

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Inc. and Affiliates

Consolidated Financial Statements
as of and for the Years Ended
December 31, 2024 and 2023, and
Independent Auditor's Report

CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA, INC. AND AFFILIATES

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees of
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Inc., and Affiliates
Atlanta, Georgia

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Inc. (a Georgia not-for-profit corporation) and Affiliates ("Children's"), which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements (collectively referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Children's as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Children's 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 Children's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement

resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

Deloitte + Touche LLP

May 20, 2025

CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA, INC. AND AFFILIATES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023 (In thousands)

	2024	2023
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 83,648	\$ 114,927
Assets whose use is limited (Notes 5 and 6)	27,563	27,892
Patient accounts receivable—net	456,502	366,408
Contributions receivable—net (Note 1)	67,190	66,276
Other receivables	26,137	26,025
Supplies and prepaid expenses	<u>69,121</u>	<u>53,537</u>
Total current assets	<u>730,161</u>	<u>655,065</u>
ASSETS WHOSE USE IS LIMITED (Notes 5 and 6)	<u>8,664,627</u>	<u>7,588,145</u>
OTHER NONCURRENT ASSETS:		
Deposits and other assets	30,432	31,555
Right-of-use lease assets (Note 8)	33,630	38,181
Noncurrent contributions receivable—net (Note 1)	<u>131,017</u>	<u>165,959</u>
Total other noncurrent assets	<u>195,079</u>	<u>235,695</u>
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT—Net (Note 1)	<u>2,544,432</u>	<u>2,455,809</u>
BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN TRUSTS	<u>269,371</u>	<u>250,918</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$12,403,670</u>	<u>\$11,185,632</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Current maturities of long-term debt (Note 7)	\$ 32,742	\$ 32,074
Long-term debt classified as current (Note 7)	27,563	27,892
Current portion of right-of-use lease obligations (Note 8)	10,661	10,317
Current pledges (Note 1)	3,000	14,000
Accounts payable and other	248,706	306,351
Salaries, related taxes, and benefits	<u>130,878</u>	<u>99,677</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>453,550</u>	<u>490,311</u>
LONG-TERM DEBT—Net of portion classified as current (Note 7)	1,122,927	1,154,926
NONCURRENT PLEDGES (Note 1)	943	2,404
RIGHT-OF-USE LEASE OBLIGATIONS (Note 8)	25,554	29,879
OTHER NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>72,244</u>	<u>116,592</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>1,221,668</u>	<u>1,303,801</u>
NET ASSETS:		
Without donor restriction	9,958,069	8,310,884
With donor restriction (Note 2)	764,517	1,073,895
Noncontrolling interests in Surgery Center	<u>5,866</u>	<u>6,741</u>
Total net assets	<u>10,728,452</u>	<u>9,391,520</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$12,403,670</u>	<u>\$11,185,632</u>

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA, INC. AND AFFILIATES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023 (In thousands)

	2024 Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	2023 Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
OPERATING REVENUES AND SUPPORT:						
Net patient service revenue	\$2,610,464	\$ -	\$2,610,464	\$2,396,707	\$ -	\$2,396,707
Other operating revenue	81,547	-	81,547	74,615	-	74,615
Contributions	32,583	102,785	135,368	30,489	91,261	121,750
Investment return designated for operations	79,972	-	79,972	75,244	-	75,244
Net assets released from restriction for operations	<u>76,220</u>	<u>(76,220)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,111</u>	<u>(71,111)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total operating revenues and support	<u>2,880,786</u>	<u>26,565</u>	<u>2,907,351</u>	<u>2,648,166</u>	<u>20,150</u>	<u>2,668,316</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES:						
Salaries and wages	1,327,464	-	1,327,464	1,208,998	-	1,208,998
Employee benefits	331,168	-	331,168	274,409	-	274,409
Purchased services	262,717	-	262,717	241,552	-	241,552
Supplies	355,158	-	355,158	273,410	-	273,410
Other	139,363	-	139,363	137,478	-	137,478
Interest	24,745	-	24,745	21,266	-	21,266
Depreciation	<u>131,196</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>131,196</u>	<u>92,805</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>92,805</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>2,571,811</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,571,811</u>	<u>2,249,918</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,249,918</u>
OPERATING INCOME	308,975	26,565	335,540	398,248	20,150	418,398
INVESTMENT INCOME (Note 5)	945,627	33,977	979,604	674,917	29,078	703,995
CHANGE IN FAIR VALUE OF INTEREST RATE SWAPS (Notes 1 and 7)	<u>13,202</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,202</u>	<u>2,411</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,411</u>
REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	1,267,804	60,542	1,328,346	1,075,576	49,228	1,124,804
INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS	<u>(7,140)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,140)</u>	<u>(7,700)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,700)</u>
REVENUE OVER EXPENSES ATTRIBUTABLE TO CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA, INC. AND AFFILIATES	<u>\$1,260,664</u>	<u>\$ 60,542</u>	<u>\$1,321,206</u>	<u>\$1,067,876</u>	<u>\$ 49,228</u>	<u>\$1,117,104</u>

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA, INC. AND AFFILIATES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023 (In thousands)

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Noncontrolling Interests	Total
NET ASSETS—December 31, 2022	\$7,242,402	\$1,030,252	\$ 6,525	\$ 8,279,179
Revenues over expenses	1,067,876	49,228	7,700	1,124,804
Net assets released from restriction for Hughes Spalding (Notes 1 and 2)	-	(2,967)	-	(2,967)
Net assets released from restriction for property additions	625	(625)	-	-
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in Surgery Center	-	-	(7,484)	(7,484)
Decrease in beneficial interests in trusts	-	(1,993)	-	(1,993)
Other	(19)	-	-	(19)
Increase in net assets	<u>1,068,482</u>	<u>43,643</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>1,112,341</u>
NET ASSETS—December 31, 2023	8,310,884	1,073,895	6,741	9,391,520
Revenues over expenses	1,260,664	60,542	7,140	1,328,346
Net assets released from restriction for Hughes Spalding (Notes 1 and 2)	-	(3,246)	-	(3,246)
Net assets released from restriction for property additions	385,080	(385,080)	-	-
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in Surgery Center	-	-	(6,215)	(6,215)
Change in noncontrolling ownership interests in Surgery Center—net	-	-	(1,800)	(1,800)
Increase in beneficial interests in trusts	-	18,453	-	18,453
Other	<u>1,441</u>	<u>(47)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,394</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets	<u>1,647,185</u>	<u>(309,378)</u>	<u>(875)</u>	<u>1,336,932</u>
NET ASSETS—December 31, 2024	<u>\$9,958,069</u>	<u>\$ 764,517</u>	<u>\$ 5,866</u>	<u>\$10,728,452</u>

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA, INC. AND AFFILIATES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023 (In thousands)

	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Change in net assets	<u>\$ 1,336,932</u>	<u>\$ 1,112,341</u>
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	131,196	92,805
Bond issuance cost amortization	414	468
Bond premium amortization	(7,314)	(7,807)
Amortization of Cloud Computing Implementation Costs (Note 1)	4,513	4,513
Net unrealized gains on investments	(482,812)	(417,955)
Net realized gains on sale of investments	(138,894)	(106,906)
Net change in fair value of interest rate swaps	(13,202)	(2,411)
Equity in income of unconsolidated investments	(363,222)	(190,360)
Restricted contributions and other	(120,702)	(108,884)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in Surgery Center and other, net	6,574	7,946
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Patient accounts receivable and other receivables	(97,892)	(34,950)
Supplies and prepaid expenses	(15,584)	5,609
Other noncurrent assets	(17,292)	9,468
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	11,283	51,823
Other noncurrent liabilities	<u>258</u>	<u>(14,257)</u>
Total adjustments	<u>(1,102,676)</u>	<u>(710,898)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>234,256</u>	<u>401,443</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Property additions	(305,632)	(469,539)
Purchase of assets whose use is limited	(4,056,928)	(4,352,107)
Proceeds from sales and maturities of assets whose use is limited	<u>3,985,059</u>	<u>4,316,092</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(377,501)</u>	<u>(505,554)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Repayments of long-term debt	(24,760)	(23,670)
Cash proceeds from restricted contributions and investment income	143,061	145,513
Distributions to noncontrolling interests in Surgery Center	(6,215)	(7,484)
Change in noncontrolling ownership interests in Surgery Center, net	<u>(120)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>111,966</u>	<u>114,359</u>
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(31,279)	10,248
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS—Beginning of year	<u>114,927</u>	<u>104,679</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS—End of year	<u>\$ 83,648</u>	<u>\$ 114,927</u>

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA, INC. AND AFFILIATES

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AS OF AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

1. ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING POLICIES

Organization—Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Inc. ("Children's") was formed in 1998 when Egleston Children's Health Care System and Scottish Rite Children's Medical Center effectively merged by creating Children's as the controlling company for both organizations.

Today, Children's is a pediatric health care system based in Atlanta, Georgia, organized for the purposes of treating children, encouraging and supporting scientific investigation into the medical problems of children, and providing instruction in the diseases and care of children. Children's includes the following organizations:

- a. Arthur M. Blank Hospital, Inc. (formerly known as Egleston Children's Hospital at Emory University, Inc.) provides inpatient and outpatient pediatric health care services.
- b. Scottish Rite Children's Medical Center, Inc. operates as Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Scottish Rite and provides inpatient and outpatient pediatric health care services.
- c. Urgent Care at Children's, Inc. provides urgent pediatric health care services.
- d. Children's Physician Group, Inc. provides pediatric physician services.
- e. Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Foundation, Inc. promotes Children's in the community and raises financial support for Children's through fund-raising activities.
- f. Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Cardiology, Inc. ("Children's Cardiology") provides pediatric cardiac physicians services.
- g. The Children's Health Network, LLC is a physician hospital organization.
- h. The Children's Care Network, Inc. is a clinically integrated network.
- i. HSOC, Inc. provides management, administrative, and related services to Hughes Spalding Children's Hospital ("Hughes Spalding"), a pediatric hospital wholly owned by Grady Health System, Inc. Pursuant to a management agreement, HSOC, Inc. may be required to provide financial support to Hughes Spalding. HSOC, Inc. may terminate the management agreement with a 180-day notice to Grady Health System, Inc.
- j. Marcus Autism Center, Inc. is a provider of outpatient therapy and counseling services and limited inpatient services for children with autism and other behavioral disorders.
- k. Real Estate Enterprises, LLC is a special-purpose entity for real estate transactions.
- l. Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Affiliations, LLC is a special-purpose entity for health system affiliation transactions.

- m. Pediatric Informatics, LLC is a special-purpose entity for information technology services provided to other health care systems.
- n. Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta Surgery Center at Meridian Mark Plaza, LLC (“Surgery Center”) is a joint venture with physicians to operate an outpatient surgery center, in which Children’s maintains ownership of at least 51%.

Summary of Significant Accounting and Reporting Policies—A summary of the significant accounting and reporting policies followed by Children’s in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements is presented below:

Principles of Consolidation—The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Children’s and all its wholly owned, majority-owned, and controlled organizations. Intercompany transactions and account balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

Cash and Cash Equivalents—Children’s considers all highly liquid instruments with original maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase to be cash equivalents, excluding those amounts limited as to use by the Board of Trustees (the “Board”), management, or donor designation. Children’s invests cash that is not required for immediate operating needs in major financial institutions in amounts that exceed Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation limits.

Assets Whose Use is Limited—Assets whose use is limited primarily include assets restricted by donors and assets set aside by the Board over which the Board retains control. The Board has previously designated quasi-endowments for academics, behavioral health, child advocacy, and rural health. The earnings of these quasi-endowments support these mission-focused programs. The Board may, at its discretion, subsequently use these assets for other purposes.

Investments in marketable equity and other securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are measured at fair value in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Generally, investment income or loss (including realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments, interest, and dividends) is included in revenues over expenses as investment income. Investments in nonmarketable securities (which primarily include investments in partnerships and limited liability companies) without readily determinable fair values are accounted for using the equity method of accounting where Children’s owns less than 50% of the ownership interest.

Derivative Instruments—Children’s uses derivative financial instruments to manage movements in interest rates. Interest rate swaps are contractual agreements between two parties for the exchange of interest payments on a notional principal amount at agreed-upon fixed or floating rates for defined periods. Children’s also enters into derivative instruments for trading purposes to adjust investment exposure. Credit risk related to the derivative financial instruments is considered minimal and is managed by requiring high-credit standards for its counterparties. Any change in the fair value of these derivative instruments is included in revenues over expenses.

Capitalized Cloud Computing Arrangements—Children’s capitalizes costs associated with the implementation of cloud computing arrangements in accordance with Accounting Standards Update No. 2018-15, Intangibles – Goodwill and Other – Internal Use. As of December 31, 2024, capitalized costs, net of amortization, were approximately \$13,318,000, as compared to \$17,831,000 as of December 31, 2023, and are included in deposits and other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Amortization expense of \$4,513,000 is included in other operating expenses of the Company’s consolidated statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Property and Equipment—Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Children’s policy is to capitalize major additions, including interest costs during construction, and to remove retired items from the accounts. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated service lives of the depreciable property and equipment. The depreciable lives applied are generally 16 to 40 years for buildings and renovations, 15 years for fixed equipment, 7 to 10 years for movable equipment, and 3 to 5 years for computer software and hardware.

A detail of property, equipment, and accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, is as follows (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Land and land improvements	\$ 197,280	\$ 197,280
Buildings and fixed equipment	2,133,166	1,081,739
Movable equipment and computer software	1,388,974	733,503
Construction in progress	<u>39,938</u>	<u>1,536,352</u>
 Total property and equipment	 3,759,358	 3,548,874
 Less: accumulated depreciation	 <u>(1,214,926)</u>	 <u>(1,093,065)</u>
 Property and equipment—net	 <u>\$ 2,544,432</u>	 <u>\$ 2,455,809</u>

Beneficial Interests in Trusts—Children’s is the beneficiary of the proportional income from certain perpetual third-party trusts. Children’s has no access to the corpus of these trusts and has only limited input into the investment mix of the funds in the trusts in some cases. The estimated fair value of these trusts has been recorded as an asset and as a component of net assets with donor restriction in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets based on the donor or trust agreement. Management’s fair value estimate is updated quarterly, the effect of which is included in the accompanying consolidated statements of changes in net assets as an increase in net assets with donor restriction.

Net Patient Service Revenue and Patient Accounts Receivable—All revenue is recognized at the point in time when the services are provided at an amount that reflects the consideration Children’s expects to realize from the provision of those services. Children’s has agreements with third-party payors that provide for payments to Children’s at amounts different from its established rates. Payment arrangements may include prospectively determined rates per discharge, reimbursed costs, discounted charges, and per-diem payments. Net patient service revenue and patient accounts receivable are reported at the estimated net realizable amounts from patients, third-party payors, and others for services rendered, including estimated retroactive adjustments under reimbursement agreements with third-party payors and expected bad debts. Retroactive adjustments are accrued on an estimated basis in the period that related services are rendered and adjusted in future periods as final settlements are determined.

A summary of the payment arrangements with major third-party payors is as follows:

Medicaid and Other Governmental Programs—Payments for inpatient services rendered to Medicaid patients are based on prospectively determined rates per discharge. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic, and other factors. Payments for outpatient services rendered under this program are generally based on the reasonable cost of providing care or fee schedules.

Laws and regulations governing the Medicaid and Medicare programs are extremely complex and subject to interpretation. Net patient service revenue decreased approximately \$1,265,000 in 2024 and increased \$661,000 in 2023, respectively, due to cash payments and the removal of allowances previously estimated that are no longer necessary as a result of final settlements and years that are no longer subject to reviews, audits, or investigation. Children’s recognizes that net patient service revenue and patient accounts receivable from government agencies are significant to its operations.

Managed Care and Commercial Programs—Children’s has entered into payment arrangements with certain commercial insurance companies and managed care providers. The basis for payment to Children’s under these agreements may include prospectively determined rates per discharge, discounts from established charges, and prospectively determined daily rates.

Children’s recognizes patient service revenue for patients that do not qualify for charity care based on standard rates for services provided. A significant portion of the patients that do not qualify for charity care will be unable or unwilling to pay for services provided. Thus, Children’s records a provision for doubtful accounts related to these patients in the period the services are provided. Patient service revenue, net of contractual allowances, discounts, and estimated bad debts, recognized for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, by payor, was approximately (in thousands):

	2024		2023	
Medicaid & other governmental	\$ 906,800	34.7 %	\$ 907,352	37.9 %
Managed care & commercial	1,692,373	64.8	1,477,092	61.6
Self-pay	11,291	0.5	12,263	0.5
Total	<u>\$ 2,610,464</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>	<u>\$ 2,396,707</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>

Contributions—Contributions are recorded at fair value upon receipt of cash or other assets or when unconditional promises to contribute are received and are included in contributions receivable and noncurrent contributions receivable in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Conditional promises to give are reported at fair value at the date the gift is received or at the time the condition is substantially met. Promises to pay are discounted to their present value using an interest rate commensurate with the collection risk involved. Gifts, bequests, and promises to pay, which are restricted by donors as to use or to be received in excess of one year, are recorded as net assets with donor restriction until used in the manner designated or upon expiration of the time period over which the assets are to be received.

Assets released from restrictions for their intended purposes are included in operating revenues in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations or as a transfer to net assets without donor restriction in the accompanying consolidated statements of changes in net assets if the use is for a capital item. Donated property and equipment are recorded as net assets with donor restriction at fair value on the date of receipt. When donated property and equipment are used for their intended purposes that meets the donor restrictions, the applicable amount is transferred to net assets without donor restriction.

Contributions receivable as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, are as follows (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Due in less than one year	\$ 68,674	\$ 67,707
Due between one and five years	136,141	156,311
Due in more than five years	<u>14,378</u>	<u>35,800</u>
 Total contributions receivable	 219,193	 259,818
Less: allowance for uncollectible amounts	<u>(20,986)</u>	<u>(27,583)</u>
 Contributions receivable—net	 <u>\$ 198,207</u>	 <u>\$ 232,235</u>

Pledges—To further its mission of encouraging scientific investigation into the medical problems of children and supporting child advocacy programs, Children’s periodically makes irrevocable funding commitments to third parties. At December 31, 2024, Children’s had outstanding funding commitments of approximately \$4,000,000. These irrevocable commitments were recorded as a component of purchased services in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations in the year the pledges were made.

Income Taxes—Children’s is primarily composed of organizations that have been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as tax exempt under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations. Children’s Cardiology and The Children’s Care Network are taxable entities, and the provision for income taxes was not material for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Supplemental Cash Flow Information—Children’s significant non-cash adjustments and other supplemental cash flow information are as follows (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Adjustments for significant non-cash items—property additions recorded in accrued liabilities	<u>\$ 2,724</u>	<u>\$ 3,431</u>
 Supplemental cash flow information—cash paid for interest ⁽¹⁾	 <u>\$46,475</u>	 <u>\$49,307</u>

⁽¹⁾ Of the amounts paid in 2024 and 2023, net of escrow earnings and fees, \$14,948 and \$20,234, respectively, were capitalized.

Use of Estimates—The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Further, these estimates and other factors, including those outside the control of Children’s, such as market fluctuations, may have a significant impact to the business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows of Children’s. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. NET ASSETS WITH RESTRICTIONS

Net assets with restrictions include net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors, grantors, or the Board. Net assets with donor restriction will be met by expenditure for a specific purpose or the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

Net Assets with Donor Restriction Subject to Expenditure for Specific Purpose or Passage of Time—

Net assets with donor restrictions are restricted for the following purposes as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Clinical	\$ 128,216	\$ 103,660
Academics	41,094	41,676
Child advocacy	1,404	1,534
Capital	1,389	369,577
Multipurpose	7,844	9,299
Time	<u>1,600</u>	<u>1,499</u>
Total	<u>\$ 181,547</u>	<u>\$ 527,245</u>

Net Assets with Donor Restriction Subject to Spending Policy and Appropriation—Investments in perpetuity, including amounts above original gift amounts of \$112,496,000 which once appropriated under the spending policy, are expendable to support as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Clinical	\$ 407,542	\$ 380,962
Academics	82,599	75,994
Child advocacy	11,139	10,366
Multipurpose	<u>81,690</u>	<u>79,328</u>
Total	<u>\$ 582,970</u>	<u>\$ 546,650</u>
Total net assets with donor restrictions	<u>\$ 764,517</u>	<u>\$ 1,073,895</u>

Net Assets without Donor Restriction Subject to Board Designation and Appropriation—

The Children's Board has quasi-endowed, from net assets without donor restriction, funds for the following purposes as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Academics	\$ 1,392,682	\$ 1,338,798
Child advocacy	298,020	285,181
Behavioral health	635,298	611,559
Rural health	226,982	214,523
Other	<u>35,697</u>	<u>30,690</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,588,679</u>	<u>\$ 2,480,751</u>

Children’s follows authoritative guidance on the net asset classification of donor-restricted endowment funds for not-for-profit organizations that are subject to an enacted version of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (“UPMIFA”). This guidance also requires enhanced disclosures for all endowment funds, including funds designated as endowments by the Board. Children’s has interpreted UPMIFA as requiring the preservation of fair value of the original gift absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result, Children’s classifies the original value of the gifts donated to the permanent endowment, the income derived from which is expendable to support the various programs sponsored by Children’s in accordance with the donor’s wishes. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment funds are appropriated for expenditures by Children’s consistent with the donor’s wishes. Losses on the investments of donor-restricted endowment funds are recorded as a reduction of net assets with donor restriction to the extent that donor-imposed restrictions on net appreciation of the fund have not been met before the loss occurs. Any remaining losses reduce net assets without donor restriction and are excluded from revenues over expenses.

Children’s investment and spending policies for endowment assets are intended to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by the endowment, while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that Children’s must hold in perpetuity and the unexpended appreciation on those funds. Under this policy, as approved by the Board, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield results of the market average, after fees, while assuming a moderate level of investment risk. Children’s expects its endowment funds, over time, to provide a real rate of return of 5% (net of fees and adjusted for inflation) as calculated based on rolling five-year periods. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount.

To satisfy its long-term rate of return objectives, Children’s relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). Children’s targets a diversified asset allocation intended to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

Children’s has a policy of appropriating, for distribution each year, no more than 5% of its endowment funds based on a 12-quarter rolling average market value. In establishing this policy, Children’s considered the long-term expected return on its endowments.

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, is as follows (in thousands):

	2024			2023		
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Donor-restricted funds	\$ -	\$580,960	\$ 580,960	\$ -	\$545,440	\$ 545,440
Board-designated funds	<u>2,588,679</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,588,679</u>	<u>2,480,751</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,480,751</u>
Total funds	<u>\$2,588,679</u>	<u>\$580,960</u>	<u>\$3,169,639</u>	<u>\$2,480,751</u>	<u>\$545,440</u>	<u>\$3,026,191</u>

Endowment net asset balances and activities for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, are as follows (in thousands):

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Balance—December 31, 2022	\$ 2,364,889	\$ 526,073	\$ 2,890,962
Investment income and other	192,420	29,078	221,498
Decrease in beneficial interest in trusts	-	(2,096)	(2,096)
Contributions	-	5,437	5,437
Appropriations for expenditures	<u>(76,558)</u>	<u>(13,052)</u>	<u>(89,610)</u>
Balance—December 31, 2023	2,480,751	545,440	3,026,191
Investment income and other	187,332	33,977	221,309
Increase in beneficial interest in trusts	-	18,453	18,453
Board quasi-endowments	2,025	-	2,025
Contributions	-	172	172
Appropriations for expenditures	(81,429)	(13,082)	(94,511)
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,000)</u>	<u>(4,000)</u>
Balance—December 31, 2024	<u>\$ 2,588,679</u>	<u>\$ 580,960</u>	<u>\$ 3,169,639</u>

Children’s receives restricted contributions on behalf of strategic partners for specific purposes. Such restricted contributions are recorded as contributions to net assets with donor restriction and are reclassified from restriction when the amounts are sent to the intended recipient. For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, Children’s released from net assets with donor restriction \$3,246,000 and \$2,967,000, respectively.

3. COMMUNITY BENEFIT AND CHARITY CARE

In accordance with its mission, Children’s commits significant resources to promote the health and well-being of children. In support of this endeavor, Children’s recognizes that some of its most fragile constituents are children whose families are financially or medically indigent. To that end, Children’s provides medical treatment to children whose family or custodians are unable to pay for such treatment. Children’s ensures that charity care, indigent care, education, research, and other sponsored community programs (“Community Benefit”) benefit all children, regardless of economic status. Therefore, Children’s maintains Community Benefit programs, within limits, that are available to the entire community, with equal consideration for those who are poor and underserved.

Charity Care—Represents the unreimbursed cost of providing, funding, or financially supporting health care services to a patient classified as financially indigent and who has not been insured or partially insured by one of the available government-sponsored means-tested indigent care programs. Because many of Children’s financially indigent patients qualify for government sponsored indigent care programs, the amounts of charity care are much less than the unreimbursed cost of government-sponsored indigent care programs. The cost of charity care is calculated using a cost-to-charge ratio times the amount of unreimbursed charges. Children’s estimates unreimbursed costs for charity care, a component of Community Benefit, to be approximately \$77,743,000 for the year ended December 31, 2024. Total unreimbursed costs for charity care for the year ended December 31, 2023, as reported in annual filings to the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”), was \$52,049,000.

Unreimbursed Cost of Government Sponsored Programs—Represents unreimbursed costs for Medicaid services and is calculated using a cost-to-charge ratio times the amount of unreimbursed charges, net of funding from the State of Georgia for neonatal care, and other funding provided to defray these costs. Total unreimbursed costs for Medicaid services, a component of Community Benefit for the year ended December 31, 2023, as reported in annual filings to the Internal Revenue Service, was \$213,987,000.

Community Benefit—Total Community Benefit cost, as reported in annual filings to the IRS and which includes charity and unreimbursed costs for Medicaid services amounts noted above, was \$412,391,000 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Children’s will complete and file various public disclosures, including its federal tax return with the IRS and other reports to the state of Georgia, that will include estimated costs of its fiscal year 2024 charity, unreimbursed care, and total community benefit costs.

4. LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES

Children’s liquidity and availability of resources to meet cash needs within one year is presented below. Children’s financial assets are reduced by amounts not available for general use because of contractual, donor-imposed, or board-imposed restrictions. Amounts not available include amounts set aside for quasi-endowments that could be drawn upon if the Board approves that action. However, amounts already appropriated from either the donor-restricted endowment or quasi-endowment for general expenditure within one year of the balance sheet date have not been subtracted as unavailable. Amounts available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year are as follows (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Financial assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 83,648	\$ 114,927
Patient accounts receivable—net	456,502	366,408
Assets whose use is limited	8,692,190	7,616,037
Contributions receivable—net	67,190	66,276
Other receivables	<u>26,137</u>	<u>26,025</u>
Total financial assets	9,325,667	8,189,673
Less those unavailable for general expenditure within one year due to:		
Contractual or donor-imposed restrictions:		
Subject to expenditure for specific purpose or passage of time	(181,547)	(527,245)
Subject to spending policy and appropriation	(582,970)	(546,650)
Board designations—quasi-endowments	(2,588,679)	(2,480,751)
Amounts set aside for standby bond purchase agreement	(27,563)	(27,892)
Unencumbered investments in credit funds	(281,920)	(166,497)
Unencumbered investments in diversifying hedge funds	(694,817)	(597,572)
Unencumbered investments in long biased equity	(2,060,148)	(1,387,828)
Unencumbered investments in long/short equity	(321,274)	(298,264)
Unencumbered investments in nonmarketable securities	<u>(1,757,872)</u>	<u>(1,410,829)</u>
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year	<u>\$ 828,877</u>	<u>\$ 746,145</u>

Children’s is supported by restricted contributions. Because a donor’s restriction requires resources to be used in a particular manner or in a future period, Children’s must maintain sufficient resources to meet these responsibilities to its donors. Thus, financial assets may not be available for general expenditure within one year. As part of Children’s liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. In addition, Children’s invests cash in excess of daily requirements in short-term investments.

5. ASSETS WHOSE USE IS LIMITED

The composition of assets limited as to use as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, is set forth in the following table (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Board-designated for asset acquisition, uncompensated care, debt service, strategic, and operational activities:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 305,034	\$ 166,655
Public equity	57,996	108,871
Fixed income	295,926	282,423
Credit funds	381,889	225,757
Diversifying hedge funds	941,197	810,261
Long biased equity	2,790,673	2,113,910
Long/short equity	435,197	404,764
Investments in nonmarketable securities	2,381,209	1,912,975
Held for capital projects:		
Cash and cash equivalents	36,056	320,729
Fixed income	<u>641,269</u>	<u>668,625</u>
Subtotal	<u>8,266,446</u>	<u>7,014,970</u>
Donor-restricted for special purposes:		
Cash and cash equivalents	17,112	16,624
Public equity	3,254	10,860
Fixed income	16,601	28,172
Credit funds	21,424	22,520
Diversifying hedge funds	52,800	80,825
Long biased equity	156,555	210,867
Long/short equity	24,414	40,376
Investments in nonmarketable securities	<u>133,584</u>	<u>190,823</u>
Subtotal	<u>425,744</u>	<u>601,067</u>
Total assets whose use is limited	8,692,190	7,616,037
Less: portion classified as current (Note 7)	<u>(27,563)</u>	<u>(27,892)</u>
Total assets whose use is limited—noncurrent	<u>\$8,664,627</u>	<u>\$7,588,145</u>

Investment Income—Significant components of investment income for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, are as follows (in thousands):

	2024			2023		
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Investment income:						
Interest and dividends	\$ 48,944	\$ 1,938	\$ 50,882	\$ 43,586	\$ 1,194	\$ 44,780
Net realized gains on sales of investments	138,894	7,885	146,779	106,906	6,366	113,272
Net unrealized gains on investments	482,812	26,104	508,916	417,955	23,176	441,131
Equity in income of unconsolidated investments	<u>363,222</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>363,222</u>	<u>190,360</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>190,360</u>
Total investment income	1,033,872	35,927	1,069,799	758,807	30,736	789,543
Less: investment expenses	<u>(8,273)</u>	<u>(1,950)</u>	<u>(10,223)</u>	<u>(8,646)</u>	<u>(1,658)</u>	<u>(10,304)</u>
Net of investment expenses	1,025,599	33,977	1,059,576	750,161	29,078	779,239
Less: investment return designated for operations	<u>(79,972)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(79,972)</u>	<u>(75,244)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(75,244)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 945,627</u>	<u>\$33,977</u>	<u>\$ 979,604</u>	<u>\$674,917</u>	<u>\$29,078</u>	<u>\$703,995</u>

Investments in Nonmarketable Securities Accounted for under the Equity Method—The accompanying consolidated statements of operations reflect equity in income related to Children’s investment in nonmarketable securities elected to be accounted for under the equity method of accounting of approximately \$363,222,000 and \$190,360,000 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Nonmarketable securities include limited partnerships and limited liability companies. For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, Children’s ownership of the nonmarketable securities is \$2,514,793,000 and \$2,103,798,000, respectively. Investments in nonmarketable assets consist of private equity, long biased equity, venture capital, and credit funds where a commitment is made to the fund, funds are drawn on that commitment for several years as investments are made, and eventually the securities are sold and the proceeds distributed to the fund participants. Children’s does not control the funding or liquidation of the investments. Children’s ownership of nonmarketable funds ranges from less than 1% to 50% of individual fund total value. For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, Children’s had outstanding commitments to nonmarketable securities funds of \$1,429,740,000 and \$1,246,763,000, respectively.

Private Equity—Securities represent illiquid investments in private funds structured as limited partnerships or limited liability companies which hold domestic and foreign equity securities. The investments are non-redeemable; however, periodic distributions may be made to Children’s at the managers’ discretion as underlying portfolio assets are liquidated. Private equity unfunded commitments are \$1,127,046,000 and \$1,070,658,000 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Long Biased Equity—Securities represent private and institutional commingled equity funds that are not publicly traded. The underlying assets in the funds are publicly traded on the exchanges and price quotes for the assets held by the funds are readily available. These investments are redeemable at net asset value. The funds typically allow redemptions quarterly, biannually, or annually and require a redemption notification period of 1 day to 120 days. There were no long biased equity unfunded commitments for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Venture Capital—Securities represent illiquid investments in private funds structured as limited partnerships or limited liability companies which invest in startup companies and early stage emerging companies with long term growth potential in domestic and foreign markets. Venture capital unfunded commitments are \$253,788,000 and \$125,042,000 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Credit Funds—Securities represent funds pursuing capital appreciation through exposure across credit markets including corporate and structured credit, distressed securities, and special situation. The funds hold public and private investments. These funds typically allow redemptions quarterly, biannually, or annually and require a redemption notification period of 60 days to 90 days. Credit funds unfunded commitments are \$48,906,000 and \$51,063,000 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Investments in Derivative Instruments—Investment strategies utilized by Children’s may incorporate futures, options, swaps, and other derivative instruments to adjust investment exposure to securities, markets, and currencies without taking a position in the underlying assets. The derivatives expose Children’s to risk of movements in the fair value of the underlying security and a counterparty’s failing to meet its obligations. Derivatives are held with one counterparty. As of December 31, 2024, Children’s held \$59,654,000 in Equity Index Futures and \$1,259,000 of Equity Options. As of December 31, 2023, Children’s held \$213,767,000 in Equity Index Futures offset by (\$213,767,000) of Equity Futures. Cash collateral of \$0 and \$12,089,000 was pledged as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The fair value of the derivatives is included in Assets Whose Use is Limited in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. For the years ended December 31, 2024, and 2023, Children’s investment derivative program had a loss of \$18,610,250 and earnings of \$10,376,000, respectively, included in investment income in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

The following table summarizes Children’s open investment-related derivative exposures, categorized by underlying risk, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, (in thousands):

	Expiration Date	Notional Amount	Fair Value	Change in Fair Value
2024				
Equity Index Futures	March 15, 2025	\$ 59,609	\$ 59,654	\$ 45
Equity Options	February 20, 2025	8,737	1,259	7,478
2023				
Equity Index Futures	March 15, 2024	\$ 205,924	\$ 213,767	\$ 7,843

6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Children’s uses fair value to measure certain financial assets and financial liabilities. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (“exit price”) in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

In determining fair value, Children’s uses various valuation approaches. The hierarchy of those valuation approaches is broken down into three levels based on the reliability of inputs as follows:

Level 1—Inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date. An active market for the asset or liability is a

market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis. The valuation under this approach does not entail a significant degree of judgment.

Level 2—Inputs are other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (e.g., interest rates and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals or current market), and contractual prices for the underlying financial instrument, as well as other relevant economic measures.

Level 3—Inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs shall be used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date.

The fair value table presents information about Children’s assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, as follows (in thousands):

Fair Value—December 31, 2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets whose use is limited:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$358,202	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 358,202
Public equity	55,956	-	5,294	61,250
Fixed income	-	953,796	-	953,796
Beneficial interests in trusts	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>269,371</u>	<u>269,371</u>
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$414,158</u>	<u>\$953,796</u>	<u>\$274,665</u>	1,642,619
Net asset value:				
Equity exposure:				
Long biased equity				2,947,228
Long/short equity				459,611
Fixed income exposure:				
Diversifying hedge funds				993,997
Credit funds				<u>403,313</u>
Total				<u>\$6,446,768</u>
Liabilities—interest rate swap agreements	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 16,510</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 16,510</u>

Fair Value—December 31, 2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets whose use is limited:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$504,008	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 504,008
Public equity	114,821	-	4,909	119,730
Fixed income	1,147	978,073	-	979,220
Beneficial interests in trusts	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250,918</u>	<u>250,918</u>
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$619,976</u>	<u>\$978,073</u>	<u>\$255,827</u>	1,853,876
Net asset value:				
Equity exposure:				
Long biased equity				2,324,778
Long/short equity				445,140
Fixed income exposure:				
Diversifying hedge funds				891,086
Credit funds				<u>248,276</u>
Total				<u>\$5,763,156</u>
Liabilities—interest rate swap agreements				
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 29,712</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 29,712</u>

Cash and Cash Equivalents—Children’s invests cash that is not required for immediate operating needs in major financial institutions in amounts that exceed Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation limits. Investment transactions occurring on trade date December 31 are included in cash as either a payable or receivable from a fund as appropriate.

Fixed Income—Children’s fixed income strategy is comprised of highly-liquid U.S. Treasury securities held in a separately managed account at the custodian bank.

The estimated fair values of beneficial interests in trust and public equity are based on unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by observable market data and are thus classified as Level 3. Children’s values all beneficial interests in trusts based on the proportional value of the trust’s underlying assets as of the viewing end date. Public equity is primarily valued based on its respective claims on a series of call options with strike prices at various values.

Investments Measured at Net Asset Value

Long Biased Equity—Private and institutional commingled equity funds that are not publicly traded. The underlying assets in the funds are publicly traded on the exchanges and price quotes for the assets held by the funds are readily available. These investments are redeemable at net asset value. The funds typically allow redemptions quarterly, biannually, or annually and require a redemption notification period of 1 day to 120 days. Long biased equity unfunded commitments are \$50,000,000 and \$26,400,000 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Long/Short Equity—Funds that invest in equity positions both long and short across a broad range of markets. These funds typically allow redemptions quarterly, biannually, or annually and require a redemption notification period of 60 days to 120 days.

Diversifying Hedge Funds—Private funds that seek to generate diversifying returns with minimal market correlation. The funds hold public and private investments. These funds typically allow redemptions quarterly, biannually, or annually and require a redemption notification period of 30 days to 90 days.

Credit Funds—Funds pursuing capital appreciation through exposure across credit markets including corporate and structured credit, distressed securities, and special situation. The funds hold public and private investments. These funds typically allow redemptions quarterly, biannually, or annually and require a redemption notification period of 60 days to 90 days.

The changes in assets classified as Level 3 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, are as follows (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Balance—January 1	\$ 255,827	\$ 259,452
Change in public equity	385	(1,632)
Change in beneficial interest in trusts	<u>18,453</u>	<u>(1,993)</u>
Balance—December 31	<u>\$ 274,665</u>	<u>\$ 255,827</u>

During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, there were no significant transfers between Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 investments.

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Accounts Receivables—The carrying amount approximates fair value because of the short-term nature of these instruments.

7. LONG-TERM DEBT

A summary of long-term debt as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, is as follows (in thousands):

	2024	2023
2008 Certificates & Bonds—2008 variable rate revenue anticipation certificates and bonds due July 2042. Interest rates range from 1.88% to 4.99% for the year ended December 31, 2024. Mandatory sinking fund redemption beginning July 2009.	\$ 63,285	\$ 63,795
2017 Certificates & Bonds—2017 variable rate revenue anticipation certificates and bonds due July 2039. Interest rates range from 3.94% to 4.59% for the year ended December 31, 2024.	146,475	151,000
2019 Certificates & Bonds—2019 fixed and variable rate revenue anticipation certificates and bonds due July 2049. Interest rates range from 2.00% to 5.00% payable semiannually—including unamortized premium of \$71,358 in 2024 and \$78,672 in 2023. Mandatory sinking fund redemption beginning July 2040.	<u>978,383</u>	<u>1,005,422</u>
Subtotal	1,188,143	1,220,217
Less: bond issuance costs	(4,911)	(5,325)
Less: current maturities of long-term debt	(32,742)	(32,074)
Less: long-term debt classified as current due to terms of standby purchase agreements	<u>(27,563)</u>	<u>(27,892)</u>
Long-term debt—net of portion classified as current	<u>\$1,122,927</u>	<u>\$1,154,926</u>

In February 2008, the DeKalb Private Hospital Authority (the “DeKalb Authority”) issued approximately \$120,000,000 in tax-exempt revenue anticipation certificates and the Development Authority of Fulton

County (the “Fulton Authority”) issued approximately \$72,965,000 of tax-exempt revenue bonds (collectively, the “2008 Certificates & Bonds”) pursuant to a trust indenture by and among the DeKalb Authority, the Fulton Authority, and certain investment banks. The proceeds were loaned to Children’s pursuant to loan agreements between the DeKalb Authority and Children’s and the Fulton Authority and Children’s and were used to make capital additions and renovations at the hospitals.

In April 2017, the DeKalb Authority issued approximately \$163,000,000 in tax-exempt revenue anticipation certificates and the Fulton Authority issued approximately \$57,000,000 of tax-exempt revenue bonds (collectively, the “2017 Certificates & Bonds”) pursuant to a trust indenture by and among the DeKalb Authority and the Fulton Authority. The 2017 Certificates & Bonds were acquired under a direct placement agreement by a financial institution. The proceeds were loaned to Children’s pursuant to loan agreements between the DeKalb Authority and Children’s and the Fulton Authority and Children’s and were used to make capital additions and renovations at the hospitals, reimbursement of routine capital, and development of an ambulatory care facility.

In August 2019, the Brookhaven Development Authority (“Brookhaven Authority”) issued approximately \$736,765,000 in fixed rate tax-exempt revenue bonds and \$109,885,000 in variable rate tax-exempt revenue bonds; the DeKalb Authority issued approximately \$81,255,000 in fixed rate tax-exempt revenue anticipation certificates; and the Fulton Authority issued approximately \$75,250,000 in fixed rate tax-exempt revenue bonds (collectively, “2019 Certificates & Bonds”) pursuant to a trust indenture by and among Brookhaven Authority, the DeKalb Authority, the Fulton Authority, and certain investment banks. The proceeds were loaned to Children’s pursuant to loan agreements between the Brookhaven Authority and Children’s; the DeKalb Authority and Children’s; and the Fulton Authority and Children’s and were used to fund the North Druid Hills medical campus and refund certain certificates and bonds.

The variable rate 2008 Certificates & Bonds and the variable rate 2019 Certificates & Bonds (collectively, the “Variable Rate Certificates & Bonds”) are remarketed on a weekly basis and the bondholders have the ability to tender any or all of the bonds at each remarketing date. Children’s has a standby purchase agreement (“SBPA”) with a financial institution to serve as security for the payment of the Variable Rate Certificates & Bonds. In the event bondholders elect to tender any or all of the Variable Rate Certificates & Bonds for purchase and the revenue bonds are not able to be remarketed, the SBPA is utilized to purchase the revenue bonds. Any amounts outstanding on the SBPA are repayable over a six-year period, or prior to September 2021, a three-year period. As a result, Children’s has included \$27,563,000 and \$27,892,000 in current liabilities as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. There were no amounts outstanding at December 31, 2024 or 2023.

Children’s is a party to various debt agreements that require compliance with specific financial covenants. These covenants include, but are not limited to, maintaining certain financial ratios. Management has assessed Children’s compliance with all debt covenants and concluded that Children’s was in full compliance as of December 31, 2024. Children’s management actively monitors its financial position and forecasts to ensure ongoing compliance with these covenants.

Interest Rate Swap Agreements—In connection with certain bond issues, Children’s entered into interest rate swap agreements with three banks effectively converting Children’s interest rate exposure on a portion of this debt from a variable to a fixed rate. Children’s does not follow hedge accounting for these interest rate swaps. The interest rate swaps had an aggregate notional amount of approximately \$313,825,000 and \$319,690,000 at December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, Children’s has recorded a liability of approximately \$16,510,000 and \$29,712,000,

respectively, related to these interest rate swaps in other noncurrent liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. The change in fair value of these interest rate swaps of approximately \$13,202,000 and \$2,411,000 is included in revenues over expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Bond Issuance Costs—Costs incurred in issuing long-term debt are amortized over the life of the underlying debt. The gross amount of bond issuance costs as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, totaled \$10,487,000 and the related accumulated amortization totaled \$5,576,000 and \$5,162,000, respectively.

Debt Maturities—Future scheduled maturities of long-term debt as of December 31, 2024, are as follows (in thousands):

Years Ending December 31	
2025	\$ 25,935
2026	27,120
2027	28,375
2028	29,710
2029	31,155
Thereafter	<u>974,490</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,116,785</u>

8. LEASES

Children’s leases property and equipment under operating leases. For lease terms over a year, Children’s records the related right-of-use assets and right-of-use obligations at the present value of lease payments over the term. Many leases include rental escalation clauses and renewal options that are factored into estimated lease payments when appropriate.

Children’s utilizes an incremental borrowing rate to discount the lease payments based on information available at lease commencement when readily determinable implicit interest rates are not available.

The following table presents Children’s lease-related assets and liabilities as of December 31, (in thousands):

	Balance Sheet Classification	2024	2023
Assets—operating leases	Right-of-use lease assets	<u>\$33,630</u>	<u>\$38,181</u>
Total lease assets		<u>\$33,630</u>	<u>\$38,181</u>
Liabilities:			
Operating leases:			
Current	Current portion of right-of-use lease obligations	\$10,661	\$10,317
Long-term	Right-of-use lease obligations	<u>25,554</u>	<u>29,879</u>
Total lease liabilities		<u>\$36,215</u>	<u>\$40,196</u>
Weighted-average remaining term		4.15 years	4.71 years
Weighted-average discount rate		1.46 %	1.49 %

Total operating lease expense amounted to approximately \$13,264,000 and \$12,947,000 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and were included as other expenses on the consolidated statements of operations.

The following table presents undiscounted minimum lease payments as of the year ended December 31, 2024 (in thousands):

Years Ending December 31	
2025	\$ 10,742
2026	8,779
2027	6,633
2028	4,968
2029	1,488
Thereafter	<u>2,728</u>
Total minimum lease payments	35,338
Less: amount of lease payments representing interest	<u>877</u>
Present value of future minimum lease payments	36,215
Less: current obligations under lease	<u>(10,661)</u>
Long-term lease obligations	<u><u>\$ 25,554</u></u>

For the years ended December 31, the cash flow and other information related to leases were as follows (in thousands):

	2024	2023
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities—operating cash outflows from operating and short-term leases	<u>\$ 9,190</u>	<u>\$ 10,030</u>
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new lease obligations—operating leases	<u>\$ 3,497</u>	<u>\$ 701</u>

9. RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Children’s maintains defined contribution retirement plans. Contributions to the plans were \$71,313,000 and \$63,865,000 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Insurance Arrangements—Children’s is self-insured for a substantial portion of its general and medical professional liability risks. Children’s maintains self-insurance plan limits of \$1,000,000 each loss event for general liability and \$5,000,000 each loss event for professional liability, plus a \$5,000,000 each loss event/\$10,000,000 aggregate self-insured professional liability buffer layer. The self-insurance plan is subject to a \$50,000,000 combined annual aggregate limit. General liability coverage is occurrence based, and professional liability coverage is provided on a claims-made basis. In addition, claims

incurred but not reported prior to January 1, 2001, are covered under a commercial insurance policy subject to a \$250,000 per occurrence and \$750,000 aggregate retention.

The accrual for self-insured general and medical professional liability losses, including loss adjustment expense, is based on actuarial estimates using historical claims experience adjusted for current industry trends. The actual claim settlements and expenses may differ from amounts provided, but in the opinion of management, an adequate accrual has been made for such claims at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Children's self-insures its health insurance and workers' compensation programs, supplemented with certain stop-loss coverages. Estimates are made for known claims outstanding and claims incurred but not reported under the programs and are recorded in accounts payable and other current liability; salaries, related taxes, and benefits current liability and other noncurrent liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

Litigation—Certain lawsuits have been filed against Children's claiming alleged personal and punitive damages. While the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable, it is the opinion of management that the claims will not have a material adverse effect on Children's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

11. FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

The mission of Children's is to make kids better today and healthier tomorrow. Program expenses relating to this mission, general and administrative, and fundraising for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, are as follows (in thousands):

	2024			
	Program	General and Administrative	Fund-Raising	Total
Salaries and wages	\$1,241,181	\$ 76,054	\$10,229	\$1,327,464
Employee benefits	306,754	21,607	2,807	331,168
Purchased services	220,652	34,694	7,371	262,717
Supplies	354,112	895	151	355,158
Other expenses	127,249	9,045	3,069	139,363
Interest expense	24,745	-	-	24,745
Depreciation	<u>99,460</u>	<u>31,703</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>131,196</u>
Total	<u>\$2,374,153</u>	<u>\$173,998</u>	<u>\$23,660</u>	<u>\$2,571,811</u>
	2023			
	Program	General and Administrative	Fund-Raising	Total
Salaries and wages	\$1,130,286	\$ 69,266	\$ 9,446	\$1,208,998
Employee benefits	254,103	17,904	2,402	274,409
Purchased services	202,338	32,949	6,265	241,552
Supplies	271,132	2,127	151	273,410
Other expenses	122,991	11,064	3,423	137,478
Interest expense	21,266	-	-	21,266
Depreciation	<u>70,323</u>	<u>22,426</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>92,805</u>
Total	<u>\$2,072,439</u>	<u>\$155,736</u>	<u>\$21,743</u>	<u>\$2,249,918</u>

Allocation of General and Administrative Expenses—The consolidated financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributable to one or more program or supporting functions of Children’s. Those expenses include depreciation and amortization, interest expense, information technology, and system administration among others. Depreciation is allocated based on fixed asset cost, interest expense is allocated based on debt-financed asset cost, information technology is based on full-time equivalent employees, and system administration is based on estimates of time and effort. Salaries are reported in the program or supporting function where the effort was expended.

12. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Children’s has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through May 20, 2025, the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued.

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