

# **GREAT GRAY COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT TRUST**

# MONEY MARKET FUND

# **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# **DECEMBER 31, 2023**

WITH

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Great Gray Trust Company, LLC, Trustee for Great Gray Collective Investment Trust

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Money Market Fund of Great Gray Collective Investment Trust (the "Fund"), which comprise the statement of assets and liabilities, including the schedule of investments, as of December 31, 2023, the related statements of operations and changes in net assets, and the financial highlights for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. These financial statements and financial highlights are hereinafter collectively referred to as financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2023, and the results of its operations, changes in its net assets and its financial highlights for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). 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 required to be independent of the Fund and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. 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 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, and for 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.

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

#### 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 absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS 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 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 financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the 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 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 the
  Fund'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 financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Fund'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.

#### **Other Matter**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements of the Fund as a whole. The supplementary information for the year ended December 31, 2023, following the schedule of investments, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the 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 financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

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Tulsa, Oklahoma April 29, 2024



#### **Money Market Fund**

#### Schedule of Investments December 31, 2023

	Principal Amount or Shares	Cost		Fair Value
Money Market Funds - 101.1%				
BlackRock Liquidity Fed Fund Institutional Class	6,665,889	\$ 6,665,889	\$	6,665,889
Total Money Market Funds		6,665,889		6,665,889
Total Investments - 101.1%		\$ 6,665,889		6,665,889
Other Assets and Liabilities, Net - (1.1)%			-	(72,760)
Net Assets - 100.0%			\$	6,593,129

The following is a summary of the fair value of the investments in the Fund based on the inputs used to value them as of December 31, 2023 (see Note 3 in Notes to the Financial Statements):

	Fair Value Measurements							
	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3			Total
Money Market Funds	\$ 6,665,889	\$	-	\$		-	\$	6,665,889
Total	\$ 6,665,889	\$	-	\$		-	\$	6,665,889

**Concentration of Ownership:** As of December 31, 2023, the Fund had three unitholders holding 10% or more of the outstanding units of the Fund, and aggregated to 77.4% of the Fund's total units outstanding.

Supplementary Information: Total investment purchases, sales proceeds, and realized gain for the year ended December 31, 2023, were:

	Purchases at Cost		Sales Proceeds	Realized Gain		
Money Market	\$	4,594,260	\$ 4,401,250	\$	-	-

# Money Market Fund

Statement of Assets and Liabilities December 31, 2023	
Assets Investments in securities, at fair value (cost \$6,665,889) Dividends receivable Receivable for fund units sold Total assets	\$ 6,665,889 29,797 <u>11</u> 6,695,697
Liabilities Distributions payable Payable to custodian Accrued trustee and administrative service fees Payable for investment securities purchased Total liabilities	 100,343 1,357 857 11 102,568
Net Assets	\$ 6,593,129
Statement of Operations For the year ended December 31, 2023	
Investment Income (Loss)	
<b>Income</b> Dividends Total income	\$ <u>314,404</u> 314,404
<b>Expenses</b> Trustee and administrative services fees Total expenses Net investment income	 3,351 3,351 311,053
Increase in net assets from operations	\$ 311,053

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

# Money Market Fund

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets For the year ended December 31, 2023

Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Operations Net investment income Increase in net assets from operations	\$ <u>311,053</u> 311,053
<b>Distributions to participants</b> Distributions from net investment income	(311,097)
Unit transactions Proceeds from units issued Class 0IM Class R Total proceeds from units issued	4,643,362 
Value of units redeemed Class 0IM Class R Total value of units redeemed Increase in net assets resulting from unit transactions Increase in net assets Net assets, beginning of year	(4,587,609) (67,563) (4,655,172) 172,631 172,587 6,420,542
Net assets, end of year	\$ 6,593,129

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

#### **Money Market Fund**

#### Financial Highlights For the year ended December 31, 2023

Per Unit Operating Performance	(	Class OIM	Class R
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$	1.00	\$ 1.00
Investment operations:			
Net investment income <sup>(1)</sup>		0.05	0.05
Total from investment operations		0.05	0.05
Distributions from net investment income <sup>(1)</sup>		(0.05)	(0.05)
Net asset value, end of year	\$	1.00	\$ 1.00
Total Return		5.05%	4.96%
Supplemental Data			
Ratio to average net assets: <sup>(2)</sup>			
Expenses		0.03%	0.13%
Net investment income		4.92%	4.83%
Unit Activity			
Units, beginning of year		5,028,116	1,392,425
Issued		4,643,361	184,442
Redeemed		(4,587,608)	(67,563)
Units, end of year		5,083,869	 1,509,304

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on average units outstanding.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Fund invests in an Underlying Fund and indirectly bears its proportionate share of fees and expenses incurred by the Underlying Fund in which the Fund is invested. This ratio does not include these indirect fees and expenses.

## **Money Market Fund**

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### December 31, 2023

#### Note 1 – Organization

Great Gray Collective Investment Trust (the "Trust") is intended to constitute an exempt trust under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and a group trust within the meaning of Rev. Rul. 81-100, as amended. The Trust is exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Great Gray Trust Company, LLC (the "Trustee") serves as the Trustee of the Trust.

The Trustee is responsible for maintaining and administering the Trust and maintains ultimate fiduciary authority over the management of and investments made in the Money Market Fund (the "Fund") and also serves as investment manager (the "Investment Manager") to the Fund. Northern Trust Company provides custody, transfer agency, and accounting services for the Fund.

On December 19, 2022, Madison Dearborn Partners, LLC ("MDP"), a registered investment adviser and leading private equity firm based in Chicago, announced an agreement with Wilmington Trust, N.A. ("WTNA"), under which investment funds controlled by MDP would acquire WTNA's Collective Investment Trust business. On April 28, 2023, the agreement was finalized and Great Gray Trust Company, LLC became the successor trustee to WTNA's CIT business. On that date, the Trust name was changed from Wilmington Trust Collective Investment Trust to Great Gray Collective Investment Trust. The Trustee is ultimately controlled by MDP. MDP and its controlled subsidiaries are the general partner to the investment funds that own substantially all of the Trustee through intermediate holding companies.

The purpose of the Trust is to allow collective investments by plan sponsors of retirement plans which qualify for exemption from federal income taxation pursuant to Section 501(a) of the Code, by reason of qualifying under Section 401(a) of the Code; tax-exempt governmental plans under Section 414(d) or Section 818(a)(6) of the Code; eligible deferred compensation plans under Section 457(b) of the Code established by a government employer; group trusts or separate accounts consisting solely of assets of the foregoing; and other investors eligible for participation in the Trust. The Trust consists of separate funds with differing investment objectives, which are available for investment by participating plans. An eligible plan may join the Trust, subject to the Trustee's acceptance, and become a participating plan by executing participation documents specified by the Trustee. Not all funds within the Trust are presented herein. The Trustee has claimed an exclusion from the definition of commodity pool operator ("CPO") under the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") with respect to the Fund, and is therefore not subject to CFTC registration or regulation as a CPO with respect to the Fund.

The investment objective of the Fund is to generate a total return in excess of the FTSE Treasury Bill 3-Month Index over a full market cycle, consistent with capital preservation and a high degree of liquidity.

The Fund may invest in underlying funds as selected by the Trustee. The Fund currently invests solely in the BlackRock Liquidity Funds Fed Fund (the "Underlying Fund").

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# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

## December 31, 2023

## Note 2 - Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). The Fund is an investment company and follows the accounting and reporting guidance in Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic No. 946.

**Net Asset Value ("NAV")** – Units of each fee class of the Fund are valued each day on which the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") is open for trading in accordance with the valuation procedures established by the Trustee. The NAV per unit is calculated as of the close of trading on the NYSE (generally, 4:00 p.m. U.S. Eastern time). The NAV per unit is computed by dividing the total fair value of the assets of the Fund, less its liabilities, by the total number of units outstanding at the time of such computation. Investment income earned is reinvested in the Fund and included in the determination of unit values.

**Fund Unit Transactions** – The Fund sells new units and repurchases outstanding units on a daily basis. Unit purchases and redemptions are transacted at the NAV per fee class of the Fund determined as of the close of business each day. A summary of the Fund unit activity for the Fund is included with its Financial Highlights.

The Fund requires a plan sponsor to provide advance written notice of five business days for plan sponsor directed withdrawals which will exceed \$1 million or 10% of the assets invested in the Fund.

Investment Valuation – Investments are valued at their current fair value determined as follows:

**Money Market Funds** – Investments in money market funds are valued at the daily closing net asset value of the respective fund.

When the valuation method described above is not reflective of fair value, investments are valued at fair value following procedures and/or guidelines determined by or under the direction of the valuation committee established by the Trustee. In light of the judgment involved in fair value decisions, there can be no assurance that a fair value assigned to a particular investment is accurate.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents** – The Fund considers all highly liquid instruments with original maturities of three months or less at the acquisition date to be cash equivalents.

**Investment Transactions and Investment Income** – The Fund records security transactions on a trade date basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net realized gains and losses on investments are determined by the first-in, first-out method. Interest income and expenses are recorded daily on the accrual basis.

**Fee Classes and Allocations** – The Fund offers multiple fee classes. Not all fee classes are available for investment by all plans. Each class is allocated expenses on the basis of expense loads assigned to that class. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each unit class based on the units outstanding for the fee class in proportion to the total outstanding units.

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# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

## December 31, 2023

**Use of Estimates** – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Guarantees and Indemnifications** – Under the Fund's organizational documents, each trustee, officer, employee and agent of the Trust is indemnified, to the extent permitted by law, against certain liabilities that may arise in the performance of their duties to the Fund.

Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnification clauses. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. However, the Fund has not had prior claims or losses pursuant to these contracts and the Trustee believes the risk of loss to be remote.

**Income Tax Status** – The Trust has received a determination from the Internal Revenue Service that the Trust is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(a) of the Code. Accordingly, no federal income tax provision is required.

**Subsequent Events** – The Trustee has evaluated the effect of subsequent events on the Fund's financial statements through April 29, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and has determined that there are no material subsequent events that would require disclosure or adjustment in the Fund's financial statements through this date.

## Note 3 – Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price a fund would receive to sell an asset or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of the Fund's investments. The Trustee has performed an analysis of the significance and character of these inputs to the fair value determination. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical investments.
- Level 2 Other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, credit risk, and others).
- Level 3 Significant unobservable inputs (including the Trustee's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing investments are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those investments. The aggregate fair value of the investments in the Fund, by input level used as of December 31, 2023, is included following the Fund's Schedule of Investments.

# **Money Market Fund**

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

### December 31, 2023

#### Note 4 – Investment in BlackRock Liquidity Funds Fed Fund

The Fund is invested 100% in the Underlying Fund. The Underlying Fund's investment objective is to seek current income as is consistent with liquidity and stability of principal. The Fund has the ability to redeem its investment in the Underlying Fund at any time.

#### Note 5 – Fees and Expenses

Annualized asset-based fees are based upon the net assets as determined at the end of each preceding business day as set forth in the table below (in basis points). Except as otherwise noted, all asset-based fees are paid from the assets of the Fund.

Fee Class	Trustee Fee	Administrative Services Fee
Class 0IM	0	3
Class R	10	3

**Trustee Fee** – The Trustee receives an annualized fee for trustee and administrative services provided to the Fund. Trustee fees, except as noted below with respect to Class 0IM, are based upon the average daily value of the Fund and are accrued daily, paid quarterly in arrears and charged against the assets invested in the Fund.

Plans invested in Class 0IM have agreed to pay external fees that are paid either by redemption of Fund units or paid directly by the plan sponsor. Portions of external fees are paid to the Underlying Fund Manager for investment advisory services provided to the Fund. External fees are based on the fair value as of the last business day of the previous month end and paid monthly in advance.

Administrative Services Fee – These annualized fees are accrued daily and payable quarterly in arrears. These fees are intended to enable a participating plan to fund plan level fees and expenses paid to third parties for services, including, among others, participant recordkeeping and other administrative services provided to a participating plan.

**Operating Expenses** – In addition to the fees described above, the Fund bears expenses related to its operations, including, but not limited to, audit, custody, tax and legal services. Expenses incurred in connection with the investment and reinvestment of Fund assets, including, without limitation, brokerage commission and other expenses, are also charged against the Fund.

When assets of the Fund are invested in other investment vehicles, such as other Collective Funds or Exchange-Traded Funds, those investment vehicles will incur fees and expenses, which will be reflected in the operating results and value of the Fund's investment in such investment vehicle, and are separate and distinct from the fees and expenses of the Fund described above.

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# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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### Note 6 – Related Party Transactions

The Trustee is a Nevada-chartered non-depository trust company that provides trust and custodial services for tax-advantaged retirement plans as well as trust and investment services to business pension and retirement plans. The Trustee is responsible for managing the Trust's investment and business affairs.

#### Note 7 - Risks Associated with Investing in the Fund

The Fund invests in an Underlying Fund. In the normal course of business, the Underlying Fund trades financial instruments and enters into financial transactions where risk of potential loss exists due to changes in the fair value of the investments. The Fund's risks are closely associated with the risks of the securities and other investments held by the Underlying Fund, and the ability of the Fund to meet its investment objectives likewise depends on the ability of the Underlying Fund to meet its objectives. Investment in the Underlying Fund may subject the Fund to higher costs than owning the underlying securities directly because of their management fees and administrative costs.

The following are the principal risks of the Fund and are described in the Additional Fund Information and Principal Risk Definitions (www.greatgray.com/principalriskdefinitions):

Money Market Fund, Stable Value/Stability, Underlying Fund/Fund of Funds.