

Clearinghouse NMTC, LLC – Nevada Subsidiaries (2012 Allocation)

Combined Financial Statements with Supplementary Information and Report of Independent Auditors

December 31, 2021 and 2020



Report of Independent Auditors

To the Members of the Companies of Clearinghouse NMTC NV Subs (2012 Allocation):

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying combined financial statements of Clearinghouse NMTC (Sub 37), LLC and Clearinghouse NMTC (Sub 40), LLC ("Clearinghouse NMTC NV Subs (2012 Allocation)"), which comprise the combined balance sheets as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related combined statements of income, changes in members' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the combined financial statements.

In our opinion, the combined financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Clearinghouse NMTC NV Subs (2012 Allocation) as of December 31, 2021 and 2021, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Combined Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Clearinghouse NMTC NV Subs (2012 Allocation) and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Combined Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these combined 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 combined financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the combined financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Clearinghouse NMTC NV Subs (2012 Allocation)'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the combined financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Combined Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the combined financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. 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. Misstatements, including omissions, are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the combined financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the combined financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements.
- 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 Clearinghouse NMTC NV Subs (2012 Allocation)'s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the combined financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Clearinghouse NMTC NV Subs (2012 Allocation)'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Report on Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the combined financial statements as a whole. The combining information in the Supplementary Information is presented for purposes of additional analysis of the combined financial statements rather than to present the financial position and results of operations of the individual companies, and is not a required part of the combined 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 combined financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the combined financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the combined financial statements or to the combined financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the combined financial statements as a whole.

Novogradae & Company LLP

Long Beach, California March 29, 2022

Combined Balance Sheets

December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021			2020
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Loans receivable	\$	2,000 2,000,000	\$	2,000 2,000,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	2,002,000	\$	2,002,000
MEMBERS' EQUITY	\$	2,002,000	\$	2,002,000

Combined Statements of Income

For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

		2021	2020		
REVENUE Interest on loans receivable		20,000	\$	20,000	
Total revenue		20,000		20,000	
EXPENSES					
Net income	\$	20,000	\$	20,000	

CLEARINGHOUSE NMTC, LLC - NEVADA SUBSIDIARIES (2012 ALLOCATION) Combined Statements of Changes in Members' Equity

For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2020	\$ 2,002,000
Distributions	(20,000)
Net income	 20,000
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2020	\$ 2,002,000
Distributions	(20,000)
Net income	 20,000
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2021	\$ 2,002,000

Combined Statements of Cash Flows For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

		2021	 2020		
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Net income	\$	20,000	\$ 20,000		
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Distributions		(20,000)	 (20,000)		
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		-	-		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		2,000	 2,000		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$	2,000	\$ 2,000		

1. Organization and purpose

The combined financial statements include the 2 entities listed below (collectively referred to as the "Companies" and individually referred to as "Company"). The Companies are related under common ownership and management of Clearinghouse Community Development Financial Institution ("CDFI" and "Managing Member") in Lake Forest, California. The Companies have a primary mission of providing investment capital for low-income communities or organizations serving low-income persons. The Companies make capital or equity investments in, and loans to, Qualified Active Low-Income Community Businesses ("QALICBs"), as defined in the Nevada New Markets Jobs Act. The Companies' lending is available through tax credit allocations authorized by the State of Nevada Department of Business and Industry and targets qualified businesses in distressed areas ("NMTC Allocations").

Companies

- Clearinghouse NMTC (Sub 37), LLC ("Sub 37")
- Clearinghouse NMTC (Sub 40), LLC ("Sub 40")
- 2. <u>Summary of significant accounting policies and nature of operations</u>

Basis of accounting

The Companies prepare their combined financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis of presentation

The combined financial statements of the Companies include the combined financial statements of the individual subsidiary entities. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in combination.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash balances on deposit with financial institutions and highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the date of acquisition.

Concentration of credit risk

The Companies maintain cash in bank deposit accounts that, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Companies have not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Companies believe they are not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

Economic and geographic concentrations

The Companies lend in the Nevada market. Future operations could be affected by changes in economic or other conditions in that market. Additionally, the Companies' revenues are derived from the loans made to the QALICBs located in low-income communities. Future operations could be affected by changes in economic or other conditions that would affect the businesses of the QALICBs.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies and nature of operations (continued)

Loans receivable and allowance for loan losses

Loans receivable are stated at the amount of unpaid principal, reduced by unearned loan fees and the allowance for loan losses.

The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses charged to expense. The allowance is an amount that management believes is adequate to absorb losses on existing loans that may become uncollectible. The allowance is calculated based on management's assessment of various risk factors in the types of loans the Companies offer. The Companies further consider the impact of market conditions when evaluating the economic risks within the Companies' portfolios.

The Companies evaluate each loan individually to determine if a specific loan loss provision is necessary. A loan is impaired when it is probable that the creditor will be unable to collect all contractual principal and interest payments due in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement. Impaired loans are measured based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or, as a practical expedient, at the loan's observable market price or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. The amount of impairment, if any, and subsequent charges are included in the allowance for loan losses. Cumulative impairment losses as of December 31, 2021 and 2020 were \$2,000,000. There were no impairment losses recognized for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Variable interest entity

FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic 810 addresses how a reporting company should evaluate whether it has a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity ("VIE") through means other than voting rights and under what circumstances the reporting company should consolidate the entity. The Companies have concluded that the QALICBs are VIEs and that the Companies are not the primary beneficiaries as they do not have the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the QALICBs' economic performance and the obligation to absorb the potential losses or right to receive the benefits that could be significant to the QALICBs. As a result, the Companies are not required to consolidate the QALICBs as a result of their variable interests in the QALICBs are limited to their loans receivable balances (see Note 3).

Use of estimates

The preparation of combined financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the combined financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. A material estimate that is particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term relates to the allowance for loan losses provision.

2. <u>Summary of significant accounting policies and nature of operations (continued)</u>

Income taxes

Income taxes on the Companies' income are levied on the members at the member level. Accordingly, income taxes are not recorded on the Companies' books and all profits and losses of the Companies are recognized by each member in its respective tax return.

The preparation of combined financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Companies to report information regarding their exposure to various tax positions taken by the Companies. Management has determined whether any tax positions have met the recognition threshold and has measured the Companies' exposure to those tax positions. Management believes that the Companies have adequately addressed all relevant tax positions and that there are no unrecorded tax liabilities. Federal and state tax authorities generally have the right to examine and audit the previous three years of tax returns filed. Any interest or penalties assessed to the Companies are recorded in operating expenses. No interest or penalties from federal or state tax authorities were recorded in the accompanying combined financial statements.

Interest on loans

Interest on loans is calculated using the simple-interest method on principal amounts outstanding. The accrual of interest on impaired loans is discontinued when a loan becomes 90 days delinquent or, in management's opinion, the borrower may be unable to make payments as they become due. When the accrual of interest is discontinued, all unpaid accrued interest is reversed. Interest income is subsequently recognized only to the extent cash payments are received and the principal balance is believed to be collectible.

Revenue recognition

Interest income is recognized when earned in accordance with the contractual terms of the loan agreements and promissory notes.

Subsequent events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through March 29, 2022, which is the date the combined financial statements were available to be issued, and there are no subsequent events requiring disclosure.

3. Loans receivable

The Companies' loan portfolio is composed of loans that are primarily secured by real estate and commercial properties. This collateral is concentrated in Nevada. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, real estate-secured loans accounted for approximately 100% of total loans.

The Companies evaluate each borrower's creditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. Collateral held generally consists of first-trust deeds on real estate and income-producing commercial properties. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Companies' loan portfolio consisted of loans receivable in the amount of \$2,000,000.

4. <u>Community development subsidiary entities</u>

In November 2013, CDFI was awarded the authority to allocate \$4,000,000 in QEIs to the Companies pursuant to Nevada New Markets Job Act Certification between CDFI and the State of Nevada Department of Business and Industry Director's Office (the "Nevada Allocation Agreement").

Equity investments received will be designated as QEIs ("Nevada QEIs") if they meet the requirements of Senate Bill 357 and the Nevada New Markets Tax Credit Program. Members of the Companies will be allowed to claim NMTCs ("Nevada NMTCs") over five years commencing two years after the initial QEI is made, spanning six years and a day, for any equity investment made by such member that is designated a QEI by CDFI. It is intended that the investor members' capital contributions shall constitute Nevada QEIs in accordance with NRS 231A Nevada New Markets Job Act.

In order to qualify for Nevada NMTCs, CDFI must comply with requirements of Senate Bill 357 and NRS 231A Nevada New Markets Job Act during the seven-year credit period. These requirements include, but are not limited to, ensuring that at least 85% of the Nevada QEIs will be deployed to qualified low-income communities as QLICIs and 30% will be in severely distressed census tracts. Because the tax credits are subject to certain requirements, there can be no assurance that the aggregate amount of tax credits will be realized and failure to meet all such requirements may result in generating a lesser amount of tax credits than expected.

An aggregate of \$2,320,000 of Nevada NMTCs will be generated as a result of \$4,000,000 of Nevada QEIs in the Companies deployed as of December 31, 2021 and 2020. As a result of the Nevada QEIs, the members of the investment funds were eligible for \$0 of Nevada NMTCs for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, all Nevada NMTCs resulting from Nevada QEIs have been generated.

CDFI's board of directors has established an advisory board for CDFI's NMTC activities ("Advisory Board"). The Advisory Board provides insight and guidance to CDFI regarding its NMTC activities. The Advisory Board also ensures that CDFI maintains accountability to the residents of low-income communities within its service areas, as defined in the Nevada New Markets Jobs Act Certification, in accordance with the Nevada New Markets Jobs Act. The Advisory Board solicits feedback from the residents of the low-income communities that they represent as to the investment needs of those particular low-income communities and the success of CDFI in addressing such needs.

4. <u>Community development subsidiary entities (continued)</u>

Clearinghouse NMTC (Sub 37)

In June 2015, Sub 37 entered into the Second Amended and Restated Operating Agreement of Sub 37 (the "Sub 37 Operating Agreement"). Sub 37 is owned 0.01% by CDFI and 99.99% by Stonehenge Nevada NMTC Investment Fund II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Sub 37 Investor Member") (CDFI and the Sub 37 Investor Member are collectively referred to as the "Sub 37 Members"). Sub 37 received \$2,000,000 in NMTC Allocations from the Nevada Department of Business and Industry under the Nevada New Markets Jobs Act. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, Sub 37 received \$2,000,000 of QEIs and made \$2,000,000 of QLICIs.

Pursuant to the Sub 37 Operating Agreement, CDFI and the Sub 37 Investor Member are required to make capital contributions in the amount of \$200 and \$2,000,000, respectively. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, CDFI and the Sub 37 Investor Member made capital contributions in the amount of \$200 and \$2,000,000, respectively.

Profits of Sub 37 shall be allocated in the following order of priority: (1) to the members to the extent of the amount by which the cumulative losses previously allocated exceed the cumulative profits previously allocated to each member, (2) to the members in proportion to their respective percentage interests. Losses shall be allocated first, to the members in proportion to their adjusted capital account balances until their respective adjusted capital account balances have been reduced to zero; and second, to the members in proportion to their respective percentage interests. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, Sub 37 made cumulative distributions in the amount of \$131,000 and \$111,000, respectively.

Clearinghouse NMTC (Sub 40)

In June 2015, Sub 40 entered into the Second Amended and Restated Operating Agreement of Sub 40 (the "Sub 40 Operating Agreement"). Sub 40 is owned 0.01% by CDFI and 99.99% by Stonehenge Nevada NMTC Investment Fund II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Sub 40 Investor Member") (CDFI and the Sub 40 Investor Member are collectively referred to as the "Sub 40 Members"). Sub 40 received \$2,000,000 in NMTC Allocations from the Nevada Department of Business and Industry under the Nevada New Markets Jobs Act. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, Sub 40 received \$2,000,000 of QEIs and made \$2,000,000 of QLICIs. During 2019, the full amount of the QLICI loan receivable balance was determined to be impaired.

Pursuant to the Sub 40 Operating Agreement, CDFI and the Sub 40 Investor Member are required to make capital contributions in the amount of \$200 and \$2,000,000, respectively. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, CDFI and the Sub 40 Investor Member made capital contributions in the amount of \$200 and \$2,000,000, respectively.

Profits of Sub 40 shall be allocated in the following order of priority: (1) to the members to the extent of the amount by which the cumulative losses previously allocated exceed the cumulative profits previously allocated to each member, (2) to the members in proportion to their respective percentage interests. Losses shall be allocated first, to the members in proportion to their adjusted capital account balances until their respective adjusted capital account balances have been reduced to zero; and second, to the members in proportion to their respective percentage interests. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, Sub 40 made cumulative distributions in the amount of \$93,000.

5. <u>Vulnerability – Impact of COVID-19</u>

The severity of the impact of COVID-19 on the Companies' operations will depend on a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the duration and severity of the pandemic and the extent and severity of the impact on the Companies, all of which are uncertain and cannot be predicted. The Companies' future results could be adversely impacted by delays in loan payments. Management is unable to predict with absolute certainty the impact of COVID-19 on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Combining Balance Sheets December 31, 2021

	 Sub 37	Sub 40	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000
Loans receivable	 2,000,000	-	2,000,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,001,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,002,000
MEMBERS' EQUITY	\$ 2,001,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,002,000

Combining Balance Sheets December 31, 2020

	 Sub 37	Sub 40	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents Loans receivable	\$ 1,000 2,000,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000 2,000,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,001,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,002,000
MEMBERS' EQUITY	\$ 2,001,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,002,000

Combining Statements of Income

For the year ended December 31, 2021

		Sub 37	Sub 40	Total		
REVENUE Interest on loans receivable	\$	20,000	\$	-	\$	20,000
Total revenue		20,000		-		20,000
EXPENSES		_		-		
Net income	\$	20,000	\$	-	\$	20,000

Combining Statements of Income

For the year ended December 31, 2020

		Sub 37	Sub 40		Total	
REVENUE Interest on loans receivable	\$	20,000	\$	-	\$	20,000
Total revenue		20,000		-		20,000
EXPENSES		-		-		
Net income	\$	20,000	\$	-	\$	20,000