

**ONTARIO FRENCH-LANGUAGE EDUCATIONAL
COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY (OFLECA)**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2025

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MANAGEMENT'S REPORT

Management of the Ontario French-language Educational Communications Authority (OFLECA) is responsible for the financial statements, the notes to the financial statements and all other financial information contained in this financial report.

Management has prepared the financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. In order to achieve the objective of fair presentation in all material respects, reasonable estimates and professional judgements were used. Management believes the financial statements present fairly the OFLECA's financial position as at March 31, 2025, as well as the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

In fulfilling its responsibilities and recognizing the limits inherent in all systems, Management has developed and maintains a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that the OFLECA's assets are safeguarded from loss and that the accounting records are a reliable basis for the preparation of financial statements.

The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that the OFLECA's Management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements. The Board of Directors carries out its responsibility for review of the financial statements principally through the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee meets with Management and the external auditors to discuss the results of audit examinations and financial reporting matters and to satisfy itself that each party is properly discharging its responsibilities. The external auditors have full access to the Audit Committee with or without the presence of Management.

The financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025 have been audited by Marcil Lavallée, Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants, the independent external auditors appointed by the members of the OFLECA. The accompanying Independent Auditor's Report outlines their responsibilities, the scope of their examination and their professional opinion on the financial statements.

Xavier Brassard-Bédard

Xavier Brassard-Bédard
Chief Executive Officer

Julie Brisson

Julie Brisson, CFA
Chief Financial Officer

Toronto, Ontario
June 20, 2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Directors of
Ontario French-language Educational Communications Authority (OFLECA)

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Ontario French-language Educational Communications Authority (OFLECA) (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2025, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets 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 Organization as at March 31, 2025, 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 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Organization 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.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the annual report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The annual report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditor's report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

When we read the annual report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

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.



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In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Organization'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 Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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 Organization'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 Organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's 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 auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization 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.

Marcil Lavallée

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Ottawa, Ontario
June 20, 2025

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	2025	2024
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 4,196,701	\$ 4,430,489
Accounts receivable (Note 4)	1,299,854	1,805,120
Prepaid expenses	1,677,814	2,461,083
	7,174,369	8,696,692
RESTRICTED CASH (Note 5)	8,745,671	7,037,941
BROADCASTING RIGHTS (Note 6)	15,832,058	15,366,057
IN-HOUSE PROGRAMMING (Note 7)	5,349,258	4,802,050
ASSET – EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS (Note 8)	6,653,700	6,353,200
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 9)	4,780,478	5,125,245
	41,361,165	38,684,493
	\$ 48,535,534	\$ 47,381,185

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Jean Lépine

President of the Board

Frédéric Duguay

President of the Finance and Audit Committee

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	2025	2024
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 10)	\$ 3,810,186	\$ 4,719,471
Deferred contributions (Note 11)	64,457	980,422
	3,874,643	5,699,893
LIABILITY – EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS (Note 8)	3,592,800	3,333,900
DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS – BROADCASTING RIGHTS (Note 12)	21,402,535	18,895,307
DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS – IN-HOUSE PROGRAMMING (Note 13)	5,961,683	4,862,683
DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS – CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 14)	5,312,235	6,239,900
	36,269,253	33,331,790
	40,143,896	39,031,683
NET ASSETS		
Internal Restrictions (Note 5)		
- TFO Fund	1,519,008	1,519,008
- Pension Fund	-	-
Unrestricted	6,872,630	6,830,494
	8,391,638	8,349,502
	\$ 48,535,534	\$ 47,381,185

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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

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	2025	2024
REVENUES		
Contributions		
- Operating grants (Note 15)	\$ 21,161,141	\$ 24,401,910
- Funding for special projects (Note 16)	1,816,724	1,089,182
- Corporate and government (Note 17)	4,249,354	2,910,203
Other revenues (Note 18)	2,236,827	2,078,764
Amortization of deferred contributions		
- Broadcasting rights (Note 12)	5,317,879	5,806,033
- In-house programming (Note 13)	2,639,929	3,573,532
- Capital assets (Note 14)	1,927,629	2,133,972
	39,349,483	41,993,596
EXPENSES		
Content and programming	11,894,235	11,886,120
Production and technology	8,376,306	8,545,543
Administration	8,265,550	8,707,596
Amortization of broadcasting rights	5,317,879	5,806,033
Amortization of in-house programming	2,639,929	3,573,532
Amortization of capital assets	1,927,629	2,133,972
Employee future benefits	927,419	1,340,114
	39,348,947	41,992,910
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES BEFORE NET ACTUARIAL GAINS ON EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS PLANS	536	686
Net actuarial gains – Employee future benefits plans	41,600	748,500
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$ 42,136	\$ 749,186

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

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	Internal Restrictions			2025 Total	2024 Total
	TFO Fund	Pension Fund	Unrestricted		
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 1,519,008	\$ -	\$ 6,830,494	\$ 8,349,502	\$ 7,600,316
Excess of revenues over expenses	-	-	42,136	42,136	749,186
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,519,008	\$ -	\$ 6,872,630	\$ 8,391,638	\$ 8,349,502

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

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	2025	2024
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ 42,136	\$ 749,186
Adjustments for:		
Amortization of broadcasting rights	5,317,879	5,806,033
Amortization of in-house programming	2,639,929	3,573,532
Amortization of capital assets	1,927,629	2,133,972
Net actuarial gains – Employee future benefits Plan	(41,600)	(748,500)
Amortization of deferred contributions – broadcasting rights	(5,317,879)	(5,806,033)
Amortization of deferred contributions – in-house programming	(2,639,929)	(3,573,532)
Amortization of deferred contributions – capital assets	(1,927,629)	(2,133,972)
	536	686
Net change in non-cash working capital items (Note 3)	(536,715)	(1,118,427)
	(536,179)	(1,117,741)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES RELATED TO CAPITAL ASSETS AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS		
Broadcasting grant	7,825,107	5,810,964
In-house programming grant	3,738,929	2,379,612
Capital grant	1,000,000	1,000,000
Acquisition of broadcasting rights	(5,783,880)	(5,589,366)
Acquisition of in-house programming	(3,187,137)	(2,334,837)
Acquisition of capital assets – net amount	(1,582,898)	(797,691)
	2,010,121	468,682
NET INVESTING ACTIVITY		
Net change in restricted cash	(1,707,730)	2,098,971
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(233,788)	1,449,912
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	4,430,489	2,980,577
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 4,196,701	\$ 4,430,489

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash.

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1. STATUTE AND NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Ontario French-language Educational Communications Authority (the Authority) is a Crown corporation created by a decree on April 1, 2007. The Authority is an independent French language broadcasting network and a charitable organization under the Income Tax Act and, as such, is exempt from income tax.

The Authority's main objectives are to provide French language educational broadcasting and telecommunications to the general public, to provide for the francophone community's interests and needs, and to develop the knowledge and skills of this community.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards (PSAS-GNFPO). The Authority has elected to apply Section SP 4200 series for government not-for-profit organizations. The accounting policies are set out below:

Management estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the periods covered. Actual amounts could differ from these estimates. The main estimates relate to the useful life of capital assets, broadcasting rights and capitalized in-house programming costs and to the evaluation of certain provisions. Estimates also include the basis of allocating expenses used to capitalize the portion of the salaries and other expenses related to in-house programming. Estimates also include assets and liabilities related to employee future benefits.

The main items for which significant estimates were made are the defined benefits assets and liabilities for the accrued benefit pension plan and other retirement benefits plan. To estimate these amounts, management is required to make various assumptions that it considers reasonable, including with respect to inflation rates, discount rates and mortality rates. Management also takes into account future salary increases and the retirement age of employees. Any changes to the assumptions could have a significant impact on the Authority's results and financial position. The staff pension benefit expense could increase or decrease in upcoming years.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Contribution receivable

A contribution receivable is recognized as an asset when the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and ultimate collection is reasonably assured.

Revenue recognition

Contributions

The Authority follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the statement of operations when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Contributions which are, explicitly or implicitly, externally restricted for the purchase of capital assets or broadcasting rights or internally developed television broadcasting subject to amortization (in-house programming) are deferred in the statement of financial position and recognized as revenue in the statement of operations on the same basis and over the same periods as the related assets.

Contributions which are, explicitly or implicitly, externally restricted for specific expenses to be incurred in future years (in-house programming and others) are deferred in the statement of financial position and recognized as revenue in the statement of operations in the period in which the related expenses are incurred.

Subscriptions and other

Revenue from signal subscriptions, sale of services, advertising and distribution, sale of educational products and other is recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Interest income

Interest income is recognized as revenue when it becomes due.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue recognition (continued)

Contributions received in the form of supplies and services

The Authority accounts for the contributions received in the form of supplies and/or services when the fair value of these contributions can be reasonably estimated, and when the Authority would have obtained the supplies and services for its regular operations in another manner. Contributions received in the form of supplies and/or services are recorded at the fair value of the supplies and services received.

Financial instruments

On initial recognition, financial instruments are classified either as financial instruments measured at cost or amortized cost, or as financial instruments measured at fair value. Transactions that are not contractual in nature do not generate items considered as financial instruments.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method include cash, accounts receivable and restricted cash.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Impairment

For financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost, the Authority determines whether there are indications of possible impairment. When there is an indication of impairment, and the Authority determines that a significant adverse change has occurred during the period in the expected timing or amount of future cash flows, a write-down is recognized in operations. A previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement. The carrying amount of the financial asset may not be greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in in operations.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Transaction costs

Transaction costs attributable to financial instruments measured at fair value are recognized in operations in the period incurred. Transaction costs related to financial instruments measured at cost or amortized cost are recognized in the original cost of the instrument. When the instrument is measured at amortized cost, transaction costs are recognized in operations over the life of the instrument using the effective interest rate method.

Cash and cash equivalents

The Authority's policy is to present bank balances under cash and cash equivalents, including bank indebtedness when bank balances that fluctuate frequently from being positive to overdrawn.

In-house programming, broadcasting rights and production costs

In-house programming, broadcasting rights and production costs are accounted for as follows:

In-house programming

In-house programming is defined as internally developed television broadcasting. Completed and in-progress programming having a future economic value through rebroadcasting and the use of web-based interactive tools is accounted for on an individual basis at cost, deducted from accumulated amortization and cumulative loss in value. Cost includes the cost of supplies and services and the portion of the labour and other direct expenses related to programming. Programming costs are recognized in the statement of operations with the television and new media services expense using the straight-line method over a period of four years or when programming is sold or unusable.

Broadcasting rights and production costs

Broadcasting rights and productions under co-production, pre-purchase and acquisition contracts are accounted for at cost. Broadcasting rights are amortized over a period of four years on a straight-line basis.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Capital assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost, net of accumulated amortization.

Amortization is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of assets over the following periods:

	Periods
Mobility (tablets and smart phones)	2 years
Office equipment	3 years
Office infrastructure	4 years
Computerized production equipment	5 years
Production equipment	7 years
Office furniture and equipment	10 years
Leasehold improvements	Duration of the lease

Write-down of capital assets, broadcasting rights and in-house programming

When capital assets, broadcasting rights and in-house programming no longer contribute to the Authority's ability to provide services, the excess of the carrying amount of such assets over their residual value, if any, is recognized in the statement of operations.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Employee future benefits

The Authority accrues its obligations under the employee defined benefit plans, net of the fair value of plan assets. In order to do so, the Authority has adopted the following policies:

- The actuarial determination of the accrued benefit obligations for pensions and other retirement benefits uses the projected benefit method prorated on service. This determination incorporates management's best estimate of future salary levels, discount rate, other cost escalation, retirement ages of employees and other actuarial factors;
- For the purpose of calculating the expected return on plan assets, those assets are valued at fair value;
- An actuarial gain (loss) arises from the difference between the actual long-term rate of return on plan assets for a period and the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets for that period or from changes in actuarial assumptions used to determine the accrued benefit obligations. Actuarial gains (losses) for each period are recognized on a systematic basis and are amortized over the average remaining service life of active employees covered by the pension plan, which is 12 years. The average remaining service period of the active employees covered by the other retirement benefit plans is 15 years.

Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currency are translated at the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date, whereas other assets and liabilities are translated at the exchange rate in effect at the transaction date. Revenue and expenses in foreign currency are translated at the average rate in effect during the year, with the exception of expenses relating to non-monetary assets and liabilities, which are translated at the historical rate. Exchange gains and losses are recognized in the current year's operations.

Excess financing

Government ministries can require the reimbursement of any excess funding. All such reimbursements will be accounted for in the financial year in which they occur.

Statement of Remeasurement Gains and Losses

The Statement of Remeasurement Gains and Losses is not presented because the Authority does not hold any financial instruments measured at fair value or arising from a foreign currency transaction for which an election has not been made under paragraph .19A of Section PS 2601 - Foreign Currency Translation.

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3. NET CHANGE IN NON-CASH WORKING CAPITAL ITEMS

	2025	2024
Accounts receivable	\$ 505,266	\$ 1,301,368
Prepaid expenses	783,269	(663,746)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(909,285)	(151,868)
Deferred contributions	(915,965)	(1,604,181)
	\$ (536,715)	\$ (1,118,427)

4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	2025	2024
Ministry of Education	\$ 67,280	\$ 534,142
Federal government	208,488	591,734
Corporate and other	366,341	173,117
Commodity taxes	657,745	506,127
	\$ 1,299,854	\$ 1,805,120

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5. RESTRICTED CASH

2025				
	Balance, beginning of year	Additions	Utilization	Balance, end of year
Reserves				
- Capital renewal ^(a)	\$ 1,114,655	\$ 531,756	\$ (1,114,655)	\$ 531,756
- Broadcasting rights ^(b)	2,000,000	3,381,238	(2,000,000)	3,381,238
- TFO Fund ^(c)	1,519,008	-	-	1,519,008
- AODA ^(e)	73,440	-	(73,440)	-
- Corporate priorities ^(e)	725,932	-	(725,932)	-
- Special projects – outside the Ministry of Education ^(f)	-	512,006	-	512,006
Commitments				
- Broadcasting rights	1,529,249	1,854,093	(1,194,104)	2,189,238
- Special projects – Ministry of Education ^(h)	15,024	-	(15,024)	-
- In-house programming (CMF) ^(f)	60,633	612,425	(60,633)	612,425
	\$ 7,037,941	\$ 6,891,518	\$ (5,183,788)	\$ 8,745,671
2024				
	Balance, beginning of year	Additions	Utilization	Balance, end of year
Reserves				
- Capital renewal	\$ 912,346	\$ 947,372	\$ (745,063)	\$ 1,114,655
- Broadcasting rights	1,200,000	2,000,000	(1,200,000)	2,000,000
- TFO Fund	1,519,008	-	-	1,519,008
- French-language Elementary Remote Learning Course Packs	15,985	-	(15,985)	-
- Online courses	1,007,930	-	(1,007,930)	-
- AODA	181,552	73,440	(181,552)	73,440
- Corporate priorities	2,087,707	725,932	(2,087,707)	725,932
- Special projects – outside the Ministry of Education	88,875	-	(88,875)	-
Commitments				
- Broadcasting rights	2,107,651	1,125,045	(1,703,447)	1,529,249
- Special projects – Ministry of Education	-	15,024	-	15,024
- In-house programming (CMF)	15,858	60,633	(15,858)	60,633
	\$ 9,136,912	\$ 4,947,446	\$ (7,046,417)	\$ 7,037,941

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5. RESTRICTED CASH (continued)

- (a) A portion of the funding received annually can be set aside to ensure that the Authority's technical capital assets keep pace with technological changes and can be maintained or replaced.
- (b) A portion of the operating budget has been allocated and assigned to the future acquisition of broadcasting rights. The balance of \$3,381,238 (2024: \$2,000,000) is recorded as a deferred contribution and as an addition to restricted cash.
- (c) During the 2008-2009 year, the Authority decided to restrict contributions obtained from the dissolution of the TVOntario Foundation, which were received during the previous year. To this effect, these restricted funds may be used for purposes determined by the Board of Directors from time to time, and only with the approval of the Board.
- (d) Annually, a portion of the operating budget is specifically allocated to meet the requirements of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* (AODA). The balance of \$NIL was recognized as deferred revenue and as an addition to restricted cash.
- (e) A portion of the operating budget has been allocated to projects categorized as corporate priorities. The balance of \$725,932 was used by the Authority during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2025.
- (f) The Ministry of Education provided funding for the monetary resolution of Bill 124. This amount represents the balance of funding that must be repaid to the Ministry.
- (g) The Canada Media Fund (CMF) finances certain in-house programming. The balance of \$612,425 is recorded as a deferred contribution and as an addition to restricted cash.

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6. BROADCASTING RIGHTS

	2025			
	Balance, beginning of year	Additions	Disposals	Balance, end of year
Cost of broadcasting rights and completed productions	\$ 24,845,365	\$ 5,783,880	\$ (6,125,835)	\$ 24,503,410
Accumulated amortization	(9,479,308)	(5,317,879)	6,125,835	(8,671,352)
Net value	\$ 15,366,057			\$ 15,832,058

	2024			
	Balance, beginning of year	Additions	Disposals	Balance, end of year
Cost of broadcasting rights and completed productions	\$ 27,268,131	\$ 5,589,366	\$ (8,012,132)	\$ 24,845,365
Accumulated amortization	(11,685,407)	(5,806,033)	8,012,132	(9,479,308)
Net value	\$ 15,582,724			\$ 15,366,057

7. IN-HOUSE PROGRAMMING

	2025			
	Balance, beginning of year	Additions	Disposals	Balance, end of year
Cost of in-house programming	\$ 11,381,346	\$ 3,187,137	\$ (5,191,048)	\$ 9,377,435
Accumulated amortization	(6,579,296)	(2,639,929)	5,191,048	(4,028,177)
Net value	\$ 4,802,050			\$ 5,349,258

	2024			
	Balance, beginning of year	Additions	Disposals	Balance, end of year
Cost of in-house programming	\$ 15,919,861	\$ 2,334,837	\$ (6,873,352)	\$ 11,381,346
Accumulated amortization	(9,879,115)	(3,573,533)	6,873,352	(6,579,296)
Net value	\$ 6,040,746			\$ 4,802,050

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8. ASSET AND LIABILITY – EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS

Description of pension and other retirement benefit plans

The Authority has a number of funded and unfunded defined benefit plans, as well as defined contribution plans, that provide pension, other retirement and post-employment benefits to most of its employees.

The pension plan to which most of the Authority's employees contribute is made up of two components. The first component consists of a defined benefit plan entirely funded by the Authority. According to this plan, pension benefits are based on the number of years of service and the employee's salary at the end of their career. Every year, the pension benefits are grossed-up in accordance with the rate of inflation, up to a maximum of 3%. The second component consists in a defined contribution plan, with contributions paid by both the Authority and the participants. Other retirement benefit plans are contributory health care, dental and life insurance plans.

Total cash payments

Cash payments made for future employee benefits, consisting of cash contributed by the Authority to its funded pension plan, cash payments directly to beneficiaries on account of its unfunded other retirement benefit plans, and cash contributed to its defined contribution plans, amount to \$927,419 (2024: \$1,340,114).

Defined benefit plans

The Authority measures its accrued defined benefit obligations and the fair value of the plan assets as at March 31 of each year. The most recent actuarial valuation of the pension plan, for funding purposes, was prepared by Eckler as at March 31, 2025 and is a data extrapolation and evaluation based on the complete actuarial valuation dated March 31, 2023.

Defined contribution plan

The total expense recognized in relation with the defined contribution plan amounts to \$284,384 (2024: \$299,218).

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8. ASSET AND LIABILITY – EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS (continued)

Reconciliation of the funded status of the benefit plans to amounts recorded in the financial statements

	2025		
	Funded Pension Benefit Plan	Other Unfunded Retirement Benefit Plans	Total
Accrued benefit obligations	\$ 21,380,000	\$ 3,244,000	\$ 24,624,000
Fair value of plan assets	(25,612,000)	-	(25,612,000)
Funded status – plan deficit (surplus)	(4,232,000)	3,244,000	(988,000)
Unamortized net actuarial (gain) loss	(2,421,700)	348,800	(2,072,900)
Accrued pension liability (asset)	\$ (6,653,700)	\$ 3,592,800	\$ (3,060,900)

	2024		
	Funded Pension Benefit Plan	Other Unfunded Retirement Benefit Plans	Total
Accrued benefit obligations	\$ 19,314,000	\$ 2,898,500	\$ 22,212,500
Fair value of plan assets	(24,857,800)	-	(24,857,800)
Funded status – plan deficit (surplus)	(5,543,800)	2,898,500	(2,645,300)
Unamortized net actuarial gain (loss)	(809,400)	435,400	(374,000)
Accrued pension liability (asset)	\$ (6,353,200)	\$ 3,333,900	\$ (3,019,300)

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8. ASSET AND LIABILITY – EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS (continued)

Pension plan asset components

At the measurement date of March 31, the pension plan assets consist of the following:

	2025	2024
	%	%
Asset category		
Equity securities	60	60
Debt securities	40	40
Other	-	-
	100	100

Employee future benefit costs recognized in the year and benefits paid

	2025	
	Pension Benefit Plan	Other Benefit Plans
Employee future benefits costs recognized	\$ 818,400	\$ 298,300
Benefits paid, reimbursements and transfers	\$ 770,900	\$ 39,400

	2024	
	Pension Benefit Plan	Other Benefit Plans
Employee future benefits costs recognized	\$ 467,300	\$ 153,800
Benefits paid, reimbursements and transfers	\$ 707,100	\$ 36,400

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8. ASSET AND LIABILITY – EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS (continued)

Employee future benefits costs recognized consists of the following:

	Pension Benefit Plan		Other Benefit Plans	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Current service benefits' costs	\$ 1,084,100	\$ 911,700	\$ 200,400	\$ 119,200
Amortization of net actuarial losses (gains)	54,000	(56,000)	(30,200)	(60,200)
Interest costs of pension benefits	1,119,600	1,023,800	-	
Actuarial loss (gain) related to the expected return on plan assets	(1,439,300)	(1,412,200)	128,100	94,800
	\$ 818,400	\$ 467,300	\$ 298,300	\$ 153,800

Significant assumptions

The significant assumptions used are as follows (weighted average):

	2025	
	Pension Benefit Plan	Other Benefit Plans
	%	%
Accrued benefit obligations		
Discount rate	5.75	4.20
Rate of compensation increase:		
Non-unionized employees	2.50 per year	-
Unionized employees	2.50 per year	-
Employee future benefits costs		
Discount rate	5.75	4.20
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	5.75	-
Rate of compensation increase:		
Non-unionized employees	2.50 per year	-
Unionized employees	2.50 per year	-

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8. ASSET AND LIABILITY – EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS (continued)

Significant assumptions (continued)

	2024	
	Pension Benefit Plan	Other Benefit Plans
	%	%
Accrued benefit obligations		
Discount rate	5.75	4.30
Rate of compensation increase:		
Non-unionized employees	2.50 per year	-
Unionized employees	2.50 per year	-
Employee future benefits costs		
Discount rate	5.75	4.30
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	5.75	-
Rate of compensation increase:		
Non-unionized employees	2.50 per year	-
Unionized employees	2.50 per year	-
The assumed health care cost trend rates are based on the following:		
	2025	2024
	%	%
Combined medical care:		
Initial medical care cost trend rate	4.81	4.81
Cost trend rate declines to	3.57	3.57
Year that the rate reaches the rate it is assumed to remain at	2040	2040
Dental care:		
Initial dental care cost trend rate	4.81	4.81
Cost trend rate declines to	3.57	3.57
Year that the rate reaches the rate it is assumed to remain at	2040	2040

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9. CAPITAL ASSETS

	2025			
	Balance, beginning of year	Additions	Disposals	Balance, end of year
Cost of capital assets				
Mobility	\$ 233,461	\$ -	\$ (704)	\$ 232,757
Office equipment	1,256,571	326,695	(130,302)	1,452,964
Office infrastructure	824,750	1,162,131	-	1,986,881
Production equipment	19,223,044	34,045	-	19,257,089
Computerized production equipment	14,701,739	28,653	-	14,730,392
Office furniture and equipment	2,163,762	24,484	-	2,188,246
Leasehold improvements	7,605,907	-	-	7,605,907
Other goods	69,250	6,890	-	76,140
	46,078,484	1,582,898	(131,006)	47,530,376
Accumulated amortization				
Mobility	232,798	663	(704)	232,757
Office equipment	1,183,860	117,797	(130,266)	1,171,391
Office infrastructure	659,880	94,551	-	754,431
Production equipment	16,422,763	1,058,464	-	17,481,227
Computerized production equipment	13,686,526	347,141	-	14,033,667
Office furniture and equipment	1,911,064	88,352	-	1,999,416
Leasehold improvements	6,807,721	210,535	-	7,018,256
Other goods	48,627	10,126	-	58,753
	40,953,239	1,927,629	(130,970)	42,749,898
Net value	\$ 5,125,245			\$ 4,780,478

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9. CAPITAL ASSETS (continued)

	2024			Balance, end of year
	Balance, beginning of year	Additions	Disposals	
Cost of capital assets				
Mobility	\$ 234,982	\$ -	\$ (1,521)	\$ 233,461
Office equipment	1,237,271	24,782	(5,482)	1,256,571
Office infrastructure	822,180	2,570	-	824,750
Production equipment	19,202,501	25,524	(4,981)	19,223,044
Computerized production equipment	13,982,550	719,189	-	14,701,739
Office furniture and equipment	2,143,286	20,476	-	2,163,762
Leasehold improvements	7,600,757	5,150	-	7,605,907
Other goods	69,250	-	-	69,250
	45,292,777	797,691	(11,984)	46,078,484
Accumulated amortization				
Mobility	229,658	4,661	(1,521)	232,798
Office equipment	1,117,754	71,588	(5,482)	1,183,860
Office infrastructure	594,744	65,136	-	659,880
Production equipment	15,253,110	1,174,634	(4,981)	16,422,763
Computerized production equipment	13,226,268	460,258	-	13,686,526
Office furniture and equipment	1,783,968	127,096	-	1,911,064
Leasehold improvements	6,587,167	220,554	-	6,807,721
Other goods	38,582	10,045	-	48,627
	38,831,251	2,133,972	(11,984)	40,953,239
Net value	\$ 6,461,526			\$ 5,125,245

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9. CAPITAL ASSETS (continued)

	2025	2024
Net value		
Mobility	\$ -	\$ 663
Office equipment	281,573	72,711
Office infrastructure	1,232,450	164,870
Production equipment	1,775,862	2,800,281
Computerized production equipment	696,725	1,015,213
Office furniture and equipment	188,830	252,698
Leasehold improvements	587,651	798,186
Other goods	17,387	20,623
	\$ 4,780,478	\$ 5,125,245

10. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

	2025	2024
Trades payable and accrued charges	\$ 1,939,489	\$ 2,473,278
Accrued wages and benefits	1,125,637	1,971,871
Grant refundable	512,006	-
Government remittances	233,054	274,322
	\$ 3,810,186	\$ 4,719,471

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11. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS

	2025		
	Ministry of Education	Others	Total
<i>Deferred Contributions</i>			
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 799,372	\$ 166,026	\$ 965,398
Add: Amount received	-	91,497	91,497
Less: Amount recognized as revenue	(799,372)	(193,066)	(992,438)
Balance, end of year	-	64,457	64,457
<i>Special projects</i>			
Balance, beginning of year	15,024	-	15,024
Add: Amount received	-	-	-
Less: Amount recognized as revenue	(15,024)	-	(15,024)
Balance, end of year	-	-	-
Total	\$ -	\$ 64,457	\$ 64,457

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11. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS (continued)

	2024		
	Ministry of Education	Others	Total
<i>Deferred contributions</i>			
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 2,269,259	\$ 268,469	\$ 2,537,728
Add: Amount received	799,372	201,486	1,000,858
Less: Amount recognized as revenue	(2,269,259)	(303,929)	(2,573,188)
Balance, end of year	799,372	166,026	965,398
<i>Special projects</i>			
Balance, beginning of year	-	46,875	46,875
Add: Amount received	15,024	-	15,024
Less: Amount recognized as revenue	-	(46,875)	(46,875)
Balance, end of year	15,024	-	15,024
Total	\$ 814,396	\$ 166,026	\$ 980,422

12. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS – BROADCASTING RIGHTS

	2025	2024
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 18,895,307	\$ 18,890,376
Add:		
Acquisitions financed by amount received during the year	2,589,776	2,685,919
Committed funds – Ministry of Education	1,779,093	1,050,045
Reserved funds – Ministry of Education	3,381,238	2,000,000
Reserved funds – Other funds	75,000	75,000
Less:		
Disposal	-	-
Amortization – Amount recognized as revenue	(5,317,879)	(5,806,033)
Balance, end of year	\$ 21,402,535	\$ 18,895,307

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13. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS – IN-HOUSE PROGRAMMING

	2025	2024
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 4,862,683	\$ 6,056,604
Add:		
Acquisitions financed by amount received during the year	3,126,504	2,318,978
Reserved funds – Other funds (CMF)	612,425	60,633
Less:		
Amortization – Amount recognized as revenue	(2,639,929)	(3,573,532)
Balance, end of year	\$ 5,961,683	\$ 4,862,683

14. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS – CAPITAL ASSETS

	2025	2024
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 6,239,900	\$ 7,373,872
Add:		
Acquisitions financed by amount received during the year	468,244	52,628
Reserved funds – Ministry of Education	531,756	947,372
Less:		
Disposal	(36)	-
Amortization – Amount recognized as revenue	(1,927,629)	(2,133,972)
Balance, end of year	\$ 5,312,235	\$ 6,239,900

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15. CONTRIBUTIONS – OPERATING GRANTS

	2025	2024
<i>Annual funding/Amount awarded</i>		
Grant – core	\$ 21,225,772	\$ 21,644,923
Grant – core – AODA	-	657,300
Grant – capital and support for capital assets	1,000,000	1,750,000
Grant – broadcasting rights	6,886,070	5,615,764
Grant – in-house programming	2,104,158	1,171,713
<i>Total received in current year: Ministry of Education</i>	31,216,000	30,839,700
Revenue recognized from contributions carried forward from previous years	5,019,365	5,890,500
Transfer to deferred contributions – committed funds	(5,692,087)	(4,796,788)
Transfer to deferred contributions – future amortization	(9,382,137)	(7,531,502)
	\$ 21,161,141	\$ 24,401,910

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16. CONTRIBUTIONS – FUNDING FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS

	2025		
	Ministry of Education	Others	Total
Funding received in current year	\$ 1,801,700	\$ -	\$ 1,801,700
Funding recognized	15,024	-	15,024
Less: Deferred contributions	-	-	-
	\$ 1,816,724	\$ -	\$ 1,816,724

	2024		
	Ministry of Education	Others	Total
Funding received in current year	\$ 1,057,331	\$ -	\$ 1,057,331
Funding recognized	-	46,875	46,875
Less: Deferred contributions	(15,024)	-	(15,024)
	\$ 1,042,307	\$ 46,875	\$ 1,089,182

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17. CONTRIBUTIONS – CORPORATE AND GOVERNMENT

	2025	2024
Ministry of Education		
Funding received in current year	\$ 3,574,800	\$ 2,725,200
Canada Media Fund		
Funding received in current year	1,654,771	1,267,899
Revenue recognized from contributions carried forward from previous years	60,633	15,858
Less: Deferred contributions – committed funds – in-house programming	(612,425)	(60,633)
Less: Deferred contributions – future amortization – in-house programming	(1,082,979)	(1,163,124)
Other Ontario agencies		
Funding received in current year	589,237	4,000
Other provinces		
Funding received in current year – broadcasting rights	75,000	75,000
Revenue recognized from contributions carried forward from previous years	88,800	27,268
Less: Deferred contributions – committed funds – broadcasting rights	(75,000)	(75,000)
Less: Deferred contributions – future amortization – broadcasting rights	(88,800)	(27,268)
Funding received in current year	65,317	141,920
Less: Contributions deferred to the next fiscal year	-	(20,917)
	\$ 4,249,354	\$ 2,910,203

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18. OTHER REVENUES

	2025	2024
Signal subscriptions	\$ 1,022,636	\$ 1,051,417
Sale of services	46,588	45,057
Promotion and distribution	7,252	5,171
Sale of educational material	327,856	183,974
Sublease	192,852	158,305
Interest	598,726	567,890
Donations received in the form of services	31,820	62,830
Donations and other	9,097	4,120
	\$ 2,236,827	\$ 2,078,764

19. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

As sponsor of the Ontario French-language Educational Communications Authority Pension Plan, the Authority has undertaken to pay certain costs of the pension plan, including compensation of employees, professional fees and costs associated with the use of premises and other associated costs.

20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Authority is exposed to various financial risks resulting from both its operations and its investment activities. The Authority's management manages financial risks.

The Authority does not enter into financial agreements including derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

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20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Financial risks

The Authority's main financial risk exposure and its financial risk management policies are as follows:

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss for the Authority if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. Such risks arise mainly from certain financial assets held by the Authority consisting of cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable.

The Authority is exposed to credit risk attributable to its accounts receivable. The credit risk is assessed as low mainly due to the type of debtor, for the most part comprised of the government. At year-end, there are no receivables considered delinquent. The Authority is not exposed to any significant credit risk with respect to any debtor or counterparty.

The Authority's maximum exposure to credit risk is the amounts presented in accounts receivable on the Statement of Financial Position as at March 31, 2025.

Exchange risk

The Authority is exposed to exchange risk due to cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable denominated in US dollars. As at March 31, 2025, cash and cash equivalents in US dollars totalled USD \$87,077 (CAD \$125,182) (2024: USD \$50,025 (CAD \$67,784)).

The Authority does not enter into foreign exchange contracts to cover its exchange risk exposure. The Authority believes that it is not subject to significant foreign exchange risk from its financial instruments.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Authority will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they become due.

Liquidity risk management serves to maintain a sufficient amount of cash and cash equivalents. To ensure that the Authority has the necessary funds to fulfill its obligations, the Authority's management establishes budgets, but does not prepare cash flow forecasts.

As at March 31, 2025, the Authority has a cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash balance of \$12,942,372 (2024: \$11,468,430). All the Authority's financial liabilities totalling \$3,810,186 (2024: \$4,719,471) have contractual maturities of less than 365 days.

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21. CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The Authority has entered into operating lease agreements, expiring December 31, 2028, which call for payments of \$2,264,078 for the rental of office space. The minimum lease payments for the next three years are \$959,098 for the year ending March 31, 2026, \$962,336 for the year ending March 31, 2027, and \$342,644 for the year ending March 31, 2028.

The Authority has entered into another operating agreement expiring in 2026-2027 to pay a total amount of \$342,887 for control room services. The minimum payments for the next two years are \$204,381 for the year ending March 31, 2026 and \$138,506 for the year ending March 31, 2027.

As at March 31, 2025, the Authority had committed an amount of \$2,189,238 for the purchase of broadcasting rights, of which \$1,725,326 will be paid during the year ending March 31, 2026, \$457,340 during the year ending March 31, 2027 and \$6,572 during the year ending March 31, 2028.

22. CONTINGENCY

The funding received from government ministries may be refunded following an audit if the funding received is identified as a surplus based on the funding arrangements agreed between the parties. As at March 31, 2025, management has not been informed of any potential refund, with the exception of amounts to be returned that have already been recognized.