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WHO WE ARE

Established in 1979, the Foundation for Physical Therapy had made its mission to fund and publicize research that determines the scientific basis and value of services intended to optimize physical functioning by physical therapists, and to develop the next generation of researchers.

Groundbreaking findings of the physical therapist investigators the Foundation supported early in their careers has provided evidence of physical therapy’s crucial role in such areas as:

> recovering from stroke, injury, and accidents;
> improving mobility for children with cerebral palsy; and
> offering pain-free movement in patients with low back pain.

Many of today’s leading and emerging physical therapist researchers, clinicians, and academicians began their careers with a grant or scholarship from the Foundation. Since its inception 36 years ago:

The Foundation has awarded more than

$17 million
in grants, fellowships and scholarships

576
physical therapists and emerging scientists

$753 million
in external funding from NIH, DoD, VA, NSF and more

for every $1 of funding awarded,
$47 received
in follow-on funding.

resulting in the publication of
9,000
articles and research papers
in scholarly journals

Join us as we work together to advance the applications of physical therapy and provide evidence of physical therapy’s enormous impact on recovery, rehabilitation, and retaining an active, healthy life.
MESSAGE From the PRESIDENT & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

This has been an incredible year for the Foundation for Physical Therapy and we are extremely grateful for all those who helped make it so successful. During the last 36 years, the Foundation has committed more than $17 million directly to support grants, fellowships, and scholarships so that we may aid in changing the face of health care with innovative research. Our mission has always been to work toward building a body of knowledge that supports and improves the effectiveness of clinical practice and shaping successful careers by funding the brightest new investigators in rehabilitation research.

As leaders of the Foundation, we are honored to work with a committed Board of Trustees who share your passion for helping patients and clients maintain and improve mobility, recover from debilitating conditions, and advancing physical therapist care through improvements and innovations leading to increased quality of life.

This year, the Board of Trustees continued its work on a groundbreaking initiative to address the need for health services and health policy research by funding the Center on Health Services and Health Policy Research and Training (CoHSTAR) under the leadership of Linda Resnik, PT, PhD, OCS, at Brown University. In its first year, CoHSTAR made impressive progress and enlisted two visiting scientists: Katherine Berg, PT, PhD, from University of Toronto and Kristin Archer, PT, PhD, of Vanderbilt University, and the first faculty fellow: Adam Goode, PT, DPT, PhD, of Duke University, among other achievements.

As we celebrate the launching of CoHSTAR, the largest grant ever funded by the Foundation, we would like to recognize and thank our donors: APTA, its components and sections, individuals and corporations. Without their generosity, none of this would be possible.

The Foundation has always been fortunate to have volunteers and fundraisers across the country who are dedicated to helping achieve strategic priorities to advance our mission. We would like to extend a special thank you to our Scientific Review Committee for their countless volunteer hours working to ensure researchers funded by the Foundation meet the scientific rigor needed to help them effectively compete for external funding.

To those of you who stretched to give more in 2015, we send our deepest thanks for your commitment. If you are just learning about the Foundation, please give us the opportunity to help you understand why contributions to support physical therapy research are a great investment. In this annual report, you will find a review of the Foundation’s work during 2015, including funds raised and awarded. For more in-depth information you can view the Foundation’s IRS Form 990 and our year-end financials.

Thank you and we look forward to an even better year in 2016!

Barbara Connolly, PT, DPT, EdD, FAPTA
President, Foundation for Physical Therapy

Barbara Malm, MBA
Executive Director, Foundation for Physical Therapy
Magistro Family Foundation Research Grant
Christine McDonough, PT, PhD, MS
Research Assistant Professor, Department of Health Policy Management, Boston University School of Public Health

McDonough’s 2-year project, “Living In Fitness Together (LIFT): Testing an Innovative Fall Prevention Program,” aims to reduce the possibility of falls in older adults by testing the feasibility, safety and efficacy of delivering tailored exercise intervention for those who are at risk, while empowering them to meet their goals through training in self-management and peer-coaching. McDonough also received a New Investigator Fellowship Training Initiative – Health Services Research (NIFTI-HSR) from the Foundation in 2009. The LIFT project is generously funded by the Magistro Family Foundation Endowment Fund.

Pittsburgh-Marquette Challenge Research Grant
Karin Grävare Silbernagel, PhD, MSc, BS
Assistant Professor, Biomechanics and Movement Science Program, University of Delaware

Silbernagel’s 2-year project, “Evaluation of Recovery Following an Achilles Tendon Rupture,” will assess and determine whether the degree of physical activity during the first eight weeks after an Achilles tendon rupture is related to the short- and long-term outcome of early physical activity on tendon healing and recovery. This grant is supported by the Pittsburgh-Marquette Challenge.

New Investigator Fellowship Training Initiative (NIFTI)
Amee Seitz, PT, DPT, PhD, MS, OCS
Assistant Professor, Northwestern University

Seitz’ fellowship will include a research training experience titled “Mechanisms of Painful Rotator Cuff Tears: Establishing Scientifically-Based Treatment.” She will be under the mentorship of Jules Dewald, PT, PhD, director of the Neuroimaging and Motor Control Laboratory in the Department of Physical Therapy and Human Movement Science at the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, and Ana Maria Acosta, PhD, an associate professor also in the Department of Physical Therapy and Human Movement Sciences. This award is supported through the APTA Supporting the Profession Fund and the APTA Scholarship Fund.
Scholarships Awarded

Promotion of Doctoral Studies - Level II Scholarships Awarded in 2015
*These scholarships are primarily funded by “APTA's Scholarship Fund”.

Allyn Bove, PT, DPT
University of Pittsburgh

Kendra Cherry-Allen, PT, DPT
(Wiva J. Erickson Award)
Washington University in St. Louis

Andrew Kittelson, PT, DPT
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Marquette University

Jacqueline Palmer, PT, DPT
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Andrew Smith, PT, DPT*
(Mary Lou Barnes Award)
Northwestern University

* This scholarship is generously supported by the Foundation's Neurology Endowment Fund.
** This award was made possible by the 2014-2015 Miami-Marquette Challenge.

Promotion of Doctoral Studies - Level I Scholarships Awarded in 2015
*These scholarships are primarily funded by “APTA's Scholarship Fund”.

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Timothy Faw, PT, DPT, NCS*
(The Ohio State University)

Abbigail Fietzer, PT, DPT
University of Southern California

Allison Kosir, PT, DPT
University of Colorado, Denver

Trevor Lentz, PT, MPT*
(Miami-Marquette Award)**
University of Florida

Promotion of Doctoral Studies - Florence P. Kendall Doctoral Scholarships Awarded in 2015
*These scholarships are supported by the Rhomberger Fund.

Karah Bush, PT, DPT
The Ohio State University

Kelly Hawkins PT, DPT
University of Florida

Joshua Johnson, PT, DPT, ATC
University of Utah

* This scholarship is generously supported by the Foundation's Neurology Endowment Fund.
** This award was made possible by the 2014-2015 Miami-Marquette Challenge.
In Their Own Words:

“Without the benefit of the Magistro Family Foundation Research Grant, our lab would not be able to investigate improved rehabilitation interventions for children with stroke to the extent that we have been able. These funds have been pivotal in creating a foundation for our understanding of the impact of stroke on a child’s developing brain and in developing future impactful therapies.”

- Bernadette Gillick, PT, PhD
  Assistant Professor, Program in Physical Therapy
  University of Minnesota

“While funding from the Foundation provided support for my doctoral studies, equally important was the structure provided through the grant application process and the invaluable feedback from the review panel. Together, these experiences provided early, formative experiences to the process of learning how to be a productive researcher.”

- Carolynn Patten, PT, PhD, FAPTA
  Associate Professor
  University of Florida, Department of Physical Therapy

“The Foundation helps the profession move forward by funding research. These grants are a great starting point, and I’m finding that as I’ve met more senior researchers, many of them have told me they began their careers with the help of Foundation funding too.”

- Michael Lewek, PT, PhD
  Associate Professor
  University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
  Division of Physical Therapy

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The Center of Excellence grant was awarded to **Linda Resnik, PT, PhD**, Brown University School of Public Health, to establish a multi-site Center on Health Services Training and Research (CoHSTAR). Read the announcement on Page 9.

Resnik is a nationally recognized leader in physical therapy health services research. She is an associate professor (Research) in the Department of Health Services, Policy and Practice in the Brown University School of Public Health and Veterans’ Administration (VA) Rehabilitation Research and Development (RR&D) funded research career scientist at the Providence VA Medical Center. Since 2001, she has conducted research to understand factors associated with the most effective rehabilitation care delivery. She is a pioneer in using clinical outcomes to benchmark rehabilitation providers and understand factors associated with the most effective care delivery. For over 10 years, Resnik has worked to educate physical therapists on the importance of health services research, and the methodologies for use in observational study designs and quality improvement through publications and presentations at national meetings. Learn more about Dr. Resnik.

**CoHSTAR Organization**

CoHSTAR is directed by a Leadership and Administrative Core (LAC) and guided by an External Advisory Board. CoHSTAR includes a Research Career Training Program Core (RCTPC), a Pilot Studies Core (PSC), and an Evaluation and Dissemination Core (EDC).

The LAC is based at Brown University School of Public Health and housed within the Center for Gerontology and Health Care Research. Dr. Resnik serves as principal investigator and LAC director. The 6-person CoHSTAR External Advisory Board (See page 8) assists in strategic planning, prioritizing focus areas for pilot study funding and recruitment of trainees.

The RCTPC is led by Vincent Mor, PhD at Brown University. The aim of the RCTPC is to provide training for postdoctoral trainees and visiting scientists in health services research for physical therapists that will guide their career development as health services researchers.

Kelley Fitzgerald, PT, PhD and Anthony Delitto, PT, PhD at the University of Pittsburgh are leading the PSC. The aims of the PSC are to solicit pilot study applications relevant to physical therapy, select outstanding pilot projects for funding, provide oversight/data safety and quality monitoring of ongoing pilot projects, help investigators translate pilot projects into full scale research grant applications for extramural funding, and monitor the progress and success of the PSC.

The EDC is led by Alan Jette, PT, PhD, and Mary Slavin, PT, PhD at Boston University. The aims of the EDC are to develop and implement a comprehensive evaluation framework to assess CoHSTAR activities, communicate with core directors and coordinate improvement activities as needed, ensure that program information is optimally disseminated to target audiences, and enhance the impact and sustainability of CoHSTAR activities.
CoHSTAR External Advisory Board members include:

- Karen Lohmann Siegel, PT, MA, (chair), deputy director, Rehab Research & Development, Department of Veterans Affairs
- Leighton Chan, PhD, chief, Rehabilitation Medicine Department, Clinical Centers, National Institutes of Health
- Pamela Duncan, PT, PhD, professor of neurology, Wake Forest School of Medicine
- David Hickam, MD, MPH, program director, Clinical Effectiveness Research, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute
- Michael P. Johnson, PT, PhD, practice leader - Home Health, BAYADA Home Health Care
- Justin Moore, PT, DPT, chief executive officer, APTA

Visiting Scientists Announced:
Katherine Berg, PT, PhD - chair and associate professor of the Department of Physical Therapy, executive chair of the Rehabilitation Sciences Sector, and chair of the Graduate Department of Rehabilitation Sciences at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto

Kristin Archer, PT, PhD - associate professor, director of orthopaedic research, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Vanderbilt University

Faculty Fellow Announced:
Adam Goode, PT, DPT, PhD - epidemiologist, physical therapist, and associate professor at Duke University; will work as CoHSTAR's first Faculty Fellow with Delitto and Fitzgerald at the University of Pittsburgh

CoHSTAR Participating Sites

Visit the Foundation's website to stay updated on the Center of Excellence.
COE Recipient Announced...

Thanks to the support of donors like you, the Foundation announced the recipient of the $2.5 million Center of Excellence in Physical Therapy Health Services and Health Policy Research and Training Grant during the Combined Sections Meeting in Indianapolis on February 2015.

Watch the announcement [here](#).

2014 Foundation scholarship, grant, and fellowship recipients were honored at the 2015 annual networking coffee event at CSM in Indianapolis.

Congratulations to all award recipients!
The Foundation hosted a “Communicating Science” Training Workshop at CSM 2015 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Over 50 members of the Foundation Alumni Network (FAN) and the APTA Section on Research along with the Foundation Board of Trustees, Scientific Review Committee members, and Scientific Advisory Committee members, attended the 4-hour workshop designed to teach the fundamentals of presenting their research and describing its importance and impact to audiences outside of traditional scientific forums. The Foundation worked with Ninja Communications, the organization contracted by the National Science Foundation to train their funded scientists, to preceptor the workshop.

Special thanks to the APTA Section on Research for co-hosting this successful event!

The Marquette Challenge is an annual grassroots fundraising effort coordinated and carried out by physical therapist and physical therapist assistant students across the country to support the Foundation’s mission.

The Challenge is the Foundation’s signature annual fundraising initiative, raising more funds each year than any other Foundation activity. Since its inception, 235 schools have participated in the Challenge, raising over $3 million for physical therapist research.

The Challenge supports an annual $40,000 research grant and a Promotion of Doctoral Studies (PODS I) scholarship of $7,500 to physical therapist scientists. Since 2002, funds raised through the Challenge have specifically funded over 20 research grants and scholarships, and also partially funded the 2010 Clagett Family Research Grant.

During the 2014-2015 Miami-Marquette Challenge, students from 146 schools participated in raising $275,423 for physical therapist research.

Congratulations to all the winners of the 2014-2015 Miami-Marquette Challenge!
FIRST PLACE
University of Pittsburgh

SECOND PLACE
Virginia Commonwealth University

THIRD PLACE
University of Miami

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
Mercer University
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*The Foundation would also like to recognize Marquette University students for their financial commitment to the Challenge in donating over $20,000.

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Thank you to all participating schools!
2015 Miami-Marquette Challenge Philanthropy Circle

The Philanthropy Circle recognizes schools’ cumulative giving through participation in the Challenge. To be eligible to join, schools must participate in the Challenge for at least 10 years.

**Capstone Society**
(Schools donating at least $500,000)

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Virginia Commonwealth University
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**WATCH** Marquette University students discuss the Challenge!

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**Special thanks to the 2014-2015 Miami-Marquette Challenge Student Coordinators:**

Lindsey Olsen, SPT, Jenna Wolf, SPT, and TJ Mochel, SPT
Marquette University

Elizabeth Chambers, SPT, Anne Mackin, SPT, and Nicholas Suivski, SPT
University of Miami

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University of Miami: Neva J. Kirk-Sanchez, PT, PhD, associate professor and chair, and Elsa Drevyn, PT, DPT, instructor and ACCE

Marquette University: Lawrence G. Pan, PT, PhD, FAPTA, department chair and professor, and Sheila Schindler-Ivens, PT, PhD, associate professor
2015 Charles M. Magistro Distinguished Service Award

Robert C. Bartlett, PT, MA
FAPTA

This award is presented annually to an individual for outstanding service and personal commitment toward promoting the Foundation’s goals. The individual receiving the Magistro Award has made a significant impact on the Foundation through his or her leadership and guidance. Robert Bartlett has had a long-standing relationship with the Foundation, having served as chair and Board of Trustees member during the Foundation’s early years. He provided structure and guidance to the Foundation, helping it to develop a cadre of physical therapist researchers.

2015 Robert C. Bartlett Trustee Recognition Service Award

This award is presented to individuals whose personal service and commitment as a trustee has helped develop and sustain activities that promote the funding of physical therapy research and education programs.

Anthony Delitto, PT, PhD
FAPTA

William G. Boissonnault,
PT, DPT, DHSc, FAPTA, FAAOMPT

Anthony Delitto is professor and dean of research in the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh. Delitto has served as a member of the Foundation’s Scientific Review Committee and the Scientific Advisory Committee. He was influential in the establishment of the Foundation’s Scientific Advisory Committee, and also served as principal investigator of the Foundation-funded Clinical Research Center at the University of Pittsburgh. Additionally, he has supported the Foundation over the years by successfully leading his students in the Foundation’s annual Marquette Challenge.

William Boissonnault in 2015 was a professor in the Department of Orthopedics and Rehabilitation at the University of Wisconsin (UW). He also was senior physical therapist at the Spine Center PT Clinic - UW Hospital and Clinics, and the University Health Services for students. He currently serves as APTA’s Executive Vice President, Professional Affairs. Boissonnault has a long-standing relationship with the Foundation and has completed nine years of service as a trustee, five of which he served as president. Additionally, Boissonnault was instrumental in establishing the Foundation’s largest initiative to date – the Center of Excellence (CoHSTAR).
2015 Spirit of Philanthropy Award

Lansdale and Gladys Clagett (posthumously)

Since 2005, this award has been presented annually to donors who exhibit enthusiastic support and dedication to the growth of the Foundation and its mission. Lansdale Clagett of Prince George’s County, Maryland, was grateful to the PT profession for providing him years of physical therapy after contracting polio.

“My uncle always said that if physical therapy had been available when he first contracted polio, he would have been able to walk most of his life,” said Robert Y. Clagett, Esq. “He wanted other people to have the chance to receive the greatest benefit from physical therapy. That’s why he gave a large portion of his estate to help the physical therapy research efforts of the Foundation.”

The Clagetts left a bequest to the Foundation of $750,000, which enabled the Foundation to fund a $300,000 Clagett Family Research Grant in 2011. This was the Foundation’s first High-priority-high-impact research grant, examining physical therapist interventions for older adults suffering from multiple chronic conditions. The Foundation presented this award to physical therapist and great niece of Lansdale and Gladys Clagett, Rachel Clagett Burns, PT, DPT.

2015 Premier Partner In Research Award

The Foundation has presented this award to a select few for generous and longstanding contributions critical to the success of the Foundation and its mission. To date, the Academy for Neurologic Physical Therapy (formerly the Neurology Section) has donated more than $500,000 to the Foundation for Physical Therapy, with funds supporting 2 named Promotion of Doctoral Studies (PODS) scholarships in honor of Patricia Leahy, PT, MS, NCS (PODS I) and Mary Lou Barnes, PT, FAPTA (PODS II). Since the Foundation’s inception, more than 130 members of the section have received more than $3 million in scholarships, fellowships, and grant funding from the Foundation.
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Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine
Legacy Society members have expressed their commitment to the Foundation and the future of the physical therapist profession through a designated special gift.

These donors have named the Foundation as a beneficiary of a planned gift through their estate. Such gifts may include a bequest and/or naming the Foundation as a beneficiary of a retirement plan, insurance policy, or trust. Other gifts may include the establishment of a named legacy endowment fund.

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Loved ones, special occasions, and milestones honored through the Foundation’s Tributes program include the following:

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Robin Louis

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- Florida Physical Therapy Association
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The Foundation ended the year with strong unrestricted net revenue and expenses well managed, with total expenses coming in close to budget (about 8% under). The top priority of the Foundation staff and Board of Trustees is to be good stewards of your donations and investments. The 2015 financial highlights that follow are derived from the Foundation’s, December 31, 2015 audited financial statements by CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP. To view the Foundation’s audited financials, please visit our website.

Because of the generosity and vision of individuals and several APTA components, the Foundation has several endowed research funds that will impact physical therapy research for years to come. The endowments and other funds established with the Foundation help provide financial stability and allow the trustees to “think outside the box” when considering our overall funding program. You can review the complete portfolio of funds on pages 30-31.

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As our longstanding friends, you make the important work we do possible. Thank you for your continued generosity.

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# FOUNDATION FINANCIAL LIABILITIES and ASSETS

## ASSETS

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<td>Cash and Cash Equivalents</td>
<td>$1,494,177</td>
<td>$1,417,952</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
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<td>Accounts Receivable</td>
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<td>Pledges Receivable, Net</td>
<td>$1,358,131</td>
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<td>Other Assets</td>
<td>$23,405</td>
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<td>Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance Policies</td>
<td>$53,798</td>
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**TOTAL ASSETS**  
$15,297,168  
$15,657,452

## LIABILITIES and NET ASSETS

### LIABILITIES:

- Accounts Payable and Accrued expenses  
  $188,778  
  $206,345

- Grants and Awards Payable  
  $1,109,045  
  $902,168

- Deferred Revenue  
  $5,000  
  $-

- Refundable Advances  
  $1,250  
  $-

**TOTAL LIABILITIES**  
$1,304,073  
$1,108,513

### NET ASSETS:

#### Unrestricted Net Assets:

- Undesignated Net Assets  
  $1,993,380  
  $1,944,794

- Board Designated Net Assets  
  Supporting the Profession  
  $1,152,803  
  $1,199,572

  Operating Reserve Fund  
  $791,640  
  $803,935

**Total Unrestricted**  
$3,937,823  
$3,948,301

#### Restricted Net Assets:

- Temporarily Restricted Net Assets  
  $6,265,733  
  $6,854,231

- Permanently Restricted Net Assets  
  $3,789,539  
  $3,746,407

**Total Net Assets**  
$13,993,095  
$14,548,939

**TOTAL LIABILITIES And NET ASSETS**  
$15,297,168  
$15,657,452
## Total Restricted Funds
### Statement of Net Assets

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<td><strong>Endowment Net Assets January 1, 2014</strong></td>
<td><strong>$4,506,661</strong></td>
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<td>Contributions</td>
<td>$2,744,947</td>
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<td>Investment Income (Interest &amp; Dividends)</td>
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<td>$362,052</td>
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<td>Awards/Grants</td>
<td>($868,000)</td>
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<td>Other Changes/Transfers</td>
<td>($29,624)</td>
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| **Total Restricted Fund Balance (January 1, 2015)** | **$6,854,231** | **$3,746,407** |
| Contributions | $412,844 | $43,132 |
| Investment Income (Interest & Dividends) | $146,444 | - |
| Investment Income (Gains & Losses) | ($232,616) | - |
| Awards/Grants | ($868,500) | - |
| Other Changes/Transfers | (46,670) | - |

| **Total Restricted Fund Balance (December 31, 2015)** | **$6,265,733** | **$3,789,539** |
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