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# Financial statements of Glenbow-Alberta Institute

March 31, 2026

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## Independent auditor's report

To the Board of Governors of  
Glenbow-Alberta Institute

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Glenbow-Alberta Institute ("the Institute"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2026, and the statements of operations and changes in operating fund balance, operations and changes in restricted fund balances, operations and changes in revitalization fund balance and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Institute as at March 31, 2026, and its results of operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

### Basis for Opinion

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

### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

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

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

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



### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

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

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

*Doane Grant Thornton LLP*

Calgary, Canada

Chartered Professional Accountants

June 15, 2026

**Glenbow-Alberta Institute**  
**Statement of financial position**  
As at March 31, 2026

|                                          |       | Operating<br>Fund | Restricted<br>Funds | Revitalization<br>Fund | 2026<br>Total | 2025<br>Total |
|------------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                          | Notes |                   |                     |                        | \$            | \$            |
| <b>Assets</b>                            |       |                   |                     |                        |               |               |
| <b>Current assets</b>                    |       |                   |                     |                        |               |               |
| Cash                                     | 11    | 2,631,762         | -                   | 1,224,185              | 3,855,947     | 17,352,879    |
| Investments                              | 6     | 645,431           | -                   | -                      | 645,431       | 625,685       |
| Accounts receivable                      | 4     | 42,314            | -                   | 56,356                 | 98,670        | 207,901       |
| Government capital grant receivable      | 5     | -                 | -                   | -                      | -             | 1,920,661     |
| Interfund loans receivable (payable)     | 7     | 786,685           | (715,640)           | (71,045)               | -             | -             |
| Prepaid expenses                         |       | 114,410           | -                   | 9,776                  | 124,186       | 87,871        |
|                                          |       | 4,220,602         | (715,640)           | 1,219,272              | 4,724,234     | 20,194,997    |
| Investments                              | 6     | -                 | 64,066,002          | -                      | 64,066,002    | 52,345,952    |
| Interfund capital loan                   | 7     | -                 | 7,600,000           | (7,600,000)            | -             | -             |
| Government capital grant receivable      | 5     | -                 | -                   | 2,000,000              | 2,000,000     | -             |
| Collections                              | 3(c)  | 1                 | -                   | -                      | 1             | 1             |
| Deposits                                 | 18    | -                 | -                   | 486,600                | 486,600       | 486,600       |
| Capital assets                           | 8     | 82,592            | -                   | 151,118,467            | 151,201,059   | 131,019,474   |
|                                          |       | 4,303,195         | 70,950,362          | 147,224,339            | 222,477,896   | 204,047,024   |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                       |       |                   |                     |                        |               |               |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>               |       |                   |                     |                        |               |               |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities |       | 525,453           | -                   | 1,328,605              | 1,854,058     | 12,525,622    |
| Deferred revenue                         | 9     | 1,484,621         | -                   | -                      | 1,484,621     | 402,008       |
|                                          |       | 2,010,074         | -                   | 1,328,605              | 3,338,679     | 12,927,630    |
| Deferred contributions                   | 10    | 182,558           | -                   | -                      | 182,558       | 346,606       |
|                                          |       | 2,192,632         | -                   | 1,328,605              | 3,521,237     | 13,274,236    |
| Contingencies and commitments            | 16    |                   |                     |                        |               |               |
| <b>Fund balances</b>                     |       |                   |                     |                        |               |               |
| Unrestricted                             |       | 2,110,563         | -                   | -                      | 2,110,563     | 2,845,839     |
| Externally restricted                    |       | -                 | 38,715,435          | 145,895,734            | 184,611,169   | 159,104,283   |
| Internally restricted                    |       | -                 | 32,234,927          | -                      | 32,234,927    | 28,822,666    |
|                                          |       | 2,110,563         | 70,950,362          | 145,895,734            | 218,956,659   | 190,772,788   |
|                                          |       | 4,303,195         | 70,950,362          | 147,224,339            | 222,477,896   | 204,047,024   |

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

On behalf of the Board of Governors

Signed by:

*Lori Van Rooijen*

, Governor

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**Glenbow-Alberta Institute****Statement of operations and changes in Operating Fund balance**

Year ended March 31, 2026

|                                                       | Notes | 2026               | 2025               |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|
|                                                       |       | \$                 | \$                 |
| <b>Revenue</b>                                        |       |                    |                    |
| Government of Alberta                                 |       | 2,288,000          | 2,288,000          |
| Donations, sponsorships and memberships               |       | 2,002,900          | 1,896,725          |
| Grants and subsidies                                  | 12    | 672,103            | 1,040,459          |
| Programs                                              |       | —                  | 14,765             |
| Retail sales and rentals                              |       | 23,000             | 23,500             |
| Other income                                          |       | 140,007            | 265,520            |
| Amortization of deferred contributions                |       | 10,936             | 286,397            |
|                                                       |       | <b>5,136,946</b>   | <b>5,815,366</b>   |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                       |       |                    |                    |
| Exhibitions and programs                              |       | 1,054,664          | 1,227,670          |
| Collections, conservation and curatorial              |       | 1,264,897          | 1,318,210          |
| Building operations and technology                    |       | 1,087,484          | 1,435,490          |
| Fund development and membership                       |       | 727,290            | 708,949            |
| Marketing and communications                          |       | 418,269            | 452,496            |
| Retail sales and rentals                              |       | 61,090             | 12,830             |
| General, administrative and governance                |       | 2,135,434          | 1,975,463          |
| Amortization of tangible capital assets               |       | 83,802             | 396,724            |
|                                                       |       | <b>6,832,930</b>   | <b>7,527,832</b>   |
| Deficiency of operating expenses over revenue         |       | <b>(1,695,984)</b> | <b>(1,712,466)</b> |
| Fund balance, beginning of year                       |       | <b>2,845,839</b>   | 3,147,512          |
| Allocation of investment income from restricted funds |       | <b>960,708</b>     | 1,410,793          |
| <b>Fund balance, end of year</b>                      |       | <b>2,110,563</b>   | <b>2,845,839</b>   |

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

# **Glenbow-Alberta Institute**

## **Statement of operations and changes in Restricted Funds balances**

Year ended March 31, 2026

|                                       | Endowment Funds  |                  |                           |                                | Internally Restricted Funds |                     |                |                   | 2025<br>Total     |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                       | Founding<br>Fund | Legacy<br>Fund   | JR Shaw<br>Institute Fund | JR Shaw Free<br>Admission Fund | Endowment<br>Income Fund    | Collections<br>Fund | Future<br>Fund | 2026<br>Total     |                   |
| <b>Revenue</b>                        | \$               | \$               | \$                        | \$                             | \$                          | \$                  | \$             | \$                | \$                |
| Investment income                     |                  |                  |                           |                                |                             |                     |                |                   |                   |
| Interest, dividends, gains and losses | —                | —                | 254,112                   | 350,631                        | 4,623,453                   | 103,146             | 508            | 5,331,850         | 4,756,697         |
| Donations                             | —                | —                | 2,000,000                 | 12,750,000                     | —                           | —                   | —              | 14,750,000        | 9,000,017         |
|                                       | —                | —                | 2,254,112                 | 13,100,631                     | 4,623,453                   | 103,146             | 508            | 20,081,850        | 13,756,714        |
| <b>Expenses</b>                       |                  |                  |                           |                                |                             |                     |                |                   |                   |
| Investment management                 | —                | —                | 49,501                    | 50,631                         | 168,268                     | 185,695             | 175            | 454,271           | 472,511           |
| Excess of revenue over expenses       | —                | —                | 2,204,611                 | 13,050,000                     | 4,455,185                   | (82,549)            | 333            | 19,627,579        | 13,284,204        |
| Fund balances, beginning of year      | 6,644,973        | 3,000,250        | 7,752,147                 | 6,063,455                      | 17,127,064                  | 11,671,137          | 24,465         | 52,283,491        | 40,410,081        |
| Transfer to Operating Fund            | —                | —                | —                         | —                              | (959,700)                   | —                   | (1,008)        | (960,708)         | (1,410,793)       |
| <b>Fund balances, end of year</b>     | <b>6,644,973</b> | <b>3,000,250</b> | <b>9,956,758</b>          | <b>19,113,455</b>              | <b>20,622,549</b>           | <b>11,588,588</b>   | <b>23,790</b>  | <b>70,950,362</b> | <b>52,283,492</b> |

# **Glenbow-Alberta Institute**

## **Statement of operations and changes in Revitalization Fund balance**

Year ended March 31, 2026

|                                   | 2026               | 2025               |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Revenue</b>                    | \$                 | \$                 |
| Government capital grants         | 6,332,887          | 36,664,242         |
| Campaign contributions            | 3,705,820          | 8,264,881          |
| Other contributions               | 233,341            | 489,503            |
|                                   | <b>10,272,048</b>  | <b>45,418,626</b>  |
| <b>Expenses</b>                   |                    |                    |
| Campaign                          | 19,772             | 191,317            |
| Excess of revenue over expenses   | 10,252,276         | 45,227,309         |
| Fund balances, beginning of year  | 135,643,458        | 90,416,149         |
| <b>Fund balances, end of year</b> | <b>145,895,734</b> | <b>135,643,458</b> |

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

**Glenbow-Alberta Institute**  
**Statement of cash flows**  
Year ended March 31, 2026

|                                                           | Operating Fund   | Restricted Funds | Revitalization Fund | 2026 Total       | 2025 Total        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Operating activities</b>                               |                  |                  |                     |                  |                   |
| (Deficiency) excess of revenue over expenses              | (1,695,984)      | 19,627,579       | 10,252,276          | 28,183,871       | 56,799,046        |
| Endowment contributions                                   | —                | (14,750,000)     | —                   | (14,750,000)     | (9,000,017)       |
| Capital contributions                                     | —                | —                | (10,272,048)        | (10,272,048)     | (44,556,757)      |
| Items not affecting cash                                  |                  |                  |                     |                  |                   |
| Unrealized loss (gain) on investments                     | 25,736           | (4,498,410)      | —                   | (4,472,673)      | (3,811,838)       |
| Amortization of capital assets                            | 83,802           | —                | —                   | 83,802           | 396,724           |
| Amortization of deferred contributions                    | (10,936)         | —                | —                   | (10,936)         | (286,397)         |
|                                                           | (1,597,382)      | 379,169          | (19,772)            | (1,237,984)      | (459,239)         |
| Changes in non-cash operational working capital           |                  |                  |                     |                  |                   |
| Accounts receivable                                       | 23,483           | —                | 85,748              | 109,231          | (3,743)           |
| Interfund loans and transfers                             | 319,355          | (307,529)        | (11,826)            | (0)              | —                 |
| Prepaid expenses                                          | (36,315)         | —                | —                   | (36,315)         | 189,889           |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities                  | (147,970)        | —                | (10,523,594)        | (10,671,564)     | (235,681)         |
| Deferred revenue and deferred contributions               | 929,501          | —                | —                   | 929,501          | (838)             |
|                                                           | (509,328)        | 71,640           | (10,469,444)        | (10,907,131)     | (509,612)         |
| <b>Investing activities</b>                               |                  |                  |                     |                  |                   |
| Purchases of investments, net of sales proceeds           | (45,482)         | (7,221,640)      | —                   | (7,267,123)      | (8,215,851)       |
| Purchase of capital assets, net of proceeds from disposal | —                | —                | —                   | —                | —                 |
|                                                           | (119,896)        | —                | (20,145,491)        | (20,265,386)     | (33,518,610)      |
|                                                           | (165,378)        | (7,221,640)      | (20,145,491)        | (27,532,508)     | (41,734,461)      |
| <b>Financing activities</b>                               |                  |                  |                     |                  |                   |
| Repayment of bank indebtedness                            | —                | —                | —                   | —                | (4,960,000)       |
| Interfund capital loan                                    | —                | (7,600,000)      | 7,600,000           | —                | —                 |
| Endowment contributions                                   | —                | 14,750,000       | —                   | 14,750,000       | 9,000,017         |
| Deferred capital contributions received                   | —                | —                | 10,192,709          | 10,192,709       | 50,078,913        |
|                                                           | —                | 7,150,000        | 17,792,709          | 24,942,709       | 54,118,930        |
| Increase (decrease) in cash                               | (674,706)        | -                | (12,822,226)        | (13,496,932)     | 11,874,857        |
| Cash, beginning of year                                   | 3,306,468        | -                | 14,046,411          | 17,352,879       | 5,478,022         |
| <b>Cash, end of year</b>                                  | <b>2,631,762</b> | <b>-</b>         | <b>1,224,185</b>    | <b>3,855,947</b> | <b>17,352,879</b> |

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

**Glenbow-Alberta Institute**  
**Notes to the financial statements**  
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**1. General**

The Glenbow-Alberta Institute (the "Institute" or "Glenbow") operates under the authority of the Glenbow-Alberta Institute Act, Chapter G-6, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, as amended ("the GAI Act"). The Institute is registered as a charity under the Income Tax Act and is exempt from income taxes.

The Institute curates and administers seven collections comprising Art, Cultural History, Ethnology, Military History, Mineralogy, Library and Archives. Most of the collections are owned by the Government of Alberta. Under the GAI Act and through a fee for service arrangement, the Institute is responsible for caring for these collections and providing reasonable public access. As such, the Institute is economically dependent on the Government of Alberta to meet its financial obligation under the GAI Act.

**2. Nature of and extent of operations**

For over 50 years, the Institute has provided public service by operating an art gallery, a human history museum and a library and archives. Recent events have impacted current operations as described below:

Glenbow Revitalization Capital Project (GRCP) is a multi-phase capital program that will see Glenbow modernized over the next several years. The first three phases of the program consist of interior abatement, removal and replacement of the concrete exterior building envelope and major changes to the museum's interior spaces. Subsequent phases relate to the activation and programming of these spaces (i.e. exhibition design and construction).

The first phase of the program was funded primarily through the City of Calgary's Municipal Sustainability program (MSP) grant (\$14M) and was completed on March 31st, 2023. The Institute secured further commitments from the Province of Alberta (\$40M), the Federal government under the federal investing in Canada Infrastructure Program ("ICIP") (\$40M), and the City of Calgary's Municipal Sustainability initiative (\$23M), to support the second and third phase of the program. The Institute continues to explore and secure additional funding for the final phase of the Revitalization Capital Project. The Institute secured an additional \$3M through the federal government under the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund (CCSF), \$1M grant from the Province of Alberta through the Arts, Culture and Status of Women Ministry for the phase 4 of the project. In addition, the City of Calgary announced an incremental \$11M of additional support to the project.

**3. Significant accounting policies**

These financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations ("ASNPO") and include the following significant accounting policies:

*(a) Fund accounting*

The accounts of the Institute are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting, whereby the resources of the Institute are classified into funds associated with specific activities or objectives.

*(i) Operating Fund*

Revenue and expenses relating to the Institute's operations, including activities related to the provision of care and access to the collections, are reported in the Operating Fund.

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**3. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

*(a) Fund accounting (continued)*

*(ii) Externally Restricted - Endowment Funds*

The Founding Fund endowment contains the founding gift of the Government of Alberta in the original amount of \$5 million, along with undistributed investment income earned from the investment of this gift to March 31, 1996. Under the GAI Act, investment income derived from the gift is to be used as follows:

- a) Toward the operating expenses of the Institute
- b) Reinvestment
- c) To further the general objects of the Institute

The GAI Act also requires reinvesting a portion of the gift's annual investment income to maintain the inflation-adjusted value of the gift unless the Board, having complied with the requirements of Section 17 of the GAI Act, passes a motion that allows the investment income to be used for an alternate purpose. On February 3, 2010, the Board passed a motion allowing the investment income to be used for purposes of meeting the capital and operating expenses of the Institute. Notwithstanding the absence of requirements to reinvest income generated from the Founding Fund endowment as endowment principal, such income is internally restricted by the Board in the Internally Restricted Endowment Income Fund to support current and future operational and capital requirements of the Institute.

In addition to the Founding Fund, other externally endowed gifts supporting designated areas of operations are reported in the Legacy Fund, the JR Shaw Institute Fund, and JR Shaw Free Admission Fund. Income generated from the Legacy Fund does not maintain external restrictions on use, however such income is internally restricted by the Board in the Internally Restricted Endowment Income Fund to support current and future operational and capital requirements of the Institute. The JR Shaw Institute Fund was established in fiscal 2023. Income generated from the JR Shaw Institute Fund is externally restricted for reinvestment in the principal amount of the endowment or to support activities related to the JR Shaw Institute for Art in Canada. The JR Shaw Free Admission Fund was established in fiscal 2025. Income generated from the JR Shaw Free admission Fund is externally restricted for reinvestment in the principal amount of the endowment or to support Glenbow's operations.

*(iii) Internally Restricted Funds*

The Endowment Income Fund comprises a \$5 million gift from the Devonian Foundation as well as accumulated investment income generated from externally restricted endowment contributions. The accumulated investment income is not externally restricted as to its use. This Fund has been established to support current and future operational and capital requirements of the Institute. The Collections Fund has been established from the proceeds of various deaccessioning programs. Although there are no external restrictions concerning the use of the Collections Fund, the Board has restricted, consistent with industry practice for Class A museums, the use of this Fund for expenditures associated with the future care and purchase of collection items. The Future Fund has been restricted by the Board to support the continuing care of Maverick's exhibit.

*(iv) Revitalization Fund*

The Revitalization Fund was established in fiscal 2021 to receive and expend externally restricted campaign contributions and capital grants for Glenbow Revitalization Capital Project (GRCP).

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**3. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

*(b) Revenue recognition*

*(i) Recognition of contributions*

The Institute follows the restricted fund method whereby externally restricted contributions (donations, grants, and sponsorships) are recognized as revenue in the fund corresponding to the purpose for which they were contributed. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenues in the Operating Fund. Externally restricted contributions related to expenses of future periods or for the acquisition of capital assets for which the Institute has not established a corresponding fund, are deferred and recognized as revenue in the Operating Fund in the period in which the related expenses are incurred or over the life of the related asset that is purchased in accordance with the Institute's accounting policy for capital assets.

Government grants are not recognized until there is reasonable assurance that the Institute will comply with the conditions attached to them and that the grants will be received.

*(ii) Recognition of other revenues*

Revenues from programs, admissions, sales, sponsorships and memberships, publication sales and fee for service are recognized as revenue in the year when the services are provided or goods delivered, persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, and collectability of the relevant receivable is reasonably assured. Revenue from donations and other fundraising activities are recognized when amounts are received or when pledges or funding agreements are in place and collection of the relevant receivable is reasonably assured.

*(iii) Allocations to Operating Fund*

Allocations of investment income from the Institute's Restricted Funds in support of the Institute's operations are recognized as transfers from the relevant Restricted Funds to the Operating Fund (not as revenue). In addition to the annual allocations, special allocations may be authorized by the Board to provide supplemental or specified operational support. Investment income not allocated to the Operating Fund is retained in the respective Restricted Funds.

*(iv) Investment income*

Interest, dividends, and capital gains are recognized in the period in which the income is earned. Unrealized increases or decreases in the market value of investments held for resale are recognized on the last day of the month based on the closing market prices of the underlying securities.

*(v) Contributed goods and services*

In-kind contributions, including works of art, artifacts, books, other tangible gifts, and services to the Institute's own collections, are recognized at a nominal amount in the financial statements. Unpaid volunteers make significant contributions of their time in support of the Institute's programs. The value of this contributed time is not included in these financial statements as an objective measurement of valuation is indeterminable.

**3. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

*(c) Collections*

The Institute oversees collections belonging to both the Institute and to the Province of Alberta. Combined the two collections include approximately 230,000 objects. These include nationally significant collections relating to Art, Cultural History, Indigenous Studies, World Cultures, Military History, Mineralogy and an Archive and Library collection.

The art collection includes the work of nationally important artists, along with works by prominent Canadians and selected international artists. The art collection is comprised of paintings, drawings, prints, sculptures, ceramics, photography, installation, and multi-media art. In addition, the collections include an exceptional collection of modern Canadian prints, a strong collection of contemporary art by Albertans, collections of Canadian Pacific Railway, wildlife art, and works by early artists and teachers. Gifts to the Art collection are often certified by the Canadian Cultural Property Export Review Board.

The Cultural History collection reflects the history of Calgary and southern Alberta. Examples include fashion and textiles, immigration, Alberta industries, and Canadian glass. The Institute is well known for its work with First Nations communities. The core of the Indigenous Studies collection is from the northwest quadrant of North America, including the Plains, the Northwest Coast, the Arctic, and the Subarctic. The World Cultures collection also has large collections relating to South America, West Africa, and Asia. The Military History collection includes materials relating to Canadian military history with an emphasis on Alberta. Other collections include materials from the Northwest Mounted Police, RCMP, including historic firearms, European and Japanese armor. The Mineralogy collection, which includes rocks, minerals, and gems from Canadian and international sites, is owned by the Province of Alberta and was transferred to the Royal Alberta Museum during fiscal 2025.

In addition to the above, Glenbow’s extensive Library and Archives collection includes books and fonds relating to specific areas of art and artifact collections. Under a long-term agreement with the University of Calgary, the majority portion of this collection is held at the University of Calgary which provides the requisite care and public access under the operating name “Glenbow Western Research Centre”.

During the year the Institute received donations of artwork and artifacts valued at approximately \$161,424 (2025 - \$1,116,434) that have been recorded at a nominal carrying value. The Institute made no purchases of art for its collection in 2026 or 2025. In the past year, the objects owned by the Institute were insured for \$110,899,000 (2025 - \$110,899,000). The policy premium for this insurance coverage was \$86,051 (2025 - \$88,556). The vast majority of Glenbow’s collections are stored on site and have remained on site over the course of the renovation. A small number of objects are stored at an offsite warehouse.

*(d) Capital assets*

Capital assets are measured and recorded at cost, which includes all amounts that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction, development, or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the capital asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life as follows:

|                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Computer Equipment     | - 3 years       |
| Equipment              | - 5 years       |
| Furniture              | - 10 years      |
| Leasehold Improvements | - 3 to 15 years |

The Institute applies the half-year rule for amortization charges in the year of acquisition. Assets under construction are not amortized until the assets are available for use.

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### **3. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

*(e) Impairment of long-lived assets*

When conditions indicate that a capital asset is impaired, the net carrying amount of the capital asset is written down to the asset's fair value or replacement cost. The write-down of capital assets is recognized as an expense in the statement of operations. A write-down shall not be reversed.

*(f) Financial instruments*

The Institute considers any contract creating a financial asset, liability or equity instrument as a financial instrument, except in certain limited circumstances. The Institute accounts for the following as financial instruments:

- Cash
- Investments
- Accounts receivable
- Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

A financial asset or liability is recognized when the Institute becomes party to contractual provisions of the instrument. The Institute initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value, except for certain related party transactions. The Institute subsequently measures its financial assets and liabilities at cost or amortized cost less any reduction for impairment, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value; derivative contracts, which are measured at fair value; and certain financial assets and financial liabilities which the Institute has elected to measure at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in the statement of operations. The Institute's investments are measured at fair value for those investments that are traded in an active market; for investments that are not traded in an active market, the Institute records these investments at cost.

Financial assets and liabilities that are not subsequently measured at fair value are initially adjusted for transaction costs and financing fees directly attributable to their origination, acquisition, issuance or assumption. Transaction costs and financing fees are recorded as revenue or expense over the term of the related financial asset or liability. All other transaction costs are recognized in the statement of operations when incurred.

The Institute removes financial liabilities, or a portion thereof, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. Impairment losses are recognized in the statement of operations. Previously recognized impairment losses are reversed to the extent of the improvement provided the asset is not carried at an amount, at the date of the reversal, greater than the amount that would have been the carrying amount had no impairment loss been recognized previously. The amounts of any write-downs or reversals are recognized in the statement of operations.

*Financial instruments in related party transactions*

Financial assets and liabilities in related party transactions are initially measured at cost, except for certain instruments which are initially measured at fair value. The Institute does not have any financial assets or liabilities in related party transactions which are initially measured at fair value. Gains or losses arising on initial measurement differences are generally recognized in the statement of operations when the transaction is in the normal course of operations, and in net assets when the transaction is not in the normal course of operations, subject to certain exceptions.

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**3. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

*(f) Financial instruments (continued)*

Financial assets and liabilities recognized in related party transactions are subsequently measured based on how the Institute initially measured the instrument. Financial instruments initially measured at cost are subsequently measured at cost, less any impairment for financial assets. Financial instruments initially measured at fair value, of which the Institute has none, would be subsequently measured at amortized cost or fair value based on certain conditions.

*(g) Use of estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Where measurement uncertainty exists, the financial statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality. The most significant of these estimates are related to the allowances for accounts receivable, accrual of liabilities, amortization periods and potential impairment of capital assets, and fair value of investments. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

*(h) Cloud computing arrangements*

The Institute applies the simplification approach to account for its expenditures in its cloud computing arrangements. When there are multiple elements within a single cloud computing arrangement, the Institute allocates the consideration to each separable element based on the relative stand-alone selling prices. Expenditures in all cloud computing agreements, excluding tangible capital assets and rights to use tangible capital assets, are treated as a supply of services and expensed as the Institute receives the services. Amounts paid in advance of receiving the services are recognized as a prepaid expense.

During the year, the Institute entered into cloud computing arrangements and expensed \$146,925 (2025 - \$149,964) in connection with the arrangements, which is presented as building operations and technology expense in the statement of operations within the Operating Fund.

**4. Government remittances recoverable**

Included in accounts receivable are government remittances recoverable aggregating \$23,343 (2025 - \$49,341).

**5. Government capital grant receivable**

Pursuant to a Federal Government agreement under the Federal "Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program" (ICIP), the Institute was awarded a capital grant of up to \$40 million to be used for the second and third phases of the Revitalization project (Note 2). Eligible expenditures under the ICIP grant are first paid by the Institute and then submitted for reimbursement.

As of March 31, 2026, eligible ICIP expenditures totaling \$40,000,000 have been incurred and submitted to ICIP (2025 - \$36,002,099), of which \$2,000,000 (2025 - \$2,938,512) have not yet been reimbursed.

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**6. Investments**

The below noted investments include debt and equity securities that are not traded in an active market and are recorded at cost in the amount of \$11,224,794 (2025 - \$4,120,217 ).

|                                          | 2026<br>\$ | 2025<br>\$ |
|------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Investments - Operating Fund             |            |            |
| Pooled bond fund (short term maturities) | 645,431    | 625,685    |
| Investments - Endowment Funds            |            |            |
| Founding Fund                            | 25,699,315 | 22,175,318 |
| Legacy Fund                              | 4,434,398  | 3,898,128  |
| JR Shaw Institute Fund                   | 10,296,436 | 7,895,046  |
| JR Shaw Free Admission Fund              | 19,636,482 | 6,052,238  |
| Collections Fund                         | 3,975,948  | 12,301,123 |
| Future Fund                              | 23,423     | 24,100     |
| Pooled balanced funds                    | 64,066,002 | 52,345,952 |
|                                          | 64,711,433 | 52,971,637 |

The pooled fund investments are externally managed by professional Fund Managers. The weightings for the Endowment Funds' pooled balanced portfolios are as follows:

|                           | 2026<br>(%) | 2025<br>(%) |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Cash                      | 15.6        | 35.0        |
| Fixed Income              |             |             |
| Canadian                  | 1.6         | 9.0         |
| United States             | 4.8         | 1.0         |
| International             | 1.9         | —           |
| Equities                  |             |             |
| Canadian                  | 5.8         | 5.0         |
| United States             | 12.2        | 14.0        |
| International             | 15.3        | 13.0        |
| Hedge Funds               | 6.9         | 3.7         |
| Private Credit and Equity | 24.0        | 12.5        |
| Real Assets               | 11.9        | 6.8         |
|                           | 100.0       | 100.0       |

**7. Inter-fund balances**

Inter-fund loans receivable and payable are non-interest bearing and have no fixed terms of repayment. During the year, the Revitalization Fund borrowed \$7,600,000 (2025 - \$Nil) from internally restricted net assets within the Restricted Funds bearing no interest.

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**8. Capital assets**

|                                        | <b>Cost</b>        | <b>Accumulated<br/>Amortization</b> | <b>2026<br/>Net book value</b> |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Operating Fund                         | \$                 | \$                                  | \$                             |
| Furniture and equipment                | 232,271            | 149,679                             | 82,592                         |
| Leasehold improvements                 | 577,178            | 577,178                             | -                              |
|                                        | <b>809,449</b>     | <b>726,857</b>                      | <b>82,592</b>                  |
| Revitalization Fund                    |                    |                                     |                                |
| Leasehold improvements in construction | 151,118,467        | -                                   | 151,118,467                    |
|                                        | <b>151,927,916</b> | <b>726,857</b>                      | <b>151,201,059</b>             |

  

|                                        | <b>Cost</b>        | <b>Accumulated<br/>Amortization</b> | <b>2025<br/>Net book value</b> |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Operating Fund                         | \$                 | \$                                  | \$                             |
| Furniture and equipment                | 112,375            | 65,877                              | 46,498                         |
| Leasehold improvements                 | 577,178            | 577,178                             | -                              |
|                                        | 689,553            | 643,055                             | 46,498                         |
| Revitalization Fund                    |                    |                                     |                                |
| Leasehold improvements in construction | 130,972,976        | -                                   | 130,972,976                    |
|                                        | <b>131,662,529</b> | <b>643,055</b>                      | <b>131,019,474</b>             |

**9. Deferred revenue**

Externally restricted contributions related to expenditures of future periods in the Operating Fund are deferred and recognized as revenue in the period in which the related expenses are incurred. Changes in the deferred revenue balance are as follows:

|                                | <b>2026<br/>\$</b> | <b>2025<br/>\$</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Balance, beginning of year     | 402,008            | 402,846            |
| Contributions                  | 1,437,543          | 212,138            |
|                                | <b>1,839,551</b>   | 614,984            |
| Recognized in the current year | 354,930            | 212,976            |
| Balance, end of year           | <b>1,484,621</b>   | 402,008            |

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**10. Deferred contributions**

Deferred contributions comprise the unamortized balance of externally restricted contributions expended by the Institute for the acquisition of capital assets and unexpended, externally restricted contributions in the Operating Fund. Changes in deferred contributions in the year are as follows:

|                                | <b>2026</b>    | 2025      |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------|
|                                | <b>\$</b>      | <b>\$</b> |
| Balance, beginning of year     | <b>346,606</b> | 1,178,835 |
| Contributions                  | <b>212,027</b> | 82,067    |
|                                | <b>558,633</b> | 1,260,902 |
| Recognized in the current year | <b>376,075</b> | 914,296   |
| Balance, end of year           | <b>182,558</b> | 346,606   |

**11. Bank indebtedness**

To support the Glenbow Reimagined Capital Campaign, the institute has access to revolving credit facilities of up to \$22,500,000 to bridge finance \$17,000,000 for government receivables (Note 5), and an additional \$5,500,000 for future pledges. The facility bears interest at the bank's prime interest rate plus 0.25% per annum. As security, a Canadian Chartered bank has a general security agreement covering the assets of the institute.

As of March 31, 2026, the balance is \$Nil (2025 - \$Nil). Interest expense of \$Nil (2025 - \$48,709) was recognized as additions to capital assets in the year.

In addition, the Institute has access to a revolving, demand credit facility to a maximum of \$1,000,000 with a Canadian chartered bank to support operations. The facility is provided on an unsecured basis and bears interest at the bank's prime interest rate plus 0.25% per annum. The Institute did not draw on this facility in the year.

**12. Grants and subsidies**

During the year, the Institute received a total of \$465,575 (2025 - \$369,940) from Calgary Arts Development and recognized \$Nil (2025 - \$168,970) in municipal grants to support the exhibitions at the Edison. The Institute also recognized \$206,528 (2025 - \$476,549) of Provincial funding from the Other Initiatives Program and \$Nil (2025 - \$25,000) in other grants.

**13. Pension obligations**

The Institute has a defined contribution plan which is available to all full-time and permanent part-time employees. Under the terms of the plan, the Institute matches contributions of up to 5% of employee earnings. During the year, the Institute contributed \$177,193 (2025 - \$197,833) in connection with the plan.

**14. Building lease**

The Glenbow Centre was leased to The City of Calgary by the Government of Alberta for a nominal amount under a 50-year lease which expired in 2024 and has been extended to May 22, 2074. Under the terms of the lease, The City of Calgary must sublease the building to the Institute for \$1 per year. The fair market value of the sublease has not been determined. Under the sublease, The City of Calgary provides janitorial, maintenance and utility services for the Glenbow Centre at no cost to the Province of Alberta or the Institute. The value of these services as determined by The City of Calgary for the year was \$2,722,444 (2025 - \$2,189,128) and has not been included in these financial statements.

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**15. Related party transactions**

During the year, the Institute received gifts from Board members totaling \$85,215 (2025 - \$77,680).

**16. Contingencies and commitments**

There are currently no known claims outstanding against the Institute as of March 31, 2026.

During the year, the Institute continued planning, designing, and constructing the GRCP (Note 2). The total value of the contracts was \$128,068,049 (2025 - \$124,102,110) for construction and \$28,016,021 (2025 - \$25,213,093) for planning and design and other costs. The total overall commitment as of March 31, 2026, was \$156,084,070 (2025 - \$149,315,203). The remaining commitments will be incurred over the next two fiscal years. A total of \$80 million is eligible for recovery under the Federal ICIP program (\$40 million) and from the Government of Alberta (\$40 million).

The Institute has lease agreements for its warehouse as well as for office equipment and other services, which expire at various times over the next several years.

The Institute is committed to estimated contract payments and operating lease payments for the next five years as follows:

| <b>Year</b> | <b>Amount</b>    |
|-------------|------------------|
|             | <b>\$</b>        |
| 2027        | 604,045          |
| 2028        | 424,797          |
| 2029        | 342,795          |
| 2030        | 244,739          |
| 2031        | 152,939          |
|             | <b>1,769,315</b> |

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**17. Financial risks**

The Institute's financial risks are as follows:

*Other price risk*

The Institute's investment portfolio includes a substantial portion of equities. The portfolio is invested in a balanced pooled fund which is professionally managed by an independent fund manager appointed by the Board. The fund manager is governed by an investment policy of the Board, which places certain parameters on the investment portfolio. The performance of the fund manager is routinely assessed by the Audit and Investment Committee of the Board. The value of equity investments changes relative to the business, financial conditions, management, and other relevant factors. In addition, the general economic conditions of the markets expose the Institute to fluctuations in the value of investments. The Audit and Investment Committee has the authority to change fund managers or make certain changes to the asset mix as needed to mitigate this risk.

The Institute does not directly enter into any derivative financial instruments. However, the professionally managed pooled funds may contain certain derivative instruments from time to time that are used exclusively for hedging purposes. No use of leverage is permitted.

*Liquidity risk*

In the current economic environment, the Institute may be subject to liquidity risk if required to realize its long-term investments in the near term. This risk is mitigated by the fact that the investment portfolio includes marketable securities traded on major national and international exchanges. The Institute also has significant financial commitments, and although having pledges and grants in place to cover those commitments, there is a risk that some of those promised funds will not be delivered.

*Interest rate risk*

The Institute is exposed to interest rate risk given that its fixed income investments have varying maturity dates. Accordingly, if interest rates decline, the Institute may not be able to reinvest the maturing investment at a rate similar to that of the balance maturing, thereby causing fluctuations in investment income. This is mitigated by the fact that the Institute's pooled fund investments are managed by an experienced fund manager.

The Institute is also subject to interest rate risk given that its bank indebtedness and demand bank loan are at a floating rate of interest. Accordingly, the Institute is susceptible to fluctuations in the bank's prime interest rate.

*Foreign exchange risk*

A portion of the Institute's investment portfolio and cash accounts are denominated in foreign currencies, exposing the Institute to fluctuations in those currencies.

*Credit risk*

The Institute's major source of contract revenue is from the Government of Alberta which is received in monthly instalments as a direct deposit to the Institute's bank account. Sponsorships, grants and pledges receivable are not concentrated in one particular sector or group but are from a broad variety of government agencies and private sector organizations. The Institute's capital grant receivable is due from the Canadian Federal Government (Note 5). Therefore, management is of the opinion that the Institute is not exposed to significant credit risk arising from these financial instruments.

**18. Deposits**

As of March 31, 2026 and 2025, the Institute had a refundable security deposit for surface improvements from the City of Calgary that is reimbursable upon completion of the renovation project.

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**19. Comparative figures**

Certain of the comparative figures presented in these financial statements have been adjusted to conform to the presentation adopted for the current year.

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