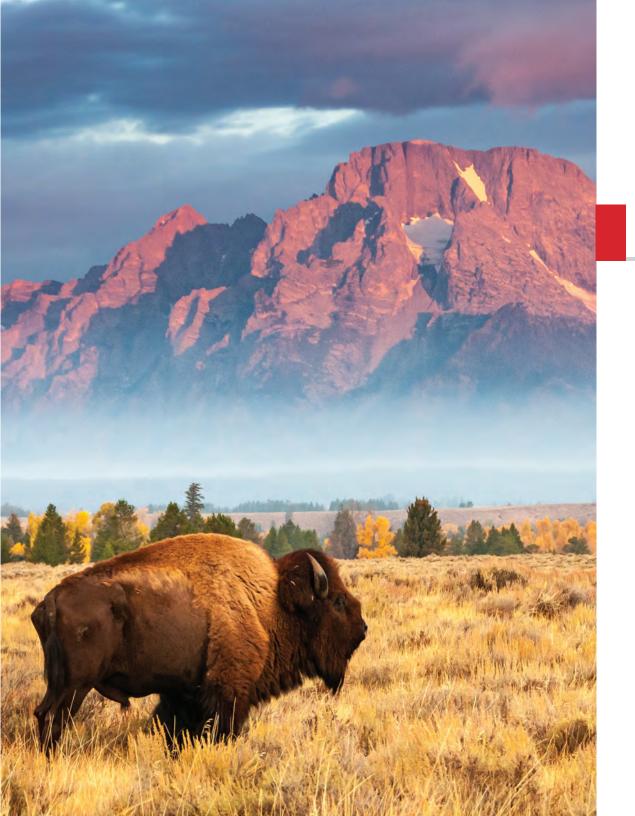


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### **Building our future together**



At Ameritas, we're positioned to drive growth because we bring together the elements that make us successful.

Well-planned strategies. Thoughtful investments in technology, systems and people. Valuable consumer- and business-focused products and services. Expanding distribution networks. Dedicated associates and financial professionals. Effective and efficient work that produces positive results.

### Achievement

Our group benefits division modernized technology and processes to make doing business with Ameritas easier. We improved claims reviews and made buying easier for small businesses. Dental insurance sales grew 6% in 2022, while vision and hearing insurance sales were up 10%.

We introduced a mobile app to help our individual division's field colleagues manage their business. We also announced new and enhanced life insurance and annuity products to help our customers reach their goals. Total life insurance sales grew 12% in 2022, reaching \$157 million.

We hit a milestone when our retirement plans team placed more than \$1 billion in new assets in 2022. They also launched a digital platform to help customers achieve financial literacy, wellness and higher savings rates through interactive education and guidance.

Total revenue came to \$2.6 billion and total members' GAAP equity was \$2.7 billion at the end of 2022. We welcomed about 376,000 net new customers in 2022, increasing our total number of customers to 5.7 million. We also distributed \$3.2 billion in policyholder benefits, a reminder of our commitment to keeping promises.

### Service

Jim Abel retired from the Ameritas board of directors in 2022 after 29 years. We appreciate his service and exemplary leadership. L. Javier Fernandez joined the board, and we're glad to have the perspective he brings.

Ameritas had a good year despite the economic forces and global events that made 2022 a master class in what we can't control. Our mutual structure, diversified business model, strategic mindset, and record of financial strength and stability make it possible for us to continue growing, creating opportunities and taking the long view.

That's how we fulfill lives.

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William W. Lester, CFA, FLMI President and Chief Executive Officer Ameritas Mutual Holding Company



# **Painting the financial picture**

Carrie Leeb is an artist and entrepreneur from San Francisco. She's been creating from the time she was a little girl and grew that passion into a successful career as a graphic designer, sculptor, photographer and painter. She was represented by galleries in California and New York City.

After years as a professional artist, Carrie decided she wanted to share her creativity with more people. She opened Spark Studio, where she teaches a variety of art classes.

"Spark Studio is a place where people can come and feel free to explore their creative side," explained Carrie. "My number one ambition is for people to have fun. I love seeing the light bulb go on and people realizing 'I made this!' and it's all coming from within yourself."

### A decades-long relationship

In 1997, Carrie realized she needed creative help in a new way. She asked Amy Blodgett, owner and founder of Boom Planning, to help with financial strategies for her personal and business life. From buying her first house to setting up a retirement plan for her business, Carrie's financial strategy with Amy evolved to meet her needs at each stage of life.

"What struck me about Carrie was she was so eager to learn," remembered Amy. "She was open to new ideas, she wanted financial advice, she wanted a long-term relationship and she was creative. I'm so drawn to creative people, so it was just a match from the beginning."

Carrie Leeb is a client of Amy Blodgett and Ameritas Advisory Services, LLC. Carrie Leeb did not receive compensation for her participation or comments. As a client of Amy Blodgett and AAS, a conflict of interest exists which may result in the incentive to provide a higher level of service.

### **Customized for Carrie**

Carrie said that when she expressed an interest in doing more impact investing and micro-financing, Amy went above and beyond her expectations. Just like artwork, a financial strategy is deeply personal. Amy took the time to research all of Carrie's questions and paint a financial canvas just right for Carrie.

"The goal of our team is to help our clients as much as humanly possible and make things feel really simple, really easy and really fun," said Amy.

Working with Amy and her team helped make it possible for Carrie to feel comfortable about her financial future and continue pursuing all the things that fuel her creativity and joy.

"There are so many things that make my life fulfilling," said Carrie. "I feel so fortunate to have the life that I have."

Ameritas is proud to be part of this fulfilling life story.

Watch Carrie's video.

And explore more Ameritas customer stories.



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## Helping generous people be generous

The most generous people we know are those serving our communities. That includes leaders and staff at nonprofit organizations as well as our associates, who provide financial and volunteer support. We find nothing more satisfying than helping generous people be generous.



Ameritas and our charitable foundation contributed more than \$1.7 million to more than 250 nonprofits across the country in 2022. And our associates donated thousands of dollars and volunteer hours.



We modernized our giving program and consolidated it on a new platform, all under the name Ameritas Cares. That's where we now coordinate our community support, from contributions by individuals to grants from our foundation. We match donations made by our associates and reward them for time spent serving others.

We also refined our annual United Way campaign so our associates nationwide can give through one pledge site with proceeds distributed to local chapters by donor ZIP code. This "give where you live" approach complements our flexible workplace strategy.

### Ameritas cares, and it shows.

Learn more about our community giving.



# Understanding why 'Ameritas is for me'



Our campaign to attract and keep talented people includes asking associates one simple question: What makes working here work for you?

Here are a few of their answers.



I knew Ameritas was for me even before I was hired. I'd heard so many wonderful things about it, I was sure I could make a career here. And I have! Different positions over 16 years helped me discover what I'm good at and where I thrive. Ameritas helped me grow into new roles by providing day-to-day training and industry education. Now I'm the one saying wonderful things about Ameritas. – *Amanda* 



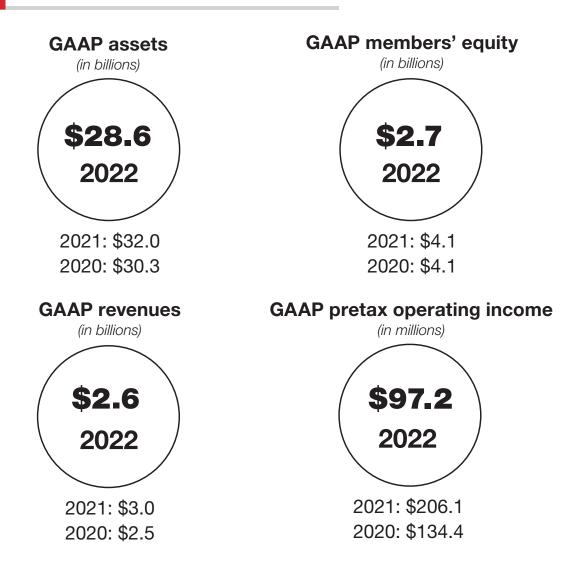
My 6-year-old son is autistic, and it's tough finding suitable activities for him. Last spring, he joined the <u>Joe</u> <u>Nuxhall Miracle League</u>, a nonprofit that helps children and adults with special needs experience the game of baseball. And it's been amazing! I later learned Ameritas has sponsored this program for years. Knowing my company supports the organization that has brought my family so much joy ... I can't tell you what that means to me. – *Adam* 



Ameritas is for me because its policies and practices consider all stages of life — including the one I'm in now. Our leave policies and schedule flexibility were invaluable when my stepfather died. They also make it possible for me to help care for my father, who has Alzheimer's. We get such a generous amount of paid time off that there's usually enough for some vacation time with my children and grandchildren. – *Mary Beth* 

# **Financial strength\***

Learn more about our financial strength and ratings.



#### \*Ameritas Mutual Holding Company and Subsidiaries

The ratings<sup>1</sup> assigned to Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. and Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. of New York provide an independent opinion of each insurer's financial strength and ability to meet ongoing insurance policy and contract obligations. Standard & Poor's and AM Best are recognized among the top authorities in analyzing insurance companies. Ratings are current as of February 2023 and subject to change.

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For the latest Best's credit rating, access www.ambest.com.

### **Standard & Poor's**



A+ (Strong) for insurer financial strength. This is the fifth highest of Standard & Poor's 21 ratings assigned.

AM Best

A (Excellent) for insurer financial strength. This is the third highest of AM Best's 13 ratings assigned.

# **Consolidated balance sheets**

Ameritas Mutual Holding Company and Subsidiaries (unaudited, in thousands)

	ecember 31 <b>2022</b>	De	ecember 31 <b>2021</b>
\$	10,982,636	\$	12,520,020

### Assets

#### Investments:

Fixed maturity securities	\$ 10,982,636	\$ 12,520,020
Equity securities	499,319	608,846
Mortgage loans	2,506,985	2,458,886
Loans on insurance policies	543,604	463,836
Other investments	895,748	844,859
Total Investments	\$ 15,428,292	\$ 16,896,447
Cash and cash equivalents	99,910	245,718
Accrued investment income	132,068	115,665
Deferred acquisition costs and identifiable intangibles	1,768,605	915,603
Deferred income taxes	208,017	-
Reinsurance receivables	851,879	823,140
Other assets	445,879	493,660
Separate accounts	9,678,234	12,488,946
Total Assets	\$ 28,612,884	\$ 31,979,179

Ameritas Mutual Holding Company and Subsidiaries (unaudited, in thousands)	December 31 <b>2022</b>	December 31 <b>2021</b>
Liabilities and equity Liabilities:		
Policy and contract liabilities	\$ 14,682,107	\$ 13,386,149
Deposit liability	911,640	953,588
Deferred income taxes	-	225,063
Surplus notes payable and borrowings	157,268	62,696
Other liabilities	521,020	719,639
Separate accounts	9,678,234	12,488,946
Total Liabilities	\$ 25,950,269	\$ 27,836,081
Equity:		
Retained earnings	3,654,472	3,617,329
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(991,857)	525,769
Total Members' Equity	\$ 2,662,615	\$ 4,143,098
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 28,612,884	\$ 31,979,179

# **Consolidated statements of operations**

Ameritas Mutual Holding Company and Subsidiaries (unaudited, in thousands)

December 31	December 31
<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>

#### Income Insurance revenues:

Total Revenues	\$ 2,606,746	\$ 2,976,329
Other	114,087	105,602
Realized capital gains, net	(83,631)	129,096
Net investment income	505,530	750,528
Broker-dealer revenues	147,840	163,148
Reinsurance, net	(187,115)	(187,174)
Contract charges	429,698	450,061
Premiums	\$ 1,680,337	\$ 1,565,068

### Benefits and expenses

Policy benefits	\$ 1,568,244	\$ 1,619,206
Sales and operating expenses	878,301	887,705
Interest expense	37,017	36,575
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs and identifiable intangibles	88,976	113,994
Total Benefits and Expenses	\$ 2,572,538	\$ 2,657,480
	<b>\$ 2,572,538</b> 34,208	<b>\$ 2,657,480</b> 318,849
and Expenses		



Thomas W. Knapp

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Marshall School of Business

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# **Fulfilling life**

We believe in putting people first, being generous, encouraging learning and inspiring performance. We're serious about integrity. We appreciate the advantages of our mutual business structure.

These values are what we expect of ourselves. Upholding them is how we secure our future as a great place to work, a great company to do business with and a purpose-driven organization.

### That's what you get with Ameritas.



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