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# **Independent Auditors' Report**

#### To the directors of Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Foundation

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Foundation, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2022, and the statements of operations, changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as at December 31, 2022, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Foundation's financial reporting process.

# **Independent Auditors' Report (continued)**

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

Edmonton, Canada June 22, 2023

**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

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**Statement of Operations** 

| For the year ended December 31,                       | 2022         | 2021       |
|---|--------------|------------|
| Revenues  |              |            |
| Grants  | \$ 1,137,550 | \$ 658,317 |
| Individual donations                                  | 870,790      | 397,814    |
| Restricted donations                                  | 137,528      | 42,162     |
| Corporate donations                                   | 18,934       | 44,405     |
| Miscellaneous income                                  | -            | 3,500      |
|   | 2,164,802    | 1,146,198  |
|   | 2,104,002    | 1,140,190  |
| Expenditures  |              |            |
| Contract service                                      | 1,411,939    | 1,132,928  |
| Contributions to Edmonton Community Foundation        | 50,000       | 40,000     |
| Interest and bank charges                             | 6,991        | 7,326      |
| Office  | 2,241        | -          |
| Professional fees                                     | 15,775       | 7,875      |
| Scholarships  | 6,650        | -          |
|   | 1,493,596    | 1,188,129  |
| Income (loss) before other income                     | 671,206      | (41,931)   |
| Other in come (comence)                               |              |            |
| Other income (expense)                                | 0.400        | 2.270      |
| Interest  | 2,188        | 3,378      |
| Gain on foreign exchange                              | 7,906        | -<br>- 004 |
| Dividend income                                       | 1,006        | 5,924      |
| Unrealized gain (loss) in market value of investments | (33,853)     | 33,072     |
|   | (22,753)     | 42,374     |
| Excess of revenues over expenditures                  | \$ 648,453   | \$ 443     |

# **Statement of Changes in Fund Balances**

|                   | Balance,<br>inning of<br>year |    | chase of<br>al assets          | of r  | Excess ficiency) revenues over enditures | Bala            | 2022<br>ince, end<br>of year |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|----|--------------------------------|-------|--|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Unrestricted Fund | \$<br>386,774                 | \$ | (73,102)                       | \$    | 679,485                                  | \$              | 993,157                      |
| Endowment Fund    | 136,751                       |    | -                              |       | (31,032)                                 |                 | 105,719                      |
| Capital Fund      | -                             |    | 73,102                         |       | -  |                 | 73,102                       |
|                   | \$<br>523,525                 | \$ | -                              | \$    | 648,453                                  | \$ <sup>-</sup> | 1,171,978                    |
|                   |                               |    |                                |       |  |                 |                              |
|                   |                               | be | Balance,<br>ginning of<br>year | rever | Excess ciency) of nues over enditures    | Bala            | 2021<br>ance, end<br>of year |
| Unrestricted Fund |                               | \$ | 403,483                        | \$    | (16,709)                                 | \$              | 386,774                      |
| Endowment Fund    |                               |    | 119,599                        |       | 17,152                                   |                 | 136,751                      |
|                   |                               | \$ | 523,082                        | \$    | 443                                      | \$              | 523,525                      |

# **Statement of Financial Position**

| December 31,  | 2022         | 2021         |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Assets  |              |              |
| Current   |              |              |
| Cash (note 3)   | \$ 2,161,954 | \$ 1,443,730 |
| Accounts receivable (note 11)                             | 39,604       | 362,374      |
| Prepaid expenses (note 4)                                 | 54,313       |              |
|   | 2,255,871    | 1,806,104    |
| Long-term investments (note 5) Equipment (note 6)         | 105,212      | 132,083      |
| Equipment (Note 0)  | 73,102       | -            |
|   | \$ 2,434,185 | \$ 1,938,187 |
| Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 7) | \$ 209,848   | \$ 410,276   |
| Deferred contributions (note 8)                           | 1,052,359    | 1,004,386    |
|   | 1,262,207    | 1,414,662    |
| Net Assets  |              |              |
| Unrestricted Fund   | 993,157      | 386,774      |
| Endowment Fund  | 105,719      | 136,751      |
| Capital Fund  | 73,102       | 24           |
|   | 1,171,978    | 523,525      |
|   | \$ 2,434,185 | \$ 1,938,187 |

Approved on behalf of the Board:

Director

# Statement of Cash Flows

| For the year ended December 31,                 | 2022                                      | 2021         |
|---|---|--------------|
| Cash provided by (used for)                     |   |              |
| Operating activities                            |   |              |
| Excess of revenues over expenditures            | \$ 648,453                                | \$ 443       |
| Items not affecting cash                        |   |              |
| Unrealized (gain) loss on marketable securities | 33,853                                    | (33,072)     |
| Donation of marketable securities               | (89,943)                                  | (1,025)      |
|   |   |              |
|   | 592,363                                   | (33,654)     |
| Change in non-cash working capital items        |   |              |
| Accounts receivable                             | 322,770                                   | (292,560)    |
| Prepaid expenses                                | (54,313)                                  | -            |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities        | (200,428)                                 | 218,691      |
| Deferred contributions                          | 47,973                                    | 420,196      |
|   | 708,365                                   | 242.672      |
|   | 700,303                                   | 312,673      |
| Investing activities                            |   |              |
| Investing activities Purchase of equipment      | (72 402)                                  |              |
| Dividends earned                                | (73,102)<br>(1,006)                       | (5,924)      |
| Proceeds of dispositions                        | 83,967                                    | 19,403       |
| Froceeds of dispositions                        | 03,907                                    | 19,403       |
|   | 9,859                                     | 13,479       |
|   |   |              |
| Increase in cash                                | 718,224                                   | 326,152      |
| Cook beginning of year                          | 1,443,730                                 | 1 117 570    |
| Cash, beginning of year                         | 1,443,730                                 | 1,117,578    |
| Cash, end of year                               | \$ 2,161,954                              | \$ 1,443,730 |
|   |   |              |
| Cash consists of:                               |   |              |
| Cash  | \$ 2,161,447                              | \$ 1,437,916 |
| Restricted cash                                 | φ <b>2</b> , 10 1, <del>44</del> 7<br>507 | 5,814        |
|   |   |              |
|   | \$ 2,161,954                              | \$ 1,443,730 |

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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# 1. Nature of operations

Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Foundation (the Foundation) was incorporated under the Societies Act of Alberta on July 11, 2002 and began operations in December 2005. The Foundation was designated a Charitable Organization by Canada Revenue Agency on October 31, 2005 and qualifies for tax-exempt status as a registered charity under paragraph 149(1)(f) of the Income Tax Act of Canada.

Until December 31, the Foundation along with Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Society (Y2Y-Alberta) and Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative (Y2Y-Montana) formed the Yellowstone to Yukon (Y2Y) group. The Y2Y group worked together to fund and facilitate the activities and programs that will connect and protect habitat from Yellowstone to Yukon so people and nature can thrive. During 2022 the board of directors of the Foundation agreed to purchase the capital assets, rental deposit and accounts receivable balance in exchange for the assumption of the leasehold liability, accrued legal fees and payroll liabilities of Y2Y-Alberta, so that the Foundation could conduct the business previously managed by Y2Y-Alberta after December 31, 2022, the date of Y2Y-Alberta's dissolution.

## 2. Significant accounting policies

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. The significant accounting policies are detailed as follows:

#### (a) Basis of accounting

The Foundation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Under the deferral method, restricted contributions for which the related restrictions remain unfulfilled are accumulated as deferred contributions. As a result, the Foundation's excess of revenue over expenditures for the period represents the increase in resources that are not restricted to cover specific expenses of a future period.

The Foundation maintains the following funds:

Unrestricted Funding is for all funding without restrictions and used for general operations of the Foundation.

Endowment Funding is for the Sarah Baker Fund which was donated to maintain an endowment fund in perpetuity. The fund has been externally restricted for the purpose of scholarships for students who are seeking to advance their studies in Canadian colleges and universities that recognize the Foundation's objectives.

The Capital Asset Fund includes revenues, expenses and contributions received that have been restricted for the purchase of capital assets for the use of the Foundation in carrying out its operations.

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# 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## (b) Revenue recognition

The Foundation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions and other revenue. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Investment income includes dividends and interest income recorded on the accrual basis, as well as realized investment gains and losses and unrealized gains and losses on financial instruments subsequently measured at fair value. Investment income is included in the statement of operations. Restricted investment income is recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

## (c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash equivalents consist principally of guaranteed investment certificates and other highly liquid interest bearing instruments with original maturities of three months or less.

# (d) Equipment

Equipment is recorded at cost. The Foundation provides for amortization using the straightline method at rates designed to amortize the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives, as set out in note 6.

When equipment is sold or retired, the related cost and accumulated amortization are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is charged against earnings in the period.

Equipment acquired or constructed during the year are not amortized until they are put into use.

One half of the year's amortization is recorded in the year of acquisition. No amortization is recorded in the year of disposal.

Office equipment Computer equipment

5 years straight-line 5 years straight-line

#### (e) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates are reviewed periodically, and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known.

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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# 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## (f) Foreign currency

The Foundation uses the temporal method to translate its foreign currency transactions and balances. Under this method, monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Canadian dollars at the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the rates of exchange in effect on the date the assets were acquired or liabilities incurred, unless such items are carried at fair value in which case they are translated at the exchange rate in effect on the balance sheet date. Revenues and expenses are translated into Canadian dollars at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date the transaction occurred. Exchange gains or losses arising on translation or settlement of a foreign currency-denominated monetary item or a non-monetary item carried at market are included in operations for the year.

## (g) Financial instruments

#### Initial measurement

Financial assets originated or acquired or financial liabilities issued or assumed in an arm's length transaction are initially measured at their fair value. In the case of a financial asset or financial liability not subsequently measured at its fair value, the initial fair value is adjusted for financing fees and transaction costs that are directly attributable to its origination, acquisition, issuance or assumption. Such fees and costs in respect of financial assets and liabilities subsequently measured at fair value are expensed.

Financial assets or liabilities originated or exchanged in related party transactions except for those that involve parties whose sole relationship with the Foundation is in the capacity of management, are initially measured at cost. The cost of a financial instrument in a related party transaction depends on whether the instrument has repayment terms. If the instrument does, the cost is determined using the instruments undiscounted cash flows, excluding interest and dividend payments, less any impairment losses previously recognized by the transferor. Otherwise cost is determined using the consideration transferred or received by the Foundation in the transaction.

Transactions, with parties whose sole relationship with the Foundation is in the capacity of management, are accounted for as arm's length transactions.

### Subsequent measurement

The Foundation subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments in debt instruments, equity instruments and forward exchange contracts that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value without any adjustment for transaction costs. Changes in fair value are recognized in net income in the period in which they occur.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

The Foundation subsequently measures long-term investments at fair value, without adjustment for transaction costs and with changes in fair value recognized in operations in the period in which they occur.

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# 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### **Transaction costs**

Transaction costs attributable to financial instruments subsequently measured at fair value and to those originated or exchanged in a related party transaction are recognized in income in the period incurred. Transaction cost for financial instruments originated or exchanged in an arm's length transaction that are subsequently measured at amortized cost are recognized in the original cost of the instrument and recognized in income over the life of the instrument using the straight-line method.

# **Impairment**

At the end of each reporting period, management assesses whether there are any indications that financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost may be impaired. If there is an indication of impairment, management determines whether a significant adverse change has occurred in the expected timing or the amount of future cash flows from the asset, in which case the asset's carrying amount is reduced to the highest expected value that is recoverable by either holding the asset, selling the asset or by exercising the right to any collateral. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced directly or through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the reduction is recognized as an impairment loss in operations. Previously recognized impairment losses may be reversed to the extent of any improvement. The amount of the reversal, to a maximum of the related accumulated impairment charges recorded in respect of the particular asset, is recognized in operations.

### 3. Cash

Included in cash are cashable guaranteed investment certificates totaling \$1,000,000 (2021 - \$500,0000) earning interest at a rate of 3.75% (2021 - 0.45%), that mature December 2023.

## 4. Prepaid expenses

|                                 | 2022                   | 2021         |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Deposits Other prepaid expenses | \$<br>18,000<br>36,313 | \$<br>-<br>- |
|                                 | \$<br>54,313           | \$<br>-      |

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# 5. Long-term investments

Long-term investments consists of marketable securities with RBC Direct Investing and are recorded at fair value. Transaction fees for financial instruments subsequently measured at fair value are expensed in the period they are incurred. The purchase and sale of investments are accounted for using trade-date accounting.

|  | 2022          | 2021          |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Canadian account Equities - Cost \$nil (2021 - \$1,025) US account | \$<br>-       | \$<br>1,146   |
| Equities - Cost \$74,934 (2021 - \$74,934)                         | 105,212       | 130,937       |
|  | \$<br>105,212 | \$<br>132,083 |

Balances included in the US account have been translated to Canadian Dollars using the rate as at the statement of financial position date.

The Endowment Fund of \$105,719 (2021 - \$136,751), includes the US equity investments as noted above and cash of \$507 (2021 - \$5,814). These funds have been externally restricted for the purpose of scholarships for students who are seeking to advance their studies in Canadian colleges and universities that recognize the Foundation's objectives. All income earned on these investments are also restricted for the purposes outlined in the endowment fund agreement.

Of the balance, \$100,000 relates to the initial contribution received from the donor. The remaining amount has been internally restricted by the Foundation.

# 6. Equipment

|                                     |              |                        |                         |    | 2022              |    | 2021              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----|-------------------|----|-------------------|
|                                     | Rate         | Cost                   | <br>nulated<br>tization | N  | let book<br>value | ١  | Net book<br>value |
| Office equipment Computer equipment | 5 SL<br>5 SL | \$<br>20,794<br>52,308 | \$<br>-<br>-            | \$ | 20,794<br>52,308  | \$ | -<br>-            |
|                                     |              | \$<br>73,102           | \$<br>-                 | \$ | 73,102            | \$ |                   |

Capital assets were sold to the Foundation from Y2Y-Alberta on December 31, 2022 at the date of Y2Y-Alberta's dissolution. As the capital assets were not put into use by the Foundation during the year, no amortization was recorded.

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# 7. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

|                                       | 2022                   | 2021          |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Trade payables<br>Accrued liabilities | \$<br>3,884<br>205,964 | \$<br>-       |
| Related party                         | -                      | 410,276       |
|                                       | \$<br>209,848          | \$<br>410,276 |

### 8. Deferred contributions

Deferred contributions represent contributions received in the current year that are related to the expenditures for the subsequent year. Changes in the deferred contributions are as follows:

|  | 2022         | 2021         |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Beginning balance                                  | \$ 1,004,386 | \$ 584,190   |
| Less: amount recognized as revenue in the year     | (989,273)    | (584,190)    |
| Add: amount received related to the following year | 572,350      | 1,004,386    |
| Restricted land acquisition funds                  | 464,896      | <u> </u>     |
| Closing balance                                    | \$ 1,052,359 | \$ 1,004,386 |

# 9. Endowment funds administered by the Edmonton Community Foundation

Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Foundation has entered into a series of agreements with the Edmonton Community Foundation (ECF) by which the ECF has agreed to invest and administer two permanent endowment funds including any additional contributions received by the Foundation or the ECF. The two funds are the Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Fund (Y2YCIF) and the EMPEO Fund for Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative (EF-Y2YCI).

During the year, contributions made by the Foundation to the Y2YCIF amounted to \$50,000 (2021 - \$40,000). As of December 31, 2022, the total balance in the Y2YCIF, amounted to \$147,800 (2021 - \$107,009) and the total balance in the EF-Y2YCI amounted to \$187,446 (2021 - \$156,227).

Under the terms of the agreements, the endowment funds are recorded in the accounts of the ECF along with any income earned on the funds. Accordingly, the endowment assets and income are not recognized in the financial statements of the Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Foundation. The Foundation is provided with an annual grant from the ECF based on the prior year end's net income and market value of each fund. These grants are recognized as revenue in the statement of operations when collection is reasonably assured. During the year, the Foundation recognized grants of \$10,529 (2021 - \$5,477) from ECF in revenue.

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#### 10. Lease commitments

The Foundation's property lease agreement, exclusive of occupancy costs, is as follows:

| 2023 | \$ 111,264 |
|------|------------|
| 2024 | 112,002    |
| 2025 | 112,756    |
| 2026 | 56,762     |
|      |            |
|      | \$ 392,784 |

The property lease was transferred to the Foundation from Y2Y-Alberta on December 31, 2022 at the date of Y2Y-Alberta's dissolution.

# 11. Related party transactions

The Foundation is related to Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Society (Y2Y-Alberta) and Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Montana (Y2Y-Montana) through common management and two common members on their respective Boards of Directors.

During the 2022 year, the board of directors of the Foundation agreed to purchase the capital assets, rental deposit and accounts receivable balance in exchange for the assumption of the leasehold liability, accrued legal fees and payroll liabilities of Y2Y-Alberta, so that the Foundation could conduct the business previously managed by Y2Y-Alberta after December 31, 2022, the date of Y2Y-Alberta's dissolution. Y2Y-Alberta had restricted funds at year end related to land conservation projects that were returned or granted to the Foundation, depending on where the funds originated from. The Foundation also terminated the agency agreement it had with Y2Y-Alberta to provide the funding necessary to carry out the charitable activities of the Foundation on December 31, 2022.

|  |             | 2022               |                 | 2021         |
|--|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Revenue Revenue returned from Y2Y-Alberta - Land acquisition Grant revenue from Y2Y-Alberta - Land acquisition | \$          | 169,037<br>364,837 | \$              | -<br>-       |
|  | \$          | 533,874            | \$              | -            |
| Expenses Contract services from Y2Y-Alberta  | \$ <i>^</i> | 1,411,939          | \$ <sup>-</sup> | 1,132,928    |
| Other Capital assets purchased from Y2Y-Alberta  | \$          | 73,102             | \$              | -            |
| Accounts receivable Y2Y-Alberta Y2Y-Montana  | \$          | -<br>352           | \$              | 320,364<br>- |
|  | \$          | 352                | \$              | 320,364      |

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# 11. Related party transactions (continued)

|                  | 2022 | 2021          |
|------------------|------|---------------|
| Accounts payable |      |               |
| Y2Y-Alberta      | \$ - | \$<br>410,276 |

These transactions are in the normal course of operations and have been valued in these financial statements at the exchange amount which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties.

## 12. Financial instruments

Transacting in and holding of financial instruments exposes the Foundation to certain financial risks and uncertainties. These significant risks, which have remained unchanged, include:

## (a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Foundation's exposure to credit risk relates to accounts receivable and arises from the possibility that a donor or debtor does not fulfil its obligations. Management believes this risk is minimal as the Foundation has a significant number of donors which minimizes the concentration of credit risk. The Foundation performs continuous evaluation of its financial assets and records impairment in accordance with the stated policy.

## (b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting its obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Foundation's exposure to liquidity risk relates to accounts payable and accrued liabilities and arises from the possibility that the timing and amount of its cash inflows will not be sufficient to enable it to meet its financial obligations as they become due. The Foundation reduces its exposure to liquidity risk by ensuring that it documents when authorized payments become due.

# (c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: interest rate risk, currency risk and other price risk. The Foundation is exposed to market risk as follows:

# (i) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. At date of the Statement of Financial Position, the Foundation has foreign currency long-term investments and cash of \$470,557 (2021 - \$136,751) and thus, is exposed to the financial risk of earnings fluctuations arising from changes in foreign exchange rates and the degree of volatility of these rates. The exchange rate at the date December 31, 2022 from USD to CAD was 1.3544 (2021 - 1.2535). The Foundation does not use derivative instruments to hedge its exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

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# 12. Financial instruments (continued)

#### (ii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Foundation's interest-bearing financial instruments include fixed rate short-term investments. The Foundation does not employ derivative financial instruments to hedge its exposure to interest rate risk, but management does not anticipate significant effects on future cash flows.

# (iii) Price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices, other than those arising from interest rate risk or foreign currency risk, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments or issuers. The Foundation's long-term investments expose the entity to price risks as these instruments are subject to price changes in an open market for a variety of reasons including investor sentiment and expectations, changes in market rates of interest, general economic indicators and restrictions of credit markets.

## 13. Comparative figures

The financial statements have been reclassified, where applicable, to conform to the presentation used in the current year. The changes do not affect prior year earnings.