

**Financial Statements** 

December 31, 2018 and 2017

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)



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### Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Trustees The Population Council, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Population Council, Inc., which comprise the balance sheets as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly in all material respects, the financial position of The Population Council, Inc. as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.



Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in note 2(n) to the financial statements, in 2018, The Population Council, Inc. adopted new accounting guidance Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-14, *Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.



June 18, 2019

## **Balance Sheets**

# December 31, 2018 and 2017

Assets	_	2018	2017
Cash and cash equivalents Grants and contributions receivable, net (notes 2(k) and 4):	\$	10,938,231	8,145,487
U.S. government agencies		8,433,723	8,263,170
Other		5,950,736	6,778,814
Other receivables		829,930	822,774
Prepaid expenses and other assets (note 8)		729,040	1,743,753
Investments (note 3)		107,402,831	102,971,232
Fixed assets, net (note 5)	_	11,027,773	12,116,891
Total assets	\$	145,312,264	140,842,121
Liabilities and Net Assets			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable, accrued expenses, and other liabilities (note 8)	\$	3,638,883	4,878,026
Awards, contracts, and fellowships payable		6,548,682	6,283,463
Program advances		12,937,291	12,813,832
Loans payable (note 11)		4,081,159	5,369,946
Deferred rent credit (note 8)		5,088,950	5,285,743
Accrued lease obligation		67,296	106,091
Postretirement medical benefits payable (note 10)	-	6,319,325	6,501,186
Total liabilities	-	38,681,586	41,238,287
Commitments and contingencies (notes 3, 8, 10, 11, and 15)			
Net assets:			
Net assets without donor restrictions:			
General undesignated		2,078,715	1,744,215
The John D. Rockefeller 3rd Memorial Fund and others (note 7)	-	87,667,707	79,564,308
Total net assets without donor restrictions	_	89,746,422	81,308,523
Net assets with donor restrictions:			
Purpose or time restricted (notes 6 and 7)		11,398,480	12,809,535
Restricted by donors in perpetuity (notes 6 and 7)	_	5,485,776	5,485,776
Total net assets with donor restrictions	_	16,884,256	18,295,311
Total net assets	_	106,630,678	99,603,834
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ _	145,312,264	140,842,121

#### Statement of Activities

#### Year ended December 31, 2018

		Without donor restrictions	With donor restrictions	Total 2018
Operating revenue:				
Grants and contributions (notes 2(k), 13 and 14)	\$	69,004,882	996,165	70,001,047
Royalties		22,720,075	—	22,720,075
Investment return, net		(3,645,661)	(544,110)	(4,189,771)
Other Net assets released from restrictions		139,075	4,289	143,364
Net assets released from restrictions	-	602,488	(602,488)	
Total operating revenue	-	88,820,859	(146,144)	88,674,715
Operating expenses: Program services:				
Social and behavioral sciences		56,079,407	—	56,079,407
Biomedical research		13,161,378		13,161,378
Total program services	-	69,240,785		69,240,785
Supporting services:				
Management and general		12,420,213	_	12,420,213
Fund-raising	-	677,698		677,698
Total supporting services	-	13,097,911		13,097,911
Total operating expenses	-	82,338,696		82,338,696
Excess (deficiency) of operating revenue over operating expenses		6,482,163	(146,144)	6,336,019
Other changes in net assets:				
Postretirement benefit changes other than net periodic benefit cost (note 10)		690,825	—	690,825
Transfer from endowments (note 7)	-	1,264,911	(1,264,911)	
Increase (decrease) in net assets		8,437,899	(1,411,055)	7,026,844
Net assets at beginning of year (note 2(n))	-	81,308,523	18,295,311	99,603,834
Net assets at end of year	\$	89,746,422	16,884,256	106,630,678

#### Statement of Activities

#### Year ended December 31, 2017

	Without donor restrictions	With donor restrictions	Total 2017
Operating revenue:			
Grants and contributions (notes 2(k), 13 and 14) \$	70,353,420	1,410,716	71,764,136
Royalties	10,960,758	_	10,960,758
Investment return, net	11,704,292	2,297,671	14,001,963
Other	78,067	_	78,067
Net assets released from restrictions	1,062,294	(1,062,294)	
Total operating revenue	94,158,831	2,646,093	96,804,924
Operating expenses:			
Program services:			
Social and behavioral sciences	55,552,271	—	55,552,271
Biomedical research	17,623,278		17,623,278
Total program services	73,175,549		73,175,549
Supporting services:			
Management and general	12,563,275	_	12,563,275
Fund-raising	680,350		680,350
Total supporting services	13,243,625		13,243,625
Total operating expenses	86,419,174		86,419,174
Excess of operating revenue over operating expenses	7,739,657	2,646,093	10,385,750
Other changes in net assets:			
Loss on lease obligation and other, net	(72)	_	(72)
Postretirement benefit changes other than net periodic benefit cost (note 10)	(853,366)	—	(853,366)
Transfer from endowments (note 7)	681,234	(681,234)	
Increase in net assets	7,567,453	1,964,859	9,532,312
Net assets at beginning of year	73,741,070	16,330,452	90,071,522
Net assets at end of year \$	81,308,523	18,295,311	99,603,834

Statement of Functional Expenses

Year ended December 31, 2018

	Program services			S				
	_	Social and behavioral sciences	Biomedical research	Total	Management and general	Fund-raising	Total	Total expenses
Awards, contracts, and fellowships	\$	14,877,527	965,933	15,843,460	_	_	_	15,843,460
Salaries and allowances		19,331,266	4,858,561	24,189,827	6,635,910	382,339	7,018,249	31,208,076
Pensions and other employee benefits (note 9)		6,022,693	1,646,700	7,669,393	2,163,045	122,559	2,285,604	9,954,997
Consultants and professional fees		2,168,749	409,753	2,578,502	842,284	68,460	910,744	3,489,246
Research and related services		2,785,741	965,242	3,750,983	53	_	53	3,751,036
Program supplies and maintenance		262,252	782,588	1,044,840	_	_	_	1,044,840
Travel and meetings		6,307,814	248,649	6,556,463	399,133	15,727	414,860	6,971,323
Occupancy, net (note 8)		2,397,545	2,419,356	4,816,901	851,896	36,807	888,703	5,705,604
Telecommunications, postage, and supplies		602,052	92,464	694,516	190,522	6,335	196,857	891,373
Office equipment and maintenance		447,680	62,764	510,444	379,298	3,615	382,913	893,357
Printing, publications, books, and journals		276,956	13,096	290,052	114,595	23,192	137,787	427,839
Insurance		21,357	122,293	143,650	171,829	_	171,829	315,479
Other fees		61,571	6,283	67,854	57,744	3,533	61,277	129,131
Other	_	469	176	645	42,317		42,317	42,962
Total expenses before depreciation and amortization		55,563,672	12,593,858	68,157,530	11,848,626	662,567	12,511,193	80,668,723
Depreciation and amortization of leasehold improvements, equipment, and other	_	515,735	567,520	1,083,255	571,587	15,131	586,718	1,669,973
2018 total	\$	56,079,407	13,161,378	69,240,785	12,420,213	677,698	13,097,911	82,338,696
2017 total	\$	55,552,271	17,623,278	73,175,549	12,563,275	680,350	13,243,625	86,419,174

Statement of Functional Expenses

Year ended December 31, 2017

	_	Program services			S			
	_	Social and behavioral sciences	Biomedical research	Total	Management and general	Fund-raising	Total	Total expenses
Awards, contracts, and fellowships	\$	14,015,490	1,183,136	15,198,626	_	_	_	15,198,626
Salaries and allowances		19,111,620	5,285,641	24,397,261	6,982,528	295,787	7,278,315	31,675,576
Pensions and other employee benefits (note 9)		5,768,589	1,723,336	7,491,925	2,161,551	100,231	2,261,782	9,753,707
Consultants and professional fees		2,003,063	2,357,067	4,360,130	472,934	189,295	662,229	5,022,359
Research and related services		2,980,757	3,114,877	6,095,634		_	_	6,095,634
Program supplies and maintenance		388,910	693,352	1,082,262	_	_	_	1,082,262
Travel and meetings		6,550,585	168,647	6,719,232	302,116	7,759	309,875	7,029,107
Occupancy, net (note 8)		3,090,394	2,290,288	5,380,682	768,189	61,317	829,506	6,210,188
Telecommunications, postage, and supplies		674,786	79,366	754,152	288,011	1,550	289,561	1,043,713
Office equipment and maintenance		332,516	39,017	371,533	335,677	_	335,677	707,210
Printing, publications, books, and journals		302,090	19,667	321,757	129,510	21,398	150,908	472,665
Insurance		24,348	112,043	136,391	164,477	_	164,477	300,868
Other fees		70,436	852	71,288	78,327	3,013	81,340	152,628
Other	_				62,037		62,037	62,037
Total expenses before depreciation and amortization		55,313,584	17,067,289	72,380,873	11,745,357	680,350	12,425,707	84,806,580
Depreciation and amortization of leasehold improvements, equipment, and other	_	238,687	555,989	794,676	817,918		817,918	1,612,594
2017 total	\$	55,552,271	17,623,278	73,175,549	12,563,275	680,350	13,243,625	86,419,174

## Statements of Cash Flows

Years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

	_	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Increase in net assets	\$	7,026,844	9,532,312
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided			
by (used in) operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization		1,669,973	1,612,594
Loss on lease obligation and other, net			72
Deferred rent credit		(196,793)	(98,357)
Net depreciation (appreciation) in fair value of investments		6,920,026	(12,450,685)
Other postretirement changes other than net periodic benefit cost		(690,825)	853,366
Net loss (gain) on sale of fixed assets		19,059	(8,913)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		657,525	78,987
Grants and contributions receivable Other receivables		(7,156)	(124,225)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		1,014,713	58,238
Accounts payable, accrued expenses, and other liabilities		(1,239,143)	(21,465)
Awards, contracts, and fellowships payable		265,219	540,879
Program advances		123,459	(970,843)
Deferred revenue			(8,214,286)
Postretirement medical benefits payable	_	508,964	326,024
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	_	16,071,865	(8,886,302)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of investments		(31,333,764)	(25,184,283)
Proceeds from sale of investments		19,982,139	33,392,942
Purchases of fixed assets		(604,192)	(1,179,327)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	-	4,278	8,913
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	_	(11,951,539)	7,038,245
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from loan		—	2,200,000
Payment on loan payable		(1,288,787)	(1,073,989)
Payment on capital leases	_	(38,795)	(36,366)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	_	(1,327,582)	1,089,645
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		2,792,744	(758,412)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	_	8,145,487	8,903,899
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$_	10,938,231	8,145,487
Supplemental disclosures of noncash activities:		_	
Accounts payable for capital expenditures	\$	_	(26,527)
Interest paid	-	140,154	119,286

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## (1) Description of Organization and its Programs

The Population Council, Inc. (the Council) confronts critical health and development issues – from stopping the spread of HIV to improving reproductive health and ensuring that young people lead full and productive lives. Through biomedical, social science, and public health research in more than 50 countries, the Council works with partners to deliver solutions that lead to more effective policies, programs, and technologies that improve lives around the world. Established in 1952 and headquartered in New York, the Council is a nongovernmental, nonprofit organization governed by an international board of trustees. It focuses on three Social and Behavioral Science research areas – HIV and AIDS; poverty, gender, and youth; and reproductive health – and is home to the Center for Biomedical Research (CBR).

The Council's mission is to improve the well-being and reproductive health of current and future generations around the world and to help achieve a humane, equitable, and sustainable balance between people and resources.

The Council's HIV and AIDS Program is devoted to addressing the spread of the HIV epidemic in low- and middle-income countries. The Council also seeks to enable people to reduce the impact of HIV-related disability, death, stigma and discrimination, and orphanhood on their own lives and on the lives of people in their families, communities, and societies.

The Council assesses and improves programs aimed at people affected by HIV, from orphans to healthcare professionals. The Council rigorously explores topics that have been previously neglected in the developing world – such as key populations at risk of HIV – gaining them much needed policy attention. The Council helps decision makers in low and middle-income countries, health program managers, and, ultimately, women and men successfully, safely, and appropriately adopt new HIV prevention technologies. Specifically:

- The Council expands access to available technologies to reduce the risk of HIV transmission,
- The Council helps policymakers formulate sustainable programs to improve prevention, care and treatment for people living with HIV, and
- The Council seeks to demonstrate how addressing social barriers, including stigma and gender inequities, can improve HIV and AIDS program outcomes.

The Council's Poverty, Gender, and Youth Program seeks to understand the social dimensions of poverty, the causes and consequences of gender inequality, the disparities in opportunity that arise during adolescence, and the critical elements of reaching a successful, productive adulthood in low and middle-income countries. Specifically:

- The Council conducts policy-oriented research and programs that improve the lives of vulnerable populations, especially disadvantaged girls,
- It conducts rigorous impact evaluations on interventions to improve the lives of adolescent girls, evaluating what works, for which girls, under what circumstances, and at what cost, and
- It studies the best ways to build the assets of adolescent girls, who are among the most isolated and vulnerable populations, to give them social, educational, and economic opportunities to break the cycle of poverty.

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The Council's Reproductive Health Program works to improve sexual and reproductive health – especially for marginalized populations in low and middle-income countries. In partnership with other nongovernmental organizations, government policymakers, program managers, and potential clients in developing countries:

- The Council studies and improves reproductive health services,
- The Council supports the introduction of new contraceptives worldwide, and
- The Council assists policymakers in formulating, launching, and expanding evidence-based programs and policies.

The Council's CBR is a vibrant hub of scientific investigation and product development. For more than 60 years, research conducted at the CBR laboratories has addressed critical questions in reproductive health and supported the development of innovative products that help protect the health and well-being of millions of people worldwide.

CBR's researchers pioneered the field of long-acting, reversible contraception (LARCs), including development of intrauterine devices (IUDs) and implants. Today, more than 170 million people worldwide are using contraceptive technologies developed at CBR or based on CBR's technologies strategies. The Council has pioneered basic research on the mechanisms that lead to infection and by cell-to-cell spread of HIV. Specifically:

- The Council conducts basic research on the biology of HIV and reproductive health,
- The Council is investigating new approaches to prevent HIV and other sexually transmitted infections, including multi-purpose prevention technologies, and
- The Council is developing next-generation contraceptives and delivery systems, including rings, gels, tablets, fast-dissolving inserts, which are designed to be safer, lower-cost and easier to use.

The Council derives its support and revenue from governments, foundations and other not-for-profit organizations, multilateral organizations, corporations, individuals, and internal sources such as investments, publications, and royalty income. The Council's headquarters and the CBR are located in New York City. The Council also has an office in Washington, DC, as well as 17 offices in 14 countries. The Council has been classified by the Internal Revenue Service as exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, it is not subject to income taxes except to the extent that it has taxable income from activities that are not related to its exempt purpose. The Council recognizes the effects of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained. No provision for income taxes was required for 2018 or 2017.

## (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingencies at the date of the financial statements, and revenues and expenses recognized during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant

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estimates and assumptions include the actuarial determination of postretirement benefit cost and the related liability.

#### (b) Basis of Presentation

The Council classifies its net assets and revenues, gains, and losses based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions as follows:

- Net assets without donor restrictions are not subject to any donor-imposed stipulations. However, the board of trustees may choose to designate amounts for particular uses. Two board-designated funds have been established to function as endowments, the larger of which is The John D. Rockefeller 3rd Memorial Fund.
- Net assets with donor restrictions:
  - a) Net assets with purpose or time restrictions are subject to donor-imposed stipulations that will be met by either actions of the Council and/or the passage of time.
  - b) Net assets with perpetual restrictions are subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the Council. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the Council to use all or part of the return earned on related investments for general or specific purposes.

Revenues are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions unless their use is limited by donor-imposed restrictions. Expenses are reported as decreases in net assets without donor restrictions. Gains and losses on assets or liabilities are reported as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulations or by law. Expirations of restrictions on net assets with donor restrictions (i.e., the donor-stipulated purpose has been fulfilled and/or the stipulated time period has elapsed) are reported as net assets released from restrictions.

The Council excludes from the excess/(deficiency) of operating revenue over operating expenses transfers to/from endowment, postretirement benefit changes other than net periodic benefit cost and unusual or nonrecurring activities.

#### (c) Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The Council organizes its financial assets and liabilities at fair value into a three-level hierarchy. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted or published prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to measurements involving significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted or published prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Council has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

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• Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair value measurement in its entirety falls is based on the lowest-level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

The Council measures the fair value of its limited partnership investments, which do not have readily determinable fair values, using net asset value (NAV) per share or its equivalent as the practical expedient, as provided by the investment managers. The Council reviews and evaluates the value provided by the general partner, as well as the valuation methods and assumptions used in determining the NAV of the limited partnership investments. The estimated fair value may differ significantly from the value that would have been used had a ready market for this investment existed.

### (d) Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents include short-term investments with original maturities of 90 days or less, except for those short-term investments managed by external investment managers as part of a long-term investment strategy.

### (e) Grants and Contributions

The Council receives grants and contributions from a number of sources, including the U.S. government, foreign governments, private foundations, and other donors. Grants and contributions are evaluated as to whether they qualify as exchange transactions or contributions as defined by GAAP. Grants and contributions that are treated as exchange transactions are reported as unrestricted revenue when expenses are incurred in accordance with the terms of the agreement. The excess of amounts received in exchange transactions over the amount of expenditures incurred is classified as program advances on the balance sheets.

Grants and contributions, which include unconditional promises to give (pledges), are recognized as revenues in the period received. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until they become unconditional, that is, when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met.

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the Council had unexpended awards from funding agencies approximating \$74,041,275 and \$95,576,012, respectively. These unexpended awards have not met the criteria to be recorded in the financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018.

#### (f) Investments

Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are reported at fair value based on quoted market prices. Fair values of the limited partnership investments are based on NAV and are provided by the general partner based on the underlying net assets of the investment vehicle.

#### (g) Fixed Assets

Fixed assets include furniture, fixtures, equipment, computer software, and leasehold improvements that have unit costs in excess of \$5,000 and that are recorded at cost. Leasehold improvements are amortized using the straight-line method over the life of the lease or useful life of the asset, whichever is shorter. All other fixed assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, ranging from 4 to 20 years.

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### (h) Awards, Contracts, and Fellowships Payable

The Council recognizes awards, contracts, and fellowships authorized during the year in operating expenses. A liability for unpaid amounts is included in the balance sheets.

### (i) Foreign Currency Translation

The Council has determined that the functional currency of its foreign offices is the U.S. dollar. Accordingly, assets and liabilities are translated using the current exchange rates in effect on the balance sheet date. Revenue and expense accounts are translated at the average rate in effect during the year. Grants and contributions revenue include foreign exchange losses of approximately \$822,000 and \$109,000 in 2018 and 2017, respectively.

#### (j) Royalties

Royalties from license agreements are recognized in accordance with the conditions of each agreement. A milestone payment of \$20 million tied to a product licensing agreement was recognized as revenue in 2018.

#### (k) Concentration of Support

During 2018 and 2017, approximately \$30.8 million and \$29.2 million, respectively, of the Council's grants were funded directly by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, approximately \$5.0 million and \$6.2 million, respectively, of the Council's grants receivable were also from USAID.

The three largest funding sources, one U.S. government agency, one foreign agency and one private foundation constitute 48% of the total Council's revenue in 2018 and 45% of the total Council's revenue in 2017.

#### (I) Expense Allocation

The financial statements include certain categories of expenses that are attributable to more than one program or supporting function. Therefore, these expenses require allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. Facilities related expenses (like occupancy, depreciation, office costs) are allocated based on time and effort of the staff at each location. Staff benefits are allocated based on time and effort recorded in the time sheets.

#### (m) Risks and Uncertainties

The Council 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 the investment securities will occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the balance sheets.

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### (n) Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

During 2018, the Council adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-14, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profits Entities.* ASU 2016-14 reduces the number of net assets from three to two: net assets without donor restrictions, previously reported as unrestricted net assets of \$81,308,523, and net assets with donor restrictions, previously reported as temporarily restricted net assets of \$12,809,535 and permanently restricted net assets of \$5,485,776 in 2017. Additionally, it expands the quantitative and qualitative disclosures regarding liquidity and availability of resources. The Council applied the changes retrospectively.

### (o) Recently Issued Accounting Standards

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*, which requires the Council to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Council expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The ASU is effective for the Council for the year ending December 31, 2019. The Council is currently evaluating the effect the ASU will have on its financial statements.

In March 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017-07, *Compensation – Retirement Benefits (Topic 715): Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost*, which requires the Foundation to present the service cost component of net benefit cost in the Statements of Activities line item where compensation cost is reported, and all other components of net benefit cost in the Statements of Activities, separately from the service cost component and outside of operating activities, if this subtotal is presented. Additionally, the service cost component will be the only component that can be capitalized. The ASU is effective for the Council for the year ending December 31, 2019. The Council is currently evaluating the effect the ASU will have on its financial statements.

In June 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-08, *Not-For-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Clarifying the Scope and the Accounting Guidance for Contributions Received and Contributions Made*, which clarifies how entities determine whether to account for a transfer of assets (or a reduction, settlement or cancellation of a liability) as an exchange transaction or a contribution based on whether commensurate value has been received or transferred. The new guidance also clarifies that a contribution is conditional if the agreement includes both a barrier that must be overcome for the recipient to be entitled to the assets transferred and a right of return for the transferred assets or a right of release of the promisor's obligation to transfer assets. The clarified guidance applies to all entities that receive or make contributions (grants). The ASU is effective for the Council for the year ending December 31, 2019 for the contributions received requirement of the ASU. The Council is currently evaluating the effect the ASU will have on its financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases* (Topic 842), which requires a lessee to recognize a right-of-use asset and a lease liability, initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, in its statement of financial position. The guidance also expands the required quantitative and qualitative disclosures surrounding leases. The ASU is effective for the Council for the year ending December 31, 2020. The Council is currently evaluating the effect the ASU will have on its financial statements.

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#### (p) Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications of 2017 amounts have been made to conform to the 2018 presentation.

#### (3) Investments

The following tables present the Council's fair value hierarchy for its investments as of December 31, 2018 and 2017. The alternative investments are measured at fair value using the NAV per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient and have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation to the amounts presented in the balance sheets:

	2018			
	_	Fair value		Level 1
Short-term investments	\$	21,480,495		21,480,495
Equities (common stock)		5,837,133		5,837,133
Mutual funds:				
Large cap growth		26,852,699		26,852,699
International equity		9,562,159		9,562,159
Small mid cap holdings		8,665,096		8,665,096
High-yield equity		1,217,376		1,217,376
International emerging		3,966,341		3,966,341
Fixed income	_	11,458,678		11,458,678
Subtotal		89,039,977	\$	89,039,977
Alternative investments measured at NAV:				
Limited partnerships	_	18,362,854	_	
	\$_	107,402,831	=	

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	2017			
	_	Fair value		Level 1
Short-term investments	\$	13,020,386		13,020,386
Equities (common stock)		6,358,891		6,358,891
Mutual funds:				
Large cap growth		28,987,236		28,987,236
International equity		11,658,927		11,658,927
Small mid cap holdings		9,027,150		9,027,150
High-yield equity		1,265,818		1,265,818
International emerging		3,332,763		3,332,763
Fixed income	_	11,516,281		11,516,281
Subtotal		85,167,452	\$	85,167,452
Alternative investments measured at NAV:				
Limited partnerships	_	17,803,780	_	
	\$_	102,971,232	=	

The following tables present the strategies and related redemption information with respect to the Council's investments measured at NAV:

		2018					
	-	Fair value	Unfunded commitments	Redemption frequency (if currently eligible)	Redemption notice period		
Distressed debt securities Diversified private equity	\$	6,915,865	2,812,085	Semi-annual	90–120 days		
fund-of-funds		249,883	360,976	No redemptions	Not applicable		
Multi-strategy Global long/short and		5,902,790	—	Quarterly	Quarterly		
event-driven	_	5,294,316		Quarterly	65 days		
Total	\$_	18,362,854	3,173,061				

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		2017						
	-	Fair value	Unfunded commitments	Redemption frequency (if currently eligible)	Redemption notice period			
Distressed debt securities Diversified private equity	\$	6,326,932	2,812,085	Semi-annual	90–120 days			
fund-of-funds		313,543	360,976	No redemptions	Not applicable			
Multi-strategy Global long/short and		5,780,524	—	Quarterly	Quarterly			
event-driven	_	5,382,781		Quarterly	65 days			
Total	\$_	17,803,780	3,173,061					

Under the terms of limited partnership agreements, the Council is obligated to periodically advance additional funding for its limited partnership investments. The unfunded commitments have not been recorded as a liability in the accompanying balance sheets. Such commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses. The Council maintains sufficient liquidity in its investment portfolio to cover such calls.

## (4) Grants and Contributions Receivable

At December 31, 2018 and 2017, grants and contributions receivable are expected to be collected as follows:

	_	2018	2017
Less than one year Less allowance for uncollectible amounts	\$	14,459,459 (75,000)	15,086,984 (45,000)
Total grants and contributions receivable, net	\$	14,384,459	15,041,984

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#### (5) Fixed Assets

Fixed assets at December 31, 2018 and 2017 consist of the following:

	_	2018	2017
Leasehold improvements	\$	21,480,462	21,070,484
Furniture and equipment		3,336,354	3,267,755
Computer equipment		3,178,858	3,023,899
Automobiles		565,618	595,952
Office condominium		513,894	513,894
Work-in-progress	_	26,102	178,954
		29,101,288	28,650,938
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	_	(18,073,515)	(16,534,047)
	\$	11,027,773	12,116,891

### (6) Net Assets with Donor Restrictions

At December 31, 2018 and 2017, net assets with purpose or time restrictions are to be used for the following purposes:

	_	2018	2017
Social and behavioral science research	\$	5,052,755	4,554,733
Biomedical research		5,113,779	6,650,514
Future periods	_	1,231,946	1,604,288
	\$	11,398,480	12,809,535

Included in net assets with donor restrictions, subject to purpose or time restrictions, is \$9.4 million and \$11.2 million of built up appreciation on net assets with perpetual restriction as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Net assets with donor restrictions, subject to perpetual donor restriction, support operations as follows:

	 2018	2017
DeWitt Wallace Fellowship Fund	\$ 450,000	450,000
Policy Research Endowment Fund	2,035,776	2,035,776
General Fund	 3,000,000	3,000,000
	\$ 5,485,776	5,485,776

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## (7) Endowment Funds

The Council's endowment consists of several individual funds established for a variety of purposes and includes both donor-restricted endowment funds and funds designated by the board of trustees to function as endowments. As required by GAAP, net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the board of trustees to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

The Council follows the *New York Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act* (NYPMIFA). Based on the interpretation of NYPMIFA by the Council's board of trustees, GAAP, and absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary, the Council classifies as net assets restricted in perpetuity (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment and (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified as net assets restricted in perpetuity is classified as net assets restricted by purpose or time until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Council in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by NYPMIFA and in accordance with the disclosure provisions set forth by Accounting Standards Codification 958-205, *Not-For-Profit Entities – Presentation of Financial Statements*.

In accordance with NYPMIFA, the Council considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

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

The annual 2018 and 2017 spending authorizations were calculated at \$5.1 million and \$5.0 million, respectively. Both amounts represent approximately 5% of the average market value of the endowment over the previous eight quarters ended September 30 unless an endowment fund's spending rate is specifically designated otherwise by a donor. The calculation is performed during the budgeting process and the withdrawal request is proposed to the board of trustees for use in support of the subsequent year's budget. In addition to the spending authorizations, the Board of Directors approved special appropriations of approximately \$3.5 million and \$6.8 million for 2018 and 2017, respectively, primarily to fund the development and introduction of the Nestorone®/Ethinyl Estradiol Contraceptive Vaginal Ring.

The authorized withdrawal is drawn down as funds are needed, during, or immediately subsequent to, the budget year for which funds were authorized.

Actual spending may be less than the authorized amount. When less is spent, the unused amount is carried forward for appropriation by the Board of Directors in future budget periods.

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The goal of the Council's endowment investment policy is to maximize long-term total return through a combination of income and capital appreciation, in a prudent manner consistent with sound investment practice, to achieve a return at least equal to the spending rate, net of fees over rolling five-year periods. To achieve the goals of growth and income, the endowment portfolio is divided into growth and fixed-income components.

The following tables present the changes in the Council's endowment funds with donor restrictions and funds designated by the board of trustees to function as endowments for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

		<b>20</b> 1	18	
		With donor	restrictions	
	Without donor restrictions	Purpose or time	Perpetual	Total
Endowment net assets, beginning of year Designations Investment return, net Endowment spend	\$ 79,564,308 20,012,572 (3,640,872) (8,268,301)	11,236,768  (544,495) (1,264,911)	5,485,776 — — —	96,286,852 20,012,572 (4,185,367) (9,533,212)
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$ 87,667,707	9,427,362	5,485,776	102,580,845
Endowment funds with donor restrictions Board-designated	\$ 	9,427,362	5,485,776	14,913,138
endowment funds	87,667,707			87,667,707
Total funds	\$ 87,667,707	9,427,362	5,485,776	102,580,845

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			201	7	
	-		With donor r	restrictions	
		Without donor	Purpose		
	-	restrictions	or time	Perpetual	Total
Endowment net assets,					
beginning of year	\$	72,064,882	9,620,610	5,485,776	87,171,268
Designations		8,301,649	—	_	8,301,649
Investment return, net		11,712,714	2,297,392	_	14,010,106
Endowment spend	_	(12,514,937)	(681,234)		(13,196,171)
Endowment net assets,					
end of year	\$_	79,564,308	11,236,768	5,485,776	96,286,852
Endowment funds with					
donor restrictions	\$	—	11,236,768	5,485,776	16,722,544
Board-designated					
endowment funds	-	79,564,308			79,564,308
Total funds	\$_	79,564,308	11,236,768	5,485,776	96,286,852

#### (8) Leases

#### (a) Headquarters Office

The Council occupies its New York headquarters office under a 16-year noncancelable operating lease for two floors expiring on December 31, 2030. As part of the agreement, the Council terminated the old operating lease in June 2016, earlier than the expiration date of February 28, 2017. The lease agreement includes rental escalations, which have been deferred and are being amortized over the term of the lease. The unamortized balance of the deferred rent credit as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$4,482,642 and \$4,567,484, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments by the Council are as follows:

	_	Amount
Year ending December 31:		
2019	\$	1,912,000
2020		1,912,000
2021		2,143,000
2022		2,143,000
2023		2,143,000
Thereafter		16,156,000
	\$	26,409,000

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The Council has subleased a portion of its headquarters office space. Future minimum lease payments by current sublease tenants are as follows:

		Amount
Year ending December 31:		
2019	\$	643,000
2020		644,000
2021		709,000
2022		710,000
2023		710,000
Thereafter	_	1,421,000
	\$	4,837,000

Rent expense for the headquarters office was \$1,397,056 and \$2,086,660 in 2018 and 2017, respectively, net of sublease income of \$658,546 in 2018.

The sublease agreements include rental abatements and escalations that are being recognized over the term of the lease. The unamortized balance as of December 31, 2018 was \$88,968.

#### (b) Center for Biomedical Research

The Council's CBR occupies three floors of office and laboratory space at Rockefeller University (the University) under a noncancelable operating lease expiring June 30, 2021. Rent expense was \$2,351,033 and \$2,166,390 in 2018 and 2017, respectively. Annual rent expense is adjusted based upon the Council's pro rata share of actual expenses incurred by the University and the annual percentage increase in the New York area's Consumer Price Index.

Future minimum lease payments by the Council are as follows:

	 Amount
Year ending December 31:	
2019	\$ 2,282,000
2020	2,282,000
2021	 1,141,000
	\$ 5,705,000

#### (c) Washington, DC Regional Office

During 1997, the Council entered into an operating lease agreement for office space located in Washington, DC. The agreement contains a special cancellation right in the event that specific cooperative agreements between the Council and the USAID are either not renewed or are otherwise terminated. The term of the lease agreement expired on March 31, 2014. During 2014, the Council entered into a second amendment to the current agreement to expand the premises and extend the

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lease term through February 29, 2028. The new lease agreement includes rental abatements and other allowances totaling \$728,750, which have been deferred and is being amortized over the term of the lease. The unamortized balance of the deferred rent credit as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$695,275 and \$718,259, respectively. The rent expense for this lease was \$364,452 and \$382,639 in 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments by the Council are as follows:

		Amount
Year ending December 31:		
2019	\$	398,000
2020		408,000
2021		418,000
2022		428,000
2023		439,000
Thereafter	_	1,952,000
	\$_	4,043,000

#### (d) Overseas Offices

The Council also has operating lease agreements at its various overseas locations. Rent expense under these leases was \$1,155,752 and \$1,153,924 in 2018 and 2017, respectively. Approximated future minimum lease payments are as follows:

	 Amount
Year ending December 31:	
2019	\$ 1,030,881
2020	564,640
2021	409,590
2022	382,079
2023	 1,166
	\$ 2,388,356

#### (9) Pension

The Council has a noncontributory defined contribution pension plan, covering substantially all of its U.S. employees with at least one year of service and who work at least 20 hours per week. Contributions of 12% of the U.S. paid employees' base salaries are funded annually up to a maximum of \$24,000 per employee. Total pension expense for 2018 and 2017 was approximately \$2,254,300 and \$2,467,700, respectively.

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#### (10) Postretirement Benefits

For retired employees, who meet certain minimum age and length of service requirements, the Council sponsors a defined benefit postretirement healthcare plan that provides medical and dental benefits. During 1998, the Council established a trust to fund a portion of its postretirement medical benefit plan. Assets of the trust amounting to \$4,185,761 and \$4,996,294 are included in the balance sheets as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Assets of the trust primarily consisting of short-term investments, domestic equity and fixed-income securities (70%) and international equity and fixed-income securities (30%) are considered Level 1 under the Council's fair value hierarchy. The plan is contributory, with retiree contributions adjusted periodically.

The following table presents the information regarding the postretirement medical benefits plan at December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	_	2018	2017
Benefit obligation at December 31	\$	10,505,086	11,497,480
Fair value of plan assets at December 31		4,185,761	4,996,294
Funded status	\$_	(6,319,325)	(6,501,186)
Postretirement medical benefits payable	\$	10,505,086	11,497,480
Benefit cost		522,453	396,007
Employer contribution		13,489	30,701
Plan participants' contributions		374,287	309,708
Benefits paid		(916,742)	(788,836)
Return on assets		(281,567)	644,763
Benefits obligation weighted average discount rate at December 31 Benefits cost weighted average discount rate for the year ended		4.40 %	3.85 %
December 31		3.85	4.40

For measurement purposes, a 4.50% annual rate of increase in the per capita cost of covered healthcare benefits was assumed for 2018 and 2017 and all future years. This annual rate of increase is net of participant contributions.

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The asset allocations of postretirement plan assets at December 31, 2018 and 2017 are summarized as follows:

	2018	2017
Short-term investments	1 %	6 %
Fixed-income securities:		
Domestic	26	19
International	9	9
Equity securities:		
Domestic	38	29
International	21	27
Other assets:		
Domestic	5	10
	100 %	100 %

Projected benefit payments, net of participant contributions for each of the next five years and thereafter, are as follows:

Year(s) ending December 31:	
2019	\$ 474,678
2020	497,152
2021	500,210
2022	508,872
2023	537,219
2024–2028	2,809,954
Projected contributions for 2019	\$ 5,328,085

The net actuarial loss not yet recognized as a component of net periodic postretirement benefit cost decreased from \$3,824,520 in 2017 to \$3,133,695 in 2018, primarily due to the change in certain actuarial assumptions. Amortization of the net actuarial loss in 2018 was \$208,349.

#### (11) Loan Payable

On February 27, 2015, the Council entered into a loan agreement with SunTrust Bank. Pursuant to the agreement, the bank loaned the Council an aggregate principal amount of \$7.5 million to support the build out of the Council's new office spaces in New York and Washington DC., as well as the costs incurred to implement an Enterprise Resource Planning system. As of December 31, 2018, the outstanding balance on the loan is \$4,081,159 plus accrued capitalized interest of \$239,166. Principal repayments commenced in March 2017, and are payable monthly through February 2022. Interest on the loan accrues at LIBOR plus 1% of the aggregate principal and is payable monthly. As of December 31, 2018, the interest rate was 3.35% and interest paid during the year amounted to \$140,154.

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### (12) Liquidity and Availability of Resources

The Population Council regularly monitors liquidity required to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments, while also striving to maximize the investment of its available funds. For purposes of analyzing resources available to meet operating expenditures over a 12-month period, the Council considers all expenditures related to its ongoing mission-related activities, as well as the conduct of services undertaken to support those activities, to be operating expenditures.

In addition to financial assets available to meet operating expenditures over the next 12 months, the Council operates with a balanced budget and anticipates receiving sufficient revenue to cover general expenditures not covered by donor-restricted resources. Refer to the statements of cash flows, which identifies the sources and uses of the Council's cash and shows positive cash generated by operations for fiscal year 2018. To help manage unanticipated liquidity needs the Council maintains line of credit of \$3,000,000, with no outstanding balance at December 31, 2018, which it could draw upon.

The Population Council financial assets comprised the following at December 31, 2018:

Financial assets at year-end:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,938,231
Grants and contributions receivable, net	14,384,459
Other receivables	829,930
Investments	 107,402,831
Total financial assets at	
year-end	\$ 133,555,451

As of December 31, 2018, the following financial assets could readily be made available within one year of the balance sheet date to meet the general expenditures:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$	10,938,231
Grants and contributions receivable, net		14,384,459
Other receivables		829,930
Investments *	_	20,448,869
Total financial assets available		
within one year	\$	46,601,489

\* Investments include \$14.4 million and \$1.2 million approved for use in 2019 from Board designated and donor restricted endowment net assets, respectively, as well as \$4.8 million of operating funds included in investments, which is yet to be transferred.

The Council excludes funds that are Board designated as quasi endowment, which totaled approximately \$87.7 million at December 31, 2018, from assets available to meet general expenditures. These funds are invested for long term appreciation.

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#### (13) U.K. Department of International Development

The Council incurred expenses and received remittances from the U.K. Department of International Development during 2018 against purchase order numbers listed below.

Total remittances received during 2018 are as follows:

Purchase order number 5246	\$ 1,497,642
Purchase order number 40054814	84,210
Purchase order number 6171	1,266,007
Purchase order number 4150	160,424

Total expenditures incurred during 2018 are as follows:

Purchase order number 5246	\$ 1,331,417
Purchase order number 40054814	14,015
Purchase order number 6171	935,983
Purchase order number 4150	384,302

#### (14) Save the Children Netherlands

The Council incurred expenses and received remittances from the Save the Children Netherlands/More Than Brides Alliance during 2018 against grant MINBUZA-2016.55195.

Program advance balance at December 31, 2017 Receipt of funds	\$ (292,932) (631,844)
Expenditures incurred:	
Program costs HQ	316,531
Country program costs – India	155,336
Country program costs – Mali	70,153
Country program costs – Niger	101,115
Country program costs – Malawi	126,953
Total program costs	770,088
Indirect cost	158,064
Total expenditures incurred	928,152
Program advances balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 3,376

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#### (15) Contingencies

The Council is contingently liable under certain claims and lawsuits, many of which are covered in whole or in part by insurance. In management's opinion, none of these claims and lawsuits will have a material adverse effect on the Council's financial position or changes in net assets.

### (16) Subsequent Events

In connection with the preparation of the financial statements, the Council evaluated subsequent events from the balance sheet date of December 31, 2018 through June 18, 2019, which was the date the financial statements were available to be issued and determined that no additional disclosures are required.