



CIVISTA[®]
BANCSHARES, INC.

2017
ANNUAL REPORT



FIVE YEAR CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Earnings					
Net Income (000)	\$15,872	\$17,217	\$12,745	\$9,528	\$6,179
Preferred stock dividends (000)	<u>(\$1,244)</u>	<u>(\$1,501)</u>	<u>(\$1,577)</u>	<u>\$(1,873)</u>	<u>\$(1,159)</u>
Net Income available to					
common shareholders (000)	\$14,628	\$15,716	\$11,168	\$7,655	\$5,020
Per Common Share Earnings					
Available to common shareholders					
Basic	\$1.48	\$1.96	\$1.43	\$0.99	\$0.65
Diluted	\$1.28	\$1.57	\$1.17	\$0.85	\$0.64
Book Value	\$16.39	\$14.22	\$13.12	\$12.04	\$10.65
Dividends Paid	\$0.25	\$0.22	\$0.20	\$0.19	\$0.15
 Balances					
Assets (millions)	\$1,525.9	\$1,377.3	\$1,315.0	\$1,213.2	\$1,167.5
Deposits (millions)	\$1,204.9	\$1,121.1	\$1,052.0	\$968.9	\$942.5
Net Loans (millions)	\$1,151.5	\$1,042.2	\$987.2	\$900.6	\$844.7
Shareholders' Equity (millions)	\$184.5	\$137.6	\$125.2	\$115.9	\$128.4
 Performance Ratios					
Return on Average Assets	1.04%	1.19%	0.95%	0.77%	0.53%
Return on Average Equity	9.19%	12.90%	10.59%	8.34%	5.97%
Equity Capital Ratio	12.09%	9.99%	9.52%	9.55%	11.00%
Net Loans to Deposit Ratio	95.57%	92.96%	93.84%	92.95%	89.63%
Loss Allowance to Total Loans	1.13%	1.26%	1.43%	1.56%	1.92%

OUR MISSION:

To be the community's trusted financial advisor by developing generations of life-long relationships built on trust, expertise and exceptional service for all the financial needs of our customers.

Dear Shareholders:

2017 was another successful year for the bank. We completed a number of projects including the opening of a new loan production office in Westlake, Ohio, the completion of a \$32.8 million capital offering, and the hiring of a Chief Customer Experience Officer. These items will continue to help us grow the bank, with a continued focus on the customer.

We also continue to explore product and banking enhancements that will attract new clientele and improve the overall banking experience for our customers. We have invested in technology to improve not only our efficiency but to meet the demands of our customers and the changing ways in which they bank with us. We improved the convenience of our mobile banking app by rolling out products such as mobile payments and Touch ID, and we introduced Civista FraudEYE and EMV chip cards which provide greater security to the cards that we offer to our clients. We are also currently piloting Branch Anywhere, an electronic tablet product that will allow us to open deposit accounts offsite.

Civista believes in investing in the communities that we serve. In 2017, our employees were involved in hundreds of organizations volunteering their time at local churches, schools, sporting events and civic organizations. Civista and its employees donated over \$127,000 to 23 different United Way organizations throughout the state of Ohio and was named a Pacesetter for the United Way campaign in Erie County. Each year we hold a Volunteer Day – in 2017 Civista employees donated more than 400 hours of their time working and helping out 20 organizations throughout our footprint.

We are proud of our accomplishments in 2017 and, while bottom-line results were slightly less than in 2016, we are very pleased with the operational results of the company.

Performance for 2017

Net income available to common shareholders was \$14,628,000 compared to \$15,716,000. This equates to \$1.28 diluted earnings per share for 2017 compared to \$1.57 diluted earnings per share in 2016. There are two items to keep in mind that complicate a year to year comparison. In 2016 we enjoyed a \$919,000 recovery of interest income and a \$1,300,000 loan loss recovery. In 2017 common shares outstanding increased approximately 1,600,000 as a result of our \$32.8 million capital offering in February. For a different view of our 2017 performance, let's examine the components of earnings.

Our loans at year end 2017 totaled \$1,164,661,000, a 10.3% increase from \$1,055,506,000 at year end 2016. In 2017 our loans, plus approximately \$245,309,000 in investment securities, generated \$58,594,000 in interest income. This compares to \$53,567,000 for the year 2016. As result of all our efforts in solid loan growth, this is an increase in interest income of 9.4%.

To fund our loan growth, we gather deposits which totaled \$1,204,923,000 at year end 2017 compared to \$1,121,103,000 at year end 2016. This was an increase of \$83,820,000 or 7.5%. While we enjoyed an increase of \$16,376,000 in noninterest bearing deposit growth, the greater growth was in interest bearing deposits. The funding costs in 2017 were \$4,092,000, compared to \$3,308,000 in 2016, an increase of 23.7%.

The result was net interest income of \$54,502,000 for 2017 compared to \$50,259,000 for 2016. This resultant net interest income translates into an interest margin of 4.01% for 2017 compared to 3.93% for the year 2016. The median interest margin for companies our size in the Midwest was 3.37% at the end of the third quarter (last available information). We are very pleased at the comparison of this peer rate of 3.37% to our year end 4.01%. The positive margin difference of 64 basis points multiplied times approximately \$1,400,000,000 in loans and investments is significant. The result supports our operating philosophy of how we gather deposits and put those deposits to work in lending.

Noninterest income for 2017 totaled \$16,334,000. This was a modest increase of \$202,000 from the prior year. Within that total, wealth management fees showed the largest revenue increase of \$390,000 or 14.6%. At the end of the third quarter (last comparative information available) our noninterest income to average assets at the bank was 1.11% compared to the State of Ohio average of 0.89%. While we are pleased with our level of noninterest income, we believe there are continued revenue opportunities in our markets through cash management services and wealth management services.

Noninterest expenses for 2017 were \$48,604,000. Total noninterest expense increased \$4,749,000 from the total in 2016. The driving categories was compensation expense and professional services. Compensation expense increases were made up of several items – first was the addition of lending and lending support staff. The hiring of skilled lenders with existing relationships contributed nicely to our loan growth for 2017. Other items included base increases in 2017, increases in health care costs, and legacy pension expense.

The last component in the bottom-line calculation is provision for loan loss. For 2017 we did not expense a provision. We perform an extensive exercise in examining the adequacy of our loss reserve. We believe we are adequately reserved at year end with \$13,134,000 in our reserve.

Our Common Stock Offering

Through the years we believe we have been very efficient in putting our capital to work through growth. One measure of this is our tangible common equity to tangible assets. At year end 2012 this was approximately 5%. Coming out of the recession the expectations of the marketplace was for a higher ratio of tangible common equity. We made the conscious decision to bide our time on raising capital until it would be more advantageous to our existing shareholders. By the end of 2016, the value of our stock allowed for the consideration of an offering. Having laid the groundwork over a number of years and by having performed to expectation, we were able to raise approximately \$32,800,000. These capital dollars will be utilized to support general growth in the company both organically and through acquisition. We firmly believe there will be acquisition opportunities to examine. Of the 186 banks (at 9/30/17) in the State of Ohio, 125 are under \$300,000,000 in size. Cost of regulation, cost of technology, attraction of management, and greater competition for customers should result in many in this group looking hard at their futures.

Your Investment in Civista

One of our goals is solid disciplined growth in the company. Disciplined growth will lead to performance and consistent performance will lead to shareholder reward. Shareholder reward can be measured in many ways – be it in dividends, stock performance, and stock liquidity.

Shareholder dividends is a balance between immediate shareholder reward in the form of cash payment and retention of earnings for growth. Striking a balance between the level of dividend versus retention for growth, the earnings retained provide increased capital support for an increasing company size and lending which, in turn, will increase net interest income and performance of the company.

Examining the value performance of your stock from December 2014 to December 2017, your stock has had a price increase of 114.0% compared to the KBW NASDAQ bank index of 43.7%. For a shorter view of this value – our stock closing price for the end of February 2016 was \$9.80. In February 2017, around the time of our common stock offering, this closing price had increased to \$21.93. We believe this is the markets’ reflection of our performance and disciplined execution of growth plans.

An additional benefit of market performance, which allowed a successful common stock offering, is increased liquidity of our stock. In February 2016 we traded 164,800 shares of CIVB stock. This number increased to 1,183,000 in February 2017. We believe this reflects the attractiveness of our stock in the market and provides much greater liquidity to buy or sell the stock.

2018 and Beyond

We have positioned ourselves for the future. We have assembled a management team with broad capabilities. We have assembled a lending and customer service team that can provide first class services to our customers. We continue to serve our legacy markets in Erie, Huron, Crawford, Richland and Champaign counties gathering deposits and generating consumer and commercial loans. We have strategically located branches and loan production offices in robust markets to take full advantage of the continuing economic recovery. We have a presence in Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton and Akron. As noted previously, we believe there is continued opportunity for both organic growth and acquisition growth in banking. There is a strong place for “hands on” personal service that Civista can provide its customers.

As always, please read your proxy and vote your shares in your company. We hope to see you at the annual meeting.

Very truly yours,



James O. Miller
Chairman



Dennis G. Shaffer
CEO and President

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Five-Year Selected Consolidated Financial Data

(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Year ended December 31,				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Statements of income:					
Total interest and dividend income	\$ 58,594	\$ 53,567	\$ 50,701	\$ 45,970	\$ 44,881
Total interest expense	4,092	3,308	3,309	4,104	4,907
Net interest income	54,502	50,259	47,392	41,866	39,974
Provision (credit) for loan losses	—	(1,300)	1,200	1,500	1,100
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	54,502	51,559	46,192	40,366	38,874
Security gains/(losses)	12	19	(18)	113	204
Other noninterest income	16,322	16,113	14,296	13,761	11,858
Total noninterest income	16,334	16,132	14,278	13,874	12,062
Total noninterest expense	48,604	43,855	42,944	41,550	43,384
Income before federal income taxes	22,232	23,836	17,526	12,690	7,552
Federal income tax expense	6,360	6,619	4,781	3,162	1,373
Net income	\$ 15,872	\$ 17,217	\$ 12,745	\$ 9,528	\$ 6,179
Preferred share dividends and discount accretion	1,244	1,501	1,577	1,873	1,159
Net income available to common shareholders	\$ 14,628	\$ 15,716	\$ 11,168	\$ 7,655	\$ 5,020
Per common share earnings:					
Available to common shareholders (basic)	1.48	1.96	1.43	0.99	0.65
Available to common shareholders (diluted) ..	1.28	1.57	1.17	0.85	0.64
Dividends	0.25	0.22	0.20	0.19	0.15
Book value	16.39	14.22	13.12	12.04	10.65
Average common shares outstanding:					
Basic	9,906,856	8,010,399	7,822,369	7,707,917	7,707,917
Diluted	12,352,616	10,950,961	10,918,335	10,904,848	7,821,780
Year-end balances:					
Loans, net	\$ 1,151,527	\$ 1,042,201	\$ 987,166	\$ 900,589	\$ 844,713
Securities	245,309	209,919	209,701	210,491	215,037
Total assets	1,525,857	1,377,263	1,315,041	1,213,191	1,167,546
Deposits	1,204,923	1,121,103	1,052,033	968,918	942,475
Borrowings	123,082	106,852	125,667	116,240	87,206
Shareholders' equity	184,461	137,616	125,173	115,909	128,376
Average balances:					
Loans, net	\$ 1,095,956	\$ 1,011,683	\$ 966,786	\$ 858,532	\$ 800,063
Securities	234,249	213,496	211,436	214,123	216,848
Total assets	1,526,387	1,441,717	1,336,645	1,234,406	1,172,819
Deposits	1,236,663	1,210,283	1,107,445	1,026,093	965,370
Borrowings	101,880	79,391	95,132	83,058	89,496
Shareholders' equity	172,763	133,445	120,350	114,266	103,563

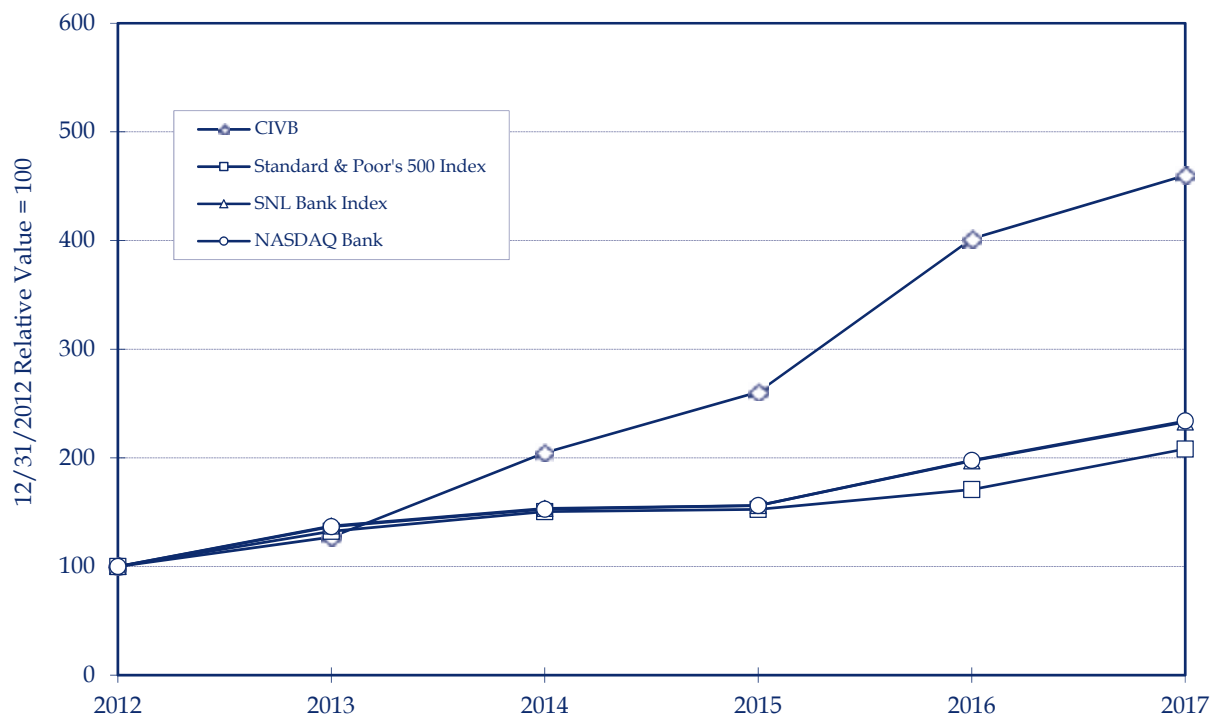
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Five-Year Selected Ratios

	Year ended December 31,				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Net interest margin	4.01%	3.93%	3.96%	3.79%	3.79%
Return on average total assets.....	1.04	1.19	0.95	0.77	0.53
Return on average shareholders' equity.....	9.19	12.90	10.59	8.34	5.97
Dividend payout ratio	16.89	11.22	13.99	19.19	23.08
Average shareholders' equity as a percent of average total assets.....	11.32	9.26	9.00	9.26	8.83
Net loan charge-offs (recoveries) as a percent of average total loans	0.02	(0.02)	0.11	0.43	0.53
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of loans at year-end	1.13	1.26	1.43	1.56	1.92
Shareholders' equity as a percent of total year-end assets.....	12.09	9.99	9.52	9.55	11.00

Stockholder Return Performance

Set forth below is a line graph comparing the five-year cumulative return of the common shares of Civista Bancshares, Inc. (ticker symbol CIVB), based on an initial investment of \$100 on December 31, 2012 and assuming reinvestment of dividends, with the cumulative return of the Standard & Poor's 500 Index, the NASDAQ Bank Index and the SNL Bank Index. The comparative indices were obtained from SNL Securities and NASDAQ.



Annual Report on Form 10-K

A copy of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, will be furnished, free of charge, to shareholders, upon written request to James E. McGookey, Secretary of Civista Bancshares, Inc., 100 East Water Street, Sandusky, Ohio 44870.

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Common Shares and Shareholder Matters

The common shares of Civista Bancshares, Inc. (“CBI”) trade on The NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol “CIVB”. As of February 16, 2018, there were 10,209,021 common shares outstanding and held by approximately 1,137 shareholders of record (not including the number of persons or entities holding stock in nominee or street name through various brokerage firms). Information below is the range of sales prices of our common shares for each quarter for the last two years for trades occurring during normal trading hours as reported on The NASDAQ Capital Market.

<u>2017</u>											
<u>First Quarter</u>		<u>Second Quarter</u>		<u>Third Quarter</u>		<u>Fourth Quarter</u>					
\$ 18.59	to	\$ 23.75	\$ 18.82	to	\$ 22.41	\$ 18.96	to	\$ 22.73	\$ 20.41	to	\$ 23.76

<u>2016</u>											
<u>First Quarter</u>		<u>Second Quarter</u>		<u>Third Quarter</u>		<u>Fourth Quarter</u>					
\$ 9.75	to	\$ 13.29	\$ 10.20	to	\$ 13.10	\$ 12.99	to	\$ 15.16	\$ 14.09	to	\$ 19.99

Dividends per share declared on common shares by CBI were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
First quarter.....	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.05
Second quarter.....	0.06	0.05
Third quarter.....	0.06	0.06
Fourth quarter.....	0.07	0.06
	<u>\$ 0.25</u>	<u>\$ 0.22</u>

Information regarding potential restrictions on the payment of dividends can be found in the “Liquidity and Capital Resources” section of the Management’s Discussion and Analysis and in Note 19 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

On February 24, 2017, CBI completed a public offering of 1,610,000 of its common shares at a price of \$21.75 per share. The offering resulted in gross proceeds of approximately \$35.0 million and net proceeds of approximately \$32.8 million.

On December 19, 2013, CBI completed a public offering of 1,000,000 depositary shares, each representing a 1/40th ownership interest in a Noncumulative Redeemable Convertible Perpetual Preferred Share, Series B (the “Series B Preferred Shares”), of CBI. The depositary shares trade on The NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol “CIVBP.” The terms of the Series B Preferred Shares provide for the payment of quarterly dividends on the Series B Preferred Shares (and, therefore, the depositary shares) at the rate of 6.50% per annum of the liquidation preference of \$1,000 per Series B Preferred Share (or \$25.00 per depositary share). Dividends are noncumulative and are payable if, when and as declared by the board of directors. However, no dividends may be declared or paid on the common shares of CBI during any calendar quarter unless full dividends on the Series B Preferred Shares (and, therefore, the depositary shares) have been declared for that quarter and all dividends previously declared on the Series B Preferred Shares (and, therefore, the depositary shares) have been paid in full. As of February 16, 2018, a total of 747,083 depositary shares were outstanding.

General Development of Business

(Amounts in thousands)

CBI was organized under the laws of the State of Ohio on February 19, 1987 and is a registered financial holding company under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Financial Modernization Act of 1999, as amended. CBI and its subsidiaries are sometimes referred to together as the Company. The Company’s office is located at 100 East Water Street, Sandusky, Ohio. The Company had total consolidated assets of \$1,525,857 at December 31, 2017.

CIVISTA BANK (“Civista”), owned by the Company since 1987, opened for business in 1884 as The Citizens National Bank. In 1898, Civista was reorganized under Ohio banking law and was known as The Citizens Bank and

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Trust Company. In 1908, Civista surrendered its trust charter and began operation as The Citizens Banking Company. The name Civista Bank was introduced during the first quarter of 2015 to solidify our dual Citizens/Champaign brand and distinguish ourselves from the many other banks using the “Citizens” name in our existing and prospective markets. Civista maintains its main office at 100 East Water Street, Sandusky, Ohio and operates branch banking offices in the following Ohio communities: Sandusky (2), Norwalk (2), Berlin Heights, Huron, Port Clinton, Castalia, New Washington, Shelby (2), Willard, Greenwich, Plymouth, Shiloh, Akron, Dublin, Plain City, Russells Point, Urbana (2), West Liberty, Quincy and Dayton(3). Civista also operates loan production offices in Mayfield Heights and Westlake, Ohio. Civista accounted for 99.6% of the Company’s consolidated assets at December 31, 2017.

FIRST CITIZENS INSURANCE AGENCY INC. (“FCIA”) was formed to allow the Company to participate in commission revenue generated through its third party insurance agreement. Assets of FCIA were less than one percent of the Company’s consolidated assets as of December 31, 2017.

WATER STREET PROPERTIES, INC. (“WSP”) was formed to hold properties repossessed by CBI subsidiaries. WSP accounted for less than one percent of the Company’s consolidated assets as of December 31, 2017.

FC REFUND SOLUTIONS, INC. (“FCRS”) was formed during 2012 and remained inactive for the periods presented.

FIRST CITIZENS INVESTMENTS, INC. (“FCI”) is wholly-owned by Civista and holds and manages its securities portfolio. The operations of FCI are located in Wilmington, Delaware.

FIRST CITIZENS CAPITAL LLC (“FCC”) is wholly-owned by Civista and holds inter-company debt that is eliminated in consolidation. The operations of FCC are located in Wilmington, Delaware.

CIVB RISK MANAGEMENT, INC. (“CRMI”) is a wholly-owned captive insurance company formed in 2017 which insures against certain risks unique to the operations of the Company and its subsidiaries and for which insurance may not be currently available or economically feasible in today’s insurance marketplace. Assets of CRMI were less than one percent of the Company’s consolidated assets as of December 31, 2017.

Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—As of December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 and for the Years Ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015

(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

General

The following paragraphs more fully discuss the significant highlights, changes and trends as they relate to the Company’s financial condition, results of operations, liquidity and capital resources as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and during the three-year period ended December 31, 2017. This discussion should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, which are included elsewhere in this report.

Forward-Looking Statements

This report may contain “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), relating to such matters as financial condition, anticipated operating results, cash flows, business line results, credit quality expectations, prospects for new lines of business, economic trends (including interest rates) and similar matters. Forward-looking statements reflect our expectations, estimates or projections concerning future results or events. These statements are generally identified by the use of forward-looking words or phrases such as “believe,” “belief,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “may,” “could,” “intend,” “intent,” “estimate,” “plan,” “foresee,” “likely,” “will,” “should” or other similar words or phrases. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of performance and are inherently subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict and could cause our actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results, performance or achievements to differ from those discussed in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, changes in financial markets or

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national or local economic conditions; adverse changes in the real estate market; volatility and direction of market interest rates; credit risks of lending activities; changes in the allowance for loan losses; legislation or regulatory changes or actions; increases in FDIC insurance premiums and assessments; changes in tax laws; accounting changes; unexpected losses of key management; failure, interruptions or breach of security of our communications and information systems; unforeseen litigation; increased competition in our market area; failures to manage growth and/or effectively integrate acquisitions; future revenues of our tax refund program; and other risks identified from time-to-time in the Company's other public documents on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The forward-looking statements included in this report are only made as of the date of this report, and we disclaim any obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement to reflect subsequent events or circumstances, except as required by law.

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements, and the purpose of this section is to secure the use of the safe harbor provisions.

Financial Condition

At December 31, 2017, the Company's total assets were \$1,525,857, compared to \$1,377,263 at December 31, 2016. The increase in assets is primarily the result of growth in securities available for sale and the loan portfolio during 2017. Factors contributing to the change in assets are discussed in the following sections.

At \$1,151,527, net loans increased from December 31, 2016 by 10.5%. Commercial & Agriculture, Commercial Real Estate – Owner Occupied, Commercial Real Estate—Non-Owner Occupied, Residential Real Estate and Real Estate Construction loans increased \$17,011, \$2,735, \$29,692, \$21,427 and \$41,238, respectively, since December 31, 2016, while Farm Real Estate and Consumer and other loans decreased \$1,709 and \$1,239, respectively, since December 31, 2016.

Securities available for sale increased by \$35,198, or 18.0%, from \$195,864 at December 31, 2016 to \$231,062 at December 31, 2017. U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. government agencies decreased \$7,089, from \$37,446 at December 31, 2016 to \$30,357 at December 31, 2017. Obligations of states and political subdivisions available for sale increased by \$23,058 from 2016 to 2017. Mortgage-backed securities increased by \$19,175 to total \$81,817 at December 31, 2017. The Company continues to utilize letters of credit from the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) to replace maturing securities that were pledged for public entities. As of December 31, 2017, the Company was in compliance with all pledging requirements.

Mortgage-backed securities totaled \$81,817 at December 31, 2017 and none were considered unusual or “high risk” securities as defined by regulatory authorities. Of this total, \$77,538 consisted of pass-through securities issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association (“FNMA”), Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (“FHLMC”), and Government National Mortgage Association (“GNMA”), and \$4,279 of these securities were collateralized by mortgage-backed securities issued or guaranteed by FNMA, FHLMC, or GNMA. The average interest rate of the mortgage-backed portfolio at December 31, 2017 was 2.9%. The average maturity at December 31, 2017 was approximately 5.3 years. The Company has not invested in any derivative securities.

Securities available for sale had a fair value at December 31, 2017 of \$231,062. This fair value includes unrealized gains of approximately \$5,085 and unrealized losses of approximately \$1,054. Net unrealized gains totaled \$4,031 on December 31, 2017 compared to net unrealized gains of \$3,044 on December 31, 2016. The change in unrealized gains is primarily due to changes in market interest rates. Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements provides additional information on unrealized gains and losses.

Premises and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation, decreased \$309 from December 31, 2016 to December 31, 2017. The decrease is attributed to new purchases of \$1,015, offset by disposals, net of gains of \$72, depreciation of \$1,249, and the transfer of \$3 of assets to premises and equipment held for sale.

Bank owned life insurance (BOLI) increased \$573 from December 31, 2016 to December 31, 2017. The difference is the result of increases in the cash surrender value of the underlying insurance policies.

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Year-end deposit balances totaled \$1,204,923 in 2017 compared to \$1,121,103 in 2016, an increase of \$83,820, or 7.5%. Overall, the increase in deposits at December 31, 2017 compared to December 31, 2016 included increases in noninterest bearing demand deposits of \$16,376, or 4.7%, statement and passbook savings accounts of \$51,047, or 13.3%, certificate of deposit accounts of \$18,298, or 10.0%, offset in part by declines in interest bearing demand accounts of \$79, or 0.0% and individual retirement accounts of \$1,822, or 7.3%. Average deposit balances for 2017 were \$1,236,663 compared to \$1,210,283 for 2016, an increase of 2.2%. Noninterest bearing deposits averaged \$450,648 for 2017, compared to \$434,601 for 2016, increasing \$16,047, or 3.7%. Savings, NOW, and MMDA accounts averaged \$585,218 for 2017 compared to \$566,589 for 2016. Average certificates of deposit decreased \$8,296 to total an average balance of \$200,797 for 2017.

Borrowings from the FHLB of Cincinnati were \$71,900 at December 31, 2017. The detail of these borrowings can be found in Note 10 and Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The balance increased \$23,400 from \$48,500 at year-end 2016. The increase is due to an increase in overnight funds of \$25,900. In addition, on January 11, 2017, an FHLB advance in the amount of \$2,500 matured. This advance had terms of one hundred and twenty months with a fixed rate of 4.25%. The advance was not replaced.

Civista offers repurchase agreements in the form of sweep accounts to commercial checking account customers. These repurchase agreements totaled \$21,755 at December 31, 2017 compared to \$28,925 at December 31, 2016. U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. government agencies maintained under Civista's control are pledged as collateral for the repurchase agreements. The detail related to these repurchase agreements can be found in Note 12 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Total shareholders' equity increased \$46,845, or 34.0%, during 2017 to \$184,461. The increase in shareholders' equity resulted primarily from the completion of the Company's public offering of its common shares on February 24, 2017, which resulted in net proceeds of \$32,821. Shareholders' equity was also positively impacted by net income of \$15,872, a decrease in the Company's pension liability, net of tax, of \$800, an increase in the fair value of securities available for sale, net of tax, of \$612 and offset by dividends on preferred shares and common shares of \$1,244 and \$2,438, respectively. Additionally, \$426 was recognized as stock-based compensation in connection with the grant of restricted common shares. For further explanation of these items, see Note 1, Note 15 and Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The Company paid \$0.25 per common share in dividends in 2017 compared to \$0.22 per common share in dividends in 2016. Total outstanding common shares at December 31, 2017 were 10,198,475. Total outstanding common shares at December 31, 2016 were 8,343,509. The increase in common shares outstanding is the result of the Company's public offering of 1,610,000 common shares completed on February 24, 2017, the conversion of 1,721 of the Company's previously issued preferred shares into 220,108 common shares, the grant of 17,898 restricted common shares to certain officers under the Company's 2014 Incentive Plan, the grant of 7,171 common shares to directors of the Company as a retainer for their service and the retirement of 211 common shares on September 22, 2017. The ratio of total shareholders' equity to total assets was 12.1% and 9.9%, at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Results of Operations

The operating results of the Company are affected by general economic conditions, the monetary and fiscal policies of federal agencies and the regulatory policies of agencies that regulate financial institutions. The Company's cost of funds is influenced by interest rates on competing investments and general market rates of interest. Lending activities are influenced by the demand for real estate loans and other types of loans, which in turn is affected by the interest rates at which such loans are made, general economic conditions and the availability of funds for lending activities.

The Company's net income primarily depends on its net interest income, which is the difference between the interest income earned on interest-earning assets, such as loans and securities, and interest expense incurred on interest-bearing liabilities, such as deposits and borrowings. The level of net interest income is dependent on the interest rate environment and the volume and composition of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. Net income is also affected by provisions for loan losses, service charges, gains on the sale of assets, other non-interest income, noninterest expense and income taxes.

Comparison of Results of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016

Net Income

The Company's net income for the year ended December 31, 2017 was \$15,872, compared to \$17,217 for the year ended December 31, 2016. The change in net income was the result of the items discussed in the following sections.

Net Interest Income

Net interest income for 2017 was \$54,502, an increase of \$4,243, or 8.4%, from 2016. Average earning assets increased 6.3% from 2016. Interest income increased \$5,027, primarily due to increased loan volume. In addition, interest expense on interest-bearing liabilities increased \$784. The Company continually examines its rate structure to ensure that its interest rates are competitive and reflective of the current rate environment in which it competes.

Total interest income increased \$5,027, or 9.4%, from 2016. The increase was mainly a result of an increase in loan volume. Average loans increased \$83,161 from 2016 to 2017. The yield on the Company's loan portfolio increased 2 basis points from 2016. The average balance of the securities portfolio for 2017 compared to 2016 increased \$20,753. Interest earned on the securities portfolio, including bank stocks, increased \$913 from 2016 to 2017. Average balances in interest-bearing deposits in other banks decreased in 2017 by \$20,366. The decrease in average balance is mainly due to a decrease in our tax refund processing balances in 2017. The timing of cash inflows and outflows leads to large, but temporary, fluctuations in cash on deposit.

Total interest expense increased \$784 for 2017 compared to 2016. The total average balance of interest-bearing liabilities increased \$32,822 while the average rate increased 7 basis point in 2017. Average interest-bearing deposits increased \$10,333 from 2016 to 2017. While average balances in interest-bearing deposits increased, the average balance in time deposits declined \$8,296 and the rate on time deposits increased approximately 14 basis points, which caused interest expense on certificates of deposit to increase by \$221. Interest expense on FHLB borrowings increased \$290 due to an increase in average balance of \$26,019. The average balance in subordinated debentures did not change from 2016 to 2017, but the rate on these securities increased 52 basis points, resulting in an increase in interest expense of \$151. Repurchase agreements decreased \$3,533 in average balance from 2016 to 2017.

Refer to "Distribution of Assets, Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity; Interest Rates and Interest Differential" and "Changes in Interest Income and Interest Expense Resulting from Changes in Volume and Changes in Rate" on pages 14 through 16 for further analysis of the impact of changes in interest-bearing assets and liabilities on the Company's net interest income.

Provision and Allowance for Loan Losses

The following table contains information relating to the provision for loan losses, activity in and analysis of the allowance for loan losses as of and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31.

	As of and for year ended December 31,		
	2017	2016	2015
Net loan charge-offs (recoveries)	\$ 171	\$ (244)	\$ 1,107
Provision (credit) for loan losses charged to expense.....	—	(1,300)	1,200
Net loan charge-offs (recoveries) as a percent of average outstanding loans	0.02%	-0.02%	0.11%
Allowance for loan losses.....	\$ 13,134	\$ 13,305	\$ 14,361
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of year-end outstanding loans	1.13%	1.26%	1.43%
Impaired loans, excluding purchase credit impaired loans (PCI)	\$ 3,460	\$ 6,539	\$ 7,354
Impaired loans as a percent of gross year-end loans (1).....	0.30%	0.62%	0.73%
Nonaccrual and 90 days or more past due loans, excluding PCI.....	\$ 6,148	\$ 6,952	\$ 9,259
Nonaccrual and 90 days or more past due loans, excluding PCI, as a percent of gross year-end loans (1).....	0.53%	0.66%	0.92%

- (1) Nonperforming loans and impaired loans are defined differently. Some loans may be included in both categories, whereas other loans may only be included in one category. A loan is considered nonaccrual if it is maintained on a cash basis because of deterioration in the borrower's financial condition, where payment in full of principal or interest is not expected and where the principal and interest have been in default for 90 days, unless the asset is both well-secured and in process of collection. A loan is considered impaired when it is probable that all of the interest and principal due will not be collected according to the terms of the original contractual agreement.

The Company's policy is to maintain the allowance for loan losses at a level sufficient to provide for probable losses incurred in the current portfolio. Management believes the analysis of the allowance for loan losses supported a reserve of \$13,134 at December 31, 2017. The Company provides for loan losses through regular provisions to the allowance for loan losses. The amount of the provision is affected by loan charge-offs, recoveries and changes in specific and general allocations required for the allowance for loan losses. A number of factors impact the provisions for loan losses, such as the level of higher risk loans in the portfolio, changes in practices related to loans, changes in collateral values and other factors. We continue to actively manage this process and have provided to maintain the reserve at a level that assures adequate coverage ratios.

Provisions (credits) for loan losses totaled \$0, (\$1,300) and \$1,200 in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. No provision for loan losses was provided during 2017. During 2016, the Company received a payoff on a nonperforming loan. This particular loan had been analyzed previously and had been charged down based on a deterioration of real estate collateral values during the recent recession. As a result of the payoff of the loan, the Company recovered the charged-down amount of approximately \$1,303. The result of the transaction was a reversal of \$1,300 from the allowance for loan losses during 2016.

Efforts are continually made to analyze each segment of the loan portfolio and quantify risk to assure that reserves are appropriate for each segment and the overall portfolio. Management specifically evaluates loans that are impaired, which includes restructured loans, to estimate potential loss. This analysis includes a review of the loss migration calculation for all loan categories as well as fluctuations and trends in various risk factors that have occurred within the portfolios' economic life cycle. The analysis also includes assessment of qualitative factors such as credit trends, unemployment trends, vacancy trends and loan growth. The composition and overall level of the loan portfolio and charge-off activity are also factors used to determine the amount of the allowance for loan losses.

Management analyzes each impaired commercial and commercial real estate loan relationship with a balance of \$350 or larger, on an individual basis and when it is in nonaccrual status or when an analysis of the borrower's operating results and financial condition indicates that underlying cash flows are not adequate to meet its debt service requirements. Loans held for sale and leases are excluded from consideration as impaired. Loans are generally moved

to nonaccrual status when 90 days or more past due. Impaired loans or portions thereof are charged-off when deemed uncollectible.

Noninterest Income

Noninterest income increased \$202, or 1.3%, to \$16,334 for the year ended December 31, 2017, from \$16,132 for the comparable 2016 period. The increase was primarily due to increases in earnings on ATM fees of \$210 and wealth management fees of \$390 which were partially offset by decreases in net gain on sale of other real estate owned of \$180 and other income of \$156.

ATM fees increased primarily due to an increase in interchange income received during 2017. The wealth management fee income increase is related to an increase in assets under management as well as market conditions. Assets under management increased \$48.8 million during 2017. Sales of other real estate owned resulted in recognized losses of \$28 on the sale of 6 properties in 2017 compared to gains of \$152 on the sale of 9 properties in 2016. Other income decreased primarily due to a decrease in swap related income.

Noninterest Expense

Noninterest expense increased \$4,749, or 10.8%, to \$48,604 for the year ended December 31, 2017, from \$43,855 for the comparable 2016 period. The increase was primarily due to increases in compensation expense of \$3,930, contracted data processing expense of \$292, state franchise tax of \$101, professional services expense of \$405, ATM expenses of \$242 and other operating expense of \$175 which were partially offset by decreases in FDIC assessments of \$109, amortization of intangible assets of \$113 and marketing expense of \$112.

Compensation expense increased mainly due to payroll and payroll related expenses resulting from an increase in full time equivalent (FTE) employees and annual pay increases. FTE employees increased 13, to 347 FTE, as compared to the same period of 2016. In addition, incentive based costs and employee insurance costs increased. Pension costs increased due to a pension curtailment incurred upon the retirement of some senior executives. Contracted data processing increased due to costs incurred to convert to new platform processing software for the wealth management department. State franchise tax increased due to an increase in the Company's equity capital. Professional services expense increased due to recruitment activities, facilities management and professional services to analyze workflow systems. ATM expense increased due to the expiration of vendor credits in 2016 and ATM card related expenses. Other operating expense increased due to general increases in components of other operating expenses. The decrease in FDIC assessments is the result of a new lower assessment rate schedule that became effective in 2016. Amortization of intangible assets decreased as a result of scheduled amortization of intangible assets associated with mergers. A general decrease in marketing costs occurred in 2017.

Income Tax Expense

Federal income tax expense was \$6,360 in 2017 compared to \$6,619 in 2016. Federal income tax expense as a percentage of pre-tax income was 28.6% in 2017 compared to 27.8% in 2016. A lower federal effective tax rate than the statutory rate of 35% in 2017 and 2016 is primarily due to tax-exempt interest income from state and municipal investments, municipal loans, income from BOLI and low income housing credits. Federal income tax expense decreased in 2017 primarily due to a decrease in pre-tax income. The increase in the effective tax rate in 2017 was result of a \$511 charge to income tax expense as a result of changes in the federal corporate income tax rate from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

Comparison of Results of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015

Net Income

The Company's net income for the year ended December 31, 2016 was \$17,217, compared to \$12,745 for the year ended December 31, 2015. The change in net income was the result of the items discussed in the following sections.

Net Interest Income

Net interest income for 2016 was \$50,259, an increase of \$2,867, or 6.0%, from 2015. Average earning assets increased 6.8% from 2015. Although market rates in 2016 remained at record lows, interest income increased \$2,866, primarily due to increased loan volume. In addition, interest expense on interest-bearing liabilities decreased \$1. The Company continually examines its rate structure to ensure that its interest rates are competitive and reflective of the current rate environment in which it competes.

Total interest income for 2016 increased \$2,866, or 5.7%, from 2015. The increase was mainly a result of an increase in loan volume. Average loans increased \$44,433, while the yield on the Company's loan portfolio increased 3 basis points from 2015 to 2016. The average balance of the securities portfolio for 2016 compared to 2015 increased \$2,060. Interest earned on the security portfolio, including bank stocks, increased \$170 from 2015 to 2016. Average balances in interest-bearing deposits in other banks increased in 2016 by \$37,578 due to additional interest-earning cash on deposit related to the tax refund processing program in 2016.

Total interest expense decreased \$1 for 2016 compared to 2015. The total average balance of interest-bearing liabilities decreased \$7,144 while the average rate increased 1 basis point in 2016. Average interest-bearing deposits increased \$8,597 from 2015 to 2016. While average balances in interest-bearing deposits increased, the average balance in time deposits declined \$14,006 and the rate on time deposits declined approximately 2 basis points, which caused interest expense on deposits to decrease by \$91. Interest expense on FHLB borrowings decreased \$37 for 2016 due to a decline in average balance of \$17,470. The average balance in subordinated debentures did not change from 2015 to 2016, but the rate on these securities increased 42 basis points, resulting in an increase in interest expense of \$124. Repurchase agreements increased \$1,681 in average balance from 2015 to 2016.

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Provision and Allowance for Loan Losses

The following table contains information relating to the provision for loan losses, activity in and analysis of the allowance for loan losses as of and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31.

	As of and for year ended December 31,	
	2016	2015
Net loan charge-offs.....	\$ (244)	\$ 1,107
Provision for loan losses charged to expense.....	(1,300)	1,200
Net loan charge-offs as a percent of average outstanding loans	-0.02%	0.11%
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 13,305	\$ 14,361
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of year-end outstanding loans	1.26%	1.43%
Impaired loans, excluding PCI loans	\$ 6,539	\$ 7,354
Impaired loans as a percent of gross year-end loans (1)	0.62%	0.73%
Nonaccrual and 90 days or more past due loans, excluding PCI	\$ 6,952	\$ 9,259
Nonaccrual and 90 days or more past due loans, excluding PCI, as a percent of gross year-end loans (1)	0.66%	0.92%

- (1) Nonperforming loans and impaired loans are defined differently. Some loans may be included in both categories, whereas other loans may only be included in one category. A loan is considered nonaccrual if it is maintained on a cash basis because of deterioration in the borrower's financial condition, where payment in full of principal or interest is not expected and where the principal and interest have been in default for 90 days, unless the asset is both well-secured and in process of collection. A loan is considered impaired when it is probable that all of the interest and principal due will not be collected according to the terms of the original contractual agreement.

The Company's policy is to maintain the allowance for loan losses at a level sufficient to provide for probable losses incurred in the current portfolio. Management believes the analysis of the allowance for loan losses supported a reserve of \$13,305 at December 31, 2016. The Company provides for loan losses through regular provisions to the allowance for loan losses. The amount of the provision is affected by loan charge-offs, recoveries and changes in specific and general allocations required for the allowance for loan losses. A number of factors impact the provisions for loan losses, such as the level of higher risk loans in the portfolio, changes in practices related to loans, changes in collateral values and other factors. We continue to actively manage this process and have provided to maintain the reserve at a level that assures adequate coverage ratios.

Provisions (credits) for loan losses totaled (\$1,300), \$1,200 and \$1,500 in 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The Company's provision for loan losses decreased \$2,500 during 2016. During 2016, the Company received a payoff on a nonperforming loan. This particular loan had been analyzed previously and had been charged down based on a deterioration of real estate collateral values during the recent recession. As a result of the payoff of the loan, the Company recovered the charged down amount of approximately \$1,303. This loan payoff resulted in a reversal of \$1,300 from the allowance for loan losses during 2016, compared to a \$1,200 provision to allowance for loan losses in 2015. The decrease in provision for loan losses in 2016 is related to the decrease in net charge-offs compared to a year ago.

Efforts are continually made to analyze each segment of the loan portfolio and quantify risk to assure that reserves are appropriate for each segment and the overall portfolio. Management specifically evaluates loans that are impaired, which includes restructured loans, to estimate potential loss. This analysis includes a review of the loss migration calculation for all loan categories as well as fluctuations and trends in various risk factors that have occurred within the portfolios' economic life cycle. The analysis also includes assessment of qualitative factors such as credit trends, unemployment trends, vacancy trends and loan growth. The composition and overall level of the loan portfolio and charge-off activity are also factors used to determine the amount of the allowance for loan losses.

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Management analyzes each impaired commercial and commercial real estate loan relationship with a balance of \$350 or larger, on an individual basis and when it is in nonaccrual status or when an analysis of the borrower's operating results and financial condition indicates that underlying cash flows are not adequate to meet its debt service requirements. Loans held for sale and leases are excluded from consideration as impaired. Loans are generally moved to nonaccrual status when 90 days or more past due. Impaired loans or portions thereof are charged-off when deemed uncollectible.

Noninterest Income

Noninterest income increased \$1,854, or 13.0%, to \$16,132 for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$14,278 for the comparable 2015 period. The increase was primarily due to increases in earnings on service charges of \$124, gain on sale of loans of \$644, tax refund processing fees of \$750 and other income of \$303 which were partially offset by decreases in wealth management fees of \$145 and net gain on sale of other real estate owned of \$47.

Service charges increased in 2016 primarily due to income received related to the Company's tax refund processing program. Tax refund processing fees increased in 2016 as a result of an increase in the volume of returns processed. Gain on sale of loans increased in 2016 due to an increase in volume of loans sold, as well as an increase in the premium earned. Volume was \$69,475, up \$19,838 or 40.0% as compared to the same period in 2015, due largely to favorable market conditions. In addition, the premium on loans sold increased 6 basis points as compared to the same period in 2015. Other income increased in 2016 primarily due to an increase in swap related income. The decrease in wealth management fee income is related to a general decrease in brokerage transactions. Sales of other real estate owned resulted in recognized gains of \$152 on the sale of 9 properties in 2016 compared to gains of \$199 on the sale of 17 properties in 2015.

Noninterest Expense

Noninterest expense increased \$911, or 2.1%, to \$43,855 for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$42,944 for the comparable 2015 period. The increase was primarily due to increases in compensation expense of \$1,693, occupancy expense of \$284 and equipment expense of \$138 which were partially offset by decreases in contracted data processing expense of \$275, FDIC assessments of \$253, professional services expense of \$566 and marketing expense of \$110.

Compensation expense increased in 2016 mainly due to annual pay increases, incentive based costs and higher employee insurance costs, offset by a reduction in pension costs. Occupancy and equipment expenses increased in 2016 due to increases in building and equipment repair and maintenance, rent expense and real estate tax expense. Building and equipment repair and maintenance expenses increased in 2016 due to facility and technology improvement projects. Rent and real estate tax expense increased as a result of the Company's acquisition of TCNB in 2015. The decrease in contracted data processing costs in 2016 was attributable to the increased core processing costs incurred in 2015 in connection with the acquisition of TCNB. The decrease in FDIC assessments in 2016 resulted from a new lower assessment rate schedule that became effective in 2016. The year-over-year decrease in professional services expense was attributable to the increased professional services costs incurred in 2015 in connection with the acquisition of TCNB, increased recruiting expenses and increased legal expenses related to the Company's filing of a Form S-3 shelf registration statement with the SEC and matters related to the Special Meeting of Shareholders held on November 4, 2015 for the purpose of voting to eliminate preemptive rights and cumulative voting in the election of directors. A general decrease in marketing costs occurred in 2016.

Income Tax Expense

Federal income tax expense was \$6,619 in 2016 compared to \$4,781 in 2015. Federal income tax expense as a percentage of pre-tax income was 27.8% in 2016 compared to 27.3% in 2015. A lower federal effective tax rate than the statutory rate of 35% in 2016 and 34% in 2015 is primarily due to tax-exempt interest income from state and municipal investments, municipal loans, income from BOLI and low income housing credits. Federal income tax expense increased in 2016 primarily due to an increase in pre-tax income, which also led to the increase in the effective tax rate in 2016.

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Distribution of Assets, Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity;
Interest Rates and Interest Differential

The following table sets forth, for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the distribution of assets, including interest amounts and average rates of major categories of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities (Amounts in thousands):

	2017			2016			2015		
	Average balance	Interest	Yield/ rate	Average balance	Interest	Yield/ rate	Average balance	Interest	Yield/ rate
Assets									
Interest-earning assets:									
Loans (1)(2)(3)(5).....	\$ 1,109,069	\$ 51,198	4.62%	\$ 1,025,908	\$ 47,186	4.60%	\$ 981,475	\$ 44,784	4.57%
Taxable securities (4).....	144,685	3,745	2.62%	137,179	3,319	2.47%	139,762	3,232	2.31%
Non-taxable securities (4)(5).....	89,564	3,153	5.50%	76,317	2,666	5.61%	71,674	2,583	5.70%
Interest-bearing deposits in other banks.....	61,859	498	0.81%	82,225	396	0.48%	44,647	102	0.23%
Total interest-earning assets	1,405,177	58,594	4.30%	1,321,629	53,567	4.18%	1,237,558	50,701	4.23%
Noninterest-earning assets:									
Cash and due from financial institutions....	45,801			49,888			34,616		
Premises and equipment, net.....	18,027			17,101			16,081		
Accrued interest receivable.....	4,697			4,432			4,476		
Intangible assets.....	28,605			29,213			28,568		
Other assets.....	12,374			10,230			10,181		
Bank owned life insurance.....	24,819			23,449			19,854		
Less allowance for loan losses.....	(13,113)			(14,225)			(14,689)		
Total.....	<u>\$ 1,526,387</u>			<u>\$ 1,441,717</u>			<u>\$ 1,336,645</u>		

- (1) For purposes of these computations, the daily average loan amounts outstanding are net of unearned income and include loans held for sale.
- (2) Included in loan interest income are loan fees of \$421 in 2017, \$537 in 2016 and \$542 in 2015.
- (3) Non-accrual loans are included in loan totals and do not have a material impact on the analysis presented.
- (4) Average balance is computed using the carrying value of securities. The average yield has been computed using the historical amortized cost average balance for available-for-sale securities.
- (5) Yield/Rate is calculated using the tax-equivalent adjustment of 35% for 2017 and 2016 and 34% for 2015.

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Distribution of Assets, Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity;
Interest Rates and Interest Differential (Continued)

The following table sets forth, for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the distribution of liabilities and shareholders' equity, including interest amounts and average rates of major categories of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities (Amounts in thousands):

Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	2017			2016			2015		
	Average balance	Interest	Yield/ rate	Average balance	Interest	Yield/ rate	Average balance	Interest	Yield/ rate
Interest-bearing liabilities:									
Savings and interest-bearing demand accounts.....	\$ 585,218	\$ 595	0.10%	\$ 566,589	\$ 470	0.08%	\$ 543,986	\$ 422	0.08%
Certificates of deposit.....	200,797	1,747	0.87%	209,093	1,526	0.73%	223,099	1,665	0.75%
Federal Home Loan Bank advances.....	54,100	695	1.28%	28,081	405	1.44%	45,551	442	0.97%
Securities sold under repurchase agreements....	18,234	18	0.10%	21,767	22	0.10%	20,086	20	0.10%
Federal funds purchased	119	2	1.68%	116	1	0.86%	68	—	0.00%
Subordinated debentures.....	29,427	1,035	3.52%	29,427	884	3.00%	29,427	760	2.58%
Total interest-bearing liabilities.....	887,895	4,092	0.46%	855,073	3,308	0.39%	862,217	3,309	0.38%
Noninterest-bearing liabilities:									
Demand deposits	450,648			434,601			340,360		
Other liabilities	15,081			18,598			13,718		
	465,729			453,199			354,078		
Shareholders' equity.....	172,763			133,445			120,350		
Total.....	<u>\$1,526,387</u>			<u>\$1,441,717</u>			<u>\$1,336,645</u>		
Net interest income and interest rate spread (1)		<u>\$54,502</u>	<u>3.84%</u>		<u>\$50,259</u>	<u>3.79%</u>		<u>\$47,392</u>	<u>3.84%</u>
Net interest margin (2)			<u>4.01%</u>			<u>3.93%</u>			<u>3.96%</u>

- (1) Interest rate spread is calculated by subtracting the rate on average interest-bearing liabilities from the yield on average interest-earning assets.
- (2) Net interest margin is calculated by dividing tax-equivalent adjusted net interest income by average interest-earning assets.

**Changes in Interest Income and Interest Expense
Resulting from Changes in Volume and Changes in Rate**

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, a summary of the changes in interest income and interest expense resulting from changes in volume and changes in rate (Amounts in thousands):

	Increase (decrease) due to:		
	Volume (1)	Rate (1)	Net
<u>2017 compared to 2016</u>			
Interest income:			
Loans.....	\$ 3,838	\$ 174	\$ 4,012
Taxable securities.....	215	211	426
Nontaxable securities.....	541	(54)	487
Interest-bearing deposits in other banks.....	(116)	218	102
Total interest income.....	<u>\$ 4,478</u>	<u>\$ 549</u>	<u>\$ 5,027</u>
Interest expense:			
Savings and interest-bearing demand accounts.....	\$ 16	\$ 109	\$ 125
Certificates of deposit.....	(63)	284	221
Federal Home Loan Bank advances.....	339	(49)	290
Securities sold under repurchase agreements.....	(3)	(1)	(4)
Federal funds purchased.....	—	1	1
Subordinated debentures.....	—	151	151
Total interest expense.....	<u>\$ 289</u>	<u>\$ 495</u>	<u>\$ 784</u>
Net interest income.....	<u>\$ 4,189</u>	<u>\$ 54</u>	<u>\$ 4,243</u>
<u>2016 compared to 2015</u>			
Interest income:			
Loans.....	\$ 2,041	\$ 361	\$ 2,402
Taxable securities.....	(62)	149	87
Nontaxable securities.....	173	(90)	83
Interest-bearing deposits in other banks.....	127	167	294
Total interest income.....	<u>\$ 2,279</u>	<u>\$ 587</u>	<u>\$ 2,866</u>
Interest expense:			
Savings and interest-bearing demand accounts.....	\$ 18	\$ 30	\$ 48
Certificates of deposit.....	(103)	(36)	(139)
Federal Home Loan Bank advances.....	(206)	169	(37)
Securities sold under repurchase agreements.....	2	—	2
Federal funds purchased.....	1	—	1
Subordinated debentures.....	—	124	124
Total interest expense.....	<u>\$ (288)</u>	<u>\$ 287</u>	<u>\$ (1)</u>
Net interest income.....	<u>\$ 2,567</u>	<u>\$ 300</u>	<u>\$ 2,867</u>

- (1) The change in interest income and interest expense due to changes in both volume and rate, which cannot be segregated, has been allocated proportionately to the change due to volume and the change due to rate.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Civista maintains a conservative liquidity position. All securities are classified as available for sale. At December 31, 2017, securities with maturities of one year or less totaled \$8,765, or 3.8% of the total security portfolio. The available for sale portfolio helps to provide Civista with the ability to meet its funding needs. The Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows contained in the Consolidated Financial Statements detail the Company's cash flows from operating activities resulting from net earnings.

Net cash provided by operating activities for 2017, 2016 and 2015 was \$20,819, \$17,709 and \$15,073, respectively. The primary additions to cash from operating activities are from changes in amortization of intangible assets, amortization of securities net of accretion, the provision for loan losses, depreciation and proceeds from sale of loans. In addition, in 2017 additions to cash from operating activities include other, net. The Company had a security that was purchased but not settled at December 31, 2017. The primary use of cash from operating activities is from loans originated for sale. Net cash used for investing activities was \$146,180, \$63,575 and \$11,904 in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, principally reflecting our loan and investment security activities. Deposit, borrowing and net proceeds from issuances of common shares have comprised most of our financing activities, which resulted in net cash provided of \$129,185, \$47,000 and \$2,534 for 2017, 2016 and 2015 respectively.

Future loan demand of Civista can be funded by increases in deposit accounts, proceeds from payments on existing loans, the maturity of securities and the sale of securities classified as available for sale. Additional sources of funds may also come from borrowing in the Federal Funds market and/or borrowing from the FHLB. As of December 31, 2017, Civista had total credit availability with the FHLB of \$366,122 of which \$91,500 was outstanding.

On a separate entity basis, CBI's primary source of funds is dividends paid by its subsidiaries, primarily by Civista. Generally, subject to applicable minimum capital requirements, Civista may declare a dividend without the approval of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland and the State of Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Financial Institutions, provided the total dividends in a calendar year do not exceed the total of its profits for that year combined with its retained profits for the two preceding years. At December 31, 2017, Civista was able to pay dividends to CBI without obtaining regulatory approval. During 2017, Civista did not pay any dividends to CBI.

In addition to the restrictions placed on dividends by banking regulations, CBI is subject to restrictions on the payment of dividends as a result of CBI's issuance of 1,000,000 depository shares, each representing a 1/40th ownership interest in a Series B Preferred Share, of CBI on December 19, 2013. Under the terms of the Series B Preferred Shares, no dividends may be declared or paid on the common shares of CBI during any calendar quarter unless full dividends on the Series B Preferred Shares (and, therefore, the depository shares) have been declared for that quarter and all dividends previously declared on the Series B Preferred Shares (and, therefore, the depository shares) have been paid in full.

The Company manages its liquidity and capital through quarterly Asset/Liability Management Committee (ALCO) meetings. The ALCO discusses issues like those in the above paragraphs as well as others that may affect the future liquidity and capital position of the Company. The ALCO also examines interest rate risk and the effect that changes in rates will have on the Company. For more information about interest rate risk, please refer to the "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk" section.

Capital Adequacy

Shareholders' equity totaled \$184,461 at December 31, 2017 compared to \$137,616 at December 31, 2016. The increase in shareholders' equity resulted primarily from the completion of the Company's public offering of its common shares on February 24, 2017, which resulted in net proceeds of \$32,821. Shareholders' equity was also positively impacted by net income of \$15,872, which was offset by dividends on preferred shares and common shares of \$1,244 and \$2,438, respectively.

During the first quarter of 2015, the Company adopted the new BASEL III regulatory capital framework as approved by the federal banking agencies. In addition to the existing regulatory capital rules, the final BASEL III rules also require the Company to now maintain minimum amounts and ratios of Common Equity Tier 1 (“CET1”) Capital to risk-weighted assets (as these terms are defined in the BASEL III rules). Under the BASEL III rules, the Company elected to opt-out of including accumulated other comprehensive income in regulatory capital. All of the Company’s capital ratios exceeded the regulatory minimum guidelines as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 as identified in the following table:

	Total Risk Based Capital	Tier I Risk Based Capital	CET1 Risk Based Capital	Leverage Ratio
Company Ratios—December 31, 2017	16.6%	15.5%	11.6%	12.7%
Company Ratios—December 31, 2016	14.2%	13.0%	8.6%	10.6%
For Capital Adequacy Purposes	8.0%	6.0%	4.5%	4.0%
To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	10.0%	8.0%	6.5%	5.0%

Common equity for the CET1 risk-based capital ratio includes common stock (plus related surplus) and retained earnings, plus limited amounts of minority interests in the form of common stock, less the majority of certain regulatory deductions.

Tier 1 capital includes common equity as defined for the CET1 risk-based capital ratio, plus certain non-cumulative preferred stock and related surplus, cumulative preferred stock and related surplus and trust preferred securities that have been grandfathered (but which are not permitted going forward), and limited amounts of minority interests in the form of additional Tier 1 capital instruments, less certain deductions.

Tier 2 capital, which can be included in the total capital ratio, includes certain capital instruments (such as subordinated debt) and limited amounts of the allowance for loan and lease losses, subject to new eligibility criteria, less applicable deductions.

The deductions from CET1 capital include goodwill and other intangibles, certain deferred tax assets, mortgage-servicing assets above certain levels, gains on sale in connection with a securitization, investments in a banking organization’s own capital instruments and investments in the capital of unconsolidated financial institutions (above certain levels). The deductions phase in from 2015 through 2019.

Under applicable regulatory guidelines, capital is compared to the relative risk related to the balance sheet. To derive the risk included in the balance sheet, one of several risk weights is applied to different balance sheet and off-balance sheet assets, primarily based on the relative credit risk of the counterparty. The capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings and other factors. Some of the risk weightings were changed effective January 1, 2015.

The new regulatory capital rules and regulations also place restrictions on the payment of capital distributions, including dividends, and certain discretionary bonus payments to executive officers if the company does not hold a capital conservation buffer of greater than 2.5 percent composed of CET1 capital above its minimum risk-based capital requirements, or if its eligible retained income is negative in that quarter and its capital conservation buffer ratio was less than 2.5 percent at the beginning of the quarter. The capital conservation buffer phases in starting on January 1, 2016, at 0.625%. The implementation of Basel III is not expected to have a material impact on CBI’s or Civista’ capital ratios.

Effects of Inflation

The Company's balance sheet is typical of financial institutions and reflects a net positive monetary position whereby monetary assets exceed monetary liabilities. Monetary assets and liabilities are those which can be converted to a fixed number of dollars and include cash assets, securities, loans, money market instruments, deposits and borrowed funds.

During periods of inflation, a net positive monetary position may result in an overall decline in purchasing power of an entity. No clear evidence exists of a relationship between the purchasing power of an entity's net positive monetary position and its future earnings. Moreover, the Company's ability to preserve the purchasing power of its net positive monetary position will be partly influenced by the effectiveness of its asset/liability management program. As part of the asset/liability management process, management reviews and monitors information and projections on inflation as published by the Federal Reserve Board and other sources. This information speaks to inflation as determined by its impact on consumer prices and also the correlation of inflation and interest rates. This information is but one component in an asset/liability management process designed to limit the impact of inflation on the Company. Management does not believe that the effect of inflation on its nonmonetary assets (primarily bank premises and equipment) is material as such assets are not held for resale and significant disposals are not anticipated.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company has disclosed the fair value of its financial instruments at December 31, 2017 and 2016 in Note 17 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The fair value of loans at December 31, 2017 was 99.6% of the carrying value compared to 100.5% at December 31, 2016. The fair value of deposits at December 31, 2017 was 100.0% of the carrying value compared to 100.1% at December 31, 2016.

Contractual Obligations

The following table represents significant fixed and determinable contractual obligations of the Company as of December 31, 2017.

<u>Contractual Obligations</u>	<u>One year or less</u>	<u>One to three years</u>	<u>Three to five years</u>	<u>Over five years</u>	<u>Total</u>
Deposits without a stated maturity	\$ 981,021	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 981,021
Certificates of deposit and IRAs.....	161,656	57,385	4,584	277	223,902
FHLB advances, securities sold under agreements to repurchase and U.S. Treasury interest-bearing demand note.....	88,655	5,000	—	—	93,655
Subordinated debentures (1).....	—	—	—	29,427	29,427
Operating leases.....	571	705	127	—	1,403

(1) The subordinated debentures consist of \$2,000, \$2,500, \$5,000, \$7,500, and \$12,500 debentures.

The Company has retail repurchase agreements with clients within its local market areas. These borrowings are collateralized with securities owned by the Company. See Note 12 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further detail. The Company also has a cash management advance line of credit and outstanding letters of credit with the FHLB. For further discussion, refer to Note 10 and Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

The Company's primary market risk exposure is interest-rate risk and, to a lesser extent, liquidity risk. All of the Company's transactions are denominated in U.S. dollars with no specific foreign exchange exposure.

Interest-rate risk is the exposure of a banking organization's financial condition to adverse movements in interest rates. Accepting this risk can be an important source of profitability and shareholder value. However, excessive levels of interest-rate risk can pose a significant threat to the Company's earnings and capital base. Accordingly, effective risk management that maintains interest-rate risk at prudent levels is essential to the Company's safety and soundness.

Evaluating a financial institution's exposure to changes in interest rates includes assessing both the adequacy of the management process used to control interest-rate risk and the organization's quantitative level of exposure. When assessing the interest-rate risk management process, the Company seeks to ensure that appropriate policies, procedures, management information systems and internal controls are in place to maintain interest-rate risk at prudent levels with consistency and continuity. Evaluating the quantitative level of interest rate risk exposure requires the Company to assess the existing and potential future effects of changes in interest rates on its consolidated financial condition, including capital adequacy, earnings, liquidity and, where appropriate, asset quality.

The Federal Reserve Board, together with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, adopted a Joint Agency Policy Statement on interest-rate risk, effective June 26, 1996. The policy statement provides guidance to examiners and bankers on sound practices for managing interest-rate risk, which will form the basis for ongoing evaluation of the adequacy of interest-rate risk management at supervised institutions. The policy statement also outlines fundamental elements of sound management that have been identified in prior Federal Reserve guidance and discusses the importance of these elements in the context of managing interest-rate risk. Specifically, the guidance emphasizes the need for active board of director and senior management oversight and a comprehensive risk-management process that effectively identifies, measures, and controls interest-rate risk. Financial institutions derive their income primarily from the excess of interest collected over interest paid. The rates of interest an institution earns on its assets and owes on its liabilities generally are established contractually for a period of time. Since market interest rates change over time, an institution is exposed to lower profit margins (or losses) if it cannot adapt to interest-rate changes. For example, assume that an institution's assets carry intermediate- or long-term fixed rates and that those assets were funded with short-term liabilities. If market interest rates rise by the time the short-term liabilities must be refinanced, the increase in the institution's interest expense on its liabilities may not be sufficiently offset if assets continue to earn at the long-term fixed rates. Accordingly, an institution's profits could decrease on existing assets because the institution will have either lower net interest income or, possibly, net interest expense. Similar risks exist when assets are subject to contractual interest-rate ceilings, or rate sensitive assets are funded by longer-term, fixed-rate liabilities in a decreasing-rate environment.

Several techniques may be used by an institution to minimize interest-rate risk. One approach used by the Company is to periodically analyze its assets and liabilities and make future financing and investment decisions based on payment streams, interest rates, contractual maturities, and estimated sensitivity to actual or potential changes in market interest rates. Such activities fall under the broad definition of asset/liability management. The Company's primary asset/liability management technique is the measurement of the Company's asset/liability gap, that is, the difference between the cash flow amounts of interest sensitive assets and liabilities that will be refinanced (or repriced) during a given period. For example, if the asset amount to be repriced exceeds the corresponding liability amount for a certain day, month, year, or longer period, the institution is in an asset sensitive gap position. In this situation, net interest income would increase if market interest rates rose or decrease if market interest rates fell.

If, alternatively, more liabilities than assets will reprice, the institution is in a liability sensitive position. Accordingly, net interest income would decline when rates rose and increase when rates fell. Also, these examples assume that interest rate changes for assets and liabilities are of the same magnitude, whereas actual interest rate changes generally differ in magnitude for assets and liabilities.

Several ways an institution can manage interest-rate risk include selling existing assets or repaying certain liabilities and matching repricing periods for new assets and liabilities, for example, by shortening terms of new loans or securities. Financial institutions are also subject to prepayment risk in falling rate environments. For example, mortgage loans and other financial assets may be prepaid by a debtor so that the debtor may refund its obligations at new, lower rates. The Company does not have significant derivative financial instruments and does not intend to purchase a significant amount of such instruments in the near future. Prepayments of assets carrying higher rates reduce the Company's interest income and overall asset yields. A large portion of an institution's liabilities may be short term or due on demand, while most of its assets may be invested in long term loans or securities. Accordingly, the Company seeks to have in place sources of cash to meet short-term demands. These funds can be obtained by increasing deposits, borrowing, or selling assets. Also, FHLB advances and wholesale borrowings may be used as important sources of liquidity for the Company.

The following table provides information about the Company's financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, based on certain prepayment and account decay assumptions that management believes are reasonable. The Company had derivative financial instruments as of December 31, 2017 and 2016. The changes in fair value of the assets and liabilities of the underlying contracts offset each other. For more information about derivative financial instruments see Note 24 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Expected maturity date values for interest-bearing core deposits were calculated based on estimates of the period over which the deposits would be outstanding. The Company's borrowings were tabulated by contractual maturity dates and without regard to any conversion or repricing dates.

Net Portfolio Value

Change in Rates	December 31, 2017			December 31, 2016		
	Dollar Amount	Dollar Change	Percent Change	Dollar Amount	Dollar Change	Percent Change
+200bp.....	\$270,928	\$ 33,923	14%	\$229,366	\$ 31,559	16%
+100bp.....	261,071	24,066	10%	219,008	21,201	11%
Base	237,005	—	—	197,807	—	—
-100bp.....	223,526	(13,479)	-6%	186,624	(11,183)	-6%

The change in net portfolio value from December 31, 2016 to December 31, 2017, can be attributed to two factors. While the yield curve has flattened from the end of the year, both the volume and mix of assets and funding sources has changed. The volume of loans, and to a lesser extent securities, have increased. The funding volume and mix has shifted toward deposits. The changes in the mix of assets, combined with the changes to liabilities has led to a small decrease in volatility. The increased volume of loans and securities led to the increase in the base. Beyond the change in the base level of net portfolio value, projected movements in rates, up or down, would also lead to changes in market values. The change in the rates up scenarios for both the 100 and 200 basis point movements would lead to a faster decrease in the fair value of liabilities, compared to assets. Accordingly we would see an increase in the net portfolio value. However, a downward change in rates would lead to a decrease in the net portfolio value as the fair value of liabilities would increase more quickly than the fair value of assets.

Critical Accounting Policies

Allowance for Loan Losses: The allowance for loan losses is regularly reviewed by management to determine that the amount is considered adequate to absorb probable losses in the loan portfolio. If not, an additional provision is made to increase the allowance. This evaluation includes specific loss estimates on certain individually reviewed impaired loans, the pooling of commercial credits risk graded as special mention and substandard that are not individually analyzed, and general loss estimates that are based upon the size, quality, and concentration characteristics of the various loan portfolios, adverse situations that may affect a borrower's ability to repay, and current economic and industry conditions, among other items.

Those judgments and assumptions that are most critical to the application of this accounting policy are assessing the initial and on-going credit-worthiness of the borrower, the amount and timing of future cash flows of the borrower that are available for repayment of the loan, the sufficiency of underlying collateral, the enforceability of third-party guarantees, the frequency and subjectivity of loan reviews and risk ratings, emerging or changing trends that might not be fully captured in the historical loss experience, and charges against the allowance for actual losses that are greater than previously estimated. These judgments and assumptions are dependent upon or can be influenced by a variety of factors, including the breadth and depth of experience of lending officers, credit administration and the corporate loan review staff that periodically review the status of the loan, changing economic and industry conditions, changes in the financial condition of the borrower and changes in the value and availability of the underlying collateral and guarantees.

Note 1 and Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements provide additional information regarding Allowance for Loan Losses.

Goodwill: The Company performs an evaluation of goodwill for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. Management performed an evaluation of the Company's goodwill during the fourth quarter of 2017. In performing its evaluation, management obtained several commonly used financial ratios from pending and completed purchase transactions for banks based in the Midwest. Management used these ratios to determine an implied fair value for the Company. The implied fair value exceeded the carrying value including goodwill. Therefore management concluded that goodwill was not impaired and made no adjustment in 2017.

Income Taxes: We determine our liabilities for income taxes based on current tax regulation. In estimating income taxes payable or receivable, we assess the relative merits and risks of the appropriate tax treatment considering statutory, judicial, and regulatory guidance in the context of each tax position. Accordingly, previously estimated liabilities are regularly reevaluated and adjusted through the provision for income taxes. Changes in the estimate of income taxes payable or receivable occur periodically due to changes in tax rates, interpretations of tax law, the status of examinations being conducted by various taxing authorities, and newly enacted statutory, judicial and regulatory guidance that impact the relative merits and risks of each tax position. These changes, when they occur, may affect the provision for income taxes as well as current and deferred income taxes, and may be significant to our statements of income and condition. The Tax Cut and Jobs Act, enacted on December 22, 2017, lowered the federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018.

Management's determination of the realization of net deferred tax assets is based upon management's judgment of various future events and uncertainties, including the timing and amount of future income, as well as the implementation of various tax planning strategies to maximize realization of the deferred tax assets. A valuation allowance is provided when it is more likely than not that some portion of the deferred tax asset will not be realized.

Other-Than-Temporary Impairment of Investment Securities: The Company performs a quarterly valuation to determine if a decline in the value of an investment security is other than temporary. Although the term "other than temporary" is not intended to indicate that the decline is permanent, it does indicate that the prospects for a near-term recovery of value are not necessarily favorable, or that there is lack of evidence to support fair values equal to or greater than the carrying value of the investment. Once a decline in value is determined to be other than temporary, the value of the security is reduced and a corresponding charge to earnings is recognized. Management utilizes criteria such as the magnitude and duration of the decline, in addition to the reasons underlying the decline, to determine whether the loss in value is other than temporary.

Pension Benefits: Pension costs and liabilities are dependent on assumptions used in calculating such amounts. These assumptions include discount rates, benefits earned, interest costs, expected return on plan assets, mortality rates, and other factors. In accordance with GAAP, actual results that differ from the assumptions are accumulated and amortized over future periods and, therefore, generally affect recognized expense and the recorded obligation of future periods. While management believes that the assumptions used are appropriate, differences in actual experience or changes in assumptions may affect the Company's pension obligations and future expense. Our pension benefits are described further in Note 15 of the "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements."

Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

We, as management of Civista Bancshares, Inc., are responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting that is designed to produce reliable financial statements in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles. The system of internal control over financial reporting as it relates to the financial statements is evaluated for effectiveness by management and tested for reliability through a program of internal audits. Actions are taken to correct potential deficiencies as they are identified. Any system of internal control, no matter how well designed, has inherent limitations, including the possibility that a control can be circumvented or overridden and misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, because of changes in conditions, internal control effectiveness may vary over time. Accordingly, even an effective system of internal control will provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation.

Management assessed the Company's system of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, in relation to criteria for effective internal control over financial reporting as described in "2013 Internal Control – Integrated Framework," issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this assessment, management concludes that, as of December 31, 2017, its system of internal control over financial reporting is effective and meets the criteria of the "2013 Internal Control – Integrated Framework". S.R. Snodgrass, P.C., independent registered public accounting firm, has issued an audit report on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017.

Management is responsible for compliance with the federal and state laws and regulations concerning dividend restrictions and federal laws and regulations concerning loans to insiders designated by the FDIC as safety and soundness laws and regulations. Management has assessed compliance by the Company with the designated laws and regulations relating to safety and soundness. Based on the assessment, management believes that the Company complied, in all significant respects, with the designated laws and regulations related to safety and soundness for the year ended December 31, 2017.



Dennis G. Shaffer
President and Chief Executive Officer



Todd A. Michel
Senior Vice President, Controller

Sandusky, Ohio
March 6, 2018

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors of Civista Bancshares, Inc.

Opinion on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

We have audited Civista Bancshares, Inc. and subsidiaries' (the "Company") internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013. In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated balance sheet of the Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2017, of the Company and our report dated March 6, 2018, expressed an unqualified opinion.

Basis for Opinion

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting in the accompanying *Report on Management's Assessment of Internal Control over Financial Reporting*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Definition and Limitations of Internal Control over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.



Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania
March 6, 2018

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on Financial Statements

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors of Civista Bancshares, Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Civista Bancshares, Inc. and subsidiaries (the “Company”) as of December 31, 2017 and 2016; the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders’ equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2017; and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements (collectively, the “financial statements”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2017, conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company’s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013, and our report dated March 6, 2018, expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company’s internal control over financial reporting.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks.

Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We have served as the Company’s auditor since 2009.



Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania
March 6, 2018

CIVISTA BANCSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
December 31, 2017 and 2016
(Amounts in thousands, except share data)

	2017	2016
ASSETS		
Cash and due from financial institutions	\$ 40,519	\$ 36,695
Securities available for sale	231,062	195,864
Loans held for sale.....	2,197	2,268
Loans, net of allowance of \$13,134 and \$13,305	1,151,527	1,042,201
Other securities.....	14,247	14,055
Premises and equipment, net	17,611	17,920
Accrued interest receivable.....	4,488	3,854
Goodwill.....	27,095	27,095
Other intangible assets.....	1,279	1,784
Bank owned life insurance.....	25,125	24,552
Other assets.....	10,707	10,975
Total assets	\$ 1,525,857	\$ 1,377,263
LIABILITIES		
Deposits		
Noninterest-bearing.....	\$ 361,964	\$ 345,588
Interest-bearing	842,959	775,515
Total deposits.....	1,204,923	1,121,103
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	71,900	48,500
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	21,755	28,925
Subordinated debentures.....	29,427	29,427
Accrued expenses and other liabilities.....	13,391	11,692
Total liabilities	1,341,396	1,239,647
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preferred shares, no par value, 200,000 shares authorized Series		
B Preferred shares, \$1,000 liquidation preference, 18,760 shares issued at December 31, 2017 and 20,481 shares issued at December 31, 2016, net of issuance costs.....	17,358	18,950
Common shares, no par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized, 10,946,439 shares issued at December 31, 2017 and 9,091,473 shares issued at December 31, 2016.....	153,810	118,975
Accumulated earnings	31,652	19,263
Treasury stock, 747,964 common shares at cost.....	(17,235)	(17,235)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(1,124)	(2,337)
Total shareholders' equity	184,461	137,616
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity.....	\$ 1,525,857	\$ 1,377,263

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

CIVISTA BANCSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
Years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015
(Amounts in thousands, except share data)

	2017	2016	2015
Interest and dividend income			
Loans, including fees	\$ 51,198	\$ 47,186	\$ 44,784
Taxable securities	3,745	3,319	3,232
Tax-exempt securities	3,153	2,666	2,583
Federal funds sold and other	498	396	102
Total interest and dividend income	<u>58,594</u>	<u>53,567</u>	<u>50,701</u>
Interest expense			
Deposits	2,342	1,996	2,087
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	695	405	442
Subordinated debentures	1,035	884	760
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase and other	20	23	20
Total interest expense	<u>4,092</u>	<u>3,308</u>	<u>3,309</u>
Net interest income	54,502	50,259	47,392
Provision (credit) for loan losses	—	(1,300)	1,200
Net interest income after provision (credit) for loan losses	<u>54,502</u>	<u>51,559</u>	<u>46,192</u>
Noninterest income			
Service charges	4,777	4,832	4,708
Net gain (loss) on sale of securities	12	19	(18)
Net gain on sale of loans	1,745	1,750	1,106
ATM fees	2,304	2,094	1,986
Wealth management fees	3,068	2,678	2,823
Bank owned life insurance	573	563	467
Tax refund processing fees	2,750	2,750	2,000
Computer center item processing fees	246	251	267
Net gain (loss) on sale of other real estate owned	(28)	152	199
Other	887	1,043	740
Total noninterest income	<u>16,334</u>	<u>16,132</u>	<u>14,278</u>
Noninterest expense			
Compensation expense	29,253	25,323	23,630
Net occupancy expense	2,689	2,700	2,416
Equipment expense	1,564	1,641	1,503
Contracted data processing	1,838	1,546	1,821
FDIC Assessment	502	611	864
State franchise tax	1,024	923	847
Professional services	2,300	1,895	2,461
Amortization of intangible assets	586	699	711
ATM expense	847	605	674
Marketing expense	817	929	1,039
Repossession expense	279	253	508
Other operating expenses	6,905	6,730	6,470
Total noninterest expense	<u>48,604</u>	<u>43,855</u>	<u>42,944</u>
Income before income taxes	22,232	23,836	17,526
Income taxes	6,360	6,619	4,781
Net income	<u>15,872</u>	<u>17,217</u>	<u>12,745</u>
Preferred share dividends	1,244	1,501	1,577
Net income available to common shareholders	<u>\$ 14,628</u>	<u>\$ 15,716</u>	<u>\$ 11,168</u>
Earnings per common share, basic	<u>\$ 1.48</u>	<u>\$ 1.96</u>	<u>\$ 1.43</u>
Earnings per common share, diluted	<u>\$ 1.28</u>	<u>\$ 1.57</u>	<u>\$ 1.17</u>

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CIVISTA BANCSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED COMPREHENSIVE INCOME STATEMENTS
Years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015
(Amounts in thousands)

	2017	2016	2015
Net income.....	\$ 15,872	\$ 17,217	\$ 12,745
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Unrealized holding gains (loss) on available for sale securities.....	987	(2,342)	(267)
Tax effect	(375)	796	91
Pension liability adjustment	1,129	(448)	(412)
Tax effect	(329)	152	140
Total other comprehensive income (loss).....	1,412	(1,842)	(448)
Comprehensive income	\$ 17,284	\$ 15,375	\$ 12,297

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CIVISTA BANCSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
Years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015
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	Preferred Shares		Common Shares		Accumulated	Treasury	Accumulated	Total
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	(Deficit) Earnings	Stock	Other Comprehensive Loss	Shareholders' Equity
Balance, December 31, 2014	25,000	\$23,132	7,707,917	\$114,365	\$ (4,306)	\$(17,235)	\$ (47)	\$ 115,909
Net income					12,745			12,745
Other comprehensive loss							(448)	(448)
Conversion of Series B preferred shares to common shares	(928)	(859)	118,678	859				—
Stock-based compensation			16,983	106				106
Cash dividends (\$0.20 per share)					(1,562)			(1,562)
Preferred share dividends					(1,577)			(1,577)
Balance, December 31, 2015	24,072	\$22,273	7,843,578	\$115,330	\$ 5,300	\$(17,235)	\$ (495)	\$ 125,173
Net income					17,217			17,217
Other comprehensive loss							(1,842)	(1,842)
Conversion of Series B preferred shares to common shares	(3,591)	(3,323)	459,192	3,322				(1)
Stock-based compensation			40,739	323				323
Cash dividends (\$0.22 per share)					(1,753)			(1,753)
Preferred share dividends					(1,501)			(1,501)
Balance, December 31, 2016	20,481	\$18,950	8,343,509	\$118,975	\$ 19,263	\$(17,235)	\$ (2,337)	\$ 137,616
Net income					15,872			15,872
Other comprehensive income							1,412	1,412
Reclassification of certain income tax effects from accumulated other comprehensive loss					199		(199)	—
Conversion of Series B preferred shares to common shares	(1,721)	(1,592)	220,108	1,592				—
Common share issuance, net of costs			1,610,000	32,821				32,821
Stock-based compensation			25,069	426				426
Cash dividends (\$0.25 per share)					(2,438)			(2,438)
Preferred share dividends					(1,244)			(1,244)
Retirement of common share			(211)	(4)				(4)
Balance, December 31, 2017	18,760	\$17,358	10,198,475	\$153,810	\$ 31,652	\$(17,235)	\$ (1,124)	\$ 184,461

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CIVISTA BANCSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
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	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 15,872	\$ 17,217	\$ 12,745
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities			
Security amortization, net	1,263	1,383	1,410
Depreciation	1,249	1,257	1,193
Amortization of intangible assets	586	699	711
Amortization (Accretion) of net deferred loan fees	317	(172)	(155)
Net (gain) loss on sale of securities	(12)	(19)	18
Provision (credit) for loan losses	—	(1,300)	1,200
Loans originated for sale	(76,493)	(67,295)	(48,745)
Proceeds from sale of loans	78,309	69,475	49,637
Net gain on sale of loans	(1,745)	(1,750)	(1,180)
Net loss on sale of manufactured home loans	—	—	74
Net (gain) loss on sale of other real estate owned	28	(152)	(199)
Gain on sale of fixed assets	(67)	(1)	—
Increase in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance	(573)	(563)	(467)
Share-based compensation	426	323	106
Change in			
Accrued interest payable	229	61	(11)
Accrued interest receivable	(634)	48	144
Deferred taxes	946	170	(410)
Other, net	1,118	(1,672)	(998)
Net cash from operating activities	<u>20,819</u>	<u>17,709</u>	<u>15,073</u>
Cash flows used for investing activities:			
Securities available for sale			
Maturities, prepayments and calls	34,379	34,089	29,733
Sales	953	4,349	—
Purchases	(70,794)	(41,759)	(29,772)
Redemption of other securities	—	—	138
Purchases of other securities	(192)	(603)	(288)
Net cash from acquisition	—	—	926
Purchases of bank owned life insurance	—	(3,885)	—
Net loan originations	(109,737)	(52,022)	(10,225)
Loans purchased, installment	—	(1,643)	(4,774)
Proceeds from sale of manufactured homes	—	—	3,492
Proceeds from sale of OREO properties	87	333	865
Premises and equipment purchases	(1,015)	(2,437)	(1,999)
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment	139	3	—
Net cash used for investing activities	<u>(146,180)</u>	<u>(63,575)</u>	<u>(11,904)</u>

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CIVISTA BANCSHARES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)
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	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Increase (decrease) in deposits.....	83,820	69,070	(3,754)
Net change in short-term FHLB advances	25,900	(22,700)	11,000
Repayment of long-term FHLB advances.....	(2,500)	—	(5,000)
Net proceeds from issuance of common shares	32,821	—	—
Net change in securities sold under repurchase agreements.....	(7,170)	3,885	3,427
Cash payment for repurchase of common shares.....	(4)	—	—
Cash paid on fractional shares on conversion of preferred shares.....	—	(1)	—
Cash dividends paid	(3,682)	(3,254)	(3,139)
Net cash from financing activities	<u>129,185</u>	<u>47,000</u>	<u>2,534</u>
Increase in cash and due from financial institutions.....	3,824	1,134	5,703
Cash and due from financial institutions at beginning of year.....	36,695	35,561	29,858
Cash and due from financial institutions at end of year.....	<u>\$ 40,519</u>	<u>\$ 36,695</u>	<u>\$ 35,561</u>
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:			
Interest paid.....	\$ 3,863	\$ 3,247	\$ 3,320
Income taxes paid.....	5,950	5,900	3,650
Transfer of loans from portfolio to other real estate owned.....	94	102	222
Transfer of premises to held-for-sale	3	202	—
Conversion of preferred shares to common shares.....	1,592	3,322	859
Securities purchased not settled	1,291	—	—
Acquisition of TCNB Financial Corp.			
Noncash assets acquired:			
Loans receivable.....			\$ 76,444
Other securities.....			716
Accrued interest receivable			194
Premises and equipment, net.....			1,738
Core deposit intangible.....			1,009
Other assets			472
Total non cash assets acquired.....			<u>80,573</u>
Liabilities assumed:			
Deposits.....			86,869
Other liabilities.....			5
Total liabilities assumed			<u>86,874</u>
Net noncash liabilities acquired.....			<u>\$ 6,301</u>

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of the accounting policies adopted by Civista Bancshares, Inc., which have a significant effect on the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Nature of Operations and Principles of Consolidation: The Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of Civista Bancshares, Inc. (“CBI”) and its wholly-owned subsidiaries: Civista Bank (“Civista”), First Citizens Insurance Agency, Inc. (“FCIA”), Water Street Properties, Inc. (“WSP”), FC Refund Solutions, Inc. (“FCRS”) and CIVB Risk Management, Inc. (“CRMI”). First Citizens Capital LLC (“FCC”) is wholly-owned by Civista and holds inter-company debt. First Citizens Investments, Inc. (“FCI”) is wholly-owned by Civista and holds and manages its securities portfolio. The operations of FCI and FCC are located in Wilmington, Delaware. The above companies together are sometimes referred to as the “Company”. Intercompany balances and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.

The Company provides financial services through its offices in the Ohio counties of Erie, Crawford, Champaign, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Logan, Summit, Huron, Ottawa, Madison, Montgomery and Richland. Its primary deposit products are checking, savings, and term certificate accounts, and its primary lending products are residential mortgage, commercial, and installment loans. Substantially all loans are secured by specific items of collateral including business assets, consumer assets and commercial and residential real estate. Commercial loans are expected to be repaid from cash flow from operations of businesses. There are no significant concentrations of loans to any one industry or customer. However, our customers’ ability to repay their loans is dependent on the real estate and general economic conditions in the area. Other financial instruments that potentially represent concentrations of credit risk include deposit accounts in other financial institutions.

FCIA was formed to allow the Company to participate in commission revenue generated through its third party insurance agreement. Insurance commission revenue was less than 1.0% of total revenue for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015. WSP was formed to hold repossessed assets of CBI’s subsidiaries. WSP revenue was less than 1% of total revenue for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015. FCRS was formed in 2012 and remained inactive for the periods presented. CRMI was formed in 2017 to provide property and casualty insurance coverage to CBI and its’ subsidiaries for which insurance may not be currently available or economically feasible in the insurance marketplace. CRMI revenue was less than 1% of total revenue for the year ended December 31, 2017.

Use of Estimates: To prepare financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, management makes estimates and assumptions based on available information. These estimates and assumptions affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and the disclosures provided, and future results could differ. The allowance for loan losses, determination of goodwill impairment, fair values of financial instruments, valuation of deferred tax assets, pension obligations and other-than-temporary-impairment of securities are considered material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term.

Cash Flows: Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and demand deposits with financial institutions with original maturities of less than 90 days. Net cash flows are reported for customer loan and deposit transactions, interest bearing deposits in other financial institutions, federal funds purchased, short-term borrowings and repurchase agreements.

Securities: Debt securities are classified as available-for-sale when they might be sold before maturity. Equity securities with readily determinable fair values are also classified as available for sale. Securities available for sale are carried at fair value, with unrealized holding gains and losses reported in other comprehensive income, net of tax.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Interest income includes amortization of purchase premium or discount. Premiums and discounts on securities are amortized on the level-yield method without anticipating prepayments, except for mortgage backed securities where prepayments are anticipated. Gains and losses on sales are based on the amortized cost of the security sold using the specific identification method.

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) guidance specifies that if (a) a company does not have the intent to sell a debt security prior to recovery and (b) it is more-likely-than-not that it will not have to sell the debt security prior to recovery, the security would not be considered other-than-temporarily impaired unless there is a credit loss. When an entity does not intend to sell the security, and it is more-likely-than-not the entity will not have to sell the security before recovery of its cost basis, it will recognize the credit component of other-than-temporary impairment of a debt security in earnings and the remaining portion in other comprehensive income. For held-to-maturity debt securities, the amount of other-than-temporary impairment recorded in other comprehensive income for the non-credit portion of a previous other-than-temporary impairment should be amortized prospectively over the remaining life of the security on the basis of the timing of future estimated cash flows of the security.

For available-for-sale debt securities that management has no intent to sell and believes that it more-likely-than-not will not be required to sell prior to recovery, only the credit loss component of the impairment is recognized in earnings, while the non-credit loss is recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income. The credit loss component recognized in earnings is identified as the amount of principal cash flows not expected to be received over the remaining term of the security as projected based on cash flow projections.

Other securities which include FHLB stock, Federal Reserve Bank (“FRB”) stock, Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation stock, Bankers’ Bancshares Inc. (“BB”) stock, and Norwalk Community Development Corp (“NCDC”) stock are carried at cost.

Loans Held for Sale: Mortgage loans originated and intended for sale in the secondary market and loans that management no longer intends to hold for the foreseeable future, are carried at the lower of aggregate cost or fair value, as determined by outstanding commitments from investors. Net unrealized losses, if any, are recorded as a valuation allowance and charged to earnings.

Loans: Loans that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or payoff are reported at the principal balance outstanding, net of deferred loan fees and costs, and an allowance for loan losses. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized in interest income using the level-yield method without anticipating prepayments.

Interest income on mortgage and commercial loans is discontinued at the time the loan is 90 days delinquent unless the credit is well-secured and in process of collection. Interest income on consumer loans is discontinued when management determines future collection is unlikely. In all cases, loans are placed on nonaccrual or charged-off at an earlier date if collection of principal or interest is considered doubtful.

All interest accrued, but not received, for loans placed on nonaccrual, is reversed against interest income. Interest received on such loans is accounted for on the cash-basis or cost-recovery method, until qualifying for return to accrual. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Purchased Loans: The Company purchases individual loans and groups of loans. Purchased loans that show evidence of credit deterioration since origination are recorded at the amount paid (or allocated fair value in a purchase business combination), such that there is no carryover of the seller's allowance for loan losses. After acquisition, incurred losses are recognized by an increase in the allowance for loan losses.

Purchased loans are accounted for individually or aggregated into pools of loans based on common risk characteristics (e.g., credit score, loan type, and date of origination). The Company estimates the amount and timing of expected cash flows for each purchased loan or pool, and the expected cash flows in excess of amount paid is recorded as interest income over the remaining life of the loan or pool (accretable yield). The excess of the loan's, or pool's, contractual principal and interest over expected cash flows is not recorded (nonaccretable difference).

Over the life of the loan or pool, expected cash flows continue to be estimated. If the present value of expected cash flows is less than the carrying amount, a loss is recorded. If the present value of expected future cash flows is greater than the carrying amount, the excess is recognized as part of future interest income.

Allowance for Loan Losses: The allowance for loan losses (allowance) is calculated with the objective of maintaining a reserve sufficient to absorb inherent loan losses in the loan portfolio. Management establishes the allowance for loan losses based upon its evaluation of the pertinent factors underlying the types and quality of loans in the portfolio. In determining the allowance and the related provision for loan losses, the Company considers three principal elements: (i) specific impairment reserve allocations (valuation allowances) based upon probable losses identified during the review of impaired loans in the Commercial loan portfolio, (ii) allocations established for adversely-rated loans in the Commercial loan portfolio and nonaccrual Real Estate Residential, Consumer installment and Home Equity loans, (iii) allocations on all other loans based principally on the use of a three-year period for loss migration analysis. These allocations are adjusted for consideration of general economic and business conditions, credit quality and delinquency trends, collateral values, and recent loss experience for these similar pools of loans. The Company analyzes its loan portfolio each quarter to determine the appropriateness of its allowance for loan losses.

All commercial, commercial real estate and farm real estate loans are monitored on a regular basis with a detailed loan review completed for all loan relationships greater than \$750. All commercial, commercial real estate and farm real estate loans that are 90 days past due or in nonaccrual status, are analyzed to determine if they are "impaired", which means that it is probable that all amounts will not be collected according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. All loans that are delinquent 90 days are classified as substandard and placed on nonaccrual status unless they are well-secured and in the process of collection. The remaining loans are evaluated and segmented with loans with similar risk characteristics. The Company allocates reserves based on risk categories and portfolio segments described below, which conform to the Company's asset classification policy. In reviewing risk within Civista's loan portfolio, management has identified specific segments to categorize loan portfolio risk: (i) Commercial & Agriculture loans; (ii) Commercial Real Estate – Owner Occupied loans; (iii) Commercial Real Estate – Non-Owner Occupied loans; (iv) Residential Real Estate loans; (v) Real Estate Construction loans; (vi) Farm Real Estate loans; and (vii) Consumer and Other loans. Additional information related to economic factors can be found in Note 5.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Loan Charge-off Policies: All unsecured open- and closed-ended retail loans that become past due 90 days from the contractual due date are charged off in full. In lieu of charging off the entire loan balance, loans with non-real estate collateral may be written down to the net realizable value of the collateral, if repossession of collateral is assured and in process. For open- and closed-ended loans secured by residential real estate, a current assessment of fair value is made no later than 180 days past due. Any outstanding loan balance in excess of the net realizable value of the property is charged off. All other loans are generally charged down to the net realizable value when Civista recognizes the loan is permanently impaired, which is generally after the loan is 90 days past due.

Troubled Debt Restructurings: In certain situations based on economic or legal reasons related to a borrower's financial difficulties, management may grant a concession for other than an insignificant period of time to the borrower that would not otherwise be considered. The related loan is classified as a troubled debt restructuring (TDR). Management strives to identify borrowers in financial difficulty early and work with them to modify to more affordable terms before their loan reaches nonaccrual status. These modified terms may include rate reductions, principal forgiveness, payment forbearance and other actions intended to minimize the economic loss and to avoid foreclosure or repossession of the collateral. In cases where borrowers are granted new terms that provide for a reduction of either interest or principal, management measures any impairment on the restructuring as noted above for impaired loans. In addition to the allowance for the pooled portfolios, management has developed a separate reserve for loans that are identified as impaired through a TDR. These loans are excluded from pooled loss forecasts and a separate reserve is provided under the accounting guidance for loan impairment. Consumer loans whose terms have been modified in a TDR are also individually analyzed for estimated impairment.

Other Real Estate: Other real estate acquired through or instead of loan foreclosure is initially recorded at fair value less costs to sell when acquired, establishing a new cost basis and any deficiency in the value is charged off through the allowance. If fair value declines subsequent to foreclosure, a valuation allowance is recorded through expense. Operating costs after acquisition are expensed.

Premises and Equipment: Land is carried at cost. Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using both accelerated and straight-line methods over the estimated useful life of the asset, ranging from three to seven years for furniture and equipment and seven to fifty years for buildings and improvements.

Federal Home Loan Bank Stock: Civista is a member of the FHLB of Cincinnati and as such, is required to maintain a minimum investment in stock of the FHLB that varies with the level of advances outstanding with the FHLB. The stock is bought from and sold to the FHLB based upon its \$100 par value. The stock does not have a readily determinable fair value and as such is classified as restricted stock, carried at cost and evaluated for impairment by management. The stock's value is determined by the ultimate recoverability of the par value rather than by recognizing temporary declines. The determination of whether the par value will ultimately be recovered is influenced by criteria such as the following: (a) the significance of the decline in net assets of the FHLB as compared to the capital stock amount and the length of time this situation has persisted (b) commitments by the FHLB to make payments required by law or regulation and the level of such payments in relation to the operating performance (c) the impact of legislative and regulatory changes on the customer base of the FHLB and (d) the liquidity position of the FHLB. With consideration given to these factors, management concluded that the stock was not impaired at December 31, 2017 or 2016.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Federal Reserve Bank Stock: Civista is a member of the Federal Reserve System. FRB stock is carried at cost, classified as a restricted security, and periodically evaluated for impairment based on ultimate recovery of par value.

Bank Owned Life Insurance (BOLI) : Civista has purchased BOLI policies on certain key executives. BOLI is recorded at the amount that can be realized under the insurance contract at the balance sheet date, which is the cash surrender value adjusted for other charges or other amounts due that are probable at settlement.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets: Goodwill results from prior business acquisitions and represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of acquired tangible assets and liabilities and identifiable intangible assets. Goodwill is assessed at least annually for impairment and any such impairment will be recognized in the period identified.

Other intangible assets consist of core deposit intangibles arising from whole bank and branch acquisitions. These intangible assets are measured at fair value and then amortized on an accelerated method over their estimated useful lives, which range from five to twelve years.

Servicing Rights: Servicing rights are recognized as assets for the allocated value of retained servicing rights on loans sold. Servicing rights are initially recorded at fair value at the date of transfer. The valuation technique uses the present value of estimated future cash flows using current market discount rates. Servicing rights are amortized in proportion to, and over the period of, estimated net servicing revenues. Impairment is evaluated based on the fair value of the rights, using groupings of the underlying loans as to interest rates and then, secondarily, prepayment characteristics. Fair value is determined using prices for similar assets with similar characteristics, when available, or based upon discounted cash flows using market-based assumptions. Any impairment of a grouping is reported as a valuation allowance to the extent that fair value is less than the capitalized asset for the grouping.

Long-term Assets: Premises and equipment and other intangible assets, and other long-term assets are reviewed for impairment when events indicate their carrying amount may not be recoverable from future undiscounted cash flows. If impaired, the assets are recorded at fair value.

Repurchase Agreements: Substantially all repurchase agreement liabilities represent amounts advanced by various customers. Securities are pledged to cover these liabilities, which are not covered by federal deposit insurance.

Loan Commitments and Related Financial Instruments: Financial instruments include off-balance sheet credit instruments, such as commitments to make loans and commercial letters of credit, issued to meet customer financing needs. The face amount for these items represents the exposure to loss, before considering customer collateral or ability to repay.

Income Taxes: Income tax expense is the total of the current year income tax due or refundable and the change in deferred tax assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are the expected future tax amounts for the temporary differences between carrying amounts and tax basis of assets and liabilities, computed using enacted tax rates. A valuation allowance, if needed, reduces deferred tax assets to the amount expected to be realized.

The Company prescribes a recognition threshold and a measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. Benefits from tax positions should be recognized in the financial statements only when it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained upon examination by the appropriate taxing authority that would have full knowledge of all relevant information.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A tax position that meets the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. Tax positions that previously failed to meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold should be recognized in the first subsequent financial reporting period in which that threshold is met. Previously recognized tax positions that no longer meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold should be derecognized in the first subsequent financial reporting period in which that threshold is no longer met. The Company recognizes interest and/or penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense.

Stock-Based Compensation: Compensation cost is recognized for stock options and restricted stock awards issued to employees, based on the fair value of these awards at the grant date. A Black-Scholes model is utilized to estimate the fair value of stock options, while the market price of the Company's common shares at the date of the grant is used for restricted shares.

Compensation cost is recognized over the required service period, generally defined as the vesting period. For awards with graded vesting, compensation cost is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the entire award.

Retirement Plans: Pension expense is the net of service and interest cost, expected return on plan assets and amortization of gains and losses not immediately recognized. Employee 401(k) and profit sharing plan expense is the amount of matching contributions. Deferred compensation allocates the benefits over the years of service.

Earnings per Common Share: Basic earnings per share are net income available to common shareholders divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per common share include the dilutive effect of additional potential common shares issuable related to convertible preferred shares. Treasury shares are not deemed outstanding for earnings per share calculations.

Comprehensive Income: Comprehensive income consists of net income and other comprehensive income. Other comprehensive income includes unrealized gains and losses on securities available for sale and changes in the funded status of the pension plan.

Loss Contingencies: Loss contingencies, including claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business, are recorded as liabilities when the likelihood of loss is probable and an amount or range of loss can be reasonably estimated. Management does not believe that any such loss contingencies currently exist that will have a material effect on the financial statements.

Restrictions on Cash: Cash on hand or on deposit with the Federal Reserve Bank is required to meet regulatory reserve and clearing requirements. These balances do not earn interest.

Dividend Restriction: Banking regulations require maintaining certain capital levels and may limit the dividends paid by Civista to CBI or by CBI to shareholders. Additional information related to dividend restrictions can be found in Note 19.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fair Value of Financial Instruments: Fair values of financial instruments are estimated using relevant market information and other assumptions, as more fully disclosed in Note 17. Fair value estimates involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment regarding interest rates, credit risk, prepayments, and other factors, especially in the absence of broad markets for particular items. Changes in assumptions or in market conditions could significantly affect these estimates.

Operating Segments: While the Company's chief decision makers monitor the revenue streams of the Company's various products and services, operations are managed and financial performance is evaluated on a Company-wide basis. Operating segments are aggregated into one as operating results for all segments are similar. Accordingly, all of the Company's financial service operations are considered by management to be aggregated in one reportable operating segment.

Business Combinations: At the date of acquisition the Company records the assets and liabilities of the acquired companies on the Consolidated Balance Sheets at their fair value. The results of operations for acquired companies are included in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations beginning at the acquisition date. Expenses arising from acquisition activities are recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations during the period incurred.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities: The Company enters into interest rate swap agreements to facilitate the risk management strategies of a small number of commercial banking customers. All derivatives are accounted for in accordance with ASC-815, *Derivatives and Hedging*. The Company mitigates the risk of entering into these agreements by entering into equal and offsetting swap agreements with highly rated third party financial institutions. The swap agreements are free-standing derivatives and are recorded at fair value in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company is party to master netting arrangements with its financial institution counterparties; however, the Company does not offset assets and liabilities under these arrangements for financial statement presentation purposes because the Company does not currently intend to execute a setoff with its counterparties. The master netting arrangements provide for a single net settlement of all swap agreements, as well as collateral, in the event of default on, or termination of, any one contract. Collateral, usually in the form of marketable securities, is posted by the counterparty with net liability positions in accordance with contract thresholds.

Reclassifications: Some items in the prior year financial statements were reclassified to conform to the current presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on net income or shareholders' equity.

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Effect of Newly Issued but Not Yet Effective Accounting Standards:

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* (a new revenue recognition standard). The Update's core principle is that a company will recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. In addition, this Update specifies the accounting for certain costs to obtain or fulfill a contract with a customer and expands disclosure requirements for revenue recognition. This Update is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within that reporting period. However, in August 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-14, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* (Topic 606) to defer the effective date of ASU 2014-09 for all entities by one year. Public business entities, certain not-for-profit entities, and certain employee benefit plans should apply the guidance in ASU 2014-09 to annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim reporting periods within that reporting period. All other entities should apply the guidance in ASU 2014-09 to annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim reporting periods within annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Because the guidance does not apply to revenue associated with financial instruments, including loans and securities, we do not expect the new standard, or any of the amendments, to result in a material change from our current accounting for revenue because the majority of the Company's financial instruments are not within the scope of Topic 606. However, we do expect that the standard will result in new disclosure requirements, which are currently being evaluated.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01, *Financial Instruments – Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*. This Update applies to all entities that hold financial assets or owe financial liabilities and is intended to provide more useful information on the recognition, measurement, presentation, and disclosure of financial instruments. Among other things, this Update (a) requires equity investments (except those accounted for under the equity method of accounting or those that result in consolidation of the investee) to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income; (b) simplifies the impairment assessment of equity investments without readily determinable fair values by requiring a qualitative assessment to identify impairment; (c) eliminates the requirement to disclose the fair value of financial instruments measured at amortized cost for entities that are not public business entities; (d) eliminates the requirement for public business entities to disclose the method(s) and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value that is required to be disclosed for financial instruments measured at amortized cost on the balance sheet; (e) requires public business entities to use the exit price notion when measuring the fair value of financial instruments for disclosure purposes; (f) requires an entity to present separately in other comprehensive income the portion of the total change in the fair value of a liability resulting from a change in the instrument-specific credit risk when the entity has elected to measure the liability at fair value in accordance with the fair value option for financial instruments; (g) requires separate presentation of financial assets and financial liabilities by measurement category and form of financial asset (that is, securities or loans and receivables) on the balance sheet or the accompanying notes to the financial statements; and (h) clarifies that an entity should evaluate the need for a valuation allowance on a deferred tax asset related to available-for-sale securities in combination with the entity's other deferred tax assets. ASU 2016-01 will be effective for us on January 1, 2018 and will not have a significant impact on our financial statements.

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In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. The standard in this Update requires lessees to recognize the assets and liabilities that arise from leases on the balance sheet. A lessee should recognize in the statement of financial position a liability to make lease payments (the lease liability) and a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term. A short-term lease is defined as one in which: (a) the lease term is 12 months or less, and (b) there is not an option to purchase the underlying asset that the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise. For short-term leases, lessees may elect to recognize lease payments over the lease term on a straight-line basis. For public business entities, the amendments in this Update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those years. For all other entities, the amendments in this Update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and for interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. The amendments should be applied at the beginning of the earliest period presented using a modified retrospective approach with earlier application permitted as of the beginning of an interim or annual reporting period. The Company is currently assessing the practical expedients it may elect at adoption, but does not anticipate the amendments will have a significant impact to the financial statements. Based on the Company's preliminary analysis of its current portfolio, the impact to the Company's balance sheet is estimated to result in less than a 1% increase in assets and liabilities. The Company also anticipates additional disclosures to be provided at adoption.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, *Financial Instruments-Credit Losses: Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments* ("ASU 2016-13"), which changes the impairment model for most financial assets. This ASU is intended to improve financial reporting by requiring timelier recording of credit losses on loans and other financial instruments held by financial institutions and other organizations. The underlying premise of the ASU is that financial assets measured at amortized cost should be presented at the net amount expected to be collected, through an allowance for credit losses that is deducted from the amortized cost basis. The allowance for credit losses should reflect management's current estimate of credit losses that are expected to occur over the remaining life of a financial asset. The income statement will be effected for the measurement of credit losses for newly recognized financial assets, as well as the expected increases or decreases of expected credit losses that have taken place during the period. ASU 2016-13 is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2019, and early adoption is permitted for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2018. We expect to recognize a one-time cumulative effect adjustment to the allowance for loan losses as of the beginning of the first reporting period in which the new standard is effective, but cannot yet determine the magnitude of any such one-time adjustment or the overall impact of the new guidance on the consolidated financial statements.

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In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-15, *Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments* (“ASU 2016-15”), which addresses eight specific cash flow issues with the objective of reducing diversity in practice. Among these include recognizing cash payments for debt prepayment or debt extinguishment as cash outflows for financing activities; cash proceeds received from the settlement of insurance claims should be classified on the basis of the related insurance coverage; and cash proceeds received from the settlement of bank-owned life insurance policies should be classified as cash inflows from investing activities while the cash payments for premiums on bank-owned policies may be classified as cash outflows for investing activities, operating activities, or a combination of investing and operating activities. The amendments in this Update are effective for public business entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years. For all other entities, the amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. If an entity early adopts the amendments in an interim period, any adjustments should be reflected as of the beginning of the fiscal year that includes that interim period. An entity that elects early adoption must adopt all of the amendments in the same period. The amendments in this Update should be applied using a retrospective transition method to each period presented. If it is impracticable to apply the amendments retrospectively for some of the issues, the amendments for those issues would be applied prospectively as of the earliest date practicable. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company’s statement of cash flows.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-01, *Business Combinations (Topic 805), Clarifying the Definition of a Business* “ASU 2017-01”, which provides a more robust framework to use in determining when a set of assets and activities (collectively referred to as a “set”) is a business. The screen requires that when substantially all of the fair value of the gross assets acquired (or disposed of) is concentrated in a single identifiable asset or a group of similar identifiable assets, the set is not a business. This screen reduces the number of transactions that need to be further evaluated. Public business entities should apply the amendments in this Update to annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those periods. All other entities should apply the amendments to annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019. The amendments in this Update should be applied prospectively on or after the effective date. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company’s financial position or results of operations.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, *Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment*. To simplify the subsequent measurement of goodwill, the FASB eliminated Step 2 from the goodwill impairment test. In computing the implied fair value of goodwill under Step 2, an entity had to perform procedures to determine the fair value at the impairment testing date of its assets and liabilities (including unrecognized assets and liabilities) following the procedure that would be required in determining the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination. Instead, under the amendments in this Update, an entity should perform its annual, or interim, goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount. An entity should recognize an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit’s fair value; however, the loss recognized should not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. A public business entity that is a U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) filer should adopt the amendments in this Update for its annual or any interim goodwill impairment tests in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019. A public business entity that is not an SEC filer should adopt the amendments in this Update for its annual or any interim goodwill impairment tests in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. All other entities, including not-for-profit entities that are adopting the amendments in this Update should do so for their annual or any interim

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goodwill impairment tests in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In March 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-08, *Receivables – Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs (Subtopic 310-20)*. The amendments in this Update shorten the amortization period for certain callable debt securities held at a premium. Specifically, the amendments require the premium to be amortized to the earliest call date. The amendments do not require an accounting change for securities held at a discount; the discount continues to be amortized to maturity. For public business entities, the amendments in this Update are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2018. For all other entities, the amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. If an entity early adopts the amendments in an interim period, any adjustments should be reflected as of the beginning of the fiscal year that includes that interim period. An entity should apply the amendments in this Update on a modified retrospective basis through a cumulative-effect adjustment directly to retained earnings as of the beginning of the period of adoption. Additionally, in the period of adoption, an entity should provide disclosures about a change in accounting principle. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In May 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-09, *Compensation – Stock Compensation (Topic 718)*, which affects any entity that changes the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award. This Update amends the definition of modification by qualifying that modification accounting does not apply to changes to outstanding share-based payment awards that do not affect the total fair value, vesting requirements, or equity/liability classification of the awards. The amendments in this Update are effective for all entities for annual periods, and interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in any interim period, for (1) public business entities for reporting periods for which financial statements have not yet been issued and (2) all other entities for reporting periods for which financial statements have not yet been made available for issuance. The amendments in this Update should be applied prospectively to an award modified on or after the adoption date. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In July 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-11, *Earnings Per Share (Topic 260), Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity (Topic 480), and Derivative and Hedging (Topic 815)*. The amendments in Part I of this Update change the classification analysis of certain equity-linked financial instruments (or embedded features) with down-round features. When determining whether certain financial instruments should be classified as liabilities or equity instruments, a down-round feature no longer precludes equity classification when assessing whether the instrument is indexed to an entity's own stock. The amendments also clarify existing disclosure requirements for equity-classified instruments. As a result, a freestanding equity-linked financial instrument (or embedded conversion option) no longer would be accounted for as a derivative liability at fair value as a result of the existence of a down-round feature. For freestanding equity classified financial instruments, the amendments require entities that present earnings per share ("EPS") in accordance with Topic 260 to recognize the effect of the down-round feature when it is triggered. That effect is treated as a dividend and as a reduction of income available to common shareholders in basic EPS. Convertible instruments with embedded conversion options that have down-round features are now subject to the specialized guidance for contingent beneficial conversion features (in Subtopic 470-20, *Debt—Debt with Conversion and Other Options*), including related EPS guidance (in Topic 260). The amendments in Part II of this Update recharacterize the indefinite deferral of certain provisions of Topic 480 that now are presented as pending content in the Accounting Standards Codification, to a scope exception. Those amendments do not have an accounting effect.

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For public business entities, the amendments in Part I of this Update are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2018. For all other entities, the amendments in Part I of this Update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. Early adoption is permitted for all entities, including adoption in an interim period. If an entity early adopts the amendments in an interim period, any adjustments should be reflected as of the beginning of the fiscal year that includes that interim period. The amendments in Part I of this Update should be applied either retrospectively to outstanding financial instruments with a down-round feature by means of a cumulative-effect adjustment to the statement of financial position as of the beginning of the first fiscal year and interim period(s) in which the pending content that links to this paragraph is effective or retrospectively to outstanding financial instruments with a down-round feature for each prior reporting period presented in accordance with the guidance on accounting changes in paragraphs 250-10-45-5 through 45-10. The amendments in Part II of this Update do not require any transition guidance because those amendments do not have an accounting effect. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In August 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-12, *Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 850)*, the objective of which is to improve the financial reporting of hedging relationships to better portray the economic results of an entity's risk management activities in its financial statements. In addition, the amendments in this Update make certain targeted improvements to simplify the application and disclosure of the hedge accounting guidance in current general accepted accounting principles. For public business entities, the amendments in this Update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years. For all other entities, the amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2020. Early application is permitted in any period after issuance. For cash flow and net investment hedges existing at the date of adoption, an entity should apply a cumulative-effect adjustment related to eliminating the separate measurement of ineffectiveness to accumulated other comprehensive income with a corresponding adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings as of the beginning of the fiscal year that an entity adopts the amendments in this Update. The amended presentation and disclosure guidance is required only prospectively. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In September 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-13, *Revenue Recognition (Topic 605), Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606), Leases (Topic 840), and Leases (Topic 842): Amendments to SEC Paragraphs Pursuant to the Staff Announcement at the July 20, 2017 EITF Meeting and Rescission of Prior SEC Staff Announcements and Observer Comments*. The SEC Observer said that the SEC staff would not object if entities that are considered public business entities only because their financial statements or financial information is required to be included in another entity's SEC filing use the effective dates for private companies when they adopt ASC 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, and ASC 842, *Leases*. The Update also supersedes certain SEC paragraphs in the Codification related to previous SEC staff announcements and moves other paragraphs, upon adoption of ASC 606 or ASC 842. This Update is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's financial statements.

In January 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-01, *Leases (Topic 842)*, which provides an optional transition practical expedient to not evaluate under Topic 842 existing or expired land easements that were not previously accounted for as leases under the current lease guidance in Topic 840. An entity that elects this practical expedient should evaluate new or modified land easements under Topic 842 beginning at the date the entity adopts Topic 842; otherwise, an entity should evaluate all existing or expired land easements in connection with the adoption of the new lease requirements in Topic 842 to assess whether they meet the definition of a lease. The effective date and transition

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requirements for the amendments are the same as the effective date and transition requirements in ASU 2016-02. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company’s financial position or results of operations.

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-02, *Income Statement – Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220)*. On December 22, 2017, the U.S. federal government enacted a tax bill, H.R.1, *An Act to Provide for Reconciliation Pursuant to Titles II and V of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2018 (Tax Cuts and Jobs Act)*, which requires deferred tax liabilities and assets to be adjusted for the effect of a change in tax laws. The amendments in this Update allow a reclassification from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings for stranded tax effects resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The amendments in this Update are effective for all entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption of the amendments in this Update is permitted. The amendments in this Update should be applied either in the period of adoption or retrospectively to each period (or periods) in which the effect of the change in the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate in the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is recognized. The Company has elected to early adopt this standard as of December 31, 2017, which resulted in a one-time cumulative effect adjustment of \$199 between retained earnings and accumulated other comprehensive income on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The adjustment had no impact on net income or any prior periods presented.

NOTE 2 - MERGER

On March 6, 2015, CBI completed the acquisition by merger of TCNB Financial Corp. (“TCNB”) in an all-cash transaction for aggregate consideration of \$17,226, or \$23.50 per share of TCNB stock. The Company and TCNB had first announced that they had entered into an agreement to merge in September of 2014. Immediately following the merger, TCNB’s banking subsidiary, The Citizens National Bank of Southwestern Ohio, was merged into CBI’s banking subsidiary, Civista Bank.

At the time of the merger, TCNB had total assets of \$97,479, including \$76,771 in loans, and \$86,708 in deposits. The transaction was recorded as a purchase and, accordingly, the operating results of TCNB have been included in the Company’s Consolidated Financial Statements since the close of business on March 6, 2015. The aggregate of the purchase price over the fair value of the net assets acquired of approximately \$5,375 was recorded as goodwill and will be evaluated for impairment on an annual basis.

Merger-related costs were \$391 as of December 31, 2015. These costs were primarily included in salaries, wages and benefits, contracted data processing and professional services on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The following table presents financial information for the former TCNB included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations from the date of acquisition through December 31, 2015.

	Actual From Acquisition Date Through December 31, 2015 (in thousands)
Net interest income after provision for loan losses.....	\$ 3,155
Noninterest income.....	138
Net income	1,282

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NOTE 2 – MERGER (Continued)

The following table presents unaudited pro forma information for the periods ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 as if the acquisition of TCNB had occurred on January 1, 2015. This table has been prepared for comparative purposes only and is not indicative of the actual results that would have been attained had the acquisition occurred as of the beginning of the periods presented, nor is it indicative of future results.

	Pro Formas (unaudited) Twelve months ended December 31,		
	2017	2016	2015
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	\$ 54,456	\$ 51,389	\$ 46,852
Noninterest income	16,334	16,132	14,699
Net income	15,769	16,949	11,931
Pro forma earnings per share:			
Basic	\$ 1.47	\$ 1.93	\$ 1.32
Diluted	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.55	\$ 1.09

The following table summarizes the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition for TCNB. Core deposit intangibles will be amortized over periods of between five and ten years using an accelerated method. Goodwill will not be amortized, but instead will be evaluated for impairment.

	At March 6, 2015
Total purchase price	\$ 17,226
Net assets acquired:	
Cash and short-term investments	18,152
Loans, net	76,444
Other securities	716
Premises and equipment	1,738
Accrued interest receivable	194
Core deposit intangible	1,009
Other assets	472
Noninterest-bearing deposits	(18,263)
Interest-bearing deposits	(68,606)
Other liabilities	(5)
	11,851
Goodwill	\$ 5,375

The assets and liabilities acquired in the TCNB merger were measured at fair value. Management made certain estimates and exercised judgment in accounting for the acquisition. The following is a description of the methods used to determine fair value of significant assets and liabilities at the acquisition date:

Cash and short-term investments: The Company acquired \$18.2 million in cash and short-term investments, which management deemed to reflect fair value based on the short term nature of the asset.

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Loans: The Company acquired \$76.4 million in loans receivable with and without evidence of credit quality deterioration. The loans consisted of Commercial loans, Commercial Real Estate loans, and Residential Real Estate loans including home equity secured lines of credit, as well as Real Estate Construction, Farm Real Estate loans and

Consumer and other loans. The fair value of the performing loan portfolio includes separate adjustments to reflect a credit risk and marketability component and a yield component reflecting the differential between portfolio and market yields. Additionally, certain loans were valued based on their observable sales price. Loans acquired with credit deterioration of \$831 were individually evaluated to estimate credit losses and a net recovery amount for each loan. The net cash flows for each loan were then discounted to present value using a risk-adjusted market rate.

Deposits: The Company acquired \$86.9 million in deposits. Savings and transaction accounts are variable, have no stated maturity and can be withdrawn on short notice with no penalty. Therefore, the fair value of such deposits is considered equal to the carrying value. The fair value of CD's is determined by comparing the contractual cost of the CD's to the market rates with corresponding maturities. The valuation adjustment reflects the present value of the difference between the cash flows attributable to the CD's based on contractual and market rates. The core deposit intangible is determined by the present value difference of the net cost of the core deposit versus the same amount for an alternative funding source.

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NOTE 3 - SECURITIES

The amortized cost and fair value of available for sale securities and the related gross unrealized gains and losses recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss were as follows:

	<u>Amortized Cost</u>	<u>Gross Unrealized Gains</u>	<u>Gross Unrealized Losses</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
2017				
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of				
U.S. government agencies	\$ 30,450	\$ 100	\$ (192)	\$ 30,357
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	114,002	4,226	(172)	118,056
Mortgage-back securities in government				
sponsored entities	82,098	408	(690)	81,817
Total debt securities	226,550	4,734	(1,054)	230,230
Equity securities in financial institutions	481	351	—	832
Total	<u>\$ 227,031</u>	<u>\$ 5,085</u>	<u>\$ (1,054)</u>	<u>\$ 231,062</u>

	<u>Amortized Cost</u>	<u>Gross Unrealized Gains</u>	<u>Gross Unrealized Losses</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
2016				
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of				
U.S. government agencies	\$ 37,406	\$ 117	\$ (77)	\$ 37,446
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	92,177	3,395	(574)	94,998
Mortgage-back securities in government				
sponsored entities	62,756	483	(597)	62,642
Total debt securities	192,339	3,995	(1,248)	195,086
Equity securities in financial institutions	481	297	—	778
Total	<u>\$ 192,820</u>	<u>\$ 4,292</u>	<u>\$ (1,248)</u>	<u>\$ 195,864</u>

The amortized cost and fair value of securities at year end 2017 by contractual maturity were as follows. Securities not due at a single maturity date, primarily mortgage-backed securities, are shown separately.

	<u>Available for sale</u>	
	<u>Amortized Cost</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Due in one year or less.....	\$ 8,787	\$ 8,765
Due from one to five years	27,662	27,691
Due from five to ten years	30,167	31,622
Due after ten years	77,836	80,335
Mortgage-backed securities in government		
sponsored entities.....	82,098	81,817
Equity securities in financial institutions	481	832
Total	<u>\$ 227,031</u>	<u>\$ 231,062</u>

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Securities with a carrying value of \$122,862 and \$139,179 were pledged as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, to secure public deposits, other deposits and liabilities as required or permitted by law.

Proceeds from sales of securities, gross realized gains and gross realized losses were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Sale proceeds	\$ 953	\$ 4,349	\$ —
Gross realized gains	—	18	—
Gross realized losses	—	—	—
Gains (losses) from securities called or settled by the issuer	12	1	(18)

Debt securities with unrealized losses at year end 2017 and 2016 not recognized in income are as follows:

<u>2017</u>	<u>12 Months or less</u>		<u>More than 12 months</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Loss</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Loss</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Loss</u>
<u>Description of Securities</u>						
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. government agencies.....	\$ 20,449	\$ (100)	\$ 6,617	\$ (92)	\$ 27,066	\$ (192)
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	4,057	(41)	7,309	(131)	11,366	(172)
Mortgage-backed securities in gov't sponsored entities.....	29,534	(195)	22,199	(495)	51,733	(690)
Total temporarily impaired.....	<u>\$ 54,040</u>	<u>\$ (336)</u>	<u>\$ 36,125</u>	<u>\$ (718)</u>	<u>\$ 90,165</u>	<u>\$ (1,054)</u>

<u>2016</u>	<u>12 Months or less</u>		<u>More than 12 months</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Loss</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Loss</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Loss</u>
<u>Description of Securities</u>						
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. government agencies.....	\$ 13,271	\$ (61)	\$ 893	\$ (16)	\$ 14,164	\$ (77)
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	17,167	(558)	519	(16)	17,686	(574)
Mortgage-backed securities in gov't sponsored entities.....	35,453	(566)	2,849	(31)	38,302	(597)
Total temporarily impaired.....	<u>\$ 65,891</u>	<u>\$ (1,185)</u>	<u>\$ 4,261</u>	<u>\$ (63)</u>	<u>\$ 70,152</u>	<u>\$ (1,248)</u>

The Company periodically evaluates securities for other-than-temporary impairment. An unrealized loss exists when the current fair value of an individual security is less than its amortized cost basis. Unrealized losses that are determined to be temporary in nature are recorded, net of tax, in accumulated other comprehensive loss on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The Company has assessed each available-for-sale security position for credit impairment. Factors considered in determining whether a loss is temporary include:

- The length of time and the extent to which fair value has been below cost;
- The severity of impairment;
- The cause of the impairment and the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer;

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NOTE 3 – SECURITIES (Continued)

- If the Company intends to sell the investment;
- If it's more-likely-than-not the Company will be required to sell the investment before recovering its amortized cost basis; and
- If the Company does not expect to recover the investment's entire amortized cost basis (even if the Company does not intend to sell the investment).

The Company's review for impairment generally entails:

- Identification and evaluation of investments that have indications of impairment;
- Analysis of individual investments that have fair values less than amortized cost, including consideration of length of time each investment has been in unrealized loss position and the expected recovery period;
- Evaluation of factors or triggers that could cause individual investments to qualify as having other-than-temporary impairment; and
- Documentation of these analyses, as required by policy.

At December 31, 2017, the Company owned 78 securities that were considered temporarily impaired. The unrealized losses on these securities have not been recognized into income because the issuers' bonds are of high credit quality, management has the intent and ability to hold these securities for the foreseeable future, and the decline in fair value is largely due to changes in market interest rates. The Company also considers sector specific credit rating changes in its analysis. The fair value is expected to recover as the securities approach their maturity date or reset date. The Company does not intend to sell until recovery and does not believe selling will be required before recovery.

NOTE 4 - LOANS

Loans at year-end were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Commercial and Agriculture	\$ 152,473	\$ 135,462
Commercial Real Estate - owner occupied	164,099	161,364
Commercial Real Estate - non-owner occupied.....	425,623	395,931
Residential Real Estate	268,735	247,308
Real Estate Construction.....	97,531	56,293
Farm Real Estate.....	39,461	41,170
Consumer and Other	<u>16,739</u>	<u>17,978</u>
Total Loans.....	1,164,661	1,055,506
Allowance for loan losses.....	<u>(13,134)</u>	<u>(13,305)</u>
Net loans	<u>\$ 1,151,527</u>	<u>\$ 1,042,201</u>

Included in total loans above are deferred loan fees of \$223 at December 31, 2017 and deferred loan costs of \$94 at December 31, 2016.

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NOTE 4 – LOANS (Continued)

Loans to principal officers, directors, and their affiliates at year-end 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Balance - Beginning of year	\$ 14,389	\$ 15,147
New loans and advances	2,344	850
Repayments	(1,256)	(1,575)
Effect of changes to related parties	<u>(1,475)</u>	<u>(33)</u>
Balance - End of year	<u>\$ 14,002</u>	<u>\$ 14,389</u>

NOTE 5 - ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

Management has an established methodology to determine the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses that assesses the risks and losses inherent in the loan portfolio. For purposes of determining the allowance for loan losses, the Company has segmented certain loans in the portfolio by product type. Loans are segmented into the following pools: Commercial and Agriculture loans, Commercial Real Estate – Owner Occupied loans, Commercial Real Estate – Non-owner Occupied loans, Residential Real Estate loans, Real Estate Construction loans, Farm Real Estate loans and Consumer and Other loans. Loss migration rates for each risk category are calculated and used as the basis for calculating loan loss allowance allocations. Loss migration rates are calculated over a three-year period for all portfolio segments. Management also considers certain economic factors for trends that management uses to account for the qualitative and environmental changes in risk, which affects the level of the reserve. The following economic factors are analyzed:

- Changes in lending policies and procedures
- Changes in experience and depth of lending and management staff
- Changes in quality of credit review system
- Changes in the nature and volume of the loan portfolio
- Changes in past due, classified and nonaccrual loans and TDRs
- Changes in economic and business conditions
- Changes in competition or legal and regulatory requirements
- Changes in concentrations within the loan portfolio
- Changes in the underlying collateral for collateral dependent loans

The total allowance reflects management’s estimate of loan losses inherent in the loan portfolio at the consolidated balance sheet date. The Company considers the allowance for loan losses of \$13,134 adequate to cover loan losses inherent in the loan portfolio, at December 31, 2017. The following tables present, by portfolio segment, the changes in the allowance for loan losses, the ending allocation of the allowance for loan losses and the loan balances outstanding for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015. The changes can be impacted by overall loan volume, adversely graded loans, historical charge-offs and economic factors.

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NOTE 5 - ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

Allowance for loan losses:

December 31, 2017	<u>Beginning balance</u>	<u>Charge-offs</u>	<u>Recoveries</u>	<u>Provision (Credit)</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Commercial & Agriculture	\$ 2,018	\$ (11)	\$ 372	\$ (817)	\$ 1,562
Commercial Real Estate:					
Owner Occupied.....	2,171	(328)	69	131	2,043
Non-Owner Occupied	4,606	(38)	46	693	5,307
Residential Real Estate	3,089	(400)	194	(973)	1,910
Real Estate Construction	420	—	44	370	834
Farm Real Estate.....	442	—	3	(15)	430
Consumer and Other	314	(165)	43	98	290
Unallocated.....	245	—	—	513	758
Total.....	<u>\$ 13,305</u>	<u>\$ (942)</u>	<u>\$ 771</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 13,134</u>

For the year ended December 31, 2017, the allowance for Commercial & Agriculture loans was reduced by a decrease in general reserves as a result of lower loss rates. The result was represented as a decrease in the provision. The allowance for Commercial Real Estate – Owner Occupied loans was reduced by a decrease in general reserves and charge-offs. The allowance for Commercial Real Estate – Non-Owner Occupied loans increased due to an increase in general reserves required for this type as a result of higher loan balances. The allowance for Residential Real Estate loans was reduced by a decrease in general reserves required for this type as a result of a decrease in loss rates, represented by a decrease in the provision. The allowance for Real Estate Construction loans increased due to higher outstanding loan balances for this type of loan. The allowance for Farm Real Estate loans was reduced by a decrease in general reserves required for this type as a result of lower outstanding loan balances. The result was represented as a decrease in the provision. Management feels that the unallocated amount is appropriate and within the relevant range for the allowance that is reflective of the risk in the portfolio.

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NOTE 5 - ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

Allowance for loan losses:

December 31, 2016	Beginning balance	Charge-offs	Recoveries	Provision (Credit)	Ending Balance
Commercial & Agriculture	\$ 1,478	\$ (880)	\$ 105	\$ 1,315	\$ 2,018
Commercial Real Estate:					
Owner Occupied.....	2,467	(228)	56	(124)	2,171
Non-Owner Occupied	4,657	(23)	1,372	(1,400)	4,606
Residential Real Estate	4,086	(455)	479	(1,021)	3,089
Real Estate Construction	371	(115)	12	152	420
Farm Real Estate.....	538	—	—	(96)	442
Consumer and Other	382	(125)	46	11	314
Unallocated.....	382	—	—	(137)	245
Total.....	\$ 14,361	\$ (1,826)	\$ 2,070	\$ (1,300)	\$ 13,305

For the year ended December 31, 2016, the increase in allowance for Commercial & Agriculture loans was due to an increase in general reserves as a result of higher balances and higher loss rates in criticized loans. The result was represented as an increase in the provision. The allowance for Commercial Real Estate – Owner Occupied loans was reduced not only by a decrease in specific reserves required for this type, but also by a decrease in general reserves due to decreases in classified, non-accrual loans and lower loss rates for this type. The result of these changes was represented as a decrease in the provision. The decrease in allowance for Commercial Real Estate – Non-Owner Occupied loans was the result of a decrease in general reserves required as a result of lower loss rates and improvement in past due, classified and non-accrual loans for this type. In addition, a payoff on a previously charged down loan was received resulting in a recovery of approximately \$1,303. The net result was represented as a decrease in the provision. The allowance for Residential Real Estate loans was reduced by a decrease in general reserves required for this type as a result of a decrease in loss rates, represented by a decrease in the provision. The allowance for Real Estate Construction loans increased due to an increase in loss rates for this type of loan, which was represented as an increase in the provision. The allowance for Farm Real Estate loans was reduced by a decrease in general reserves required for this type as a result of lower outstanding loan balances and a decrease in loss rates. The result of these changes was represented as a decrease in the provision. Management feels that the unallocated amount is appropriate and within the relevant range for the allowance that is reflective of the risk in the portfolio.

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NOTE 5 - ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

Allowance for loan losses:

December 31, 2015	<u>Beginning balance</u>	<u>Charge-offs</u>	<u>Recoveries</u>	<u>Provision (Credit)</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Commercial & Agriculture	\$ 1,819	\$ (190)	\$ 182	\$ (333)	\$ 1,478
Commercial Real Estate:					
Owner Occupied.....	2,221	(523)	187	582	2,467
Non-Owner Occupied	4,334	(81)	115	289	4,657
Residential Real Estate	3,747	(1,135)	331	1,143	4,086
Real Estate Construction	428	—	5	(62)	371
Farm Real Estate.....	822	—	76	(360)	538
Consumer and Other	200	(120)	46	256	382
Unallocated.....	697	—	—	(315)	382
Total.....	<u>\$ 14,268</u>	<u>\$ (2,049)</u>	<u>\$ 942</u>	<u>\$ 1,200</u>	<u>\$ 14,361</u>

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the allowance for Commercial and Agriculture loans was reduced due to decreases in specific reserves for impaired loans of \$625. The decrease in specific reserves for impaired loans was primarily the result of the resolution of an impaired loan. The Company did not incur losses with this resolution. The result was represented as a decrease in the provision. The increase in the allowance for Commercial Real Estate— Owner Occupied loans was the result of an increase in loss migration rates, which is attributable to the change in the lookback period to a three-year period. The increase in the allowance for Commercial Real Estate – Non–Owner Occupied loans was the result of an increase in loss migration rates, which is attributable to the change in the lookback period to a three-year period. The ending reserve balance for Residential Real Estate loans increased from the end of the previous year due to an increase in loss migration rates, which is attributable to the change in the look-back period to a three-year period. The allowance for Real Estate Construction loans decreased as a result of decreasing loan balances. The allowance for Farm Real Estate loans decreased as a result of decreasing loan balances and loss rates offset by an increase in classified loans. The increase in the allowance for Consumer and other loans increased due to an increase in loss rates, which is attributable to the change in the look-back period. Unallocated reserves declined due to a change in the Company’s lookback period. As described above, the Company changed from a two-year lookback period to a three-year lookback period when calculating all but one segment’s loss migration rates during the third quarter of 2015. The change in methodology resulted in a decline in the unallocated balance with corresponding increase in allocated balances within the reserve calculation. While loan balances were up, loss rates continued to trend downward, exclusive of the change in methodology, resulting in a lower allowance balance. While criticized loans increased slightly, we saw significant improvement in nonperforming loan balances resulting in a decline in specific reserves for impaired loans. As of December 31, 2015, management felt that the unallocated amount was appropriate and within the relevant range for the allowance that was reflective of the risk in the portfolio.

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NOTE 5 - ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The following tables present, by portfolio segment, the allocation of the allowance for loan losses and related loan balances as of December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016.

December 31, 2017	Loans acquired with credit deterioration	Loans individually evaluated for impairment	Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	Total
<u>Allowance for loan losses:</u>				
Commercial & Agriculture.....	\$ 82	\$ 4	\$ 1,476	\$ 1,562
Commercial Real Estate:				
Owner Occupied	—	6	2,037	2,043
Non-Owner Occupied	—	—	5,307	5,307
Residential Real Estate	44	109	1,757	1,910
Real Estate Construction	—	—	834	834
Farm Real Estate	—	6	424	430
Consumer and Other.....	—	—	290	290
Unallocated	—	—	758	758
Total	<u>\$ 126</u>	<u>\$ 125</u>	<u>\$ 12,883</u>	<u>\$ 13,134</u>
 <u>Outstanding loan balances:</u>				
Commercial & Agriculture.....	\$ 87	\$ 438	\$ 151,948	\$ 152,473
Commercial Real Estate:				
Owner Occupied	—	1,010	163,089	164,099
Non-Owner Occupied	—	44	425,579	425,623
Residential Real Estate	128	1,360	267,247	268,735
Real Estate Construction	—	—	97,531	97,531
Farm Real Estate	—	608	38,853	39,461
Consumer and Other.....	—	—	16,739	16,739
Total	<u>\$ 215</u>	<u>\$ 3,460</u>	<u>\$ 1,160,986</u>	<u>\$ 1,164,661</u>

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December 31, 2016	Loans acquired with credit deterioration	Loans individually evaluated for impairment	Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	Total
<u>Allowance for loan losses:</u>				
Commercial & Agriculture.....	\$ 86	\$ 82	\$ 1,850	\$ 2,018
Commercial Real Estate:				
Owner Occupied	—	4	2,167	2,171
Non-Owner Occupied	—	—	4,606	4,606
Residential Real Estate	89	102	2,898	3,089
Real Estate Construction	—	—	420	420
Farm Real Estate	—	—	442	442
Consumer and Other.....	—	—	314	314
Unallocated	—	—	245	245
Total	<u>\$ 175</u>	<u>\$ 188</u>	<u>\$ 12,942</u>	<u>\$ 13,305</u>
<u>Outstanding loan balances:</u>				
Commercial & Agriculture.....	\$ 88	\$ 1,983	\$ 133,391	\$ 135,462
Commercial Real Estate:				
Owner Occupied	—	1,896	159,468	161,364
Non-Owner Occupied	—	359	395,572	395,931
Residential Real Estate	168	1,686	245,454	247,308
Real Estate Construction	—	—	56,293	56,293
Farm Real Estate	—	614	40,556	41,170
Consumer and Other.....	—	1	17,977	17,978
Total	<u>\$ 256</u>	<u>\$ 6,539</u>	<u>\$ 1,048,711</u>	<u>\$ 1,055,506</u>

The following tables represent credit exposures by internally assigned risk ratings for the periods ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. The remaining loans in the Residential Real Estate, Real Estate Construction and Consumer and Other loan categories that are not assigned a risk grade are presented in a separate table below. The risk rating analysis estimates the capability of the borrower to repay the contractual obligations of the loan agreements as scheduled or at all. The Company's internal credit risk rating system is based on experiences with similarly graded loans.

The Company's internally assigned grades are as follows:

- Pass – loans which are protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or by the value of the underlying collateral.
- Special Mention – loans where a potential weakness or risk exists, which could cause a more serious problem if not corrected.
- Substandard – loans that have a well-defined weakness based on objective evidence and are characterized by the distinct possibility that Civista will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.
- Doubtful – loans classified as doubtful have all the weaknesses inherent in a substandard asset. In addition, these weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full highly questionable and improbable, based on existing circumstances.

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- Loss – loans classified as a loss are considered uncollectible, or of such value that continuance as an asset is not warranted.
- Unrated – Generally, Residential Real Estate, Real Estate Construction and Consumer and Other loans are not risk-graded, except when collateral is used for a business purpose.

<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>Pass</u>	<u>Special Mention</u>	<u>Substandard</u>	<u>Doubtful</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Commercial & Agriculture	\$ 140,842	\$ 8,412	\$ 3,219	\$ —	\$ 152,473
Commercial Real Estate:					
Owner Occupied.....	155,756	1,166	7,177	—	164,099
Non-Owner Occupied	422,363	2,321	939	—	425,623
Residential Real Estate	62,628	1,997	5,873	—	70,498
Real Estate Construction	91,545	15	27	—	91,587
Farm Real Estate.....	25,228	11,236	2,997	—	39,461
Consumer and Other	1,312	—	70	—	1,382
Total.....	<u>\$ 899,674</u>	<u>\$ 25,147</u>	<u>\$ 20,302</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 945,123</u>

<u>December 31, 2016</u>	<u>Pass</u>	<u>Special Mention</u>	<u>Substandard</u>	<u>Doubtful</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Commercial & Agriculture	\$ 127,867	\$ 4,300	\$ 3,295	\$ —	\$ 135,462
Commercial Real Estate:					
Owner Occupied.....	151,659	4,016	5,689	—	161,364
Non-Owner Occupied	393,592	1,676	663	—	395,931
Residential Real Estate	59,015	1,661	6,911	—	67,587
Real Estate Construction	50,678	16	27	—	50,721
Farm Real Estate.....	31,814	5,673	3,683	—	41,170
Consumer and Other	2,135	—	109	—	2,244
Total.....	<u>\$ 816,760</u>	<u>\$ 17,342</u>	<u>\$ 20,377</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 854,479</u>

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The following tables present performing and nonperforming loans based solely on payment activity for the years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 that have not been assigned an internal risk grade. The types of loans presented here are not assigned a risk grade unless there is evidence of a problem. Payment activity is reviewed by management on a monthly basis to evaluate performance. Loans are considered to be nonperforming when they become 90 days past due or if management thinks that we may not collect all of our principal and interest. Nonperforming loans also include certain loans that have been modified in Troubled Debt Restructurings (TDRs) where economic concessions have been granted to borrowers who have experienced or are expected to experience financial difficulties. These concessions typically result from the Company's loss mitigation activities and could include reductions in the interest rate, payment extensions, forgiveness of principal, forbearance or other actions due to economic status. Certain TDRs are classified as nonperforming at the time of restructure and may only be returned to performing status after considering the borrower's sustained repayment performance for a reasonable period, generally six months.

<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>Residential Real Estate</u>	<u>Real Estate Construction</u>	<u>Consumer and Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
Performing.....	\$ 198,237	\$ 5,944	\$ 15,341	\$ 219,522
Nonperforming.....	—	—	16	16
Total.....	<u>\$ 198,237</u>	<u>\$ 5,944</u>	<u>\$ 15,357</u>	<u>\$ 219,538</u>

<u>December 31, 2016</u>	<u>Residential Real Estate</u>	<u>Real Estate Construction</u>	<u>Consumer and Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
Performing.....	\$ 179,721	\$ 5,572	\$ 15,725	\$ 201,018
Nonperforming.....	—	—	9	9
Total.....	<u>\$ 179,721</u>	<u>\$ 5,572</u>	<u>\$ 15,734</u>	<u>\$ 201,027</u>

The following tables include an aging analysis of the recorded investment of past due loans outstanding as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>30-59 Days Past Due</u>	<u>60-89 Days Past Due</u>	<u>90 Days or Greater</u>	<u>Total Past Due</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Purchased Credit- Impaired Loans</u>	<u>Total Loans</u>	<u>Past Due 90 Days and Accruing</u>
Commercial & Agriculture....	\$ 575	\$ 2	\$ 685	\$ 1,262	\$ 151,124	\$ 87	\$ 152,473	\$ —
Commercial Real Estate:								
Owner Occupied.....	897	104	484	1,485	162,614	—	164,099	—
Non-Owner Occupied	133	—	470	603	425,020	—	425,623	—
Residential Real Estate	1,613	229	785	2,627	265,980	128	268,735	—
Real Estate Construction	—	—	27	27	97,504	—	97,531	—
Farm Real Estate.....	27	—	186	213	39,248	—	39,461	—
Consumer and Other.....	92	96	16	204	16,535	—	16,739	16
Total.....	<u>\$ 3,337</u>	<u>\$ 431</u>	<u>\$ 2,653</u>	<u>\$ 6,421</u>	<u>\$ 1,158,025</u>	<u>\$ 215</u>	<u>\$ 1,164,661</u>	<u>\$ 16</u>

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<u>December 31, 2016</u>	<u>30-59 Days Past Due</u>	<u>60-89 Days Past Due</u>	<u>90 Days or Greater</u>	<u>Total Past Due</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Purchased Credit- Impaired Loans</u>	<u>Total Loans</u>	<u>Past Due 90 Days and Accruing</u>
Commercial & Agriculture....	\$ 156	\$ 20	\$ 152	\$ 328	\$ 135,046	\$ 88	\$ 135,462	\$ —
Commercial Real Estate:								
Owner Occupied.....	722	553	280	1,555	159,809	—	161,364	—
Non-Owner Occupied	147	—	316	463	395,468	—	395,931	—
Residential Real Estate	1,812	507	1,049	3,368	243,772	168	247,308	—
Real Estate Construction	—	—	27	27	56,266	—	56,293	—
Farm Real Estate.....	93	—	—	93	41,077	—	41,170	—
Consumer and Other.....	215	31	31	277	17,701	—	17,978	9
Total.....	<u>\$ 3,145</u>	<u>\$ 1,111</u>	<u>\$ 1,855</u>	<u>\$ 6,111</u>	<u>\$1,049,139</u>	<u>\$ 256</u>	<u>\$1,055,506</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>

The following table presents loans on nonaccrual status, excluding purchased credit-impaired (PCI) loans, as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Commercial & Agriculture	\$ 887	\$ 1,622
Commercial Real Estate:		
Owner Occupied.....	1,476	1,461
Non-Owner Occupied.....	711	464
Residential Real Estate	2,778	3,266
Real Estate Construction.....	27	27
Farm Real Estate.....	186	2
Consumer and Other	67	101
Total.....	<u>\$ 6,132</u>	<u>\$ 6,943</u>

Nonaccrual Loans: Loans are considered for nonaccrual status upon reaching 90 days delinquency, unless the loan is well secured and in the process of collection, although the Company may be receiving partial payments of interest and partial repayments of principal on such loans. When a loan is placed on nonaccrual status, previously accrued but unpaid interest is deducted from interest income. A loan may be returned to accruing status only if one of three conditions are met: the loan is well-secured and none of the principal and interest has been past due for a minimum of 90 days; the loan is a TDR and the borrower has made a minimum of six months payments; or the principal and interest payments are reasonably assured and a sustained period of performance has occurred, generally six months. The gross interest income that would have been recorded on nonaccrual loans in 2017, 2016 and 2015 if the loans had been current in accordance with their original terms and had been outstanding throughout the period or since origination, if held for part of the period, was \$712, \$701 and \$1,761, respectively. The amount of interest income on such loans recognized on a cash basis was \$139 in 2017, \$1,138 in 2016 and \$766 in 2015.

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Modifications: A modification of a loan constitutes a TDR when the Company for economic or legal reasons related to a borrower's financial difficulties grants a concession to the borrower that it would not otherwise consider. The Company offers various types of concessions when modifying a loan, however, forgiveness of principal is rarely granted. Commercial Real Estate loans modified in a TDR often involve reducing the interest rate lower than the current market rate for new debt with similar risk. Real Estate loans modified in a TDR were primarily comprised of interest rate reductions where monthly payments were lowered to accommodate the borrowers' financial needs.

Loans modified in a TDR are typically already on non-accrual status and partial charge-offs have in some cases already been taken against the outstanding loan balance. As a result, loans modified in a TDR may have the financial effect of increasing the specific allowance associated with the loan. An allowance for impaired loans that have been modified in a TDR are measured based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or the estimated fair value of the collateral, less any selling costs, if the loan is collateral dependent. Management exercises significant judgment in developing these estimates. TDRs accounted for \$169 of the allowance for loan losses as of December 31, 2017, \$278 as of December 31, 2016 and \$286 as of December 31, 2015.

Loan modifications that are considered TDRs completed during the twelve month periods ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 were as follows:

	For the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2017		
	Number of Contracts	Pre- Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post- Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
Commercial & Agriculture	—	\$ —	\$ —
Commercial Real Estate:			
Owner Occupied	—	—	—
Non-Owner Occupied	—	—	—
Residential Real Estate	1	13	13
Real Estate Construction	—	—	—
Farm Real Estate	—	—	—
Consumer and Other	—	—	—
Total Loan Modifications	1	\$ 13	\$ 13

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NOTE 5 - ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

	For the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2016		
	Number of Contracts	Pre- Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post- Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
Commercial & Agriculture	4	\$ 529	\$ 529
Commercial Real Estate:			
Owner Occupied	—	—	—
Non-Owner Occupied	—	—	—
Residential Real Estate	2	308	308
Real Estate Construction	—	—	—
Farm Real Estate	3	700	700
Consumer and Other	—	—	—
Total Loan Modifications	<u>9</u>	<u>\$ 1,537</u>	<u>\$ 1,537</u>

	For the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015		
	Number of Contracts	Pre- Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post- Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
Commercial & Agriculture	—	\$ —	\$ —
Commercial Real Estate:			
Owner Occupied	—	—	—
Non-Owner Occupied	—	—	—
Residential Real Estate	—	—	—
Real Estate Construction	1	41	41
Farm Real Estate	—	—	—
Consumer and Other	—	—	—
Total Loan Modifications	<u>1</u>	<u>\$ 41</u>	<u>\$ 41</u>

Recidivism, or the borrower defaulting on its obligation pursuant to a modified loan, results in the loan once again becoming a non-accrual loan. Recidivism occurs at a notably higher rate than do defaults on new origination loans, so modified loans present a higher risk of loss than do new origination loans. During the periods ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were no defaults on loans that were modified and considered TDRs during the previous twelve months. During the twelve month period ended December 31, 2015, there was one default, totaling \$107, on loans which were modified and considered TDRs during the previous twelve months.

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NOTE 5 - ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

Impaired Loans: Larger (greater than \$350) commercial loan, commercial real estate loan and farm real estate loan relationships, all TDRs and residential real estate and consumer loans that are part of a larger relationship are tested for impairment. These loans are analyzed to determine if it is probable that all amounts will not be collected according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. If management determines that the value of the impaired loan is less than the recorded investment in the loan (net of previous charge-offs, deferred loan fees or costs and unamortized premium or discount), impairment is recognized through an allowance estimate or a charge-off to the allowance.

The following tables include the recorded investment and unpaid principal balances for impaired financing receivables, excluding PCI loans, with the associated allowance amount, if applicable, as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

	December 31, 2017			December 31, 2016		
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance
With no related allowance recorded:						
Commercial & Agriculture.....	\$ —	\$ —		\$ 1,230	\$ 1,751	
Commercial Real Estate:						
Owner Occupied	693	913		1,658	1,803	
Non-Owner Occupied	44	48		359	386	
Residential Real Estate	977	1,049		1,259	1,590	
Farm Real Estate	148	148		614	614	
Consumer and Other.....	—	—		1	1	
Total	1,862	2,158		5,121	6,145	
With an allowance recorded:						
Commercial & Agriculture.....	438	438	\$ 4	753	1,303	\$ 82
Commercial Real Estate:						
Owner Occupied	317	317	6	238	238	4
Non-Owner Occupied	—	—	—	—	—	—
Residential Real Estate	383	387	109	427	431	102
Farm Real Estate	460	460	6	—	—	—
Total	1,598	1,602	125	1,418	1,972	188
Total:						
Commercial & Agriculture.....	438	438	4	1,983	3,054	82
Commercial Real Estate:						
Owner Occupied	1,010	1,230	6	1,896	2,041	4
Non-Owner Occupied	44	48	—	359	386	—
Residential Real Estate	1,360	1,436	109	1,686	2,021	102
Farm Real Estate.....	608	608	6	614	614	—
Consumer and Other	—	—	—	1	1	—
Total	<u>\$ 3,460</u>	<u>\$ 3,760</u>	<u>\$ 125</u>	<u>\$ 6,539</u>	<u>\$ 8,117</u>	<u>\$ 188</u>

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The following tables include the average recorded investment and interest income recognized for impaired financing receivables as of, and for the years ended, December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

For the year ended:	December 31, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized
Commercial & Agriculture.....	\$ 1,375	\$ 34	\$ 2,036	\$ 40
Commercial Real Estate:				
Owner Occupied	1,507	75	1,847	862
Non-Owner Occupied	233	6	1,039	83
Residential Real Estate	1,515	73	1,787	175
Real Estate Construction	—	—	—	1
Farm Real Estate	613	28	1,006	95
Consumer and Other.....	—	—	2	—
Total	\$ 5,243	\$ 216	\$ 7,717	\$ 1,256

For the year ended:	December 31, 2015	
	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized
Commercial & Agriculture.....	\$ 1,519	\$ 54
Commercial Real Estate:		
Owner Occupied.....	2,738	139
Non-Owner Occupied.....	1,946	32
Residential Real Estate	2,544	103
Real Estate Construction.....	16	—
Farm Real Estate.....	653	56
Consumer and Other	4	—
Total.....	\$ 9,420	\$ 384

Foreclosed assets acquired in settlement of loans are carried at fair value less estimated costs to sell and are included in other assets on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, a total of \$16 and \$37, respectively of foreclosed assets were included with other assets. As of December 31, 2017, included within the foreclosed assets is \$16 of consumer residential mortgages that were foreclosed on or received via a deed in lieu transaction prior to the period end. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company had initiated formal foreclosure procedures on \$239 and \$710, respectively of consumer residential mortgages.

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NOTE 5 - ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

Changes in the amortizable yield for PCI loans were as follows, since acquisition:

	At December 31, 2017	At December 31, 2016
	(In Thousands)	(In Thousands)
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 49	\$ 80
Acquisition of PCI loans	—	—
Accretion	(34)	(31)
Balance at end of period	\$ 15	\$ 49

The following table presents additional information regarding loans acquired and accounted for in accordance with ASC 310-30:

	At December 31, 2017	At December 31, 2016
	Acquired Loans with Specific Evidence of Deterioration of Credit Quality (ASC 310-30)	Acquired Loans with Specific Evidence of Deterioration of Credit Quality (ASC 310-30)
	(In Thousands)	
Outstanding balance.....	\$ 775	\$ 850
Carrying amount	215	256

There has been \$126 and \$175 in allowance for loan losses recorded for acquired loans with or without specific evidence of deterioration in credit quality as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

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NOTE 6 - OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The following table presents the changes in each component of accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, as of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2017			For the Year Ended December 31, 2016			For the Year Ended December 31, 2015		
	Unrealized Gains and Losses on Available for Sale Securities	Defined Benefit Pension Items	Total	Unrealized Gains and Losses on Available for Sale Securities	Defined Benefit Pension Items	Total	Unrealized Gains and Losses on Available for Sale Securities	Defined Benefit Pension Items	Total
Beginning balance	\$ 2,008	\$(4,345)	\$(2,337)	\$ 3,554	\$(4,049)	\$(495)	\$ 3,730	\$(3,777)	\$(47)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications.....	620	553	1,173	(1,533)	(511)	(2,044)	(188)	(449)	(637)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	(8)	247	239	(13)	215	202	12	177	189
Net current-period other comprehensive income (loss)	612	800	1,412	(1,546)	(296)	(1,842)	(176)	(272)	(448)
Reclassification of certain income tax effects from accumulated other comprehensive loss	565	(764)	(199)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ending balance	\$ 3,185	\$(4,309)	\$(1,124)	\$ 2,008	\$(4,345)	\$(2,337)	\$ 3,554	\$(4,049)	\$(495)

The following table presents the amounts reclassified out of each component of accumulated other comprehensive loss as of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

Details about Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss Components	Amount Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss (a) For the year ended December 31,			Affected Line Item in the Statement Where Net Income is Presented
	2017	2016	2015	
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities	\$ 12	\$ 19	\$ (18)	Net gain (loss) on sale of securities
Tax effect.....	(4)	(6)	6	Income taxes
	8	13	(12)	
Amortization of defined benefit pension items				
Actuarial losses	(380)(b)	(326)(b)	(270)(b)	Salaries, wages and benefits
Tax effect.....	133	111	93	Income taxes
	(247)	(215)	(177)	
Total reclassifications for the period	\$ (239)	\$ (202)	\$ (189)	

(a) Amounts in parentheses indicate expenses and other amounts indicate income.

(b) These accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) components are included in the computation of net periodic pension cost.

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NOTE 7 - PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

Year-end premises and equipment were as follows:

	2017	2016
Land and improvements.....	\$ 5,022	\$ 5,094
Buildings and improvements	21,221	20,266
Furniture and equipment.....	17,004	16,070
Total	43,247	41,430
Accumulated depreciation	(25,636)	(23,510)
Premises and equipment, net.....	\$ 17,611	\$ 17,920

Depreciation expense was \$1,249, \$1,257 and \$1,193 for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Rent expense was \$580, \$540 and \$506 for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Rent commitments under non-cancelable operating leases at December 31, 2017 were as follows, before considering renewal options that generally are present.

2018	\$ 571
2019	479
2020	226
2021	91
2022	36
Total	\$ 1,403

The rent commitments listed above are primarily for the leasing of seven financial services branches.

NOTE 8 - GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

There has been no change in the carrying amount of goodwill of \$27,095 for the years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016.

Management performs an evaluation of goodwill for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. Management performed an evaluation of the Company's goodwill during the fourth quarter of 2017. Based on this test, management concluded that the Company's goodwill was not impaired at December 31, 2017.

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NOTE 8 - GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS (Continued)

Acquired intangible assets were as follows as of year end.

	2017			2016		
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount
Amortized intangible assets(1):						
MSRs.....	\$ 1,065	\$ 322	\$ 743	\$ 912	\$ 250	\$ 662
Core deposit intangibles.....	7,274	6,738	536	7,274	6,152	1,122
Total amortized intangible assets.....	<u>\$ 8,339</u>	<u>\$ 7,060</u>	<u>\$ 1,279</u>	<u>\$ 8,186</u>	<u>\$ 6,402</u>	<u>\$ 1,784</u>

(1) Excludes fully amortized intangible assets

Aggregate core deposit intangible amortization expense was \$586, \$699 and \$711 for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Aggregate mortgage servicing rights amortization was \$72, \$74 and \$29 for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Estimated amortization expense for each of the next five years and thereafter is as follows:

	MSRs	Core deposit intangibles	Total
2018	\$ 41	\$ 111	\$ 152
2019	41	88	129
2020	41	71	112
2021	41	68	109
2022	41	68	109
Thereafter	538	130	668
	<u>\$ 743</u>	<u>\$ 536</u>	<u>\$ 1,279</u>

NOTE 9 - INTEREST-BEARING DEPOSITS

Interest-bearing deposits as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	2017	2016
Demand.....	\$ 183,680	\$ 183,759
Statement and Passbook Savings.....	435,377	384,330
Certificates of Deposit:		
\$250 and over.....	8,206	13,640
Other.....	192,455	168,723
Individual Retirement Accounts	23,241	25,063
Total.....	<u>\$ 842,959</u>	<u>\$ 775,515</u>

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NOTE 9 - INTEREST-BEARING DEPOSITS (Continued)

Scheduled maturities of certificates of deposit, including IRA's at December 31, 2017 were as follows:

2018.....	\$ 161,656
2019.....	41,926
2020.....	15,459
2021.....	3,382
2022.....	1,202
Thereafter.....	277
Total.....	<u>\$ 223,902</u>

Deposits from the Company's principal officers, directors, and their affiliates at year-end 2017 and 2016 were \$9,633 and \$9,209, respectively.

As of December 31, 2017, CDs and IRAs totaling \$9,141 met or exceeded the FDIC's insurance limit of \$250,000.

NOTE 10 - SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS

Short-term borrowings, which consist of federal funds purchased and other short-term borrowings are summarized as follows:

	<u>At December 31, 2017</u>		<u>At December 31, 2016</u>	
	<u>Federal Funds Purchased</u>	<u>Short-term Borrowings</u>	<u>Federal Funds Purchased</u>	<u>Short-term Borrowings</u>
Outstanding balance at year end.....	\$ —	\$ 56,900	\$ —	\$ 31,000
Maximum indebtedness during the year.....	20,000	115,050	20,000	70,400
Average balance during the year.....	119	38,825	116	10,483
Average rate paid during the year.....	1.68%	1.12%	0.86%	0.42%
Interest rate on year end balance.....	—	1.42%	—	0.64%

	<u>At December 31, 2015</u>	
	<u>Federal Funds Purchased</u>	<u>Short-term Borrowings</u>
Outstanding balance at year end.....	\$ —	\$ 53,700
Maximum indebtedness during the year.....	—	64,700
Average balance during the year.....	69	26,880
Average rate paid during the year.....	0.53%	0.20%
Interest rate on year end balance.....	—	0.35%

Average balance during the year represent daily averages. Average interest rates represent interest expense divided by the related average balances.

These borrowing transactions can range from overnight to six months in maturity. The average maturity was one day at December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

NOTE 11 - FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK ADVANCES

Long term advances from the FHLB were \$15,000 at December 31, 2017 and \$17,500 at December 31, 2016. Outstanding balances have maturity dates ranging from February 2018 to October 2019 and fixed rates ranging from 1.50% to 2.10%. The average rate on outstanding advances was 1.70% at December 31, 2017.

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NOTE 11 - FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK ADVANCES (Continued)

Scheduled principal reductions of FHLB advances outstanding at December 31, 2017 were as follows:

2018.....	\$ 10,000
2019.....	<u>5,000</u>
Total.....	<u>\$ 15,000</u>

In addition to the borrowings, the Company had outstanding letters of credit with the FHLB totaling \$19,600 at year-end 2017 and 2016, respectively used for pledging to secure public funds. FHLB borrowings and the letters of credit were collateralized by FHLB stock and by \$137,250 and \$102,150 of residential mortgage loans under a blanket lien arrangement at year-end 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The Company had a FHLB maximum borrowing capacity of \$366,122 as of December 31, 2017, with remaining borrowing capacity of approximately \$274,622. The borrowing arrangement with the FHLB is subject to annual renewal. The maximum borrowing capacity is recalculated at least quarterly.

NOTE 12 - SECURITIES SOLD UNDER AGREEMENTS TO REPURCHASE

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase are used to facilitate the needs of our customers as well as to facilitate our short-term funding needs. Securities sold under repurchase agreements are carried at the amount of cash received in association with the agreement. We continuously monitor the collateral levels and may be required, from time to time, to provide additional collateral based on the fair value of the underlying securities. Securities pledged as collateral under repurchase agreements are maintained with our safekeeping agents.

The following table presents detail regarding the securities pledged as collateral under repurchase agreements as of December 31, 2017 and 2016. All of the repurchase agreements are overnight agreements.

	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u>
Securities pledged for repurchase agreements:		
U.S. Treasury securities.....	\$ 874	\$ 1,761
Obligations of U.S. government agencies.....	<u>20,881</u>	<u>27,164</u>
Total securities pledged.....	<u>\$ 21,755</u>	<u>\$ 28,925</u>
Gross amount of recognized liabilities for repurchase agreements.....	<u>\$ 21,755</u>	<u>\$ 28,925</u>
Amounts related to agreements not included in offsetting disclosures above.....	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

Information concerning securities sold under agreements to repurchase was as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Outstanding balance at year end.....	\$ 21,755	\$ 28,925	\$ 25,040
Average balance during the year.....	18,234	21,767	20,086
Average interest rate during the year.....	0.10%	0.10%	0.10%
Maximum month-end balance during the year.....	\$ 23,889	\$ 28,925	\$ 25,040
Weighted average interest rate at year end.....	0.10%	0.10%	0.10%

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NOTE 13 - SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

Trusts formed by the Company issued floating rate trust preferred securities, in the amounts of \$5,000 and \$7,500, through special purpose entities as part of pooled offerings of such securities. The Company issued subordinated debentures to the trusts in exchange for the proceeds of the offerings, which debentures represent the sole assets of the trusts. The Company may redeem the subordinated debentures, in whole but not in part, at face value. In April 2007, the Company elected to redeem and refinance the \$5,000 floating rate subordinated debenture. The refinancing was done at face value and resulted in a 2.00% reduction in the floating rate. The new subordinated debenture has a 30-year maturity and is redeemable, in whole or in part, anytime without penalty. The replacement subordinated debenture does not have any deferred issuance cost associated with it. The interest rate at December 31, 2017 on the \$7,500 debenture was 4.48% and the \$5,000 debenture was 2.92%.

Additionally, the Company formed an additional trust that issued \$12,500 of 6.05% fixed rate trust preferred securities for five years, then becoming floating rate trust preferred securities, through a special purpose entity as part of a pooled offering of such securities. The Company issued subordinated debentures to the trusts in exchange for the proceeds of the offerings, which debentures represent the sole assets of the trusts. The Company may redeem the subordinated debentures at face value without penalty. The current rate on the \$12,500 subordinated debenture is 3.58%.

Finally, the Company acquired two additional trust preferred securities as part of its acquisition of Futura Banc Corp (Futura) in December 2007. Futura TPF Trust I and Futura TPF Trust II were formed in June of 2005 in the amounts of \$2,500 and \$1,927, respectively. Futura had issued subordinated debentures to the trusts in exchange for ownership of all of the common security of the trusts and the proceeds of the preferred securities sold by the trusts. The Company may redeem the subordinated debentures, in whole or in part, in a principal amount with integral multiples of \$1,000, at 100% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest. The subordinated debentures mature on June 15, 2035. The subordinated debentures are also redeemable in whole or in part from time to time, upon the occurrence of specific events defined within the trust indenture. The current rate on the \$2,500 subordinated debenture is variable at 2.98%. In June 2010, the rate on the \$1,927 subordinated debenture switched from a fixed rate to a floating rate. The current rate on the \$1,927 subordinated debenture is 2.98%.

NOTE 14 - INCOME TAXES

Income taxes were as follows for the years ended December 31:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Current	\$ 5,414	\$ 6,449	\$ 5,191
Deferred	435	170	(410)
Change in corporate tax rate	511	—	—
Income taxes	<u>\$ 6,360</u>	<u>\$ 6,619</u>	<u>\$ 4,781</u>

Effective tax rates differ from the statutory federal income tax rate of 35% in 2017 and 2016 and 34% in 2015 due to the following:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Income taxes computed at the statutory federal tax rate	\$ 7,781	\$ 8,343	\$ 5,959
Add (subtract) tax effect of:			
Nontaxable interest income, net of nondeductible interest expense	(1,107)	(946)	(900)
Low income housing tax credit	(686)	(435)	(303)
Cash surrender value of BOLI	(201)	(197)	(159)
Change in corporate tax rate	511	—	—
Other	62	(146)	184
Income tax expense	<u>\$ 6,360</u>	<u>\$ 6,619</u>	<u>\$ 4,781</u>

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NOTE 14 - INCOME TAXES (Continued)

The Tax Cut and Jobs Act, enacted on December 22, 2017, lowered the federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018. As a result, the carrying value of net deferred tax assets was reduced, which increased income tax expense by \$511.

Year-end deferred tax assets and liabilities were due to the following:

	2017	2016
Deferred tax assets		
Allowance for loan losses.....	\$ 2,848	\$ 4,640
Deferred compensation.....	1,213	1,762
Intangible assets	95	187
Pension costs	—	277
Other.....	141	102
Deferred tax asset.....	4,297	6,968
Deferred tax liabilities		
Tax depreciation in excess of book depreciation....	(275)	(97)
Discount accretion on securities.....	(43)	(58)
Purchase accounting adjustments.....	(536)	(1,091)
FHLB stock dividends.....	(1,053)	(1,705)
Unrealized gain on securities available for sale	(847)	(1,035)
Pension costs	(293)	—
Prepays.....	(320)	—
Other.....	(166)	(256)
Deferred tax liability	(3,533)	(4,242)
Net deferred tax asset	\$ 764	\$ 2,726

No valuation allowance was established at December 31, 2017 and 2016, due to the Company's ability to carryback to taxes paid in previous years and certain tax strategies, coupled with the anticipated future income as evidenced by the Company's earning potential.

The Company and its subsidiaries are subject to U.S. federal income tax. The Company is subject to tax in Ohio based upon its net worth.

There is currently no liability for uncertain tax positions and no known unrecognized tax benefits. The Company's federal tax returns for taxable years through 2012 have been closed for purposes of examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

NOTE 15 - RETIREMENT PLANS

The Company sponsors a savings and retirement 401(k) plan, which covers all employees who meet certain eligibility requirements and who choose to participate in the plan. The matching contribution to the 401(k) plan was \$805, \$734 and \$667 in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The Company's matching contribution is 100% of an employee's first three percent contributed and 50% of the next two percent contributed.

The Company also sponsors a pension plan which is a noncontributory defined benefit retirement plan for all employees who have attained the age of 20 1/2, completed six months of service and work 1,000 or more hours per year. Annual payments, subject to the maximum amount deductible for federal income tax purposes, are made to a pension trust fund. In 2006, the Company amended the pension plan to provide that no employee could be added as a participant to the pension plan after December 31, 2006. In April 2014, the Company amended the pension plan again to provide that no additional benefits would accrue beyond April 30, 2014.

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NOTE 15 - RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

In October 2015, the Company, on behalf of it and its subsidiaries, entered into Pension Shortfall Agreements (the "Shortfall Agreements") with ten employees of the Bank. When the Company ceased accruals to its defined benefit pension plan on April 30, 2014, the circumstances of some participants with limited periods until their anticipated retirement dates would not permit them to use other available alternatives to make up for the shortfall in their expected pension. The Company calculated the total amount of the shortfall for each of the referenced individuals after considering its contributions to other retirement benefits. Pension shortfall expense was \$18 in 2017, \$201 in 2016 and \$364 in 2015. Included in pension shortfall expense was interest expense, totaling \$18, \$11 and \$10 in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, which was also recorded in and credited to the accounts of the ten individuals covered by this plan.

Information about the pension plan is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Change in benefit obligation:		
Beginning benefit obligation	\$ 16,964	\$ 16,328
Service cost	—	—
Interest cost	679	689
Curtailement gain	—	—
Settlement loss	46	51
Actuarial (gain)/loss	986	669
Benefits paid	<u>(759)</u>	<u>(773)</u>
Ending benefit obligation	<u>17,916</u>	<u>16,964</u>
Change in plan assets, at fair value:		
Beginning plan assets	16,150	15,647
Actual return	1,947	802
Employer contribution	2,000	500
Benefits paid	(759)	(773)
Administrative expenses	<u>(32)</u>	<u>(26)</u>
Ending plan assets	<u>19,306</u>	<u>16,150</u>
Funded status at end of year	<u>\$ 1,390</u>	<u>\$ (814)</u>

Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss at December 31, consist of unrecognized actuarial loss of \$4,070, net of \$2,191 tax in 2017 and \$4,345, net of \$2,238 tax in 2016.

The accumulated benefit obligation for the defined benefit pension plan was \$17,916 at December 31, 2017 and \$16,964 at December 31, 2016.

The components of net periodic pension expense were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Service cost	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Interest cost	679	689	604
Expected return on plan assets	(1,178)	(1,090)	(1,088)
Net amortization and deferral	380	326	270
Net periodic pension cost (benefit)	<u>\$ (119)</u>	<u>\$ (75)</u>	<u>\$ (214)</u>
Net loss (gain) recognized in other comprehensive loss	\$ (322)	\$ 448	\$ 412
Total recognized in net periodic benefit cost and other comprehensive loss (before tax)	\$ (441)	\$ 373	\$ 198

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NOTE 15 - RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

The estimated net loss for the defined benefit pension plan that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive loss into net periodic benefit cost over the next fiscal year is \$380. The Company incurred settlement costs in 2017, 2016 and 2015 of \$237, \$259 and \$415, respectively.

The weighted average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations at year-end were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Discount rate on benefit obligation	3.51%	4.00%	4.16%
Long-term rate of return on plan assets.....	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%
Rate of compensation increase.....	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

The weighted average assumptions used to determine net periodic pension cost were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Discount rate on benefit obligation	4.00%	4.16%	3.69%
Long-term rate of return on plan assets.....	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%
Rate of compensation increase.....	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

The Company uses long-term market rates to determine the discount rate on the benefit obligation. Declines in the discount rate lead to increases in the actuarial loss related to the benefit obligation.

The expectation for long-term rate of return on the pension assets and the expected rate of compensation increases are reviewed periodically by management in consultation with outside actuaries and primary investment consultants. Factors considered in setting and adjusting these rates are historic and projected rates of return on the portfolio and historic and estimated rates of increases of compensation. Since the pension plan is frozen, the rate of compensation increase used to determine the benefit obligation for 2017, 2016 and 2015 was zero.

The Company's pension plan asset allocation at year-end 2017 and 2016 and target allocation for 2018 by asset category are as follows:

<u>Asset Category</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Percentage of Plan</u>	
	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Assets</u>	
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Equity securities	20-50%	48.0%	47.5%
Debt securities.....	30-60	51.9	52.1
Money market funds	20-30	0.1	0.4
Total.....		<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

The Company developed the pension plan investment policies and strategies for plan assets with its pension management firm. The assets are currently invested in four diversified investment funds, which include two equity funds, one money market fund and one bond fund. The long-term guidelines from above were created to maximize the return on portfolio assets while reducing the risk of the portfolio. The management firm may allocate assets among the separate accounts within the established long-term guidelines. Transfers among these accounts will be at the management firm's discretion based on their investment outlook and the investment strategies that are outlined at periodic meetings with the Company. The expected long-term rate of return on the plan assets was 7.00% in 2017 and 2016. This return is based on the expected return for each of the asset categories, weighted based on the target allocation for each class.

The Company does not expect to make any contribution to its pension plan in 2018. Employer contributions totaled \$2,000 in 2017. Increased contributions and increased plan assets offset by increased benefit obligations led to a change in funded status from \$(814) at December 31, 2016 to \$1,390 at December 31, 2017.

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The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the pension plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

	December 31, 2017			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Cash	\$ 113	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 113
Bond mutual funds	23	—	—	23
Common/collective trust:				
Bonds	9,980	—	—	9,980
Equities	6,654	—	—	6,654
Equity market funds:				
International	750	—	—	750
Large cap	1,085	—	—	1,085
Mid cap	269	—	—	269
Small cap	432	—	—	432
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$ 19,306</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 19,306</u>

Investment in equity securities, debt securities, money market funds and mutual funds are valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Pension Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

Expected benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, are as follows:

2018	\$ 1,903
2019	1,127
2020	650
2021	913
2022	1,182
2023 through 2027	4,723
Total	<u>\$ 10,498</u>

Supplemental Retirement Plan

Civista established a supplemental retirement plan ("SERP") in 2013, which covers key members of management. Under the SERP, participants will receive annually, following retirement, a percentage of their base compensations at the time of their retirement for a maximum of ten years. The SERP liability recorded at December 31, 2017, was \$2,308, compared to \$1,984 at December 31, 2016. The expense related to the SERP was \$365, \$243 and \$299 for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Distributions to participants made in 2017, 2016 and 2015 totaled \$41, \$34, and \$22, respectively.

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NOTE 16 - EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

At the Company’s 2014 annual meeting, the shareholders adopted the Company’s 2014 Incentive Plan (“2014 Incentive Plan”). The 2014 Incentive Plan authorizes the Company to grant options, stock awards, stock units and other awards for up to 375,000 common shares of the Company. There were 292,209 shares available for grants under this plan at December 31, 2017.

During each of the last two years, the Board of Directors has awarded restricted common shares to senior officers of the Company. The restricted shares vest ratably over a three-year period following the grant date. The product of the number of restricted shares granted and the grant date market price of the Company’s common shares determines the fair value of restricted shares under the Company’s 2014 Incentive Plan. Management recognizes compensation expense for the fair value of restricted shares on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the entire award.

On January 4, 2016, directors of the Company’s banking subsidiary, Civista, were paid a retainer in the form of non-restricted common shares of the Company. The aggregate of 2,730 common shares were issued to Civista directors as payment of their retainer for their service on the Civista Board of Directors covering the period up to the 2016 Annual Meeting. This issuance was expensed in its entirety when the shares were issued in the amount of \$32.

On May 17, 2016, directors of the Company’s banking subsidiary, Civista, were paid a retainer in the form of non-restricted common shares of the Company. The aggregate of 12,285 common shares were issued to Civista directors as payment of their retainer for their service on the Civista Board of Directors covering the period up to the 2017 Annual Meeting. This issuance was expensed in its entirety when the shares were issued in the amount of \$130.

On May 16, 2017, directors of the Company’s banking subsidiary, Civista, were paid a retainer in the form of non-restricted common shares of the Company. The aggregate of 6,804 common shares were issued to Civista directors as payment of their retainer for their service on the Civista Board of Directors covering the period up to the 2018 Annual Meeting. This issuance was expensed in its entirety when the shares were issued in the amount of \$144.

Finally, on September 11, 2017, a newly appointed director of the Company’s banking subsidiary, Civista, was paid a retainer in the form of non-restricted common shares of the Company. The aggregate of 367 common shares was issued as payment of her retainer for her service on the Civista Board of Directors covering the period up to the 2018 Annual Meeting. This issuance was expensed in its entirety when the shares were issued in the amount of \$8.

No options had been granted under the 2014 Incentive Plan as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

The Company classifies share-based compensation for employees with “Salaries, wages and benefits” in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The following is a summary of the status of the Company’s restricted shares, and changes therein during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017 and 2016:

	December 31, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	Number of Restricted Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	Number of Restricted Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested at beginning of period.....	37,050	\$ 10.77	16,983	\$ 10.82
Granted.....	17,898	22.15	28,864	10.75
Vested.....	(12,810)	10.76	(5,657)	10.82
Forfeited.....	—	—	(3,140)	10.87
Nonvested at end of period.....	42,138	15.60	37,050	10.77

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NOTE 16 - EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN (Continued)

The following is a summary of the status of the Company's awarded restricted shares as of December 31, 2017:

At December 31, 2017			
Date of Award	Shares	Remaining Expense	Remaining Vesting Period (Years)
January 15, 2016	10,260	\$ 66	3.00
March 11, 2016	15,748	33	1.00
March 20, 2017	11,713	110	2.00
March 20, 2017	6,185	108	4.00
	43,906	\$ 317	2.79

During the twelve months ended December 31, 2017, the Company recorded \$274 of share-based compensation expense and \$152 of director retainer fees for shares granted under the 2014 Incentive Plan. At December 31, 2017, the total compensation cost related to unvested awards not yet recognized is \$317, which is expected to be recognized over the weighted average remaining life of the grants of 2.79 years.

NOTE 17 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles establish a hierarchal disclosure framework associated with the level of observable pricing utilized in measuring assets and liabilities at fair value. The three broad levels defined by the hierarchy are as follows: Level 1: Quoted prices for identical assets in active markets that are identifiable on the measurement date; Level 2: Significant other observable inputs, such as quoted prices for similar assets, quoted prices in markets that are not active and other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data; Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs that reflect the Company's own view about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset.

Securities: The fair values of securities available for sale are determined by matrix pricing, which is a mathematical technique widely used in the industry to value debt securities without relying exclusively on quoted prices for the specific securities, but rather by relying on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted securities (Level 2 inputs).

Equity securities: The Company's equity securities are not actively traded in an open market. The fair values of these equity securities available for sale are determined by using market data inputs for similar securities that are observable. (Level 2 inputs).

Fair value swap asset/liability: The fair value of the swap asset and liability is based on an external derivative model using data inputs as of the valuation date and classified Level 2.

Impaired loans: The Company has measured impairment on impaired loans generally based on the fair value of the loan's collateral. Fair value is generally determined based upon independent third-party appraisals of the properties. In some cases, management may adjust the appraised value due to the age of the appraisal, changes in market conditions, or observable deterioration of the property since the appraisal was completed. Additionally, management makes estimates about expected costs to sell the property which are also included in the net realizable value. If the fair value of the collateral dependent loan is less than the carrying amount of the loan, a specific reserve for the loan is made in the allowance for loan losses or a charge-off is taken to reduce the loan to the fair value of the collateral (less estimated selling costs) and the loan is included in the table above as a Level 3 measurement.

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Other real estate owned: OREO is carried at the lower of cost or fair value, which is measured at the date foreclosure. If the fair value of the collateral exceeds the carrying amount of the loan, no charge-off or adjustment is necessary, the loan is not considered to be carried at fair value, and is therefore not included in the table below. If the fair value of the collateral is less than the carrying amount of the loan, management will charge the loan down to its estimated realizable value. Management may adjust the appraised value due to the age of the appraisal, changes in market conditions, or observable deterioration of the property since the appraisal was completed. In these cases, the properties are categorized in the below table as Level 3 measurements since these adjustments are considered to be unobservable inputs. Income and expenses from operations are included in other operating expenses. Further declines in the fair value of the collateral subsequent to foreclosure are included in net gain on sale of other real estate owned.

Assets measured at fair value are summarized below.

Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2017 Using:

	<u>(Level 1)</u>	<u>(Level 2)</u>	<u>(Level 3)</u>
Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis:			
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. Government agencies.....	\$ —	\$ 30,357	\$ —
Obligations of states and political subdivisions....	—	118,056	—
Mortgage-backed securities in government sponsored entities.....	—	81,817	—
Equity securities in financial institutions.....	—	832	—
Fair value swap asset.....	—	1,560	—
Liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis:			
Fair value swap liability	—	1,560	—
Assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis:			
Impaired Loans	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,040
Other Real Estate Owned.....	—	—	16

Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2016 Using:

	<u>(Level 1)</u>	<u>(Level 2)</u>	<u>(Level 3)</u>
Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis:			
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. Government agencies.....	\$ —	\$ 37,446	\$ —
Obligations of states and political subdivisions....	—	94,998	—
Mortgage-backed securities in government sponsored entities.....	—	62,642	—
Equity securities in financial institutions.....	—	778	—
Fair value swap asset.....	—	1,839	—
Liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis:			
Fair value swap liability	—	1,839	—
Assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis:			
Impaired Loans	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 952
Other Real Estate Owned.....	—	—	37

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The following tables presents quantitative information about the Level 3 significant unobservable inputs for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis at December 31, 2017 and 2016.

December 31, 2017	Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Measurements				
	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range	Weighted Average
Impaired loans.....	\$ 1,040	Appraisal of collateral	Appraisal adjustments	0% - 30%	16%
			Liquidation expense	0% - 10%	8%
			Holding period	0 - 30 months	20 months
Other real estate owned.....	\$ 16	Appraisal of collateral	Appraisal adjustments	10% - 30%	10%
			Liquidation expense	0% - 10%	10%

December 31, 2016	Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Measurements				
	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range	Weighted Average
Impaired loans.....	\$ 952	Appraisal of collateral	Appraisal adjustments	10% - 67%	64%
			Liquidation expense	0% - 10%	4%
			Holding period	0 - 30 months	19 months
Other real estate owned.....	\$ 37	Appraisal of collateral	Appraisal adjustments	10% - 30%	10%
			Liquidation expense	0% - 10%	10%

The carrying amount and fair value of financial instruments were as follows:

December 31, 2017	Carrying Amount	Total Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Financial Assets:					
Cash and due from financial institutions	\$ 40,519	\$ 40,519	\$ 40,519	\$ —	\$ —
Securities available for sale	231,062	231,062	—	231,062	—
Loans, held for sale.....	2,197	2,197	2,197	—	—
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses	1,151,527	1,146,969	—	—	1,146,969
Other securities.....	14,247	14,247	14,247	—	—
Bank owned life insurance.....	25,125	25,125	25,125	—	—
Accrued interest receivable.....	4,336	4,336	4,336	—	—
Swap asset	1,560	1,560	—	1,560	—
Financial Liabilities:					
Nonmaturing deposits.....	981,021	981,021	981,021	—	—
Time deposits	223,902	223,626	—	—	223,626
Short-term FHLB advances	56,900	56,900	56,900	—	—
Long-term FHLB advances	15,000	14,964	—	—	14,964
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase.....	21,755	21,755	21,755	—	—
Subordinated debentures.....	29,427	31,052	—	—	31,052
Accrued interest payable	410	410	410	—	—
Swap liability.....	1,560	1,560	—	1,560	—

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December 31, 2016	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Total Fair Value</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
Financial Assets:					
Cash and due from financial institutions	\$ 36,695	\$ 36,695	\$ 36,695	\$ —	\$ —
Securities available for sale	195,864	195,864	—	195,864	—
Loans, held for sale	2,268	2,268	2,268	—	—
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses	1,042,201	1,047,329	—	—	1,047,329
Other securities	14,055	14,055	14,055	—	—
Bank owned life insurance	24,552	24,552	24,552	—	—
Accrued interest receivable	3,854	3,854	3,854	—	—
Swap asset	1,839	1,839	—	1,839	—
Financial Liabilities:					
Nonmaturing deposits	913,677	913,677	913,677	—	—
Time deposits	207,426	207,784	—	—	207,784
Short-term FHLB advances	31,000	31,000	31,000	—	—
Long-term FHLB advances	17,500	17,553	—	—	17,553
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase	28,925	28,925	28,925	—	—
Subordinated debentures	29,427	27,414	—	—	27,414
Accrued interest payable	181	181	181	—	—
Swap liability	1,839	1,839	—	1,839	—

The fair value approximates carrying amount for all items except those described below. Fair value for securities is based on quoted market values for the individual securities or for equivalent securities. For fixed rate loans or deposits and for variable rate loans or deposits with infrequent repricing or repricing limits, fair value is based on discounted cash flows using current market rates applied to the cash flow analysis or underlying collateral values. For swaps, fair value of the swap asset and liability is based on an external derivative model using data inputs as of the valuation date. Fair value of debt is based on current rates for similar financing. The fair value of off-balance-sheet items is based on the current fees or cost that would be charged to enter into or terminate such arrangements and are considered nominal.

For certain homogeneous categories of loans, such as some residential mortgages, credit card receivables, and other consumer loans, fair value is estimated using the quoted market prices for securities backed by similar loans, adjusted for differences in loan characteristics. The fair value of other types of loans is estimated by discounting the future cash flows using the current rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings and for the same remaining maturities.

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NOTE 18 - COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES AND OFF-BALANCE-SHEET RISK

Some financial instruments, such as loan commitments, credit lines, letters of credit, and overdraft protection are issued to meet customer financing needs. These are agreements to provide credit or to support the credit of others, as long as conditions established in the contract are met, and usually have expiration dates. Commitments may expire without being used. Off-balance-sheet risk to credit loss exists up to the face amount of these instruments, although material losses are not anticipated. The same credit policies are used to make such commitments as are used for loans, including obtaining collateral at exercise of the commitment.

The contractual amount of financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk was as follows at year-end.

	2017		2016	
	Fixed Rate	Variable Rate	Fixed Rate	Variable Rate
Commitments to extend credit:				
Lines of credit and construction loans	\$ 4,982	\$ 286,925	\$ 6,905	\$ 202,923
Overdraft protection.....	7	33,353	5	29,075
Letters of credit	624	2,637	600	349
	<u>\$ 5,613</u>	<u>\$ 322,915</u>	<u>\$ 7,510</u>	<u>\$ 232,347</u>

Commitments to make loans are generally made for a period of one year or less. Fixed-rate loan commitments included above had interest rates ranging from 2.88% to 10.25% at December 31, 2017 and 3.25% to 8.50% at December 31, 2016. Maturities extend up to 30 years.

Civista is required to maintain certain reserve balances on hand in accordance with the Federal Reserve Board requirements. The average reserve balance maintained in accordance with such requirements was \$4,112 on December 31, 2017 and \$2,887 on December 31, 2016.

NOTE 19 - CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTION ON RETAINED EARNINGS

The Company (consolidated) and Civista collectively, the (“Companies”) are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory-and possibly additional discretionary-actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Companies’ financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Companies must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of the Companies’ assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance-sheet items as calculated under U.S. GAAP, regulatory reporting requirements, and regulatory capital standards. The Companies’ capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

Quantitative measures established by regulatory capital standards to ensure capital adequacy require the Companies to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the following table) of total and Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets, common equity Tier 1 capital to total risk-weighted assets, and of Tier 1 capital to average assets. Management believes, as of December 31, 2017, that the Companies met all capital adequacy requirements to which they were subject.

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NOTE 19 - CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTION ON RETAINED EARNINGS (Continued)

As of December 31, 2017, and 2016, the most recent notification from the Federal Reserve Bank categorized the Bank as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized the Companies must maintain minimum total risk-based capital, Tier 1 risk-based capital, common equity Tier 1 risk-based capital, and Tier 1 leverage ratios as set forth in the table. There are no conditions or events since that notification that management believes have changed the institution's category.

The Company's and Civista's actual capital levels and minimum required capital levels at December 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	Actual		For Capital Adequacy Purposes		To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Purposes	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
<u>2017</u>						
Total Risk Based Capital						
Consolidated.....	\$200,772	16.6%	\$ 97,025	8.0%	n/a	n/a
Civista	161,394	13.3	96,880	8.0	\$121,100	10.0%
Tier I Risk Based Capital						
Consolidated.....	187,638	15.5	72,769	6.0	n/a	n/a
Civista	147,473	12.2	72,660	6.0	96,880	8.0
CET1 Risk Based Capital						
Consolidated.....	140,853	11.6	54,576	4.5	n/a	n/a
Civista	136,760	11.3	54,495	4.5	78,715	6.5
Leverage						
Consolidated.....	187,638	12.7	59,089	4.0	n/a	n/a
Civista	147,473	10.0	59,031	4.0	73,788	5.0
<u>2016</u>						
Total Risk Based Capital						
Consolidated.....	\$155,145	14.2%	\$ 87,436	8.0%	n/a	n/a
Civista	145,270	13.3	87,334	8.0	\$109,168	10.0%
Tier I Risk Based Capital						
Consolidated.....	141,840	13.0	65,577	6.0	n/a	n/a
Civista	131,391	12.0	65,501	6.0	87,334	8.0
CET1 Risk Based Capital						
Consolidated.....	93,463	8.6	49,183	4.5	n/a	n/a
Civista	120,465	11.0	49,126	4.5	70,959	6.5
Leverage						
Consolidated.....	141,840	10.6	53,774	4.0	n/a	n/a
Civista	131,391	9.8	53,717	4.0	67,146	5.0

CBI's primary source of funds for paying dividends to its shareholders and for operating expense is the cash accumulated from dividends received from Civista. Payment of dividends by Civista to CBI is subject to restrictions by Civista's regulatory agencies. These restrictions generally limit dividends to the current and prior two years retained earnings as defined by the regulations. In addition, dividends may not reduce capital levels below minimum regulatory requirements. At December 31, 2017, Civista had \$36,440 net profits available to pay dividends to CBI.

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NOTE 20 - PARENT COMPANY ONLY CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Condensed financial information of CBI follows:

Condensed Balance Sheets	December 31,		
	2017	2016	
Assets:			
Cash.....	\$ 29,908	\$ 4,747	
Securities available for sale.....	832	778	
Investment in bank subsidiary.....	167,192	149,965	
Investment in nonbank subsidiaries.....	12,928	12,635	
Other assets.....	5,212	1,226	
Total assets.....	\$ 216,072	\$ 169,351	
Liabilities:			
Deferred income taxes and other liabilities.....	\$ 2,184	\$ 2,308	
Subordinated debentures.....	29,427	29,427	
Total liabilities.....	31,611	31,735	
Shareholders' Equity:			
Preferred stock.....	17,358	18,950	
Common stock.....	153,810	118,975	
Accumulated earnings.....	31,652	19,263	
Treasury Stock.....	(17,235)	(17,235)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss.....	(1,124)	(2,337)	
Total shareholders' equity.....	184,461	137,616	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity.....	\$ 216,072	\$ 169,351	
Condensed Statements of Operations			
	For the years ended December 31,		
	2017	2016	2015
Dividends from bank subsidiaries.....	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14,226
Interest expense.....	(1,035)	(884)	(760)
Pension expense.....	(925)	(184)	(388)
Other expense, net.....	(1,071)	(920)	(1,755)
Income (loss) before equity in undistributed net earnings of subsidiaries.....	(3,031)	(1,988)	11,323
Income tax benefit.....	1,407	676	959
Equity in undistributed net earnings of subsidiaries ..	17,496	18,529	463
Net income.....	\$ 15,872	\$ 17,217	\$ 12,745
Comprehensive income.....	\$ 17,284	\$ 15,375	\$ 12,297

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Condensed Statements of Cash Flows	For the years ended December 31,		
	2017	2016	2015
Operating activities:			
Net income.....	\$ 15,872	\$ 17,217	\$ 12,745
Adjustment to reconcile net income to net cash from (used for) operating activities:			
Change in other assets and other liabilities	(2,147)	1,821	1,324
Gain on sale of fixed assets.....	(66)	—	—
Equity in undistributed net earnings of subsidiaries	(17,496)	(18,529)	(463)
Net cash (used for) from operating activities	(3,837)	509	13,606
Investing activities:			
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment....	138	—	—
Acquisition and additional capitalization of subsidiary, net of cash acquired	(275)	—	(16,637)
Net cash used for investing activities	(137)	—	(16,637)
Financing activities:			
Cash paid on fractional shares on preferred stock conversion to common stock	—	(1)	—
Net proceeds from common stock issuance.....	32,821	—	—
Payment to repurchase common stock.....	(4)	—	—
Cash dividends paid.....	(3,682)	(3,254)	(3,139)
Net cash from (used for) financing activities	29,135	(3,255)	(3,139)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	25,161	(2,746)	(6,170)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year.....	4,747	7,493	13,663
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year.....	<u>\$ 29,908</u>	<u>\$ 4,747</u>	<u>\$ 7,493</u>

NOTE 21 - PREFERRED SHARES

On December 19, 2013, the Company completed the sale of 1,000,000 depository shares, each representing a 1/40th ownership interest in a 6.50% Noncumulative Redeemable Convertible Perpetual Preferred Share, Series B, of the Company, with a liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share (equivalent to \$25.00 per depository share). The Company sold the maximum of 1,000,000 depository shares in the offering, resulting in gross proceeds to the Company of \$25,000.

Using proceeds from the sale of the depository shares, the Company redeemed all of its outstanding Series A Preferred Shares for an aggregate purchase price of \$22,857, which redemption was completed as of February 15, 2014.

As of December 31, 2017, a total of 750,382 depository shares were outstanding.

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NOTE 22 - EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE

The factors used in the earnings per share computation follow.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Basic			
Net income.....	\$ 15,872	\$ 17,217	\$ 12,745
Preferred stock dividends	1,244	1,501	1,577
Net income available to common shareholders—basic	<u>\$ 14,628</u>	<u>\$ 15,716</u>	<u>\$ 11,168</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding—basic.....	<u>9,906,856</u>	<u>8,010,399</u>	<u>7,822,369</u>
Basic earnings per share.....	<u>\$ 1.48</u>	<u>\$ 1.96</u>	<u>\$ 1.43</u>
Diluted			
Net income available to common shareholders—basic	\$ 14,628	\$ 15,716	\$ 11,168
Preferred stock dividends on convertible preferred stock	1,244	1,501	1,577
Net income available to common shareholders—diluted.....	<u>\$ 15,872</u>	<u>\$ 17,217</u>	<u>\$ 12,745</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding for earnings per common share basic.....	9,906,856	8,010,399	7,822,369
Add: dilutive effects of convertible preferred shares	<u>2,445,760</u>	<u>2,940,562</u>	<u>3,095,966</u>
Average shares and dilutive potential common shares outstanding—diluted	<u>12,352,616</u>	<u>10,950,961</u>	<u>10,918,335</u>
Diluted earnings per share	<u>\$ 1.28</u>	<u>\$ 1.57</u>	<u>\$ 1.17</u>

Basic earnings per common share are calculated by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per common share include the dilutive effect, if any, of additional potential common shares issuable under the equity incentive plan, computed using the treasury stock method, and the impact of the Company's convertible preferred shares using the "if converted" method.

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NOTE 23 - QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)

	<u>Interest Income</u>	<u>Net Interest Income</u>	<u>Net Income</u>	<u>Basic Earnings per Common Share</u>	<u>Diluted Earnings per Common Share</u>
<u>2017</u>					
First quarter (1)(2).....	\$ 13,692	\$ 12,892	\$ 4,635	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.40
Second quarter (3)(4)	14,228	13,367	3,596	0.32	0.29
Third quarter (3).....	14,836	13,680	3,660	0.33	0.29
Fourth quarter (3)(5)	15,838	14,563	3,981	0.36	0.30
<u>2016</u>					
First quarter (1)(2).....	\$ 13,053	\$ 12,235	\$ 4,725	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.43
Second quarter (5)(6)	13,739	12,940	5,181	0.61	0.47
Third quarter (7).....	13,370	12,526	3,680	0.41	0.34
Fourth quarter (8).....	13,405	12,558	3,631	0.39	0.33

- (1) Interest income and net interest income increased due to loan volume and rate and volume on interest-bearing deposits in other banks.
- (2) Net income increased due to fees on tax refund processing program.
- (3) Interest income and net interest income increased due to increases in loan volume and rate.
- (4) Net income decreased due to a decrease in fees on the tax refund processing program.
- (5) Interest income and net interest income increased due to interest recoveries on non-performing loans.
- (6) Net income increased due to interest recoveries and provision credit.
- (7) Interest income, net interest income and net income decreased due to previous quarter interest recoveries and provision credit.
- (8) Interest income and net interest income increased due to loan volume and interest recoveries.

NOTE 24 - DERIVATIVE HEDGING INSTRUMENTS

To accommodate customer need and to support the Company's asset/liability positioning, on occasion we enter into interest rate swaps with a customer and a bank counterparty. The Company enters into a floating rate loan and a fixed rate swap with our customer. Simultaneously, the Company enters into an offsetting fixed rate swap with a bank counterparty. In connection with each swap transaction, the Company agrees to pay interest to the customer on a notional amount at a variable interest rate and receive interest from the customer on the same notional amount at a fixed interest rate. At the same time, the Company agrees to pay a bank counterparty the same fixed interest rate on the same notional amount and receive the same variable interest rate on the same notional amount. These transactions allow the Company's customer to effectively convert variable rate loans to fixed rate loans. Since the Company acts as an intermediary for its customer, changes in the fair value of the underlying derivative contracts offset each other and do not significantly impact the Company's results of operations.

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NOTE 24 - DERIVATIVE HEDGING INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

The following table summarizes the Company's interest rate swap positions and the impact of a 1 basis point change in interest rates as of December 31, 2017.

	Notional Amount	Weighted Average Rate Received/ (Paid)	Impact of a 1 basis point change in interest rates	Repricing Frequency
Derivative Assets.....	\$ 66,227	5.08%	\$ 36	Monthly
Derivative Liabilities.....	(66,227)	-5.08%	(36)	Monthly
Net Exposure.....	<u>\$ —</u>		<u>\$ —</u>	

The following table summarizes the Company's interest rate swap positions and the impact of a 1 basis point change in interest rates as of December 31, 2016.

	Notional Amount	Weighted Average Rate Received/ (Paid)	Impact of a 1 basis point change in interest rates	Repricing Frequency
Derivative Assets.....	\$ 52,975	5.07%	\$ 30	Monthly
Derivative Liabilities.....	(52,975)	-5.07%	(30)	Monthly
Net Exposure.....	<u>\$ —</u>		<u>\$ —</u>	

The Company monitors and controls all derivative products with a comprehensive Board of Director approved commercial loan swap policy. All hedge transactions must be approved in advance by the Lenders Loan Committee or the Directors Loan Committee of the Board of Directors.

NOTE 25 – QUALIFIED AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT INVESTMENTS

The Company invests in qualified affordable housing projects. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the balance of the Company's investments in qualified affordable housing projects was \$3,204 and \$2,754, respectively. These balances are reflected in the other assets line on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The unfunded commitments related to the investments in qualified affordable housing projects totaled \$4,510 and \$2,313 at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

During the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recognized amortization expense with respect to its investments in qualified affordable housing projects of \$354 and \$304, respectively, which was included within pre-tax income on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Additionally, during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recognized tax credits and other benefits from its investments in affordable housing tax credits of \$686 and \$538, respectively. During the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company did not incur impairment losses related to its investment in qualified affordable housing project.

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