant, Segall & Hamill  
Loomis Sayles  
Principal Enhanced Property Fund GP, LLC (PEPF)  
PRISA II LP  
State Street Global Advisors  
Tocqueville Asset Management  
Wasatch Hoisington

\* The Schedule of Investment Expenses and Schedule of Payments to Consultants (page 46) in the Supporting Schedules for Financial Section, and the Schedule of Fees and Commissions (page 52) in the Investment Section contain additional information regarding professional advisors and consultants.



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For the Fiscal Year Ended

June 30, 2020

*Christopher P. Morill*

Executive Director/CEO



**Financial  
Section**

## Independent Auditor's Report

The Board of Trustees  
Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County, Oklahoma

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County, Oklahoma (the System), a component unit of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, which comprise the statements of fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the related statements of changes in fiduciary net position for the years then ended and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***Management's Responsibility 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; this includes 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.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### ***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fiduciary net position of the System as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in fiduciary net position for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Other Matters**

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis on pages 22 to 29, as well as the schedule of changes in net pension liability and related ratios, contributions from employer and investment returns on pages 43 through 45, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing 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.

### *Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the System's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedules of administrative expenses, investment expenses and payments to consultants on page 46 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The accompanying introductory, investment, actuarial, and statistical sections, as listed in the table of contents of the 2021 annual comprehensive financial report, have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

## **Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 12, 2021, on our consideration of the System's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the System's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Tulsa, Oklahoma  
November 12, 2021

*Stanfield + O'Dell, P.C.*

## **Management's Discussion and Analysis** (Unaudited)

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County's (TCERS) financial performance provides an overview of the financial activities and funding condition for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2021, 2020, and 2019.

TCERS is classified as a Pension Trust Fund and is reported as a component unit of Tulsa County. The Pension Trust Fund accounts for the activities of the TCERS, which accumulates resources for pension benefit payments to qualified retirees, beneficiaries, and future retirees. The accompanying basic financial statements of TCERS are reported on an accrual basis of accounting and are reported in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned instead of when received and expenses are recognized when incurred instead of when paid.

Please review the MD&A in conjunction with the transmittal letter and the basic financial statements.

### **Financial Highlights**

- The fiduciary net position restricted for pensions for fiscal year 2021 increased by \$60,563,860 (21.30%). The fiduciary net position restricted for pensions for fiscal year 2020 decreased by \$4,790,091 (-1.66%). All the fiduciary net position restricted for pension benefits is available to meet TCERS's ongoing obligations to plan members and their beneficiaries.
- Employer contributions for fiscal year 2021 increased by \$199,102 (1.60%) compared to 2020. Employer contributions for fiscal year 2020 increased by \$1,370,939 (12.35%) compared to 2019.
- Employee contributions for fiscal year 2021 increased by \$453,693 (18.14%) compared to 2020. Employee contributions for fiscal year 2020 increased by \$526,362 (26.65%) compared to 2019.
- The net investment income for fiscal year 2021 increased by \$66,210,785 (2,040.97%) compared to 2020, mainly due to the realized gains and losses that occurred during fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The net investment income for fiscal year 2020 decreased by \$3,367,957 (-50.94%) compared to 2019, mainly due to the unrealized gains and losses that occurred during fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.
- Benefit payments increased by \$1,430,678 (6.29%) during fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Benefit payments increased by \$955,508 (4.38%) during fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

### **Using the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report**

The basic financial statements reflect the activities of TCERS and are reported in the Statements of Fiduciary Net Position, the Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position, and the Notes to Financial Statements. All activities are recorded using an accrual basis of accounting and the economic resource measurement focus. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes increases and decreases in economic resources as soon as the underlying event or transaction occurs. Transactions are recognized when earned and incurred regardless of the timing of cash flows.

The operating statement of the TCERS focuses on changes in economic resources during the period. Net position (total assets and total deferred outflows less total liabilities and total deferred inflows) is used as a practical measure of economic resources. Accordingly, the TCERS operating statement includes all transactions and events that increase or decrease net position, such as additions and deductions.

A discussion of the actual components of this annual comprehensive financial report, including the basic financial statements, is presented in the transmittal letter.

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(Unaudited)

**Statements of Fiduciary Net Position**

The Statements of Fiduciary Net Position shows the financial position of plan assets and liabilities by investment and accounting categories. The excess of assets and deferred outflows over liabilities and deferred inflows is reported as Net position restricted for pensions. Over time, increases or decreases in net position restricted for pensions may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the TCERS is improving or deteriorating. The following condensed comparative summary of the Statements of Fiduciary Net Position as of June 30, 2021, 2020, and 2019, demonstrates that the TCERS is primarily focused on the cash, receivables, investments, liabilities, and net position restricted for pensions.

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
Cash	\$ 291,406	\$ 522,389	\$ 392,839
Receivables	2,090,927	2,206,228	2,967,343
Investments	<u>343,374,321</u>	<u>282,581,947</u>	<u>287,697,372</u>
Total assets	<u>345,756,654</u>	<u>285,310,564</u>	<u>291,057,554</u>
Total liabilities	<u>901,692</u>	<u>1,019,462</u>	<u>1,976,361</u>
Net position restricted for pensions	<u>\$344,854,962</u>	<u>\$284,291,102</u>	<u>\$289,081,193</u>

During each fiscal year, the average daily balance of cash on hand typically varies within a range of \$150,000 to \$1,000,000. The cash balance for all three fiscal years was within the range of the projected average daily cash balance. Total receivables decreased by \$115,301 during fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, mainly due to the decrease in interest and dividends.

Investments at fair value increased by \$60,792,374 (21.51%) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Investments at fair value decreased by \$5,115,425 (-1.78%) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

The average return on investments of 9.46% for the past three fiscal years is more than the expected portfolio returns of 7.25%. During the last fiscal year, the intermediate fixed income portfolio outperformed the benchmark Bloomberg Barclay's Intermediate U.S. Govt/Credit Index rate of 0.19% and finished the year with a return of 1.99%. The core fixed income portfolio outperformed the benchmark Bloomberg Barclay's U.S. Aggregate Index rate of -0.34% and finished the year with a return of 0.23%. The high yield fixed income portfolio outperformed the benchmark ICE BofA Merrill Lynch High Yield Master II rate of 15.62% and finished the year with a return of 18.18%. The active duration fixed income portfolio underperformed the benchmark Bloomberg Barclay's U.S. Aggregate Index rate of -.34% and finished the year with a return of -12.72%. The S&P 500 index fund mirrored the benchmark S&P 500 Index rate of 40.79% and finished the year with a return of 40.79%. The small/mid (smid) cap equity portfolio outperformed the benchmark Russell MidCap Index rate of 49.80% and finished the year with a return of 68.60%. The international equity portfolio outperformed the benchmark MSCI EAFE (net) Index rate of 32.35% and finished the year with a return of 39.49%. The Master Limited portfolio underperformed the benchmark Alerian MLP Index rate of 63.98% and finished the year with a return of 63.02%. We do not have a full fiscal year performance rate of return for the Real Estate portfolio.

Liabilities decreased by \$117,770 (-11.55%) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, due primarily to the decrease in obligations payable to brokers for unsettled trades. Liabilities decreased by \$956,899 (-48.42%) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, due primarily to the decrease in obligations payable to brokers for unsettled trades. The net position restricted for pensions increased by \$60,563,860 (21.30%) mainly due to the net appreciation in the fair value of investments, for the year ending June 30, 2021. The net position restricted for pensions decreased by \$4,790,091 (-1.66%) mainly due to the net depreciation in the fair value of investments, for the year ending June 30, 2020.

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**Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position**

The Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position itemizes additions, deductions and net position restricted for pensions. The Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position demonstrates how the TCERS assets have increased (decreased) during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2020, and 2019. The following condensed comparative summary of the Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position reflects the activities of the TCERS regarding employer and employee contributions, net investment income, benefits paid, administration expenses, refunds and the net increase (decrease) in net position restricted for pension benefits.

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Additions:</b>			
Contributions:			
Members	\$ 2,955,046	\$ 2,501,353	\$ 1,974,991
Employer	12,673,435	12,474,333	11,103,394
Net Investment income	<u>69,454,873</u>	<u>3,244,088</u>	<u>6,612,045</u>
Total additions	<u>85,083,354</u>	<u>18,219,774</u>	<u>19,690,430</u>
<b>Deductions:</b>			
Benefits	24,191,894	22,761,216	21,805,708
Administration expense	151,189	119,813	95,999
Refunds	<u>176,411</u>	<u>128,836</u>	<u>159,875</u>
Total deductions	<u>24,519,494</u>	<u>23,009,865</u>	<u>22,061,582</u>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in net position restricted for pensions</b>	<u>\$60,563,860</u>	<u>\$ (4,790,091)</u>	<u>\$ (2,371,152)</u>

The ending net position restricted for pensions for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, was \$344,854,961 compared to \$284,291,102 for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Collections of employer and employee retirement contributions, as well as earnings from investments and dividends, provide the reserves necessary to finance retirement benefits and cover administrative expense. Contributions and net investment income totaled \$85,083,354 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, which is a \$66,863,580 (366.98%) increase in total additions from what was reported the previous fiscal year. Contributions and net investment income decreased \$1,470,656 (-7.47%) from fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, to June 30, 2020.

Employer contributions are based on a percentage of an employee's pay and increased \$199,102 (1.60%) in 2021 as compared to 2020. Employee contributions increased \$453,693 (18.14%) when comparing fiscal year 2021 to 2020.

Net investment income was \$69,454,873 for fiscal year 2021, which represents a \$66,210,785 increase from fiscal year 2020 compared to fiscal year 2020, due mainly to the net appreciation in fair value of investments of \$67,189,898. When comparing fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, to June 30, 2020, there was a \$2,252,757 net depreciation in the fair value of investments in 2020. Comparing fiscal year 2021 to 2020, the fair value of the U.S. Government & Agency obligations and treasury bond mutual funds decreased by \$14,168,115. The fair value of domestic corporate bonds and bond mutual funds and foreign bonds and obligations decreased by \$3,272,798. The fair value of domestic equities and international equities increased by \$55,979,119 and by \$9,983,484, respectively. The money market mutual funds portfolio decreased by \$18,951 and the judgments decreased by \$2,109,950. Investments during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, outperformed the expected rate of return. Interest received was \$782,474 (-23.60%) lower during fiscal year 2021. Dividends received were \$115,761 (-2.83%) lower during fiscal year 2021.

The primary deductions of a retirement system include the payment of benefits to retirees and beneficiaries, the refund of contributions to former members, and the cost of administering the retirement system. The benefits paid increased by \$1,430,678 (6.29%) during fiscal year 2021, and by

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\$955,508 (4.38%) during fiscal year 2020, due to an increase in the number of employees retiring and the amount of benefits paid to those new retirees. Administration expenses, as of June 30, 2021, were \$31,377 (26.19%) higher when compared to the previous fiscal year, due to the payment for fiduciary insurance being recorded in the next fiscal year. Refunds represent a return of a nonvested portion of the employee's contribution made to the retirement system which varies from year to year and remains a relatively small expense. The refund of contributions was \$47,575 (36.93%) higher when compared to the previous fiscal year, due to increased notification to terminated employees and more vested employees withdrawing funds.

**Analysis of Financial Position and Results of Operations**

To analyze the TCERS financial position and results of operations during the reporting periods, the following topics are presented: plan membership, funding and reserves, actuarial assumptions and methods, and asset allocation.

**Plan Membership**

As of June 30, 2021, 2020, and 2019, the TCERS members are as follows:

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits	1,388	1,347	1,297
Terminated employees entitled to benefits not yet received	711	671	653
Current active employees:			
Fully vested	925	975	954
Nonvested	<u>846</u>	<u>861</u>	<u>849</u>
Total members	<u>3,870</u>	<u>3,854</u>	<u>3,753</u>

**Funding and Reserves**

Funds are derived from the excess of additions over deductions and are accumulated to meet future benefit obligations to retirees and beneficiaries. This accumulated balance is referred to as the net position restricted for pensions in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position presented in the financial section of this report. In addition to the basic financial statements and various note disclosures, defined benefit plans are also required to provide three schedules of long-term actuarial data. The three required supplementary information schedules are the Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of Employer Contributions, and the Schedule of Investment Returns, all of which are presented in the Required Supplementary Information immediately following the notes to the financial statements.

The Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios presents detailed information about the pension liabilities for which the pension plan's assets are held and managed. The detailed information shows various components of changes in the net pension liability. This schedule also reports a ratio of Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the total pension liability. This percentage is an indication of the funding status of the TCERS and, generally, the greater the percentage, the stronger the retirement system. A high level of funding gives plan members more assurance that their pension benefits are secure. The ratio of plan Fiduciary Net Position to the total pension liability is 72.20% at June 30, 2021. This schedule will ultimately include ten years of information once such data becomes available. Since this is the eighth year to include this RSI schedule in accordance with GASB 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans*, only eight fiscal year's information is reported.

The Schedule of Employer Contributions shows the actuarially determined contributions for TCERS and the actual contributions made by TCERS. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, management of TCERS contributed approximately \$1,400,000 less than the actuarially determined contribution, which amounted to 15.99% of covered payroll. Additionally, the significant actuarial assumptions and methods used to develop the contribution rate are listed.

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The Schedule of Investment Returns shows the money-weighted rate of return (net of investment expense) to be 24.82% for fiscal year 2021. When compared to the expected rate of return of 6.25%, the actual return was higher during fiscal year 2021. This helps to understand the investment performance of TCERS. As with the other schedules above, ten-year information about the money-weighted rate of return will be reported once that data becomes available.

### **Actuarial Assumptions and Methods**

An actuarial firm prepares two actuarial valuations: one for funding purposes and the other for *accounting* purposes.

The June 30, 2021, funding actuarial valuation is used to determine the level of annual required contributions (ARC) based on actuarial assumptions approved by the TCERS Board of Trustees. The Plan's Actuary utilized the Entry Age Normal Cost Method to calculate the plan's Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL). The actuarial value of assets is compared to the actuarial accrued liability, resulting in either an unfunded actuarial accrued liability or a surplus. The June 30, 2021, funding valuation determined the funding ratio to be 78%, leaving an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of 22%. The UAAL is allocated on a level basis over the future earnings of members who are still employed as of the valuation date. Actuarial gains and losses are reflected in the actuarially determined contribution rate. The main funding actuarial assumptions and methods include:

- The assumed rate of return on investment is 7.25%. Prior to July 1, 2016, the assumed rate of return on investment was 7.75%.
- The mortality assumption is the RP-2014 Employee, Healthy Annuitant and Disabled mortality tables, male and female rates. The healthy mortality rates are projected generationally from 2006 using the MP-2017 scale.
- A salary scale is used to estimate salaries for plan members. The salary scale has different percentage increases based on the employee's current age. There is a separate, defined inflation and merit/promotion component for each projected salary increase. Effective July 1, 2012, the salary scale was decreased by 1% at all ages.
- No provision has been made for automatic post-retirement cost of living adjustments. (This is consistent with plan provisions, which do not provide automatic post-retirement cost of living adjustments).
- The actuarial value of assets is based on the five-year expected return method which employs a technique known as "smoothing."
- Effective July 1, 2018, each year's change in unfunded accrued liability is amortized as a separate layer on a closed basis over 20 years as a level percent of pay. The unfunded accrued liability that existed prior to July 1, 2018, will continue to be amortized on a closed basis over 30 years from July 1, 2003, as a level percent of pay.

The actuarial valuation performed for plan year beginning July 1, 2021, for accounting purposes was done in accordance with GASB 67. This valuation was used to determine the Total Pension Liability (TPL) with pension expense to be recognized by Tulsa County and its component units. The Total Pension Liability (TPL) differs somewhat from the Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) in that it measures the present value of projected benefit payments attributed to past periods of member service in accordance with specific requirements of GASB 67. One of those requirements relates to the determination of the discount rate. The discount rate for TCERS, as determined in accordance with GASB 67, was 6.00%. Another requirement in determining the Total Pension Liability (TPL) is the use of the Entry Age Normal Cost Method which is the same method that is used for funding purposes. Consequently, the AAL was \$413,009,838 and the TPL was \$477,644,823 as of June 30, 2021. However, the determination of annual pension expense in accordance with GASB 67 differs significantly from the amount of actual employer contributions. Each component of pension expense is detailed in the required supplementary Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability described in the previous section. In addition, the Net Pension Liability (NPL), as determined in accordance with GASB 67, differs from the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) that was determined by the

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funding valuation described in the paragraph above. The main difference relates to the way plan assets are valued. For accounting purposes, plan assets are valued at fair market value and not valued using the actuarial method (which employs a technique known as smoothing) that is used for funding. Consequently, the net pension liability (NPL) used for accounting purposes was \$132,789,861 while the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) was \$90,195,732. At June 30, 2021, the NPL was greater than the UAAL.

### Asset Allocation

The portfolio mix based on the total fair value of investments at the end of fiscal year 2021 is: 2.96% in money market mutual funds, 20.56% in Domestic corporate bonds and bond mutual funds, 17.15% in U.S. Government & Agency Obligations and Treasury Bond Mutual Funds, 23.64% in core domestic equities, 21.51% in small/mid (smid) cap equity securities, 9.92% in international equities, 4.19% in real estate and 0.07% in judgments. The portfolio mix based on the total fair value of investments at the end of fiscal year 2020 is: 3.61% in money market mutual funds, 26.14% in Domestic corporate bonds and bond mutual funds, 25.85% in U.S. Government & Agency Obligations and Treasury Bond Mutual Funds, 17.10% in core domestic equities, 17.95% in small/mid (smid) cap equity securities, 8.52% in international equities and 0.83% in judgments. The retirement system's portfolio is currently 53% equity, 5% master limited partnerships, 4% real estate and 38% fixed income.

In March 2019, the Board amended the investment policy to include a 5% investment allocation for real estate. On March 31, 2020, a contract with PRISA II, LP (a real estate partnership) was executed and approved by the Board of County Commissioners for an initial investment of \$7,000,000. On July 6, 2020, a contract with Principal Enhanced Property Fund GP, LLC (a real estate partnership) was executed and approved by the board of County Commissioners for an initial investment of \$7,000,000, both on behalf of the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County. Though both contracts were executed and approved, investments did not occur until fiscal year 2021. On October 1, 2020, an initial investment in the amount of \$7,000,000 was deposited with PRISA II, LP. A second initial investment of \$7,000,000 was made on January 4, 2021. See Note 2 – Summary of Significant Account Policies.

In January 2021, the Board amended the investment policy to shift the asset allocation to 55% for Equities, 5% for Master Limited Partnerships, 35% for Fixed Income and 5% for real estate.

<b>JUNE 30, 2021 TARGET ALLOCATION</b>	<b>MINIMUM</b>	<b>TARGET</b>	<b>MAXIMUM</b>
<b>Core Equity</b>	<b>7.50%</b>	<b>17.50%</b>	<b>27.50%</b>
<b>SMid Capitalization Equity</b>	<b>15.00%</b>	<b>25.00%</b>	<b>35.00%</b>
<b>International Equity</b>	<b>2.50%</b>	<b>12.50%</b>	<b>17.50%</b>
<b>MLPs</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5.00%</b>	<b>15.00%</b>
<b>Core Fixed Income</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>8.75%</b>	<b>18.75%</b>
<b>Intermediate Fixed Income</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>8.75%</b>	<b>18.75%</b>
<b>High Yield Fixed Income</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>7.50%</b>	<b>17.50%</b>
<b>Active Duration Fixed Income</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>20.00%</b>
<b>Real Estate</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5.00%</b>	<b>15.00%</b>
<b>Cash and Equivalents</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5.00%</b>

Net investment income amounted to \$69,454,873 during fiscal year 2021, while total contributions added \$15,628,481. The net appreciation in fair value of investments as of June 30, 2021, was \$64,020,451. Net investment income compared to total investments as of June 30, 2021, is 20.23%.

### Market environment and results

The COVID-19 pandemic and resulting global disruptions have caused significant economic uncertainty and volatility in the financial markets. The impact on the fund will depend on the duration and extent of the continued spread of the outbreak and other further developments in response to COVID-19. The future impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the fund cannot be reasonably estimated

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at this time. The net position restricted for pensions of the TCERS increased from \$284 million to \$345 million (21.30%) from July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021. Over the ten-year period ended June 30, 2021, the funding ratio has varied from a low of 74% to a high of 88%; the current funding ratio of 78% reflects the effects of the continuous market volatility.

### **Major Initiatives**

Effective July 1, 2006, the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) and the Board of Trustees (Board) repealed the military service credit previously created by the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County and left in force the military service credit created by State Statute pursuant to 19 O.S. Section 956.

Effective May 29, 2007, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution allowing retirees to return to work for Tulsa County on a part-time basis after the first month of retirement and remain eligible for retirement benefits, as permitted by 19 O.S. 2007, Section 956, as amended.

Beginning July 1, 2007, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed 16.5% of the monthly compensation of each member, as permitted by 19 O.S. 2007, Section 954, as amended.

Effective July 1, 2008, the actuarial assumption of the effective rate of return on investments was reduced from 8% to 7.75%.

Effective July 1, 2010, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the employer contribution rate to 14% and the employee-member contribution rate to five basis points (0.05%) of the employee's base salary.

Effective July 1, 2012, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the employee-member contribution rate from five basis points (0.05%) to 25 basis points (0.25%) of the employee's base salary.

Effective July 1, 2012, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution to make the employee contribution a pre-tax basis.

Effective July 1, 2013, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the employee-member contribution rate from twenty-five basis points (0.25%) to one percent (1%) of the employee's base salary.

On March 6, 2014, the Internal Revenue Service issued a favorable determination letter on the plan. The letter expired on January 31, 2019. The IRS has since discontinued the renewal of the determination letters.

In October 2014, the Board implemented a Funding Policy to ensure the Fund is fully funded.

On October 19, 2015, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the employee-member contribution rate from one percent 1% to 1.50% of the employee's base salary, effective January 1, 2016, and effective July 1, 2016, an increase from 1.50% to 2% of the employee's base salary. Effective July 1, 2017, the employee-member contribution rate increased from 2% to 2.5% of the employee's base salary.

Effective with the July 1, 2016, actuarial study, the actuarial assumption of the effective rate of return on investments was reduced from 7.75% to 7.25%.

Effective July 1, 2017, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution to change the current retirement age from 62 to age 65, to replace the Rule of 80 with Rule of 90, and the early drawing percentages were decreased for employees hired after June 30, 2017.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued (Unaudited)

Beginning July 1, 2019, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed 18.5% of the monthly compensation of each member, as permitted by 19 O.S. 2007, Section 954, as amended.

Effective July 1, 2019, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the employer contribution rate from 14% to 15%. Effective January 1, 2020, the employee-member contribution rate increased from 2.5% to 3.5% of the employee's base salary.

The Board of Trustees continues to fulfill their mission to maintain stability while earning a competitive yield on the assets of the TCERS. Of utmost importance to the Trustees is to assure that required reserves are available for payment of current and prospective retirement benefits.

### **Contacting the Retirement System's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, plan members and others with a general overview of the TCERS finances and to show accountability for money it receives, disburses, and is entrusted with. Questions concerning any data provided in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Tulsa County Clerk, Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County, 218 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119.

## Statements of Fiduciary Net Position

For Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash	\$ 291,406	\$ 522,389
<b>Receivables:</b>		
Interest and dividends	598,050	757,967
Due from brokers for unsettled trades	206,158	169,222
Contributions from employer/employees	<u>1,286,719</u>	<u>1,279,039</u>
Total receivables	<u>2,090,927</u>	<u>2,206,228</u>
<b>Investments, at fair value:</b>		
Money market mutual funds	10,172,353	10,191,304
U.S. Government and Agency obligations and Treasury bond mutual funds	58,876,853	73,044,968
Domestic corporate bonds and bond mutual funds	68,130,902	70,907,927
Foreign bonds and obligations	2,475,590	2,971,363
Domestic equities	155,032,306	99,053,187
International equities	34,062,515	24,079,031
Real Estate	14,399,585	-
Judgments	<u>224,217</u>	<u>2,334,167</u>
Total investments	<u>343,374,321</u>	<u>282,581,947</u>
Total assets	<u>345,756,654</u>	<u>285,310,564</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	165,174	142,402
Due to brokers for unsettled trades	<u>736,518</u>	<u>877,060</u>
Total liabilities	<u>901,692</u>	<u>1,019,462</u>
<b>Net position restricted for pensions</b>	<u>\$ 344,854,962</u>	<u>\$ 284,291,102</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

For Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
<b>Additions:</b>		
Member contributions	\$ 2,955,046	\$ 2,501,353
Employer contributions	12,673,435	12,474,333
Total contributions	<u>15,628,481</u>	<u>14,975,686</u>
<b>Investment Income:</b>		
Interest	2,532,677	3,315,151
Dividends	3,981,640	4,097,401
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	64,020,451	(3,169,447)
	<u>70,534,768</u>	<u>4,243,105</u>
Less investment expense:	<u>1,079,895</u>	<u>999,017</u>
	1,079,895	999,017
Net investment income	69,454,873	3,244,088
Total additions	<u>85,083,354</u>	<u>18,219,774</u>
<b>Deductions</b>		
Benefits	24,191,894	22,761,216
Administrative expense	151,189	119,813
Refunds of contributions	176,411	128,836
Total deductions	<u>24,519,494</u>	<u>23,009,865</u>
Net increase (decrease)	60,563,860	(4,790,091)
<b>Net position restricted for pension</b>		
Beginning of Year	<u>284,291,102</u>	<u>289,081,193</u>
End of Year	<u>\$ 344,854,962</u>	<u>\$ 284,291,102</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2021 AND 2020

### 1. PLAN DESCRIPTION

#### **A. Administration**

The Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County (TCERS) is a single employer defined benefit retirement plan. It was established July 1, 1965, by Resolution of the Tulsa County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), as authorized by Title 19 OSA 951 through 965 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The TCERS was established to encourage continuity of dedicated service on the part of the employees and to promote public efficiency.

The operation of the TCERS is governed by the Oklahoma Statutes and the responsibility for its administration (including establishing or amending benefit provisions) rests with a nine-member Board of Trustees. Ex-Officio members include the Tulsa County Clerk, the Tulsa County Treasurer, and the Chairman of the Tulsa County Board of County Commissioners. Two members are appointed by the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners subject to the approval of the entire Commission Board. Three members, who must be current employees, are elected at large from all participating employees. The final member, who must be retired and drawing benefits, is also elected at large from all participating employees and members. Effective July 1, 2003, retired members and beneficiaries of the system shall be allowed to vote in the election in which their representative is elected. All four are elected for three-year terms. Trustees meet the last Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in Room 131 of the Tulsa County Headquarters Building, unless otherwise noted on the annual meeting notice filed in the County Clerk's office prior to December 15 and posted on the tulsacounty.org website. All meetings are open to any interested party and are conducted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.

#### **B. Participating Entities and Departments**

The participating entities and departments of the TCERS are as follow:

Tulsa County	Oklahoma State University Extension Agency Center
Court Fund	Tulsa Area Emergency Management Agency (civil defense)
Drainage District #12	Tulsa City-County Health Department
Law Library	Tulsa County Public Facilities Authority (fairgrounds)

Membership in the TCERS is mandatory for all eligible employees. An employee becomes eligible on the first day of employment as a regular, full-time employee. Oklahoma Statutes include elected and appointed salaried County officials as employees for retirement system purposes. No seasonal, temporary, hourly, part-time, or contracted worker is eligible to be a member of the TCERS.

#### **C. Number of Members**

As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the TCERS members are as follows:	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits	1,388	1,347
Terminated employees entitled to benefits not yet received	711	671
Current active employees:		
Fully vested	925	975
Nonvested	<u>846</u>	<u>861</u>
Total members	<u>3,870</u>	<u>3,854</u>

#### **D. Benefits Paid to Members**

Benefits are determined by multiplying the average of the highest paid three years of annual salary times a percentage based on the years of credited service at the date of retirement. A member is fully vested after five years of full-time service as a regular employee. The five-year period is not required to be continuous. Unreduced benefits may be received at age 62. A member may also be eligible for full benefits under the Rule of 80 in which the total service time

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**D. Benefits Paid to Members – Continued**

and employee's age equals 80. The TCERS allows an employee who has attained age 55 with at least five years of credited service, the opportunity to draw retirement benefits at an actuarially reduced percentage from the normal rate at age 62. For employees hired after June 30, 2017, unreduced benefits may be received at age 65. A member may also be eligible for full benefits under the Rule of 90 in which the total service time and employee's age equals 90. The TCERS allows an employee who has attained age 55 with at least five years of credited service, the opportunity to draw retirement benefits at an actuarially reduced percentage from the normal rate at age 65. The TCERS also provides additional benefits to active members upon disability and to the surviving spouse upon death of the retiree.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**A. Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Member and employer contributions are recognized as revenues in the period in which employee services are performed and expenses are recorded when incurred regardless of when payment is made. Contributions from members are recognized when the employer makes payroll deductions from plan members. Employer contributions are recognized when due and the employer has made a formal commitment to provide the benefits. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Subsequent events have been reviewed through November 12, 2021.

During October 1, 2020, an initial investment in the amount of \$7,000,000 was deposited with the real estate manager PRISA II LP. A second initial investment of \$7,000,000 with Principal Enhanced Property Fund GP, LLC was made January 2021.

**B. Method Used to Value Investments**

Investments are reported at fair value. The fair value of investments is based on published market prices and quotations from major investment brokers at current exchange rates, as available. Many factors are considered in arriving at that value. Corporate bonds are valued based on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings.

Approximately 17% and 26% of the net position restricted for pensions for both June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively, was invested in U.S. Government and Agency obligations and Treasury bond mutual funds. The TCERS has no investments in stocks and bonds of any commercial or industrial organization whose market value equals 5% or more of TCERS's assets available for benefits.

**C. Basis of Presentation**

The financial statements of the TCERS are presented in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

The TCERS is considered a pension trust fund in Tulsa County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and is a blended component unit of Tulsa County. Copies of Tulsa County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report are available from the County Clerk's office.

**D. Administration Fees**

Administrative expenses are paid for by the plan from contributions received and investment earnings.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**E. 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 and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and additions and deductions during the period reported. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**3. CONTRIBUTIONS**

Title 19 OSA 954 of the Oklahoma Statutes provides for annual contributions to be made by Tulsa County for amortizing any net pension liability. The Board of Trustees of the TCERS recommends to the Board of County Commissioners, the percentage of the employer and employee's contribution level to be contributed to the retirement system. The Board of County Commissioners, within the limits allowed by law, establishes both the employer and employee levels of contributions to support the retirement system.

Beginning July 1, 2019, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed 18.5% of the monthly compensation of each member.

An actuarial study determines the contribution required to fund the retirement system. The study calculates the current contribution amount required to pay the benefits of present and future retirees. The maximum contribution rate for employees shall not exceed the contribution rate of the County.

Effective July 1, 2019, the BOCC and the Board approved a resolution changing the employer contribution rate from 14% to 15%. Effective January 1, 2020, the employee-member contribution rate increased from 2.5% to 3.5% of the employee's base salary.

There are no legally required reserve accounts as of June 30, 2021 or 2020.

**4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

**A. Deposits**

At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the TCERS's cash balance was \$291,406 and \$522,389, respectively, and was maintained in a demand account in the Retirement System's name at BOK Financial.

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, TCERS's deposits may not be returned or the TCERS may not be able to recover collateral securities in the possession of an outside party. According to Title 62 OSA 517.4, Security for Local Public Deposits Act, the amount of the collateral securities or instruments to be pledged for the security of public deposits shall be established by the treasurer of the public entity. The Tulsa County Treasurer with the approval of the TCERS requires deposits to be 110% secured by collateral valued at market or par, whichever is lower, less the amount of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance. BOK Financial has placed the required collateral securities in a restricted account at a Federal Reserve Bank which serves Oklahoma. The market value of pledged securities shall be provided not less than quarterly to the treasurer by either the financial institution holding the deposit or the financial institution holding the collateral securities, which market value must have been obtained from an independent, recognized, and documented source. TCERS's deposits are not exposed to custodial credit risk because the deposits are insured by FDIC insurance and are collateralized.

**B. Investments**

Investments of TCERS funds are governed by Title 19 OSA 953.1A, as amended, of the Oklahoma Statutes. The Oklahoma Statutes place no limitations or restrictions on the choice

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**B. Investments – Continued**

of investment vehicles other than those a prudent investor would select. The Board of Trustees has retained five outside investment management firms to manage seven different portfolios for the TCERS except for certain judgments against Oklahoma government entities and a small amount of cash. BOK Financial is the custodian of cash and investments. TCERS's investment securities are not exposed to custodial credit risk because all securities are held by a third-party custodian rather than a counterparty and are carried in street name.

As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the composition of the retirement system's investments is shown in the following tables:

<b>June 30, 2021</b>	Fair Value	Cost	Average Credit Quality/ Rating (1)	Weighted Average Number of Years to Maturity (2)
Money Market Mutual Funds	\$ 10,172,353	\$ 10,172,353	N/A	0
U.S. Treasuries	43,070,494	39,744,163	N/A	15.01
U.S. Agency Obligations				
FHMS (collateralized Mtg Obligation)	1,935,408	1,803,043	N/A	1.35
FHLMC (Freddie Mac)	3,324,859	3,250,432	AAA	3.60
FNMA (Fannie Mae)	8,922,318	8,823,201	AAA	3.95
GNMA (Ginnie Mae)	<u>1,623,774</u>	<u>1,610,926</u>	AAA	3.50
Total U.S. Agency Obligations	15,806,359	15,487,602		
Corporate Bonds & Bond Mutual Funds	70,606,492	69,198,732	N/A	7.25
Domestic equities	155,032,306	78,909,148	N/A	N/A
International equities	34,062,515	23,246,243	N/A	N/A
Real Estate	14,399,585	13,978,308		
Judgments	224,217	224,217	N/A	N/A
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$343,374,321</b>	<b>\$250,960,766</b>		

<b>June 30, 2020</b>	Fair Value	Cost	Average Credit Quality/ Rating (1)	Weighted Average Number of Years to Maturity (2)
Money Market Mutual Funds	\$ 10,191,304	\$ 10,191,304	N/A	0
U.S. Treasuries	54,103,122	44,260,297	N/A	16.41
U.S. Agency Obligations				
FHMS (collateralized Mtg Obligation)	1,637,909	1,452,483	N/A	7.24
FHLMC (Freddie Mac)	4,176,360	3,993,415	AAA	2.99
FNMA (Fannie Mae)	11,009,971	10,687,565	AAA	3.90
GNMA (Ginnie Mae)	<u>2,117,606</u>	<u>2,076,938</u>	AAA	3.53
Total U.S. Agency Obligations	18,941,846	18,210,401		
Corporate Bonds & Bond Mutual Funds	73,879,290	74,686,223	N/A	6.83
Domestic equities	99,053,187	76,399,839	N/A	N/A
International equities	24,079,031	21,226,634	N/A	N/A
Judgments	2,334,167	2,334,167	N/A	N/A
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$282,581,947</b>	<b>\$247,308,865</b>		

- (1) Ratings are provided where applicable to indicate **Credit Risk**. N/A indicates not applicable.  
(2) **Interest Rate Risk** is estimated using weighted average years to maturity.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**B. Investments – Continued**

As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the retirement system had the following fixed income investments and maturities:

		<b>Investment Maturities (in Years)</b>			
<b>June 30, 2021</b>	Fair Value	Less than 1	1-5	6-10	More than 10
U.S. Treasuries and Treasury Bonds	\$ 43,070,494	0.00%	8.16%	3.09%	17.22%
U.S. Agencies (1)	15,806,359	0.25%	8.59%	1.39%	0.00%
Corporate Bonds & Bond Mutual Funds	70,606,492	7.48%	32.04%	16.83%	4.97%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$129,483,345</b>	<b>7.72%</b>	<b>48.79%</b>	<b>21.31%</b>	<b>22.19%</b>
		<b>Investment Maturities (in Years)</b>			
<b>June 30, 2020</b>	Fair Value	Less than 1	1-5	6-10	More than 10
U.S. Treasuries and Treasury Bonds	\$ 54,103,122	0.61%	7.73%	7.36%	18.10%
U.S. Agencies (1)	18,941,846	1.02%	10.01%	4.30%	0.00%
Corporate Bonds & Bond Mutual Funds	73,879,290	5.64%	22.67%	16.05%	6.50%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$146,924,258</b>	<b>7.26%</b>	<b>40.41%</b>	<b>27.72%</b>	<b>24.60%</b>

(1) Includes Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA) investments, which are explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government.

TCERS categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. TCERS has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2021 and 2020:

Investments Measured at Fair Value as of <b>June 30, 2021</b>	Fair Value Measurements Using			
	Total Assets	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Money Market Mutual Fund	\$ 10,172,353	\$ 10,172,353	\$ -	\$ -
Debt Securities:				
Treasury Bonds	18,006,488	18,006,488	-	-
Agency Bonds	15,806,358	-	15,806,358	-
Municipal Bonds	4,038,547	-	4,038,547	-
Corporate Bonds	36,341,197	-	36,341,197	-
Sovereign Debt	96,735	-	96,735	-
Foreign Corporate Bonds	2,378,855	-	2,378,855	-
Registered Investment Companies	<u>52,815,164</u>	<u>52,815,164</u>	-	-
Total Debt Securities	<u>129,483,344</u>	<u>70,821,652</u>	<u>58,661,692</u>	-
Equity Securities:				
Common stock	120,409,503	120,409,503	-	-
Common Collective Trusts	57,652,199	-	57,652,199	-
Alternative Investments – Infrastructure	<u>11,033,120</u>	<u>11,033,120</u>	-	-
Total Equity Securities	<u>189,094,822</u>	<u>131,442,623</u>	<u>57,652,199</u>	-
Judgments	224,217	-	-	224,217
<b>Investments Measured at the Net Asset Value (NAV)</b>				
Real Estate Funds	<u>14,399,585</u>	-	-	-
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b><u>\$343,374,321</u></b>	<b><u>\$212,436,628</u></b>	<b><u>\$116,313,891</u></b>	<b><u>\$14,623,802</u></b>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**B. Investments – Continued**

Investments Measured at Fair Value as of <b>June 30, 2020</b>	Fair Value Measurements Using			
	Total Assets	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Money Market Mutual Fund	\$ 10,191,304	\$ 10,191,304	\$ -	\$ -
Debt Securities:				
Treasury Bonds	26,691,473	26,691,473	-	-
Agency Bonds	18,941,846	-	18,941,846	-
Municipal Bonds	3,303,628	-	3,303,628	-
Corporate Bonds	44,008,158	-	44,008,158	-
Sovereign Debt	-	-	-	-
Foreign Corporate Bonds	2,971,363	-	2,971,363	-
Registered Investment Companies	<u>51,007,790</u>	<u>51,007,790</u>	-	-
Total Debt Securities	<u>146,924,258</u>	<u>77,699,263</u>	<u>69,224,995</u>	-
Equity Securities:				
Common stock	76,450,455	76,450,455	-	-
Common Collective Trusts	40,949,205	-	40,949,205	-
Alternative Investments - Infrastructure	<u>5,732,558</u>	<u>5,732,558</u>	-	-
Total Equity Securities	<u>123,132,218</u>	<u>82,183,013</u>	<u>40,949,205</u>	-
Judgments	2,334,167	-	-	2,334,167
<b>Total Investments</b>	<u>\$282,581,947</u>	<u>\$170,073,580</u>	<u>\$110,174,200</u>	<u>\$2,334,167</u>

Money market mutual funds, debt securities, equity securities, and alternative investments classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those investments. Debt and equity securities classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using one of the following: a) quoted prices for similar, but not identical, assets or liabilities in active markets, b) quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, c) inputs other than quoted market prices that are observable, such as interest rate and yield curves, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks and default rates, and d) other inputs derived from or corroborated by observable market inputs. Other miscellaneous investments classified in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using unobservable inputs to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date. Unobservable inputs reflect TCERS own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk). Unobservable inputs shall be developed based on the best information available in the circumstance, which might include TCERS own data.

Investments measured at NAV

	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Real Estate Funds	\$14,399,585	-	Quarterly	0 to 90 days

Real Estate Funds – these investments include two real estate funds that invest primarily in U.S. commercial real estate. The fair value of the investments in this type have been determined using the NAV per share (or its equivalent) of the TCERS' ownership interest in partner's capital. TCERS held no investments in real estate funds at June 30, 2020.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**TCERS Investment Guidelines**

The Board of Trustees of TCERS has formally adopted investment guidelines for the investment managers. The investment managers are expected to execute all transactions as efficiently as possible. There are no specific restrictions on portfolio turnover or preference for long or short holding periods. The Board does, however, anticipate that long-term performance will be enhanced by investment strategies, not trading strategies.

All securities transactions are affected through brokerage firms. The TCERS assets may be invested in publicly traded common and preferred stocks, convertible bonds, and non-convertible fixed income securities, whether interest bearing or discount instruments, including money market instruments, subject to any restrictions specifically outlined in the Statement of Investment Policies, Guidelines, and Objectives (Policy).

The Board has adopted the following Asset Allocation among stocks, bonds, and cash to serve as a general guideline in investing the Plan's assets.

	Minimum	Target	Maximum
<b>Core Equity</b>	<b>7.50%</b>	<b>17.50%</b>	<b>27.50%</b>
<b>SMid Capitalization Equity</b>	<b>15.00%</b>	<b>25.00%</b>	<b>35.00%</b>
<b>International Equity</b>	<b>2.50%</b>	<b>12.50%</b>	<b>17.50%</b>
<b>MLPs</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5.00%</b>	<b>15.00%</b>
<b>Core Fixed Income</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>8.75%</b>	<b>18.75%</b>
<b>Intermediate Fixed Income</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>8.75%</b>	<b>18.75%</b>
<b>High Yield Fixed Income</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>7.50%</b>	<b>17.50%</b>
<b>Active Duration Fixed Income</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>20.00%</b>
<b>Real Estate</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5.00%</b>	<b>15.00%</b>
<b>Cash and Equivalents</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5.00%</b>

**TCERS's Risk Disclosures**

**Credit Risk** is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Generally, the TCERS's investing activities are approved by the Board of Trustees and managed under the custody of the County Treasurer. Investing is performed in accordance with investment policies adopted by the Board of Trustees and complies with the Investment Policy adopted by the Board of County Commissioners and with State Statutes.

The TCERS Investment Policy designates a core fixed income portfolio and an intermediate fixed income portfolio. It allows, but does not require, each manager to invest up to 15% of their respective portfolios in bonds below "investment grade," but not lower than "B". Total fixed income exposure, from any single issuer except U.S. Government, its agencies, or instrumentalities, shall not exceed 7.0% of the total allocation of the portfolio, except below investment grade issuers, which shall not exceed 2.5% of the portfolio. Within the above parameters, the two fixed income managers have complete discretion as to credit rating.

As of June 30, 2021, the core fixed income portfolio had an average credit rating of Aa3, with 22% to Governments and Agencies, 34.9% in AAA rated bonds, 2.8% in AA rated bonds, 17.6% in A rated bonds and 22.7% in BBB rated bonds. The intermediate fixed income portfolio had an average credit rating of A1, with 24.2% to Governments and Agencies, 20% in AAA rated bonds, 5% in AA rated bonds, 18.4% in A rated bonds, 23.2% in BBB rated bonds, 7.3% in BB rated issues and 2% in B rated bonds.

**Concentration of Credit Risk** is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the TCERS's investment in a single issuer. Excluding investments in common collective trust funds, the retirement system did not have any investments that exceed 5% of the total portfolio. The

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**B. Investments – Continued**

TCERS's investments that were below investment grade did not exceed 2.5% of the portfolio. U.S. Government securities are excluded from these restrictions. Equity fund managers are given the guideline that no single security in each manager's portfolio can constitute more than 5% of the portfolio's equity allocation at the time of purchase, nor can it be more than 7% of the equity allocation of the portfolio after accounting for price appreciation.

**Interest Rate Risk** is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Investments held for longer periods are subject to increased risk of adverse interest rate changes. TCERS's investment policy provides that to the extent practicable, investments are matched with anticipated cash flows. Investments are diversified to minimize the risk of loss resulting from over-concentration of assets in a specific maturity period, a single issuer, or an individual class of securities.

**Foreign Currency Risk** is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Board of Trustees has stated in the Policy the guidelines for the international equity portfolio manager. The constraints on the international equity portfolio manager are to diversify internationally across the global equity markets. The international equity manager invests in only non-U.S. dollar denominated equity securities. The manager is required to invest in a prudent manner and to operate under the restrictions indicated in their prospectus. These include regional constraints, diversification requirements and the type of securities held.

TCERS's international equity portfolio comprises 9.9% and 8.5% of the total portfolio investments at fair value as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The managers of these portfolios do not hedge the foreign currency risk and the Policy does not require it.

Pension Trust investing is restricted by Oklahoma Statutes to the Prudent Investor Rule.

TCERS's investments in foreign equities and debt securities are shown by monetary unit to indicate possible foreign currency risk. TCERS's exposure to foreign currency risk at June 30, 2021 and 2020 follows:

<b>June 30, 2021</b>		<b>June 30, 2020</b>	
	<b>Equities</b>		<b>Equities</b>
South Africa Rand	\$ 356,234	South Africa Rand	\$ -
Euro	11,818,169	Euro	9,789,934
British Pound	2,371,524	British Pound	1,256,139
Hong Kong Dollar	619,230	Hong Kong Dollar	-
Japanese Yen	6,374,608	Japanese Yen	4,700,299
Swiss Franc	544,711	Swiss Franc	869,156
	<u>\$22,084,476</u>		<u>\$16,615,528</u>

International equities also included \$11,978,039 and \$7,463,502 in US dollar denominated investments which consisted primarily of American Depositary Receipts as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**B. Investments – Continued**

**Depreciation of TCERS's Investments**

During the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, the TCERS's investments (including investments bought, sold and held during the year) depreciated in value follows:

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments:		
Corporate Bonds	\$ 3,486,672	\$ (637,065)
U.S. Government & Agency	(4,800,254)	7,938,723
Domestic equities	55,493,671	(8,595,149)
International equities	9,440,603	(1,875,960)
Real Estate	399,759	-
Total net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	<u>\$64,020,451</u>	<u>\$(3,169,451)</u>

For the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, realized gains on the sale of investments of \$6,879,976 and \$3,826,426, respectively, have been included in net appreciation or depreciation. The calculation of realized gains and losses is independent of the calculation of the changes in the fair value of investments. Realized gains and losses for 2021 and 2020 include unrealized amounts from the prior periods. Net appreciation on Real Estate investment includes fees of \$21,518.

**Rate of Return** – For the year ended June 30, 2021, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was 24.82%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts invested.

**5. NET PENSION LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY**

The components of the net pension liability of the County at June 30, 2021 and 2020, follows:

	2021	2020
Total Pension Liability	\$477,644,823	\$453,879,732
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	<u>(344,854,962)</u>	<u>(284,291,102)</u>
County's Net Pension Liability	<u>\$132,789,861</u>	<u>\$169,588,630</u>
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage Of the total pension liability	72.20%	70.04%

*Actuarial Assumptions.* The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation for plan year beginning July 1, 2021, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement. Also presented are assumptions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

**B. Investments – Continued**

Valuation Date	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2020
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%
Salary increases including inflation	Age 20-34 5.0% Age 35-49 3.5% Age 50-70 2.5%	Age 20-34 5.0% Age 35-49 3.5% Age 50-70 2.5%
Mortality	Actives: RP-2014 Employees Mortality Table, male and female rates, with generational projection from 2006 based on the MP-2017 scale. Healthy Inactives: RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, male and female rates, with generational projection from 2006 based on the MP-2017 scale. Disabled Inactives: RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table, male and female rates.	Actives: RP-2014 Employees Mortality Table, male and female rates, with generational projection from 2006 based on the MP-2017 scale. Healthy Inactives: RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, male and female rates, with generational projection from 2006 based on the MP-2017 scale. Disabled Inactives: RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table, male and female rates.
Turnover	Crocker, Sarason and Straight T-7 rates, increased by 0.2 for the first year and 0.1 for the second year	Crocker, Sarason and Straight T-7 rates, increased by 0.2 for the first year and 0.1 for the second year
Discount Rate, compounded annually	6.00%	6.25%

Disability: Various rates based on age. Selected rates for both June 30, 2021 and 2020 are:

Age	Rate per 1,000	
	Male	Female
25	0.106	0.124
30	0.128	0.128
40	0.173	0.198
50	0.226	0.399
55	0.366	0.573
60	0.492	0.623
65	0.570	0.605

Retirement Rate: At the following rates upon attaining age 62 with five years of participation or any age with 80 points or age 65 with five years of participation or any age with 90 points, if hired after June 30, 2017:

Age	Rate
Under 55	0%
55-64	20%
65-69	30%
70	100%

Marital Status: 85% percent are assumed to be married. Males are assumed to be four years older than their spouses.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2017. These assumptions were effective July 1, 2018.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method 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. The best-estimate range for the long-term expected rate of return is determined by adding expected inflation to expected long-term real returns and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions and portfolio standard deviation are per the Plan's independent investment consultant. Actual long-term historical results achieved by the Fund were also considered. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2021, (see the discussion on the pension plan's investment policy) are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Index</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Arithmetic Real Rate of Return</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return</u>
US Core Fixed Income	Barclays Aggregate	18.75%	1.37%	1.26%
US Intermediate Bonds	Barclays IT Gvt/Credit	8.75%	0.94%	0.86%
US High Yield Bonds	BAML High Yield	7.50%	3.95%	3.37%
US Large Caps	S&P 500	17.50%	5.15%	3.65%
US Mid-Caps	Russell MidCap	25.00%	5.71%	3.66%
Foreign Developed Equity	MSCI EAFE NR	12.50%	6.27%	4.52%
Private Real Estate Property	NCREIF Property	5.00%	4.62%	3.58%
Master Limited Partnerships	Alerian MLP	5.00%	6.48%	3.11%

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that County contributions will be made at 15%. 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 net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the net pension liability of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 6.00%, as well as what the County's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (5.00%) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.00%) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease 5.00%</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate 6.00%</u>	<u>1% Increase 7.00%</u>
Total pension liability	\$542,292,508	\$477,644,823	\$424,724,690
Fiduciary net pension	<u>344,854,962</u>	<u>344,854,962</u>	<u>344,854,962</u>
County's net pension liability	197,437,546	132,789,861	79,869,728

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**Required Supplementary Information**  
(Unaudited)  
For Fiscal Years Ended  
**Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios**

	<b>Year Ended June 30,</b>									
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>		
<b>Total pension liability</b>										
Service cost	\$ 8,608	\$ 7,949	\$ 6,788	\$ 6,422	\$ 6,409	\$ 6,073	\$ 5,714	\$ 5,635		
Interest	28,155	27,636	27,201	25,420	24,721	24,740	23,398	22,703		
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	-	(1,408)	6,401	(1,046)	438	(2,337)	(294)		
Plan Changes	(2,846)	2,438	15	-	(238)	(470)	-	-		
Changes of assumptions	14,216	26,020	22,907	7,494	-	18,308	7,382	(2,894)		
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(24,368)	(22,890)	(21,966)	(21,128)	(19,342)	(18,165)	(17,208)	(16,252)		
<b>Net change in total pension liability</b>	<b>23,765</b>	<b>41,153</b>	<b>33,537</b>	<b>24,609</b>	<b>10,504</b>	<b>30,924</b>	<b>16,949</b>	<b>8,898</b>		
<b>Total pension liability - beginning</b>	<b>453,880</b>	<b>412,727</b>	<b>379,190</b>	<b>354,581</b>	<b>344,077</b>	<b>313,153</b>	<b>296,204</b>	<b>287,306</b>		
<b>Total pension liability - ending (a)</b>	<b>\$ 477,645</b>	<b>\$ 453,880</b>	<b>\$ 412,727</b>	<b>\$ 379,190</b>	<b>\$ 354,581</b>	<b>\$ 344,077</b>	<b>\$ 313,153</b>	<b>\$ 296,204</b>		
<b>Plan fiduciary net position</b>										
Contributions - employer	\$ 12,673	\$ 12,474	\$ 11,103	\$ 10,818	\$ 10,847	\$ 10,893	\$ 10,459	\$ 9,678		
Contributions - member	2,955	2,501	1,975	1,922	1,542	969	743	688		
Net investment income	69,455	3,244	6,612	15,830	24,595	221	523	41,471		
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(24,368)	(22,890)	(21,965)	(21,129)	(19,342)	(18,165)	(17,208)	(16,252)		
Administrative expense	(151)	(119)	(96)	(140)	(119)	(120)	(128)	(128)		
<b>Net change in plan fiduciary net position</b>	<b>60,564</b>	<b>(4,790)</b>	<b>(2,371)</b>	<b>7,301</b>	<b>17,523</b>	<b>(6,202)</b>	<b>(5,611)</b>	<b>35,457</b>		
<b>Plan fiduciary net position - beginning</b>	<b>284,291</b>	<b>289,081</b>	<b>291,452</b>	<b>284,151</b>	<b>266,628</b>	<b>272,830</b>	<b>278,441</b>	<b>242,984</b>		
<b>Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)</b>	<b>344,855</b>	<b>284,291</b>	<b>289,081</b>	<b>291,452</b>	<b>284,151</b>	<b>266,628</b>	<b>272,830</b>	<b>278,441</b>		
<b>Net pension liability - ending (a) - (b)</b>	<b>\$ 132,790</b>	<b>\$ 169,589</b>	<b>\$ 123,646</b>	<b>\$ 87,738</b>	<b>\$ 70,430</b>	<b>\$ 77,449</b>	<b>\$ 40,323</b>	<b>\$ 17,763</b>		
<b>Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability</b>										
<b>Covered payroll</b>										
	72.20%	62.64%	70.04%	76.86%	80.14%	77.49%	87.12%	94.00%		
<b>Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll</b>										
	\$ 79,247	\$ 83,401	\$ 80,413	\$ 76,500	\$ 76,796	\$ 76,561	\$ 76,834	\$ 72,407		
	167.56%	203.34%	153.76%	114.69%	91.71%	101.16%	52.48%	24.53%		

**Notes to Schedule:**

1. Only the eight most recent fiscal years are presented because 10-year data is not yet available.
  2. Actuarial Assumptions, Methods and Plan Provisions
- All actuarial assumptions, methods and plan provisions remained the same as the prior year.

**Required Supplementary Information**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**For Fiscal Years Ended**

**Schedule of Contributions from Employer**

<b>Fiscal Year Ending June 30</b>	<b>Actuarially determined contribution</b>	<b>Actual Employer Contribution</b>	<b>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</b>	<b>Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Contribution as a % of Covered Payroll</b>
2021	\$ 14,073,262	12,673,435	1,399,827	79,247,098	15.99%
2020	13,052,158	12,474,333	577,825	83,400,750	14.96%
2019	12,161,561	11,103,394	1,058,167	80,413,486	13.81%
2018	10,568,348	10,817,651	(249,303)	76,499,726	14.14%
2017	10,839,414	10,846,636	(7,222)	76,796,017	14.12%
2016	8,925,910	10,892,672	(1,966,762)	76,560,913	14.23%
2015	8,657,780	10,459,118	(1,801,338)	76,834,455	13.61%
2014	8,694,876	9,678,256	(983,380)	72,406,610	13.37%

**Notes to Schedule:**

1. Only the eight most recent fiscal years are presented because 10-year data is not yet available.
2. Valuation Date: July 1, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, and 2014
3. Actuarially determined contribution rate is calculated as of June 30 prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported
4. Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:
  - Actuarial cost method - Entry age normal
  - Amortization method - Level percent of payroll, layered
  - Remaining amortization period at July 1, 2021 - 20 years (12 year closed period for unfunded accrued liability as of July 1, 2017)
  - Asset valuation method - Actuarial:
    - Smoothing period - 5 years
    - Recognition method - Non-asymptotic
    - Corridor - 80% - 120%
  - Inflation - 2.5%
  - Salary increases - 5% grading down to 2.5%
  - Investment rate of return - 7.25% as of July 1, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, July 1, 2017, and July 1, 2016 and 7.75% as of July 1, 2015 and 2014

**Required Supplementary Information  
 (Unaudited)  
 For Fiscal Years Ended**

**Schedule of Investment Returns**

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	17.29%	0.19%	0.08%	9.36%	5.66%	2.31%	1.14%	24.82%	20.12%

**Note to Schedule:**

Only the eight most recent fiscal years are presented because 10-year data is not yet available.

**Supporting Schedules for Financial Section  
(Unaudited)**

**Schedule of Administrative Expenses  
For Year Ended June 30, 2021**

Professional Services:		
Actuarial	\$	24,500
Audit		19,000
Legal		1,913
		<u>45,413</u>
		\$ 45,413
Other Administrative Expenses:		
Fiduciary Liability Insurance *	\$	79,998
Printing and postage		4,595
Software Maintenance		20,573
Miscellaneous		610
		<u>105,776</u>
		\$ 105,776
		<u>\$ 151,189</u>

**Schedule of Investment Expenses  
For Year Ended June 30, 2021**

**Investment Managers**

Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss (fixed income)	\$	121,526	
Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss (mid-cap equity)		353,219	
Chickasaw Capital Management		144,242	
Segal Bryant & Hamill		98,214	
State Street Global Advisors		4,787	
Tocqueville Asset Management		243,753	
Real estate managers		110,256	
		<u>1,075,997</u>	
		\$ 1,075,997	

**Independent Financial Consultant**

AndCo	\$	80,000	
		<u>80,000</u>	
			80,000

**Other Investment Expenses**

BOK Financial bank custody fees	\$	37,854	
Less Commission Recapture		(3,699)	
		<u>34,155</u>	
			34,155
		<u>\$ 1,190,152</u>	

**Schedule of Payments to Consultants  
For Year Ended June 30, 2021**

<u>Individual or firm</u>	<u>Commission/Fee</u>	<u>Nature of Service</u>
Milliman	\$ 24,500	Actuary

For information on fees paid to investment professionals please refer to the Schedule of Investment Expenses. The payment to Milliman is also included in the Schedule of Administrative Expenses.

\* Fiduciary Liability Insurance for fiscal year 2021 was \$42,829.00. Fiscal year 2020 was \$37,169.



**Investment  
Section**

## Putting clients first.



October 26, 2021

**Tulsa County Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees**  
Tulsa County Courthouse  
Administration Building  
218 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Tulsa, OK 74119-1004

### Annual Consultant Review

The fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 was a prosperous period for most prudent investors despite substantial economic and market volatility attributable primarily to the COVID-19 virus. The Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County earned a fiscal year total return of **25.6%**<sup>1</sup> which was significantly higher than its actuarial return assumption and its custom total fund performance benchmark. Investment returns were volatile but quite strong during the fiscal year; equity returns were robust while most bond returns were modestly positive. The passive equity portfolio matched its benchmark with a gain of 40.8% while the System's small/mid cap equity portfolio posted a remarkable gain of 68.6% compared to last fiscal year's loss of -6.4%. The international equity portfolio posted a loss of 39.5% which outperformed its benchmark. The System's active managers tend to invest in value-oriented companies which outperformed this fiscal year. The System's core bond portfolios gained 2.0% and 0.2%. Both outperformed their benchmarks. The active duration bond portfolio posted a one-year loss of -12.7%. The high yield bond allocation gained 18.2%. The MLP portfolio enjoyed a one-year gain of 63.0%. The accompanying basic financial statements and performance comparisons are reported on an accrual basis of accounting and are reported in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned instead of when received and expenses are recognized when incurred rather than paid.

During the year, we worked with the Board on several projects to monitor and improve the investment portfolio:

- Strategic Portfolio Planning
- Investment Policy Review
- Asset Allocation Review
- Education and Review of Investment and Market Performance
- Investment Manager Monitoring and Review
- Regular Performance Reviews with the Board
- Continued Exploration of Asset Classes to Improve Performance
- Closely Monitored the Master Limited Partnership Allocation
- Closely Monitored the High Yield Bond Allocation
- Implemented the System's First Two Real Estate Investment Funds.

Our firm's goal is to provide valuable perspective and guidance for the System's investments. Along with the Board and the Investment Committee, we work to maintain a patient, long-term focus on the System's investments, despite inevitable market volatility. We look forward to continuing our relationship with the Board and Staff.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Douglas Anderson  
Douglas J. Anderson  
Consultant

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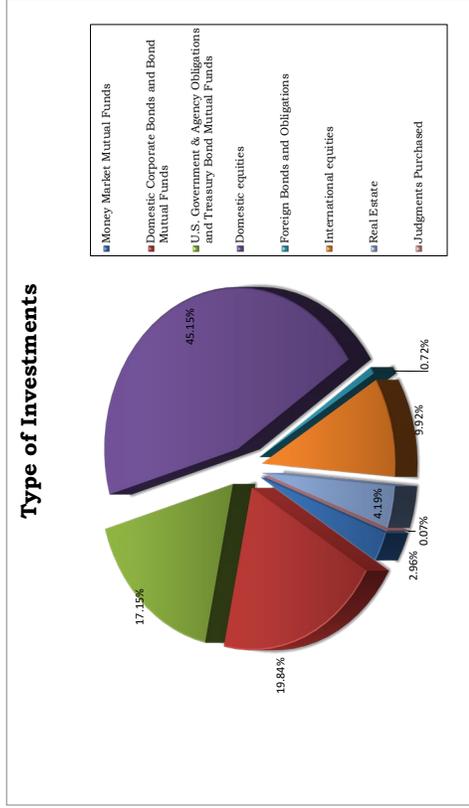
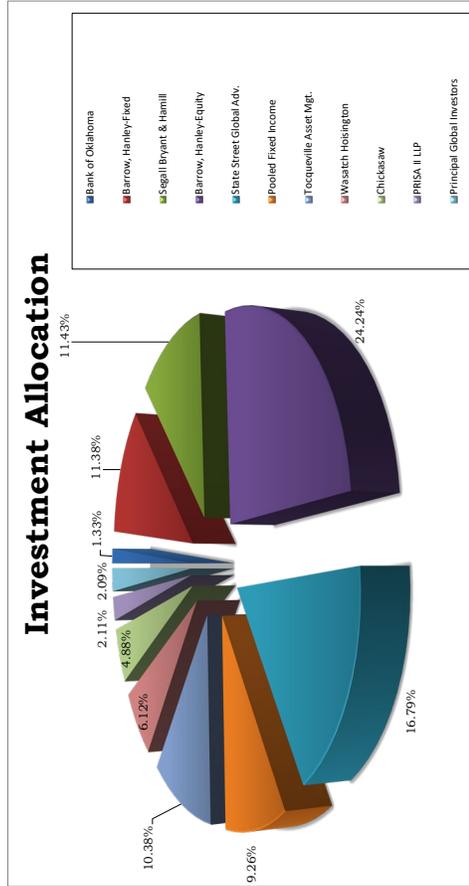
<sup>1</sup> Returns shown are time-weighted rates of return, gross of investment management fees, based on market value of the assets.

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**Type of Investments at Fair Value/Investment Allocation  
For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

<b>Type of Investments</b>	Bank of Oklahoma	Barrow, Hanley-Fixed	Segall Bryant & Hamill	Barrow, Hanley-Equity	State Street Global Adv.	Pooled Fixed Income	Tocqueville Asset Mgt.	Wasatch Hoisington	Chickasaw	PRISA II LLP	Principal Global Investors	Total at Fair Value	% of total 2020-2021
Money Market Mutual Funds	\$ 4,340,401	\$ 580,805	\$ 1,081,302	\$ 2,054,841	\$ 3,038	\$ 369	\$ 1,567,811	\$ 5	\$ 543,597	174	10	\$ 10,172,353	2.96%
Domestic Corporate Bonds and Bond Mutual Funds	-	18,660,649	20,156,138	-	-	29,314,115	-	-	-	-	-	68,130,902	19.84%
U.S. Government & Agency Obligations and Treasury Bond Mutual Funds	-	19,835,115	18,016,279	-	-	-	-	21,025,459	-	-	-	58,876,853	17.15%
Domestic equities	-	-	-	81,180,381	57,652,199	-	-	-	16,199,726	-	-	155,032,306	45.15%
Foreign Bonds and Obligations	-	-	-	-	-	2,475,590	-	-	-	-	-	2,475,590	0.72%
International equities	-	-	-	-	-	-	34,062,515	-	-	-	-	34,062,515	9.92%
Real Estate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,168,119	14,399,585	4.19%
Judgments Purchased	224,217	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	224,217	0.07%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,564,618</b>	<b>\$ 39,076,569</b>	<b>\$ 39,253,719</b>	<b>\$ 83,235,222</b>	<b>\$ 57,655,237</b>	<b>\$ 31,790,074</b>	<b>\$ 35,630,326</b>	<b>\$ 21,025,464</b>	<b>\$ 16,743,323</b>	<b>7,231,640</b>	<b>7,168,129</b>	<b>\$ 343,374,321</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
Percent of total investments	1.33%	11.38%	11.43%	24.24%	16.79%	9.26%	10.38%	6.12%	4.88%	2.11%	2.09%	100.00%	

**Investment Portfolio  
For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**



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**Investment Portfolio Summary**  
**For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020**

	2021			
	Fair Value	Percentage	Cost	Percentage
Money Market Mutual Funds	\$ 10,172,353	2.96%	\$ 10,172,353	4.05%
Domestic Corporate Bonds and Bond Mutual Funds	68,130,902	19.84%	69,198,732	27.57%
Foreign Bonds and Obligations	2,475,590	0.72%		0.00%
U.S. Government and Agency obligations and treasury bond mutual funds	58,876,853	17.15%	55,231,765	22.01%
Domestic Equities	155,032,306	45.15%	78,909,148	31.44%
International Equities	34,062,515	9.92%	23,246,243	9.26%
Real Estate	14,399,585	4.19%	13,978,308	5.57%
Judgments Purchased	224,217	0.07%	224,217	0.09%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 343,374,321</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$ 250,960,766</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	2020			
	Fair Value	Percentage	Cost	Percentage
Money Market Mutual Funds	\$ 10,191,304	3.61%	\$ 10,191,304	4.12%
Domestic Corporate Bonds and Bond Mutual Funds	70,907,927	25.09%	74,686,224	30.20%
Foreign Bonds and Obligations	2,971,363	1.05%		0.00%
U.S. Government and Agency obligations and treasury bond mutual funds	73,044,968	25.85%	62,470,698	25.26%
Domestic Equities	99,053,187	35.05%	76,399,839	30.89%
International Equities	24,079,031	8.52%	21,226,633	8.58%
Judgments Purchased	2,334,167	0.83%	2,334,167	0.94%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 282,581,947</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$ 247,308,865</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Investment Transaction Summary**  
**For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

	Money Market Mutual Funds	Domestic Corporate Bonds and Bond Mutual Funds	Gov't & Agency Issues	Domestic Equities	International Equities	Real Estate	Judgments	Total
Balance at beginning of year, at cost	\$ 10,191,304	\$ 74,686,223	\$ 62,470,698	\$ 76,399,839	\$ 21,226,634	\$ -	\$ 2,334,167	247,308,865
Purchases	101,896,829	20,362,948	37,300,721	13,356,838	8,931,481	14,098,841	157,550	196,105,208
Sales and Maturities	(101,915,780)	(25,850,439)	(44,539,654)	(10,847,529)	(6,911,872)	(120,533)	(2,267,500)	(192,453,307)
Balance at end of year, at cost	\$ 10,172,353	\$ 69,198,732	\$ 55,231,765	\$ 78,909,148	\$ 23,246,243	\$ 13,978,308	\$ 224,217	250,960,766
Fair Value	\$ 10,172,353	\$ 70,606,492	\$ 58,876,853	\$ 155,032,306	\$ 34,062,515	\$ 14,399,585	\$ 224,217	343,374,321

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**List of Largest Assets Held**

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**Largest Equity Holdings (By Fair Value)  
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021**

	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Stock</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>
1)	52,159	State Street Global Advisors S&P 500 Flagship Fund	\$ 57,652,199
2)	75,332	Adient LTD	3,405,006
3)	45,188	Darling Ingredients Inc.	3,050,190
4)	136,080	Allegheny Technologies Inc.	2,837,268
5)	42,520	Texas Capital Bancshares Inc.	2,699,595
6)	194,307	MGIC Investment Corp.	2,642,575
7)	92,939	Wilscot Mobile Mini Holdings	2,590,210
8)	26,458	Brooks Automation Inc.	2,520,918
9)	54,363	Colfax Corp.	2,490,369
10)	242,641	Infinera Corp.	2,474,938

**Largest Bond Holdings (By Fair Value)  
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021**

	<b>Par</b>	<b>Bonds</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>
1)	1,158,427	Wasatch Hoisington U.S. Treasury FD#0029	\$ \$21,025,459
2)	2,451,789	Loomis Sayles Inst Hi Inc #1178	16,034,698
3)	1,898,194	Aberdeen Global High Income-I FD#5497	15,755,007
4)	2,890,000	U.S. Treasury Note 2.750% due 11-15-2023	3,056,522
5)	2,400,000	U.S. Treasury Note 1.125% due 02-28-2025	2,444,928
6)	1,965,000	U.S. Treasury Note 2.250% due 11-15-2025	2,091,782
7)	1,880,000	U.S. Treasury Note 1.125% due 08-31-2024	1,924,876
8)	1,765,000	U.S. Treasury Note 1.500% due 01-31-2027	1,815,814
9)	1,670,000	U.S. Treasury Note 2.375% due 05-15-2027	1,799,175
10)	1,565,000	U.S. Treasury Bond 1.375% due 08-15-2050	1,320,719

A complete list of the portfolio holdings is obtainable from the Tulsa County Treasurer's office, 218 W. 6th St., 8th Fl., Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103.

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TULSA COUNTY  
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**Investment Performance Measurements  
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021**

<b>Portfolio Description</b>	<b>One Year Return</b>	<b>Three Year Return</b>	<b>Five Year Return</b>
<b>Total Fund</b>	<b>25.63%</b>	<b>9.46%</b>	<b>8.84%</b>
Benchmark (Policy Index)	23.24%	10.46%	8.62%
<b>Large Cap Index Fund</b>	<b>40.79%</b>	<b>18.69%</b>	<b>17.68%</b>
Benchmark (S&P 500)	40.79%	18.67%	17.65%
<b>Small/Mid (smid) Cap Equity Portfolio</b>	<b>68.60%</b>	<b>13.14%</b>	<b>16.78%</b>
Benchmark (Russell Midcap Index)	49.80%	16.45%	15.62%
<b>International Value Portfolio</b>	<b>39.49%</b>	<b>8.63%</b>	<b>10.13%</b>
Benchmark (MSCI EAFE (Net) Index)	32.35%	8.27%	10.28%
<b>Master Limited Partnership Portfolio (Chickasaw)</b>	<b>63.02%</b>	<b>-1.18%</b>	<b>-0.49%</b>
Benchmark (Alerian MLP Index)	63.98%	-0.33%	-1.05%
<b>Intermediate Fixed Income Portfolio</b>	<b>1.99%</b>	<b>5.10%</b>	<b>3.28%</b>
Benchmark (Bloomberg Barclays Intermediate US Govt/Credit Ind)	0.19%	4.70%	2.63%
<b>Core Fixed Income Portfolio</b>	<b>0.23%</b>	<b>6.04%</b>	<b>3.44%</b>
Benchmark (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index)	-0.34%	5.34%	3.03%
<b>Active Duration Fixed Income Portfolio</b>	<b>-12.72%</b>	<b>8.27%</b>	<b>2.91%</b>
Benchmark (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index)	-0.34%	5.34%	3.03%
<b>High Yield Fixed Income Portfolio</b>	<b>18.18%</b>	<b>6.20%</b>	<b>6.72%</b>
Benchmark (BofA Merrill Lynch High Yield Master II)	15.62%	7.15%	7.30%
<b>Real Estate Portfolio</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
NCREIF Fund Index-ODCE (VW)	8.02%	5.52%	6.57%

Note: Investment returns shown in this schedule are time-weighted rates of return based on the market value of the assets.

**Schedule of Fees and Commissions  
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021**

	<b>Assets under Management</b>	<b>Fees</b>	<b>Basis Points</b>
Investment manager's fees			
Fixed income managers	\$ 77,856,015	\$ 219,740	28
Active domestic equity managers	99,978,545	497,461	50
Active international equity manager	35,574,239	243,753	69
Passive equity manager (1)	57,655,237	4,787	1
Real estate managers	14,399,769	110,256	77
Total investment managers' fees		\$ <u>1,075,997</u>	

(1) Fees paid to the passive equity manager are net of securities lending income of \$1,270.

Other investment service fees:	
Custodian fees	\$ <u>37,854</u>
Total other investment service fees:	\$ <u>37,854</u>

TCERS's active equity managers paid brokerage commissions totaling \$66,832 for the year.  
The five brokers receiving the largest amounts of commissions were:

<b>Brokerage Firm</b>	<b>Total Commissions</b>
ITG/POSIT	\$ 10,011
JP MORGAN SECURITIES	7,526
CAP INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES INC	5,491
JEFFERIES & COMPANY INC	3,425
DAIN BOSWORTH INCORPORATED	<u>3,380</u>
	\$ <u>29,833</u>

The number of shares traded through each brokerage firm is not available. TCERS has a commission recapture agreement with CAP Institutional Services. Each month, they rebate a portion of their commissions to TCERS. Rebates, which totaled \$3,699 for the year, are credited against Investment Expense.



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October 22, 2021

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***RE: Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County 2021 Actuary's Report***

Dear Board of Trustees:

As part of our engagement with the Board, we performed an actuarial valuation of the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County. Actuarial valuations are performed annually, and the most recent actuarial valuation is as of July 1, 2021 for the Plan Year ending June 30, 2022. Our findings are set forth in this actuary's report. This report reflects the benefit provision and contribution rates in effect as of July 1, 2021 and was developed using models intended for valuations that use standard actuarial techniques.

In preparing this report, we relied, without audit, on information (some oral and some in writing) supplied by the County. This information includes, but is not limited to, statutory provisions, member census data, and financial information. We found this information to be reasonably consistent and comparable with information used for other purposes. The valuation results depend on the integrity of this information. If any of this information is inaccurate or incomplete, our results may be different, and our calculations may need to be revised.

The valuation results have been developed using models employing standard actuarial techniques. We have reviewed the models, including their inputs, calculations, and outputs for consistency, reasonableness, and appropriateness to the intended purpose and in compliance with generally accepted actuarial practice and relevant actuarial standards of practice. The models, including all input, calculations, and output may not be appropriate for any other purpose.

Actuarial assumptions, including discount rates, mortality tables, and others identified in this report, and actuarial cost methods are prescribed by the System's Board. These parties are responsible for selecting the plan's funding policy, actuarial valuation methods, asset valuation methods, and assumptions. The policies, methods, and assumptions used in this valuation are those that have been so prescribed and are described in this report. The System is solely responsible for communicating to Milliman any changes required thereto.

This valuation is based on an investment return assumption of 7.25% as adopted by the System's Board. That assumption is considered a *prescribed assumption* as defined by Actuarial Standard of Practice 27 (ASOP 27). As outlined in our Experience Study dated

June 2018, using Milliman's capital market outlook, we would recommend a discount rate lower than 7.25%. Since the time of that Experience Study, Milliman's capital market outlook has lowered even further. That capital market outlook indicates that there is approximately a 25% chance that the System's investment return will meet or exceed the 7.25% assumption. Using a lower investment return assumption would result in significantly higher liabilities as well as a significantly higher actuarially determined contribution.

This valuation report is only an estimate of the System's financial condition as of a single date. It can neither predict the System's future condition nor guarantee future financial soundness. Actuarial valuations do not affect the ultimate cost of System benefits, only the timing of System contributions. While the valuation is based on an array of individually reasonable assumptions, other assumption sets may also be reasonable and valuation results based on those assumptions would be different. No one set of assumptions is uniquely correct. Determining results using alternative assumptions is outside the scope of our engagement.

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Due to the limited scope of our assignment, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of future measurements. The Board of Trustees has the final decision regarding the appropriateness of the assumptions and actuarial cost methods, and the Board has adopted them as indicated in this report.

Actuarial computations presented in the valuation report are for purposes of determining the recommended funding amounts for the System. Actuarial computations presented in the separate disclosure report under GASB Statements No. 67 and 68 are for purposes of assisting the System and participating employers in fulfilling their financial accounting requirements. The calculations in the enclosed valuation report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of the System's funding requirements and goals. The calculations in the disclosure report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of the plan provisions described in this report, and of GASB Statements No. 67 and 68. Determinations for purposes other than meeting these requirements may be significantly different from the results contained in this report. Accordingly, additional determinations may be needed for other purposes.

Milliman's work is prepared solely for the use and benefit of Tulsa County. To the extent that Milliman's work is not subject to disclosure under applicable public records laws, Milliman's work may not be provided to third parties without Milliman's prior written consent. Milliman does not intend to benefit or create a legal duty to any third party recipient of its work product. Milliman's consent to release its work product to any third party may be conditioned on the third party signing a Release, subject to the following exception(s):

- (a) The County may provide a copy of Milliman's work, in its entirety, to the System's professional service advisors who are subject to a duty of confidentiality and who agree to not use Milliman's work for any purpose other than to benefit the System.
- (b) The County may provide a copy of Milliman's work, in its entirety, to other governmental entities, as required by law.

No third party recipient of Milliman's work product should rely upon Milliman's work product. Such recipients should engage qualified professionals for advice appropriate to their own specific needs.

Milliman, Inc. has prepared the following trend data schedules presented in the Financial Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report:

- Plan Membership
- Funding and Reserves
- Actuarial Assumptions and Methods
- Number of Members
- Net Pension Liability of the County
- Required Supplementary Information

Milliman, Inc. has prepared the following supporting schedules presented in the Actuarial Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report:

- Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Methods
- Summary of Principal Provisions of Plan
- Solvency Test
- Schedule of Active Participants and Average Monthly Accrued Benefits by Age and Service
- Retirees and Beneficiaries – Added to and Removed from Retiree Payroll
- Active Members – Valuation Data
- Ratio of Recipients to Active Members – Valuation Data
- Actuarial Analysis of Financial Experience
- Schedule of Actuarially Determined Annual Required Contributions (ARC) versus Actual Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll (restated for GASB #27)
- Schedule of Funding Progress

Milliman, Inc. has prepared the following supporting schedules presented in the Statistical Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report:

- Actuarial Accrued Liabilities versus Fair Value of Assets
- Number of Benefit Recipients and Average Annual Benefit Received
- Current Period Retirees, Average Monthly Benefits and Average Salary by Age and Years of Service

The consultants who worked on this assignment are retirement actuaries. Milliman's advice is not intended to be a substitute for qualified legal or accounting counsel.

The signing actuaries are independent of the plan sponsor. We are not aware of any relationship that would impair the objectivity of our work.

We hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this report, including all costs and liabilities based on actuarial assumptions and methods adopted by the System's Board, is complete and accurate and has been prepared in accordance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices. We are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

We respectfully submit the following report, and we look forward to discussing it with you.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Zwiener, FSA  
Consulting Actuary

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Michael A. Sudduth, FSA  
Consulting Actuary

## SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

The actuarial assumptions and methods have been adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Tulsa County Employees' Retirement System with the recommendation of the actuary. The most recent study of plan experience is dated June 2018. The actuarial assumptions are based on that study, except for the investment rate of return, which was adopted by the Board of Trustees, effective July 1, 2016. The actuarial assumptions and methods used for funding purposes are the same as those used for financial reporting purposes. The plan's actuary annually calculates an actuarially determined contribution (ADC) to assist with this determination. The Schedule of Contributions from Employer in the Required Supplementary Information portion of the Financial Section presents the ADC required and the contribution effort made towards the ADC by the employer.

- Investment rate of return and discount rate for actuarial liabilities** – Seven and one-fourth (7.25) percent per annum. Seven and three-fourths (7.75) percent per annum was assumed prior to July 1, 2016.
- Retirement age** - Sixty-two (62) years or Sixty-five (65) years, if hired after June 30, 2017, or younger if total years' service and age add up to at least 80 or 90, if hired after June 30, 2017. Upon reaching retirement age, the following assumptions are used:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Percent Retiring</u>
55-64	20%
65-69	30%
70	100%

- Salary increase rate** - Estimated rates of salary increase are as follows:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Percentage Increase</u>	<u>Components of salary increase</u>	
		<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Merit/Promotion</u>
20-34	5.0%	2.5%	2.5%
35-49	3.5%	2.5%	1.0%
50-70	2.5%	2.5%	0%

- Expenses** - No increases in operating expenses are expected.
- Return of contribution** - All employees withdrawing after five years of service are assumed to leave their contributions on deposit and receive a deferred annuitant benefit.
- Benefit increases after retirement** - No provisions have been made for post-retirement increases in benefits. The plan does not have an automatic cost of living adjustment.
- Actuarial cost method** - The Entry Age Normal Cost Method is used for calculating the plan's Actuarial Accrued Liability (as required under GASB 67 and GASB 68). Under this method, each participant's benefits are level as a percentage of salary, starting at the original participation date and continuing until the assumed retirement, termination, disability, or death.

Effective July 1, 2018, each year's change in unfunded accrued liability is amortized as a separate layer over 20 years as a level percent of pay, with 2.5% per year projected payroll growth. The unfunded accrued liability that existed prior to July 1, 2018 will continue to be amortized on a closed basis over a 30-year period, measured from July 1, 2003, as a level percent of pay, with 2.5% per year projected payroll growth. Prior to July 1, 2003, actuarial gains and losses were amortized over 15 years and benefit improvements over 20 years.

- Asset valuation method** - Asset valuation is based on the five-year expected return method for actuarially determined assets. Prior to July 1, 2014, asset valuation was based on market value.

SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS – continued

9. **Marital status** - Husbands are assumed to be four years older than wives and 85% of the participants are assumed to be married.
10. **Valuation compensation** - Annual rate of pay at the valuation date of July 1, 2021.
11. **Maximum benefit** - The maximum benefit limitation in effect as of June 30, 2021, under the Internal Revenue Code, Section 415.
12. **Mortality Rates** – Active mortality is based on the RP-2014 Employees Mortality Table, male and female rates. Healthy inactive mortality is based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, male and female rates. Disabled inactive mortality is based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table, male and female rates. All healthy mortality rates incorporate a generational projection from 2006 based on the MP-2017 scale.
13. **Terminations** - Crocker, Sarason & Straight T-7 rates, increased by 0.2 for the first year of employment and 0.1 for the second year. Sample ultimate rates are presented below:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>
20	9.945%
25	9.682%
30	9.312%
35	8.718%
40	7.770%
45	6.377%
50	4.252%
55	1.565%
60	0.149%
63+	0.000%

14. **Disability Rates** – A Disability Table with sample rates is presented below:

<b>Annual Disability Rates per 1000</b>		
<b>Individuals</b>		
<u>Age</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
25	.106	.124
30	.128	.128
40	.173	.198
50	.226	.399
55	.366	.573
60	.492	.623
65	.570	.605

15. **Changes in Actuarial Assumptions** - These actuarial assumptions and methods have been in effect since July 1, 1990, except for the following:
  - The change in inflation rate from 4% to 3%, effective July 1, 1997, and from 3% to 2.5%, effective July 1, 2014.
  - The changes in the amortization period for actuarial gains/losses and benefit enhancements, effective July 1, 2003 and July 1, 2018.
  - The change in the rate of return from 8.00% to 7.75%, effective July 1, 2008 and from 7.75% to 7.25%, effective July 1, 2016.

## SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS – continued

- The change in mortality from the 1983 GAM Mortality Tables to the RP-2000 Mortality Tables, projected five years using Scale AA, effective July 1, 2008, and projected ten years using Scale AA, effective July 1, 2014 and with generational projection, effective July 1, 2015, and the change to the RP-2014 Mortality Tables with generational projection from 2006 of healthy rates using the MP-2017 scale effective July 1, 2018.
- The change in the retirement rates from 75% at age 62 and 50% at ages 63-69 to 40% at ages 62-69, effective July 1, 2008, and 30% at ages 62-69, effective July 1, 2014, and the change in retirement rates from 15% to 20% at ages 55-59, from 25% to 20% at age 61, and from 30% to 20% at ages 62-64 effective July 1, 2018.
- The change in the turnover rates from the T-6 rates increased by 0.6 in the first year of employment and 0.3 in the second year of employment to the T-6 rates increased by 0.3 in the first year of employment and 0.1 in the second year of employment, effective July 1, 2008, and to the T-7 rates increased by 0.2 in the first year of employment and 0.1 in the second year of employment, effective July 1, 2014, and the change in retirement rates from 15% to 20% at ages 55-59, from 25% to 20% at age 61, and from 30% to 20% at ages 62-64 effective July 1, 2018.
- The change in the salary scale from 6% grading down to 4% to 5% grading down to 3%, effective July 1, 2012, and 5% grading down to 2.5%, effective July 1, 2014.
- The change in the asset valuation method from market value to the five-year expected return method, effective July 1, 2014.

## SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL PROVISIONS OF PLAN

The Board of Trustees of the Employees' Retirement System of Tulsa County is responsible for establishing and maintaining a funding policy.

1. **Eligibility** - Employee membership in the Tulsa County Employees' Retirement System (TCERS) is mandatory for all eligible employees. An employee becomes eligible on the first day of employment as a full-time regular employee.
2. **Average salary** - The average salary is the average of the three highest years of annual salary.
3. **Contributions** - Members currently contribute 2.5% of base pay per month. The rate increased from 2.5% to 3.5% on January 1, 2020. The County contributes 15% of the employee's base pay per month.
4. **Normal retirement benefit** - a) After attainment of age 62 and five years of service, or any age with the completion of the Rule of 80, b) The benefit is based on the average of the highest three years of the employee's annual salary, and c) The benefit is a percentage of the average salary per year of service.
5. **Normal retirement benefit for employees hired after June 30, 2017** - a) After attainment of age 65 and five years of service, or any age with the completion of the Rule of 90, b) The benefit is based on the average of the highest three years of the employee's annual salary, and c) The benefit is a percentage of the average salary per year of service.
6. **Early retirement benefit** - a) As of November 1, 2000, after attainment of age 55 and five years of service, b) The benefit is equal to the normal retirement benefit actuarially reduced from age 62 for early commencement, c) For employees hired after June 30, 2017, the benefit is equal to the normal retirement benefit actuarially reduced from age 65 for early commencement.
7. **Disability benefits** - The disability must be a direct result of performance of duties to the County and the employee must have a minimum of eight years of credited service. The same salary computation will be applied to disability percentages except that the maximum percentage, which may be applied, is 40% (for a disability retiree having 15 or more credited years of service).
8. **Survivor death benefits** - Beneficiaries of participants who are vested receive benefits based on the average of the highest three years' salary received. This amount is applied to applicable percentages. For participants vested as of June 30, 2010, the calculated monthly benefit is 70% of what the participant would have been eligible to receive as of the date of the participant's death. For participants not vested as of June 30, 2010, the calculated monthly benefit is 67% of what the participant would have been eligible to receive as of the date of the participant's death. In all cases the benefit is deferred to the date the employee would have been eligible for benefits.
9. **Other separation benefits** - For nonvested participants, the employee may make a request for refund of his/her contributions excluding interest or in the case of a deceased employee, the beneficiary may make a request for refund of the deceased employee's contribution.
10. **Actuarial cost method** - The actuarial cost method used for funding purposes is the same as the actuarial cost method used for financial reporting purposes.

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TULSA COUNTY  
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**Solvency Test**

Last Ten Years

	Actuarial Accrued Liability				Actuarial Value of Assets	Portion of Accrued Liability Covered by Actuarial Assets			Market Value of Assets	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)
	Active Member Contributions	Retired, Vested Terminations and Beneficiaries	Active Member Employer Financed	Total Actuarial Accrued Liabilities						
6-30-21	\$ 9,470,391	\$ 272,530,524	\$ 131,008,923	\$ 413,009,838	\$ 322,814,106	100%	100%	31%	78%	\$ 344,854,962
6-30-20	7,853,383	258,160,846	138,208,509	404,222,738	307,667,546	100%	100%	30%	76%	284,291,102
6-30-19	6,207,901	244,359,154	139,253,334	389,820,389	305,279,902	100%	100%	39%	78%	289,081,193
6-30-18	4,998,041	238,712,603	135,479,882	379,190,526	304,409,317	100%	100%	56%	80%	291,452,345
6-30-17	3,698,339	218,662,356	132,220,241	354,580,936	296,144,461	100%	100%	55%	84%	266,628,249
6-30-16	2,585,700	207,678,435	133,813,256	344,077,391	284,471,252	100%	100%	69%	83%	272,830,244
6-30-15	1,939,471	186,513,868	124,700,080	313,153,419	274,395,287	100%	100%	66%	88%	278,440,894
6-30-14	1,422,614	173,099,122	121,681,954	296,203,690	255,438,010	100%	100%	56%	86%	255,438,010
6-30-13	892,029	162,104,869	124,308,817	287,305,715	242,984,123	100%	100%	64%	85%	242,984,123
6-30-12	871,451	147,662,216	127,181,491	275,715,158	220,054,747	100%	100%	49%	80%	220,054,747

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**Schedule of Active Participants and Average Monthly Accrued Benefits by Age and Service**

Age	Service									Total
	0 - 4	5 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40+	
Under 20	16									16
\$	21									21
20 - 24	137	2								139
\$	74	384								78
25 - 29	149	36								185
\$	115	428								176
30 - 34	137	63	11	1						212
\$	137	533	847	1,437						298
35 - 39	98	53	36	15						202
\$	160	591	983	1,658						531
40 - 44	67	33	40	23	8					171
\$	127	548	1,086	1,810	2,372					764
45 - 49	73	47	20	35	27	11	1			214
\$	140	590	1,119	1,831	2,590	3,113	3,565			1,085
50 - 54	51	43	15	28	26	14	4			181
\$	165	548	1,027	1,886	2,716	3,656	3,402			1,302
55 - 59	61	44	22	36	23	15	7	1		209
\$	162	551	989	1,845	2,012	2,962	3,598	3,733		1,158
60 - 64	42	28	29	28	16	4	5	7	2	161
\$	189	571	874	1,708	2,348	2,689	4,072	3,369	3,321	1,217
65 - 69	9	15	10	9	5	3		1	1	53
\$	180	610	1,406	1,983	2,349	2,907		4,758	3,473	1,347
70 - 74	3	2	4	3		1	2			15
\$	282	876	1,519	1,529		2,280	4,419			1,625
75 +	3	4		5					1	13
\$	149	692		1,134					5,763	1,127
Total	846	370	187	183	105	48	19	9	4	1,771
\$	130	\$ 552	\$ 1,033	\$ 1,788	\$ 2,430	\$ 3,159	\$ 3,766	\$ 3,564	\$ 3,970	\$ 768
Average age		43.9	years							
Average service		8.2	years							

**Note that first line of each cell is the number of participants and the second line is the average monthly accrued benefit.**

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<b>Retirees and Beneficiaries - Added to and Removed from Retiree Payroll</b>								Last Ten Years	
Since Previous Valuation Data				On Valuation Date					
Valuation Date	Number Added	Number Removed	Total Number	Annual Benefit Amount	Percentage Increase in Annual Allowances	Average Annual Benefit	Annual Allowances Added to the Rolls	Annual Allowances Removed from the Rolls	
6-30-21	105	64	1388	\$ 24,718,102	5.14%	\$ 17,808	\$ 2,114,882	\$ 906,327	
6-30-20	88	38	1347	23,509,547	6.49%	17,453	1,933,839	500,600	
6-30-19	79	56	1297	22,076,308	2.48%	17,021	1,356,350	821,184	
6-30-18	109	32	1274	21,541,142	7.66%	16,908	1,922,022	388,899	
6-30-17	89	45	1197	20,008,019	5.51%	16,715	1,590,184	546,057	
6-30-16	106	29	1153	18,963,892	7.49%	16,447	1,674,291	352,205	
6-30-15	88	36	1076	17,641,806	5.63%	16,396	1,486,218	545,134	
6-30-14	82	35	1024	16,700,722	6.15%	16,309	1,474,631	507,082	
6-30-13	89	32	977	15,733,173	10.03%	16,104	1,750,160	316,119	
6-30-12	76	31	920	14,299,132	8.53%	15,543	1,517,230	393,180	

<b>Active Members - Valuation Data</b>						Last Ten Years
Valuation Date	Number of Active Members	Annual Covered Payroll	Average Annual Earnings	Percentage Change In Average Annual Earnings		
6-30-21	1,771	\$ 79,247,098	\$ 44,747	-1.49%		
6-30-20	1,836	83,400,750	45,425	1.85%		
6-30-19	1,803	80,413,486	44,600	1.21%		
6-30-18	1,736	76,499,726	44,067	4.03%		
6-30-17	1,813	76,796,017	42,359	0.81%		
6-30-16	1,822	76,560,913	42,020	3.09%		
6-30-15	1,885	76,834,455	40,761	-1.15%		
6-30-14	1,756	72,406,610	41,234	5.87%		
6-30-13	1,730	67,382,622	38,949	2.28%		
6-30-12	1,762	67,099,126	38,081	0.40%		

<b>Ratio of Recipients to Active Members - Valuation Data</b>					Last Ten Years
Valuation Year	Number of Recipients	Active Members	Ratio of Recipients to Active Members		
2021	1,388	1,771	78.37%		
2020	1,347	1,836	73.37%		
2019	1,297	1,803	71.94%		
2018	1,274	1,736	73.39%		
2017	1,197	1,813	66.02%		
2016	1,153	1,822	63.28%		
2015	1,076	1,885	57.08%		
2014	1,024	1,756	58.31%		
2013	977	1,730	56.47%		
2012	920	1,762	52.21%		

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**Actuarial Analysis of Financial Experience**

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Prior Valuation Unfunded Actuarial										
Accrued Liability (Surplus)	\$ 96,555,192	84,540,487	\$ 74,781,209	\$ 58,436,475	\$ 59,606,139	\$ 38,758,132	\$ 40,765,680	\$ 44,321,592	\$ 55,660,411	\$ 47,238,253
Expected Increase (Decrease) from										
Prior Valuation	(1,127,856)	(1,559,341)	(615,568)	5,948,629	(1,104,473)	15,542,865	5,069,859	18,856,382	349,633	577,343
Salary Increases Greater (Less) than Expected	(2,351,654)	1,039,157	1,796,699	2,042,783	(538,392)	52,160	(781,877)	707,817	(563,951)	(2,773,083)
Asset Return Less (Greater) than Expected	(1,891,761)	11,548,906	11,995,368	4,518,750	1,746,524	4,644,090	(5,398,093)	(22,738,932)	(11,352,659)	14,947,097
All Other Experience	(988,189)	985,983	(3,417,221)	3,834,572	(1,035,097)	1,078,628	(897,437)	(381,179)	228,158	(4,329,199)
Change in Benefits	-	-	-	-	(238,226)	(469,736)	-	-	-	-
Ending Unfunded Actuarial	\$ 90,195,732	96,555,192	\$ 84,540,487	\$ 74,781,209	\$ 58,436,475	\$ 59,606,139	\$ 38,758,132	\$ 40,765,680	\$ 44,321,592	\$ 55,660,411
Accrued Liability (Surplus)										

**Schedule of Actuarially Determined Annual Required Contributions (ARC) versus  
 Actual Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll (restated for GASB #27)**

Last Ten Years

<u>Plan Year</u>	<u>Actuarial Valuation</u>	<u>Employer Plus Employee Contribution Rate</u>	<u>Employer Plus Employee Actuarially Determined Contribution</u>	<u>Employer Plus Employee Actual Contribution</u>
2021 - 2022	20.9%	18.50% \$	16,555,559 \$	TBD
2020 - 2021	20.4%	18.50%	16,992,288	15,628,482
2019 - 2020	19.2%	18.00%	15,464,563	14,975,686
2018 - 2019	18.4%	16.50%	14,074,054	13,078,385
2017 - 2018	16.3%	16.50%	12,488,248	12,740,001
2016 - 2017	16.2%	16.00%	12,370,632	12,388,679
2015 - 2016	12.6%	15.00%	9,694,255	11,861,626
2014 - 2015	13.0%	15.00%	9,381,846	11,202,878
2013 - 2014	13.9%	15.00%	9,368,702	10,365,806
2012 - 2013	15.2%	14.25%	10,180,939	9,710,222

**Required Supplementary Information**

**Schedule of Funding Progress**

Last Ten Years

Valuation Date	(1) Actuarial Value of Assets	(2) Actuarial Liability (AAL) Entry Age	(3) Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (2)-(1)	(4) Excess of Assets over AAL (1)-(2)	(5) Funding Ratios (1)/(2)	(6) Annual Covered Payroll*	(7) UAAL as a % of Covered Payroll (3)/(6)	(8) Excess as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (4)/(6)
6-30-21	\$ 322,814,106	\$ 413,009,838	\$ 90,195,732	\$ 0	78.16%	\$ 79,247,098	113.82%	0.00%
6-30-20	307,667,546	404,222,738	96,555,192	0	76.11%	83,400,750	115.77%	0.00%
6-30-19	305,279,902	389,820,389	84,540,487	0	78.31%	80,413,486	105.13%	0.00%
6-30-18	304,409,317	379,190,526	74,781,209	0	80.28%	76,499,726	97.75%	0.00%
6-30-17	296,144,461	354,580,936	58,436,475	0	83.52%	76,796,017	76.09%	0.00%
6-30-16	284,471,252	344,077,391	59,606,139	0	82.68%	76,560,913	77.85%	0.00%
6-30-15	274,395,287	313,153,419	38,758,132	0	87.62%	76,834,455	50.44%	0.00%
6-30-14	255,438,010	296,203,690	40,765,680	0	86.24%	72,406,610	56.30%	0.00%
6-30-13	242,984,123	287,305,715	44,321,592	0	84.57%	67,382,622	65.78%	0.00%
6-30-12	220,054,747	275,715,158	55,660,411	0	79.81%	67,099,126	82.95%	0.00%

\*The amount reflected in the annual covered payroll as of June 30, 2021 includes Tulsa County regular payroll, the City/County Health Department, the Public Facilities Authority, the Drainage Districts, the Law Library, the Court Fund, the Oklahoma State University Extension Agency Center and the Tulsa Area Emergency Management Agency.

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**Statistical  
Section**

**The Statistical Section** presents detailed information as a context for understanding the information presented in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information and assessing the retirement system overall financial health.

### **Financial Trends**

These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the retirement system's financial performance and financial position have changed over time.

### **Revenue Capacity**

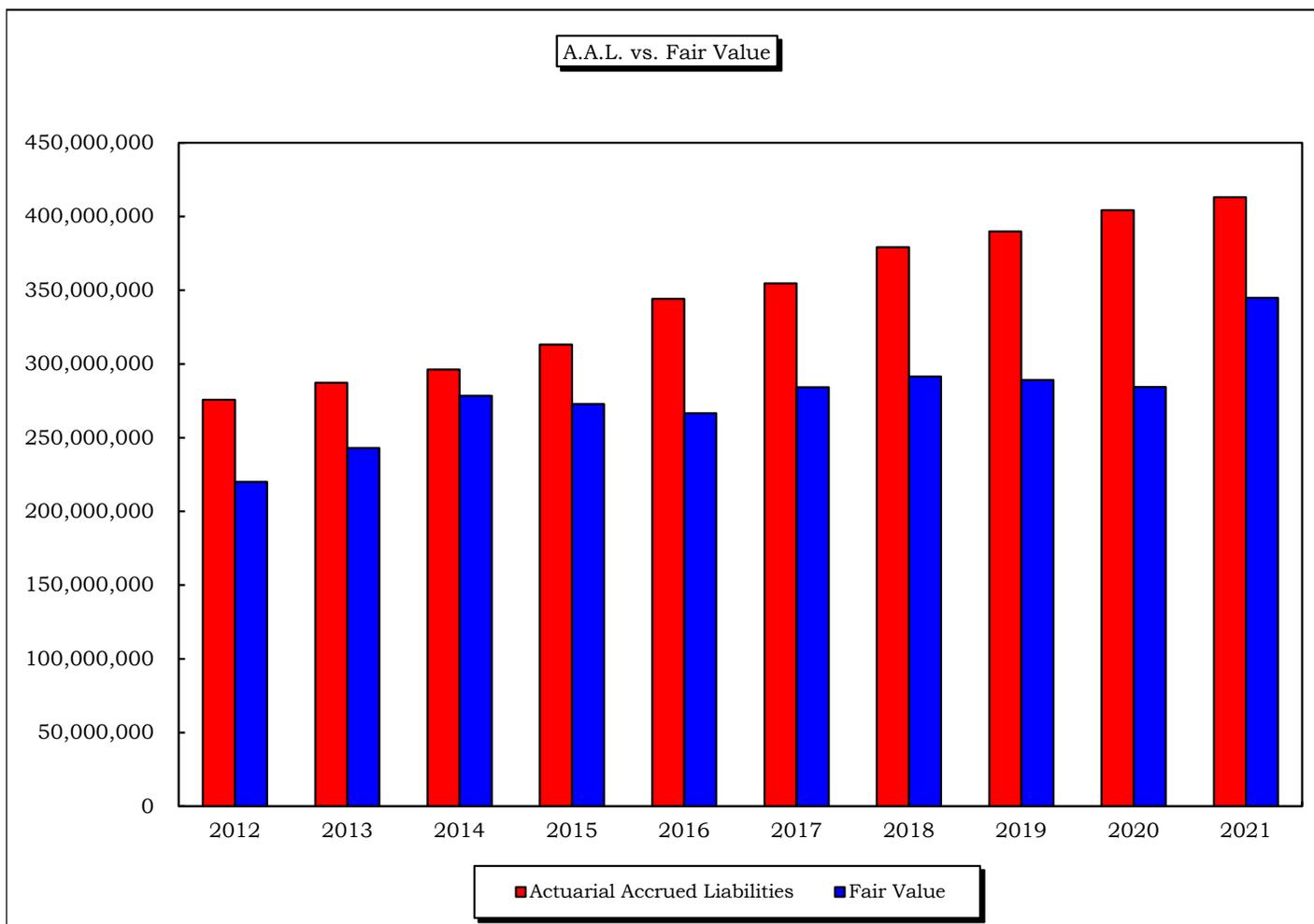
These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the retirement system's most significant revenue sources, contributions, and investment income.

### **Demographic and Economic Information**

The schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how benefit payments have changed as the number of retirees, beneficiaries, and disabled retirees have changed.

### **Operating Information**

The schedule contains trend information to help the reader understand the number of active members and their average annual salary divided among the various participants in the retirement system.



June 30,	Actuarial Accrued Liabilities	Change From Prior Year	Fair Value	Change From Prior Year
2012	\$ 275,715,158	2.42%	\$ 220,054,747	-0.86%
2013	287,305,715	4.20%	242,984,123	10.42%
2014	296,203,690	3.10%	278,440,894	14.59%
2015	313,153,419	5.72%	272,830,244	-2.02%
2016	344,077,391	9.88%	266,628,249	-2.27%
2017	354,580,936	3.05%	284,151,062	6.57%
2018	379,190,526	6.94%	291,452,345	2.57%
2019	389,820,389	2.80%	289,081,193	-0.81%
2020	404,222,738	3.69%	284,291,102	-1.66%
2021	413,009,838	2.17%	344,854,962	21.30%

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**Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position**

Year Ended June 30,	Additions			Deductions			Total Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
	Employer Contributions	Employee Contributions	Investment and Miscellaneous Income (Loss) *	Benefit Payments	Administration Expenses	Refunds	
2021	\$ 12,673,435	\$ 2,955,046	\$ 69,454,873	\$ 24,191,894	\$ 151,189	\$ 176,411	\$ 60,563,860
2020	12,474,333	2,501,353	3,244,088	22,761,216	119,813	128,836	(4,790,091)
2019	11,103,394	1,974,991	6,612,045	21,805,708	95,999	159,875	(2,371,152)
2018	10,817,651	1,922,350	15,829,765	21,060,579	140,364	67,540	7,301,283
2017	10,846,636	1,542,043	24,595,498	19,328,625	119,139	13,600	17,522,813
2016	10,892,672	968,954	221,600	18,158,915	120,026	6,280	(6,201,995)
2015	10,459,118	743,760	523,062	17,200,098	128,153	8,339	(5,610,650)
2014	9,678,256	687,550	41,471,287	16,250,014	128,012	2,296	35,456,771
2013	9,540,702	169,520	28,333,222	14,975,183	129,909	8,976	22,929,376
2012	9,594,837	34,073	2,224,020	13,631,005	123,351	9,636	(1,911,062)

**Schedule of Revenue by Source**

Year Ended June 30,	County Contributions	County Contribution as % of Covered Payroll	Employee Contributions and Reinstatements	Employee Contribution as % of Covered Payroll	Investment and Miscellaneous Income (Loss) *	Total Additions
2021	\$ 12,673,435	15.99%	\$ 2,955,046	3.73%	\$ 69,454,873	\$ 85,083,354
2020	12,474,333	14.96%	2,501,353	3.00%	3,244,088	18,219,774
2019	11,103,394	13.81%	1,974,991	2.46%	6,612,045	19,690,430
2018	10,817,651	14.14%	1,922,350	2.51%	15,829,765	28,569,766
2017	10,846,636	14.12%	1,542,043	2.01%	24,595,498	36,984,177
2016	10,892,672	14.23%	968,954	1.27%	221,600	12,083,226
2015	10,459,118	13.61%	743,760	0.97%	523,062	11,725,940
2014	9,678,256	13.37%	687,550	0.95%	41,471,287	51,837,093
2013	9,540,702	14.16%	169,520	0.25%	28,333,222	38,043,444
2012	9,594,837	14.30%	34,073	0.05%	2,224,020	11,852,930

\* Net of Investment Expense

**Schedule of Expenses by Type**

<b>Year Ended June 30,</b>	<b>Benefits Payments</b>	<b>Administration Expenses</b>	<b>Refunds</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>
2021	\$ 24,191,894	\$ 151,189	\$ 176,411	\$ 24,519,494
2020	22,761,216	119,813	128,836	23,009,865
2019	21,805,708	95,999	159,875	22,061,582
2018	21,060,579	140,364	67,540	21,268,483
2017	19,328,625	119,139	13,600	19,461,364
2016	18,158,915	120,026	6,280	18,285,221
2015	17,200,098	128,153	8,339	17,336,590
2014	16,250,014	128,012	2,296	16,380,322
2013	14,975,183	129,909	8,976	15,114,068
2012	13,631,005	123,351	9,636	13,763,992

**Schedule of Benefit Expenses and Refunds by Type**

<b>Year Ended June 30,</b>	<b>Benefits</b>			<b>Refunds</b>		<b>Total Benefit Payment and Refunds</b>
	<b>Retiree</b>	<b>Survivor</b>	<b>Disability</b>	<b>Death</b>	<b>Separation</b>	
2021	\$ 21,881,133	\$ 2,297,849	\$ 12,913	\$ 16,043	\$ 160,367	\$ 24,368,305
2020	20,598,781	2,149,522	12,913	5,847	122,989	22,890,052
2019	19,762,157	2,030,638	12,913	8,735	151,140	21,965,583
2018	19,064,982	1,982,683	12,913	13,239	54,301	21,128,118
2017	17,457,235	1,858,477	12,913	2,917	10,683	19,342,225
2016	16,313,937	1,828,360	16,618	0	6,280	18,165,195
2015	15,422,634	1,767,902	9,562	5,272	3,067	17,208,437
2014	14,529,613	1,712,991	7,410	1,952	344	16,252,310
2013	13,364,569	1,603,204	7,410	8,505	471	14,984,159
2012	12,048,301	1,575,294	7,410	9,479	157	13,640,641

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**Number of Benefit Recipients and Average Annual Benefit Received**

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Date	Regular Retirees		Beneficiaries		Disabilities Retirees		Total Benefit Recipients	Average Annual Benefit
	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount		
7/1/21	1178	\$ 18,927	209	\$ 11,526	1	\$ 12,913	1388	\$ 17,808
7/1/20	1141	18,606	205	11,060	1	12,913	1347	17,453
7/1/19	1094	18,204	202	10,633	1	12,913	1297	17,021
7/1/18	1069	18,168	204	10,329	1	12,913	1274	16,908
7/1/17	1003	17,596	193	10,285	1	12,913	1197	16,715
7/1/16	973	17,580	179	10,311	2	12,913	1154	16,447
7/1/15	900	17,580	174	10,344	1	10,162	1075	16,396
7/1/14	854	17,521	169	10,238	1	7,410	1024	16,309
7/1/13	811	17,346	165	10,047	1	7,410	977	16,104
7/1/12	762	16,687	157	10,039	1	7,410	920	15,543

**Current Period Retirees, Average Monthly Benefits and Average Salary by Age and Years of Service**

Current Age	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	Over 40	Total		
Under 55		1	2			2	3	2		10	<b>Count</b>	
	\$	181	887			2,823	3,210	2,152		2,153	<b>Benefit</b>	
	\$	2,249	5,537			4,395	4,720	5,629		4,753	<b>Salary</b>	
55 - 59		14	9	6	11	13	6			59	<b>Count</b>	
	\$	208	435	794	2,026	2,916	2,403			1,461	<b>Benefit</b>	
	\$	2,196	2,590	3,396	4,240	5,058	3,498			3,522	<b>Salary</b>	
60 - 64		38	44	35	38	24	33	11		223	<b>Count</b>	
	\$	370	747	1,214	1,966	3,048	3,300	3,768		1,738	<b>Benefit</b>	
	\$	2,677	2,925	3,572	3,919	5,110	5,072	5,349		3,826	<b>Salary</b>	
65 - 69		77	69	60	35	37	25	9	2	314	<b>Count</b>	
	\$	520	838	1,543	2,254	2,529	3,198	4,488	4,727	1,569	<b>Benefit</b>	
	\$	3,127	2,973	3,628	4,280	4,227	5,222	5,929	5,622	3,710	<b>Salary</b>	
70 - 74	1	77	77	46	38	33	23	13		308	<b>Count</b>	
	\$	620	457	886	1,445	2,099	2,957	2,909	4,454	1,535	<b>Benefit</b>	
	\$	2,083	2,777	2,932	3,552	4,134	4,858	4,514	5,796	3,577	<b>Salary</b>	
75 - 79	6	54	43	52	28	26	18	4	3	234	<b>Count</b>	
	\$	778	495	856	1,256	1,834	2,087	2,875	3,259	6,019	1,376	<b>Benefit</b>
	\$	2,274	2,514	2,897	3,047	3,549	3,817	4,371	4,366	6,678	3,193	<b>Salary</b>
80 and Over	2	43	49	56	50	23	14	1	2	240	<b>Count</b>	
	\$	1,233	566	728	1,075	1,512	1,711	2,006	5,546	2,927	1,155	<b>Benefit</b>
	\$	2,704	2,468	2,315	2,578	3,217	3,300	3,461	7,065	4,863	2,797	<b>Salary</b>
Total	9	304	293	255	200	158	122	40	7	1,388	<b>Count</b>	
	\$	861	\$ 472	\$ 809	\$ 1,301	\$ 1,913	\$ 2,541	\$ 2,948	\$ 4,066	\$ 4,767	\$ 1,484	<b>Benefit</b>
	\$	2,349	\$ 2,734	\$ 2,840	\$ 3,252	\$ 3,813	\$ 4,361	\$ 4,623	\$ 5,583	\$ 5,858	\$ 3,454	<b>Salary</b>