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# LIFETIME CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LTD. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 MARCH 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'SREPORT
To the Members of Lifetime Co-operative Credit Union Ltd.
Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lifetime Co-operative Credit Union Ltd. ("the Credit Union") which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, statements of changes in equity, comprehensive income and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Credit Union as at March 31, 2023 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing ("ISAs"). 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 independent of the Credit Union in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants ("IESBA Code"), and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# Responsibilities of Management and the Audit Committee for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Credit Union's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting, unless management either intends to liquidate the Credit Union or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Credit Union's financial reporting process.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Lifetime Co-operative Credit Union Ltd. Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements (Continued)

## 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 a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Mis-statements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. 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.
- 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 the Credit Union's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Credit Union's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our audit report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Credit Union to cease to continue.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the business activity of the Credit Union to express an opinion on the financial statements.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during the audit.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Lifetime Co-operative Credit Union Ltd. Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements (Continued)

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

This report is made solely to the Credit Union's members, as a body, in accordance with the Co-operatives Societies Act of Barbados. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Credit Union's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law and subject to any enactment or rule of law to the contrary, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Credit Union's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Barbados May 18, 2023

# Lifetime Co-Operative Credit Union Ltd Statement of Financial Position As of 31 March 2023 (Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	Note	2023	2022
Assets			
Cash & cash equivalents	6	2,128,189	1,688,362
Accounts receivable & prepayments	7	791,864	458,733
		2,920,053	2,147,095
Net loans to members	8	45,618,939	40,934,097
Investments	9	17,385,294	21,092,023
Investment property	9.1.	4,600,000	4,430,000
Plant & equipment	10	750,428	260,756
Total assets		71,274,714	68,863,971
Liabilities and equity			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable & accruals	11	313,835	284,250
Deposits and shares payable	12	65,793,025	64,166,414
	10-	66,106,860	64,450,664
Equity			
Statutory reserves		4,267,493	4,265,528
Undivided surplus	re	900,361	147,779
	13	5,167,854	4,413,307
Total liabilities & equity		71,274,714	68,863,971

See notes to financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Directors on May 18, 2023, and signed on their behalf by:

Al Busin

Treasurer

# Lifetime Co-Operative Credit Union Ltd. Statement of Changes in Equity For the period ended 31 March 2023 (Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	Statutory Reserve	Undivided Surplus	Total
Balance – 31 March 2021	4,264,023	( 530,890)	3,733,133
Entrance fees	1,505	i <del>.</del>	1,505
Net income for year		678,669	678,669
Balance – 31 March 2022	4,265,528	147,779	4,413,307
Entrance fees	1,965	:-	1,965
Net income for year	=	752,582	752,582
Balance - 31March 2023	4,267,493	900,361	5,167,854

See notes to financial statements.

# Lifetime Co-Operative Credit Union Ltd. Statement of Comprehensive Income For the period ended 31 March 2023 (Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	Note	2023	2022
Interest income:			
Loans to members		2,962,064	2,783,863
Cash equivalents		3,176	3,162
Investments		477,100	447,768
Total interest income		3,442,340	3,234,793
Interest expense:			
Regular deposits		110,823	109,327
Term deposits		437,104	468,392
Total interest expense		547,927	577,719
Net interest income		2,894,413	2,657,074
Other income:			
Net rental income Sundry income/fees		341,499 75,850	368,748 48,568
Net total - other income		417,349	417,316
Add (Less):			N
Net change in expected credit loss		182,376	60,058
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Operating income		3,494,138	3,134,448
Operating expenditure:	10100		
Depreciation	10	160,760	134,499
Staff costs		1,360,761	1,221,213
Other operating expenditure		1,346,440	1,233,702
Total operating expenditure		2,867,961	2,589,414
Net comprehensive income before:		626,177	545,034
Other comprehensive income			
Fair value gain on investment property and investments in equity instruments designated as FVTOCI		120,510	118,912
Dividend income		5,895	14,723
		752,582	678,669
Comprehensive income		134,304	070,009

See notes to financial statements.

# Lifetime Co-Operative Credit Union Ltd. Statement of Cash Flows For the period ended 31 March 2023 (Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	Note	2023	2022
Operating activities			
Net income for the year		626,177	545,034
Adjustment for non-cash items:			
Unrealised gain		120,510	118,912
Depreciation	10	160,760	134,499
Gain on disposal of asset		-	<u> </u>
		907,447	798,445
Changes in non-cash operating items:			
Accounts receivable & prepayments		( 333,131)	394,849
Accounts payable and accruals		29,585	21,206
Deposits and shares payable	_	1,626,611	621,041
Net cash provided by operating activities	-	2,230,512	1,835,541
Investing activities: Net change in: Loans to members Investments Investment property Purchase of plant and equipment	10	(4,684,842) 3,706,729 (170,000) (650,432)	( 2,653,338) ( 1,845,946) - ( 153,533)
Net cash (used by) investing activities	e <b>-</b>	(1,798,545)	(4,652,817)
Financing activities:			
Entrance Fees		1,965	1,505
Increased investment		5,895	14,723
Net cash provided by financing activities		7,860	16,228
Net change in cash and cash equivalents during year  Cash and cash equivalents brought forward		439,827 1,688,362	( 2,801,048) 4,489,410
Cash and cash equivalents at period end	я	2,128,189	1,688,362

See notes to financial statements.

#### 1. Registration and Principal Activity

LIFETIME CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION LTD. (formerly BS&T Employees Co-operative Credit Union Ltd)was registered on August 01, 1989 in accordance with the Co-operative Societies' Act, Cap 378. The Society was continued on September 02, 1994 under the Co-operative Societies Act 1990. Further to a resolution passed at the 2015 Annual General Meeting, the change of name to Lifetime Co-operative Credit Union Ltd became effective February 01, 2016. The principal places of business are Corner Hincks & Prince Alfred Streets, Bridgetown, Barbados; Fontabelle, St. Michael, Barbados and Price-Lo Supermarket, Sargeant's Village, Christ Church, Barbados.

## 2. Principal Activities

The principal activities are as follows:

- (a) The provision of means whereby savings can be effected by members and whereby shares in the Credit Union can be purchased;
- (b) The education of members in Co-operative principles and methods and the efficient management of the Credit Union's affairs;
- (c) The creation, out of savings of members and otherwise, of a source of credit available to members on reasonable terms and conditions.

#### 3. Significant Accounting policies

#### (a) Basis of preparation

These financial statements are stated in Barbados dollars and have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Impact of COVID-19The duration and extent of the COVID-19 pandemic and related financial and public health impacts of the pandemic are uncertain. As such, the economic events and conditions in the future may be materially different from those estimated by the Company at the reporting date. No matters have arisen since the end of the financial year which have significantly affected or may affect the operations of the Company. The Company, will continue to closely monitor the situation in order to plan its response, if necessary.

## (b) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on plant and equipment and vehicle on a straight-line basis, at rates designed to reduce the cost of assets to their residual value at the end of their useful lives in the business. The annual rates being used are as follows: furniture - 10% and 20%; equipment - 12.5% to 33.33%; vehicle 20%.

#### (c) Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of these financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments and estimates that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting years. Actual results may differ from those estimates. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are made based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are reasonable under the circumstances. The credit union's results, and operations have been and will continue to be impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and related uncertain macroeconomic environment. The effect of these events and how long they will continue have introduced additional uncertainty around estimates, including a higher degree of uncertainty in determining reasonable and supportable forward-looking information and assessing significant increase in credit risk used in measuring expected credit loss ("ECL").

The most significant uses of estimates and judgments include the following:

## (i) Fair value of financial instruments

Where the fair value of financial assets and liabilities cannot be derived from active markets, The Credit Union uses valuation techniques that include inputs derived from either observable market data or management's judgment.

# (ii) Impairment losses on financial assets

The measurement of impairment losses under IFRS 9, Financial Instruments ("IFRS 9") requires judgment, in particular, the estimation of the amount and timing of future cash flows and collateral values when determining impairment losses and the assessment of a significant increase in credit risk. These estimates are driven by a number of factors, changes in which can result in different levels of allowances. The credit union's ECL allowance calculations are outputs of complex models with several underlying assumptions.

## (d) Taxation

The Credit Union is exempt from taxation under Section 9(g) of the Income Tax Act of Barbados.

# 3. Significant Accounting policies...continued

#### (e) Investments

Investments are initially recorded at cost. For subsequent measurement, investments that are classified as being held to maturity are recorded at cost or amortized cost. Marketable securities are designated as investments at fair value through profit and loss, and as such are recorded at their fair values and any gains or losses are recorded in the Income Statement for the year in which they arise. Available-for-sale assets for which there is no quoted market value in an active market, and for which there is no reliable method of measuring the fair value, are shown at cost subject to adjustment for any impairment of value. Impairment occurs where the estimated recoverable amount of an asset is less than its carrying value. Management makes an assessment as at each Balance Sheet date as to whether any assets are impaired.

#### (f) Statutory Reserve

The greater amount of either 0.5% of assets or twenty-five percent (25%) of surplus is to be transferred to a Reserve account until the capital of the Credit Union equals ten percent (10%) of the total assets of the Society, in accordance with the Co-operative Societies' legislation. Similarly, Entrance Fees are taken to a Reserve Account.

(g) Education Fund

A minimum amount of one percent (1%) of net income is appropriated for education.

(h) Cash equivalents

Cash equivalents comprise cash, bank deposits and deposits on call.

(i) Adopted Standard

At the date of authorization of these financial statements, several new, but not yet effective, standards and amendments to existing standards, and interpretations have been published. None of these standards or amendments to existing standards have been adopted early by the Credit Union. Management anticipates that all relevant pronouncements will be adopted for the first period beginning on or after the effective date of the pronouncement. New standards, amendments and interpretations not adopted in the current year have not been disclosed as they are not expected to have a material impact on the Credit Union's financial statements.

## 3. Significant Accounting policies...continued

#### (j) Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized on the statement of financial position of the Credit Union when it becomes a party to contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets or liabilities are added or deducted from the fair value of the financial asset as appropriate on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset or liability at fair value through profit loss are recognized immediately in profit or loss.

All regular way purchases or sale of financial assets are recognized or derecognized on a trade date basis.

All recognised financial assets are measured subsequently in their entirety at amortised cost or fair value depending on the classification of the financial asset.

# (k) Classification of financial assets

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are measured subsequently at amortised cost:

- The financial asset is held with the business model for which the objective is to hold the financial asset to collect contractual cash flows; and
- The contractual terms of the asset give rise on specific dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

#### (1) Amortised cost and effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period.

The amortised cost of a financial asset is the amount at which the financial asset is measured at initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between the initial amount and the maturity amount, adjusted for any loss allowance. The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any loss allowance.

Interest income is recognized using the effective interest method for debt instruments measured subsequently at amortised cost. For financial assets other than purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, interest income is calculated by applying the effective rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset, except for financial assets that have subsequently become credit impaired. For financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired, interest income is recognized by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If, in subsequent periods, the credit risk on the credit impaired financial instrument improves so that the financial asset is no longer credit impaired, interest income is recognised by applying the effective rate of interest to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset.

## 3. Significant Accounting policies...continued

(2) Equity instruments designated at FVTOCI

On initial recognition, the Credit Union may make an irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI (fair value through other comprehensive income). Designation at FVTOCI is not permitted if the equity investment is held for trading.

A financial asset is held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Society manages together and has evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit taking.

Investments in equity instruments at FVTOCI are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the investment re-valuation reserve. The cumulative gain or loss is not to be reclassified to profit or loss on disposal of the equity investments ,instead, it is transferred to retained earnings.

Dividends on these investments inequity instruments are recognized in profit and loss in accordance with IFRS 9, unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of the investment.

The Credit Union has designated all investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading as FVTOCI

(1) Measurement and recognition of expected credit losses.

The expected credit loss (ECL) model requires management to make judgments and estimates in a number of areas. Management must exercise significant judgment in determining whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition and in estimating the amount of ECLs. The calculation of ECLs includes the incorporation of forward-looking forecasts of future economic conditions, which requires significant judgment to determine the forward-looking variables that are relevant for each portfolio and the scenarios and probability weights that should be applied. Management also exercises expert credit judgment in determining the amount of ECLs at each reporting date by considering reasonable and supportable information that is not already incorporated in the modeling process. Changes in these inputs, assumptions, models and judgments directly impact the measurement of ECLs.

Measurement of expected credit losses is a function of the probability of default (i.e., the magnitude of the loss if there is a default) and the exposure at default. The assessment of the probability of default and loss given default is based on historical data adjusted by forward-looking information. As for the exposure at default, for financial assets, this is represented by the asset's gross carrying amount as at the reporting date.

For financial assets, the expected credit loss is estimated as the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due to the Credit Union in accordance with the contract and all cash flows that the Credit Union expects to receive discounted at the original effective interest rate.

The Credit Union recognises an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss for all financial instruments with a corresponding adjustment in the carrying amount through a loss allowance account, except for investments in debt instruments that are measured at FVTOCI, for which the loss allowance is recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the investment revaluation reserves and does not reduce the carrying amount of the financial asset in the statement of financial position.

## 3 Significant Accounting policies...(continued)

m. Impairment of financial assets

In relation to the impairment of financial assets, IFRS9 requires an expected credit loss model as opposed to an incurred credit loss model under IAS 39. The expected credit loss model requires the Credit Union to account for expected credit losses and changes in those credit losses at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the financial assets. In other words, it is no longer necessary for a credit event to have occurred before credit losses are recognised.

Specifically, IFRS 9 requires the Society to recognize a loss allowance for expected credit losses on:

- 1.Debt investments measured subsequently at amortised cost or at FVTOCI; and
- 2. Trade receivables and contract assets.

In particular, IFRS 9 requires the Credit Union to measure the loss allowance for a financial instrument at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses (ECL) if the credit risk on the financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, or if the financial instrument is a purchased originated credit-impaired financial asset. However, if the credit risk on a financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition (except for a purchase or originated credit-impaired financial asset), the Credit Union is required to measure the loss allowance for the initial financial instrument at an amount equal to 12months ECL. IFRS 9 also requires a simplified approach for measuring the loss allowance at amount equal to lifetime ECL for trade receivables and contract assets in certain circumstances.

#### 4. Financial risk management

#### (a) Fair Value

Fair value represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction. Fair value is best evidenced by a quoted market value. An estimate, based on assumptions, is made of the fair value of each class of financial instrument for which it is practical to make an estimate. The fair values of the financial instruments are estimated to be not materially different from their carrying values in the financial statements.

#### (b) Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. As part of the risk management process, bank deposits are placed only with reputable banking institutions. Loans limits are established and approved by Management and security is generally required for loans granted. Credit risk on accounts receivable is limited by the provision made for doubtful debts.

## (c) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. It arises because of the possibility that the entity could be required to pay its liabilities earlier than expected. Management reviews the liquidity position of the credit union periodically to assess the availability of cash resources as compared to the projected cash outflows.

#### (d) Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk includes interest rate risk. Interest rate risk is the risk of fluctuations in interest rates. The Credit Union's exposure to market risk on its financial instruments is disclosed in the Notes 6, 8 and 9.

## 4. Financial risk management (continued)

## (e) Write-off

Loans and debt securities are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering a financial asset in its entirety or a portion thereof. This is generally the case when the Credit Union determines that the borrower does not have the assets or source of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write off. This assessment is carried out at the individual asset level.

Recoveries of amounts previously written off are included in impairment losses on financial instruments in the statement of income and statement of comprehensive income. Financial assets that are written off are still subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Credit Union's procedures for recovery of amounts due.

## 5. Related parties

Related parties exist where one party has the ability to control or exercise significant influence over the financial or operating decisions of another party. Transactions with related parties may be entered into in the normal course of business. Any such transactions are undertaken on commercial terms and conditions and are conducted at market rates.

#### 6. Cash and cash equivalents

	2023	2022
Current accounts	1,190,276	514,734
Cash	165,619	225,483
Barbados Co-operative Credit Union League Ltd – shares	17,300	17,300
Central Fund Facility Trust:		
- Ordinary Deposit –0.75% p.a. (prior year 0.75%)	207,155	204,041
- Statutory Reserve Deposits – 1.25% p.a. (prior year1.75%)	126,712	126,712
Massy (Barbados) Ltd.		
- Demand deposits -2.25% (prior year 2.25%)	417,606	374,809
SigniaGlobe Financial Group Inc.		
Demand deposits - 0.5 - 1.00% (prior year 0.5 - 1.00%)	3,521	225,283
	2,128,189	1,688,362

The effect of the adoption of IFRS 9 has been calculated to have an immaterial effect on Cash and Cash Equivalents and hence no ECL is provided for at the end of the year under review.

# 7. Accounts receivable and prepayments

	2023_	2022
Interest receivable	202,175	200,398
Sundry accounts	718,678	404,699
Prepayments	181,826	116,118
	1,102,679	721,215
Less: bad debts provision	(310,815)	( 262,482)
	791,864	458,733

#### 8. Loans to members

The Credit Union offers ordinary loans and products to members at rates varying from 3.4% to 16% (2022: 3.4% to 16%) per annum. The maximum loan limit is 10% of the entity's equity base. A line of credit facility is also in place offering members revolving credit up to \$10,000 (2022: \$10,000) at the interest rate of 16% (2022: 16%) per annum. Interest charged by the Credit Union is computed on the reducing balance basis.

As at the Balance Sheet date, the maturity profile of loans to members was as follows:

Amount due in	2023	2022
Less than one year	366,824	565,433
One to five years	10,364,243	17,515,037
Over five years	37,908,820	25,769,465
	48,639,887	43,849,935
Less: Expected credit loss (ECL)	(3,020,948)	(2,915,838)
Total	45,618,939	40,934,097

## 8. Loans to members(continued)

Loans Structure 2023				
2020		Consumer Loans	Mortgages	Total
Gross loans Less Expected Credit Loss		24,096,538 ( <u>1,753,390</u> )	24,543,349 ( <u>1,267,558</u> )	48,639,887 ( <u>3,020,948</u> )
		22,343,148	23,275,791	45,618,939
Loans Structure 2022				
		Consumer Loans	Mortgages	Total
Gross loans Less Expected Credit Loss		21,326,,276 ( <u>1,820,826</u> )	22,523,659 (1,095,012)	43,849,935 ( <u>2,915,838</u> )
		19,505,450	21,428,647	40,934,097
Expected Credit Loss by stage- 2023				
Expected Credit Loss by stage- 2025	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Consumer Mortgages	418,466 106,325	581,956 227,483	752,968 <u>933,750</u>	1,753,390 1,267,558
	<u>524,791</u>	809,439	1,686,718	3,020,948
Expected Credit Loss by stage - 2022	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Consumer Mortgages	250,840 90,094	861,905 253,728	708,081 751,190	1,820,826 1,095,012
	340,934	<u>1,115,633</u>	1,459,271	2,915,838

Residential mortgages are repayable in bi-weekly and monthly blended principal and interest instalments over an agreed term generally not exceeding a period of thirty (30) years. Residential mortgages are mainly secured by residential properties. Commercial loans and personal loans, including line of credit loans, are repayable to the Credit Union in weekly, bi-weekly and monthly blended principal and interest instalments over an agreed term, except for line of credit loans, which are repayable on a revolving credit basis and require minimum monthly payments. All loans, except for mortgage loans, are open and, at the option of the borrower, may be repaid at any time without notice. Types of collateral generally obtained by the Credit Union include, but are not limited to: member's personal property such as vehicles; cash and marketable securities; mortgage charges; fixed, floating or specific general security agreements; and personal guarantees.

#### 9. Investments

Investments in equity instruments designated as at FVTOCI		
	2023	2022
(a) Fair value investments – see part (b)	1,305,805	1,384,760
Held to maturity		
Massy (Barbados) Ltd.		
- PEARL deposits - 3.25%	1,050,000	1,050,000
Government of Barbados Bonds - see part (d)	5,908,644	6, 138,532
Government of Barbados Boss Bonds	600,000	600,000
Signia Financial Group Inc.	3,500,000	5,300,000
CAPITA Financial Services Inc. term-deposits 0.75% to		
2.90%	4,583,805	6, 213,608
	15,642,449	19,302,140
Less: expected credit loss	( 23,889)	( 23,889)
	15,618,560	19,278,251
Available-for-sale		
Co-operators General Insurance Co. 1,198 ordinary shares –	1 227-222	100.010
(2021 - 1,191 ordinary shares) -(c)	460,729	428,812
Barbados Co-operative & Credit Union League Ltd shares	200	200_
	17,385,294	21,092,023

(b)	Fair value investments	Number of shares	Cost	Market -start of year	Value  end of year	Unrealized gain/(loss)
	Sagicor Financial	20 500	49,875	104,692	96,582	( 8,110)
	Company Limited	28,500	49,873	104,092	90,362	( 0,110)
	Fortress Growth Funds Sagicor Renewable	103,438	437,679	801,003	738,443	( 62,560)
	Energy Fund Barbados Sustainable	400,000	400,000	400,000	396,000	( 4,000)
	Energy Co-op Society Royal Fidelity Select	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
	Balanced Fund	13,192	50,000	78,065	73,780	(4,285)
			938,554	1,384,760	1,305,805	(78,955)

(c) During income year 2023 the Credit Union adjusted the carrying value of its shares in Co-operators General Insurance Co. Ltd. to reflect the share value resulting from a valuation commissioned by the investee companies. During income year 2023 the Credit Union received 7 shares in lieu of dividends of \$2,450.

	increased	
Fair value	Investment	Fair value
March 31, 2022	during year	March 31, 2023

Co-operators General
Insurance Co. Ltd. 1,198 shares 428,812 31,917 460,729

#### 9. Investments(continued)

(d) Government of Barbados treasury notes and debentures and series B amortising strips with maturities of 5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14 and 15 years.

The interest rates are as follows:

Issuance through year 3	1.0%
Year 4	2.5%
Year 5 -maturity	3.75%

Interest will be paid quarterly and the principal of each strip will be repaid in four equal quarterly installments beginning one year prior to the final maturity of the strip.

The allocation of aggregate principal amount among strips are as follows:5-Year:

5- Year:7.49%	11- Year: 9.37%
6- Year: 7.78%	12- Year: 9.72%
7- Year: 8.07%	13- Year: 10.10%
8- Year: 8.38%	14 - Year: 10.48%
9 -Year: 8.70%	15 - Year: 10.88%
10- Year: 9.03%	

## 9.1Investment property

Investment property is property held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciation or for both, but not for sale in the ordinary course of business, use in the supply of services or for administrative purposes. Investment property is initially recorded at cost and subsequently measured at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Any gain or loss on disposal of an investment property (calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from disposal and the carrying amount of the item) is recognized in net income.

During the income year 2021 the Credit Union purchased a property for \$4,366,177 and benefited from an unrealized gain of \$68,823 that same year, resulting in a valuation of \$4,430,000. In compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards, the Credit Union has adopted the fair value method of reporting for its investment property which determines that the said property should be valued each reporting period. As at year end the Directors have determined a change in the market value of \$4,600,000 resulting in an unrealized gain of \$170,000.

During the current financial year, the Credit Union realized \$341,499 (2022 \$368,748) in net rental income from its investment property.

10 Plant and equipment			
		Equipment	
	Total	& Furniture	Vehicle
Period to March 31, 2023	TENNES CONTRACT		
Net book value - start of year	260,756	255,611	5,145
Purchases	650,432	650,432	-
Disposals	j. <b></b> ,	-	i <del>a</del>
Depreciation charges	(160,760)	(160,760)	<u>-</u>
Net book value - end of year	750,428	745,283	5,145
As of March 31, 2023			
Cost	2,193,110	2,090,187	102,923
Accumulated depreciation	(1,442,682)	(1,344,904)	( 97,778)
Net book value	750,428	745,283	5,145
Period to March 31, 2022			
Net book value - start of year	241,722	215,992	25,730
Purchases	153,533	153,533	
Disposals	£=	-	
Depreciation charges	(134,499)	(113,914)	( 20,585)
Net book value - end of year	260,756	255,611	5,145
As of March 31, 2022			
Cost	1,542,680	1,439,757	102,923
Accumulated depreciation	(1,281,924)	(1,184,146)	(97,778)
Net book value	260,756	255,611	5,145
Accounts payable and accruals			
		2023	2022
Dividends on shares		53,000	80,312
Other accounts		260,835	203,938
		313,835	284,250

yable	2023	2022
shares	42,179,134	41,173,030
	23,613,891	22,993,384
	65,793,025	64,166,414
	shares	2023 shares 42,179,134 23,613,891

- (a) There is no pre-determined rate of interest payable on the demand deposits and shares. The rates are set from time to time by the Board of Directors.
- (b) There is no limit to the number of shares that the Credit Union is authorized to issue. The number of shares held by a member does not determine the member's voting rights since each member is entitled to one vote only at any general meeting.
- (c) The Credit Union does not have an unconditional right to refuse to repay shares in any category when a member so requests. Consequently, non-membership shares are classified in the Balance Sheet as Liabilities instead of Equity to satisfy the requirements of IAS32 (International Accounting Standard 32). Accordingly, dividends payable on non-membership shares have been charged as an expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when applicable.
- (d) The Credit Union previously applied to its regulator for changes to be made to the By-Laws to create a new class of shares called 'Qualifying Shares', in accordance with the requirements of the Co-operative Societies Amendment Act 2007-39. Each member will be required to maintain a specified number of Qualifying Shares in order to maintain membership. Qualifying Shares are intended to be classified as Equity on the Balance Sheet.

## 13. Comparative figures

Certain of the comparative figures have been reclassified to comply with this year's financial statements presentation.

#### 14. Going concern

The Credit Union has made an assessment of its ability to continue as a going concern and is satisfied that it has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future. The Credit Union is not aware of any material uncertainties that may cause significant doubt regarding the credit union's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

	2023	2022
Bank charges	19,971	11,240
Cleaning	31,939	39,989
Courier services	320	605
Credit checks	31,448	22,397
Donations	2,300	7,500
General	25,332	16,520
Education Fund provision	30,000	1,200
Insurance	16,824	21,324
League dues	59,004	57,113
Loan Protection & Life Savings Insurance	67,200	63,900
Marketing	96,795	102,976
Meetings	30,092	27,168
Stipends BOD & Committee Fee	26,400	26,400
National Development Fund	6,300	6,500
Professional fees	176,603	115,934
Regulatory fees	39,554	33,834
Rent	150,240	120,077
Repairs & maintenance	25,564	28,945
Security	136,300	132,617
Software costs	66,801	77,062
Stationery, printing and postage	30,688	24,985
Subscriptions	11,255	10,293
Supplies and maintenance - equipment	8,325	4,397
Training and seminars	10,650	9,473
Utilities - electricity	56,030	47,367
Utilities - telephone	23,005	23,672
Vehicle expense	28,957	20,845
WAN & website charges	138,543	184,369
	1,346,440	1,233,702
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