# Future Scholar 529 College Savings Plan Direct Program

Financial Statements June 30, 2016

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### Management's Discussion and Analysis (unaudited)

As investment manager of the Future Scholar 529 College Savings Plan Direct Program (the Program), Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC (Columbia) provides readers of the financial statements of the Program with this discussion and analysis of the Program's financial performance for the year ended June 30, 2016. You should consider the information presented in this section in conjunction with the Program's financial statements and notes to financial statements. The Program is comprised of 17 investment portfolios (the Portfolios) in which participants may invest.

### **Financial Highlights**

The Program had an inflow of \$69.1 million in net contributions from participants during the year ended June 30, 2016.

The Program had an increase of \$17.7 million from investment operations during the year.

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

The Program's financial statements are prepared in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements- and Management's Discussion and Analysis- for State and Local Government*, as amended.

This report consists of two parts: management's discussion and analysis (this section) and the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are composed of a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and a Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position and Notes to Financial Statements that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed information.

The Statement of Fiduciary Net Position presents information on the Program's assets and liabilities. The difference between assets and liabilities is the net position as of June 30, 2016. The Program's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Contributions and redemptions are recognized on trade date; expenses and liabilities are recognized when services are provided, regardless of when cash is disbursed.

The Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position presents information showing how the Program's net position changed during the year. Changes in net position are recorded as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows in future years.

The Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information that is integral to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

### Management's Discussion and Analysis, continued (unaudited)

#### **Financial Analysis**

**Net Position.** The following is a condensed Statement of Fiduciary Net Position for the Portfolios as of June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015.

	<b>June 30, 2016</b>	June 30, 2015
Investments	\$878,664,576	\$791,819,675
Cash, receivables and other assets	1,086,430	938,265
Total Assets	\$879,751,006	\$792,757,940
Payables	1,134,984	990,432
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,134,984</u>	<u>\$ 990,432</u>
Total Net Position	\$878,616,022	\$791,767,508

Net position represent cumulative contributions from participants plus net changes from operations less withdrawals.

The investments in the 17 Portfolios of the Program comprise 99.9% of total assets. Other assets consist of cash, receivables for securities sold, receivables for units sold and receivables for accrued income. Liabilities consist of payables for securities purchased, payable for units redeemed, payables for distributions of net investment income and other liabilities.

**Changes in Net Position.** The following is a condensed Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position for the Portfolios for the year ended June 30, 2016 and the year ended June 30, 2015.

	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2015
Additions:		
Contributions	\$295,409,307	\$273,499,735
Net change in appreciation (depreciation)		
in value of investments	(2,839,481)	693,889
Net realized gain (loss)	(4,032,090)	2,476,869
Capital gains distributions from		
underlying fund shares	9,944,328	8,019,400
Dividend and interest income	14,642,205	14,435,990
<b>Total Additions</b>	\$313,124,269	\$299,125,883
Deductions:		
Withdrawals	226,275,755	209,676,986
<b>Total Deductions</b>	\$226,275,755	\$209,676,986
Change in Net Position	86,848,514	89,448,897
Net Position, Beginning of Period	791,767,508	702,318,611
Net Position, End of Period	\$878,616,022	<u>\$791,767,508</u>



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

To the Office of the State Treasurer of the State of South Carolina, and Columbia Management Investment Distributors, Inc. and Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC (collectively the "Program Manager")

We have audited the accompanying statement of fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2016 and the related statement of changes in fiduciary net position for each of the two years in the period then ended of the Future Scholar 529 College Savings Plan Direct Program ("Program") comprised of the Portfolios (individually a "Portfolio" and collectively the "Portfolios") as listed in the statement of fiduciary net position and related statements of changes in fiduciary net position (collectively the "financial statements"), and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Program's basic financial statements.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 the 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 our 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, we consider internal control relevant to the Program'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 Program'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.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each Portfolio at June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in its net position for each of the two years in the period then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 23, 2016 on our consideration of the Program's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts 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 the Program's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

### **Other Matter**

The accompanying management's discussion and analysis on pages 1 through 2 are required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a 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 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.

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements present only the Portfolios and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the fiduciary net position or changes in fiduciary net position of the South Carolina College Investment Trust Fund, the Future Scholar 529 College Savings Plan Financial Advisor Program or the State of South Carolina.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Program's basic financial statements. The computation of net asset value on the statement of fiduciary net position and the combined totals on the statement of fiduciary net position and statements of changes in fiduciary net position are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The 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 the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves and other records used to prepare 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 computation of net asset value on the statement of fiduciary net position and the combined totals on the statement of fiduciary net position and the statements taken as a whole.

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September 23, 2016

	Future Scholar Aggressive Growth Portfolio	Future Scholar Growth Portfolio	Future Scholar Moderate Growth Portfolio
Assets			
Investments, at value	\$ 157,361,896	\$ 128,976,066	\$ 143,294,904
Cash	-	-	-
Receivable for securities sold	-	-	-
Receivable for units sold	33,486	22,144	22,426
Receivable for accrued income	30,011	50,356	106,653
Other assets			40,844
Total assets	157,425,393	129,048,566	143,464,827
Liabilities			
Due to custodian	-	-	-
Payable for securities purchased	52,424	72,503	129,086
Payable for units redeemed	46,382	-	-
Payable for distributions of net investment income	-	-	-
Other liabilities	41,401	50,283	
Total liabilities	140,207	122,786	129,086
Net position	\$ 157,285,186	<u>\$ 128,925,780</u>	<u>\$ 143,335,741</u>
Units outstanding	6,726,403	5,586,607	6,439,769
Value per unit	\$ 23.38	<u>\$ 23.08</u>	\$ 22.26

	Future Scholar Moderate Portfolio	Future Scholar Conservative Portfolio		
Assets				
Investments, at value	\$ 148,423,764	\$ 76,053,373	\$ 71,233,380	
Cash	-	-	-	
Receivable for securities sold	-	-	-	
Receivable for units sold	29,354	15,333	140,345	
Receivable for accrued income	130,835	75,019	70,517	
Other assets				
Total assets	148,583,953	76,143,725	71,444,242	
Liabilities				
Due to custodian	-	-	-	
Payable for securities purchased	160,198	76,911	153,995	
Payable for units redeemed	-	13,445	56,821	
Payable for distributions of net investment income	-	-	-	
Other liabilities				
Total liabilities	160,198	90,356	210,816	
Net position	\$ 148,423,755	<u>\$ 76,053,369</u>	<u>\$ 71,233,426</u>	
Units outstanding	6,945,958	4,133,464	4,457,537	
Value per unit	<u>\$ 21.37</u>	<u>\$ 18.40</u>	<u>\$ 15.98</u>	

	Fu	iture Scholar College Portfolio	 iture Scholar Large Cap Index Portfolio	Fu	iture Scholar Mid Cap Index Portfolio
Assets					
Investments, at value	\$	18,040,199	\$ 35,935,730	\$	28,055,993
Cash		-	-		-
Receivable for securities sold		-	-		-
Receivable for units sold		100,592	4,202		4,077
Receivable for accrued income		19,415	-		-
Other assets			 		
Total assets		18,160,206	 35,939,932		28,060,070
Liabilities					
Due to custodian		-	-		-
Payable for securities purchased		112,536	4,202		1,179
Payable for units redeemed		7,472	12,512		19,960
Payable for distributions of net investment income		-	-		-
Other liabilities			 _		
Total liabilities		120,008	 16,714		21,139
Net position	\$	18,040,198	\$ 35,923,218	\$	28,038,931
Units outstanding		1,737,317	 1,547,054		853,657
Value per unit	\$	10.38	\$ 23.22	\$	32.85

	Future Scholar Small Cap Index Portfolio	Future Scholar International Equity Index Portfolio	Future Scholar Bond Index Portfolio		
Assets					
Investments, at value	\$ 11,528,593	\$ 4,919,809	\$ 1,413,445		
Cash	-	-	-		
Receivable for securities sold	-	-	-		
Receivable for units sold	646	228	45,926		
Receivable for accrued income	-	-	2,754		
Other assets	-	-	-		
Total assets	11,529,239	4,920,037	1,462,125		
Liabilities					
Due to custodian	-	-	-		
Payable for securities purchased	646	228	3,082		
Payable for units redeemed	14,498	11,819	-		
Payable for distributions of net investment income	-	-	-		
Other liabilities		2,561	225		
Total liabilities	15,144	14,608	3,307		
Net position	<u>\$ 11,514,095</u>	\$ 4,905,429	<u>\$ 1,458,818</u>		
Units outstanding	493,610	433,852	133,087		
Value per unit	\$ 23.33	<u>\$ 11.31</u>	<u>\$ 10.96</u>		

	Future Scholar Short Term Bond Index Portfolio		Future Scholar TIPS Bond ETF Portfolio		Sł	ure Scholar Ultra nort Term Bond Portfolio
Assets						
Investments, at value	\$	2,160,734	\$	480,797	\$	638,297
Cash		-		257		-
Receivable for securities sold		-		-		-
Receivable for units sold		24,527		21,340		50
Receivable for accrued income		2,643		-		441
Other assets						41
Total assets		2,187,904		502,394		638,829
Liabilities						
Due to custodian		-		-		-
Payable for securities purchased		2,893		117		491
Payable for units redeemed		-		-		-
Payable for distributions of net investment income		-		-		-
Other liabilities						
Total liabilities		2,893		117		491
Net position	\$	2,185,011	\$	502,277	\$	638,338
Units outstanding		207,686		50,398		62,670
Value per unit	\$	10.52	\$	9.97	\$	10.19

	Future Scholar Legacy Capital Preservation Portfolio	Future Scholar Bank Deposit Portfolio	Total Future Scholar 529 Savings Plan Direct Program (a)
Assets			
Investments, at value	\$ 34,894,636	\$ 15,252,960	\$ 878,664,576
Cash	-	-	257
Receivable for securities sold	49,406	-	49,406
Receivable for units sold	16,566	21,142	502,384
Receivable for accrued income	193	4,661	493,498
Other assets			40,885
Total assets	34,960,801	15,278,763	879,751,006
Liabilities			
Due to custodian	3,093	-	3,093
Payable for securities purchased	-	11,570	782,061
Payable for units redeemed	48,736	4,955	236,600
Payable for distributions of net investment income	14,143	4,617	18,760
Other liabilities			94,470
Total liabilities	65,972	21,142	1,134,984
Net position	\$ 34,894,829	\$ 15,257,621	\$ 878,616,022
Units outstanding	34,894,822	15,257,621	
Value per unit	<u>\$ 1.00</u>	<u>\$ 1.00</u>	

(a) Supplementary data.

	Future Scholar Aggressive Growth Portfolio					Future Scholar Growth Portfolio			
		Year ended une 30, 2016	Year ended June 30, 2015		Year ended June 30, 2016			Year ended une 30, 2015	
Additions									
Contributions - units sold	\$	29,169,331	\$	30,020,673	\$	38,563,420	\$	39,099,338	
Increase (decrease) from investment operations									
Dividend income		2,845,036		3,105,913		2,395,747		2,421,788	
Interest income		-		-		-		-	
Net realized gain (loss)		(1,739,258)		1,596,183		(807,450)		445,781	
Capital gain distributions from underlying fund shares Net change in appreciation (depreciation)		2,308,404		2,055,531		1,563,177		1,318,256	
in value of investments		(3,027,707)		(568,497)		(1,235,130)		351,022	
Net increase (decrease) in net assets									
resulting from operations		386,475	_	6,189,130	_	1,916,344	_	4,536,847	
Total additions	_	29,555,806	_	36,209,803	_	40,479,764	_	43,636,185	
Deductions									
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	26,891,046	\$	28,358,434	\$	30,653,528	\$	33,404,204	
Net increase (decrease)	\$	2,664,760	\$	7,851,369	\$	9,826,236	\$	10,231,981	
Net position at beginning of year		154,620,426		146,769,057		119,099,544		108,867,563	
Net position at end of year	\$	157,285,186	\$	154,620,426	\$	128,925,780	\$	119,099,544	

	Future Scholar Moderate Growth Portfolio				Future Scholar Moderate Portfolio			
	Year ended June 30, 2016		Year ended June 30, 2015		Year ended June 30, 2016			Year ended une 30, 2015
Additions								
Contributions - units sold	\$	42,837,483	\$	43,706,018	\$	46,902,156	\$	41,723,204
Increase (decrease) from investment operations								
Dividend income		2,766,112		2,836,952		2,791,265		2,675,976
Interest income		-		-		-		-
Net realized gain (loss)		(599,046)		342,305		(124,537)		95,307
Capital gain distributions from underlying fund shares Net change in appreciation (depreciation)		1,510,435		1,235,631		1,289,338		1,006,646
in value of investments		21,009		29,043		754,004		244,489
Net increase (decrease) in net assets								
resulting from operations	_	3,698,510		4,443,931	_	4,710,070	_	4,022,418
Total additions	_	46,535,993		48,149,949	_	51,612,226		45,745,622
Deductions								
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	36,465,036	\$	34,405,489	\$	32,769,953	\$	29,218,258
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Net increase (decrease)	\$	10,070,957	\$	13,744,460	\$	18,842,273	\$	16,527,364
Net position at beginning of year		133,264,784		119,520,324	_	129,581,482		113,054,118
Net position at end of year	\$	143,335,741	\$	133,264,784	\$	148,423,755	\$	129,581,482

	Future Scholar Moderately Conservative Portfolio				Future Scholar Conservative Portfolio			
			Year ended Year ended   1ne 30, 2015 June 30, 2016				Year ended 1ne 30, 2015	
Additions								
Contributions - units sold	\$	39,709,749	\$	31,564,693	\$	38,767,207	\$	32,882,797
Increase (decrease) from investment operations								
Dividend income		1,205,978		1,045,831		966,170		772,535
Interest income		-		-		-		-
Net realized gain (loss)		(178,344)		1,438		(178,866)		67,122
Capital gain distributions from underlying fund shares Net change in appreciation (depreciation)		398,230		295,251		123,665		103,322
in value of investments		1,031,430		(74,600)		1,415,609		(76,386)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations		2,457,294		1,267,920		2,326,578		866,593
Total additions	_	42,167,043	_	32,832,613	_	41,093,785	_	33,749,390
Deductions								
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	29,154,944	\$	22,844,759	\$	29,881,717	\$	25,066,357
Net increase (decrease)	\$	13,012,099	\$	9,987,854	\$	11,212,068	\$	8,683,033
Net position at beginning of year		63,041,270		53,053,416		60,021,358		51,338,325
Net position at end of year	\$	76,053,369	\$	63,041,270	\$	71,233,426	\$	60,021,358

	Future Scholar College Portfolio			Future Scholar Large Cap Index Portfolio				
		Year ended one 30, 2016		Year ended ine 30, 2015		Year ended 1110 10, 2016		Year ended ine 30, 2015
Additions								
Contributions - units sold	\$	15,400,660	\$	10,714,255	\$	5,782,048	\$	6,698,099
Increase (decrease) from investment operations								
Dividend income		184,087		101,883		627,727		680,490
Interest income		-		-		-		-
Net realized gain (loss)		(66,578)		1,822		(46,103)		3,298
Capital gain distributions from underlying fund shares Net change in appreciation (depreciation)		9,494		2,610		-		94,527
in value of investments		313,001		(93,855)		788,724		1,264,723
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations		440,004		12,460		1,370,348		2,043,038
Total additions		15,840,664		10,726,715		7,152,396		8,741,137
Deductions								
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	9,089,721	\$	5,498,402	\$	3,221,579	\$	4,091,234
Net increase (decrease)	\$	6,750,943	\$	5,228,313	\$	3,930,817	\$	4,649,903
Net position at beginning of year		11,289,255		6,060,942		31,992,401		27,342,498
Net position at end of year	\$	18,040,198	\$	11,289,255	\$	35,923,218	\$	31,992,401

	Future Scholar Mid Cap Index Portfolio				Future Scholar Small Cap Index Portfolio				
		Year ended Ine 30, 2016		Year ended ine 30, 2015	-	Year ended ane 30, 2016		lear ended ine 30, 2015	
Additions									
Contributions - units sold	\$	3,860,275	\$	5,157,671	\$	2,003,569	\$	2,251,833	
Increase (decrease) from investment operations									
Dividend income		322,358		270,921		132,428		99,451	
Interest income		-		-		-		-	
Net realized gain (loss)		(109,649)		(15,730)		(96,894)		(23,435)	
Capital gain distributions from underlying fund shares Net change in appreciation (depreciation)		1,882,272		1,259,185		856,225		646,219	
in value of investments		(1,680,410)		(60,858)		(875,133)		(94,896)	
Net increase (decrease) in net assets									
resulting from operations		414,571		1,453,518		16,626		627,339	
Total additions	_	4,274,846	_	6,611,189		2,020,195		2,879,172	
Deductions									
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	2,183,186	\$	3,192,192	\$	1,076,429	\$	1,656,595	
Net increase (decrease)	\$	2,091,660	\$	3,418,997	\$	943,766	\$	1,222,577	
Net position at beginning of year		25,947,271		22,528,274		10,570,329		9,347,752	
Net position at end of year	\$	28,038,931	\$	25,947,271	\$	11,514,095	\$	10,570,329	

	Future Scholar International Equity Index Portfolio				Future Scholar Bond Index Portfolio				
		ear ended ne 30, 2016		Year ended ane 30, 2015		/ear ended ne 30, 2016		ear ended ne 30, 2015	
Additions									
Contributions - units sold	\$	1,603,136	\$	1,621,473	\$	735,347	\$	628,574	
Increase (decrease) from investment									
operations									
Dividend income		129,918		110,012		31,089		23,791	
Interest income		-		-		-		-	
Net realized gain (loss)		(57,673)		(23,407)		(9,635)		(3,616)	
Capital gain distributions from underlying fund shares		-		-		1,745		-	
Net change in appreciation (depreciation)									
in value of investments		(454,881)		(209,452)		52,551		(8,435)	
Net increase (decrease) in net assets									
resulting from operations		(382,636)	_	(122,847)		75,750		11,740	
Total additions		1,220,500	_	1,498,626	_	811,097		640,314	
Deductions									
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	574,102	\$	487,401	\$	509,571	\$	169,867	
Net increase (decrease)	\$	646,398	\$	1,011,225	\$	301,526	\$	470,447	
Net position at beginning of year		4,259,031		3,247,806		1,157,292		686,845	
Net position at end of year	\$	4,905,429	\$	4,259,031	\$	1,458,818	\$	1,157,292	

	Future Scholar Short Term Bond Index Portfolio				Future TIPS ETF Po	ond		
	Year ended June 30, 2016		Year ended June 30, 2015		Year ended June 30, 2016		-	ear ended ne 30, 2015
Additions	¢		¢	1 1 50 000	¢	116.000	¢	15( 202
Contributions - units sold	\$	638,444	\$	1,158,892	\$	116,908	\$	176,382
Increase (decrease) from investment								
operations								
Dividend income		28,492		18,745		1,818		3,919
Interest income		-		-		-		-
Net realized gain (loss)		(4,876)		(2,338)		(12,968)		(7,679)
Capital gain distributions from		1 0 10						
underlying fund shares		1,343		2,222		-		-
Net change in appreciation (depreciation)		26 705		(1,01,4)		20.297		(7,021)
in value of investments		26,795		(1,014)		29,287		(7,031)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets						10 105		
resulting from operations		51,754		17,615		18,137		(10,791)
Total additions		690,198	_	1,176,507	_	135,045		165,591
Deductions								
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	491,212	\$	237,972	\$	127,759	\$	121,506
	Ψ	191,212	Ψ	231,912		121,105	Ψ	121,000
Net increase (decrease)	\$	198,986	\$	938,535	\$	7,286	\$	44,085
Net position at beginning of year		1,986,025		1,047,490		494,991		450,906
Net position at end of year	\$	2,185,011	\$	1,986,025	\$	502,277	\$	494,991

	Future Scholar Ultra Short Term Bond Portfolio			Future Scholar Legacy Capital Preservation Portfolio				
		ear ended	Year ended June 30, 2015		Year ended June 30, 2016		-	Year ended
Additions	Jui	ne 30, 2016	<u>J</u>	une 30, 2015	<u>J</u>	<u>ine 30, 2010</u>	JU	ine 30, 2015
Contributions - units sold	\$	500,028	\$	365,445	\$	14,021,568	\$	15,828,195
Increase (decrease) from investment								
operations								
Dividend income		2,908		1,405		2,163		1,481
Interest income		-		-		176,748		256,673
Net realized gain (loss)		(213)		(182)		-		-
Capital gain distributions from								
underlying fund shares Net change in appreciation (depreciation)		-		-		-		-
in value of investments		1,370		(364)		_		_
		1,570	_	(304)				
Net increase (decrease) in net assets		1 065		859		179 011		250 154
resulting from operations		4,065	_			178,911		258,154
Total additions		504,093	_	366,304	_	14,200,479	_	16,086,349
Deductions								
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	318,446	\$	248,558	\$	13,547,552	\$	14,551,760
Net increase (decrease)	\$	185,647	\$	117,746	\$	652,927	\$	1,534,589
Net position at beginning of year		452,691		334,945		34,241,902		32,707,313
Net position at end of year	\$	638,338	\$	452,691	\$	34,894,829	\$	34,241,902

	Future Scholar Bank Deposit Portfolio				Total Future Scholar 529 College Savings Plan Direct Program (a)				
	-	Year ended 111 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10		ear ended ne 30, 2015	Year ended June 30, 2016	Year ended June 30, 2015			
Additions									
Contributions - units sold	\$	14,797,978	\$	9,902,193	\$ 295,409,307	\$ 273,499,735			
Increase (decrease) from investment operations									
Dividend income		32,161		8,224	14,465,457	14,179,317			
Interest income		-		-	176,748	256,673			
Net realized gain (loss)		-		-	(4,032,090)	2,476,869			
Capital gain distributions from underlying fund shares Net change in appreciation (depreciation) in value of investments		-		-	9,944,328	8,019,400 693,889			
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations		32,161		8,224	17,714,962	25,626,148			
Total additions	_	14,830,139		9,910,417	313,124,269	299,125,883			
Deductions									
Withdrawals - units redeemed	\$	9,319,974	\$	6,123,998	\$ 226,275,755	\$ 209,676,986			
Net increase (decrease) Net position at beginning of year	\$	5,510,165 9,747,456	\$	3,786,419 5,961,037	\$ 86,848,514 791,767,508	\$ 89,448,897 702,318,611			
Net position at end of year	\$	15,257,621	\$	9,747,456	\$ 878,616,022	<u>\$ 791,767,508</u>			

(a) Supplementary data.

### FUTURE SCHOLAR 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN DIRECT PROGRAM Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2016

#### Note 1. Organization

The Future Scholar 529 College Savings Plan Direct Program (the Program), part of the South Carolina College Investment Trust Fund (the Trust Fund), was established by the Office of the State Treasurer of South Carolina (the Treasurer) to provide a tax-advantaged method to fund qualified higher education expenses of designated beneficiaries at eligible educational institutions. The Program has been designed to comply with the requirements for treatment as a "qualified tuition program" under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code). The Treasurer is responsible for administering the Program and selecting the Program Manager. Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC (Columbia) and Columbia Management Investment Distributors, Inc. (collectively, the Program Manager), each a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. (Ameriprise Financial), serve as the Program Manager. The Program Manager and its affiliates are responsible for providing certain administrative, recordkeeping and investment services for the Program.

The Program is designed for self-directed investors and is offered only to account owners who are: (i) South Carolina residents; (ii) residents of other states but who have designated a South Carolina resident as Designated Beneficiary; (iii) employees of Ameriprise Financial and its affiliates, and employees of BFDS; (iv) employees of the State of South Carolina and employees of a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina, including school districts, regardless of residency; and (v) any other account owners whom the Treasurer and Program Manager deem eligible. The Program consists of 17 portfolios of which seven are target allocation portfolios and ten are single fund portfolios (collectively the Portfolios).

The target allocation portfolios invest primarily in a mix of equity and fixed income funds (the Underlying Funds). The single fund portfolios invest in a single Underlying Fund, with the exception of the Future Scholar Legacy Capital Preservation Portfolio, which also invests in one or more funding agreements and the Future Scholar Bank Deposit Portfolio which invests all of its assets in an interest-bearing Bank Deposit Account. The Underlying Funds are advised by Columbia or its affiliates, BlackRock Fund Advisors or The Vanguard Group Inc. The Portfolios were invested in the following underlying investments as of June 30, 2016:

### **Target Allocation Portfolios:**

**Future Scholar Aggressive Growth Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Large Cap Index Fund, Columbia Mid Cap Index Fund and Columbia Small Cap Index Fund, Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund, Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund and Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund.

**Future Scholar Growth Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Large Cap Index Fund, Columbia Mid Cap Index Fund and Columbia Small Cap Index Fund, Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund, Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund and Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund.

**Future Scholar Moderate Growth Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Large Cap Index Fund, Columbia Mid Cap Index Fund and Columbia Small Cap Index Fund, Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund, Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund and Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund and the iShares TIPS Bond ETF.

**Future Scholar Moderate Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Large Cap Index Fund, Columbia Mid Cap Index Fund and Columbia Small Cap Index Fund, Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund, Vanguard Short Term Bond Index Fund, Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund and Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund.

**Future Scholar Moderately Conservative Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Large Cap Index Fund, Columbia Mid Cap Index Fund and Columbia Small Cap Index Fund, Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund, Vanguard Short Term Bond Index Fund, Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund and Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund and the iShares TIPS Bond ETF.

**Future Scholar Conservative Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Large Cap Index Fund and Columbia Mid Cap Index Fund, Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Short Term Bond Index Fund, Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund and Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund and the iShares TIPS Bond ETF.

**Future Scholar College Portfolio** was invested in Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund, Vanguard Short Term Bond Index Fund, Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund and the iShares TIPS Bond ETF.

#### Single Fund Portfolio:

**Future Scholar Large Cap Index Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Large Cap Index Fund.

Future Scholar Mid Cap Index Portfolio was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Mid Cap Index Fund.

**Future Scholar Small Cap Index Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the Columbia Small Cap Index Fund.

**Future Scholar International Equity Index Portfolio** was invested in Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund.

**Future Scholar Bond Index Portfolio** was invested in Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund.

**Future Scholar Short Term Bond Index Portfolio** was invested in Institutional Class shares of the Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Fund.

Future Scholar TIPS Bond ETF Portfolio was invested in the iShares TIPS Bond ETF.

**Future Scholar Ultra Short Term Bond Portfolio** was invested in Class Z shares of the CMG Ultra Short Term Bond Fund.

**Future Scholar Legacy Capital Preservation Portfolio** was invested in the Aegon Guaranteed Investment Contract (GIC) and Class Z shares of the Columbia Money Market Fund.

**Future Scholar Bank Deposit Portfolio** was invested in an interest bearing bank account at Bank Branching and Trust Company.

Financial statements of the Underlying Funds in which the Portfolios invest contain additional information about the expenses and investments of the underlying mutual funds and are available from the EDGAR database on the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) website at http://www.sec.gov.

These financial statements present only the Program, and do not purport to, and do not, present the fiduciary position or changes in fiduciary net position of the Trust Fund, the Future Scholar 529 College Savings Plan Financial Advisor Program or the State of South Carolina.

#### Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies

### **Basis of Presentation**

The Program is a private-purpose trust fund, which is a type of fiduciary fund. Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore cannot be used to support a government's own programs. As a fiduciary fund, the Program's financial statements are prepared using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Under this method of accounting, revenues are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flow.

As permitted by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 20, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting*, the Plan has elected not to adopt Financial Accounting Standard Board (FASB) statements and interpretations issued after November 30, 1989, unless GASB specifically adopts such FASB statements or interpretations.

### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts included in the financial statements and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Investment Transactions and Investment Income**

Investment transactions are recorded on the trade date. Income dividends and any capital gain distributions received from the Underlying Funds are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income on the GIC is recorded on the accrual basis. Realized gains and losses on investment transactions are computed based on the specific identification of securities sold. The investment income earned by each Portfolio is reinvested in additional units of its Underlying Fund(s). Investment income earned by the Future Scholar Legacy Capital Preservation Portfolio and Future Scholar Bank Deposit Portfolio is distributed and reinvested into additional units of the Portfolio in order to maintain a net position value of \$1 per unit. The reinvested net investment income is included in Contributions - units sold in the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position.

#### **Security Valuation**

Investments in the Underlying Funds are valued at their respective net asset values and are determined as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (generally 4:00 PM Eastern time) on the valuation date. The Program's investments represent shares of the Underlying Funds, rather than individual securities and therefore are not subject to classification by custodial credit risk or disclosure of concentration of credit risk under GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures*.

The Future Scholar Legacy Capital Preservation Portfolio invests in a traditional GIC issued by Transamerica Life Insurance and Annuity Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Aegon. The value of the GIC is the sum of the net cash contributions to the deposit account plus interest credited minus withdrawals (the Contract Value). The GIC is a contractual investment rather than a security and is not deemed to be subject to custodial credit risk. However, there is a risk that an insurance company could fail to perform its obligations under a funding agreement for financial or other reasons. Effective June 1, 2010, the GIC is no longer accepting additional cash contributions to the deposit account and begun a wind-down phase on October 1, 2010 and will remain in effect until August 1, 2017.

#### Units

The beneficial interests of each account owner and beneficiary in the net position of the Portfolios are represented by units. Once a contribution or withdrawal request is accepted and processed by the Program Manager, the activity is recorded based upon the next determined net position value per unit. Net position value per unit is determined each business day. There are no distributions of net investment income or realized gains to the Portfolios' account owners or beneficiaries of the Program in accordance with the Code. Also, any earnings on contributions are generally not subject to federal income tax when used to pay for qualified higher education expenses as defined in the Code.

### **Federal Income Taxes**

The Trust Fund intends to qualify each year as a qualified tuition program under the Code, which provides exemption from federal income tax. Under South Carolina State law, the Trust Fund will not pay a South Carolina franchise tax or other tax based on income. Therefore, no provision for federal or state income taxes has been recorded. Amounts withdrawn for reasons other than payment of qualified higher education expenses generally will be subject to a 10% federal tax penalty on earnings in addition to the income tax that is due. These taxes would be payable directly by unitholders and are therefore not deducted from the assets of the Portfolios.

### Indemnification

In the normal course of business, the Program enters into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which provide general indemnities. The Program's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown because this would involve future claims against the Program. Also, under the Program's organizational documents and by contract, the Program, the Treasurer, the State of South Carolina, Ameriprise Financial and its affiliates and Columbia and its affiliates are indemnified against certain liabilities that may arise out of actions relating to their duties to the Program. However, based on experience, the Program expects the risk of loss due to these representations, warranties and indemnities to be minimal.

### Note 3. Related Party Transactions

The Treasurer has entered into a contract for program management services (the Management Agreement) with the Program Manager, pursuant to which the Program Manager provides program management, distribution and investment advisory services to the Portfolios. The Program Manager does not receive a fee for its services from the Portfolios. Transfer agent, legal, audit, printing and other expenses incurred by the Portfolios are also paid by the Program Manager.

The Program Manager receives an administration and distribution fee equal to the annual rate of 0.10% of the Future Scholar Legacy Capital Preservation Portfolio's average daily net position invested in the funding agreement issued by Transamerica Life Insurance and Annuity Company, the initial investment of the Portfolio. This fee is paid by the issuer of the funding agreement and not by the Portfolio.

#### **Underlying Investment Expenses**

The Program indirectly bears a pro rata share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Funds in which it invests.

### Note 4. Disclosure of Significant Risks and Contingencies

#### **Foreign Securities**

Certain Underlying Funds invest in foreign securities. There are certain additional risks involved when investing in foreign securities that are not inherent with investments in domestic securities. These risks may involve foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, adverse political and economic developments and the possible prevention of currency exchange or other foreign governmental laws or restrictions. In addition, the liquidity of foreign securities may be more limited than that of domestic securities. The following represents the value at June 30,

2016 of Underlying Funds, by Portfolio, which have the majority of their investments exposed to foreign securities.

Portfolio	Underlying Fund	Value
Future Scholar Aggressive Growth Portfolio	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	\$33,956,688
Future Scholar Growth Portfolio	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	22,303,622
Future Scholar Moderate Growth Portfolio	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	18,444,102
Future Scholar Moderate Portfolio	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	14,376,098
Future Scholar Moderately Conservative Portfolio	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	4,177,316
Future Scholar International Equity Index Portfolio	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	4,919,809

### **Interest Rate and Credit Risk**

Certain Underlying Funds invest in fixed-income securities. Investing in fixed-income securities may involve certain risks, including the credit quality of individual issuers, possible prepayments, market or economic developments and yields and share price fluctuations due to changes in interest rates. The Underlying Funds in which the Portfolios invest are not rated by any nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

#### Non-Payment Risk

Certain Underlying Funds may invest in senior loans, which like other corporate debt obligations are subject to the risk of non-payment of scheduled interest and/or principal. Nonpayment would result in a reduction of income to the underlying fund, a reduction in the value of the senior loan experiencing non-payment and a potential decrease in the net asset value of the Underlying Fund.

#### Note 5. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated the events and transactions that have occurred through the date the financial statements were issued and noted no items requiring adjustment of the financial statements or additional disclosure.

### Note 6. Information Regarding Pending and Settled Legal Proceedings

Ameriprise Financial and certain of its affiliates have historically been involved in a number of legal, arbitration and regulatory proceedings, including routine litigation, class actions, and governmental actions, concerning matters arising in connection with the conduct of their business activities. Ameriprise Financial believes that the Portfolios are not currently the subject of, and that neither Ameriprise Financial nor any of its affiliates are the subject of, any pending legal, arbitration or regulatory proceedings that are likely to have a material adverse effect on the Portfolios or the ability of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates to perform under their contracts with the Portfolios. Ameriprise Financial is required to make 10-Q, 10-K and, as necessary, 8-K filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on legal and regulatory matters that relate to Ameriprise Financial and its affiliates. Copies of these filings may be obtained by accessing the SEC website at www.sec.gov. There can be no assurance that these matters, or the adverse publicity associated with them, will not result in increased fund redemptions, reduced sale of fund shares or other adverse consequences to the Portfolios. Further, although we believe proceedings are not likely to have a material adverse effect on the Portfolios or the ability of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates to perform under their contracts with the Portfolios, these proceedings are subject to uncertainties and, as such, we are unable to estimate the possible loss or range of loss that may result. An adverse outcome in one or more of these proceedings could result in adverse judgments, settlements, fines, penalties or other relief that could have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial condition or results of operations of Ameriprise Financial.