Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Report

September 30, 2014 and 2013

Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Defenders of Wildlife

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Defenders of Wildlife ("Defenders"), which comprise the statements of financial position as of September 30, 2014, the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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



Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Defenders as of September 30, 2014, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matter

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental information included on page 29 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information 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. The 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 information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

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We have previously audited Defenders' September 30, 2013 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated February 26, 2014. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2013, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

Vienna, Virginia

February 20, 2015

Statements of Financial Position September 30, 2014 and 2013

	 2014	2013		
Assets	 			
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,337,440	\$	4,424,630	
Short-term investments	1,392,916		541,903	
Investments – annuity reserve fund	3,663,146		3,483,907	
Certificates of deposit	884,863		1,314,663	
Bequests and trusts receivable	1,129,906		780,705	
Grants and pledges receivable	1,760,999		1,604,121	
Accounts receivable	248,552		609,300	
Prepaid expenses	765,226		417,466	
Accrued interest and dividends	3,154		4,476	
Inventory	 588,131		588,291	
Total current assets	16,774,333		13,769,462	
Long-term investments	6,880,860		6,683,865	
Grants and pledges receivable, long-term	426,111		1,464,657	
Charitable remainder and other trusts	2,811,642		3,336,457	
Property and equipment, net	10,255,545		10,515,667	
Other assets	 67,681		79,286	
Total assets	\$ 37,216,172	\$	35,849,394	
Liabilities and Net Assets				
Liabilities				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 2,416,802	\$	1,576,394	
Annuity and other split-interest obligations	317,843		301,641	
Loan payable	232,988		227,887	
Capital lease obligation, net	10,402		7,567	
Deferred revenue	 -		2,940	
Total current liabilities	 2,978,035		2,116,429	
Loan payable, net of current portion	5,830,454		6,060,454	
Annuity and other split-interest obligations, long-term	2,040,189		1,911,791	
Capital lease obligation, net of current portion	 46,378		61,400	
Total liabilities	10,895,056		10,150,074	
Net Assets				
Unrestricted:				
Undesignated	16,998,649		8,761,606	
Defenders-designated	-		6,290,253	
Total unrestricted	16,998,649		15,051,859	
Temporarily restricted	7,824,759		9,200,271	
Permanently restricted	1,497,708		1,447,190	
Total net assets	 26,321,116		25,699,320	
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 37,216,172	\$	35,849,394	

See accompanying notes. 3

Statement of Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2014 (With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended September 30, 2013)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	2014 Total	2013 Totals
Revenue and Support					
Grants and contributions	\$ 20,886,827	\$ 2,240,203	\$ - \$	23,127,030	\$ 25,508,609
Contributed services	1,876,604	-	-	1,876,604	884,232
Bequests	5,585,863	25,796	-	5,611,659	4,919,763
Royalties	633,001	-	-	633,001	592,576
Investment income	279,611	-	901	280,512	642,550
Split-interest contributions	-	124,242	-	124,242	152,989
Change in value of					
split interests	361,642	(303,143)	49,617	108,116	402,799
Mailing list royalties	90,877	-	-	90,877	60,928
Other income	406,945	-	-	406,945	714,847
Released from restrictions	3,462,610	(3,462,610)	_		
Total revenue and support	33,583,980	(1,375,512)	50,518	32,258,986	33,879,293
Expenses					
Program services:					
ESA	8,104,508	-	-	8,104,508	7,422,010
Key Species	12,386,682	-	-	12,386,682	11,696,775
Habitat	7,215,078	-	-	7,215,078	7,645,648
Total program services	27,706,268	-	-	27,706,268	26,764,433
Supporting services:					
Management and general	3,027,498	-	-	3,027,498	2,708,502
Fundraising	903,424	-	-	903,424	1,089,739
Total supporting services	3,930,922	-	-	3,930,922	3,798,241
Total expenses	31,637,190	-	-	31,637,190	30,562,674
Change in Net Assets	1,946,790	(1,375,512)	50,518	621,796	3,316,619
Net Assets, beginning of year	15,051,859	9,200,271	1,447,190	25,699,320	22,382,701
Net Assets, end of year	\$ 16,998,649	\$ 7,824,759	\$ 1,497,708 \$	26,321,116	\$ 25,699,320

See accompanying notes. 4

Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended September 30, 2014 and 2013

		2014	2013		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	_		_		
Change in net assets	\$	621,796	\$	3,316,619	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to					
net cash provided by operating activities:		572 562		505.040	
Depreciation and amortization		572,562		587,848	
Equipment acquired under capital lease		- (1.724)		71,000	
Discount on grants and pledges receivable		(1,734)		4,163	
Amortization of cost of issuing bonds		11,605		154,690	
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments		(112,755)		(216,080)	
Unrealized gain on interest rate swap Change in annuity reserve fund		(170.220)		(245,593)	
		(179,239)		(127,584)	
Net loss on disposal of fixed assets Change in value of charitable remainder and other trusts		524,815		1,061	
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		324,813		(131,004)	
(Increase) decrease in:					
Bequests and trusts receivable		(240.201)		451,367	
Grants and pledges receivable		(349,201) 883,402			
Accounts receivable		360,748		(1,745,448) (127,597)	
Prepaid expenses		(347,760)		(41,197)	
Accrued interest and dividends		1,322		999	
Inventory		1,322		31,148	
Increase (decrease) in:		100		31,140	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		840,408		557,909	
Annuity and other split-interest obligations		144,600		(50,373)	
Deferred revenue		(2,940)		(7,021)	
Beleffed revenue		(2,740)			
Net cash provided by operating activities		2,967,789		2,484,907	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities					
Proceeds from sale of investments		78,645		5,994,483	
Proceeds from maturity of certificates of deposit		429,800		358,397	
Purchase of investments		(1,013,898)		(6,484,792)	
Purchase of property and equipment		(312,440)		(201,238)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(817,893)		(333,150)	
Cash Flows from Financing Activities					
Payments on bond principal		(224,899)		(223,031)	
Cost of issuing long-term debt		-		(74,876)	
Issuance of long-term debt		-		6,306,372	
Redemption of long-term debt		-		(5,505,000)	
Payments under capital lease		(12,187)		(2,033)	
Termination of interest rate swap	-			(739,272)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(237,086)		(237,840)	
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		1,912,810		1,913,917	
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of year		4,424,630		2,510,713	
Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of year	\$	6,337,440	\$	4,424,630	

See accompanying notes. 5

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

1. Nature of Operations

Defenders of Wildlife ("Defenders") is a District of Columbia nonprofit corporation founded in 1947. Its mission is to conserve the natural abundance and diversity of native wild animals and plants, and the habitats on which they depend. As one of the country's leaders in science-based, results-oriented wildlife conservation, Defenders works to educate and mobilize the public to protect and restore America's native wildlife. Programs are primarily funded through grants and contributions.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting and Presentation

Defenders' financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and are in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for not-for-profit organizations. Net assets are reported based on the presence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions in the following classes:

- Unrestricted net assets represent funds that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations and are available for support of Defenders' operations. These net assets included both internally designated and undesignated resources at September 30, 2013. During 2014, pursuant to a change in Defenders' bylaws, all amounts became undesignated.
- *Temporarily restricted net assets* represent funds subject to donor-imposed restrictions that are met either by actions of Defenders or the passage of time.
- *Permanently restricted net assets* represent funds in which the principal must be held in perpetuity, while the earnings may be available for general operations or a restricted purpose imposed by the donors.

Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of interest-earning checking accounts, as well as highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Temporary cash investments are placed with creditworthy, high-quality financial institutions. These banking arrangements preclude any significant concentration of uninsured cash. The carrying amounts on the statements of financial position approximate fair value because of the short-term maturities of the instruments.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value based on quoted market prices. Certain investments are recorded as long-term, as Defenders has the intent and ability to hold them for more than one year. Short-term investments are included with current assets, since the intent is for them to be available for working capital purposes.

Certificates of Deposit

At September 30, 2014 and 2013, Defenders held certificates of deposit with original maturity dates greater than a period of ninety days that are carried at amortized cost. Interest earned on the certificates of deposit is included in investment income in the accompanying statement of activities. These certificates of deposit do not qualify as securities, as defined in Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 320, *Investments – Debt and Equity Securities*. Therefore, these investments are not included in the fair value disclosures required by FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*.

Grants and Pledges Receivable

All grants and pledges receivable are deemed to be fully collectible and are reflected at either net realizable value or at net present value based on projected cash flows. Amounts receivable in more than one year initially recorded in fiscal years 2014 and 2013 were discounted at an average annual rate of 3.57% using a rate that considers market and credit risk.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist of royalty and other receivables, and are recorded at net realizable value. Defenders' policy is to charge off uncollectible accounts receivable when management determines the receivable will not be collected. No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been established at September 30, 2014 and 2013, as all amounts are deemed fully collectible.

Inventory

Inventory includes membership items such as bags and jackets, which are branded with Defenders' logo. Inventory is recorded at cost (using specific identification), and is expensed when used.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment purchased at a cost of \$1,000 or more are capitalized and recorded at acquisition cost. The building is depreciated over an estimated useful life of 25 years. Furniture, equipment, and improvements are depreciated over estimated useful lives of 5 to 25 years, with no salvage value. All depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. Donated items are recorded at fair market value.

Revenue Recognition

All grants and contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Defenders reports grants and contributions as temporarily restricted support if they are received with donor or grantor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Permanently restricted contributions are invested in perpetuity by or on Defenders' behalf. The principal of the gift is never expended, while the investment income is spent on current temporarily restricted or unrestricted programs as specified by the donor.

Defenders will receive communications indicating that it has been named as a beneficiary in an individual's will. These promises to give are recognized at the time the probate court declares the will valid and the proceeds are reasonably measurable. It is Defenders' practice to reduce these amounts by approximately 10% before recording the receivable, for estimated administration costs associated with the estates.

Deferred revenue consists of payments received in advance for royalty, advertising, and contracts. Deferred revenue is recognized as earned in the period corresponding to the services performed or activity conducted. All other revenues are recognized when earned.

Split-Interest Agreements

Defenders receives certain planned gift donations that benefit not only Defenders, but also another beneficiary designated by the donor. These contributions are termed split-interest agreements, which include perpetual trusts, charitable remainder trusts, charitable gift annuities, and a pooled income fund.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Split-Interest Agreements (continued)

Income is received from perpetual trusts, from which the assets held by the respective trustees will not revert to Defenders at any time and the income received is used according to donor stipulations. Defenders is also a remainderman to certain charitable remainder trusts. Upon the death of the beneficiaries of these remainder trusts, the assets will revert to Defenders to be used according to the donors' wishes. Assets held in trust by and for Defenders are valued at either fair-value or at the discounted present value of the estimated future receipts from the trusts. Where applicable, estimated future payments are discounted at a risk-free rate of return based on the expected term of the split-interest agreements at the time the agreements are created, ranging from 3% to 6%.

Defenders has entered into irrevocable agreements with donors whereby in exchange for the gift from the donor, Defenders is obligated to provide an annuity to the donor or other designated beneficiary over the life of the annuitant. A liability is recognized for the estimated present value of the annuity obligation, and the assets are recorded at their fair value. The discount rate and actuarial assumptions used in calculating the annuity are those provided in the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) guidelines and actuarial tables.

In accordance with certain state laws, the charitable gift annuity reserve fund is invested primarily in money market funds, bonds, mutual funds, and equities, and reserves for California donors are segregated.

In 1980, Defenders established a pooled income fund. The fund accepts gifts of cash or other property, while the donors retain a life interest in the income generated by the contributed assets. Upon the death of a donor or their designated beneficiaries, Defenders owns the remainder interest in the principal balance of the gift.

Contributed Service

Donated services meeting the criteria for recognition under FASB ASC 958, *Revenue Recognition – Contributions Received*, are recognized at fair value at the time of receipt. These services benefit the general programs and consist primarily of advertising, and legal and professional services. The value of these donated services is included in the financial statements as both revenue and expense in the amounts of \$1,876,604 and \$884,232 for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include the split-interest agreements; carrying value of land, buildings and equipment; and bequests and trusts receivable.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

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

Prior Year Information

Statement of Activities

The financial statements include certain prior-year summarized comparative information in total, but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with Defenders' financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2013, from which the summarized information was derived.

Program Classification

During the year ended September 30, 2013, Defenders implemented a new ten-year strategic plan that defines three main conservation goals that constitute the focal areas of Defenders' mission-driven work. These three conservation goals were translated into new program classifications for budgetary purposes, and are shown in the program services expense line items of the accompanying statement of activities.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Prior Year Information (continued)

Program Classification (continued)

The three conservation goals and related ten-year benchmarks of success are defined as follows:

Program Classification	10-Year Benchmark
Endangered Species Act (ESA)	More than half of the species presently listed under the ESA are stable or improving
Key Species	25 vulnerable species are secure in important ecosystems and focal landscapes
Habitat	Double the acreage of high priority wildlife habitat managed for ecological integrity

Subsequent Events

In preparing these financial statements, Defenders has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through February 20, 2015, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

3. Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject Defenders to significant concentrations of credit risk consist of cash and cash equivalents, investments, and certificates of deposit. Defenders maintains cash deposits and investments with various financial institutions that may, from time to time, exceed insurable limits under the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC). Defenders has not experienced any losses on its cash and cash equivalents, investments, and certificates of deposit to date as it relates to FDIC and SIPC insurance limits. Management periodically assesses the financial condition of these financial institutions and believes that the risk of any credit loss is minimal.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

4. Investments and Fair Value Measurements

Investment income consists of the following for the years ended September 30:

	2014	 2013
Net realized and unrealized gain Unrealized gain on interest rate swap Interest and dividends	\$ 112,755 - 167,757	\$ 163,893 245,593 233,064
Total investment income	\$ 280,512	\$ 642,550

Defenders follows FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, for its financial assets. This standard establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. Fair value measurement standards require an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs (such as quoted prices in active markets) and minimize the use of unobservable inputs (such as appraisals or other valuation techniques) to determine fair value. The categorization of a financial instrument within the hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the instrument and does not necessarily correspond to the entity's perceived risk of that instrument.

In addition, Defenders follows FASB ASC 2009-12, *Investments in Certain Entities That Calculate Net Assets Value per Share (or its Equivalent)*, which has amended the existing guidance in FASB ASC 820. This guidance permits, as a practical expedient, the fair value of investments that do not have a quoted market price to be estimated using net asset value (NAV) per share or its equivalent. At September 30, 2014 and 2013, Defenders' investments in pooled income funds were valued based on the NAV of each investment position, as provided by the respective fund manager.

The inputs used in measuring fair value are categorized into three levels. Level 1 inputs consist of unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities and have the highest priority. Level 2 is based upon observable inputs other than quoted market prices, and Level 3 is based on unobservable inputs. Transfers between levels in the fair value hierarchy are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

In general, and where applicable, Defenders uses quoted prices in active markets for identical assets to determine fair value. This pricing methodology applies to Level 1 investments.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

4. Investments and Fair Value Measurements (continued)

The following table presents Defenders' fair value hierarchy for those assets measured on a recurring basis as of September 30:

		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total fair value
2014:					
Investments:					
Money market funds	\$	2,524,136 \$	- \$	- \$	2,524,136
Mutual funds:					
Equity		3,622,225	-	-	3,622,225
Fixed income		2,127,415	-	-	2,127,415
Annuity reserve fund		3,663,146	-	-	3,663,146
Charitable remainder					
and other trusts:					
Charitable remainder trusts	5				
and pooled income fund		248,194	-	1,249,536	1,497,730
Interest in perpetual trusts	_	-	-	1,313,912	1,313,912
Total assets	\$	12,185,116 \$	- \$	2,563,448 \$	14,748,564
2012					
2013:					
Investments: Money market funds	\$	876,075 \$	- \$	- \$	876,075
Mutual funds:	Ф	670,073 \$	- Þ	- Þ	870,073
Equity		3,668,763			3,668,763
Fixed income		2,651,066	_	_	2,651,066
Corporate bonds		29,864	_	_	29,864
Annuity reserve fund		3,483,907		_	3,483,907
Charitable remainder		3,403,707	_	_	3,403,707
and other trusts:					
Charitable remainder trusts					
and pooled income fund	•	136,112	_	1,936,049	2,072,161
Interest in perpetual trusts		-	_	1,264,296	1,264,296
more in perpetual trusts	_			1,201,20	1,201,270
Total assets	\$	10,845,787 \$	- \$	3,200,345 \$	14,046,132

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

4. Investments and Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Defenders used the following methods and significant assumptions to estimate fair value of assets and liabilities recorded at fair value:

Investments and Annuity Reserve Fund

Where quoted prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. Level 1 includes money market funds, mutual funds, corporate bonds, stocks, and fixed income securities held as investments and within the annuity reserve fund.

Charitable Remainder, Perpetual Trusts, and Pooled Income Fund

Level 1 Assets

Charitable remainder trust assets for which Defenders is a trustee are invested in a diversified portfolio of mutual funds and marketable securities, which are valued at fair value based on quoted market prices of the underlying investments, and are therefore classified within Level 1.

Level 3 Assets

Charitable trust assets also include the fair value of Defenders' interest in charitable remainder trusts receivable where Defenders is not a trustee. The fair value is measured upon the estimated net present value of amounts to be received. Distributions are to be made to the donor's designee (remainder trusts) during the terms of the agreements. At the end of the remainder trust terms, a portion of the remaining trust assets, as defined in the trust agreements, is to be distributed to Defenders. The expected future cash inflows from the trusts are based on the fair value of the investments, future expected investment returns, and life expectancy of the donor or donor's designee, and have been recorded at present value.

Expected future cash flows for a beneficial interest in a perpetual trust are estimated by fair valuing the underlying assets contributed to the trust.

Investments in the pooled income fund are valued based on the net asset value of each investment position, as provided by the respective fund manager.

The value of these assets is based on unobservable inputs and Defenders' own assumptions and are therefore classified within Level 3.

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4. Investments and Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Interest Rate Swap

In connection with its prior tax-exempt bond financing, Defenders had entered into an interest rate swap to reduce the impact of changes in interest rates on its floating debt rate. The interest rate swap agreement was terminated on August 1, 2013, and is presented below for comparative purposes. The estimated fair value was determined using a model based on forward looking assumptions of interest rates and the effect on the underlying cash flows. Since the valuation model utilizes significant inputs that are unobservable, it was classified within Level 3.

The following table is a rollforward of the fair value measurements using unobservable inputs (Level 3) as of September 30, 2014:

	Fair value at September 30, 2013		Change in value			eair value at eptember 30, 2014
Assets						
Charitable remainder trusts and pooled income fund	\$	1,936,049	\$	(686,513)	\$	1,249,536
Interest in perpetual trusts	_	1,264,296		49,616	_	1,313,912
Total assets	\$	3,200,345	\$	(636,897)	\$	2,563,448

The following table is a rollforward of the fair value measurements using unobservable inputs (Level 3) as of September 30, 2013:

	-	air value at ptember 30, 2012	Change in value		· ·		Fair value as September 3	
Assets								
Charitable remainder trusts and pooled income fund Interest in perpetual trusts	\$	1,774,210 1,235,404	\$	161,839 28,892	\$	- -	\$	1,936,049 1,264,296
Total assets	\$	3,009,614	\$	190,731	\$		\$	3,200,345
Liabilities Interest rate swap	\$	984,865	\$	(1,230,458)	\$	245,593	\$	-
Total liabilities	\$	984,865	\$	(1,230,458)	\$	245,593	\$	

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

5. Grants and Pledges Receivable

Grants and pledges receivable are promised as follows at September 30:

	2014	2013		
Due in less than one year Due in one to five years	\$ 1,760,999 428,540	\$	1,604,121 1,468,820	
Total Less: discount	2,189,539 (2,429)		3,072,941 (4,163)	
Total grants and pledges receivable, net	\$ 2,187,110	\$	3,068,778	

6. Split-Interest Agreements

Assets held under split-interest agreements in the accompanying statements of financial position were comprised of the following at September 30:

	2014	2013			
Investments – annuity reserve fund	\$ 3,663,146	\$	3,483,907		
Charitable remainder and other trusts: Charitable remainder trusts	248,194		136,112		
Receivables from charitable remainder and charitable lead trusts Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts Pooled income fund	1,171,223 1,313,912 78,313		1,859,701 1,264,296 76,348		
Total charitable remainder and other trusts	2,811,642		3,336,457		
Total split-interest agreements	\$ 6,474,788	\$	6,820,364		

Liabilities under split-interest agreements included in the accompanying statements of financial position were \$2,358,032 and \$2,213,432 at September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Net contributions under split-interest agreements were approximately \$124,242 and \$152,989 for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

7. Property and Equipment

Defenders held the following property and equipment at September 30:

	2014		2013		
Land Buildings and improvements Computer equipment Furniture and equipment Website	\$	4,585,586 8,681,319 1,684,795 934,021 856,518	\$	4,585,586 8,681,319 1,631,184 739,625 792,084	
Total property and equipment Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization		16,742,239 (6,486,694)		16,429,798 (5,914,131)	
Property and equipment, net	\$	10,255,545	\$	10,515,667	

8. Bonds and Loan Payable

Defenders participated in the District of Columbia's tax-exempt bond program to help with the financing of its 2002 building purchase. Total debt assumed was \$7,000,000. The bonds carry a variable interest rate and are marketed by Bank of America ("the Bank") under a 10-year letter of credit. The term of the bonds was 27 years, with interest-only for the first 2 years. Annual principal payments commenced July 1, 2005.

Defenders also entered into an interest rate swap agreement to manage the interest cost and risk associated with its outstanding bond debt. The interest rate swap agreement was not entered into for trading or speculative purposes. Under the terms of this agreement, Defenders paid a fixed rate of 4.335% and received a variable rate on the respective notional principal amount. The initial maturity of the agreement was July 1, 2017, and it was collateralized by a first deed of trust on the building.

On August 1, 2013, in connection with obtaining refinancing on its building, Defenders satisfied the outstanding bond balance and terminated the interest rate swap agreement. The cost to terminate the swap agreement was \$984,865.

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8. Bonds and Loan Payable (continued)

The refinanced mortgage on the building was executed through a new loan agreement in the amount of \$6,306,672, which included redemption of the outstanding bond balance of \$5,505,000 at the date of refinance of August 1, 2013. The new loan expires on August 1, 2020, and requires monthly payments of \$35,898 with an interest rate of 3.29%. The outstanding principal balance on the loan at September 30, 2014 was \$6,063,442.

Principal payments on the loan obligation are as follows for the years ending September 30:

2015	\$ 234,903
2016	242,749
2017	250,857
2018	259,236
2019	267,894
Thereafter	4,807,803
Total principal payments	\$ 6,063,442

There are a number of financial and operating covenants associated with the loan and with the Bank's participation in the project, including a requirement for maintaining \$2,000,000 in unsecured liquid assets. Defenders was in compliance with all terms and conditions of the debt instruments at September 30, 2014 and 2013. Interest expense on the loan for the year ended September 30, 2014 was \$210,491. Interest expense on the bonds and loan for the year ended September 30, 2013 was \$250,447.

9. Line of Credit Payable

In 2004, Defenders arranged a line of credit with the Bank for cash flow management purposes. The total amount available is \$1,000,000, with interest at the LIBOR daily floating rate and a fee of 0.4% applied quarterly to the unused loan amount. There were no outstanding balances on the line of credit at September 30, 2014 and 2013.

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10. Net Assets

At September 30, 2014, the unrestricted, temporarily restricted, and permanently restricted net assets are dedicated to the following purposes:

	<u></u>	<u>Jnrestricted</u>	emporarily Restricted	ermanently Restricted	Total
Undesignated	\$	12,799,827	\$ _	\$ -	\$ 12,799,827
Land and building		3,475,490	-	-	3,475,490
Property and equipment		716,613	-	-	716,613
Program grants		6,719	4,104,150	-	4,110,869
Charitable remainder and					
other trusts		-	1,419,417	-	1,419,417
Charitable gift annuities		-	2,060,368	-	2,060,368
Beneficial interest in					
perpetual trusts		-	-	1,313,912	1,313,912
Other endowment		-	-	146,670	146,670
Pooled income fund		-	78,312	-	78,312
Lloyd Symington Memorial					
Fund for Wildlife Education			 162,512	 37,126	 199,638
Total net assets	\$	16,998,649	\$ 7,824,759	\$ 1,497,708	\$ 26,321,116

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10. Net Assets (continued)

At September 30, 2013, the unrestricted, temporarily restricted, and permanently restricted net assets are dedicated to the following purposes:

	Unrestricted									
]	Defenders-	T	emporarily	Pe	ermanently		
	Uı	ndesignated]	Designated]	Restricted	Restricted		Total	
Undesignated	\$	4,600,547	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	4,600,547
Land and building	Ψ	3,597,163	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	3,597,163
Property and equipment		563,896		_		_		_		563,896
Program grants		-		6,719		5,176,520		-		5,183,239
Board-designated endowment		-		6,283,534		-		-		6,283,534
Charitable remainder and										
other trusts		-		-		1,911,326		-		1,911,326
Charitable gift annuities		-		-		1,873,563		-		1,873,563
Beneficial interest in										
perpetual trusts		-		-		-		1,264,295		1,264,295
Other endowment		-		-		-		145,951		145,951
Pooled income fund		-		-		76,350		-		76,350
Lloyd Symington Memorial										
Fund for Wildlife Education		-				162,512		36,944		199,456
Total net assets	\$	8,761,606	\$	6,290,253	\$	9,200,271	\$	1,447,190	\$	25,699,320

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

10. Net Assets (continued)

Program Grants

Defenders receives a number of program-specific grants that are often expended over more than one fiscal year. The unused grant funds that are not expended at the end of the fiscal year are carried over to the next fiscal year, and are classified as temporarily restricted net assets until appropriate expenses are incurred in accordance with the program restrictions.

Board-Designated Endowment

Prior to 2014, Defenders maintained a Board-designated endowment fund to provide for the long-term needs of the organization. Income from the fund may be used for operating costs and unrestricted Board-designated activities. During 2014, the Board of Directors resolved to discontinue the Board-designated endowment.

Split-Interest Agreements

As discussed in Note 2 above, Defenders is party to various split-interest agreements with donors, including irrevocable charitable remainder trusts, charitable gift annuities, perpetual trusts, pooled income funds, and similar arrangements. Certain revenues from these arrangements are restricted for the purposes or time periods specified in the arrangements.

Lloyd Symington Memorial Fund for Wildlife Education

The Board of Directors designated this separate fund to strengthen Defenders' ability to respond to requests for wildlife information from school children, teachers, and the general public, and to enable Defenders to expand its other educational activities. The balance was \$199,638 at September 30, 2014, which included both temporarily and permanently restricted amounts of \$162,512 and \$37,126, respectively. The balance was \$199,456 at September 30, 2013, which included temporarily and permanently restricted amounts of \$162,512 and \$36,944, respectively.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

10. Net Assets (continued)

Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted funds represent amounts that have not been specifically set aside by the Board for an internally-designated purpose. These amounts are available for general operations. Certain amounts included in undesignated funds are tracked separately for purposes of future property and equipment needs.

11. Endowment

Defenders' endowment (permanently restricted net assets) has been funded by donor-restricted contributions to be held in perpetuity, the earnings of which can be used to fund either specific programs or general operations. In addition, Defenders maintained a Board-designated endowment fund prior to 2014 to provide for the long-term needs of the organization. During 2014, the Board of Directors resolved to discontinue the Board-designated endowment. Under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

Interpretation of Relevant Law

The Board of Directors of Defenders has interpreted the District of Columbia's Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds, absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, Defenders classifies as permanently restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund.

The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by Defenders in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

11. Endowment (continued)

In accordance with UPMIFA, Defenders considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted funds: (1) duration and preservation of the fund; (2) purposes of Defenders and the donor-restricted endowment fund; (3) general economic conditions; (4) possible effect of inflation and deflation; (5) expected total return from income and the appreciation or depreciation of investments; (6) other resources of Defenders; and (7) investment policies of Defenders.

Composition of Endowment Net Assets

Endowment net asset composition was as follows at September 30, 2014:

		Temporarily	Permanently	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total
Donor-restricted endowment funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,497,708 \$	1,497,708
Total endowment funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,497,708 \$	1,497,708

Endowment net asset composition was as follows at September 30, 2013:

		T	emporarily	Pe	rmanently	
	Unrestri	cted	Restricted	R	estricted	Total
Donor-restricted endowment funds Board-designated endowment funds	\$ 6,283	- \$ 3,534	-	\$	1,447,190 -	\$ 1,447,190 6,283,534
Total endowment funds	\$ 6,283	3,534 \$	-	\$	1,447,190	\$ 7,730,724

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

11. Endowment (continued)

Changes in Endowment Net Assets

Changes in endowment net assets were as follows for the years ended September 30:

			Tempor	arily	P	ermanently	
	J	Jnrestricted	Restric	ted		Restricted	Total
2014: Endowment net assets, beginning	\$	6,283,534	\$	-	\$	1,447,190	\$ 7,730,724
Investment return: Net appreciation Change in value in split		-		-		901	901
interest agreements		-		-		49,617	49,617
Total investment return		-		-		50,518	50,518
Appropriations		(6,283,534)		-		-	(6,283,534)
Endowment net assets, ending	\$	-	\$	_	\$	1,497,708	\$ 1,497,708
2013: Endowment net assets, beginning	\$	6,020,012	\$	-	\$	1,418,196	\$ 7,438,208
Investment return: Net appreciation Change in value in split		263,522		-		102	263,624
interest agreements		_		-		28,892	28,892
Total investment return		263,522		_		28,994	292,516
Endowment net assets, ending	\$	6,283,534	\$	-	\$	1,447,190	\$ 7,730,724

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

11. Endowment (continued)

Funds with Deficiencies

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor or UPMIFA requires the organization to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, deficiencies of this nature would be reported by Defenders in unrestricted net assets. There were no fund deficiencies for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013.

Return Objectives, Risk Parameters, and Strategies

Defenders follows a conservative investment policy for endowment assets that attempts to preserve fully the original corpus and optimize returns. Should significant, new donations be made to the endowment assets, Defenders' investment policy would permit a strategy of long term growth of the endowment assets. Under such a policy, the endowment assets would be invested in a manner that is intended to produce results exceeding major investment benchmarks while assuming a moderate level of risk.

12. Related Parties

Defenders is affiliated with a related 501(c)(4) organization, the Defenders of Wildlife Action Fund ("the Fund"). The Fund is also a District of Columbia nonprofit and was incorporated in 2001 to carry on public policy, social welfare, and advocacy work. Its mission is to educate people of all ages about wildlife, habitats, and other environmental activities. Defenders and the Fund have common staff, facilities, and overhead costs, with the appropriate shares of these expenses assigned to each organization under a formal cost-sharing agreement. During the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, the Fund's full portion of shared costs was \$22,647 and \$27,167, respectively. The Fund contributed \$0 and \$306,000 to Defenders during the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

The Fund rented Defenders' membership list for educational and fundraising purposes. The total income to Defenders for these rentals was \$405,844 and \$412,110 for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. In addition, Defenders rented the Fund's e-subscriber list for education, advocacy, and fundraising purposes. The total income to the Fund for these rentals was \$301,740 and \$959,496 for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Included in accounts payable is \$4,032 and \$244,883 due from the Fund at September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively, and these payments were paid subsequent to year-end.

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

12. Related Parties (continued)

During the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, Defenders retained a publicservice law firm affiliated with a member of Defenders' Board of Directors. The firm specializes in endangered species litigation and provides legal services at significantly discounted rates. The value of the work performed for Defenders in fiscal years 2014 and 2013 amounted to \$121,842 and \$74,305, respectively, of which \$75,000 and \$70,000 are represented as contributed services for the years then ended.

13. Retirement Plan

Money Purchase Pension Plan

A money purchase pension plan was established by Defenders under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC), covering substantially all employees. Employees are eligible for participation after one year of service and are vested ratably over five years of Defenders' required contribution to the plan is 7% of each participant's aggregate compensation. Employee contributions are not permissible under the plan. Current pension costs are funded as they accrue. Total pension expense was \$457,152 and \$439,726 for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

14. Commitments

Operating Lease

Defenders is obligated under the terms of non-cancellable operating leases for the rental of office and storage space for several of its field locations. Rental expense for all leases for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, using the straight-line method, amounted to \$214,227 and \$187,105, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments are as follows for the years ending September 30:

2015 2016 2017	\$ 94,901 51,011 7,441
Total future minimum lease payments	\$ 153,353

Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2014 and 2013

14. Commitments (continued)

Capital Leases

Defenders leases office equipment under capital leases, which extend through 2018. The assets and liabilities under capital leases were recorded at the lower of their present value of the minimum lease payments or the fair value of the asset. The assets are being depreciated over the related lease terms. This leased equipment is included in property and equipment in the accompanying statements of financial position at a capitalized cost of \$71,000 at both September 30, 2014 and 2013, net of accumulated depreciation of \$18,933 and \$4,733 as of September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

The interest expense associated with these leases for the year ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 was \$21,185 and \$7,551, respectively. Payments under the capital leases are due as follows for the years ending September 30:

2015	\$ 28,752
2016	28,752
2017	28,752
2018	 19,168
	 _
Total	105,424
Less: amounts representing interest	 (48,644)
Total capital lease obligations	\$ 56,780

15. Allocation of Joint Costs

Defenders achieves some of its programmatic, management, and general goals through direct response and similar campaigns that include requests for contributions. In the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, Defenders incurred joint costs for its direct response programs of \$5,081,547 and \$5,230,773, respectively, including information materials and fundraising appeals.

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15. Allocation of Joint Costs (continued)

These joint costs were allocated as follows for the years ended September 30:

		2014	2013		
ESA	\$	119,869	\$	369,697	
Key Species	4	3,224,656	4	3,073,301	
Habitat		205,311		156,846	
Management and general		723,646		621,594	
Fundraising		808,065		1,009,335	
Total allocated joint costs	\$	5,081,547	\$	5,230,773	

16. Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information

Total cash payments for interest were \$210,491 and \$250,447 for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Noncash investing and financing transactions were as follows for September 30:

	201	2013		
Lease of equipment:				
Equipment acquired	\$		\$	71,000
Capital lease obligation	\$	-	\$	(71,000)

17. Income Taxes

Under §501(c)(3) of the IRC, Defenders is exempt from the payment of taxes on income other than net unrelated business income. Defenders was granted non-private foundation status under IRC §509(a)(1) and IRC §170(b)(1)(A)(vi). No provision for taxes has been made as there were no significant taxes resulting from unrelated business activities during fiscal years 2014 and 2013. Defenders has elected to be subject to the lobbying limitations under IRC §501(h). Defenders had no significant uncertain tax positions at September 30, 2014 and 2013.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Schedule of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended September 30, 2014 (With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended September 30, 2013)

Program Services Supporting Services Total Total Key Program Management Supporting 2014 2013 **ESA** Species Habitat Services and General **Fundraising** Services Total Total Salaries and wages 2.961.195 \$ 2.789.298 \$ 2.561.407 \$ 8.311.900 \$ 856,300 \$ 118.428 \$ 974,728 \$ 9,286,628 \$ 8,725,978 Payroll taxes and benefits 798,865 753,517 691,944 2,244,326 223,065 32,311 255,376 2,499,702 2,312,214 Professional fundraising fees 296,607 1,065,872 1,659,136 105,460 111,420 296,657 216,880 1,876,016 1,675,459 Other professional fees 494,329 614.522 417.203 1.526,054 163.911 30.531 194,442 1.720,496 1.787,995 Grants and contributions 293,936 232,462 257.894 784,292 2.091 2.238 4.329 788,621 1.211.736 149,393 745,321 294,942 37,709 1,077,972 939,569 Computer services 168,802 427,126 332,651 Conference fees 12,712 15,830 10,930 39,472 2,569 960 3,529 43,001 34,720 Advertising 70,920 149,192 66,445 286.557 15.343 13.173 28.516 315.073 130,276 Membership incentives and fulfillment 131.107 493.812 132,029 756,948 49.584 52,143 101,727 858,675 768,455 Supplies 31.089 25,771 26,956 83,816 7,467 699 8,166 91,982 120,054 Telephone 47,338 36,601 40,649 124,588 24,204 731 24,935 149,523 223,298 277,395 4,319,770 3,878,557 Postage and shipping 667,187 2,452,685 664,619 3,784,491 257,884 535,279 697,336 Occupancy and other 216.056 175,138 185,152 576,346 185.954 4.217 190,171 766,517 Equipment rental and maintenance 9,332 8,423 7,905 25,660 4.339 284 4.623 30,283 58,245 Printing and publications 397,298 1,377,824 389,489 2,164,611 160,173 143,145 303,318 2,467,929 2,881,480 171,323 133,543 145,570 450,436 55,662 509,222 404,254 Travel 3,124 58,786 Conferences, conventions, and meetings 34,901 38,630 26,398 99,929 56,005 2,345 58,350 158,279 337,304 Training 3,769 3,458 3.238 10,465 1.332 100 1.432 11.897 10,448 Bond interest 63,083 59,144 53,191 175,418 32,892 2,181 35,073 210,491 250,447 Depreciation and amortization 175,070 164,141 147,619 486,830 79,678 6,054 85,732 572,562 587,848 Cost of issuing long term debt 11,606 11,606 11,606 154,690 Loss on asset disposal 1.061 437 9 Bad debt 248 233 209 690 446 1.136 Honoraria 618 1,714 597 2,929 157 168 325 3,254 49,331 Miscellaneous 19,761 8,776 19,707 48,244 49,331 97,575 List rentals 97,543 369,157 39,010 98,484 565,184 36,450 75,460 640,644 1,238,385 Insurance 26,850 25.168 22,640 74,658 13,988 928 14.916 89,574 65,363 Royalties 3,595 11.004 3.396 17,995 1.475 1.112 2,587 20.582 28,411 Taxes, fees, and licenses 74,145 207,936 53,262 2,731 55,993 263,929 287,585 71,467 62,324 Dues and subscriptions 36,303 26,860 31,602 94,765 9,582 425 10,007 104,772 106,768 Proactive projects 27.916 23,975 24,676 76,567 707 757 1,464 78.031 37,880 Compensation payments 4,683 3,025 4,096 11,804 11,804 41,957 DR transaction fees/bank fees 105,757 257,220 87,947 450,924 118,699 20,414 139,113 590,037 588,404 Temporary help 4,489 5,781 3,659 13,929 78,791 283 79,074 93,003 92,265 Contributed services 657,681 565,313 581,053 1,804,047 54,647 17,910 72,557 1,876,604 884,232 8.104.508 \$ 12.386.682 \$ 7.215.078 \$ 3.027.498 \$ 903,424 \$ 3,930,922 30.562.674 **Total Expenses** 27,706,268 31.637.190