# RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION

**Audits of Financial Statements** 

December 31, 2019 and 2018



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#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Research Park Corporation Baton Rouge, Louisiana

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Research Park Corporation (the Corporation), a nonprofit organization, which comprise the statements of net position as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position 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 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 audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 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 Research Park Corporation as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the changes in its net position and its cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

# Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 through 9 be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Corporation's basic financial statements. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 11, 2020 on our consideration of Research Park Corporation's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Research Park Corporation's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Covington, LA June 11, 2020 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

The Management's Discussion and Analysis of Research Park Corporation's (the Corporation) financial performance presents a narrative overview and analysis of Research Park Corporation's financial activities for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018. This document focuses on the current year's activity, resulting changes, and currently known facts in comparison with the prior year's information. Please read this document in conjunction with the additional information contained in the financial statements, which begin on page 10.

#### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

# <u>2019</u>

The Corporation's assets exceed its liabilities (net position) at the close of fiscal year 2019 by \$20,185,757 which represents a 13% increase in net position from the prior fiscal year. The Corporation experienced operating losses of \$2,018,746 in 2019. The Corporation had investment gains of \$3,029,910 for the year. Capital assets also decreased by 22% as the Corporation depreciated existing assets. The Corporation's main assets are a mix of capital assets of \$290,877, promissory note from Bon Carre' Business Center, LLC of \$3,646,136, and liquid assets of \$15,942,199, which consists primarily of investments in securities and cash.

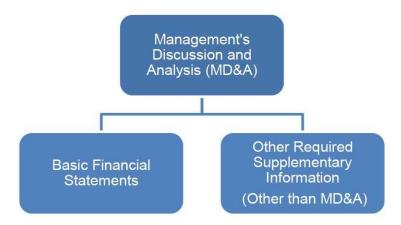
#### 2018

The Corporation's assets exceed its liabilities (net position) at the close of fiscal year 2018 by \$17,875,817 which represents a 10.2% decrease in net position from the prior fiscal year. The Corporation experienced operating losses of \$2,553,876 in 2018. The Corporation had investment losses of \$669,714 for the year. Capital assets also decreased by 21% as the Corporation depreciated existing assets. The Corporation's main assets are a mix of capital assets of \$371,658, promissory note from Bon Carre' Business Center, LLC of \$3,830,552, and liquid assets of \$13,042,333, which consists primarily of investments in securities and cash.

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The following graphic illustrates the minimum requirements for Special Purpose Governments Engaged in Business-Type Activities established by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments.



These financial statements consist of two sections - Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), and the financial statements (including the notes to the financial statements).

#### **Basic Financial Statements**

The financial statements present information for Research Park Corporation as a whole, in a format designed to make the statements easier for the reader to understand. The statements in this section include the Statements of Net Position; the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position; and the Statements of Cash Flows.

The "Statements of Net Position" (page 10) present a summary of assets and liabilities with totals of each. The difference between total assets and total liabilities is net position and may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Corporation is improving or deteriorating.

The "Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position" (pages 11 - 12) present information which shows how the Corporation's net position changed as a result of current year operations. Regardless of when cash is affected, all changes in net position are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, there are transactions included that will not affect cash until future fiscal periods.

The "Statements of Cash Flows" (pages 13 - 14) present information showing how the Corporation's cash changed as a result of current year operations. The cash flow statement is prepared using the direct method and includes the reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities (indirect method) as required by GASB 34.

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CORPORATION

# Condensed Statements of Net Position December 31, 2019, 2018, and 2017

	2019	2018	2017
Current Assets	\$ 1,277,382	\$ 1,454,685	\$ 1,490,258
Investments	18,786,009	16,319,093	18,101,052
Capital Assets	290,877	371,658	470,264
Total Assets	20,354,268	18,145,436	20,061,574
Liabilities	168,511	269,619	155,003
Total Net Position	\$ 20,185,757	\$ 17,875,817	\$ 19,906,571

All of the assets of the Corporation are unrestricted as to their specific use; that is, they can be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the by-laws and articles of incorporation. The investment portfolio, which was created because of the sale of land in 2005, increased 15% in 2019, but decreased 11.2% in 2018 due to economic conditions and the withdrawal of \$750,000 of funds in 2018 used to support operating losses. During 2019 the Corporation received \$353,018 in principal and interest payments on the Note Receivable from Bon Carre Business Center II, LLC, which was generated by the sale of the Company's equity interest in that entity in 2013. Capital assets decreased 22% in 2019, as the company continued to depreciate existing assets, with little new spending. Liabilities decreased 37% because similar large payable did not happen in 2019.

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

# Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position For the Years Ended December 31, 2019, 2018, and 2017

	2019	2018	2017
Operating Revenues	\$ 599,607	\$ 616,446	\$ 636,338
Operating Expenses	2,618,353	3,170,322	3,822,808
Operating Loss	(2,018,746)	(2,553,876)	(3,186,470)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)			
Tax Revenue - Cooperative Endeavor 2017	-	-	574,973
Tax Revenue - Cooperative Endeavor 2018	-	550,651	737,285
Tax Revenue - Cooperative Endeavor 2019	591,679	684,965	-
Tax Revenue - Cooperative Endeavor 2020	708,015	-	-
Investment Income (Loss), Net of Fees	3,029,910	(669,714)	2,250,838
Unrelated Business Income Tax Expense	(13,718)	(45,879)	-
Other Income	12,800	3,099	216
Total Non-Operating Revenues, Net	4,328,686	523,122	3,563,312
Change in Net Position	\$ 2,309,940	\$ (2,030,754)	\$ 376,842

#### 2019

Operating revenues consist of income received from incubator clients, grant and sponsorship income and program income. For the year ended December 31, 2019, operating revenues decreased 3%. Operating expenses decreased by 17% due to less mission driven investments made with external entities. Non-operating revenues increased approximately \$3,800,000 due to favorable market conditions that significantly increased Corporation's investment income.

#### 2018

Operating revenues consist of income received from incubator clients, grant and sponsorship income and program income. For the year ended December 31, 2018, operating revenues decreased 3%. Operating expenses decreased by 17% due to significant reductions in salaries and wages, depreciation, IT outsourcing services, and marketing, as well as the expiration of a grant agreement with Innovation Catalyst. Net non-operating revenues decreased 85% due to unfavorable market conditions that decreased the Corporation's investment income.

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

#### **CAPITAL ASSETS**

As of December 31, 2019 the Corporation had approximately \$290,877 invested in capital assets net of accumulated depreciation, primarily composed of data equipment, office equipment, radio frequency R&D equipment, leasehold improvements, and websites. This represented a decrease of 22% from the prior year as the Corporation continued to depreciate existing assets. The primary capital expenditure in 2019 was in new/updated computer equipment and leasehold improvements to the Louisiana Technology Park space.

As of December 31, 2018 the Corporation had approximately \$371,658 invested in capital assets net of accumulated depreciation, primarily composed of data equipment, office equipment, radio frequency R&D equipment, leasehold improvements, and websites. This represented a decrease of 21% from the prior year as the Corporation continued to depreciate existing assets. The primary capital expenditure in 2018 was in new/updated computer equipment and leasehold improvements to the Louisiana Technology Park space.

	2019	2018	2017
Capital Assets	\$ 290,877	\$ 371,658	\$ 470,264

#### **ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S OPERATIONS**

The Corporation's management considered the following factors and indicators when setting 2020 budget and goals:

- Expansion of the Apprenti LA IT apprenticeship program funded primarily with federal grants from the Delta Regional Authority;
- Continued growth of Baton Rouge Entrepreneurship Week and the BizTech Fellows and Challenge programs.
- Continued emphasis on raising funds from federal, state, and private entities;
- Commitment of funds to LSU Innovation Park
- A new cooperative endeavor agreement with Innovation Catalyst, Inc. to help reposition the company for future growth in alignment with the mission of Research Park Corporation.

Management expects to incur a net loss in 2020 supported by cash withdrawals from the investment portfolio.

#### CONTACTING RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION'S MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of Research Park Corporation's finances and to show the Corporation's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Genevieve Silverman, President & CEO of Research Park Corporation.

# RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION Statements of Net Position December 31, 2019 and 2018

		2019	2018
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	592,158	\$ 370,065
Taxes Receivable - Cooperative Endeavor 2020		385,217	-
Taxes Receivable - Cooperative Endeavor 2019		-	684,965
Interest Receivable		12,053	11,808
Other Receivables, Less Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts			
of \$24,825 at 2019 and 2018, Respectively		33,908	156,394
Current Portion of Note Receivable - Bon Carre' Business Center		192,168	183,727
Prepaid Expenses		61,878	47,726
Total Current Assets		1,277,382	1,454,685
Investments			
Note Receivable - Bon Carre' Business Center		3,453,968	3,646,825
Investment in Securities (at Fair Value)		15,332,041	12,672,268
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Total Investments		18,786,009	16,319,093
Capital Assets			
Furniture and Equipment		658,732	764,351
Leasehold Improvements		858,388	823,187
Software		273,430	273,430
Website		21,803	21,803
		1,812,353	1,882,771
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(1,521,476)	(1,511,113)
Total Capital Assets, Net		290,877	371,658
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	20,354,268	\$ 18,145,436
Liabilities and Net Position			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$	23,257	\$ 145,345
Accrued Expenses	•	137,482	115,098
Security Deposits		7,772	9,176
Total Current Liabilities		168,511	269,619
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Net Position		000 077	074 050
Net Investment in Capital Assets		290,877	371,658
Unrestricted		19,894,880	17,504,159
Total Net Position		20,185,757	17,875,817
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$	20,354,268	\$ 18,145,436

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For the Years Ended December 31, 2019 and 2018

	2019		2018	
Revenues				
Incubator Client Income	\$ 253,757	\$	250,938	
Grant and Sponsorship Income	329,954		361,522	
Other Operating Income	15,896		3,986	
Total Revenues	599,607		616,446	
Expenses				
Salaries and Wages	924,095		885,655	
Rent	422,429		428,019	
Employee Benefits	216,902		183,835	
Program Expenses	213,618		272,625	
Depreciation	126,538		139,531	
IT Outsourcing Services	114,514		110,941	
Consulting Fees	87,810		97,500	
Professional Fees	72,292		60,722	
Innovation Catalyst, Inc. Contributions	67,218		478,500	
Marketing	58,864		88,428	
Payroll Taxes	58,363		54,645	
Utilities	57,162		57,637	
Dues and Professional Development	40,945		43,584	
Facility Maintenance and Repair	32,772		48,003	
Telephone	32,585		35,251	
Travel Expenses	26,415		32,891	
Insurance	23,618		22,540	
Computer Expenses	16,052		13,860	
Office Supplies and Equipment	15,072		15,460	
Meals and Entertainment	10,491		9,128	
Postage and Printing	<b>59</b> 8		776	
Miscellaneous Expenses	-		791	
Grant to Sandbox Communities LLC	-		60,000	
Grant to Southern University Law Center	-		10,000	
Grant to Southern University Foundation			20,000	
Total Expenses	2,618,353		3,170,322	
Operating Loss	(2,018,746	)	(2,553,876)	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (Continued) For the Years Ended December 31, 2019 and 2018

	2019	2018
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)		
Hotel/Motel Tax Revenue - Cooperative Endeavor 2018	-	550,651
Hotel/Motel Tax Revenue - Cooperative Endeavor 2019	591,679	684,965
Hotel/Motel Tax Revenue - Cooperative Endeavor 2020	708,015	-
Investment Income (Loss), Net of Fees	3,029,910	(669,714)
Unrelated Business Income Tax Expense	(13,718)	(45,879)
Other Income	12,800	3,099
Total Non-Operating Revenues, Net	4,328,686	523,122
Change in Net Position	2,309,940	(2,030,754)
Net Position - Beginning of the Year	17,875,817	19,906,571
Net Position - End of the Year	\$ 20,185,757	\$ 17,875,817

# RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2019 and 2018

	2019	2018
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash Received from:		
Operating Receipts	\$ 720,68	<b>9</b> \$ 681,995
Cash Paid for:		
Salaries and Employee Benefits	(1,176,97	<b>6)</b> (1,118,219)
General and Administrative Expenses	(1,033,34	<b>5)</b> (842,669)
Grants and Contributions	(67,21	8) (568,500)
Program Expenses	(213,61	8) (272,625)
IT Outsourcing Services	(114,51	4) (110,941)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	(1,884,98	2) (2,230,959)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities		
Taxes Received	1,599,44	2 1,287,935
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	1,599,44	<b>2</b> 1,287,935
Cash Flows from Capital Financing Activities		
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	12,80	0 -
Capital Asset Purchases	(45,75	7) (40,925)
Net Cash Used in Capital Financing Activities	(32,95	7) (40,925)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Purchase of Investments and Certificates of Deposit	(5,917,80	<b>3)</b> (5,826,874)
Proceeds from Sale of Investments and Certificates of Deposit	6,117,71	<b>2</b> 6,382,431
Principal Received from Bon Carre' Business Center	184,41	<b>6</b> 176,317
Other Income Received	_	3,099
Unrelated Business Income Tax Paid	(13,71	8) (45,879)
Interest and Dividend Income Received	169,98	, , ,
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	540,59	0 1,061,188
Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	222,09	<b>3</b> 77,239
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	370,06	5 292,826
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$ 592,15	<b>8</b> \$ 370,065

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION Statements of Cash Flows (Continued) For the Years Ended December 31, 2019 and 2018

	2019	2018
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net		
Cash Used in Operating Activities		
Operating Loss	\$ (2,018,746)	\$ (2,553,876)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to		
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities		
Depreciation	126,538	139,531
Bad Debt Expense	-	-
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities:		
Other Receivables	122,486	62,528
Prepaid Expenses	(14,152)	6,242
Accounts Payable	(122,088)	37,879
Accrued Expenses	22,384	73,716
Security Deposits	(1,404)	3,021
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	\$ (1,884,982)	\$ (2,230,959)

#### Note 1. Nature of Activities

The Research Park Corporation (the Corporation) was formed as a public nonprofit corporation in 1992. The State of Louisiana transferred a tract of land (at the State's cost) in 1993 to the Corporation to establish a research park. The purpose of the research park is to provide an area where various industries may set up their businesses while they are in the developmental stage. The research park is used to attract these businesses to Louisiana.

During the year ended December 31, 2001, the Corporation refocused its efforts to concentrate primarily on developing early-stage technology businesses. The Corporation formed Louisiana Technology Park, LLC (LTP) as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation to act as the technology business incubator for the development stage technology companies. LTP is adjacent to a commercial data center and commercial office space for technology companies. The commercial data center provides data storage and transmission capabilities to incubator companies.

During the year ended December 31, 2002, the Corporation formed Bon Carre' Development Company, LLC (BCDC) as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation, for the purpose of purchasing Bon Carre' Town Center's mortgage note and approximately 18½ acres of land relating to that development. (See Note 8.) BCDC currently holds a promissory note from Bon Carre Business Center, LLC as its only asset.

During the year ended December 31, 2016, the Corporation formed NexusLA, LLC (NexusLA) as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation to connect the innovation and entrepreneurship community to resources, opportunities, and solutions by implementing strategic initiatives that increase regional collaboration, access to capital, and technology workforce diversity.

Two percent of the hotel-motel tax collections in East Baton Rouge Parish is dedicated to the East Baton Rouge Community Improvement Fund. A portion of the tax monies collected by the Community Improvement Fund is allocated to the Corporation (see Note 3).

#### Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

# **Reporting Entity**

Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 14, as amended, establishes criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within a reporting entity. Under provisions of this Statement, the Corporation is considered a primary government entity since it is a public nonprofit corporation that has a separately appointed governing body and is legally separate. The Corporation has three component units, Louisiana Technology Park, LLC, NexusLA, LLC, and Bon Carre' Development Company, LLC, defined by GASB Statement 14 as other legally separate organizations for which the Corporation is financially accountable. These entities are reported as blended component units and are thus with Research Park Corporation for reporting purposes. There are no other primary governments with which the Corporation has a significant relationship.

## Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Basis of Accounting

The Corporation is considered to be a proprietary-type fund and is presented as a business-type activity. Proprietary funds are used to account for governmental activities that are similar to those found in the private sector where the determination of operating income and changes in net assets is necessary or useful to sound financial administration. The accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) used for proprietary funds are generally those applicable to similar businesses in the private sector (accrual basis of accounting). Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they were earned, and expenses are recognized in the period incurred.

#### Income Taxes

Research Park Corporation is a tax-exempt entity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Generally, the income of these organizations is presumed to be tax exempt. However, this exemption is related to the purpose for which the organization was organized. In the event that the entity generates income from an unrelated trade or business, that income would be subject to unrelated business income tax (UBIT).

#### Compensated Absences

All full-time employees earn from 25 days of paid time off (PTO) leave each year, accrued biweekly up to a maximum of 135 hours. Upon separation, all earned unused PTO leave will be paid.

#### Cash

For purposes of reporting cash flows, cash includes highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, with the exception of money markets. Money markets are utilized as part of the long-term investment portfolio and are therefore classified as investments.

#### **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 and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Revenue Recognition

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Corporation receives value without directly giving value in return, include funding related to the cooperative endeavor agreements entered into for the State of Louisiana's fiscal years ending June 30, 2018 through June 30, 2020. (See Note 3.) Funds received from cooperative endeavor agreements that are unrelated to capital outlay are recognized in the period in which the Corporation is eligible to receive the funding. The state fiscal 2018 - 2020 cooperative endeavor agreements are considered to be non-operating activities as they are funded by hotel/motel tax revenue. Hotel/motel tax revenue is considered measurable when the underlying transaction generating the tax occurs. All funds received in the form of a donation are considered non-operating revenue.

## Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Investments

Investments in securities are reported at estimated fair value except for short-term and money market investments with a maturity of one year or less, which are reported at cost which approximates fair value. Fair value is based on the last reported sales price if available; if not available, fair value is based on estimated fair value. Realized gains and losses and changes in unrealized gains and losses on investments recorded at estimated fair value are included in investment income. Investments include money market accounts, investments in domestic and foreign common stock, investments in domestic and foreign corporate and government debt, commodities and gold, hedge funds, mutual funds, real estate investment trusts, and master limited partnerships.

## **Capital Assets**

All capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical costs for assets where actual cost is not available. The Corporation maintains a threshold level of \$500 or more for capitalizing assets.

All capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. Since surplus assets are sold for an immaterial amount when declared as no longer needed by the Corporation, no salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. Useful lives vary from 3 to 8 years.

#### **Net Position**

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments, as amended by GASB Statement No. 63, net position is classified into three components: net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted

These classifications are defined as follows:

#### Net Investment in Capital Assets

This component of net position consists of the historical cost of capital assets, including any restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowing that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets plus deferred outflows of resources less deferred inflows of resources related to those assets.

#### Restricted

This component of net position consists of assets that have constraints that are externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

#### Unrestricted

All other net position is reported in this category.

#### Note 3. Cooperative Endeavor Agreements - State of Louisiana

Two percent of the hotel/motel sales tax collections for East Baton Rouge Parish is dedicated to the East Baton Rouge Parish Community Improvement Fund. The Corporation receives a line item appropriates equal to 50% of the Fund. For the State's fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 and 2019, the line item appropriation to the Fund was \$1,287,936 for each year. Governor Edwards issued Executive Order JBE 2016-38, dated July 22, 2016, which requires a comprehensive cooperative endeavor agreement (CEA) between the transferring agency and the Corporation in order to receive funding from the line item appropriation. The Corporation entered into this CEA with the State for the State's fiscal years ending June 30, 2020 and 2019 and must submit quarterly cost reports for review and approval by the Department of the Treasury before funds are released to the Corporation.

#### Note 4. Cash and Investments

Statement number 40 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB 40), Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures, established and modified disclosure requirements related to investment risk. This section describes various types of investment risk and the Corporation's exposure to each type.

The following table presents the estimated fair value of investments permissible under the rules, objectives, and guidelines of the Corporation as of December 31, 2019 and 2018:

		2019		2018
	1	Estimated		Estimated
Investment Type		Fair Value		Fair Value
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	686,300	\$	518,866
Domestic Equity		7,696,290		6,320,509
International and Emerging Markets Equity		3,119,088		2,595,561
Domestic Fixed Income		1,954,279		1,793,990
International and Emerging Markets Debt		1 <b>6</b> 8,818		157,804
REITs, MLPs, and Other Alternative Assets		1,707,266		1,285,538
Total		15,332,041	\$	12,672,268

#### **Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Corporation's deposits may not be returned to it. Deposits are carried at cost. The carrying amount of deposits is separately displayed on the balance sheet as cash and cash equivalents. At year-end, the carrying amount of the Corporation's deposits was \$592,158 and the bank balance was \$680,817. Of the bank balance, approximately \$200,000 was in excess of the federally insured amount at December 31, 2019.

#### Note 4. Cash and Investments (Continued)

#### Custodial Credit Risk (Continued)

For investments, custodial credit risk is the risk that the Corporation will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured and are not registered in the name of the Corporation. The Corporation had no custodial credit risk related to investments for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk is defined as the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The standardized rating systems are a good tool with which to assess credit risk on debt obligations.

The following table shows the ratings for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018:

Ctondard 9 Dearla Detina	2019 Stimated	2018 Estimated Fair Value		
Standard & Poor's Rating	air Value	raii value		
AAA	\$ 415,163	\$	296,092	
AA	54,691		180,453	
A	626,280		168,162	
BBB	388,916		320,327	
BB	-		128,490	
В	156,949		43,384	
Not Rated	 <b>4</b> 81, <b>09</b> 8		814,886	
Total	\$ 2,123,097	\$	1,951,794	

U.S. Treasury notes, although not rated by S&P, are included in the chart above in the AAA category, which is the Moody's rating. Alternative or structured investments have not been included in the ratings above as they are not traded and, therefore, have not been rated. Redemption of these investments relies solely on the companies which provide the contracts and their ability to repay the underlying obligation.

Concentration of credit risk relates to the risk of loss attributed to a magnitude of the Corporation's investments in a single issuer. The Corporation has no investments in any single issuer that represented 5% or more of the total investments other than the U.S. Government.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is defined as the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The risk is applicable to debt investments with fair values that are sensitive to changes in interest rates. One indicator of the measure of interest rate risk is the dispersion of maturity dates for debt instruments, excluding fixed income mutual funds.

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# Note 4. Cash and Investments (Continued)

#### Interest Rate Risk (Continued)

The following table shows the maturity dates for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018:

	2019 Estimated	ļ	2018 Estimated	
Maturity in Years	Fair Value	Fair Value		
Less than 1	\$ 20,006	\$	993	
1 - 5	227,983		1,255,677	
5 - 10	125,147		374,798	
10 or More	108,429		320,326	
Perpetual	1,641,532			
Total	\$ 2,123,097	\$	1,951,794	

Net investment income (loss) for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 consisted of the following:

	2019	2018
Interest and Dividend Income (Net of Fees)	\$ 561,352	\$ 372,093
Realized Gains (Losses)	424,379	677,946
Unrealized Gains	 2,044,179	(1,719,753)
Total	\$ 3,029,910	\$ (669,714)

# Foreign Currency Risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The following table presents those foreign investment instruments which have potential exposure to foreign currency risk for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018:

	2019	2018
Global/Emerging Markets Equity Funds	\$ 1,387,924	\$ 893,320
Individual Foreign Bonds	168,818	157,804
Individual Foreign Stocks	 1,731,164	1,702,241
		_
Total	\$ 3,287,906	\$ 2,753,365

# Note 5. Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets at December 31, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

	2019								
		eginning Balance	Α	dditions		eletions		Ending Balance	
Furniture and Equipment	\$	764,351	\$	10,556	\$	(116,175)	\$	658,732	
Software		273,430		-		-		273,430	
Website		21,803		-		-		21,803	
Leasehold Improvements		823,187		35,201		-		858,388	
		1,882,771		45,757		(116,175)		1,812,353	
Accumulated Depreciation		(1,511,113)		(126,538)		116,175	(	1,521,476)	
Total	\$	371,658	\$	(80,781)	\$	-	\$	290,877	
				20	18				
	E	Beginning						Ending	
		Balance	1	Additions	]	Deletions		Balance	
Furniture and Equipment	\$	765,179	\$	17,905	\$	(18,733)	\$	764,351	
Software		273,430		-		- -		273,430	
Website		52,304		-		(30,501)		21,803	
Leasehold Improvements		800,167		23,020		- -		823,187	
		1,891,080		40,925		(49,234)		1,882,771	
Accumulated Depreciation	(	(1,420,816)		(139,531)		49,234	(	1,511,113)	
Total	\$	470,264	\$	(98,606)	\$	-	\$	371,658	

#### Note 6. Fair Value

The Corporation's investments measured and reported at fair value are classified according to the following hierarchy:

- Level 1 Investments reflect prices quoted in active markets.
- Level 2 Investments reflect prices that are based on a similar observable asset either directly or indirectly, which may include inputs in markets that are not considered to be active.
- Level 3 Investments reflect prices based upon unobservable sources.

The categorization of investments within the hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the instrument and should not be perceived as the particular investment's risk.

# Note 6. Fair Value (Continued)

Investments classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued directly from a predetermined primary external pricing vendor. Assets classified in Level 2 are subject to pricing by an alternative pricing source due to lack of information available by the primary vendor.

The valuation of the Corporation's investments measured at fair value at December 31, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

December 31, 2019	Le	vel 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	686,300	\$	-	\$	-	\$	686,300
Equity Securities	9	,378,829		-		-		9,378,829
Fixed Rate Capital Securities		-		-		-		-
Mutual Funds	2	,581,231		-		-		2,581,231
Fixed Income Securities								
U.S. Treasury Obligations		404,155		-		-		404,155
U.S. Agency Obligations		-		20,006		-		20,006
Corporate Bonds	1	,195,060		503,876		-		1,698,936
Convertible Bonds		-		-		-		-
Municipal Bonds		-		-		-		
Total Investments by Fair Value Level	\$ 14	,245,575	\$	523,882	\$	-	Ī	14,769,457
Investments Measured at the Net Asset Value Multi-Adviser Hedge Fund								562,584
Total Investments							\$	15,332,041
December 31, 2018	Le	evel 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	518,866	\$	_	\$	_	\$	518,866
Equity Securities	7	,633,225	·	-	·	-		7,633,225
Fixed Rate Capital Securities		· -		_		_		· · · · -
Mutual Funds	_							
		,019,117		_		_		2,019,117
Fixed Income Securities	2	,019,117		-		-		2,019,117
Fixed Income Securities U.S. Treasury Obligations	2	,019,117		-		-		2,019,117
	2			- - 19,731		- - -		
U.S. Treasury Obligations	2	206,350		- 19,731 540,095		- - -		206,350
U.S. Treasury Obligations U.S. Agency Obligations	2	206,350 50,585		,		- - - -		206,350 70,316
U.S. Treasury Obligations U.S. Agency Obligations Corporate Bonds		206,350 50,585		540,095		- - - - -		206,350 70,316 1,501,655
U.S. Treasury Obligations U.S. Agency Obligations Corporate Bonds Convertible Bonds		206,350 50,585 961,560	\$	540,095 37,954	\$	- - - - -		206,350 70,316 1,501,655 37,954
U.S. Treasury Obligations U.S. Agency Obligations Corporate Bonds Convertible Bonds Municipal Bonds		206,350 50,585 961,560 - 24,963	\$	540,095 37,954 110,556	\$	- - - - - -	•	206,350 70,316 1,501,655 37,954 135,519
U.S. Treasury Obligations U.S. Agency Obligations Corporate Bonds Convertible Bonds Municipal Bonds  Total Investments by Fair Value Level		206,350 50,585 961,560 - 24,963	\$	540,095 37,954 110,556	\$	- - - - -	:	206,350 70,316 1,501,655 37,954 135,519

#### Note 6. Fair Value (Continued)

The fair value of the multi-adviser hedge fund has been determined using the net asset value (NAV) per share (or its equivalent) of the investment. The investment objective of the multi-adviser hedge fund is to achieve capital appreciation principally through investing in investment funds managed by third-party investment managers that employ a variety of alternative investment strategies. No redemptions are permitted.

December 31, 2019	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Multi-Adviser Hedge Fund	\$ 562,584	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Fair	Unfunded	Redemption	Redemption Notice
December 31, 2018	Value	Commitments	Frequency	Period
Multi-Adviser Hedge Fund	\$ 549,266	N/A	N/A	N/A

#### Note 7. Commitments

Beginning January 1, 2005, LTP entered into a formal lease agreement for a term of 10 years with Bon Carre' Business Center II, LLC. Effective January 1, 2015, the Corporation exercised a 5-year option agreement, which extended the lease term to December 31, 2019. Rent during the option period 2015 - 2019 is \$9.69 per square foot. On March 26, 2019, the third amendment to the agreement extended the lease term until December 31, 2021 with rates remaining the same. Rental payments for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, were \$422,429 and \$421,440, respectively, under this lease. During 2015, LTP entered into a lease agreement for telephone equipment and software with a 36-month term. At the end of the term, the agreement renews for a one year term. Effective November 1, 2018, LTP entered into a contract for data storage and services with a 36 month term. The future minimum lease payments for all leases is \$471,523 and \$455,171 for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2021, respectively.

## Note 8. Note Receivable from Bon Carre' Business Center

On December 31, 2002, the Corporation, through its subsidiary, Bon Carre' Development Company, LLC, purchased the mortgages, consent judgment, and, to the extent they had any viability, the notes of Bon Carre' Town Center from First Tennessee Bank for \$8,160,121. In connection with the above transaction, the Corporation also purchased land at a cost of \$839,879. On March 28, 2003, the Corporation sold its entire interest in the above land and mortgage note to Bon Carre' Business Center II, LLC for which it received \$9 million. The Corporation subsequently purchased a 26.56% interest in Bon Carre' Business Center II, LLC's and BCBC Land, LLC's (collectively referred to as BCBC) common stock for \$2,125,900, plus 3,000 units of cumulative non-voting 9% preferred stock totaling \$3,000,000 for a total purchase price of \$5,125,900.

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#### Note 8. Note Receivable from Bon Carre' Business Center (Continued)

On December 1, 2013, the Corporation sold its entire equity interest in BCBC, including common stock, preferred stock, and outstanding dividends receivable, to Bon Carre' Business Center II in exchange for \$750,000 cash and a promissory note of \$4,650,000.

#### Note 9. Federal Grants

In 2017, the Corporation received a \$52,500 federal grant from the Delta Regional Authority to support the Bayou Classic BizTech Challenge, a tech-based entrepreneurship program to foster entrepreneurship at Historically Black Colleges and Universities in Louisiana and surrounding states. The project offers entrepreneurship education and a showcase event for participants, as well as continuing technical assistance for student teams creating businesses. The grant period is December 7, 2017 to December 6, 2018 and requires the Corporation to expend the \$52,500 of federal funds, as well as a matching contribution of \$50,878, consistent with the scope of work outlined in the award documents. The Corporation must also provide reporting on a quarterly basis as stated in the Award and receive funds on a cost reimbursement basis. As of June 2019, all grant funds were received, and all reporting requirements were met to close out the grant.

Also, in 2016 the Corporation was awarded a \$250,000 federal grant from the Economic Development Administration under the Regional Innovation Strategies Seed Fund Support program to fund the Louisiana Deal Flow Accelerator. The project will help increase the quantity, quality, and diversity of applications to the seed and angel capital entities in the region, as well as spread awareness of these entities to potential investors and entrepreneurs. The grant period is November 15, 2016 to April 30, 2019 and requires the Corporation to expend the \$250,000 of federal funds, as well as a matching contribution of \$250,000, consistent with the scope of work outlined in the Financial Assistance Award. The Corporation must also provide reporting on a semi-annual basis as stated in the Award and receive funds on a cost reimbursement basis. As of August 2019, all grant funds were received, and all reporting requirements were met to close out the grant.

In 2019 the Corporation was awarded a \$100,000 grant from the Delta Regional Authority's State's Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP) to support the expansion of the Apprenti Louisiana IT apprenticeship program. The grant period is November 6, 2019 to May 6, 2021 and requires the Corporation to expend the \$100,000 of federal funds, as well as matching contributions of \$388,186, consistent with the scope of work outlined in the Financial Assistance Award. The Corporation must also provide reporting on a quarterly basis as stated in the Award and receive funds on a cost reimbursement basis.

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# Note 9. Federal Grants (Continued)

In 2019 the Corporation was awarded a \$150,000 grant from the Delta Regional Authority's Delta Workforce Program to support the expansion of the Apprenti Louisiana IT apprenticeship program. The grant period is January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 and requires the Corporation to expend the \$150,000 of federal funds, as well as matching contributions of \$589,440, consistent with the scope of work outlined in the Financial Assistance Award. The Corporation must also provide reporting on a quarterly basis as stated in the Award and receive funds on a cost reimbursement basis.

## Note 10. Cooperative Endeavor Agreement - Innovation Catalyst, Inc.

In September 2019 the Corporation entered into a CEA with Innovation Catalyst, Inc. (ICI) to help reposition ICI for future growth in alignment with the Corporation's mission, leading to investment in new businesses, creation of jobs and private investment. ICI is a 501c3 non-profit corporation established to address local and regional entrepreneurial needs by developing and investing in high-potential startups with the goal of growing them into sustainable operations that deliver strong and consistent returns. The CEA commits the Corporation to provide a grant of \$300,000 through December 31, 2021, paid as needed in quarterly payments not required to exceed \$33,333.33. The Corporation also agrees to provide in-kind operational support that may include office space, secretarial and experienced staff member support, marketing/PR support, controllership duties, and additional related administrative and managerial support. The CEA also allows the Corporation to appoint a new Board of Directors for ICI.

# Note 11. Retirement Plan

The Corporation adopted a 401(K) plan in 2002 which covers substantially all of its employees. The Corporation contributes 4% of all eligible employees' salaries and matches 100% of each employee's salary deferrals up to 3% of their compensation. The contributions for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, were \$49,498 and \$44,233, respectively.

# Note 12. Combining Component Unit Information

The following tables include condensed combining statements of net position information for the Corporation and its component units as of December 31, 2019 and 2018:

December 31, 2019	Research Park Corporation		ouisiana chnology Park	De	on Carre' velopment Company	N	exusLA	E	liminations		Total
Assets	•										
Current Assets	\$ 917.899	\$	102,738	s	256,745	\$		\$	_	\$	1,277,382
Other Assets	19,276,687	Ψ.		•	3,453,968	•		•	(3,944,646)	۳	18,786,009
Capital Assets	6,596		284,281		•				-		290,877
•											
Total Assets	\$ 20,201,182	\$	387,019	\$	3,710,713	\$	-	\$	(3,944,646)	\$	20,354,268
Liabilities and Net Position											
Current Liabilities	\$ 15,425	\$	153,086	\$	-	\$	•	\$	-	\$	168,511
Total Liabilities	15,425		153,086				_		_		168,511
			,								
Net Position											
Net Investment in Capital Assets	6,596		284,281		-		-		-		290,877
Unrestricted	20,179,161		(50,348)		3,710,713				(3,944,646)		19,894,880
Total Net Position	20,185,757		233,933		3,710,713				(3,944,646)		20,185,757
	0.0004.400	•	007.040	•	0740740			•	(0.044.040)	•	00.054.000
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 20,201,182	\$	387,019	\$	3,710,713	\$		\$	(3,944,646)	\$	20,354,268
	Research	- 1	ouiciana	-	Ron Carro'						
	Research Park		ouisiana		Bon Carre'						
December 31 2018	Park		echnology	D	evelopment	N	Jexusl A	F	Fliminations		Total
December 31, 2018				D		٨	lexusLA	E	Eliminations		Total
Assets	Park Corporation	Te	echnology Park	De	evelopment Company		lexusLA		Eliminations	•	
Assets Current Assets	Park Corporation \$ 1,062,018		echnology	D	evelopment Company 215,203	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,454,685
Assets Current Assets Other Assets	Park Corporation \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600	Te	echnology Park 177,464	De	evelopment Company		-		Eliminations - (4,258,332)	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093
Assets Current Assets	Park Corporation \$ 1,062,018	Te	echnology Park	De	evelopment Company 215,203		-		-	\$	1,454,685
Assets Current Assets Other Assets	Park Corporation \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600	Te	echnology Park 177,464	De	evelopment Company 215,203		-	\$	-		1,454,685 16,319,093
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets	Park Corporation \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600 2,817	\$	Park 177,464 - 362,785	\$	215,203 3,646,825	\$	- - 6,056	\$	(4,258,332) -		1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets Liabilities and Net Position	Park Corporation \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600 2,817 \$ 17,995,435	\$ \$	echnology Park 177,464 - 362,785 540,249	\$	215,203 3,646,825	\$	- - 6,056	\$	(4,258,332) -	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658 18,145,436
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets	Park Corporation \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600 2,817	\$	Park 177,464 - 362,785	\$	215,203 3,646,825	\$	- - 6,056	\$	(4,258,332) -		1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets Liabilities and Net Position	Park Corporation \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600 2,817 \$ 17,995,435	\$ \$	echnology Park 177,464 - 362,785 540,249	\$	215,203 3,646,825	\$	- - 6,056	\$	(4,258,332) -	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658 18,145,436
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets Liabilities and Net Position Current Liabilities Total Liabilities	Park Corporation  \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600 2,817 \$ 17,995,435  \$ 119,618	\$ \$	echnology Park 177,464 - 362,785 540,249	\$	215,203 3,646,825	\$	- - 6,056	\$	(4,258,332) -	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658 18,145,436
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets Liabilities and Net Position Current Liabilities Total Liabilities Net Position	Park Corporation  \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600 2,817 \$ 17,995,435  \$ 119,618 119,618	\$ \$	echnology Park 177,464 - 362,785 540,249 150,001 150,001	\$	215,203 3,646,825	\$	- 6,056 6,056 - -	\$	(4,258,332) -	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658 18,145,436 269,619 269,619
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets Liabilities and Net Position Current Liabilities Total Liabilities Net Position Net Investment in Capital Assets	Park Corporation  \$ 1,062,018	\$ \$	echnology Park 177,464 - 362,785 540,249 150,001 150,001	\$	evelopment Company 215,203 3,646,825 - 3,862,028	\$	- - 6,056	\$	(4,258,332) (4,258,332) - (4,258,332)	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658 18,145,436 269,619 269,619 371,658
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets Liabilities and Net Position Current Liabilities Total Liabilities Net Position	Park Corporation  \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600 2,817 \$ 17,995,435  \$ 119,618 119,618	\$ \$	echnology Park 177,464 - 362,785 540,249 150,001 150,001	\$	215,203 3,646,825	\$	- 6,056 6,056 - -	\$	(4,258,332) -	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658 18,145,436 269,619 269,619
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets Liabilities and Net Position Current Liabilities Total Liabilities Net Position Net Investment in Capital Assets	Park Corporation  \$ 1,062,018 16,930,600 2,817  \$ 17,995,435  \$ 119,618  119,618  2,817 17,873,000	\$ \$	echnology Park 177,464 - 362,785 540,249 150,001 150,001	\$	215,203 3,646,825 - 3,862,028 - - - - 3,862,028	\$	- 6,056 6,056 - -	\$	(4,258,332) (4,258,332) - (4,258,332)	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658 18,145,436 269,619 269,619 371,658 17,504,159
Assets Current Assets Other Assets Capital Assets Total Assets Liabilities and Net Position Current Liabilities Total Liabilities  Net Position Net Investment in Capital Assets Unrestricted	Park Corporation  \$ 1,062,018	\$ \$	echnology Park 177,464 - 362,785 540,249 150,001 150,001 362,785 27,463	\$	evelopment Company 215,203 3,646,825 - 3,862,028	\$	- 6,056 6,056 - - - 6,056	\$	(4,258,332) (4,258,332) - (4,258,332)	\$	1,454,685 16,319,093 371,658 18,145,436 269,619 269,619 371,658

# Note 12. Combining Component Unit Information (Continued)

The following tables include condensed combining statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position information for the Corporation and its component units for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018:

December 31, 2019	Research Park Corporation	Louisiana Technology Park	Bon Carre' Development Company	NexusLA	Eliminations	Total
Revenues Incubator Client Income Grant and Sponsorship Income Other Operating Income	\$ - 309,954 14,228	\$ 253,757 20,000 1,668	\$ - - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ 253,757 329,954 15,896
Total Revenues	324,182	275,425	-	-	-	599,607
Expenses Operating Expenses Depreciation	1,080,457 1,646	1,411,358 118,836	- -	- 6,056	- -	2,491,815 126,538
Total Expenses	1,082,103	1,530,194	-	6,056	-	2,618,353
Operating Loss	(757,921)	(1,254,769)	-	(6,056)	-	(2,018,746)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses) Tax Revenue Investment Income, Net Transfers Unrelated Business Income Tax Expense Other	1,299,694 2,547,606 (765,721) (13,718)	- - 1,085,654 - 12,800	- 168,618 (319,933) - -	- - - -	- 313,686 - - -	1,299,694 3,029,910 - (13,718) 12,800
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	3,067,861	1,098,454	(151,315)	-	313,686	4,328,686
Change in Net Position	2,309,940	(156,315)	(151,315)	(6,056)	313,686	2,309,940
Net Position - Beginning of the Year	17,875,817	390,248	3,862,028	6,056	(4,258,332)	17,875,817
Net Position - End of the Year	\$ 20,185,757	\$ 233,933	\$ 3,710,713	\$ -	\$ (3,944,646)	\$ 20,185,757
December 31, 2018	Research Park Comporation	Louisiana Technology Park	Bon Carre' Development Company	NexusLA	Eliminations	Total
Revenues Incubator Client Income Grant and Sponsorship Income Other Operating Income Total Revenues	\$ - 173,668 - 173,668	\$ 250,938 11,500 3,986 266,424	\$ - - -	\$ - 176,354 - 176,354	\$	\$ 250,938 361,522 3,986 616,446
Expenses Operating Expenses Depreciation	904,251	1,497,775 131,077	- -	628,765 7,268	- -	3,030,791 139,531
Total Expenses	905,437	1,628,852	-	636,033	-	3,170,322
Operating Loss	(731,769)	(1,362,428)	-	(459,679)	-	(2,553,876)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)  Tax Revenue Investment Income, Net  Transfers Unrelated Business Income Tax Expense Other	1,235,616 (1,095,794) (1,393,555) (45,879) 627	- 185 1,296,628 - -	- 176,702 (353,012) - -	- - 449,939 - 2,472	- 249,193 - - -	1,235,616 (669,714) - (45,879) 3,099
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	(1,298,985)	1,296,813	(176,310)	452,411	249,193	523,122
Change in Net Position	(2,030,754)	(65,615)	(176,310)	(7,268)	249,193	(2,030,754)
Net Position - Beginning of the Year	19,906,571	455,863	4,038,338	13,324	(4,507,525)	19,906,571
Net Position - End of the Year	\$ 17,875,817	\$ 390,248	\$ 3,862,028	\$ 6,056	\$ (4,258,332)	\$ 17,875,817

# Note 12. Combining Component Unit Information (Continued)

The following tables include condensed combining statements of cash flow information for the Corporation and its component units for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018:

		esearch Park	_	ouisiana echnology	Dev	on Carre' velopment						
December 31, 2019	Co	rporation		Park	С	ompany	1	VexusLA	Elin	ninations		Total
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	\$	(750,932)	\$	(1,134,050)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ (	(1,884,982)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Noncapital Financing Activities		833,721		1,085,654		(319,933)		-		-		1,599,442
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Capital and Related Financing Activities		(5,425)		(27,532)		-		-		-		(32,957)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities		187,556		-		353,034		-		-		540,590
Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		264,920		(75,928)		33,101		-		-		222,093
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year		217,233		121,356		31,476						370,065
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$	482,153	\$	45,428	\$	64,577	\$	-	\$	-	\$	592,158
Decmeber 31, 2018		esearch Park orporation		Louisiana echnology Park	De	on Carre' velopment company	ı	NexusLA	Elin	ninations		Total
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	\$	(628,551)	\$	(1,149,997)	\$	-	\$	(452,411)	\$	-	\$ (	(2,230,959)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Noncapital Financing Activities		(105,620)		1,296,628		(353,012)		449,939		-		1,287,935
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Capital and Related Financing Activities		(2,926)		(37,999)		-		-		-		(40,925)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities		705,697		-		353,019		2,472		-		1,061,188
Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		(31,400)		108,632		7		-		-		77,239
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year		248,633		12,724		31,469		-		-		292,826

# Note 13. Subsequent Events

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern", and on March 10, 2020, declared it to be a pandemic. Actions taken around the world to help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus include restrictions on travel, quarantines in certain areas, and forced closures for certain types of public places and businesses. The coronavirus and actions taken to mitigate it have had, and are expected to continue to have, an adverse impact on the economies and financial markets of many countries, including the geographical area in which the Corporation operates. It is unknown how long these conditions will last and what the complete financial effect will be to the Corporation.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513(A)(3) as amended by Act 706 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session requires that the total compensation, reimbursements, and benefits of an agency head or political subdivision head or chief executive officer related to the position, including but not limited to travel, housing, unvouchered expense, per diem, and registration fees be reported as a supplemental report within the financial statements of local government and quasi-public auditees. In 2015, Act 462 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature further amended R.S. 24:513(A)(3) to clarify that nongovernmental entities or not-for-profit entities that received public funds shall report only the use of public funds for the expenditures itemized in the supplemental report.

# President/CEO Genevieve Silverman

Salary and Other Direct Compensation	
Gross Salary	\$ 185,000
Total Salary and Other Direct Compensation	 185,000
Employee Benefits	
Medical and Dental Insurance	28,537
Life and Long-Term Disability Insurance Premiums	694
401k Contributions	 12,950
Total Employee Benefits	 42,181
Other Payments	
Travel	6,276
Meals/Entertainment	2,923
Telephone	1,100
Dues/Development	8,920
Total Other Payments	 19,219
Total Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer	\$ 246,400



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# REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Research Park Corporation Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Research Park Corporation (the Corporation), a nonprofit organization, which comprise the statement of net position as of December 31, 2019, and the related statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 11, 2020.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

# **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Research Park Corporation's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Covington, LA June 11, 2020

# RESEARCH PARK CORPORATION Schedule of Findings and Responses For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

# Part I - Summary of Auditor's Results

#### **Financial Statements**

Type of Auditor's Report Issued

Unmodified

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting:

Material Weakness(es) Identified?

No

• Significant Deficiency(ies) Identified?

None reported

Noncompliance Material to Financial Statements Noted?

No

# Part II - Financial Statement Findings

None.