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Updates from last report:

Immediate objectives being pursued by the Foundation include but are not limited to:

- The Foundation held its committee meetings and full board meeting on October 6, 2023.
- The next Foundation board meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2023.
- Emergence Center 1 (EC1)
 - EC1 has received a much-needed facelift that includes painting the EIFS, new awnings and the addition of a patio.



- altafiber has completed construction of the 5G test lab and corporate briefing center. They expect to host their first customer, UC Health, in early 2024.

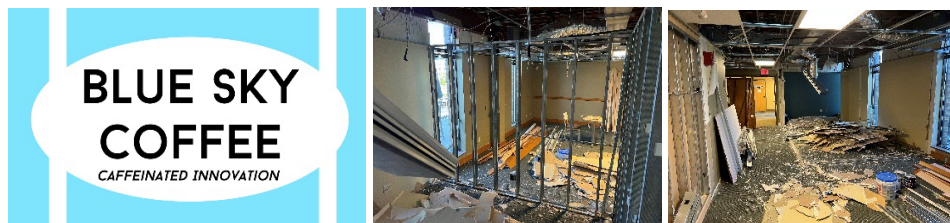


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- Conversations have taken place with WSU Provost, VP for Enrollment Management, Dean of Engineering and interim Dean of Business informing them of the lab and asking them to let us know how this lab may be able to help them achieve their goals so we can work with our partners to make it happen.
- Blue Sky Coffee will be opening for business in the Emergence Center building in early 2024. Visit <https://www.dayton.com/what-to-know/new-coffee-shop-to-open-in-fairborn-near-wright-state/B3UUHHI6YFFWBI5XQZKSYO363Q/> to learn more about them.



- The Foundation's website is up and running and can be visited at www.wrightstatefoundation.org.
- The Foundation continues to work with a minority owned business to develop an app that would connect available resources on college/university campuses with potential local industry.
- Emeriti Foundation board members, Travis Greenwood and Andrea Kunk, were nominated as 2023 Executives of the Year by the Dayton Business Journal.



- Current Foundation Board Chair, Linda Black-Kurek, was honored as Individual Philanthropist of the Year by the Dayton Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.



- Mr. Rash will again be serving as a panelist at the Association of Governing Boards Foundation Leadership Forum in Los Angeles, CA in January '24 with North Pier Search Consulting in a session on endowment management.

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Financial markets continued their downward trend during October 2023, taking the endowment portfolio’s fiscal year return solidly into the red. Investors were concerned about rising long-term U.S. Treasury yields, stronger-than-expected economic data – which reignited worries that the U.S. Federal Reserve would resume its rate hiking cycle – as well as growing geopolitical tensions in the Middle East. During the month, developed markets outperformed emerging markets, with North American markets experiencing comparatively lower losses than other regions such as the Pacific region, which experienced the highest losses. Within the domestic space, equities fell 2.1% for the month. Large cap stocks performed better than small cap in October. Within the large cap space, growth stocks outperformed value stocks; within small cap, it was the opposite. Bond prices fell as longer-term U.S. Treasury rates rose.

Our endowment portfolio ended the month of October valued at \$103.3 million, down \$4.6 million since July 1. The portfolio’s rate of return dropped to -4.2% (net of fees) for the fiscal year, but did outperform its associated composite benchmark by 39 basis points. The one-year return for the portfolio at the end of October was a positive 5.8% (net of fees).

Within the endowment portfolio, all investment classes reported negative results for the first four months of FY24. Equities lost 9.1%, with U.S. equities outperforming international investments. Emerging markets equities and world equity, excluding the U.S., have been the biggest losers in FY24 losing 11.0% and 10.5%, respectively. Within the domestic space, large cap (-8.7%) has beat small cap (-12.8%). As has been the pattern lately, fixed income investments also declined during the period, contributing a negative return of 3.9% to the overall portfolio loss. High yield bonds provided the highest return within this asset class at -1.4%. Core fixed income lost 5.2%.

Once again, alternative investments proved to be the most effective hedge in the current market environment. Alternative investments gained 2.2% overall. Our hedge funds both had positive returns of greater than 3.0% through October, while our private equity returns were mixed.

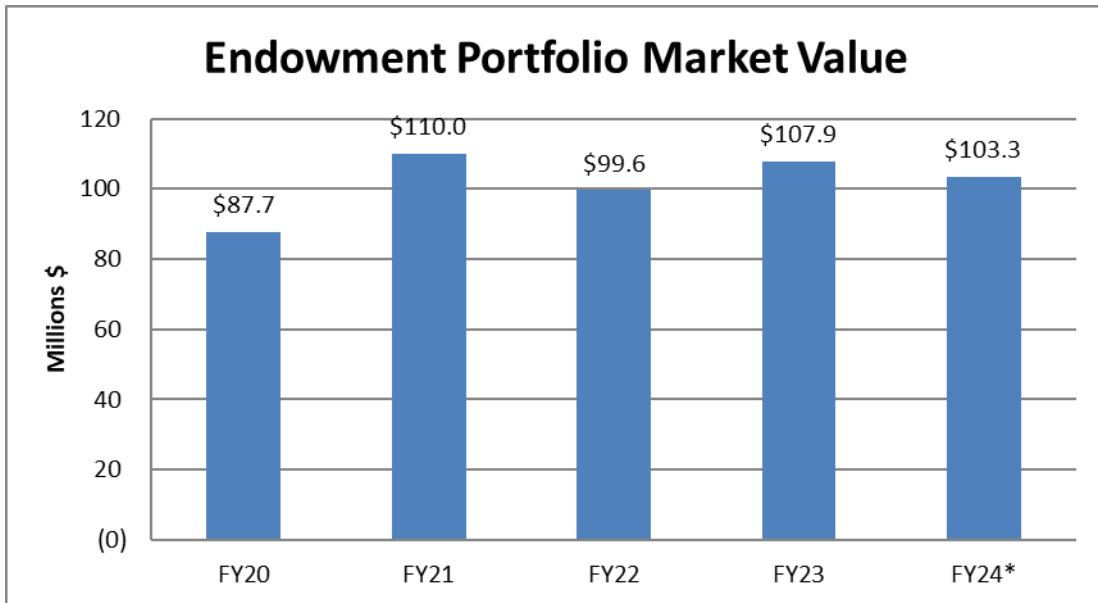
The Board of Trustees approved a clean audit of the Foundation’s FY23 Financial Statements on October 28, 2023.

The Foundation’s current endowment portfolio composition, including allocation ranges, actual allocations, and market values, as of October 31, 2023, is presented below:

Endowment Portfolio Composition

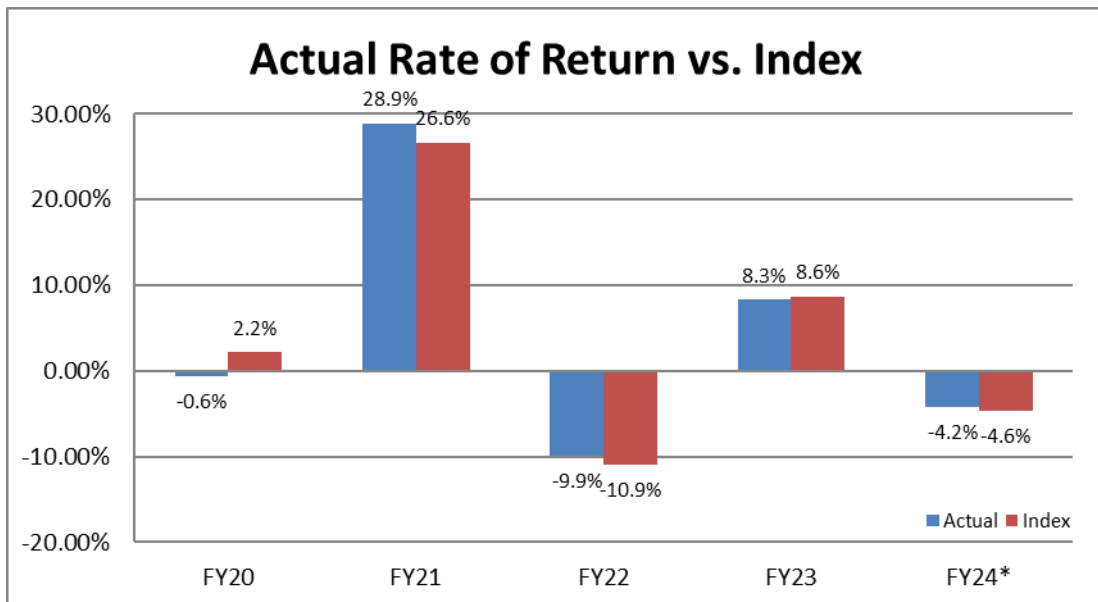
<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Allocation Range</u>	<u>Actual Allocation</u>	<u>Market Value October 31, 2023</u>
Equity	30%-70%	59%	\$61,617,048
Fixed income	15%-50%	23%	23,391,923
Alternatives	1%-30%	18%	18,327,981
Cash & equivalents	0%-20%	0%	-0-
Totals	n/a	100%	\$103,336,952

Endowment Value



* As of October 31, 2023

Endowment Historical Rates of Return



* As of October 31, 2023

The index is composed of various market indices of like asset classes in the same proportion as the Foundation's approved asset allocation as defined in its Investment Policy Statement (IPS).