# **Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy**

**Financial Statements** 

September 30, 2013 (With Summarized Comparative Information For the Year Ended September 30, 2012)



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Board of Trustees Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy San Francisco, California

## **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy (the "Conservancy"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2013, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year 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 an opinion 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. 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 financial position of Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy as of September 30, 2013, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

The prior year summarized comparative information has been derived from Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy's 2012 financial statements, which were audited by other auditors whose report dated June 25, 2013, expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended September 30, 2012 is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it was derived.

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San Ramon, California

ARMANINO LLP

March 28, 2014

# Statement of Financial Position September 30, 2013 (With Comparative Totals for 2012)

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# **ASSETS**

|  | 2013          | 2012          |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents                | \$ 9,271,445  | \$ 1,720,679  |
| Accounts receivable, net                 | 6,424,481     | 7,374,898     |
| Contributions receivable, net            | 2,021,616     | 2,661,410     |
| Inventories                              | 3,225,917     | 3,165,942     |
| Prepaid expenses and deposits            | 312,583       | 252,371       |
| Investments                              | 24,798,035    | 24,567,423    |
| Furniture, fixtures and equipment, net   | 711,113       | 887,981       |
| Other assets, net                        | 7,363,460     | 7,373,182     |
| other assets, net                        | 7,303,100     | 7,373,102     |
| Total assets                             | \$ 54,128,650 | \$ 48,003,886 |
| LIABILITIES AND NET ASSET                | <u>S</u>      |               |
| Liabilities                              |               |               |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | \$ 3,246,888  | \$ 2,484,949  |
| Accrued payroll related expenses         | 2,199,276     | 1,948,001     |
| Agency funds payable                     | 519,201       | 877,888       |
| Deferred revenue                         | 1,578,422     | 502,076       |
| Capital lease obligation                 | 53,857        | 143,830       |
| Total liabilities                        | 7,597,644     | 5,956,744     |
| Net assets                               |               |               |
| Unrestricted                             |               |               |
| Undesignated                             | 9,197,607     | 19,811,746    |
| Board-designated                         | 18,000,000    | 3,000,000     |
| Domu-designated                          | 10,000,000    | 3,000,000     |
| Total unrestricted net assets            | 27,197,607    | 22,811,746    |
| Temporarily restricted                   | 13,276,804    | 14,242,488    |
| Permanently restricted                   | 6,056,595     | 4,992,908     |
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| Total net assets                         | 46,531,006    | 42,047,142    |
| Total liabilities and net assets         | \$ 54,128,650 | \$ 48,003,886 |

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

## Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended September 30, 2013 (With Comparative Totals for 2012)

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|  |                            | 20                     | 13                        |                                |                                |
|--|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|  | Unrestricted               | Temporarily Restricted | Permanently<br>Restricted | Total                          | 2012<br>Total                  |
| Operating support and revenue<br>Program revenue<br>Contributed income             | \$ 31,854,295<br>1,907,391 | \$ 2,647,465           |                           | \$ 31,854,295<br>4,554,856     | \$ 28,082,489<br>12,150,307    |
| Special events, net of donor benefits of \$90,000                                  | 999,770                    | 156,480                |                           | 1,156,250                      | 1,431,240                      |
| Cooperative agreement reimbursements Mitigation awards Net assets released from    | 5,237,337<br>58,686        |                        |                           | 5,237,337<br>58,686            | 7,521,322<br>50,740            |
| restrictions   | 4,575,286                  | (4,575,286)            |                           |                                |                                |
| Total operating support and revenue  | 44,632,765                 | (1,771,341)            |                           | 42,861,424                     | 49,236,098                     |
| Expenses Program services Park interpretation and                                  |                            |                        |                           |                                |                                |
| visitor services Park enhancements,  | 18,886,308                 |                        |                           | 18,886,308                     | 17,084,190                     |
| restoration and stewardship  | 12,947,106                 |                        |                           | 12,947,106                     | 19,450,147                     |
| Youth, volunteer and community programs  | 3,406,968                  |                        |                           | 3,406,968                      | 8,202,938                      |
| Total program services   | 35,240,382                 |                        |                           | 35,240,382                     | 44,737,275                     |
| Management and general Fundraising   | 5,735,221<br>2,058,371     |                        |                           | 5,735,221<br>2,058,371         | 5,542,722<br>1,758,418         |
| Total expenses   | 43,033,974                 |                        |                           | 43,033,974                     | 52,038,415                     |
| Change in net assets from operations   | 1,598,791                  | (1,771,341)            |                           | (172,550)                      | (2,802,317)                    |
| Endowment and Investment activities Contributed income                             |                            |                        | \$ 1,000,000              | 1,000,000                      | 132                            |
| Net realized and unrealized gain on investments                                    | 1,587,028                  | 719,856                | ψ 1,000,000               | 2,306,884                      | 3,111,199                      |
| Interest and dividend income Other investment income Recovery (loss) from bad debt | 183,171<br>1,016,871       | 85,801                 | 63,687                    | 268,972<br>1,016,871<br>63,687 | 346,498<br>782,515<br>(63,687) |
| Change in net assets   | 4,385,861                  | (965,684)              | 1,063,687                 | 4,483,864                      | 1,374,340                      |
| Net assets, beginning of year  | 22,811,746                 | 14,242,488             | 4,992,908                 | 42,047,142                     | 40,672,802                     |
| Net assets, end of year  | \$ 27,197,607              | \$ 13,276,804          | \$ 6,056,595              | \$ 46,531,006                  | \$ 42,047,142                  |

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

# Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended September 30, 2013 (With Comparative Totals for 2012)

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|   | 2013         | 2012         |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities                              |              |              |
| Change in net assets  | \$ 4,483,864 | \$ 1,374,340 |
| Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets                     |              |              |
| to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities            |              |              |
| Permanently restricted contributions                              | (1,000,000)  | (132)        |
| Depreciation and amortization                                     | 1,453,398    | 762,737      |
| Net realized and unrealized gain on investments                   | (2,306,769)  | (3,111,199)  |
| Interest and developer fees included in other assets              | (1,016,871)  | (782,515)    |
| Loss on disposal of furniture, fixtures and equipment             | 130,663      |              |
| Change in contributions receivable discount                       | 60,869       | 3,594        |
| Changes in assets and liabilities                                 |              |              |
| Accounts receivable   | 950,417      | 101,634      |
| Contributions receivable  | 578,925      | 1,918,101    |
| Inventories   | (59,975)     | (1,610,997)  |
| Prepaid expenses and deposits                                     | (60,212)     | 339,795      |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities                          | 761,939      | (996,954)    |
| Accrued payroll related expenses                                  | 251,275      | 117,992      |
| Agency funds payable  | (358,687)    | 856,573      |
| Deferred revenue  | 1,076,346    | (130,929)    |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities               | 4,945,182    | (1,157,960)  |
| rior cash provided by (assessin) operating activities             | .,, .0,102   | (1,107,500)  |
| Cash flows from investing activities                              |              |              |
| Purchases of investments  | (4,384,463)  | (4,183,666)  |
| Proceeds from maturities or sales of investments                  | 6,460,620    | 11,656,486   |
| Expenditures for other assets                                     | -,,-         | (5,320,863)  |
| Purchases of furniture, fixtures and equipment                    | (380,600)    | (662,302)    |
| Net cash provided by investing activities                         | 1,695,557    | 1,489,655    |
| provided by mivesting activities                                  |              | 1,100,000    |
| Cash flows from financing activities                              |              |              |
| Receipt of permanently restricted contributions                   | 1,000,000    | 276,499      |
| Payments made on capital lease obligations                        | (89,973)     | (15,503)     |
| Net cash provided by financing activities                         | 910,027      | 260,996      |
|   | ,            |              |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents                               | 7,550,766    | 592,691      |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year                      | 1,720,679    | 1,127,988    |
|   |              |              |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of year                            | \$ 9,271,445 | \$ 1,720,679 |
| Supplemental cash flow data                                       |              |              |
| • •   | \$ 10,077    | \$ 15,734    |
| Interest paid   | \$ 10,077    | \$ 13,734    |
| Supplemental disclosure of non-cash activities                    |              |              |
| Other assets representing costs incurred for the Golden Gate      |              | <b>.</b>     |
| Bridge project included in accounts payable at September 30, 2012 |              | \$ 337,460   |

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

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2013

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# 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

# **Organization**

Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy (the "Conservancy") is a not-for-profit cooperating association of the National Park Service and the Presidio Trust whose mission is to preserve the Golden Gate National Parks (the "Parks"), enhance the park visitor experience, and build a community dedicated to conserving the Parks for the future. The Parks, also known as the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, stretch across 80,000 acres north and south of the Golden Gate Bridge, constituting one of the world's largest national parks in an urban setting. The Conservancy is supported by private contributions, cooperative agreements, and income earned from interpretive tours and the sale of educational materials at visitor centers throughout the Parks. The Conservancy's programs consist of the following:

<u>Park interpretation and visitor services</u> include tours of Alcatraz Island, Muir Woods and the Golden Gate Bridge; sales of interpretive publications, theme-related sales items and products from interpretive demonstrations; and the production of trail signage and free publications to enhance the park visitor experience.

<u>Park enhancements, restoration and stewardship</u> encompass trail-building, maintaining bikeways, restoring sensitive ecosystems, protecting endangered species, growing native plants, rehabilitating historic structures, opening new overlooks, installing new visitor amenities, and creating new park experiences to share with the entire community.

<u>Youth, volunteer and community programs</u> include programs conducted at Crissy Field Center and by the Park Youth Collaborative, the participation of volunteers in a variety of stewardship programs and internships, Institute at the Golden Gate programs, and program events such as the celebration of the Golden Gate Bridge's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

#### Basis of presentation

The Conservancy's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and are presented on the accrual basis of accounting showing unrestricted, temporarily restricted, and permanently restricted net assets.

• <u>Unrestricted Net Assets</u> represent resources available to support any of the Conservancy's activities. Unrestricted net assets designated by the Board of Trustees for park projects and programs are reported as board-designated and included \$15 million designated for park preservation and enhancement and \$3 million designated for the future improvement and emergency repair of Crissy Field as of September 30, 2013.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2013

1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

# Basis of presentation (continued)

- <u>Temporarily Restricted Net Assets</u> represent contributions whose use is limited by donor-imposed stipulations that expire by the passage of time or can be fulfilled and removed by actions of the Conservancy pursuant to those stipulations.
- <u>Permanently Restricted Net Assets</u> represent contributions whose use is donor-restricted for investment in perpetuity, the earnings from which are available for specific program areas and general operations when appropriated by the Board for expenditure.

# Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and liquid investments not held for investment purposes with an initial maturity of three months or less.

## Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. The fair values of mutual funds are based on their quoted market prices. Pooled funds and alternative investments are valued at the net asset value per unit or percentage of ownership as reported by the funds. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuation of non-marketable and restricted investments, those estimated values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed, and the differences could be material.

Gains and losses that result from market fluctuations are recognized in the statement of activities in the period such fluctuations occur. Dividend and interest income is recognized when earned. Donated securities are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

#### Fair value measurements

The Conservancy carries certain assets and liabilities at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Conservancy has characterized the fair value of its financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis, based on the priority of the inputs used to value the instruments, into a three-level fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities [Level 1], and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs [Level 3]. If the inputs used to measure the instruments fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the categorization is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the instruments.

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# 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## Fair value measurements (continued)

Financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis in the statements of financial position are categorized based on the inputs to valuation techniques as follows:

Level 1. These consist of investments where values are based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in an active market that the Conservancy has the ability to access. These investments consist of exchange-traded investments in equity securities and mutual funds.

Level 2. These consist of investments where values are based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or model inputs that are observable either directly or indirectly for substantially the full term of the investments. These investments are comprised of certain private investment funds that are comprised solely of actively traded common stock or fixed income securities in which the Conservancy has the ability to redeem its investment with the investee at the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) at the measurement date. This level also includes the beneficial interest in remainder trusts.

Level 3. These consist of financial instruments where values are based on prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement. These inputs reflect assumptions of management about assumptions market participants would use in pricing the instruments. These instruments consist of certain private investment funds that invest in other private funds and are measured at the net asset value per share and have certain redemption restrictions. Fair value for the private investment funds is valued at the net asset value of the funds' investment in the underlying assets as reported by the general partner.

The valuation levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with the underlying investments.

#### Accounts receivable

The Conservancy's accounts receivable consist primarily of amounts due from reimbursable grant agreements, Alcatraz audio tours and wholesale merchandise sales.

#### Contributions receivable

Contributions receivable consist of unconditional promises to give. Unconditional promises to give expected to be collected within one year are recorded at net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give expected to be collected in future years are recorded at fair value based upon the present value of their estimated future cash flows. Discounts are computed using estimated market rates. Amortization of the discounts is included in contributed income.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2013

1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## Contributions receivable (continued)

The Conservancy's irrevocable interest in trusts is recognized as revenue in the period in which the Conservancy becomes aware of the trust agreement and included in contributions receivable. The fair value of the interest is measured at the estimated present value of the remainder interest using the RP-2000 combined healthy mortality table and a discount rate of 4.6%. Subsequent changes in fair value are recognized in the statement of activities.

## Allowance for doubtful accounts

The Conservancy uses the allowance method to account for uncollectible receivables and contributions. The allowance for doubtful accounts is based on historical experience and an evaluation of the outstanding receivables at the end of the year. Account balances are charged off against the allowance for doubtful accounts after all means of collection have been exhausted and the potential for recovery is considered remote. The allowance for uncollectible contributions receivable was \$24,376 as of September 30, 2013.

## **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of weighted average cost or market. Inventories generally consist of books and other interpretive merchandise held for retail sale.

#### Furniture, fixtures and equipment

Furniture, fixtures and equipment are stated at cost. The Conservancy capitalizes all acquisitions of furniture, fixtures and equipment with a cost or value in excess of \$1,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, ranging from 3 to 5 years.

Contributions of long-lived assets and contributions restricted for their acquisition are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation. In the absence of donor stipulations restricting how the assets are to be used, the contribution is treated as unrestricted.

The Conservancy reviews long-lived tangible assets for impairment when circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Impairment is recognized if the fair value of the asset is less than the carrying value. When an impairment loss is recognized, the asset's carrying value is reduced to its estimated fair value.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2013

1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## Other assets

During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011, the Conservancy entered into a 10-year agreement (the Agreement) with the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (the District) to produce a program for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge in May 2012, and to construct, and subsequently manage, various visitor improvements (the Project).

The Agreement provides for reimbursement of the Conservancy's Project costs, including interest, developer fees and management fees, from the earnings of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and future earned revenues generated by the visitor improvements. Other assets represent the unreimbursed costs of the Project, which are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining life of the Agreement.

#### Deferred revenue

Deferred revenue consists primarily of admission fees to Muir Woods National Monument collected on behalf of the California State Department of Parks and Recreation (the Department) that will fund future project work by agreement with the Department. Deferred revenue also includes mitigation advances, which generally result from court-ordered consent decrees, or settlements reached by parties involved in regulatory actions, to fund environmental remediation projects. Accordingly, revenue from these sources is recognized as expenses for the specified projects are incurred.

#### Agency funds payable

Agency funds payable primarily represent a term endowment held in trust for the benefit of the National Park Service as well as admission fees to Muir Woods National Monument collected on behalf of and payable to the National Park Service.

#### Revenue recognition

Contributions are recognized as revenue at fair value when unconditionally promised to the Conservancy. Unconditional promises received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the contribution are recorded as restricted support. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or a purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported as net assets released from restrictions. Temporarily restricted contributions are reported as temporarily restricted support and net assets released from restrictions when the restriction is met in the same period as the contribution is received. Conditional promises to give are not included as support until the conditions are substantially met.

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# 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

# Revenue recognition (continued)

Program revenue is generated by audio tour services, interpretive tours, public programs, and sales of interpretive publications at various bookstore locations. Program revenue is recognized when the related service has been rendered or when the publication has been shipped.

Cooperative reimbursement agreements consist of federal and non-federal reimbursable grant agreements. Under the terms of the agreements, the grantor reimburses the Conservancy for allowable expenses incurred for the specific program funded. Accordingly, revenue is recognized as the related expenses are incurred.

## **Donated services**

Contributions of services are recognized when received if such services (a) enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not donated. The value of donated professional services received during the year ended September 30, 2013 approximated \$37,000 and consisted of legal and consulting services. In addition, a substantial number of volunteers have donated significant amounts of time in the Conservancy's program services and fundraising activities. The value of donated volunteer services has not been recognized in the accompanying financial statements because such volunteer services do not meet the above-mentioned criteria.

#### Gifts in kind

The Conservancy receives gifts in kind, such as wine and auction items for its annual special event and goods for use in its program activities. Gifts in kind received through donation are valued and recorded as revenue at their fair value at the time the contribution is received. The value of such items received during the year ended September 30, 2013 approximated \$38,000.

#### Other investment income

Other investment income represents interest and developer fees on the Project.

## Functional expense allocations

Expenses, such as depreciation and amortization, supplies, travel, personnel, and occupancy costs, are allocated among program services, management and general and fundraising expenses based on full-time employee equivalents (FTE) and computer node ratios, and on estimates made by the Conservancy's management.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2013

# 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

# National park service land and facilities

- Improvements The Conservancy operates its programs on and offers assistance in the preservation of Golden Gate National Parks land, which is owned by the National Park Service. From time to time, the Conservancy makes improvements to Park property. These improvements are expensed as incurred and have been included in park enhancements in the Statement of Activities.
- Facilities The Conservancy receives office space at no charge from the National Park Service as part of its agreement as a cooperating association. The space is provided for the mutual benefit of both parties and no value is recorded.

# Measure of operations

The Conservancy includes in its measure of operations all revenues and expenses that are an integral part of its programs and supporting activities. Appropriations of endowment assets for expenditure pursuant to a defined spending rate are included in the operating measure and reported as net assets released from restrictions. The operating measure excludes investment return and permanently restricted contributions received.

#### Advertising costs

The Conservancy expenses advertising costs as incurred. Advertising costs are incurred to provide the visitor with information about park interpretive experiences and programs. Advertising costs were approximately \$54,000 for 2013.

#### Comparative information and reclassifications

The financial statements include certain comparative information for which the prior year information is summarized in total but not by net asset class. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Conservancy's financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2012, from which the summarized information is derived. Certain 2012 amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2013 financial statement presentation.

#### 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. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2013

1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## Tax-exempt status

The Conservancy has been classified as a publicly supported, tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code), and is exempt from California franchise taxes under Revenue and Taxation Code Section 23701(d).

The Conservancy follows FASB ASC Topic 740 Income Taxes to account for uncertain tax positions. Management evaluated the Conservancy's tax positions and concluded that the Conservancy had maintained its tax-exempt status and had taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements. Therefore, no provision or liability for income taxes has been included in the financial statements. The Conservancy is generally no longer subject to income tax examinations by federal and state authorities for years prior to 2011 and 2010, respectively.

# New accounting pronouncement

In October 2012, the FASB issued amendments to existing guidance for statements of cash flows. This guidance requires cash receipts from the sale of donated financial assets that upon receipt were directed without any Conservancy-imposed limitations for sale and were converted nearly immediately into cash to be classified as cash flows from operating activities, unless the donor restricted the use of the contributed resources to long-term purposes, in which case those cash receipts should be classified as cash flows from financing activities. This guidance is required for the year ending September 30, 2014 and is not expected to have a material impact on the Conservancy's financial statements.

#### Subsequent events

The Conservancy has performed an evaluation of subsequent events through March 28, 2014, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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# 2. Contributions Receivable

Contributions receivable at September 30, 2013 are expected to be received as follows:

# Year Ending September 30,

| 2014   | \$ 1,166,558   |
|--|----------------|
| 2015   | 225,000        |
| 2016   | 200,000        |
| 2017   | 200,000        |
| 2018   | 200,000        |
|  | 1,991,558      |
| Less allowance for doubtful accounts                 | (24,376)       |
| Less discount on multi-year contributions receivable | (62,065)       |
| Subtotal   | 1,905,117      |
| Receivable from charitable remainder unitrust        | <u>116,499</u> |
| Contributions receivable, net                        | \$ 2,021,616   |

As of September 30, 2013, the Conservancy had conditional grants receivable of \$1,979,000 contingent on identifying and receiving final approval to fund specific projects by the granting organizations.

## 3. Investments

Investments consisted of the following at September 30, 2013:

| Equity securities and funds | \$ 13,558,007 |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Fixed income funds          | 5,130,422     |
| Alternative investments     | 4,609,444     |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | 1,500,162     |
| Total                       | \$ 24,798,035 |

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2013

## 4. Fair Value Measurements

The following table presents information about the Conservancy's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2013, and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques utilized by the Conservancy to determine the fair values:

|                               | <u>Total</u>        | Level 1             | Level 2             | Level 3               |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Investments                   |                     |                     |                     |                       |
| Equity Securities and Funds:  |                     |                     |                     |                       |
| Large/Mid Cap                 | \$ 5,076,169        | \$ 5,076,169        |                     |                       |
| Developed International       | 4,626,793           |                     | \$ 3,283,498        | \$ 1,343,295          |
| Emerging Markets              | 2,329,117           | 1,790,375           |                     | 538,742               |
| Small Cap                     | 1,525,928           | 1,525,928           |                     |                       |
| Fixed Income:                 |                     |                     |                     |                       |
| Pooled Funds                  | 2,278,378           |                     | 2,278,378           |                       |
| High Yield                    | 1,282,507           |                     | 1,282,507           |                       |
| Global Fixed Income           | 1,066,642           |                     | 1,066,642           |                       |
| Short-Term Bond Index         | 502,895             | 502,895             |                     |                       |
| Alternative investments:      |                     |                     |                     |                       |
| Long/Short Equity             | 2,771,901           |                     |                     | 2,771,901             |
| Multi-Strategy                | 1,188,457           |                     |                     | 1,188,457             |
| Commodities                   | 495,427             |                     | 495,427             |                       |
| Private Equity                | 153,659             |                     |                     | 153,659               |
| Subtotal                      | 23,297,873          | 8,895,367           | 8,406,452           | 5,996,054             |
| Charitable remainder unitrust | 116,499             |                     | 116,499             |                       |
| Total                         | <u>\$23,414,372</u> | <u>\$ 8,895,367</u> | <u>\$ 8,522,951</u> | <u>\$ 5,996,054</u> * |

<sup>\*</sup> The Conservancy held \$1,500,162 of cash and equivalents for investment purposes as of September 30, 2013 not included in the fair value measurement disclosure.

The table below sets forth a summary of changes in the fair value of the Conservancy's level 3 financial instruments for the year ended September 30, 2013:

| Level 3 Fair Value Measurements  | Developed<br>International       | Emerging<br>Markets  | Long/Short<br><u>Equity</u>          | Multi<br><u>Strategy</u>          | Private<br><u>Equity</u>             | <u>Total</u>   |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Beginning balance Net unrealized gains Purchases Interest and dividends Advisory fee Sales | \$ 675,820<br>167,475<br>500,000 | \$ 38,742<br>500,000 | \$ 1,476,392<br>295,509<br>1,000,000 | \$1,524,561<br>127,423<br>750,000 | \$ 103,590<br>50,272<br>669<br>(872) | \$ 3,780,363<br>629,149<br>2,800,272<br>669<br>(872) |
| Ending balance   | \$ 1,343,295                     | \$ 538,742           | \$ 2,771,901                         | (1,213,527)<br>\$1,188,457        | \$ 153,659                           | (1,213,527)<br>\$ 5,996,054                          |

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# 4. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

The Conservancy uses the net asset value (NAV) to determine the fair value of all the underlying investments that (a) do not have a readily determinable fair value and (b) prepare their financial statements consistent with the measurement principles of an investment company or have the attributes of an investment company. The following table lists investments by major category and investment strategy as of September 30, 2013:

| Stratogy                             | NAV in Funda | # of         | Remaining   | \$ Amount of<br>Unfunded | Timing to Draw Down Commit- | Dedenation Town   | Redemption  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Strategy                             | NAV in Funds | <u>funds</u> | <u>life</u> | Commitments              | <u>ments</u>                | Redemption Term   | Restrictions  |
| Developed<br>International<br>Equity | \$3,283,498  | 2            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Monthly   | 4 to 7 days prior to<br>1st of month                          |
| Developed<br>International<br>Equity | \$1,343,295  | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Quarterly; next liquidity date: 9/30/2104                 | 90 days written<br>notice; prohibited<br>until liquidity date |
| Emerging<br>Markets Equity           | \$538,742    | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Quarterly after first anniversary of initial contribution | 45 days written notice  |
| Pooled Fixed<br>Income               | \$2,278,378  | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Monthly   | 5 business days prior to month-end                            |
| High Yield                           | \$1,282,507  | 2            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Monthly   | 30 days written notice  |
| Global Fixed<br>Income               | \$1,066,642  | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Monthly   | 10 business days  |
| Long/Short<br>Hedged Equity          | \$1,284,321  | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Next liquidity date 9/30/2014                             | 95 days written<br>notice; prohibited<br>until liquidity date |
| Long/Short<br>Hedged Equity          | \$366,194    | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Next liquidity date 6/30/2016                             | 95 days written<br>notice; prohibited<br>until liquidity date |
| Long/Short<br>Hedged Equity          | \$1,121,386  | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Monthly   | 90 days written notice  |
| Multi-Strategy<br>Hedge Funds        | \$377,400    | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Next liquidity date 12/31/2013                            | N/A - fund is<br>liquidating on<br>12/31/2013                 |
| Multi-Strategy<br>Hedge Funds        | \$811,057    | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Quarterly limited<br>to 25% each<br>quarter               | 70 days notice (85 if more than 10% of outstanding shares)    |
| Commodities                          | \$495,427    | 1            | N/A         | N/A                      | N/A                         | Monthly   | 30 days written notice  |
| Private Equity                       | \$153,659    | 1            | 3 months    | \$365,000                | N/A                         | Restricted to<br>discretion of fund<br>manager            | Restricted to discretion of fund manager                      |

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5. Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment

Furniture, fixtures and equipment as of September 30, 2013 consisted of the following:

| Equipment                                      | \$ 2,748,717      |
|--|-------------------|
| Vehicles                                       | 79,181            |
| Total  | 2,827,898         |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization | (2,116,785)       |
| Furniture, fixtures and equipment, net         | <u>\$ 711,113</u> |

Equipment included leased point of sale software and equipment as of September 30, 2013 of \$54,355 with accumulated depreciation of \$36,237.

Depreciation amounted to \$426,805 for the year ended September 30, 2013.

# 6. Other Assets

Other assets as of September 30, 2013 consisted of the following:

| Golden Gate Bridge Project costs                       | \$ 6,860,464 |
|--|--------------|
| Golden Gate Bridge Project interest and developer fees | 1,799,386    |
| Total  | 8,659,850    |
| Less accumulated amortization                          | (1,296,390)  |
| Other assets, net                                      | \$ 7,363,460 |

Amortization amounted to \$1,026,593 for the year ended September 30, 2013.

## 7. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets and Net Assets Released From Restrictions

Temporarily restricted net assets as of September 30, 2013 are available for the following specific program services:

| Presidio trails and projects                      | \$        | 5,238,000  |
|---|-----------|------------|
| Other park improvements and conservation projects |           | 3,841,132  |
| Crissy Field projects and programs                |           | 2,749,170  |
| Youth programs                                    |           | 535,438    |
| Community engagement, education and outreach      |           | 357,588    |
| Institute at the Golden Gate                      |           | 254,249    |
| National Park Service projects                    |           | 129,401    |
| For use in ensuing fiscal years                   |           | 166,297    |
| Other   | _         | 5,529      |
| Total temporarily restricted net assets           | <u>\$</u> | 13,276,804 |

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7. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets and Net Assets Released From Restrictions (continued)

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by occurrence of other events specified by donors for the year ended September 30, 2013 as follows:

| Presidio trails and projects                      | \$ 1,443,918 |
|---|--------------|
| Other park improvements and conservation projects | 1,557,335    |
| Crissy Field projects and programs                | 999,702      |
| Youth programs                                    | 272,425      |
| Community engagement, education and outreach      | 119,788      |
| National Park Service projects                    | 104,696      |
| Institute at the Golden Gate                      | 46,172       |
| For use in ensuing fiscal years                   | 25,000       |
| Other   | 6,250        |
| Total net assets released from restrictions       | \$ 4,575,286 |

## 8. Endowment

The Conservancy's endowment consists of seven individual donor-restricted funds established for a variety of purposes, as follows:

|                                  | Permanently<br><u>Restricted</u> | emporarily<br>Restricted | <u>Total</u> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| James R. Harvey Restoration Fund | \$ 2,387,869                     | \$<br>585,746            | \$ 2,973,615 |
| Bernard Osher Endowment          | 2,152,752                        | 407,531                  | 2,560,283    |
| Ted Chong Endowment Fund         | 25,768                           | 4,698                    | 30,466       |
| Anne Kincaid Endowment Fund      | 102,888                          | 21,210                   | 124,098      |
| Madeleine Tang Fund              | 68,882                           | 12,293                   | 81,175       |
| Mark Kutnink Endowment           | 318,436                          | 58,148                   | 376,584      |
| Greg Hind Endowment              | 1,000,000                        | <br>26,656               | 1,026,656    |
|                                  | \$ 6,056,595                     | \$<br>1,116,282          | \$ 7,172,877 |

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8. Endowment (continued)

The James R. Harvey Restoration Fund was established as an endowment to benefit the ongoing preservation and restoration of the Presidio. The Osher Endowment was established for environmental education at Crissy Field. The Ted Chong Endowment fund was established to benefit the Conservancy's native plant nursery programs. The DeSha family created an endowment fund in memory of Anne Kincaid to restore, protect and conserve the natural assets and features of the Golden Gate National Parks. The Madeleine Tang Fund was established for the benefit of the Watersheds Inspiring Student Education (WISE) Program in the Golden Gate National Parks. The Mark Kutnink Endowment was established for the benefit of the Trails Forever program and the Crissy Field Center. The Greg Hind Endowment was established for the benefit of the Golden Gate Raptor Observatory.

# <u>Interpretation of relevant law</u>

The Board of Trustees of the Conservancy has interpreted California's enacted version of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (the Act) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the date of the gift absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Conservancy classifies as permanently restricted net assets (1) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (2) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (3) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The portion of the donor-restricted endowment assets that is not classified as permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until appropriated by the Board for expenditure. In accordance with the Act, the Conservancy considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- (1) the duration and preservation of the fund;
- (2) the purposes of the Conservancy and the donor-restricted endowment fund;
- (3) general economic conditions;
- (4) the possible effect of inflation and deflation;
- (5) the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments;
- (6) other resources of the Conservancy; and
- (7) the investment policies of the Conservancy.

## Endowment net asset composition by type of fund

|                                  | 1 .                 | Permanently Restricted | <u>Total</u>        |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Donor-restricted endowment funds | <u>\$ 1,116,282</u> | \$ 6,056,595           | \$ 7,172,877        |
| Total                            | \$ 1,116,282        | \$ 6,056,595           | <u>\$ 7,172,877</u> |

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# 8. Endowment (continued)

# Changes in endowment net assets

|  | Temporarily<br>Restricted | Permanently Restricted | <u>Total</u>        |
|--|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Endowment net assets, beginning of year              | \$ 674,654                | \$ 4,992,908           | \$ 5,667,562        |
| Investment return Investment income Net appreciation | 73,469                    |                        | 73,469              |
| (realized and unrealized)                            | 618,098                   |                        | 618,098             |
| Total investment return                              | 691,567                   |                        | 691,567             |
| Contributions  |                           | 1,000,000              | 1,000,000           |
| Recovery of bad debt                                 |                           | 63,687                 | 63,687              |
| Appropriations of endowment assets for expenditure   | (249,939)                 |                        | (249,949)           |
| Endowment net assets, end of year                    | <u>\$ 1,116,282</u>       | <u>\$ 6,056,595</u>    | <u>\$ 7,172,877</u> |

## Funds with deficiencies

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor or the Act requires the Conservancy to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. As of September 30, 2013, there were no such deficiencies.

# Return objectives and risk parameters

The Conservancy has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Conservancy must hold in perpetuity or for donor-specified periods. Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Trustees, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield while assuming a moderate level of investment risk. The Conservancy expects its endowment funds, over time, to provide an average rate of return of approximately 4.5 percent annually. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount.

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8. Endowment (continued)

## Strategies employed for achieving objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Conservancy relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Conservancy targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on mutual equity and bond fund investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

# Spending policy and how the investment objectives relate to spending policy

The Conservancy has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year up to 4.5 percent of the trailing 12-quarter average estimated fair value of the endowment investments. Appropriations in excess of 4.5 percent can be made with board approval and if deemed prudent in accordance with the Act. This is consistent with the Conservancy's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets held in perpetuity or for a specified term, as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment return.

#### 9. Cost of Goods Sold

A significant portion of the Conservancy's program service activities consist of sales of interpretive publications, theme-related sales items and products from interpretive demonstrations. The cost of goods sold for these items is included in total expenses for park interpretation and visitor services on the accompanying statement of activities. The following table summarizes cost of goods sold and gross profit from such sales for the year ended September 30, 2013:

| Gross sales             | \$ 15,999,148 |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Less cost of goods sold | (5,406,370)   |
| Gross profit            | \$ 10,592,778 |

## 10. Aid to the Park

The National Park service defines Aid to the Park as all program service expenses, excluding cost of goods sold and donated services. The following table reconciles total program service expenses to Aid to the Park for the year ended September 30, 2013:

| Total program service expenses | \$ 35,240,382 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Less cost of goods sold        | (5,406,370)   |
| Less donated services          | (10,800)      |
| Aid to the Park                | \$ 29,823,212 |

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# 11. Lease Obligations

The Conservancy leases certain office equipment, warehouse facilities, audio tour headsets and vehicles under operating leases through 2018. The aggregate future minimum annual rental payments under noncancelable operating leases in effect at September 30, 2013, are as follows:

# Years Ending September 30

| 2014  | \$ 486,287   |
|-------|--------------|
| 2015  | 434,333      |
| 2016  | 426,053      |
| 2017  | 311,350      |
| 2018  | 274,037      |
| Total | \$ 1,932,060 |

Rent expense for the year ended September 30, 2013 was approximately \$1,356,000

The Conservancy also leases point of sale software and equipment under a capital lease. The aggregate future minimum annual rental payments under noncancelable capital leases in effect at September 30, 2013, are as follows:

| Year ending September 30, 2014     | \$<br>55,762 |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Less amounts representing interest | <br>(1,905)  |
| Capital lease obligation           | \$<br>53,857 |

#### 12. Retirement Plans

The Conservancy operates a Tax Deferred Annuity Plan under Section 403(b) of the Code (the 403(b) Plan). All employees are eligible to make voluntary contributions into the 403(b) Plan via payroll deduction upon hire, and become eligible to receive matching employer contributions upon completing one year of service with at least 1,000 hours completed in that year. Participants may contribute any percentage of their annual compensation, not to exceed Code limitations. The Conservancy matches the amount contributed by each participant up to a maximum of 5% of the participant's annual salary. Contributions made by the Conservancy for the year ended September 30, 2013 approximated \$449,000.

The Conservancy provides a Top Hat Plan under Section 457(b) of the Code (the 457(b) Plan) to permit a select group of management or highly compensated employees of the Conservancy to defer a portion of their current compensation in accordance with the provisions of the Code. The Conservancy's Board of Trustees determines the 457(b) Plan participants from time to time. The Conservancy may make annual deferrals to the account balance of a participant on a non-elective basis, subject to the participant's contribution limitations. Contributions made by the Conservancy for the year ended September 30, 2013 totaled \$35,000.

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12. Retirement Plans (continued)

The Conservancy operates an unfunded Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan (SERP) under Section 457(f) of the Code to provide deferred compensation benefits to a select group of management or highly compensated employees. Participation in this Plan is open only to employees of the Conservancy who are managers and who are selected for participation in the Plan by the Board of Trustees. Annual amounts are credited to the accounts of the individual participants at the discretion of the Board of Trustees on an annual basis, and each participant's account is adjusted annually based on the performance of the Conservancy's investments. \$315,000 has been accrued for benefits owed to employees participating in the SERP as of September 30, 2013, and included in accrued payroll related liabilities on the accompanying statement of financial position.

# 13. Contingencies

The Conservancy is contingently liable in connection with claims and contracts arising in the normal course of its activities. In addition, the Conservancy receives funds from various federal and state government funded programs, which are subject to audit by cognizant governmental agencies. The Conservancy's management believes that the outcome of such matters will not have a significant effect on the Conservancy's financial position.

#### 14. Concentrations

#### Credit risk

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Conservancy to credit risk, consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, accounts and contributions receivable, and investments. The Conservancy maintains cash and cash equivalents with various financial institutions. At times, such amounts might exceed Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation limits. The Conservancy manages credit risk by establishing minimum credit standards for financial institutions and limiting the amount of credit exposure with any one institution. Accounts and contributions receivable are due from various individuals, companies and governmental agencies. The Conservancy's investments have been placed with major financial institutions and counterparties. The Conservancy closely monitors these financial instruments.

#### Revenues

Revenues from programs on Alcatraz Island, including audio and interpretive tour fees, and sales of educational publications and interpretive merchandise, totaled approximately 68% of program revenue for fiscal 2013.

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# 14. Concentrations (continued)

## **Contributions**

Approximately 6.8% of contributed income for the year ended September 30, 2013, including the net proceeds from special events, was attributable to various members of the Board of Trustees.

# 15. Commitments

The Conservancy has entered into various construction contracts for trail enhancement and conservation projects totaling approximately \$3.6 million. As of September 30, 2013, the remaining balances on these contracts for work to be completed, was approximately \$1.8 million. The Conservancy also had outstanding purchase commitments for publications and other interpretive merchandise approximating \$156,000 at September 30, 2013.

## 16. Subsequent Events

A private foundation awarded a \$25 million grant to the Conservancy on October 1, 2013 to create 10 acres of new parkland on the Presidio Parkway tunnel top and an expanded youth programs campus at Crissy Field.

The Conservancy satisfied the conditions on the remaining \$979,000 of a conditional grant commitment and received the grant payment on December 17, 2013.