# paws4people, Inc.

**Financial Statements** 

December 31, 2022 and 2021

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# **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Board of Trustees paws4people, Inc. Wilmington, North Carolina

# Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of paws4people, Inc. (a nonstock corporation incorporated in the Commonwealth of Virginia and a 501c3 public charity), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of paws4people, Inc. as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conduced our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of paws4people, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about paws4people, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

# Auditors' Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of paws4people, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about paws4people, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Thomas, Judy & Ducker, P.A.

Durham, North Carolina September 19, 2023

#### paws4people, Inc. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION December 31, 2022

		Without Don	or Re	estrictions	١	With Donor	
	(	Operations		Canines	F	Restrictions	 Total
<u>ASSETS</u>							
Current Assets:							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	257,028	\$		\$	213,564	\$ 470,592
Sales Tax Receivable		15,832					15,832
Tractor Supply/4health Gift Card							
Inventory						35,661	35,661
Home Depot Gift Card Inventory Prepaid Expenses		37,838				8,000	8,000 37,838
Investments		153,481					153,481
		100,101					 100,101
Total Current Assets		464,179				257,225	721,404
Canine Assets:							
Canines in Active Service:							
Service Dogs				11,751,408			11,751,408
Facility Dogs				1,744,669			1,744,669
Emotional Support Dogs Breeding Dogs				1,271,211 660,985			1,271,211 660,985
Less: Accumulated Depreciation				(5,363,744)			(5,363,744)
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Total Canines in Active Service, Net				10,064,529			10,064,529
Canines in Training Programs				1,918,104			 1,918,104
Total Canine Assets, Net				11,982,633			11,982,633
Droporty and Equipmont:							
Property and Equipment: Land		695,701					695,701
Buildings and Improvements		2,070,069					2,070,069
Furniture and Equipment		75,304					75,304
Vehicles		243,344					243,344
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(370,272)					 (370,272)
Property and Equipment, Net		2,714,146					 2,714,146
Total Assets	\$	3,178,325	\$	11,982,633	\$	257,225	\$ 15,418,183

		or Restrictions	With Donor	
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	Operations	Canines	Restrictions	Total
Current Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable	\$ 103,584	\$	\$	\$ 103,584
Accrued Expenses	1,000			1,000
Deferred Revenue	673		213,564	214,237
Notes Payable, Current Portion	79,812			79,812
Total Current Liebilities	195.000		010 564	200 622
Total Current Liabilities	185,069		213,564	398,633
Notes Payable, Net of Current Portion	1,787,726			1,787,726
Total Liabilities	1,972,795		213,564	2,186,359
	1,572,755		210,004	2,100,000
Net Assets: Without Donor Restriction:				
Undesignated	1,205,530	11,982,633		13,188,163
With Donor Restriction:	, - ,	, ,		-,,
Purpose Restrictions			43,661	43,661
Total Net Assets	1,205,530	11,982,633	43,661	13,231,824

3,178,325 \$ 11,982,633 \$ 257,225 \$ 15,418,183 Total Liabilities and Net Assets \$

#### paws4people, Inc. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION December 31, 2021

		Without Done	or Re	estrictions	١	With Donor				
100570		Operations		Canines	F	Restrictions		Total		
ASSETS										
Current Assets:										
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	304,896	\$		\$	255,090	\$	559,986		
Sales Tax Receivable		5,267						5,267		
Tractor Supply/4health Gift Card Inventory						51,917		51,917		
Prepaid Expenses		17,407				01,011		17,407		
Investments		89,941						89,941		
Total Current Assets		417,511				307,007		724,518		
Canine Assets:										
Canine Assets. Canines in Active Service:										
Service Dogs				10,406,257				10,406,257		
Facility Dogs				1,595,170				1,595,170		
Emotional Support Dogs Breeding Dogs				1,405,857 913,793				1,405,857 913,793		
Less: Accumulated Depreciation				(4,291,860)				(4,291,860)		
				· · · · ·				<u> </u>		
Total Canines in Active Service, Net				10,029,217				10,029,217		
Canines in Training Programs				2,214,826				2,214,826		
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Total Canine Assets, Net				12,244,043				12,244,043		
Property and Equipment:										
Land		678,220						678,220		
Buildings and Improvements Furniture and Equipment		1,949,150 40,116						1,949,150 40,116		
Vehicles		218,416						218,416		
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(275,505)						(275,505)		
Property and Equipment, Net		2,610,397					_	2,610,397		
Total Assets	\$	3,027,908	\$	12,244,043	\$	307,007	\$	15,578,958		
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		or Restrictions	With Donor	<b>-</b>		
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	Operations	Canines	Restrictions	Total		
Current Liabilities:						
Accounts Payable	\$ 38,908	\$	\$	\$ 38,908		
Accrued Expenses	200			200		
Deferred Revenue	490		255,090	255,580		
Notes Payable, Current Portion	76,378			76,378		
Total Current Liabilities	115,976		255,090	371,066		
Notes Payable, Net of Current Portion	1,842,138			1,842,138		
Total Liabilities	1,958,114		255,090	2,213,204		
Net Assets: Without Donor Restriction: Undesignated With Donor Restriction:	1,069,794	12,244,043	54 047	13,313,837		
Purpose Restrictions			51,917	51,917		
Total Net Assets	1,069,794	12,244,043	51,917	13,365,754		

Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	3,027,908	\$	12,244,043	\$	307,007	\$	15,578,958
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# paws4people, Inc. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended December 31, 2022

		Without Don	or F	Restrictions	W	ith Donor		
	(	Operations	_	Canines	Restrictions			Total
Support and Revenue:								
Public Support	\$	529,154	\$		\$		\$	529,154
Federal Grant/Wounded Warrior								
Service Dog Program Revenue						684,191		684,191
State Grant						99,650		99,650
Contributions of Nonfinancial Assets:								
Training and Care, Net				3,020,126				3,020,126
Goods and Services		185,094				40,000		225,094
Fundraising Revenue		707,513						707,513
Investment Returns		(39,105)						(39,105)
Product Sales		31,920						31,920
Gain on Disposal of Fixed Asset		12,558						12,558
Interest Income		1,487						1,487
Miscellaneous Revenue		1,111						1,111
		· · · ·						
Total Support and Revenue		1,429,732		3,020,126		823,841		5,273,699
Net Assets Released from Restriction		832,097				(832,097)		
Total Current Devenue and Nat								
Total Support, Revenue and Net Assets Released from Restriction		0.064.000		2 0 0 0 1 0 6		(0.050)		E 070 600
Assets Released from Restriction		2,261,829		3,020,126		(8,256)		5,273,699
Operating Expenses:								
Program		1,868,115		3,281,536				5,149,651
General and Administrative		121,442						121,442
Fundraising		136,536						136,536
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Total Operating Expenses		2,126,093		3,281,536				5,407,629
Change in Net Assets		135,736		(261,410)		(8,256)		(133,930)
Net Assets, Beginning of Period		1,069,794		12,244,043		51,917		13,365,754
Net Assets, End of Period	\$	1,205,530	\$	11,982,633	\$	43,661	\$	13,231,824

# paws4people, Inc. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

		Without Don	or F	Restrictions	,	With Donor		
	(	Operations	_	Canines		Restrictions		Total
Support and Revenue:								
Public Support	\$	512,633	\$		\$		\$	512,633
Federal Grant/Wounded Warrior								
Service Dog Program Revenue						486,915		486,915
Conributions of Nonfinancial Assets:								
Training and Care, Net		12,000		2,758,762				2,770,762
Good and Services		148,151				40,000		188,151
Fundraising Revenue		613,506						613,506
Investment Returns		8,620						8,620
Product Sales		19,501						19,501
Gain on Disposal of Fixed Asset		2,534						2,534
Interest Income		722						722
Miscellaneous Revenue		4,313						4,313
Total Support and Revenue		1,321,980		2,758,762		526,915		4,607,657
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Net Assets Released from Restriction		514,321				(514,321)		
Total Support Devenue and Nat								
Total Support, Revenue and Net		4 000 004		0 750 700		10 504		4 007 057
Assets Released from Restriction		1,836,301		2,758,762		12,594		4,607,657
Operating Expanses								
Operating Expenses:		1,788,652		2,010,038				3,798,690
Program General and Administrative				2,010,030				
		72,295						72,295
Fundraising		93,526						93,526
Total Operating Expenses		1,954,473		2,010,038				3,964,511
		1,001,110		2,010,000				0,001,011
Change in Net Assets		(118,172)		748,724		12,594		643,146
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Net Assets, Beginning of Period		1,187,966		11,495,319		39,323		12,722,608
Net Assets, End of Period	\$	1,069,794	\$	12,244,043	\$	51,917	\$	13,365,754
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Year Ended December 31, 2021

# paws4people, Inc. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Program							eneral and			
	C	Operations		Canines		Total	Adı	ministrative	Fu	undraising	 Total
Salaries and Wages	\$	726,947	\$		\$	726,947	\$	52,606	\$	31,606	\$ 811,159
Payroll Taxes and Fees		57,312	•			57,312		2,492	·	2,492	62,296
Employee Benefits		35,227				35,227		1,532		1,532	38,291
Advertising		26,458				26,458		600		10,723	37,781
Printing and Postage		6,401				6,401					6,401
Special Events										75,106	75,106
Office		62,366				62,366		1,832		1,882	66,080
Information Technology		81,870				81,870		2,615		2,612	87,097
Canine Operations and Care		262,174				262,174					262,174
Travel and Transportation		83,946				83,946					83,946
Membership, Conferences and Certifications		9,379				9,379					9,379
Insurance		56,897				56,897		1,388		1,385	59,670
Professional Fees		45,763				45,763		18,100			63,863
Taxes, License, and Registration		22,795				22,795		31,077			53,872
Repairs and Maintenance		105,962				105,962		3,383		3,381	112,726
In-Kind, Goods and Services		88,214				88,214					88,214
Interest		69,134				69,134		2,207		2,206	73,547
Miscellaneous		14,118				14,118					14,118
In-Kind Canine Training and Care				1,998,831		1,998,831					1,998,831
Loss on Retirement of Dogs				1,495,910		1,495,910					1,495,910
Depreciation		113,152		1,785,626		1,898,778		3,610		3,611	 1,905,999
Total Expense by Function		1,868,115		5,280,367		7,148,482		121,442		136,536	7,406,460
Less: Expenses Included with Revenue:											
In-Kind Training Expense				(1,998,831)		(1,998,831)					 (1,998,831)
Total Operating Expense	\$	1,868,115	\$	3,281,536	\$	5,149,651	\$	121,442	\$	136,536	\$ 5,407,629

# paws4people, Inc. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Program						Ge	neral and			
	0	perations		Canines		Total	Adn	ninistrative	Fu	ndraising	 Total
Salaries and Wages	\$	705,245	\$		\$	705,245	\$	35,052	\$	30,663	\$ 770,960
Payroll Taxes and Fees		56,564				56,564		2,459		2,459	61,482
Employee Benefits		42,583				42,583		1,851		1,851	46,285
Advertising		34,520				34,520		1,266		8,729	44,515
Printing and Postage		6,183				6,183					6,183
Special Events										36,257	36,257
Office		51,355				51,355		1,556		1,556	54,467
Information Technology		77,761				77,761		2,482		2,482	82,725
Canine Operations and Care		209,010				209,010					209,010
Travel and Transportation		67,726				67,726					67,726
Membership, Conferences and Certifications		7,840				7,840					7,840
Insurance		53,615				53,615		1,144		1,144	55,903
Professional Fees		47,243				47,243		18,100			65,343
Taxes, License, and Registration		42,586				42,586					42,586
Repairs and Maintenance		105,291				105,291		3,360		3,360	112,011
In-Kind, Goods and Services		114,135				114,135					114,135
Interest		66,196				66,196		2,113		2,113	70,422
Miscellaneous		9,545				9,545					9,545
In-Kind Canine Training and Care				3,437,696		3,437,696					3,437,696
Loss on Retirement of Dogs				552,052		552,052					552,052
Transfer of Dogs to Outside Agency				175,529		175,529					175,529
Depreciation		91,254		1,457,986		1,549,240		2,912		2,912	 1,555,064
Total Expense by Function		1,788,652		5,623,263		7,411,915		72,295		93,526	7,577,736
Less: Expenses Included with Revenue:											
Transfer of Dogs to Outside Agency				(175,529)		(175,529)					(175,529)
In-Kind Training Expense				(3,437,696)		(3,437,696)					 (3,437,696)
Total Operating Expense	\$	1,788,652	\$	2,010,038	\$	3,798,690	\$	72,295	\$	93,526	\$ 3,964,511

See Accompanying Notes 10

# paws4people, Inc. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:				
0	\$ (133,930)	\$ 643,146		
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net				
Assets to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:				
Depreciation	1,905,999	1,555,064		
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs	1,377	6,577		
In-Kind Canine Training and Care, Net	(3,020,126)	(2,758,762)		
Loss on Retirement of Dogs	1,495,910	552,052		
Stock Contribution	(102,645)	(531)		
Unrealized Loss (Gain) on Investments	39,319	(8,356)		
Gain on Disposal of Fixed Assets	(12,558)	(2,534)		
Changes in Assets and Liabilities that				
Provided (Used) Cash:				
Sales Tax Receivable	(10,565)	972		
Gift Card Inventory	8,256	(12,594)		
Prepaid Expenses	(20,431)	12,141		
Accounts Payable	64,676	(56,436)		
Accrued Expenses	800	(8,825)		
Deferred Revenue	(41,343)	(128,165)		
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	174,739	(206,251)		
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Purchase of Investments	(214)	(264)		
Purchase of Property and Equipment	(213,095)	(9,445)		
Proceeds from Disposal of Fixed Assets	27,517	4,387		
Net Cash Used by Investing Activities	(185,792)	(5,322)		
Cash Flows from Financing Activities: Payments on Notes Payable	(78,341)	(26,646)		
Net Cash Used by Financing Activities	(70 211)	(26.646)		
Net Cash Used by Financing Activities	(78,341)	(26,646)		
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(89,394)	(238,219)		
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	559,986	798,205		
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 470,592	<u>\$                                    </u>		

# paws4people, Inc. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 (Continued)

	 2022	 2021
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:		
Cash Paid During the Year for Interest	\$ 72,170	\$ 63,845
Supplemental Schedule of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities:		
Purchase of Property and Equipment Less: Amount Financed with Note Payable	\$ (239,081) 25,986	\$ (588,412) 578,967
Cash Paid for Purchase of Property and Equipment	\$ (213,095)	\$ (9,445)
Payments of Closing Costs Less: Amount Financed with Note Payable	\$ 	\$ (4,391) 4,391
Cash Paid for Closing Costs	\$ 	\$ 

#### 1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

#### **Operations**

paws4people, Inc. (the "Organization") is a nonstock-corporation incorporated in the Commonwealth of Virginia on July 6, 1999 with its principal office in Wilmington, North Carolina. The Organization is registered as a foreign corporation in the states of North Carolina, West Virginia, California, Georgia, Illinois, and Texas and in the District of Columbia. The Organization does business as paws4people, paws4people foundation, paws4prisons®, and paws4vets. The Organization fulfills its mission by focusing its efforts in these primary service areas:

<u>Operations</u>: The Organization's operations are designed to provide overall support and assistance to the Organization's Canines program.

<u>Canines</u>: The Organization's mission is educating and empowering people to utilize Assistance Dogs to transform their lives. The Organization provides certification, insurance, and support for each Client-Service Dog Team and Handler-Facility Dog Team for the duration of the teams' career.

The Organization specializes in raising, training, placing and certifying customized Service Dogs for two general groups: children and adolescents with physical, neurological, psychiatric, or emotional disabilities; and Veterans and Service Members with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Chronic/Complex Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (C-PTSD), Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI), Military Sexual Trauma (MST)/Sexual Trauma (ST), and Moral Injury.

The Organization also specializes in raising, training, placing and certifying Facility Dogs with professionals and volunteers who use the Facility Dog in workplace or volunteer settings to provide animal assisted interventions, which are designed to promote improvement in physical, social, emotional, and/or cognitive functioning of the individual(s) involved and in which the Handler-Facility Dog Team is an integral part.

The Organization raises, trains, and places Emotional Support Dogs with Handlers. Emotional Support Dogs provide emotional support to Handlers within their own homes and other dog-friendly environments. They are trained with basic obedience, advanced obedience and, in some instances, disability skills, commands and behaviors.

The Organization also raises, trains, and places Breeding Dogs with Custodians. The paws4people Breeding Dog Program is a custom bloodline specifically developed to produce Breeding Dogs with the quality, health, personality, temperament, and disposition suitable for careers as Service Dogs and Facility Dogs. All prospective Breeding Dogs have many health certifications and clearances completed prior to being bred.

Dogs determined by the Organization not to have the personality, temperament, and disposition suitable for careers as Service Dogs, Facility Dogs, or Emotional Support Dogs are placed by the Organization as pets with Custodians.

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Operations (Continued)

# Canines: (Continued)

The Organization works to exceed industry training and utilization standards for all of its Service Dogs and Facility Dogs, and to increase the public's knowledge about the important roles these dogs serve within society.

#### Financial Statement Presentation

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 958-205, *Not-for-Profit Entities – Presentation of Financial Statements*. ASC 958-205 requires that not-for-profit organizations provide a statement of financial position, a statement of activities, a statement of functional expenses, and a statement of cash flows. Also, ASC 958-205 requires classification of an organization's net assets, revenues and expenses according to the following net asset classifications:

<u>Net Assets without Donor Restrictions</u>: Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Organization. These net assets may be used at the discretion of the Organization's management and the Board of Trustees.

<u>Net Assets with Donor Restrictions</u>: Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors, and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by actions of the Organization or the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity. Donor restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets are reclassified from net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions in the statement of activities.

#### Use of Estimates and Assumptions

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### Risks and Uncertainties

The Organization invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of financial position.

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Organization considers cash on hand, cash in demand deposit accounts, and all short-term debt securities with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Organization had \$318,454 and \$358,075 of cash equivalents at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### **Investments**

Investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in precious metals are reported at their fair values in the statement of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assets in the accompanying statements of activities. Investment income and gains restricted by a donor are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions if the restrictions are met (either by passage of time or by use) in the reporting period in which the income and gains are recognized. Donated securities are recorded at their fair market values on the dates of the gifts. The Organization determines whether and when to sell or to hold the donated securities.

#### Gift Card Inventory

Gift card inventories are stated at cost determined by the first-in, first-out method.

#### Property and Equipment

It is the Organization's policy to capitalize property and equipment with an original cost or donated value of \$2,500 or more and an estimated useful life of more than one year. Purchased property and equipment are carried at cost. Donations of equipment are recorded as contributions at their estimated fair value at the date of the donation. Assets donated are considered unrestricted, unless a specific restriction for the asset donated is included in a Charitable Gift Agreement signed by the donor and the Executive Director of the Organization. Assets donated with explicit restrictions regarding their use are reported as contributions with donor restrictions. In the absence of such stipulations, contributions of equipment are recorded as assets without donor restrictions. Depreciation and amortization are computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings and Improvements	39	years
Furniture and Equipment	5 - 7	years
Vehicles	5 - 7	years

Depreciation expense associated with property and equipment totaled \$120,373 and \$97,078 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

# Canine Assets

Canine assets are recorded in the statement of financial position at the estimated cost of training from birth, donation, or acquisition through conditional custody placement under contract by the Organization with a Client or Handler.

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Canine Assets (Continued)

The Organization spends approximately two years to raise, train, place, and certify a canine with a Client or Handler. Beginning at conditional custody placement by the Organization with a Client or Handler, a canine is depreciated over an eight-year timeframe.

The Organization spends between one and two years raising, training, and placing an Emotional Support Dog with Handler and a Breeding Dog with a Custodian. Beginning at conditional custody placement by the Organization with a Client, Handler, or Custodian, a Service Dog, Facility Dog, Emotional Support Dog, or Breeding Dog is depreciated over an eight-year timeframe.

The Organization spends four months to a year to train dogs placed as pets with Custodians. Beginning at contractual custody placement by the Organization with a Custodian, a canine is depreciated over a three-year timeframe.

Depreciation expense associated with canine assets totaled \$1,785,626 and \$1,457,986 for the years ended December 31, 2022.

The Organization incurred the following activity on canines in active service and canines in training programs during the year ended December 31, 2022:

Conince in Active Convices	December 31, 2021	Additions	Retirements and Reclasses	December 31, 2022
Canines in Active Service: Service Dogs Facility Dogs Emotional Support Dogs Breeding Dogs Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 10,406,257 1,595,170 1,405,857 913,793 (4,291,860)	\$ 2,111,627 344,280 82,492 (1,785,626)	\$ (766,476) (194,781) (217,138) (252,808) 713,742	<pre>\$ 11,751,408 1,744,669 1,271,211 660,985 (5,363,744)</pre>
Total Canines in Active Service	10,029,217	752,773	(717,461)	10,064,529
Inactive Dogs Canines in Training Programs	2,214,826	2,927,353	(3,224,075)	1,918,104
Total Canine Assets, Net	<u>\$ 12,244,043</u>	<u>\$3,680,126</u>	<u>\$ (3,941,536</u> )	<u>\$ 11,982,633</u>

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

# Canine Assets (Continued)

The Organization incurred the following activity on canines in active service and canines in training programs during the year ended December 31, 2021:

			Retirements	
	December 31, 2020	Additions	and Reclasses	December 31, 2021
Canines in Active Service:				
Service Dogs	\$ 8,397,521 \$	2,603,117	\$ (594,381)	\$ 10,406,257
Facility Dogs	1,089,226	258,210	247,734	1,595,170
Emotional Support Dogs	1,179,335	·	226,522	1,405,857
Breeding Dogs	774,539	200,304	(61,050)	913,793
Accumulated Depreciation	(3,285,078)	<u>(1,457,986</u> )	451,204	<u>(4,291,860</u> )
Total Canines in Active				
Service	8,155,543	1,603,645	270,029	10,029,217
Inactive Dogs	401,608		(401,608)	
Canines in Training				
Programs	2,938,168	2,934,291	(3,657,633)	2,214,826
Total Canine Assets, Net	<u>\$ 11,495,319</u>	4,537,936	<u>\$ (3,789,212</u> )	<u>\$ 12,244,043</u>

#### Functional Allocations of Expenses

The statement of functional expenses reports certain categories of expenses that are attributable to one or more programs or supporting functions of the Organization. Therefore, these expenses require allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. All other expenses are directly identified with either programs or in general and administrative and fundraising.

The expenses that are allocated include the following:

Expense	Method of Allocation
Salaries and Wages	Time and Effort
Payroll Taxes and Fees	Time and Effort
Employee Benefits	Time and Effort
Office	Square Footage
Information Technology	Square Footage
Insurance	Square Footage
Repairs and Maintenance	Square Footage
Depreciation	Square Footage
Interest	Square Footage

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Contributions

All charitable gifts to the Organization or any of its programs or legal entities are considered without donor restriction, unless a specific restriction for the charitable gift is included in a Charitable Gift Agreement signed by the donor and the Executive Director of the Organization. All charitable gifts without donor restriction are used to fund the entirety of the Organization, its operations, programs, services, and future growth.

The Organization's Charitable Gift Solicitation, Acceptance, and Administration Policy is applicable to and governs all charitable gifts to the Organization and all of the Organization's gift agents. Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increased in net assets without donor restriction if the restrictions expire in the fiscal year in which the contributions are recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions depending upon the nature of the restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

#### Advertising

The Organization expenses advertising costs when incurred. Advertising expense totaled \$37,781 and \$44,515 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### Income Taxes

The Organization is exempt from income taxes as a not-for-profit organization under IRS code section 501(c)(3). In addition, the Organization has been approved under Internal Revenue Code for recognition as a public charity and not as a private foundation.

The Organization adopted the provisions of FASB ASC 740, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*. Under this provision, an organization must recognize the tax benefit associated with tax taken for tax return purposes when it is more likely than not the position will be sustained. The implementation had no impact on the Organization's financial statements. As of December 31, 2022, the Organization has no uncertain tax positions that qualify for either recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. The Organization is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

# Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Organization occasionally maintains deposits in excess of federally insured limits. These are identified as a concentration of credit risk requiring disclosure, regardless of the degree of risk. The risk is managed by maintaining all deposits in high quality financial institutions. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insures up to \$250,000 for all accounts held at a single institution. As of December 31, 2022, the Organization maintained deposits of \$207,198 in excess of FDIC insured limits.

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### New Accounting Pronouncement

In September 2020, FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2020-07, *Presentation and Disclosures by Not-for-Profit Entities for Contributed Nonfinancial Assets*. This ASU was issued to increase the transparency of contributed nonfinancial assets for not-for-profit entities through enhancement to presentation and disclosures. The amendments for this ASU require entities to (1) disaggregate contributed nonfinancial assets from contributed financial assets in the statement of activities, (2) disclosure qualitative information about whether the contributed nonfinancial assets were either monetized or used during the reporting period and, if sued, a description of the programs or other activities in which the assets were used (3) disclose a description of any donor-imposed restrictions associated with the contributed nonfinancial assets, and (4) disclose a description of the valuation techniques and inputs used in fair value measurement of contributed nonfinancial assets as well as the principal market used to arrive at the fair value measurements. The implementation of this standard only impacts the presentation and disclosure requirements in the financial assets.

#### 2. Availability and Liquidity

The following represents the Organization's financial assets at December 31, 2022:

Cash and Cash Equivalents Sales Tax Receivable Tractor Supply/4health Gift Card Inventory Home Depot Gift Card Inventory Investments	\$	470,592 15,832 35,661 8,000 153,481
Total Financial Assets		683,566
Less Amounts not Available to Meet General Expenditures over the Next Twelve Months: Net Assets with Donor Restrictions		(257,225)
Financial Assets Available to Meet General Expenditures over the Next Twelve Months	<u>\$</u>	426,341

The Organization's formal liquidity policy requires approximately three months of operating expenses in its reserves.

#### 3. Investments

The Organization's investments consist of stocks and precious metals recorded at market value as of December 31:

	2	2021			
	Market Value	e Cost	Ma	rket Value	Cost
Precious Metals Common Stock	\$     27,145 <u>     126,336</u>		\$	26,795 \$ <u>63,146</u>	18,741 51,619
Total	<u>\$ 153,481</u>	<u>\$ 174,040</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>89,941</u>	70,360

The following schedule summarizes the investment returns on investment accounts for the year ended December 31:

		2022	 2021
Interest and Dividends Unrealized (Loss) Gain on Investments	\$	214 (39,319)	\$ 264 <u>8,356</u>
Total	<u>\$</u>	(39,105)	\$ 8,620

#### 4. Fair Value Measurements

FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This hierarchy consists of three broad levels: Level 1 inputs consist of unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and have the highest priority, Level 2 inputs are based on significant other observable inputs, and Level 3 inputs have the lowest priority.

The Organization uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. When available, the Organization measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. The Organization uses Level 2 inputs when market prices are not attainable but other observable inputs are available to arrive at a fair value, and Level 3 inputs were only used when Level 1 or Level 2 inputs were not available. All of the Organization's investments are considered Level 1 investments.

#### Level 1 Fair Value Measurements

The fair value of precious metals and common stock are based on quoted net asset values of the shares held by the Organization at year end.

#### 5. Notes Payable

In May 2018, the Organization entered into a note payable with a financial institution. The note payable required monthly principal and interest payments of \$8,136 and bore interest at a fixed rate of 5.25%. All unpaid interest and principal was due upon maturity in May 2023. The note was secured by the real property and all improvements.

In July 2020, the Organization refinanced the note payable. The refinanced note payable bears interest at 3.74% and matures on July 17, 2031. Interest only payments are due through August 2021, at which time monthly principal and interest payments of \$10,957 are due. Additionally, under the terms of the agreement, the Organization may draw on additional funds with a maximum borrowing of \$1,841,169.

In July 2021, the Organization drew an additional \$503,358. The outstanding balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$1,761,991 and \$1,824,263, respectively.

In July 2021, the Organization entered into a note payable with a financial institution. The note payable bears interest at 3.74% and matures on November 26, 2031 and allows the Organization to draw up to \$80,000. Interest only payments are due through October 2021, at which time monthly principal and interest payments of \$476 are due and is secured by a deed of trust on land and buildings. The outstanding balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$76,663 and \$79,418, respectively.

In May 2019, the Organization entered into a financing agreement for the purchase of equipment with Kubota Corporation. The agreement required monthly principal payments of \$360 and bore no interest. All unpaid principal was due upon maturity in May 2023. The note payable was paid off during 2022. The outstanding balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$0 and \$5,755, respectively.

In May 2020, the Organization entered into a financing agreement for the purchase of equipment with a financial institution. The agreement requires monthly principal payments of \$413 and bears no interest. All unpaid principal is due upon maturity in May 2025. The outstanding balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$11,986 and \$16,946, respectively.

In June 2022, the Organization entered into a financing agreement for the purchase of equipment with Kubota Corporation. The agreement requires monthly principal payments of \$433 and bears no interest. All unpaid principal is due upon maturity in June 2027. The outstanding balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$23,387 and \$0, respectively.

# 5. Notes Payable (Continued)

Maturities of the notes payable for the years ending December 31 are as follows:

2023	\$	79,812
2024		82,462
2025		82,319
2026		83,109
2027		83,475
Thereafter		1,462,850
Unamortized Debt Issuance Costs		<u>(6,489</u> )
Total	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,867,538</u>

The carrying value of assets securing the note are \$2,714,146 at December 31, 2022.

# 6. Contributed Nonfinancial Assets

#### Goods and Services

The Organization is dependent upon contributions of nonfinancial assets in the form of donated goods and personal services. Donated goods are recorded as contributions at the date of the donation and are expensed when the donated goods are placed into service or distributed.

In valuing goods and services, the Organization estimated fair value at the date of donation. In valuing stock donations, quoted prices as of the date of donation were used. In valuing gift cards, the amount of face value of the cards was used. In valuing services, fundraising expenses and advertising expenses, estimated values of similar services provided were used.

# 6. Contributed Nonfinancial Assets (Continued)

## Goods and Services (Continued)

Donated personal services are provided by a substantial number of volunteers, students in the University of North Carolina ("UNC") Wilmington/paws4people Service Dog Training Program (SDTP), and inmate trainers in the paws4prisons® in the course of and support of the Organization's operations and programs. The majority of those contributed services meet the criteria for recognition in the financial statements. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("U.S. GAAP") allows recognition of contributed services if (a) the services create or enhance nonfinancial assets or (b) the services would have been purchased if not provided by contribution, require specialized skills, and are provided by individuals possessing those skills. Management has determined that donated services and goods with an estimated fair value of \$and \$for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, met the criteria and are included in in-kind contributions in the statement of activities. The sources of the donated services and goods for the years ended December 31 are as follows:

	 2022	 2021
<u>Services</u> UNC Wilmington/paws4people SDTP paws4prisons®	\$ 2,122,240 2,803,944	\$ 2,539,449 3,832,538
Goods	4,926,184	6,371,987
Stock Donations Fundraising Expenses	103,680 53,106	74,016
Advertising Expenses	30,308	74,135
Gift Cards	 40,000	 40,000
	 227,094	 188,151
Total	\$ 5,153,278	\$ 6,560,138

# Canines

The Organization spends approximately two years to raise, train, place, and certify a Service Dog or Facility Dog with a Client or Handler.

The Organization spends between one and two years raising, training, and placing an Emotional Support Dog with Handler and a Breeding Dog with a Custodian.

The Organization spends four months to a year to train dogs placed as pets with Custodians.

The cost to raise, train, and place Service Dogs, Facility Dogs, Emotional Support Dogs, and Breeding Dogs is capitalized and depreciated over the eight-year service life of each Dog beginning at conditional custody placement of that Dog. The cost of food, housing, veterinary services, medication, grooming, training aids such as collars and leashes, and annual recertifications (Service Dogs and Facility Dogs only) are considered incidental to the cost of training and are expensed as incurred.

#### 6. <u>Contributed Nonfinancial Assets</u> (Continued)

Canines (Continued)

The cost to raise, train, and place a dog placed as a pet is capitalized and depreciated over a three-year contractual term. Ownership is transferred to the Custodian at the end of the three-year placement term. The cost of food, housing, veterinary services, medication, grooming, and training aids such as collars and leashes are considered incidental to the cost of training and are expensed as incurred.

Acquisition, whelping, and Puppy Development training costs (first five months of the canine's life) range from \$9,000 to \$14,000 per canine depending upon whether the canine was bred within the Organization's Breeding Program or received through donation or acquisition from a specially chosen breeder. For the next 5-15 months, the canines undergo obedience and skills training in paws4prisons®. In months 16-24, the Dogs receive Public Access Training, the majority of which is accomplished through the UNCW/paws4people SDTP.

During months 18-24, Clients and Service Dogs In-Training participate in the Organization's proprietary process known as Intervention Transfer Training<sub>SM</sub> during which the Client learns to utilize his/her Service Dog In-Training to control, regulate, and mitigate<sub>®</sub>, his/her disability symptom set.

Service Dogs are trained to provide highly specialized and customized service to mitigate the effects of an individual's physical, neurological, psychological, or other medical related disability or disabilities. The Service Dog provides help in conducting everyday life skills, thus enabling the Client to perform more independently than they otherwise would without a Service Dog.

Facility Dogs are trained for placement with professionals and volunteers who use the Facility Dog in workplace or volunteer settings to provide animal assisted interventions, which are designed to promote improvement in physical, social, emotional, and/or cognitive functioning of the individual(s) involved and in which the Handler-Facility Dog Team is an integral part.

Handler Training is the process whereby each Handler learns to utilize and integrate his/her Facility Dog In-Training into the professional/volunteer services and workplace/volunteer setting(s) to provide animal assisted interventions.

Service Dogs and Facility Dogs receive at least 2,100 hours of training at hourly rates ranging from \$9.25 for paws4prisons® inmate trainers to \$75 for the Organization's certified staff trainers. The cost to train each Service Dog ranges from \$90,000 to \$102,000 depending on the Service Dog's certification. The cost to train each Facility Dog ranges from \$60,000 to \$86,000, depending on the Facility Dog's certification.

Emotional Support Dogs are trained to provide emotional support to Handlers within their own homes and other canine-friendly environments. Emotional Support Dogs receive between 240 and 1,200 hours of training at hourly rates ranging from \$9.25 for paws4prisons® Program inmate trainers to \$75 for the Organization's certified staff trainers. Due to the variation in the number of hours trained, the cost to train each Emotional Support Dog ranges from \$55,000 to \$71,000 per canine.

#### 6. <u>Contributed Nonfinancial Assets</u> (Continued)

#### Canines (Continued)

The Organization also trains Breeding Dogs. Breeding Dogs receive training at hourly rates ranging from \$9.25 for paws4prisons® inmate trainers to \$75 for the Organization's certified staff trainers. Due to the variation in the number of hours trained, the cost to train each Breeding Dog ranges from \$23,000 to \$77,000 per canine.

Due to the variation in the age at placement (puppy or adult) and the number of hours trained before placement, the cost associated with canines placed as pets ranges from \$9,000 to \$26,000 per pet.

The Organization retains sole ownership rights for the lifetime of each Service Dog, Facility Dog, Emotional Support Dog, and Breeding Dog, respectively.

At times, a canine may be returned from its Client or Handler for various reasons. At this time, the canine is considered an Inactive Dog and no additional depreciation is taken. The Organization retrains the canine as considered necessary and places the canine with a new Client or Handler. Upon replacement, depreciation of the canine is resumed.

A Client or Handler may request ownership rights to a Service Dog or Facility Dog after retirement of the canine. The Organization will determine in its sole discretion whether and under what circumstances to transfer ownership rights of the canine after his/her retirement.

A Handler may request ownership rights to an Emotional Support Dog after eight years of conditional custody placement. The Organization will determine in its sole discretion whether and under what circumstances to transfer ownership rights of the canine.

A Custodian may request ownership rights to a Breeding Dog after he/she is neutered/spayed. paws4people will determine in its sole discretion whether and under what circumstances to transfer ownership rights of the Breeding Dog.

At December 31, 2022, the Organization had a total of 59 canines in training and 242 canines under post-placement management. Of the 242 canines under post-placement management: 171 are Assistance Dogs; 28 are Emotional Support Dogs; 26 are Facility Dogs; and 17 are Breeding Dogs.

At December 31, 2021, the Organization had a total of 61 canines in training and 283 canines under post-placement management. Of the 283 canines under post-placement management: 177 were Assistance Dogs; 54 were Emotional Support Dogs; 25 were Facility Dogs; and 27 were Breeding Dogs.

#### 7. Net Assets with Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions are available for the following purposes as of December 31:

	 2022	 2021
Subject to Expenditure for Specified Purpose:		
Tractor Supply – Canine Food	\$ <u>43,661</u>	\$ <u>51,917</u>

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purpose or by occurrence of the passage of time or other events specified by donors as follows for the year ended December 31:

		2022	_	2021
Satisfaction of Purpose Restrictions: Federal Grant – Wounded Warrior				
Service Dog Program	\$	684,191	\$	486,915
State Grant		99,650		
Tractor Supply – Canine Food		48,256		27,406
Total	<u>\$</u>	832,097	\$	514,321

#### 8. Subsequent Events

The Organization has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements through September 19, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

T]J[T Certified Public Accountants

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

To the Board of Trustees paws4people, Inc. Wilmington, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of paws4people, Inc. as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and our report thereon dated September 19, 2023, which expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements, appears on pages 1-2. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information included on Schedule 1 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the 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 financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with 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 financial statements as a whole.

The nonaccounting information on page 26, which is the responsibility of management, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. The nonaccounting information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements, and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Thomas, Judy & Pucke, P.A.

Durham, North Carolina September 19, 2023

Schedule 1

# paws4people, Inc. SCHEDULE OF COST AND APPRAISED VALUE December 31, 2022

		Cost Basis	Appraised Value
Property and Equipment:			
Land	\$	695,701 \$	868,115
Buildings and Improvements		2,070,069	1,921,263
Furniture and Equipment		75,304	53,204
Vehicles		243,344	134,732
	<u>\$</u>	3,084,418 \$	2,977,314