

**LOS ANGELES PARKS  
FOUNDATION  
(A California Nonprofit  
Corporation)**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For the year ended  
December 31, 2017**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors  
Los Angeles Parks Foundation  
Los Angeles, California

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Los Angeles Parks Foundation (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2017, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

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

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

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

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

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

### ***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Los Angeles Parks Foundation as of December 31, 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Maginnis Knechtel & McIntyre, LLP*

Pasadena, California  
April 2, 2018

**LOS ANGELES PARKS FOUNDATION**

**Statement of Financial Position**

December 31, 2017

**Assets**

Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents (including board designated amount of \$13,119)	\$ 671,226
Investments (including board designated amount of \$579,015)	2,560,162
Grants receivable	92,115
Bench inventory	20,703
Prepaid expenses	<u>20,854</u>
Total current assets	3,365,060
Fixed assets, net	<u>108,748</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 3,473,808</u></u>

**Liabilities and Net Assets**

Current liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 10,535
Deferred revenue	<u>40,792</u>
Total current liabilities	51,327
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	
Board designated	592,134
Other unrestricted	<u>560,575</u>
	1,152,709
Temporarily restricted	<u>2,269,772</u>
Total net assets	<u>3,422,481</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$ 3,473,808</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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**Statement of Activities**

For the year ended December 31, 2017

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Change in net assets:			
Revenue:			
Contributions	\$ 368,531	\$ 2,135,968	\$ 2,504,499
Fundraising	213,224	-	213,224
Investment income	26,332	-	26,332
Net realized and unrealized gain from investments	50,966	-	50,966
Net assets released from restrictions:			
Satisfaction of program restrictions	<u>1,279,950</u>	<u>(1,279,950)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenue	<u>1,939,003</u>	<u>856,018</u>	<u>2,795,021</u>
Expenses:			
Grants and program services	1,279,950	-	1,279,950
General and administration	283,747	-	283,747
Fundraising	<u>122,342</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>122,342</u>
Total expenses	<u>1,686,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,686,039</u>
Change in net assets	252,964	856,018	1,108,982
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>899,745</u>	<u>1,413,754</u>	<u>2,313,499</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 1,152,709</u>	<u>\$ 2,269,772</u>	<u>\$ 3,422,481</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## LOS ANGELES PARKS FOUNDATION

### Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended December 31, 2017

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Change in net assets	\$ 1,108,982
Adjustments to reconcile net assets to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Depreciation	18,286
Net realized and unrealized gain from investments	(50,966)
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Grants receivables	32,885
Inventory	(9,280)
Prepaid expenses	(7,295)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(3,640)
Deferred revenue	8,022
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Net cash provided by operating activities	1,096,994
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Purchases of fixed assets	(2,200)
Purchase of investments	(2,747,796)
Sale of investments	1,197,071
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Net cash used in investing activities	(1,552,925)
Net decrease in cash	(455,931)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<hr/> 1,127,157
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 671,226

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**1 Organization and purposes**

The Los Angeles Parks Foundation, a nonprofit corporation, was founded in 2008. The primary purposes of the Los Angeles Parks Foundation are the solicitation of private contributions to support the expansion, improvement and preservation of parks and recreation facilities of Los Angeles and to expand programs and services for recreational, physical and cultural opportunities for the citizens of Los Angeles. The Foundation seeks funds for projects that complement, but not supplant, the responsibility of the government for continued maintenance of the facilities, staff, programs and services related to such parks and recreation facilities. Additionally, the Foundation may engage in any activities that are reasonably related to or in furtherance of its stated charitable and public purposes, or in any other charitable activities.

**2 Summary of significant accounting policies**

**Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Los Angeles Parks Foundation have been prepared on the accrual basis. The significant accounting policies followed are described below to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements to the reader.

**Basis of Preparation**

The Los Angeles Parks Foundation reports amounts in the accompanying financial statements for each of two classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets and temporarily restricted net assets.

Unrestricted net assets include contributions received without any donor-imposed restrictions. All expenses are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets. Revenues, gains and losses on assets are reported as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets unless their use is restricted by donor-imposed stipulations.

Temporarily restricted net assets are classified as such based on donor stipulations that they be used for a specified purpose or timing of use. Temporarily restricted net assets become available once the restriction has been satisfied. Once satisfied, these amounts are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the accompanying financial statements as net assets released from restrictions.

**Contribution Revenue**

Contributions received, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as revenues and assets in the period received at their net realizable values. The Los Angeles Parks Foundation reports gifts of cash and other assets as restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of donated assets.

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**2 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued**

Cash and cash equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Los Angeles Parks Foundation considers all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Investments

The Organization carries investments in certificates of deposit, equities and mutual funds with readily determinable fair values based on quoted prices in active markets (all Level 1 measurements) in the Statement of Financial Position. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the accompanying Statement of Activities.

Grants receivable

Grants receivable represents commitments made to the Foundation for specific park projects and are classified as temporarily restricted net assets. Grants receivable are expected to be realized in the amount of \$92,115 in 2018.

Concentration of credit risk

Cash and investments are held at Merrill Lynch. Under the Merrill Lynch Bank Deposit Program, cash balances are insured by the FDIC up to \$250,000 per customer. Additionally, client accounts are protected by the SIPC up to a maximum of \$500,000 per client for securities, inclusive of up to \$250,000 per client for cash. As of December 31, 2017, balance on held at Merrill Lynch exceeded FDIC and SIPC insured limit. The Organization believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on its cash and investment balances.

Fixed assets

Fixed assets are capitalized at cost. It is the Foundation's policy to capitalize expenditures for these items in excess of one hundred dollars. Lesser amounts are expensed. Furniture and equipment are being depreciated over estimated useful lives of three to seven years using a straight-line method. Website development costs and leasehold improvements are amortized over four years.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results may differ from those estimates.



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**2 Summary of significant accounting policies, continued**

Expense allocation

Expenses that can be specifically identified with a particular program or supporting service are charged directly to the related program or supporting service. Expenses that are associated with more than one program or supporting service are allocated based on methods determined by management.

Income taxes

The Los Angeles Parks Foundation is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and classified by the Internal Revenue Service as other than a private foundation. It is also exempt from state franchise and income taxes under Section 23701(d) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

United States federal and state jurisdictions in which the Company files tax returns have statutes of limitations that generally range from three to four years. No open tax returns are currently under examination in the U.S. federal or state jurisdictions.

Date of management's review

Management has evaluated subsequent events through April 2, 2018, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**3 Investments**

Investments consist of certificates of deposit (CD), mutual funds and equities. The company diversified its investment in CDs to FDIC insured financial institutions to ensure each CD is at or below current \$250,000 FDIC insurance limit. At December 31, 2017, the fair market value of the investments was \$2,560,162, which was \$59,442 more than the cost.

**4 Fixed assets**

The following is a summary of fixed assets as of December 31, 2017:

Furniture and equipment	\$ 31,238
Website development costs	30,500
Leasehold improvements	<u>139,682</u>
	201,420
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(92,672)</u>
Total	<u>\$108,748</u>

Depreciation expense was \$18,286 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

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**5 Board designated endowment**

The Board designated funds represent assets set aside by board action. Since the amount resulted from an internal designation and is not donor-restricted, it is classified and reported as unrestricted net assets. The earnings of those funds are available to be used for operations only in the event of an emergency necessary to maintain the foundation’s solvency. Los Angeles Parks Foundation has adopted a long-term investment objective of long-term income and growth based on its investment goals and time horizon available for investment and overall risk toleration. For year ended December 31, 2017, the designated endowment funds include mutual funds and equities. The balance increased from \$477,035 to \$592,134 by the Board approved \$50,000 and interest income of \$17,763 net with fees of \$6,972 and realized and unrealized gain of \$54,308.

**6 Temporarily restricted net assets**

Temporarily restricted net assets are available for specific grant purposes:

Adopt a Park	\$ 192,280
Bench Program	25,669
Friends of the Park	160,021
Park Events (formerly Fundraising Events)	251,715
Griffith Park Urban Environment Center	133,355
Special Projects	1,282,233
Small Projects	<u>224,499</u>
Total temporarily restricted net assets	<u>\$2,269,772</u>

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the purpose specified by the donors as follows:

Adopt a Park	\$ 116,119
Bench Program	49,125
Friends of the Park	109,460
Park Events (formerly Fundraising Events)	133,107
Griffith Park Urban Environment Center	5,090
Special Projects	758,968
Small Projects	<u>108,081</u>
Total temporarily restricted net assets	<u>\$1,279,950</u>

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**7 Contributed services**

Contributed services are recognized if the services received (a) create or enhance long-lived assets or (b) require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation.

A significant amount of time was volunteered by community leaders towards the overall activities of the Los Angeles Parks Foundation which are not included in the accompanying financial statements as they do not meet the criteria described above.

**8 Fair value of financial instruments**

Financial Instruments

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Los Angeles Parks Foundation in estimating its fair value disclosures for financial instruments:

The following table presents the Foundation's fair value hierarchy for the financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using

	Cost	Market	Quoted Prices In Active Markets For Identical Assets (Level 1)
Certificate of deposits	\$1,984,000	\$1,981,147	\$ 1,981,147
Equities	294,553	355,417	355,417
Mutual funds	222,167	223,598	223,598
Total Investments	\$2,500,720	\$2,560,162	\$ 2,560,162

The return on these investments for the year ended December 31, 2017 is as follows:

Total realized and unrealized gain	\$ 50,966
Interest and dividend income	26,332
Fees	(7,122)
Total investments return	\$ <u>70,176</u>

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**9 Functional allocation of expenses**

The costs of providing the various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.