# VASCUITIS FOUNDATION

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Vasculitis Foundation
Kansas City, Missouri

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Vasculitis Foundation (a nonprofit Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free 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 Vasculitis Foundation as of June 30, 2019, and the changes in its net assets, functional expenses, and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Novak Birks, PC
Kansas City, Missouri
January 13, 2020
VASCULITIS FOUNDATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
June 30, 2019

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents $ 85,925
Funds held by Northland Community Foundation 1,679,894
Grants receivable 9,996
Prepaid expenses 25,405
Furniture and equipment, less accumulated depreciation 54,218
Total Assets $ 1,855,438

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities:
Accounts payable $ 5,634
Accrued liabilities 21,704
Deferred revenue 48,660
Total Liabilities 75,998

Net Assets
Without Donor Restrictions 81,968
Board Designated - Endowment (Note E) 242,458
Total Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions 324,426

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions 1,455,014

Total Net Assets 1,779,440

Total Liabilities and Net Assets $ 1,855,438

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.
### Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions

**Revenues and Other Support:**
- General donations $390,272
- Dues 25,039
- Memorials 50,625
- In-kind contributions 11,242
- Honors 25,040
- Other 4,016
- Interest and dividends 14,071
- Unrealized gain (loss) 4,632
- Realized gain (loss) 3,950

Total: $528,887

Net Assets released from restrictions 531,569

Total expenses: $1,060,456

Change in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions (65,043)

### Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

- Restricted contributions 905,008
- Interest and dividends 20,554
- Unrealized gain 14,563
- Realized gain 2,971

Net asset released from restrictions (531,569)

Change in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions 411,527

Change in Net Assets With Donor Restrictions 346,484

Net Assets, beginning of year 1,432,956

Net Assets, end of year $1,779,440

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.
## VASCULITIS FOUNDATION
### STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

<table>
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<th>Patient Support, Awareness, and Research</th>
<th>Administrative</th>
<th>Fundraising</th>
<th>Total</th>
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<td>Supporting Services</td>
<td>$170,527</td>
<td>$59,112</td>
<td>$12,649</td>
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<td>Grants paid</td>
<td>234,415</td>
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<td>Salaries and Wages</td>
<td>194,160</td>
<td>60,411</td>
<td>56,717</td>
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<td>Newsletter</td>
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<td>Symposium and conferences</td>
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<td>Member information</td>
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<td>Medical Awareness Program</td>
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<td>Event costs</td>
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<td>54,914</td>
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<td>Payroll taxes and benefits</td>
<td>37,084</td>
<td>6,585</td>
<td>4,238</td>
<td>47,907</td>
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<td>Board expenses</td>
<td>8,276</td>
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<td>16,552</td>
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<td>Medical Conferences</td>
<td>23,478</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>286</td>
<td>23,801</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>2,719</td>
<td>906</td>
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<td>3,625</td>
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<td>Client Survey &amp; Data Collection</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Memberships</td>
<td>1,275</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL EXPENSES</strong></td>
<td><strong>$861,368</strong></td>
<td><strong>$135,327</strong></td>
<td><strong>$128,804</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,125,499</strong></td>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

B E P O S I T I V E.
VASCULITIS FOUNDATION
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For The Year Ended June 30, 2019

Cash Flows From Operating Activities:
Change in net assets $ 346,484

Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash flows from operating activities:
Depreciation 3,626
Realized (gain) on investments (6,920)
Unrealized (gain) on Investments (19,195)
(Increase) decrease in:
Grants receivable 46,053
Prepaid expenses (21,179)
Increase (decrease) in:
Accounts payable (11,066)
Accrued liabilities (29,299)
Deferred revenue 48,360
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities 356,864

Cash Flows From Investing Activities:
Purchases of furniture and equipment (56,458)
Transfers from Northland Community Foundation 643,882
Transfers to Northland Community Foundation (944,003)
Net Cash From (Used In) Investing Activities (356,579)

Net Change In Cash 285

Cash, beginning of year 85,640

Cash, end of year $ 85,925

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.
NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization – Vasculitis Foundation (The Foundation) is the largest patient support group and the only international organization for vasculitis patients and their loved ones. Vasculitis is a rare autoimmune disease that strikes people of all ages. There are at least fifteen known vasculitic diseases. There is no known cause or cure. Early diagnosis is critical to patients. Without effective treatment, the disease is fatal.

Through a newsletter, a website, information packets, medical consultants, symposiums, as well as area contacts and chapters, the Foundation works to raise awareness of vasculitis, educate patients about the disease, and support research into the cause, cure and treatment of the disease.

Donated Materials and Services – Donated materials are reflected as contributions in the accompanying financial statements at their fair values at the date of receipt. The Foundation records donated services to the extent that they create or enhance non-financial assets or that they require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. The Foundation had $1,141 of in-kind contributions for research and travel expenses for the year ended June 30, 2019. Additionally, the Foundation had $10,101 in general in-kind contributions for the year ended June 30, 2019.

Property and Equipment – The Foundation capitalizes all significant additions of property and equipment, which are recorded at acquisition cost if purchased, or fair value, if donated. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis over three years.

Income Taxes – The Foundation qualifies as tax exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Foundation recognizes the financial statement benefit of a tax position only after determining that the relevant tax authority would more likely than not sustain the position following an audit. For tax position meeting the more-likely-than-not threshold, the amount recognized in the financial statements is the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the relevant tax authority.

The Foundation is subject to income tax regulations in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and certain state jurisdictions. Tax regulations within each jurisdiction are subject to the interpretation of the related tax laws and regulations and require significant judgment to apply. With few exceptions, the Foundation is no longer subject to income tax examinations by the applicable tax authorities for the years before 2016. If any were to be incurred, the Foundation’s policy is to record penalties and interest assessed by income tax authorities as operating expenses.

Cash Equivalents – For purpose of the statement of cash flows, the Foundation considers highly liquid investments purchased with initial maturities of less than three months to be cash equivalents. Included in cash equivalents at June 30, 2019 was $10,795 held in money market funds at an investment company that were not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Expense Allocation – The costs of program and supporting service activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. The financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributable to one or more program or supporting functions of the organization. Therefore, these expenses require allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. Those included depreciation, board costs, mileage and office expenses, which were allocated based on purpose. Salaries and wages, taxes, and benefits were allocated on the basis of estimates of time and effort. All marketing and advertising and office services expenses during the year were related to patient support and awareness, and other research.

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 certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Research Funds – All donations that are designated for research are placed in the Foundation’s Research Fund, which supports the Foundation’s Research Program. The purpose of the Research Program is to provide one-year seed grants to support pilot studies in researching the etiology, epidemiology, diagnosis, treatment, including approaches that would prevent complications; and development of coping skills for living with the disease.

Awards are provided up to $50,000 for a one-year study and up to $100,000 for a two-year study. Smaller awards are also allowed. Suitable applicants are medical researchers in areas such as, but not limited to, rheumatology, immunology, nephrology, otolaryngology, pulmonary and respiratory diseases, and internal medicine.

Applications are reviewed by the Foundation’s Research Committee and Scientific Advisory Board. Each investigator is required to submit a six-month progress report, including financial data. A final report is also required and is due within sixty days of the last day of the study and must also include a financial report. Donations designated for research may not be used to support any other program or activity of the Foundation, and are classified as donor restricted revenues and net assets.

Subsequent Events – Subsequent events have been evaluated through January 13, 2020, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE B – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, provides the framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements).
NOTE B – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1
Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2
Inputs to the valuation methodology include:
- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3
Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability’s fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at June 30, 2019.

- Funds held by the Northland Community Foundation are valued based on quoted prices for the underlying securities assets or liabilities and are classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of June 30, 2019.
NOTE B – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

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<th>Funds held by Northland Community Foundation:</th>
<th>Total</th>
<th>Level 1</th>
<th>Level 2</th>
<th>Level 3</th>
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<tr>
<td>Money market pool</td>
<td>$ 897,171</td>
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<td>$ 897,171</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fixed income pool</td>
<td>481,661</td>
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<td>481,661</td>
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<tr>
<td>Equity pool</td>
<td>301,062</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>301,062</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,679,894</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ -</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,679,894</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ -</strong></td>
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NOTE C – FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT

Furniture and equipment consists of the following at June 30, 2019:

- Furniture and equipment: $7,847
- Website costs: $105,606
- Accumulated depreciation: $(59,235)

Accumulated depreciation: $(54,218)

Depreciation expense was $3,625 for the year ended June 30, 2019.

NOTE D – Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions consisted of the following at June 30, 2019:

- Research grants: $199,076
- Fellowship grants: $40,640
- Investment earnings on research funds: $142,155
- Investment earnings on fellowship funds: $2,473
- Dr. James Laio CSS Fund – Research: $200,000
- Total Research: $584,344
- Regional conferences: $5,000
- Symposia: $201,241
- Genetech projects: $228,029
- GSK projects: $116,600
- Mayo Clinic CME course: $26,545
- Dr. James Laio CSS Memorial Fund: $100,000
- PCORI Grant funds: $193,255
- Total Patient education and support: $870,670

Total Net Assets with Donor Restrictions: $1,455,014
NOTE E – BOARD DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT FUNDS

The Foundation has set aside certain funds that it has board-designated to be treated similarly to an endowment. Such funds are to generate a long-term, total rate of return that will increase the value of the assets. The Foundation’s endowment assets, which are held in various investment pools at the Northland Community Foundation, totaled $229,195 at June 30, 2019.

The Foundation has established investment policies for its board-designated endowment fund. These policies provide for investing approximately 65% of the funds in the equity pool, approximately 35% in the fixed income pool, and less than 1% of the funds in the money market pool. All expenditures of these funds are approved by the Board of Directors. The following table presents a reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances of these endowment funds:

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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Balance at June 30, 2018</td>
<td>$229,195</td>
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<tr>
<td>Expenditures and fees</td>
<td>(1,433)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Investment income</td>
<td>5,822</td>
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<tr>
<td>Gain on investments</td>
<td>8,878</td>
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<tr>
<td>Balance at June 30, 2019</td>
<td>$242,458</td>
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NOTE F – CONCENTRATIONS

The Foundation invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the accompanying statements of financial position.

A significant portion (50%) of the Foundation’s fiscal 2019 revenues came from three donors/grantors.

NOTE G – DEFERRED REVENUE

The Foundation typically receives fees and registrations for Symposia to be held at a future date. These funds are classified as deferred revenues until such time as the events occur. At that time, the fees are reclassified to current year revenues. Deferred revenues totaled $48,660 at June 30, 2019.
NOTE H - LIQUIDITY

It is critical for the Vasculitis Foundation to maintain sufficient unrestricted cash reserves to sustain its operations in support of its mission during periods of adverse financial circumstances. Toward that end, the Board of the Organization has established the following financial operating principles:

- Annual budgets will be reasonable in their revenue expectations and flexible in their spending pace to allow for cost adjustments during the year should revenues trend short of plan.

- Any unrestricted operating surplus will be set aside in the institution's reserve fund to be utilized only with the Board's approval.

- No project will be undertaken, including but not limited to underwriting, research and fellowships, without full funding in place.

It is the goal of the Board to maintain an unrestricted reserve fund (including the board designated reserve) of at least six months of unrestricted expenses. Unrestricted reserves will be divided between a Board designated endowment and other unrestricted cash reserves. The Finance Committee of the VF is responsible for monitoring the unrestricted reserves and reporting their status at each Board meeting.

Financial assets, at year-end:

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>$85,925</td>
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<tr>
<td>Investments</td>
<td>1,679,894</td>
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<td>Receivables</td>
<td>9,996</td>
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<td><strong>Total financial assets, at year-end</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,775,815</strong></td>
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Financial assets unavailable for general expenditures:

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<td>Accounts payable</td>
<td>5,634</td>
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<td>Accrued liabilities</td>
<td>21,704</td>
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<td>Board designated reserve</td>
<td>242,458</td>
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<td>Amounts restricted by donor</td>
<td>1,455,014</td>
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<td><strong>Total financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,724,810</strong></td>
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Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures: $51,005