CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds
Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Reports
Financial Audit
Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015
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Year Ended June 30, 2016

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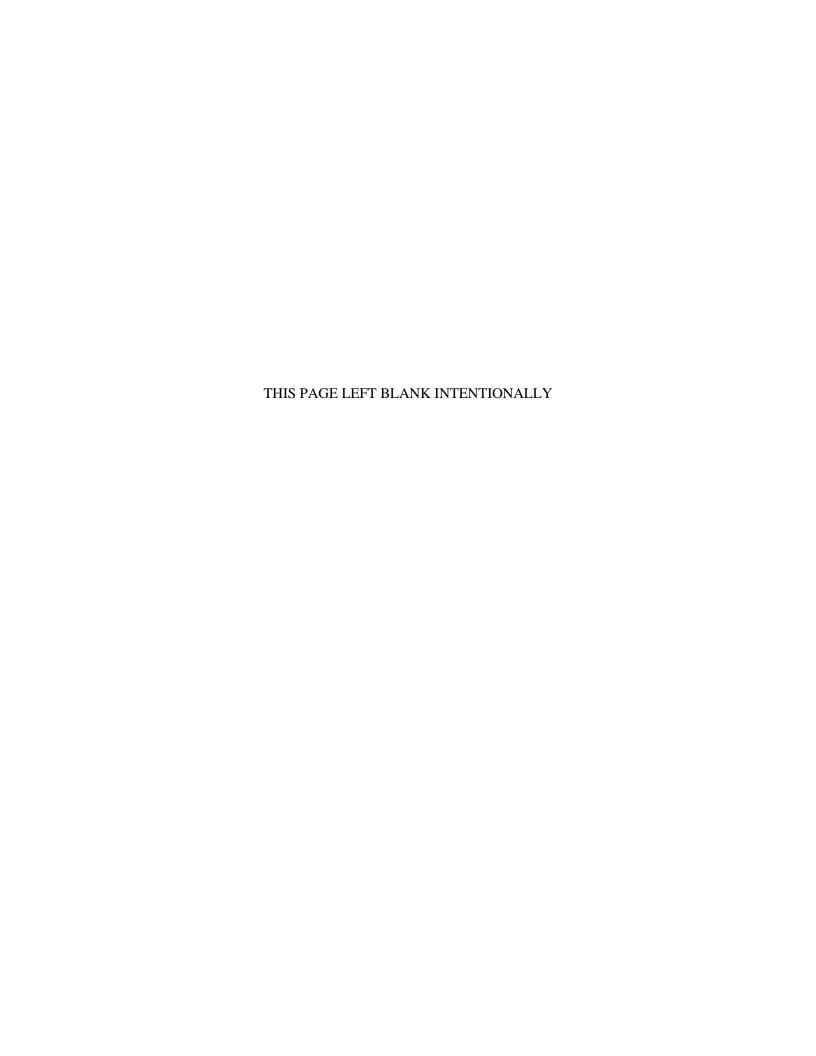
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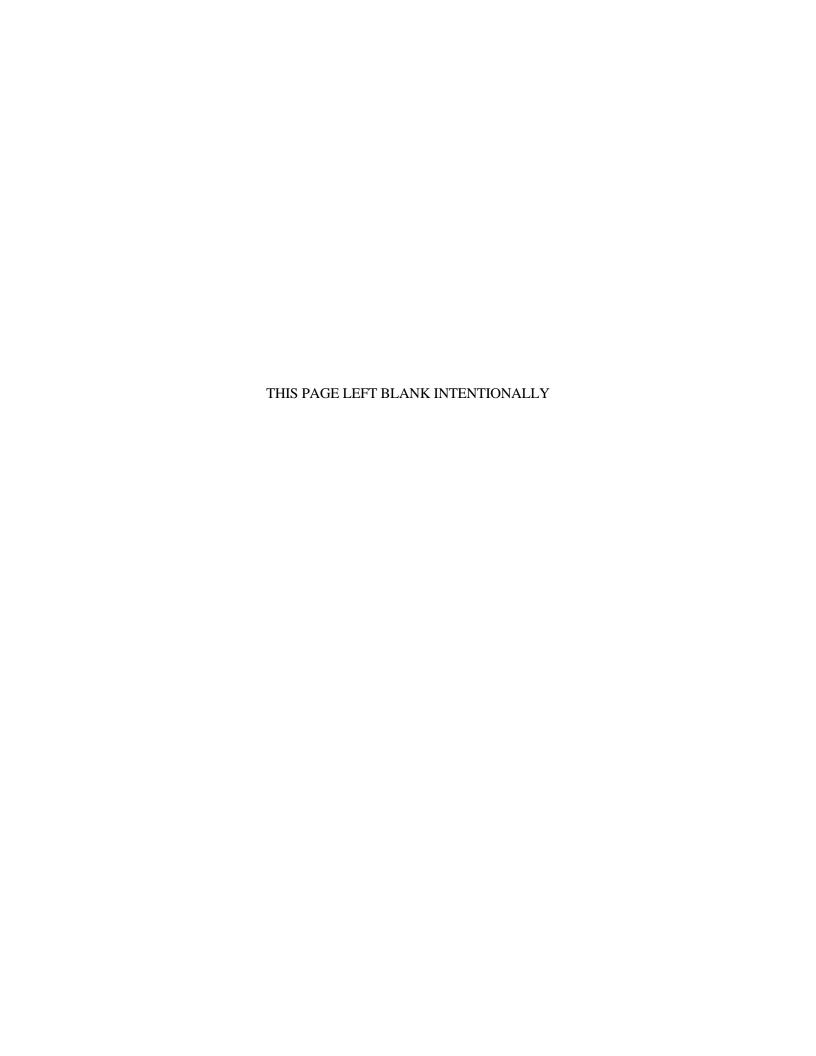
We have completed the financial statement audits of CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds as of and for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015. Our audits were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

We were engaged to conduct our audits pursuant to Section 2-3-103, C.R.S., which authorizes the State Auditor to conduct or cause to be conducted audits of all departments, institutions and agencies of state government. The reports which we have issued as a result of this engagement are set forth in the table of contents which follows.

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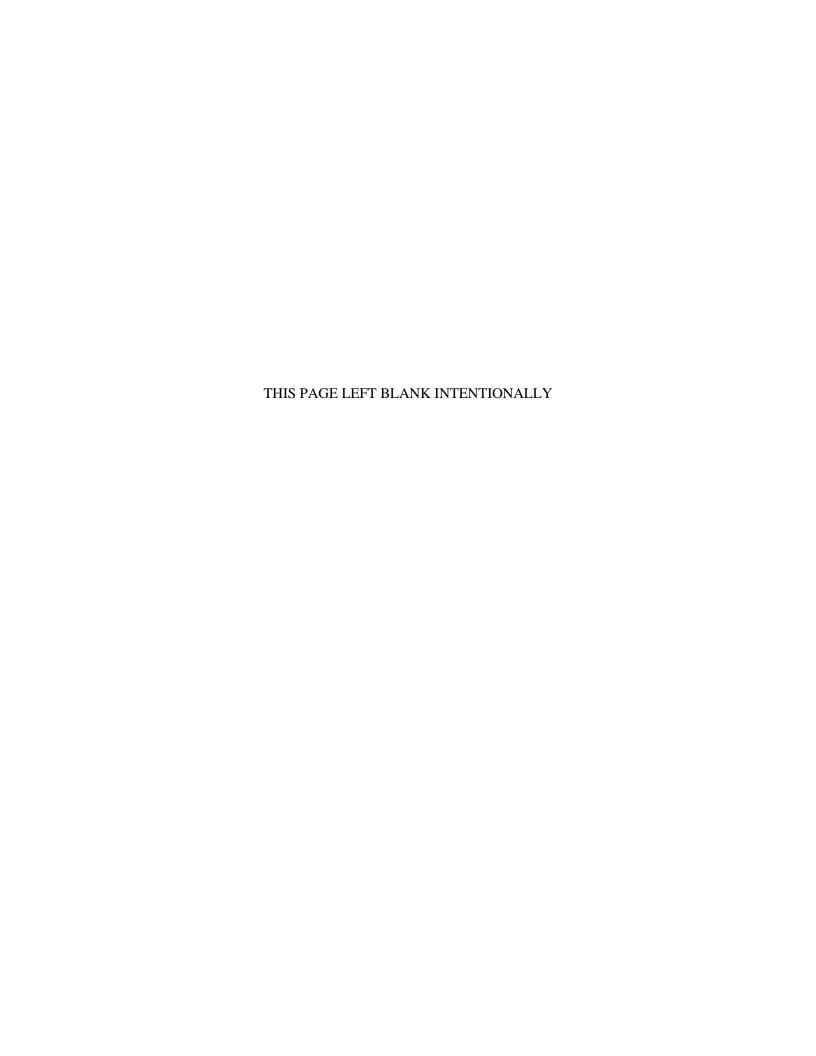


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#### REPORT SUMMARY

### **Purposes and Scope**

The Office of the State Auditor, State of Colorado, engaged BKD, LLP to conduct the financial and compliance audit of CollegeInvest (a division of the Department of Higher Education, State of Colorado) College Savings Program Funds as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016. BKD, LLP performed the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The purposes and scope of our audits were to (i) express opinions on each fiduciary fund of CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds as of and for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 and (ii) issue a report on CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds' internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters based on our audits of the financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* for the year ended June 30, 2016.

### **Audit Opinions and Reports**

We expressed unmodified opinions on each fiduciary fund of CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds as of and for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015.

### **Summary of Key Findings and Recommendations**

There were no findings for the year ended June 30, 2016.

### Summary of Progress in Implementing Prior Year Audit Recommendations

There were no findings for the year ended June 30, 2015.

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Year Ended June 30, 2016

### DESCRIPTION OF COLLEGEINVEST COLLEGE SAVINGS PROGRAM FUNDS

### **Organization**

The Colorado General Assembly pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes 23-3.1-201, et seq. and 23-3.1-301, et seq. established a student obligation bond program (Student Loan Program Funds which consist of the Borrower Benefit Fund and Bond Funds), an Internal Revenue Code Section 529 college savings program (Scholars Choice Fund, Direct Portfolio Fund, Smart Choice College Savings Funds, and Stable Value Plus Fund), an Internal Revenue Code Section 529A Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) savings program, a scholarship trust program (CollegeInvest Early Achievers Scholarship Fund), a nursing teacher loan forgiveness program (Nursing Teacher Loan Forgiveness Fund) (Closed 2016), and a Financial Need Scholarship Fund (Closed 2015), which are administered by CollegeInvest. The programs assist students in meeting the expenses incurred in availing themselves of higher education opportunities. The Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Higher Education has responsibility for oversight and management of CollegeInvest and appoints the Director of CollegeInvest. In addition, CollegeInvest has a nine person Advisory Board of Directors (Board) designated by the Governor with the consent of the State Senate to serve four year terms.

The College Savings Program Funds were established to provide families with an opportunity to save for future college education expenses. The Funds provide an opportunity to invest on a tax-favored basis toward the "qualified higher education expenses" of a designated beneficiary (the Student) associated with attending an institution of higher education. These institutions include most community colleges, public and private four-year colleges, universities, graduate and post-graduate programs, and certain proprietary and vocational schools throughout the United States. "Qualified higher education expenses" include tuition, fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for the enrollment or attendance of a student at an eligible institution of higher education plus, subject to certain limitations, room and board expenses for a student attending such an institution on at least a half-time basis.

The College Savings Program Funds consist of four funds with various options to meet the savings needs of participants. The individual funds and available options are described throughout these financial statements and in greater detail in the notes to the financial statements.

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# DESCRIPTION OF COLLEGEINVEST COLLEGE SAVINGS PROGRAM FUNDS (continued)

The Colorado Constitution and other State laws prohibit the State from providing its full faith and credit to obligations of other entities, such as the College Savings Program Funds. As a result, payments from the College Savings Program Funds are not guaranteed in any way by the State, and are not considered to have created a debt or obligation of the State. Such payments are limited obligations, payable from each College Savings Program Fund, but not from the other assets of CollegeInvest.



#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee:

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each fiduciary fund of CollegeInvest (a division of the Department of Higher Education, State of Colorado) College Savings Program Funds as of and for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds' basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net position of each fiduciary fund of CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in net position for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 – Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, the financial statements of the College Invest College Savings Program Funds are intended to present the net position, and the changes in net position for only that portion of the financial reporting entity, State of Colorado, that is attributable to the transactions of the College Invest College Savings Program Funds. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the State of Colorado as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the College Invest College Savings Program Funds' basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information including the — combining schedules for the Scholars Choice Fund, Direct Portfolio Fund and Smart Choice Fund as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 2, 2016, on our consideration of CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds' internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Denver, Colorado

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December 2, 2016

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Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)
June 30, 2016 and 2015

This section of the College Savings Program Funds' (Funds) financial statements is a discussion and analysis of the financial performance of the Funds for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, prepared by management. The Funds are Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 529 college savings plans administered by CollegeInvest. CollegeInvest, a division of the Department of Higher Education of the State of Colorado, administers the Funds. The Scholars Choice, Direct Portfolio, Stable Value Plus, and Smart Choice Funds are plans within the Section 529 college savings program of CollegeInvest (Program). The Funds are presented as fiduciary funds (specifically, private-purpose trust funds) in the State of Colorado Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Management is responsible for the financial statements, footnotes, and this discussion. The management's discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Funds' financial statements.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements:**

This annual report contains two sections – management's discussion and analysis (this section) and the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include the Statements of Fiduciary Net Position, the Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position, and the Notes to Financial Statements. The Notes to Financial Statements present additional information to support the financial statements and are commonly referred to as "Notes." Their purpose is to clarify and expand on the information in the financial statements.

The Statements of Fiduciary Net Position presents information on all of the Funds' assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in the net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial results of the Funds are improving or deteriorating.

The Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position presents information that reflects how the Funds' net position changed during the past year. All changes in the net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Thus, additions to and deductions from net position are reported in the statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

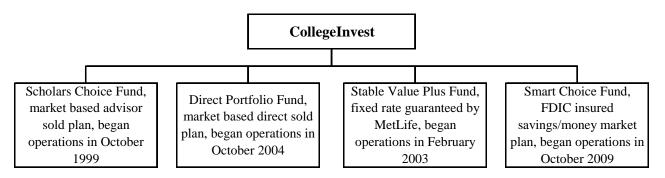
#### **Analysis of Financial Activities:**

The Executive Director of the Department of Higher Education of the State of Colorado (Executive Director) and CollegeInvest's Board of Directors (BOD) approve the annual budget. The BOD approves the investment policies of the Funds. Inception of the Funds is as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

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#### **Analysis of Financial Activities (continued):**



#### Scholars Choice Fund:

CollegeInvest has an agreement with QS Legg Mason Global Asset Allocation, LLC (QSLMGAA) and Legg Mason Investor Services, LLC (LMIS) to manage the advisor sold accounts of the Scholars Choice Fund (SCF). Effective April 1, 2016, QSLMGAA merged into QS Investors, LLC (QS). Both QS and LMIS are wholly owned subsidiaries of Legg Mason, Inc. LMIS is responsible for performing or arranging for the performance of administrative duties and record-keeping functions, and QS performs investment advisory functions for the SCF. The agreement with QS is for management of the advisor sold accounts only and expires on December 31, 2022, subject to possible extension.

CollegeInvest acts as trustee to the SCF, and QS holds the assets of the SCF in a segregated custody account. Assets of the SCF are held "in trust" for the exclusive benefit of account owners and beneficiaries. The SCF offers 13 investment options in which participants may invest. Each investment option is comprised of one or more of the 15 portfolios within the SCF. The investment return for the SCF is based on the market performance of underlying investments. These investment options are designed to help meet diverse investment goals of investors.

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#### **Analysis of Financial Activities (continued):**

#### Direct Portfolio Fund:

In 2004, CollegeInvest entered into an agreement with Ascensus College Savings Recordkeeping Services, LLC (Ascensus) and The Vanguard Group, Inc. (Managers) to provide administrative and record-keeping duties to the Direct Portfolio Fund (DPF). The contract expires on December 31, 2024, subject to possible extension.

CollegeInvest acts as trustee to the DPF, and the Managers hold the assets of the DPF in a segregated custody account. Assets of the DPF are held "in trust" for the exclusive benefit of account owners and beneficiaries. The investment return for DPF is based on the market performance of investments. DPF offers 11 investment options, including three age-based options and eight blended and individual portfolios, in which participants may invest. Each investment option is comprised of one or more of the eight portfolios within DPF. These investment options are designed to help meet diverse investment goals of investors.

#### Stable Value Plus Fund:

CollegeInvest administers the Stable Value Plus Fund. CollegeInvest entered into a funding agreement in January 2003 (MetLife Agreement) with MetLife Insurance Company of Connecticut (MetLife), a wholly owned subsidiary of MetLife, Inc., to provide a guarantee on the principal and earnings of the Stable Value Plus Fund (SVP). The SVP offers an investment return based on an interest rate that is reset annually by MetLife each January 1. The agreement expires on December 31, 2017, with the option to extend two additional one-year periods.

Under the MetLife Agreement, MetLife has agreed that the annual interest rate calculated each year will not be less than the greater of (i) the Colorado minimum nonforfeiture interest rate for annuity contracts (currently 3.00%), or (ii) 2.00%. The current minimum investment return on accounts in the SVP could be as low as 2.01%, which is the current minimum annual rate of 3.00% less the maximum CollegeInvest administrative fee of 0.99%. The rate, net of CollegeInvest's administrative fee, has been as follows:

Date	Rate
July 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013	3.04%
January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014	2.64%
January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015	3.09%
January 1, 2016 – June 30, 2016	2.54%

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#### **Analysis of Financial Activities (continued):**

#### Smart Choice Fund:

In October 2009, CollegeInvest entered into an agreement with FirstBank Holding Company (FirstBank), a Colorado banking company, to begin offering a college savings option called the Smart Choice College Savings Plan (SCCS). CollegeInvest acts as trustee for the Plan and FirstBank provides administrative and record-keeping duties. The Plan is being offered to provide an additional tax-advantaged savings vehicle for participants to utilize in saving for post-secondary education by providing the benefits of a 529 plan along with the stability and security of an FDIC insured bank. The product offerings through the SCCS are a One-Year Time Savings Account and a Money Market Savings Account. The agreement expires September 30, 2019, with an option to extend for up to two additional two-year periods.

The interest rate paid on amounts deposited into the money market savings account and the one-year time savings account will be established by FirstBank. However, the rates for each type of account must not be less than 0.10% of the interest rate publicly offered directly by FirstBank on similar money market and savings accounts. The rates are variable and are published daily by FirstBank on their website. The interest rate will be calculated, and may be adjusted if needed, every Wednesday and on the first day of each month, and is net of all administrative and other charges of FirstBank. The average interest rate paid during fiscal years 2016 and 2015 was 0.13% and 0.11%, respectively.

#### **Comparison of Current Year Results to Prior Year:**

Condensed Statements of Fiduciary Net Position as of June 30:

		2016	_	2015	_	2014
		(dollar amo	unts	expressed in	thou	ısands)
Cash and investments	\$	6,561,253	\$	6,319,019	\$	5,903,085
Receivables and other	_	17,496		15,886	_	11,511
Total fiduciary assets		6,578,749		6,334,905		5,914,596
Total liabilities		17,741		16,670		12,446
Total fiduciary net position, held in trust	\$	6,561,008	\$	6,318,235	\$	5,902,150

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

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#### **Comparison of Current Year Results to Prior Year (continued):**

Combined cash and investments of the Program increased by \$415.9 million, or 7.0%, from June 30, 2014 to June 30, 2015, due primarily to net contributions (participant contributions less benefits paid to participants and withdrawals) of \$242.9 million and investment earnings and fees of \$201.2 million, which were offset by administrative expenses of \$28.8 million.

Combined cash and investments of the Program increased by \$242.2 million, or 3.8%, from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2016, due primarily to net contributions (participant contributions less benefits paid to participants and withdrawals) of \$242.5 million and investment earnings and fees of \$29.7 million, which were offset by administrative expenses of \$29.1 million.

Receivables consist primarily of receivables for fund shares sold, receivables for investments sold, dividends and interest receivable, and due from Student Loan Program Funds. Receivables increased by \$1.6 million in 2016 and increased by \$4.4 million in 2015. The fluctuation in both years is primarily due to the timing and amount of fund shares sold, receivables for investments sold, and dividends and interest receivable. The year-to-year changes are a reflection of investment decisions made by the participants and the corresponding action taken by the plan manager to process the required transactions.

Liabilities consist of amounts payable for investments purchased, amounts payable for fund shares repurchased, service and investment fees payable, unearned revenue, and due to participants. Total liabilities increased by \$1.1 million in fiscal year 2016 and increased by \$4.2 million in fiscal year 2015. The fluctuation in both years is primarily due to the timing and amount of the payables for investments purchased and the amounts payable for fund shares repurchased in the SCF. The year-to-year changes are a reflection of investment decisions made by the participants and the corresponding action taken by the plan manager to process the required transactions.

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#### **Comparison of Current Year Results to Prior Year (continued):**

Condensed Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position for the Years Ended June 30:

	2016	2015	2014		
	(dollar amounts expressed in thousands)				
Net investment earnings \$	28,762	201,203	\$ 711,192		
Participant contributions	834,145	791,119	740,958		
Fees	959	1,143	745		
Total additions	863,866	993,465	1,452,895		
Benefits paid to participants and withdrawals	591,614	548,259	497,459		
Administrative, marketing and service fee expense	29,064	28,784	27,310		
Total deductions	620,678	577,043	524,769		
Change in fiduciary net position before transfers	243,188	416,422	928,126		
Transfers and change in due to participants	(415)	(337)	(199)		
Change in net position	242,773	416,085	927,927		
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	6,318,235	5,902,150	4,974,223		
Fiduciary net position, end of year \$	6,561,008	6,318,235	\$ 5,902,150		

Net investment earnings are comprised of dividends, interest earnings, net realized and unrealized gains and losses from security transactions less investment fees. Net realized and unrealized gains and losses on security transactions were (\$184.2) million, \$1.2 million and \$576.8 million for the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Increases and decreases in net realized and unrealized gains and losses on security transactions reflect market conditions during each corresponding year. Investment returns are also dependent on individual investor behavior and the timing of benefits paid to participants as funds are utilized to pay for college or for withdrawals. Interest and dividend earnings were \$214.7 million, \$202.0 million and \$136.3 million for the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Interest and dividend earnings primarily reflect overall economic conditions and the investment holdings during each year. The Program participant contributions, net of benefits paid to participants and withdrawals, decreased by \$329,000 to \$242.5 million for the year ended June 30, 2016, and decreased by \$639,000 to \$242.9 million for the year ended June 30, 2015.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### **Comparison of Current Year Results to Prior Year (continued):**

Participant contributions and benefits paid to participants and withdrawals were as follows:

	_	2016	_	2015		2014
	_	(dollar amounts expressed in thousands)				
Participant contributions:						
Scholars Choice Fund	\$	377,363	\$	365,666	\$	357,115
Direct Portfolio Fund		366,363		348,352		316,145
Stable Value Plus Fund		50,332		40,972		36,148
Smart Choice Fund	_	40,087	_	36,129	_	31,550
Total participant contributions	\$	834,145	\$	791,119	\$	740,958
Benefits paid to participants and withdrawals: Scholars Choice Fund	\$	220 529		222 510		305,822
Direct Portfolio Fund	Ф	339,528 194,302		323,519 174,254		150,483
Stable Value Plus Fund Smart Choice Fund	_	24,597 33,187		19,991 30,495	·	17,557 23,597
Total benefits paid to participants and withdrawals	\$_	591,614	\$_	548,259	\$_	497,459
Net participant contributions	\$_	242,531	\$	242,860	\$_	243,499

Participant contributions were 13%, 12.9% and 13.6% of average net position for the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Benefits paid to participants and withdrawals were 9.2%, 9.0% and 9.1% of average net position for the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Fees are primarily comprised of funds received from Legg Mason and the Managers for marketing and promotion of the Funds. CollegeInvest utilized \$400,000 and \$513,000 in fees from Legg Mason and the Managers, respectively, for the year ended June 30, 2016. CollegeInvest utilized \$520,000 and \$586,000 in fees from Legg Mason and the Managers, respectively, for the year ended June 30, 2015.

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Administrative and service fees are charged to participants as a percentage of net position based on the investment option chosen. These charges were approximately 0.5% of average net position for the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014.

#### **Economic Factors:**

- Performance of individual participant accounts and individual portfolios within the Program is dependent on risk factors associated with market-based investments. Fair market valuation of participant accounts may fluctuate based on market performance.
- Amounts contributed to the Program by participants may be more or less than the amounts needed by beneficiaries to attend a particular institution of higher education and do not guarantee acceptance into any institution of higher education.
- Participants are responsible for selecting portfolios in accordance with their risk tolerance. The Program does not guarantee return of principal or a certain investment rate of return on investments. Under the MetLife and FirstBank agreements, the return of principal and certain investment rates of return are guaranteed for the SVP and the SCCS, respectively.

#### **Requests for Information:**

This report is designed to provide a general overview of the Funds' finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to Wendy Hause, Chief Financial Officer, CollegeInvest, 1560 Broadway, Suite 1700, Denver, Colorado 80202.

### Statements of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2016 and 2015

(Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)

	2016						2015			
	Scholars	Direct	Stable	Smart	Total Private-	Scholars	Direct	Stable	Smart	Total Private-
	Choice Fund	Portfolio Fund	Value Plus Fund	Choice Fund	Purpose Trust Funds	Choice Fund	Portfolio Fund	Value Plus Fund	Choice Fund	Purpose Trust Funds
Fiduciary assets:										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	<b>\$</b> 126	\$ 47,068	\$ 47,194	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 375	\$ 40,079	\$ 40,454
Investments, at fair value	3,693,864	2,689,544	130,651	-	6,514,059	3,707,456	2,469,378	101,731	-	6,278,565
Receivable for portfolio units sold										
and investments sold	7,997	-	-	-	7,997	7,534	-	-	-	7,534
Interest receivable	-	1,768	-	-	1,768	-	1,550	-	-	1,550
Due from plan managers	94	131	221	4	450	185	123	168	3	479
Due from (to) Student Loan Program Funds	6,156	1,285	(156)	(4)	7,281	5,377	1,034	(85)	(3)	6,323
Total fiduciary assets	3,708,111	2,692,728	130,842	47,068	6,578,749	3,720,552	2,472,085	102,189	40,079	6,334,905
Liabilities:										
Accounts payable	8	6	5	_	19	50	33	23	_	106
Payable for portfolio units repurchased										
and investments purchased	7,596	-	136	-	7,732	7,195	-	391	-	7,586
Service and investment fees payable	1,582	771	-	-	2,353	1,637	705	-	-	2,342
Unearned revenue	2,515	1,409	-	-	3,924	2,214	1,124	-	-	3,338
Due to participants	3,713			-	3,713	3,298				3,298
Total liabilities	15,414	2,186	141		17,741	14,394	1,862	414		16,670
Total fiduciary net position, held in trust	\$ 3,692,697	\$ 2,690,542	\$ 130,701	\$ 47,068	\$ 6,561,008	\$ 3,706,158	\$ 2,470,223	\$ 101,775	\$ 40,079	\$ 6,318,235

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

### Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 (Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)

		2016					2015			
	Scholars	Direct	Stable	Smart	Total Private-	Scholars	Direct	Stable	Smart	Total Private-
	Choice	Portfolio	Value Plus	Choice	Purpose	Choice	Portfolio	Value Plus	Choice	Purpose
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Trust Funds	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Trust Funds
Additions:										
Gross earnings on investments:										
Interest and dividends	\$ 156,594	\$ 54,056	\$ 3,996	\$ 89	\$ 214,735	\$ 146,475	\$ 52,414	\$ 3,024	\$ 68	\$ 201,981
Net realized and unrealized										
gains (losses) from										
securities transactions	(188,081)	3,913			(184,168)	(27,955)	29,126			1,171
	(31,487)	57,969	3,996	89	30,567	118,520	81,540	3,024	68	203,152
Less investment fees	(872)	(933)	-	-	(1,805)	(958)	(991)	-	-	(1,949)
Net investment earnings	(32,359)	57,036	3,996	89	28,762	117,562	80,549	3,024	68	201,203
Participant contributions	377,363	366,363	50,332	40,087	834,145	365,666	348,352	40,972	36,129	791,119
Fees	400	513	3	43	959	520	586	1	36	1,143
Total additions	345,404	423,912	54,331	40,219	863,866	483,748	429,487	43,997	36,233	993,465
Deductions:										
Benefits paid to participants										
and withdrawals	339,528	194,302	24,597	33,187	591,614	323,519	174,254	19,991	30,495	548,259
Service fees	16,783	7,271	24,371	33,167	24,054	17,283	6,532	19,991	50,495	23,815
Administrative fees	2,154	1,507	808	43	4,512	2,170	1,396	598	36	4,200
Marketing expenses	400	513	-	-	913	520	586	-	-	1,106
Excess (reduced) operating expenses	(810)	369	(5)	31	(415)	(855)	379	101	38	(337)
Total deductions	358,055	203,962	25,400	33,261	620,678	342,637	183,147	20,690	30,569	577,043
Change in fiduciary net position										
before transfers	(12,651)	219,950	28,931	6,958	243,188	141,111	246,340	23,307	5,664	416,422
Intraplan administrative fee transfers	(395)	369	(5)	31	-,	(518)	379	101	38	_
intrapian administrative fee transfers	(393)	309	(5)	31	-	(318)	3/9	101	36	-
Change in due to participants	(415)				(415)	(337)		<del>-</del>	-	(337)
Change in net position	(13,461)	220,319	28,926	6,989	242,773	140,256	246,719	23,408	5,702	416,085
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	3,706,158	2,470,223	101,775	40,079	6,318,235	3,565,902	2,223,504	78,367	34,377	5,902,150
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$ 3,692,697	\$ 2,690,542	\$ 130,701	\$ 47,068	\$ 6,561,008	\$ 3,706,158	\$ 2,470,223	\$ 101,775	\$ 40,079	\$ 6,318,235

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Notes To Financial Statements
June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes 23-3.1-201, et seq., and 23-3.1-301, et seq., as amended, CollegeInvest is a division of the Colorado Department of Higher Education (Department) of the State of Colorado. The Executive Director of the Department has responsibility for oversight and management of CollegeInvest. In addition, CollegeInvest has a nine-person Advisory Board of Directors (Board) designated by the Governor, with the consent of the State Senate, to serve four-year terms.

The Colorado General Assembly established a Section 529 college savings program (Program). The Program includes the Scholars Choice Fund (SCF), Direct Portfolio Fund (DPF), Stable Value Plus Fund (SVP), and Smart Choice Fund (SCCS) (Funds), all of which are administered by CollegeInvest. CollegeInvest also administers the Student Loan Program Funds, which is an enterprise fund consisting of the Borrower Benefit Fund, the Bond Funds, the CollegeInvest Early Achievers Scholarship Fund, the Nursing Loan Forgiveness Fund (Closed 2016), the Financial Need Scholarship Fund (Closed 2015) and the Section 529A Achieving a Better Life Experience savings program. Separate financial statements were not prepared for the Student Loan Program Funds; however, information and related disclosures associated with this fund may be found in the State of Colorado Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This report contains information relating only to the College Savings Program Funds. The operations of the Funds are accounted for under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as a private-purpose trust. CollegeInvest receives no grants from, and is not otherwise financially assisted by, the State or any local government of the State. CollegeInvest is an enterprise activity under Section 20, Article X of the Colorado Constitution (TABOR).

The Colorado Constitution and other State laws prohibit the State from providing its full faith and credit to obligations of entities such as the Funds. As a result, payments from the Funds are not guaranteed in any way by the State, and shall not be considered to have created a debt or obligation of the State. Such payments are limited obligations, payable from participants' individual accounts in the Funds, but not from the other assets of CollegeInvest, or the State. Similarly, investments in the Funds are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other State or Federal government agency, except for SCCS, which is insured by the FDIC, subject to the applicable limit. Investments in SCF and DPF are not deposits or other obligations of Legg Mason, Inc., Ascensus, The Vanguard Group, Inc., or any depository institution or affiliate of Ascensus or The Vanguard Group, Inc. Investments in SVP are an obligation of MetLife.

Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Reporting Entity:**

The Program was authorized in the 1999 legislative session and, as a result, the Funds were established to provide families with additional opportunities to save for future college educational expenses. The Funds account for the operations and activities of the Section 529 savings program as private-purpose trusts, where both principal and earnings on principal may be spent for the trust's intended purpose. Participant contributions and the earnings thereon are invested to assist in meeting the obligations for future higher education expenses of a named student. The payments of general and administrative expenses and other activities of the Funds necessary to fulfill their purposes are recorded within the Funds. There are no other funds of CollegeInvest combined in the accompanying financial statements. Thus, the accompanying statements are not intended to present the financial position, changes in financial position, or cash flows of CollegeInvest as a whole in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Additionally, the Funds are also presented as fiduciary funds in the State of Colorado Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. The financial statements of the CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds are intended to present the net position and changes in net position for only that portion of the financial reporting entity, State of Colorado, that is attributable to the transactions of CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds. They do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of the State of Colorado as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows, for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Each Fund in the Program was established as a Section 529 plan under the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The Funds offer certain Federal and State tax advantages to investors. The primary tax advantage to participants in the Funds is the ability to exclude from federal taxable income the earnings on any withdrawals that are used for qualified higher education expenses, as that term is defined in Section 529 of the IRC. If a participant is subject to Colorado income tax, earnings on qualified withdrawals are excluded from State taxable income. In addition, individuals, estates, and trusts subject to Colorado income tax generally are entitled to a deduction to the extent of their Colorado taxable income for the year for contributions made to a State sponsored Section 529 plan, subject to recapture in subsequent years in which nonqualified withdrawals are made. Note that an otherwise nontaxable rollover to another Section 529 program that is not associated with the State will trigger recapture of the Colorado income tax deduction described above in the year of the rollover.

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Reporting Entity (continued):**

#### Scholars Choice Fund:

The Scholars Choice Fund (SCF) began operations in October 1999. SCF offers 13 investment options in which participants may invest. Each investment option is comprised of one or more of the 15 active portfolios as of June 30, 2016. The accompanying financial statements report on the combined portfolios.

CollegeInvest has an agreement with QS Investors, LLC (QS) and Legg Mason Investor Services, LLC (LMIS) to manage the advisor sold accounts of the SCF. Both QS and LMIS are wholly owned subsidiaries of Legg Mason, Inc. QS performs investment advisory functions and LMIS is responsible for performing or arranging for the performance of administrative duties and record keeping for SCF. The agreement is for management of the advisor sold accounts only and expires on December 31, 2022, subject to possible extension.

The investment return for SCF is based on the market performance of investments. Investment options are selected by CollegeInvest based on recommendations from QS.

Participants in the SCF may invest in one or more of the following options:

• Age-Based Option: Contributions are invested in one of seven portfolios according to the age of the student. As the student gets older and closer to college years, the investment shifts from equity funds to bond and money market funds as follows:

		US Equity	Non-U.S	Fixed	Money Market
Student's Age	Portfolio #	<u>Funds</u>	<b>Equity Funds</b>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Funds</u>
0–3 years	1	64%	16%	20%	0%
4–6 years	2	56%	14%	30%	0%
7–9 years	3	48%	12%	40%	0%
10–12 years	4	40%	10%	50%	0%
13–15 years	5	36%	4%	50%	10%
16–18 years	6	20%	0%	55%	25%
19+ years	7	0%	0%	50%	50%

• Balanced 50/50 Option: Contributions are invested 50% in equity mutual funds and 50% in bond funds throughout the life of the investment (Portfolio #4).

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Reporting Entity (continued):**

#### Scholars Choice Fund (continued):

 Years-to-Enrollment Option: Contributions are invested in a series of portfolios that shift from equity mutual funds to bond and money market funds as the student approaches college years. These portfolios are identical to Portfolios three through seven in the Age-Based Portfolios.

			Bond	
Years to Enrollment	Portfolio #	<b>Equity Funds</b>	Fixed Income	Money Market Funds
10–12 years	3	60%	40%	0%
7–9 years	4	50%	50%	0%
4–6 years	5	40%	50%	10%
1–3 years	6	20%	55%	25%
Less than 1 year	7	0%	50%	50%

- All Equity Option: Contributions are invested in equity mutual funds throughout the life of the account.
- All Fixed Income Option: Contributions are invested in bond funds throughout the life of the account.
- Equity 80% Option: Contributions are invested 80% in equity mutual funds and 20% in fixed income investments (Portfolio #1). The investment objective of this option is to seek long-term capital appreciation through investments in equity mutual funds while maintaining 20% exposure to the relatively more stable returns of fixed income investments through investment in fixed income mutual funds.
- Fixed Income 80% Option: Contributions are invested 80% in fixed income and money market fund investments and 20% in equity mutual funds (Portfolio #6). The investment objective of this option is to seek the relatively more stable returns of a fixed income investment through investments in fixed income mutual funds while maintaining 20% exposure to the long-term capital appreciation potential of investments in equity mutual funds.

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Reporting Entity (continued):**

#### Scholars Choice Fund (continued):

- Cash Reserve Option: Contributions are invested in the Western Institutional Liquid Reserves Fund. The investment objective of the Cash Reserve Option is to seek maximum current income and preservation of capital.
- Individual Fund Options: Contributions are invested in the U.S. Aggressive Equity, U.S. Core Equity, U.S. Small Cap Equity, International Equity and Global Fixed Income. Each of the Individual Fund Portfolios will invest all of its assets in a single Fund, as specified in the "Current Underlying Fund for Individual Fund Portfolio" tab under the "Target Fund Allocations" listed in the Program Disclosure Statement. While each of the Individual Fund Portfolios will invest all of its assets in a single specified Fund, the Individual Fund Portfolios themselves are not mutual funds. The Fund in which an Individual Fund Portfolio invests all of its assets is subject to change.

#### Direct Portfolio Fund:

The Direct Portfolio Fund (DPF) began operations in October 2004. DPF offers 11 investment options, including three age-based options and eight blended and individual portfolios, in which participants may invest. Each investment option is comprised of one or more of eight active portfolios within DPF as of June 30, 2016.

As the trustee for DPF, CollegeInvest entered into an agreement (DPF Service Agreement) with Ascensus and The Vanguard Group, Inc. (Managers) to manage the DPF. This contract expires on December 31, 2024. The investment return for DPF is based on the market performance of investments. Investment options are selected by CollegeInvest based on recommendations from the Managers.

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Reporting Entity (continued):**

#### Direct Portfolio Fund (continued):

Participants may invest in one or more of the following 11 options:

• Age-Based Options: Contributions are invested in one of three portfolios according to the age of the beneficiary. Money invested in the Age-Based Options is automatically transferred over time to successive Portfolios with asset allocations that change from equity funds to fixed income and money market funds as the beneficiary approaches college age. Within the Age-Based Options, participants may invest according to risk tolerance in either a conservative, moderate, or aggressive range of asset allocations as follows:

Beneficiary's Age	Conservative	Moderate	Aggressive
Newborn through 5	Moderate Growth Portfolio	Growth Portfolio	Aggressive Growth Portfolio
	50% stock funds	75% stock funds	100% stock funds
	50% bond funds	25% bond funds	
6 through 10	Conservative Growth Portfolio	Moderate Growth Portfolio	Growth Portfolio
	25% stock funds	50% stock funds	75% stock funds
	75% bond funds	50% bond funds	25% bond funds
11 through 15	Income Portfolio	Conservative Growth Portfolio	Moderate Growth Portfolio
	75% bond funds	25% stock funds	50% stock funds
	25% money market funds	75% bond funds	50% bond funds
16 through 18	Income Portfolio	Income Portfolio	Conservative Growth Portfolio
	75% bond funds	75% bond funds	25% stock funds
	25% money market funds	25% money market funds	75% bond funds
19 or older	Money Market Portfolio	Income Portfolio	Income Portfolio
	100% money market funds	75% bond funds	75% bond funds
		25% money market funds	25% money market funds

• Blended Portfolios and Individual Portfolios: Contributions are invested in one of eight options. In these options, assets will be allocated to the Portfolio for the life of the investment unless the account owner directs a change in investment option. The Blended Portfolios and the Individual Portfolios are each invested according to a static asset allocation that does not change over time. Within the Blended Portfolios participants may invest according to risk tolerance in either an aggressive, growth, moderate growth, conservative growth, or income focused range of asset allocations as follows:

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Reporting Entity (continued):**

#### Direct Portfolio Fund (continued):

Underlying Fund	Aggressive Growth Portfolio	Growth Portfolio	Moderate Growth Portfolio	Conservative Growth Portfolio	Income Portfolio
Vanguard® Institutional Total					
Stock Market Index Fund	80%	60%	40%	20%	0%
Institutional Plus Shares					
Vanguard® Total International					
Stock Index Fund Institutional	20%	15%	10%	5%	0%
Plus Shares					
Total Stock Funds	100%	75%	50%	25%	0%
Vanguard® Total Bond Market II					
Index Fund Institutional Shares	0%	20%	40%	60%	40%
Vanguard® Total International					
Bond Index Fund Institutional	0%	5%	10%	15%	10%
Shares					
Vanguard® Inflation-Protected					
Securities Fund Institutional	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%
Shares					
<b>Total Bond Funds</b>	0%	25%	50%	75%	75%
Vanguard® Prime Money Market					
Fund Institutional Shares	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%
<b>Total Money Market Funds</b>	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Within the Individual Portfolios participants may invest as follows:

- Stock Index Portfolio: Contributions are invested 100% in Vanguard Institutional Total Stock Market Index Fund Institutional Plus Shares and seeks to track the performance of a benchmark index that measures the investment return of the overall stock market.
- Bond Index Portfolio: Contributions are invested 100% in Vanguard Total International Bond Market Index Fund Institutional Shares and seeks to track the performance of a broad, market-weighted bond index.
- Money Market Portfolio: Contributions are invested 100% in Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund Institutional Shares and seeks to provide preservation of principal and current income.

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Reporting Entity (continued):**

#### Stable Value Plus Fund:

The Stable Value Plus Fund (SVP) began operations in February 2003. In January 2003, CollegeInvest entered into an agreement with MetLife (the MetLife Agreement) to provide a guarantee on the principal and earnings of the Stable Value Plus Fund. Under the MetLife Agreement, the rate of return is reset annually each January 1. The MetLife Agreement expires on December 31, 2017, with the option to extend two additional one-year periods. MetLife has agreed that the annual interest rate calculated each year will not be less than the greater of (i) the Colorado minimum nonforfeiture interest rate for annuity contracts (currently 3.00%), or (ii) 2.00%. The current minimum investment return on accounts in the fund could be as low as 2.01%, which is the current minimum annual rate of 3.00% less the maximum CollegeInvest administrative fee of .99%.

MetLife agreed to pay an annual rate of 3.35% from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, 3.80% from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 and 3.25% from January 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016. The rate, net of CollegeInvest's administrative fee, was, 2.64% from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, 3.09% from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 and 2.54% from January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

CollegeInvest may discontinue the MetLife Agreement at any time. In the event of such discontinuance, CollegeInvest shall direct the investment of SVP assets to alternate investments as permitted by the MetLife Agreement and the investment policy of SVP. There is no assurance that CollegeInvest will be able to obtain such alternate investment or maintain the current investment return for any such alternate investment.

The MetLife Agreement provides that participants are not permitted to transfer amounts from their Account in SVP directly to a Colorado Competing Fixed Interest Fund if not satisfied with the investment or if the MetLife Agreement is discontinued. In CollegeInvest DPF, the Income Portfolio and the Money Market Portfolio (whether a stand-alone option or part of an age-based option) have each been determined by MetLife to be a Colorado Competing Fixed Interest Fund.

In CollegeInvest SCF, the Cash Reserve Option has been determined by MetLife to be a Colorado Competing Fixed Interest Fund. In SCCS, both the One-Year Time Savings and Money Market Savings options have been determined by Metlife to be a Colorado Competing Fixed Interest Fund.

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Reporting Entity (continued):**

#### Smart Choice Fund

In October 2009, CollegeInvest entered into an agreement with FirstBank to begin offering a college savings option called the Smart Choice College Savings Plan (SCCS). CollegeInvest acts as trustee for the Plan and FirstBank performs administrative and record-keeping duties. The Plan is being offered to provide an additional tax-advantaged savings vehicle for participants to utilize in saving for post-secondary education by providing the benefits of a 529 plan along with the stability and security of an FDIC-insured bank. The product offerings through the SCCS are a One-Year Time Savings option and a Money Market Savings option. The agreement expires September 30, 2019, with an option to extend for up to two additional two-year periods.

The interest rate paid on amounts deposited into the money market savings account and the one-year time saving account will be established by FirstBank. However, the rates for each type of account must not be less than 0.10% of the interest rate publicly offered directly by FirstBank on similar money market and savings accounts. The rates are variable and are published daily by FirstBank on their website. The interest rate will be calculated, and may be adjusted if needed, every Wednesday and on the first day of each month, and is net of all administrative and other charges of FirstBank.

#### **Basis of Accounting:**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by the Funds.

Additions to net position are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned and deductions from net position are recognized in the period they are incurred.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents:**

The Fund considers all cash and demand deposit accounts to be cash equivalents.

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### **Investments and Net Position Additions/Deductions:**

QS has responsibility for investing the assets of each of the SCF's portfolios, and the Managers have responsibility for investing the assets of the DPF's portfolios in equity mutual funds, fixed income mutual funds, money market funds, and other investments (Underlying Funds), in accordance with CollegeInvest's Investment Policy Statements, and the Portfolio selected for investment by the participant.

CollegeInvest has responsibility for transferring the assets of the participants of the SVP to MetLife in accordance with the MetLife Agreement. Investments in the Underlying Funds are purchased weekly and are valued at the closing net asset value per share on the date of transfer to MetLife. Interest earnings are credited to participant accounts daily. Distributions from the SVP are valued on the date immediately preceding the date that a payment is made by CollegeInvest in satisfaction of a withdrawal request.

All contributions received from participants of the SCCS will be made to a Plan account and, at the direction of the account owner, will be deposited in a One-Year Time Savings Account or a Money Market Savings Account with FirstBank through its individually chartered bank.

Security transactions for the SCF and the DPF are accounted for on a trade-date basis. This may result in receivables and payables for transactions at year-end. Investments in the Underlying Funds are valued at the closing net asset value per share of each Underlying Fund on the day of valuation.

Income distributions and short-term capital gain distributions from the Underlying Funds are recorded on the ex-dividend date as investment and interest earnings are recorded on an accrual basis. Long-term capital gains, if any, from the Underlying Funds are recorded on the ex-dividend date as realized gains. Gains or losses on the sale of the Underlying Funds are calculated by using the specific identification method.

Investments are carried at fair value, which is primarily determined based on market prices at June 30, 2016 and 2015.

### Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### Due from (to) Student Loan Program Funds/Unearned Revenue:

CollegeInvest utilizes the Borrower Benefit Fund (within the Student Loan Program Funds of CollegeInvest) for payment of general and administrative expenses including salaries and related pension benefits and other activities necessary to fulfill the purposes of the various funds administered by CollegeInvest, including the College Savings Program Funds. Expenses paid from the Borrower Benefit Fund related to the Funds are reimbursed by the Funds through the administrative fee. Marketing and scholarship commitments received from LMIS and the Managers in excess of actual expenses are held in the Borrower Benefit Fund and recorded as unearned revenue in the SCF and DPF. Total unearned revenue recorded in these funds was \$3.9 million and \$3.3 million for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. CollegeInvest will utilize these commitments for marketing and scholarships as designated in the contracts with LMIS and the Managers.

#### Fee Limitation/Due to Participants:

To the extent that administrative fees collected from participants exceed the expenses of the Program, CollegeInvest shall 1) determine if such revenues are required to fund subsequent year expenses of the Program; 2) determine if such fees are required to fund prior years' unfunded expenses of the Program; or 3) reduce future fees of the plan participants for the following year.

As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, \$3.7 million and \$3.3 million in fees were accumulated in reserves that were greater than actual expenses, respectively. As of June 30, 2016, the \$3.7 million reserve is restricted for future expenses of CollegeInvest in its capacity as administrator of the Program. It is CollegeInvest's intent to maintain this reserve at approximately 12 to 18 months of estimated expenses, which CollegeInvest estimates to be between \$4.7 million and \$7.1 million.

#### **Participant Contributions:**

The aggregate balance limit for the Funds and all other Colorado Section 529 plans for a particular beneficiary from all sources, excluding income, is \$350,000. The balance limit is set by CollegeInvest based on Internal Revenue Service (IRS) guidelines and is subject to change. In particular, if the IRS adopts final regulations, it may require or permit a maximum balance limit that differs from the \$350,000 limit. No additional contributions may be made to an account if the balance limit is reached; however, the account may continue to grow beyond this limit through earnings.

## Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### Withdrawals:

A qualified withdrawal is a withdrawal made to pay qualified higher education expenses of the beneficiary. The earnings on qualified withdrawals are not subject to federal income tax. All withdrawals other than for this purpose are considered non-qualified withdrawals. Non-qualified withdrawals are subject to federal income tax plus a 10% penalty on earnings per Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. A non-qualified withdrawal is not subject to the 10% penalty only if the withdrawal is: (i) made on account of the death or disability of the beneficiary; (ii) made on account of a scholarship received by the beneficiary, to the extent that the withdrawal does not exceed the amount of the scholarship; or (iii) a non-taxable transfer to another account or to another Section 529 plan on behalf of a beneficiary or for a different beneficiary who is a family member of the original student. A non-qualified withdrawal may also be subject to recapture in the event a deduction has been taken from Colorado taxable income.

#### **Investment, Service and Administrative Fees:**

### Scholars Choice Fund:

CollegeInvest has a service agreement (SCF Service Agreement) with QS and Legg Mason Investor Services, LLC (LMIS) pursuant to which QS and LMIS are responsible for providing administrative, record-keeping, marketing, and investment management services to SCF. Both QS and LMIS are wholly owned subsidiaries of Legg Mason, Inc. The SCF Service Agreement states that QS will receive investment and service fees at an annual percentage rate of average daily net assets. The rate structures can be found in the Plan Disclosure Statement for the Scholars Choice Fund.

This rate will vary with the Unit Class the account owner chooses. During the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, the investment fees paid by SCF were \$872,000 and \$958,000, respectively, under the SCF Service Agreement. In addition, according to the SCF Service Agreement, each participant bears certain ongoing service fees that will vary with the Unit Classes the participant chooses. These direct service fees provide for the costs associated with distribution, servicing, and administration of the Unit Classes. Such direct service fees reduce the value of the participant's account as incurred. Such fees are payable to QS monthly, solely from the assets of SCF. SCF paid service fees of \$16.8 million and \$17.3 million for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

## Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

### **Investment, Service and Administrative Fees (continued):**

## Scholars Choice Fund (continued):

The SCF Service Agreement states that CollegeInvest will receive an administrative fee at an annual rate of up to 0.10% of average daily net assets. These fees represent charges to SCF for actual administrative costs of CollegeInvest. Such fees are payable to CollegeInvest monthly, solely from the assets of the SCF. From July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016, CollegeInvest received an administrative fee at an annual rate of 0.06% of average daily net assets. SCF paid administrative fees of \$2.2 million for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015.

### Direct Portfolio Fund:

CollegeInvest entered into a service agreement (DPF Service Agreement) with Ascensus and The Vanguard Group, Inc. (Managers), pursuant to which the Managers are responsible for providing administrative, record-keeping, marketing, and investment management services to the DPF. During the year ended June 30, 2016, DPF paid investment fees of \$933,000 and service fees of \$7.3 million. During the year ended June 30, 2015, DPF paid investment fees of \$991,000 and service fees of \$6.5 million. Such direct investment and service fees reduce the value of the participant's account as incurred. Such fees are payable to the Managers monthly, solely from the assets of the DPF.

Under the DPF Service Agreement, CollegeInvest receives an administrative fee at an annual rate of up to 0.10% of average daily net assets. These fees represent charges to DPF for actual administrative costs of CollegeInvest. Such fees are payable to CollegeInvest monthly, solely from the assets of DPF. From July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016, CollegeInvest received an administrative fee at an annual rate of 0.06% of average daily net assets. DPF paid administrative fees of \$1.5 million and \$1.4 million for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

### Stable Value Plus Fund:

Contributions are invested by deposit under the service agreement (MetLife Agreement) between CollegeInvest and MetLife. Deposits made under the MetLife Agreement become commingled with the general account of MetLife. MetLife is obligated to repay the amounts deposited under the MetLife Agreement and an investment return as described above. The annual interest rate

## Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

## Investment, Service and Administrative Fees (continued):

## Stable Value Plus Fund (continued):

calculated each year under the MetLife Agreement is net of all administrative and other charges of MetLife.

The MetLife Agreement states that CollegeInvest will receive an administrative fee at an annual rate of up to 0.99% of the average daily net assets of the Fund. Such fees are payable to CollegeInvest solely from account owners and cannot exceed actual expenses of administering the Fund as defined by Statute. For the period from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016, the fee was 0.71%. SVP paid administrative fees on behalf of its participants of \$808,000 and \$598,000 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### Smart Choice Fund

All monies received as contributions to the accounts under the service agreement (SCCS Service Agreement) between CollegeInvest and FirstBank shall be deposited by FirstBank into the Trust Account and invested according to the respective Investment Option or Options, as directed by the account owner. The SCCS Service Agreement requires FirstBank to repay the amounts deposited along with any interest earned on their deposit. The interest rate will be calculated, and may be adjusted if needed, every Wednesday and on the first day of each month and is net of all administrative and other charges of FirstBank.

Under the SCCS Service Agreement, CollegeInvest receives an administrative fee at an annual rate of up to 0.10% of average daily net assets. These fees represent charges to SCCS for actual administrative costs of CollegeInvest. Such fees are payable to CollegeInvest monthly, solely from the assets of SCCS. SCCS paid administrative fees on behalf of its participants of \$43,000 and \$36,000 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments:

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents:**

As contributions are received from participants, the cash is held in the respective Fund until such time as it may be invested in the underlying funds of the chosen investment portfolios. With respect to the SCF and DPF, depending upon the timing of the cash receipts, there could be up to

Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents (continued):**

two days' delay between actual receipt of cash and the investment made on behalf of the participant. Cash and cash equivalents are held in trust by the Funds' managers as of June 30, 2016 and 2015. With respect to SVP, contributions will be invested with MetLife within 30 days of receipt by CollegeInvest. Interest earned on contributions prior to investment with MetLife will accrue to CollegeInvest and will be used to offset administrative expenses. SVP had deposits that were not yet transferred to MetLife of \$136,000 and \$391,000 as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

All cash deposits of the SVP Funds are held by a bank. Payments and cash receipts are deposited to a demand deposit account daily. All cash deposits of the SCF and DPF are held by a custodian on behalf of the manager of each Fund until it is invested in the Underlying Funds. All cash deposits of the SCCS Funds are held by FirstBank.

Cash deposits as of June 30 are as follows:

	_	2016		2015			
	(dollar amounts expr						
		in the	ous	ands)			
Demand deposit accounts	\$	126	\$	375			
Money market accounts		47,068		40,079			
Total cash deposits	\$	47,194	\$	40,454			

#### **Custodial Credit Risk – Cash Deposits:**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, CollegeInvest will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Monies in the SVP demand deposit accounts are insured by federal depository insurance for the first \$250,000. Deposits in excess of the \$250,000 limit are collateralized subject to the provisions of the State's Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) for monies held within the State. Monies held in the SCF and DPF are uncollateralized. Individual accounts in the SCCS that are greater than \$250,000 are uncollateralized. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, there were no uncollateralized amounts in the SCCS.

Notes To Financial Statements
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## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

#### **Investments:**

Investments, at fair value, for each fund as of June 30 are as follows:

		<b>2016</b> 2015							
	(do	ollar amounts ex	nounts expressed in thousan						
Scholars Choice Fund	\$	3,693,864	\$	3,707,456					
Direct Portfolio Fund Stable Value Plus Fund		2,689,544 130,651		2,469,378 101,731					
Total investments	\$	6,514,059	\$	6,278,565					

## **Investment Authority and Policy:**

## Scholars Choice Fund and Direct Portfolio Fund:

The Board approves the investment policies for both the SCF and DPF. Investments of assets in the SCF and DPF and the underlying portfolios are selected and managed in accordance with the standards set forth in the Colorado Revised Statutes Sections 15-1-304 and 15-1.1-102. Consistent with these standards, the Board, or its designated committee, will determine from time to time suitable investment parameters for the SCF and the DPF, which seek to control risk through portfolio diversification. Generally, investments include money market mutual funds and bond and equity mutual funds. Each mutual fund in which an underlying portfolio is invested shall comply with the investment policy's permitted investment guidelines.

## Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

## **Investment Authority and Policy (continued):**

## Scholars Choice Fund and Direct Portfolio Fund (continued):

The table below identifies the significant investment types that are authorized for the SCF and DPF:

Authorized Investment Type	Maximum Maturity	Maximum Percentage of Portfolio	Maximum Investment in One Issuer [A]
U.S. Treasury Obligations	None	None	None
U.S. Agency Securities	None	None	None
Certificates of Deposit	12 months	[B]	[B]
Commercial Paper	9 months	None	None
General or Revenue Obligations	None	None	None
Repurchase Agreements [C]	None	None	None
Investment Agreements	None	None	None
Banker's Acceptances	None	None	None
Domestic Equity Securities	N/A	[D]	[D]
Foreign Equity Securities	N/A	[E]	[E]
Money Market Funds	N/A	None	None
Cash Management Accounts	N/A	None	None

- [A] No more than 10% of the total amount of the fixed-income portion shall be committed to the securities of any one issuer at the time of purchase, with the exception of securities issued or guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States or AAA rated securities issued by governmental agencies as to which there is no limit.
- [B] No more than 5% of the assets of the short-term investment account shall be committed to certificates of deposit from one institution.
- [C] Repurchase agreements must be secured by U.S. Treasury Obligations or U.S. Agency Securities.
- [D] No more than 5% of the total amount of the underlying portfolio in the securities of any one issuer; no more than 5% of the outstanding shares of any single corporation; and no more than 25% of the total amount of the underlying portfolio in any one industry.

Notes To Financial Statements
June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

**Investment Authority and Policy (continued):** 

## Scholars Choice Fund and Direct Portfolio Fund (continued):

[E] No more than 5% of the total amount of the underlying portfolio in the securities of any one issuer; no more than 5% of the outstanding shares of any single corporation; investment in any one country shall be no more than a) 25% of the total amount of the underlying portfolio or, b) the country weight in the EAFE benchmark plus 10% and a minimum of eight countries should be represented in the underlying portfolio.

#### Stable Value Plus Fund:

The Board approves the investment policy for the SVP. Generally, investments include any funding agreement, guaranteed interest contract, guaranteed investment contract, annuity contract, repurchase agreement, or other similar investments which are issued by an insurance company or other investment provider with financial strength ratings in any one of the three highest rating categories by two or more nationally recognized rating agencies which regularly rate the ability of such investment providers to pay claims. The SVP may terminate any agreement with an existing investment provider should two or more of the nationally recognized rating agencies reduce their rating of the provider to a category that is below the lowest "A" rating. As of June 30, 2016, the MetLife Insurance Company of Connecticut's rating met the requirements of the investment policy.

### Smart Choice Fund:

The Board, with the approval of the Executive Director of the Department, has the responsibility to select a financial institution to manage the Plan assets. The SCCS will offer a number of investment options in interest-bearing accounts provided by FirstBank that reflect a conservative and safe risk tolerance for participants saving for post-secondary education. Generally, investments may include a regular savings account, a time savings account, a money market account, a time deposit account or a premier time account. Monies in these accounts are insured by the FDIC for the first \$250,000.

## Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

## **Investment Authority and Policy (continued):**

The Funds' investments, at fair value, as of June 30 are as follows:

(dollar ar	nounts e	
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in t	thousand	ds)
Vanguard Institutional Total Stock Market Index Fund		
Institutional Plus Shares \$ 1,120,1	16 \$	1,049,930
Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund Institutional Shares 706,6	510	644,189
Western Asset Core Plus Bond Fund 670,7	34	671,850
Legg Mason BW Diversified Large Cap Value Fund 449,8	355	465,290
Western Asset Institutional Liquid Reserves 427,7	15	394,555
Western Asset Short-Term Bond Fund 396,3	00	379,175
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund Institutional Plus Shares 360,2	.78	343,329
ClearBridge Aggressive Growth Fund 349,8	889	362,156
QS Batterymarch U.S. Large Cap Equity Trust 341,1	36	361,632
Western Asset Inflation Indexed Plus Bond Fund 251,9	40	235,939
ClearBridge Appreciation Fund 235,2	78	227,967
Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund Institutional Shares 203,3	55	169,953
Vanguard Total International Bond Index Fund Institutional Shares 192,3	666	173,667
Templeton Foreign Fund 157,2	70	161,061
Thornburg International Value Fund 151,8	884	170,083
Investment Agreement – MetLife 130,6	51	101,731
Royce Pennsylvania Mutual Fund 95,9	67	99,427
Western Asset Global High Yield Bond Fund 95,3	45	100,761
ClearBridge Small Cap Growth Fund 66,5	37	74,697
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected		
Securities Index Fund Institutional Shares 60,3	04	50,002
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund Institutional Plus Shares 46,0	002	38,292
Legg Mason BW Global Opportunities Bond Fund 3,3	23	2,364
	591	499
	13	16
\$ 6,514,0	59 \$	6,278,565

Notes To Financial Statements
June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

#### **Interest Rate Risk:**

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. CollegeInvest provides participants investment opportunities in various portfolios that are constructed from a range of mutual funds that it has selected. CollegeInvest does not actively manage interest rate risk except through its mutual fund selection process. QS and the Managers of the Funds primarily report interest rate risk evaluation of the fixed income mutual funds in the various portfolios based on the duration method.

	20	16	20:	15
	Duration	Weighted Average Maturity	Duration	Weighted Average Maturity
Western Asset Core Plus Bond Fund	5.9 years		6.5 years	
Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund Institutional Shares	5.8 years		5.7 years	
Western Asset Institutional Liquid Reserves		35 days		44 days
Western Asset Short-Term Bond Fund	2.0 years		1.4 years	
Western Asset Inflation Indexed Plus Bond Fund	8.4 years		7.9 years	
Vanguard Total International Bond Index Fund Institutional Shares	7.9 years		7.3 years	
Western Asset Global High Yield Bond Fund	4.7 years		4.1 years	
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index Fund Institutional Shares	2.5 years		2.4 years	
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund Institutional Plus Shares	5.8 years		5.7 years	
Legg Mason BW Global Opportunities Bond Fund	6.9 years		6.6 years	

#### **Credit Risk:**

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. Investment options in SCF and DPF attempt to diversify risk by offering multiple portfolio options with a range of credit risk characteristics. Investments of the underlying portfolios shall be selected and managed in

Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

### **Credit Risk (continued):**

accordance with the standards set forth in Section 15-1-304, C.R.S., that is: (a) with the care which men of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of the property of another, not in regard to speculation but in regard to the permanent disposition of funds, considering the probable income as well as the probable safety of capital; and (b) for the sole benefit of the beneficiary. Investment decisions shall be made in accordance with the prudent investor rule set forth in Section 15-1.1-102, C.R.S. Consistent with the above, the BOD, or its designated committee, will determine, from time to time, suitable investment parameters for the SCF and DPF which seeks to control risk through portfolio diversification. Additionally, CollegeInvest's investment policy states that all mutual fund assets are subject to the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, investments in the SCF, DPF, and SCCS portfolios and the Funding Agreement were unrated. The underlying securities of the repurchase agreement are explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government and are not subject to credit risk disclosures.

#### **Units:**

The beneficial interests of each participant and beneficiary in the net position of all portfolios except SCCS are represented by units. Contributions to and redemptions from the portfolios are subject to terms and limitations defined in the participation agreement between the participant and the respective plan. Contributions to SCF and DPF (other than by electronic funds transfers) will purchase units in a portfolio at the net asset value per unit for that portfolio calculated no later than the business day following the day payment is received by QS or the Managers. Contributions by electronic funds transfers will purchase units at the unit value calculated on the day of transfer or, in certain cases, on the day that the monies become available. Contributions to SVP, including contributions received by electronic transfer, will purchase units at the net asset value calculated on the business day immediately preceding the date the contributions are invested with MetLife. Contributions are required to be invested with MetLife within 30 days of receipt by CollegeInvest.

Withdrawals from SCF or DPF result in the redemption of units, based on the unit value next determined following QS's or the Manager's receipt of the withdrawal request. Unit values for each portfolio are determined daily. There are no distributions of net investment gains or net investment income to the portfolios' participants or beneficiaries. Withdrawals from SVP result in the redemption of units, based on the unit value determined on the date immediately preceding the date that a payment is made by CollegeInvest in satisfaction of a withdrawal

## Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

#### **Units (continued):**

request. Unit values for the Fund are determined daily. There are no distributions of net investment gains or net investment income to the participants or beneficiaries.

#### 3. Disclosures About Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities:

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. There is a hierarchy of three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

- **Level 1:** Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for an identical asset or liability that a government can access at the measurement date
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs supported by little or no market activity for an asset or liability

## Notes To Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

## 3. Disclosures About Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities (continued):

## Recurring Measurements

The following table presents the fair value measurements of assets and liabilities recognized in the accompanying statements of fiduciary net position measured at fair value on a recurring basis and the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements fall at June 30:

				2016						2015	
Investments		Carrying Value		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for		Active Markets for Exempt Carrying Value Active Markets f		Carrying Value		uoted Prices in tive Markets for dentical Assets	Exempt
			(Level 1)				(Level 1)				
				(\$ in the	ous	ands)					
Stock Mutual Funds	\$	3,328,211	\$	3,328,211	\$	-	\$	3,315,573	\$	3,315,573	\$ -
Bond Mutual Funds		2,422,923		2,422,923		-		2,296,240		2,296,240	-
Guaranteed Investment Contract		130,651		-		130,651		101,730		-	101,730
Money Market Funds		632,274		631,070		1,204		565,022		564,507	515
Total	\$	6,514,059	\$	6,382,204	\$	131,855	\$	6,278,565	\$	6,176,320	\$ 102,245

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies and inputs used for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying statements of fiduciary net position, as well as the general classification of such assets and liabilities pursuant to the valuation hierarchy. There have been no significant changes in the valuation techniques during the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015.

#### Investments

Where quoted market prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level I of the valuation hierarchy. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated by using quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics or independent asset pricing services and pricing models, the inputs of which are market-based or independently sourced market parameters, including, but not limited to, yield curves, interest rates, volatilities, prepayments, defaults, cumulative loss projections and cash flows. Such securities are classified in Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy. In certain cases, where Level 1 or Level 2 inputs are not available, securities are classified within Level 3 of the hierarchy. CollegeInvest does not have any investments classified as Level 2 or 3.

#### 4. Net Position:

All of the Funds' fiduciary net position of \$6.6 billion and \$6.3 billion as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, are net assets held in trust on behalf of investors in the Funds.

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## 5. Intraplan Administrative Fee Transfers:

CollegeInvest may receive an administrative fee at an annual rate of up to 0.99% of the average daily net assets of SVP, and up to 0.10% of the average daily net assets of SCF, DPF and SCCS. These fees are deducted monthly from each Fund and are used by CollegeInvest for the payment of administrative expenses incurred by CollegeInvest in connection with the operation of the Program in accordance with and as permitted by applicable law. From July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016, the fee for SVP was 0.71%, 0.10% for SCCS, and 0.06% for SCF and DPF. SCF transferred \$369,000 and \$379,000 to DPF for the payment of expenses in excess of fees collected during fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Additionally, SCF transferred \$31,000 and \$38,000 to SCCS for the payment of expenses in excess of fees collected during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, SVP transferred \$5,000 to SCF for fees collected in excess of expenses. SCF transferred \$101,000 to SVP for the payment of expenses in excess of fees collected during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

## 6. Capital Markets:

During the last several years, financial markets as a whole have incurred significant fluctuations in values. Because the values of individual investments fluctuate with market conditions, the amount of investment gains or losses that the Plan will recognize in its future financial statements, if any, cannot be determined.

## 7. Subsequent Events:

Effective July 1, 2016, the aggregate balance limit for the Funds and all other Colorado Section 529 plans for a particular beneficiary from all sources, excluding income, was increased to \$400,000 from \$350,000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## CollegeInvest Scholars Choice Fund

## Supplementary Schedule – Combining Schedule of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2016

	-	Portfolio 1	_	Portfolio 2	Portfolio 3	_	Portfolio 4	Portfolio 5	Portfolio 6	Portfolio 7
Investments, at fair value	\$	341,827 \$		170,285 \$	284,792 \$		701,659 \$	615,854 \$	578,746 \$	302,435
Receivable for portfolio units sold										
and investments sold		1,143		99	341		1,545	1,154	1,363	756
Due from plan managers		9		4	7		18	16	15	8
Due from Student Loan Program Funds	_	571		286	472		1,166	1,024	966	503
Total fiduciary assets	_	343,550	_	170,674	285,612	_	704,388	618,048	581,090	303,702
Accounts payable		1		1	1		1	1	1	1
Payable for portfolio units repurchased										
and investments purchased		1,012		86	343		1,529	1,205	1,444	819
Service and investment fees payable		134		63	113		299	264	268	147
Unearned revenue		233		116	194		478	419	394	206
Due to participants		345		171	286		705	619	582	304
Total liabilities	-	1,725		437	937		3,012	2,508	2,689	1,477
Total fiduciary net position, held in trust	\$	341,825 \$	S =	170,237 \$	284,675 \$	S _	701,376 \$	615,540 \$	578,401 \$	302,225

_	Fixed Income	Equity	Cash Reserve	U.S. Aggressive Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	U.S. Core Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	U.S. Small Cap Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	International Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	Global Fixed Income Individual Fund Portfolio	Total
\$	37,499 \$	549,347 \$	73,921 \$	14,027	\$ 12,076	\$ 3,326 \$	4,747 \$	3,323 \$	3,693,864
	50	976	368	179	22	-	1	-	7,997
	1	14	2	-	-	-	-	-	94
	65	914	121	24	22	5	10	7	6,156
_	37,615	551,251	74,412	14,230	12,120	3,331	4,758	3,330	3,708,111
	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
	49	815	203	88	2	-	1	-	7,596
	17	235	27	5	5	1	2	2	1,582
	26	374	50	10	8	2	3	2	2,515
	38	552	74	14	12	3	5	3	3,713
_	130	1,977	354	117	27	6	11	7	15,414
\$_	37,485 \$	549,274 \$	74,058 \$	14,113	\$ 12,093	\$ 3,325 \$	4,747 \$	3,323 \$	3,692,697

## CollegeInvest Scholars Choice Fund

## Supplementary Schedule – Combining Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Year Ended June 30, 2016

		Portfolio	Portfolio 2	Portfolio 3	Portfolio 4	Portfolio 5	Portfolio 6	Portfolio
Additions:	-							
Gross earnings on investments:								
Dividends	\$	20,978 \$	9,763 \$	15,991 \$	33,957 \$	21,787 \$	11,172 \$	2,148
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)								
from securities transactions	_	(30,482)	(12,940)	(19,427)	(37,177)	(19,366)	(2,695)	981
		(9,504)	(3,177)	(3,436)	(3,220)	2,421	8,477	3,129
Less investment fees	_	(63)	(16)	(36)	(154)	(136)	(134)	(50)
Net investment earnings (losses)		(9,567)	(3,193)	(3,472)	(3,374)	2,285	8,343	3,079
Participant contributions		66,420	32,514	36,485	66,369	46,731	35,791	20,434
Fees	_	37	18	31	76	67	63	33
Total additions	_	56,890	29,339	33,044	63,071	49,083	44,197	23,546
Deductions:								
Benefits paid to participants and withdrawals		20,950	2,974	5,216	40,691	11,203	63,447	109,060
Service fees		1,457	674	1,272	3,291	2,787	2,769	1,487
Administrative fees		202	99	173	420	354	324	166
Marketing expenses		37	18	31	76	67	63	33
Reduced operating expenses	_	(75)	(37)	(62)	(156)	(135)	(126)	(66)
Total deductions	_	22,571	3,728	6,630	44,322	14,276	66,477	110,680
Portfolio exchanges, net	_	(49,944)	(26,343)	(54,134)	(64,081)	(3,114)	65,310	122,961
Change in fiduciary net assets before transfers		(15,625)	(732)	(27,720)	(45,332)	31,693	43,030	35,827
Interplan administrative fee transfers		(36)	(19)	(31)	(76)	(66)	(62)	(32)
Change in due to participants	_	(38)	(19)	(32)	(79)	(69)	(65)	(35)
Change in net position		(15,699)	(770)	(27,783)	(45,487)	31,558	42,903	35,760
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	_	357,524	171,007	312,458	746,863	583,982	535,498	266,465
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$ _	341,825 \$	170,237 \$	284,675 \$	701,376 \$	615,540 \$	578,401 \$	302,225

_	Fixed Income	Equity	Cash Reserve	U.S. Aggressive Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	U.S. Core Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	U.S. Small Cap Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	International Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	Global Fixed Income Individual Fund Portfolio	Total
\$	1,148 \$	37,201 \$	346 \$	418 \$	464	\$ 528 5	673	20 \$	156,594
_	745 1,893	(64,703) (27,502)	346	(1,448) (1,030)	101 565	(604) (76)	(1,239) (566)	173 193	(188,081) (31,487)
_	(7) 1,886	(134) (27,636)	(138) 208	(1,032)	(1) 564	(76)	(1) (567)	193	(872)
_	4,035 4	36,976 59	21,954 8	4,444 2	2,583 1	735	1,454	438	377,363 400
_	5,925	9,399	22,170	3,414	3,148	659	888	631	345,404
	7,180 176 21 4 (8)	44,601 2,581 334 59 (120)	32,353 162 41 8 (16)	449 44 7 2 (3)	380 40 6 1 (3)	63 11 2 -	168 18 3 1 (1)	793 14 2 - (1)	339,528 16,783 2,154 400 (810)
_	7,373	47,455	32,548	499	424	75	189	808	358,055
	2,974	(14,168)	17,059	324	1,632	119	268	1,137	-
	1,526	(52,224)	6,681	3,239	4,356	703	967	960	(12,651)
	(4)	(58)	(8)	(1)	(1)	-	(1)	-	(395)
_	(4)	(62)	(8)	(2)	(1)		(1)	<u> </u>	(415)
	1,518	(52,344)	6,665	3,236	4,354	703	965	960	(13,461)
_	35,967	601,618	67,393	10,877	7,739	2,622	3,782	2,363	3,706,158
\$ _	37,485 \$	549,274 \$	74,058 \$	14,113 \$	12,093	\$ 3,325	4,747 \$	3,323 \$	3,692,697

## CollegeInvest Scholars Choice Fund

## Supplementary Schedule – Combining Schedule of Investments June 30, 2016

Underlying funds:       2       3       4       3       6       7         Western Asset Core Plus Bond Fund       \$ 62,939 \$ 46,980 \$ 104,582 \$ 214,537 \$ 125,538 \$ 88,092 \$ -         ClearBridge Aggressive Growth Fund       38,694 21,007 37,806 81,466 57,357 37,337 -         Legg Mason BW Diversified Large Cap Value Fund       63,470 27,547 39,427 81,102 70,459 37,009 -			Portfolio		Portfolio 2		Portfolio 3	Portfolio 4	Portfolio 5	Portfolio 6	Portfolio
Western Asset Core Plus Bond Fund       \$ 62,939 \$ 46,980 \$ 104,582 \$ 214,537 \$ 125,538 \$ 88,092 \$ -         ClearBridge Aggressive Growth Fund       38,694 21,007 37,806 81,466 57,357 37,337 -	Underlying funds:	-	1	_		_		<del></del> .	<u> </u>		
	•	\$	62,939	\$	46,980	\$	104,582 \$	214,537 \$	125,538	\$ 88,092	\$ -
Legg Mason BW Diversified Large Cap Value Fund 63,470 27,547 39,427 81,102 70,459 37,009 -	ClearBridge Aggressive Growth Fund		38,694		21,007		37,806	81,466	57,357	37,337	-
	Legg Mason BW Diversified Large Cap Value Fund		63,470		27,547		39,427	81,102	70,459	37,009	-
Western Asset Institutional Liquid Reserves 60,790 143,752 149,250	Western Asset Institutional Liquid Reserves		-		-		-	-	60,790	143,752	149,258
Western Asset Short-Term Bond Fund 67,363 92,480 145,476 90,98	Western Asset Short-Term Bond Fund		-		-		-	67,363	92,480	145,476	90,981
Thornburg International Value Fund 25,464 11,140 15,990 33,005 10,547	Thornburg International Value Fund		25,464		11,140		15,990	33,005	10,547	-	-
ClearBridge Appreciation Fund 25,049 6,823 9,554 32,828 42,505 39,120 -	ClearBridge Appreciation Fund		25,049		6,823		9,554	32,828	42,505	39,120	-
QS Batterymarch U.S. Large Cap Equity Fund 63,629 27,758 31,629 50,451 40,319 -	QS Batterymarch U.S. Large Cap Equity Fund		63,629		27,758		31,629	50,451	40,319	-	-
Western Asset Inflation Indexed Plus Bond Portfolio Fund 34,228 62,314 87,652 62,184	Western Asset Inflation Indexed Plus Bond Portfolio Fund		-		-		-	34,228	62,314	87,652	62,184
Western Asset Global High Yield Bond Fund 7,318 5,285 11,811 36,531 30,562	Western Asset Global High Yield Bond Fund		7,318		5,285		11,811	36,531	30,562	-	-
Royce Pennsylvania Mutual Fund 17,498 8,055 11,367 21,120 5,857	Royce Pennsylvania Mutual Fund		17,498		8,055		11,367	21,120	5,857	-	-
ClearBridge Small Cap Growth Fund 9,958 3,918 5,782 14,292 5,651	ClearBridge Small Cap Growth Fund		9,958		3,918		5,782	14,292	5,651	-	-
Legg Mason BW Global Opportunities Bond Fund	Legg Mason BW Global Opportunities Bond Fund		-		-		-	-	-	-	-
Templeton Foreign Fund 27,771 11,759 16,831 34,634 11,308	Templeton Foreign Fund		27,771		11,759		16,831	34,634	11,308	-	-
Repurchase agreement37131310216730811	Repurchase agreement		37		13		13	102	167	308	12
Total investments, at fair value \$\\\ 341,827 \\\$ \\\\ 170,285 \\\$ \\\\ 284,792 \\\$ \\\\ 701,659 \\\$ \\\\ 615,854 \\\$ \\\\ 578,746 \\\$ \\\\ 302,435	Total investments, at fair value	\$	341,827	\$	170,285	\$	284,792 \$	701,659 \$	615,854	\$ 578,746	\$ 302,435

_	Fixed Income	Equity	Cash Reserve	U.S. Aggressive Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	U.S. Core Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	U.S. Small Cap Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	International Equity Individual Fund Portfolio	Global Fixed Income Individual Fund Portfolio	Total
\$	28,066 \$	- \$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - \$	670,734
	-	62,195	-	14,027	-	-	-	-	349,889
	-	130,841	-	-	-	-	-	-	449,855
	-	-	73,915	-	-	-	-	-	427,715
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	396,300
	-	50,991	-	-	-	-	4,747	-	151,884
	-	67,323	-	-	12,076	-	-	-	235,278
	-	127,350	-	-	-	-	-	-	341,136
	5,562	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	251,940
	3,838	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	95,345
	-	28,744	-	-	-	3,326	-	-	95,967
	-	26,936	-	-	-	-	-	-	66,537
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,323	3,323
	-	54,967	-	-	-	-	-	-	157,270
	33		6				<u>-</u>	<u> </u>	691
\$	37,499 \$	549,347 \$	73,921	\$ 14,027	\$ 12,076	\$ 3,326	\$ 4,747	\$ 3,323 \$	3,693,864

# CollegeInvest Direct Portfolio Fund

## Supplementary Schedule – Combining Schedule of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2016

		Aggressive Growth Growth		Moderate	Conservative Growth	Incomo	Stock	Bond	Money	Total
Elderiam accepta	-	Growth	Growth	Growth	Growth	Income	Index	Index	Market	Total
Fiduciary assets:										
Investments, at fair value	\$	451,020 \$	486,589 \$	529,414	\$ 444,177 \$	335,206 \$	277,084 \$	46,026 \$	120,028 \$	2,689,544
Interest receivable		-	215	464	586	361	-	92	50	1,768
Due from plan managers		22	24	26	22	16	13	2	6	131
Due from Student Loan Program Funds		215	233	253	212	160	133	22	57	1,285
Total fiduciary assets	_	451,257	487,061	530,157	444,997	335,743	277,230	46,142	120,141	2,692,728
Liabilities:										
Accounts payable		1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	6
Service and investment fees payable		130	141	154	129	93	83	13	28	771
Unearned revenue	_	236	255	277	233	176	145	24	63	1,409
Total liabilities		367	397	432	363	270	229	37	91	2,186
Total fiduciary net position, held in trust	\$	450,890 \$	486,664 \$	529,725	\$ 444,634 \$	335,473 \$	277,001 \$	46,105 \$	120,050 \$	2,690,542

## CollegeInvest Direct Portfolio Fund

## Supplementary Schedule – Combining Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2016

		Aggressive		Moderate	Conservative		Stock	Bond	Money	
	_	Growth	Growth	Growth	Growth	Income	Index	Index	Market	Total
Additions:										
Gross earnings on investments:										
Interest and dividends	\$	10,133 \$	11,110 \$	11,696 \$	9,897 \$	4,352 \$	5,363 \$	1,063 \$	442 \$	54,056
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)		(4.7.000)	(5.005)	4.500	40.055	0.402		4.450		2.012
from securities transactions	_	(15,399)	(6,395)	4,522	10,057	8,182	1,476	1,470	- 112	3,913
T inturent for-		(5,266)	4,715	16,218	19,954	12,534	6,839	2,533	442	57,969
Less investment fees	_	(151)	(160) 4,555	(162)	19,821	(156) 12,378	(51)	(13)	(107) 335	(933)
Net investment earnings		(5,417)	4,555	16,056	19,821	12,378	6,788	2,520	333	57,036
Participant contributions		70,965	71,661	64,063	46,214	42,022	35,972	6,682	28,784	366,363
Fees	_	86	93	100	85	64	53	9	23	513
Total additions	_	65,634	76,309	80,219	66,120	54,464	42,813	9,211	29,142	423,912
Deductions:										
Benefits paid to participants and withdrawals		14,380	13,911	15,500	18,970	71,066	15,166	4,659	40,650	194,302
Service fees		1,284	1,399	1,454	1,225	827	792	120	170	7,271
Administrative fees		261	284	294	247	179	153	25	64	1,507
Marketing expenses		86	93	100	85	64	53	9	23	513
Excess operating expenses	_	62	67	73	61	46	38	6	16	369
Total deductions	_	16,073	15,754	17,421	20,588	72,182	16,202	4,819	40,923	203,962
Portfolio exchanges, net	_	(47,438)	(60,181)	(3,886)	1,180	75,212	607	3,462	31,044	
Change in fiduciary net position before transfers		2,123	374	58,912	46,712	57,494	27,218	7,854	19,263	219,950
Intraplan administrative fee transfers	_	62	67	73	61	46	38	6	16	369
Change in net position		2,185	441	58,985	46,773	57,540	27,256	7,860	19,279	220,319
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	_	448,705	486,223	470,740	397,861	277,933	249,745	38,245	100,771	2,470,223
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$_	450,890 \$	486,664 \$	529,725 \$	444,634 \$	335,473 \$	277,001 \$	46,105 \$	120,050 \$	2,690,542

# CollegeInvest Direct Portfolio Fund

## Supplementary Schedule – Combining Schedule of Investments June 30, 2016

	Aggressive			Moderate	Conservative		Stock	Bond	Money	
		Growth	Growth	Growth	Growth	Income	Index	Index	Market	Total
Underlying funds:			· ·							_
Vanguard Institutional Total Stock Market										
Index Fund Institutional Plus Shares	\$	317,089 \$	258,215 \$	189,523 \$	78,217 \$	- \$	277,072 \$	- \$	- \$	1,120,116
Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index										
Fund Institutional Shares		-	93,580	206,150	265,803	141,077	-	-	-	706,610
Vanguard Total International Stock Index										
Fund Institutional Plus Shares		133,808	111,318	81,714	33,438	-	-	-	-	360,278
Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund Institutional Shares		-	-	-	-	83,336	-	-	120,019	203,355
Vanguard Total International Bond Index										
Fund Institutional Shares		-	23,478	51,708	66,661	50,519	-	-	-	192,366
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities										
Index Fund Institutional Shares		-	-	-	-	60,304	-	-	-	60,304
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund										
Institutional Plus Shares		-	-	-	-	-	-	46,002	-	46,002
Vanguard Cash Management Trust		123	(2)	319	58	(30)	12	24	9	513
Total investments, at fair value	\$	451,020 \$	486,589 \$	529,414 \$	444,177 \$	335,206 \$	277,084 \$	46,026 \$	120,028 \$	2,689,544

# CollegeInvest Smart Choice Fund

## Supplementary Schedule – Combining Schedule of Fiduciary Net Position Year Ended June 30, 2016 (Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)

	_	Money Market Savings	One Year Savings	Total
Fiduciary assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	21,067 \$	26,001 \$	47,068
Due from Plan Manager		2	2	4
Due from (to) Plan Manager		(2)	(2)	(4)
Total fiduciary assets	_	21,067	26,001	47,068
Total fiduciary net position, held in trust	\$_	21,067 \$	26,001 \$	47,068

# CollegeInvest Smart Choice Fund

## Supplementary Schedule – Combining Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Year Ended June 30, 2016

		Money Market Savings		One Year Savings		Total
Additions:	•				-	
Gross earnings on investments:						
Interest	\$	35	\$		\$	89
Net investment earnings		35		54		89
Participant contributions		32,407		7,680		40,087
Fees		19	-	24	_	43
Total additions		32,461	-	7,758	-	40,219
Deductions:						
Benefits paid to participants and withdrawals		29,782		3,405		33,187
Administrative fees		19		24		43
Excess operating expenses		14		17	-	31
Total deductions		29,815	-	3,446	_	33,261
Portfolio exchanges, net		573	-	(573)	_	
Net change in fiduciary net position before transfers		3,219		3,739		6,958
Intraplan administrative fee transfers	•	14	-	17	-	31
Change in net position		3,233		3,756		6,989
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	•	17,834	-	22,245	_	40,079
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$	21,067	\$	26,001	\$	47,068



# Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each fiduciary fund of CollegeInvest (a division of the Department of Higher Education, State of Colorado) College Savings Program Funds (the Funds) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Funds' basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 2, 2016, which contained a paragraph emphasizing a matter regarding the financial statements.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the Funds is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting (internal control). In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Fund's internal control to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Funds' financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.



### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Fund's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

## Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Fund's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Denver, Colorado December 2, 2016

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## Independent Auditors' Communication to Legislative Audit Committee

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee

As part of our audit of the financial statements of CollegeInvest College Savings Program Funds (the Funds) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, we wish to communicate the following to you.

# Auditor's Responsibility Under Auditing Standards Generally Accepted in the United States of America and the Standards Applicable to Financial Audits Contained in Government Auditing Standards Issued by the Comptroller General of the United States

An audit performed in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States is designed to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about the financial statements. In performing auditing procedures, we establish scopes of audit tests in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole. Our engagement does not include a detailed audit of every transaction.

These standards require communication of significant matters related to the financial statement audit that are relevant to the responsibilities of those charged with governance in overseeing the financial reporting process. Such matters are communicated in the remainder of this letter or have previously been communicated during other phases of the audit. The standards do not require the auditor to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to be communicated with those charged with governance.

An audit of the financial statements does not relieve management or those charged with governance of their responsibilities. Our engagement letter more specifically describes your responsibilities.

## **Qualitative Aspects of Significant Accounting Policies and Practices**

#### Significant Accounting Policies

The Funds' significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 of the audited financial statements.



## Alternative Accounting Treatments

We had discussions with management regarding alternative accounting treatments within accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for policies and practices for material items, including recognition, measurement and disclosure considerations related to the accounting for specific transactions as well as general accounting policies, as follows:

No matters are reportable

## Management Judgments and Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of financial statement preparation by management, based on its judgments. The following area involves a significant area of such estimates for which we are prepared to discuss management's estimation process and our procedures for testing the reasonableness of those estimates:

• Valuation of investment securities

### Financial Statement Disclosures

The following area involves particularly sensitive financial statement disclosures for which we are prepared to discuss the issues involved and related judgments made in formulating those disclosures:

• Fair value disclosures

## **Audit Adjustments**

During the course of any audit, an auditor may propose adjustments to financial statement amounts. Management evaluates our proposals and records those adjustments which, in its judgment, are required to prevent the financial statements from being materially misstated. Some adjustments proposed were not recorded because their aggregate effect is not currently material; however, they involve areas in which adjustments in the future could be material, individually or in the aggregate.

Areas in which adjustments were proposed include:

Proposed Audit Adjustments Recorded

• No matters are reportable

Proposed Audit Adjustments Not Recorded

• No matters are reportable

## **Auditor's Judgments About the Quality of the Funds' Accounting Principles**

During the course of the audit, we made the following observations regarding the Funds' application of accounting principles:

• Adoption of GASB 72

## **Disagreements with Management**

The following matters involved disagreements which if not satisfactorily resolved would have caused a modified auditor's opinion on the financial statements:

• No matters are reportable

### **Consultation with Other Accountants**

During our audit, we became aware that management had consulted with other accountants about the following auditing or accounting matters:

• No matters are reportable

## **Significant Issues Discussed with Management**

## Prior to Retention

During our discussion with management prior to our engagement, the following issues regarding application of accounting principles or auditing standards were discussed:

• No matters are reportable

## During the Audit Process

During the audit process, the following issues were discussed or were the subject of correspondence with management:

• No matters are reportable

## **Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit**

Our audit requires cooperative effort between management and the audit team. During our audit, we found significant difficulties in working effectively on the following matters:

• No matters are reportable

## **Other Material Written Communications**

Listed below is another material written communication between management and us related to the audit:

• Management representation letter

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This letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Audit Committee, Office of the State Auditor, management and others within the Funds' and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

December 2, 2016

BKD, LLP