

Focus Financial Partners Reports Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2022 Results

Solid Full-Year Performance, Demonstrating Business Resiliency and Momentum Despite the Challenging Macro Environment

New York, **New York** – February 16, 2023 – Focus Financial Partners Inc. (Nasdaq: FOCS) ("Focus Inc.", "Focus", the "Company", "we", "us" or "our"), a leading partnership of independent, fiduciary wealth management firms, today reported results for its fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2022.

Fourth Quarter 2022 Highlights

- Total revenues of \$547.7 million, 4.5% growth year over year
- Organic revenue growth⁽¹⁾ rate of negative 3.5% year over year
- GAAP net loss of \$1.4 million
- GAAP basic income per share of Class A common stock of \$0.01 and diluted loss per share of Class A common stock of (\$0.07)
- Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments⁽²⁾ of \$65.7 million and Tax Adjustments⁽³⁾ of \$16.9 million
- Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share⁽²⁾ of \$0.79 and Tax Adjustments⁽³⁾ Per Share⁽²⁾ of \$0.20
- Completed credit refinancing in November including a new \$240 million term loan
- Net Leverage Ratio⁽⁴⁾ of 4.19x

Full Year 2022 Highlights

- Total revenues of \$2.1 billion, 19.2% growth year over year
- Organic revenue growth⁽¹⁾ rate of 8.5% year over year
- GAAP net income of \$125.3 million
- GAAP basic and diluted income per share of Class A common stock of \$1.40 and \$1.39, respectively
- Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments⁽²⁾ of \$300.5 million and Tax Adjustments⁽³⁾ of \$64.4 million
- Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share⁽²⁾ of \$3.62 and Tax Adjustments⁽³⁾ Per Share⁽²⁾ of \$0.77
- Net cash provided by operating activities for the trailing 4-quarters ended December 31, 2022 of \$288.6 million
- LTM Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation⁽²⁾ for the trailing 4-quarters ended December 31, 2022 of \$317.7 million
- 24 transactions closed in 2022, including 5 new partner firms and 19 mergers on behalf of partner firms
- (1) Please see footnote 2 under "How We Evaluate Our Business" later in this press release.
- (2) Non-GAAP financial measures. Please see "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" later in this press release for a reconciliation and more information on these measures.
- (3) Please see footnote 6 under "How We Evaluate Our Business" later in this press release.
- (4) Please see footnote 7 under "How We Evaluate Our Business" later in this press release.



"Despite the challenging macro environment throughout 2022, our full-year growth and financial performance were solid," said Rudy Adolf, Founder, CEO and Chairman of Focus. "Our core value proposition, capital allocation discipline and scale were instrumental to helping us navigate the volatile markets and position us to capitalize on an eventual recovery. The depth and diversification of our global partnership, our strong M&A momentum and our array of value-added programs were integral to this outcome. These elements reinforce our competitive differentiation and our leadership advantage in independent wealth management."

"Our business further demonstrated its resiliency in 2022 with the hallmarks of how we invest and grow our business again clearly evident," said Jim Shanahan, Chief Financial Officer of Focus. "Our results reflect the excellent job our partners did in managing their businesses and advising their clients during a year in which the value of prudent fiduciary advice was notable. They also further reinforced the value of the diverse and recurring nature of our revenues and the benefits of our variable cost base and our earnings preference. Collectively these attributes have enabled our business to weather volatile market conditions over multiple quarters while mitigating the downside risk to our earnings. Our global partnership has created enduring scale advantages, reinforcing the sustainability of our strong growth over the long term."

Fourth Quarter 2022 Financial Highlights

Total revenues were \$547.7 million, 4.5%, or \$23.8 million higher than the 2021 fourth quarter. The increase was primarily attributable to \$14.6 million of revenues from new partner firms acquired during the last twelve months. Our year-over-year organic revenue growth rate $^{(1)}$ was negative 3.5%, better than our estimated negative 10% for the quarter.

An estimated 72.0%, or \$394.3 million, of total revenues in the quarter were correlated to the financial markets. Of this amount, 64.5%, or \$254.3 million, were generated from advance billings generally based on market levels in the 2022 third quarter. The remaining 28.0%, or \$153.4 million, were not correlated to the markets. These revenues typically consist of family office type services, tax advice and fixed fees for investment advice, primarily for high and ultra-high net worth clients.

GAAP net loss was (\$1.4) million compared to net income of \$14.9 million in the prior year quarter. GAAP basic income per share of Class A common stock was \$0.01 and diluted loss per share of Class A common stock was (\$0.07), as compared to \$0.12 for both basic and diluted income per share of Class A common stock in the prior year quarter.

Adjusted EBITDA⁽²⁾ was \$136.7 million, 5.9%, or \$7.7 million, higher than the prior year period. Our Adjusted EBITDA margin⁽³⁾ was 25.0%, above our outlook of approximately 23% for the quarter reflecting the effect of higher non-market correlated revenues and lower compensation expense.



Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments⁽²⁾ was \$65.7 million, and Tax Adjustments⁽⁴⁾ was \$16.9 million. Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share⁽²⁾ was \$0.79, down 16.0% compared to the prior year period, and Tax Adjustments Per Share⁽²⁾ was \$0.20, up 25.0% compared to the prior year period.

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2022 Full Year Financial Highlights

Total revenues were \$2.1 billion, 19.2%, or \$345.4 million higher than the prior year. The primary driver of this increase was revenue growth from our existing partner firms of approximately \$315.5 million. The majority of this amount was driven by higher wealth management fees, which included the effect of mergers completed by our partner firms as well as a full period of revenues recognized during 2022 for partner firms acquired during the last twelve months. Six partner firms, which closed in the prior year on December 31, 2021, contributed \$91.3 million of this increase. The balance of \$29.9 million was attributable to revenues from new partner firms acquired during the last twelve months. Our year-over-year organic revenue growth rate⁽¹⁾ was 8.5%.

GAAP net income was \$125.3 million compared to \$24.4 million in the prior year. GAAP basic and diluted income per share of Class A common stock was \$1.40 and \$1.39, respectively, as compared to \$0.18 for both basic and diluted income per share of Class A common stock in the prior year.

Adjusted EBITDA⁽²⁾ was \$537.5 million, 19.1%, or \$86.2 million, higher than the prior year. Our Adjusted EBITDA margin⁽³⁾ was 25.1%.

Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments⁽²⁾ was \$300.5 million, and Tax Adjustments⁽⁴⁾ was \$64.4 million. Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share⁽²⁾ was \$3.62, up 7.7% compared to the prior year, and Tax Adjustments Per Share⁽²⁾ was \$0.77, up 37.5% compared to the prior year.

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Balance Sheet and Liquidity

As of December 31, 2022, cash and cash equivalents were \$140.0 million and debt outstanding under our credit facilities was approximately \$2.6 billion.

Our Net Leverage Ratio⁽¹⁾ as of December 31, 2022 was 4.19x. We remain committed to maintaining our Net Leverage Ratio⁽¹⁾ between 3.5x to 4.5x and believe this is the appropriate range for our business given our highly acquisitive nature.

As of December 31, 2022, \$850 million, or 33.2%, of the debt outstanding under our credit facilities had SOFR swapped from a floating rate to a fixed weighted average interest rate of 53 basis points plus a spread of 325 basis points. The residual amount of approximately \$1.7 billion remains at floating rates, with \$808.4 million of this amount at an interest rate of SOFR (subject to a 50 basis point floor) plus 250 basis points spread, and \$905.6 million of this amount at an interest rate of SOFR (subject to a 50 basis point floor) plus 325 basis points spread. We typically use 30-day Term SOFR for our term loans.

Our net cash provided by operating activities for the trailing four quarters ended December 31, 2022 was \$288.6 million compared to \$313.9 million for the comparable prior year period. Our Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation⁽²⁾ for the trailing four quarters ended December 31, 2022 was \$317.7 million compared to \$319.9 million for the comparable prior year period. In the 2022 fourth quarter, we paid \$32.6 million in cash earn-out obligations and \$6.4 million of required amortization under our First Lien Term Loans.

- (1) Please see footnote 7 under "How We Evaluate Our Business" later in this press release.
- (2) Non-GAAP financial measure. See "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures—Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation" later in this press release.

Teleconference, Webcast and Presentation Information

Founder, CEO and Chairman, Rudy Adolf, and Chief Financial Officer, Jim Shanahan, will host a conference call today, February 16, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time to discuss the Company's 2022 fourth quarter and full year results and outlook. The call can be accessed by dialing +1-877-407-0989 (callers inside the U.S.) or +1-201-389-0921 (callers outside the U.S.).

A live, listen-only webcast, together with a slide presentation titled "Fourth Quarter & Full Year 2022 Earnings Release Supplement" dated February 16, 2023 will be available under Events in the Investor Relations section of the Company's website, www.focusfinancialpartners.com. A webcast replay of the call will be available shortly after the event at the same address. Registration for the call will begin 15 minutes prior to the start of the call, using the following link.

Due to our recently announced acquisition proposal and exclusivity arrangement with Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, we do not expect to take questions after the prepared remarks.



About Focus Financial Partners Inc.

Focus Financial Partners Inc. is a leading partnership of independent, fiduciary wealth management firms. Focus provides access to best practices, resources, and continuity planning for its partner firms who serve individuals, families, employers and institutions with comprehensive wealth management services. Focus partner firms maintain their operational independence, while they benefit from the synergies, scale, economics and best practices offered by Focus to achieve their business objectives.

Cautionary Note Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

The foregoing information contains certain forward-looking statements that reflect the Company's current views with respect to certain current and future events and financial performance. These forward-looking statements are and will be, as the case may be, subject to many risks, uncertainties and factors relating to the Company's operations and business environment which may cause the Company's actual results to be materially different from any future results, expressed or implied, in these forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statements in this release are based upon information available to the Company on the date of this release. The Company does not undertake to publicly update or revise its forward-looking statements even if experience or future changes make it clear that any statements expressed or implied therein will not be realized. Additional information on risk factors that could potentially affect the Company's financial results may be found in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 filed and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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How We Evaluate Our Business

We focus on several key financial metrics in evaluating the success of our business, the success of our partner firms and our resulting financial position and operating performance. Key metrics for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 include the following:

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Twelve Mo Decem			
	2021 2022		2022	2021			2022	
		(dollars	in t	housands	s, ex	cept per sl	nare	data)
Revenue Metrics:								
Revenues	\$	523,886	\$	547,679	\$ 3	1,797,951	\$ 2	2,143,321
Revenue growth (1) from prior period		38.0%		4.5%		32.1%		19.2%
Organic revenue growth (2) from prior period		26.6%		(3.5)%		24.0%		8.5%
Management Fees Metrics (operating expense):								
Management fees	\$	145,990	\$	132,717	\$	491,433	\$	530,329
Management fees growth (3) from prior period Organic management fees growth (4)		42.6%		(9.1)%		40.6%		7.9%
from prior period		30.8%		(14.1)%		32.1%		(0.4)%
Net Income (Loss) Metrics:								
Net income (loss)	\$	14,935	\$	(1,411)	\$	24,440	\$	125,278
Net income (loss) growth from prior period		94.6%		*		(50.1)%		*
Income per share of Class A common stock:								
Basic	\$	0.12	\$	0.01	\$	0.18	\$	1.40
Diluted	\$	0.12	\$	(0.07)	\$	0.18	\$	1.39
Income per share of Class A common stock growth from prior								
period:								
Basic		71.4%		(91.7)%		(69.0)%		*
Diluted		71.4%		*		(68.4)%		*
Adjusted EBITDA Metrics:								
Adjusted EBITDA (5)	\$	129,000	\$	136,666	\$	451,296	\$	537,456
Adjusted EBITDA growth (5) from prior period		42.2%		5.9%		40.3%		19.1%
Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Metrics:								
Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments (5)	\$	78,911	\$	65,744	\$	278,681	\$	300,548
Adjusted Net Income Excluding								
Tax Adjustments growth (5) from prior period		38.5%		(16.7)%		42.5%		7.8%
Tax Adjustments								
Tax Adjustments (5)(6)	\$	13,440	\$	16,905	\$	46,805	\$	64,359
Tax Adjustments growth from prior period (5)(6)		36.4%		25.8%		25.6%		37.5%

^{*} Not meaningful



	Three Months Ended December 31,			Twelve Months End December 31,				
		2021		2022	2021			2022
		(dolla	rs in	thousands,	exce	pt per shar	e dat	a)
Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per								
Share and Tax Adjustments Per Share Metrics:								
Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments								
Per Share (5)	\$	0.94	\$	0.79	\$	3.36	\$	3.62
Tax Adjustments Per Share (5)(6)	\$	0.16	\$	0.20	\$	0.56	\$	0.77
Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments								
Per Share growth (5) from prior period		30.6%		(16.0)%		36.6%		7.7%
Tax Adjustments Per Share growth								
from prior period (5)(6)		33.3%		25.0%		19.1%		37.5%
Adjusted Shares Outstanding								
Adjusted Shares Outstanding (5)	83	3,575,753	8	3,210,551	82	2,893,928	83	3,093,073
Other Metrics:								
Net Leverage Ratio (7) at period end		3.85x		4.19x		3.85x		4.19x
Acquired Base Earnings (8)	\$	49,487	\$	7,269	\$	71,400	\$	26,568
Number of partner firms at period end (9)		84		88		84		88

- (1) Represents period-over-period growth in our GAAP revenue.
- (2) Organic revenue growth represents the period-over-period growth in revenue related to partner firms, including growth related to acquisitions of wealth management practices and customer relationships by our partner firms, including Connectus, and partner firms that have merged, that for the entire periods presented, are included in our consolidated statements of operations for each of the entire periods presented. We believe these growth statistics are useful in that they present full-period revenue growth of partner firms on a "same store" basis exclusive of the effect of the partial period results of partner firms that are acquired during the comparable periods.
- (3) The terms of our management agreements entitle the management companies to management fees typically consisting of all Earnings Before Partner Compensation ("EBPC") in excess of Base Earnings up to Target Earnings, plus a percentage of any EBPC in excess of Target Earnings. Management fees growth represents the period-over-period growth in GAAP management fees earned by management companies. While an expense, we believe that growth in management fees reflect the strength of the partnership.
- (4) Organic management fees growth represents the period-over-period growth in management fees earned by management companies related to partner firms, including growth related to acquisitions of wealth management practices and customer relationships by our partner firms and partner firms that have merged, that for the entire periods presented, are included in our consolidated statements of operations for each of the entire periods presented. We believe that these growth statistics are useful in that they present full-period growth of management fees on a "same store" basis exclusive of the effect of the partial period results of partner firms that are acquired during the comparable periods.



- (5) For additional information regarding Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments, Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share, Tax Adjustments, Tax Adjustments Per Share and Adjusted Shares Outstanding, including a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, please read "—Adjusted EBITDA" and "—Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share."
- (6) Tax Adjustments represent the tax benefits of intangible assets, including goodwill, associated with deductions allowed for tax amortization of intangible assets in the respective periods based on a pro forma 27% income tax rate. Such amounts were generated from acquisitions completed where we received a step-up in basis for tax purposes. Acquired intangible assets may be amortized for tax purposes, generally over a 15-year period. Due to our acquisitive nature, tax deductions allowed on acquired intangible assets provide additional significant supplemental economic benefit. The tax benefit from amortization is included to show the full economic benefit of deductions for acquired intangible assets with the step-up in tax basis. As of December 31, 2022, estimated Tax Adjustments from intangible asset related income tax benefits from closed acquisitions based on a pro forma 27% income tax rate for the next 12 months is \$67.8 million.
- (7) Net Leverage Ratio represents the First Lien Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Facility), and means the ratio of amounts outstanding under the First Lien Term Loan A, First Lien Term Loan B and First Lien Revolver plus other outstanding debt obligations secured by a lien on the assets of Focus LLC (excluding letters of credit other than unpaid drawings thereunder) minus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents to Consolidated EBITDA (as defined in the Credit Facility).
- (8) The terms of our management agreements entitle the management companies to management fees typically consisting of all future EBPC of the acquired wealth management firm in excess of Base Earnings up to Target Earnings, plus a percentage of any EBPC in excess of Target Earnings. Acquired Base Earnings is equal to our preferred position in Base Earnings or comparable measures. We are entitled to receive these earnings notwithstanding any earnings that we are entitled to receive in excess of Target Earnings. Base Earnings may change in future periods for various business or contractual matters. For example, from time to time when a partner firm consummates an acquisition, the management agreement among the partner firm, the management company and the principals is amended to adjust Base Earnings and Target Earnings to reflect the projected post acquisition earnings of the partner firm.
- (9) Represents the number of partner firms on the last day of the period presented.



Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

FOCUS FINANCIAL PARTNERS INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	For the three months ended					For the twelve months ended					
	December 31,				December 31,						
	2021			2022		2021		2022			
REVENUES:											
Wealth management fees	\$	503,583	\$	524,711	\$	1,717,365	\$	2,056,328			
Other		20,303		22,968		80,586		86,993			
Total revenues		523,886		547,679		1,797,951		2,143,321			
OPERATING EXPENSES:											
Compensation and related expenses		166,784		183,640		591,121		729,891			
Management fees		145,990		132,717		491,433		530,329			
Selling, general and administrative		89,155		103,081		297,636		376,417			
Intangible amortization		54,807		69,586		187,848		261,842			
Non-cash changes in fair value of estimated											
contingent consideration		16,175		17,703		112,416		(64,747)			
Depreciation and other amortization		3,790		3,827		14,625		15,281			
Total operating expenses		476,701		510,554		1,695,079		1,849,013			
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		47,185		37,125		102,872		294,308			
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):											
Interest income		112		645		422		791			
Interest expense		(17,108)		(35,888)		(55,001)		(99,887)			
Amortization of debt financing costs		(1,102)		(1,000)		(3,958)		(3,999)			
Loss on extinguishment of borrowings		_		(1,807)		_		(1,807)			
Other expense—net		(118)		(7,536)		(337)		(11,370)			
Income from equity method investments		10		162		524		319			
Total other expense—net		(18,206)		(45,424)		(58,350)		(115,953)			
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAX		28,979		(8,299)		44,522		178,355			
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)		14,044		(6,888)		20,082		53,077			
NET INCOME (LOSS)		14,935		(1,411)		24,440		125,278			
Non-controlling interest		(7,405)		1,761		(14,028)		(33,494)			
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO											
COMMON SHAREHOLDERS	\$	7,530	\$	350	\$	10,412	\$	91,784			
Income per share of Class A			_								
common stock:											
Basic	\$	0.12	\$	0.01	\$	0.18	\$	1.40			
Diluted	\$	0.12	\$	(0.07)	\$	0.18	\$	1.39			
Weighted average shares of Class A			=		==		_				
common stock outstanding:											
Basic		61,290,333		65,883,284		57,317,477		65,552,592			
Diluted		61,939,734	-	82,170,919	-	57,831,151	_	65,810,215			
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FOCUS FINANCIAL PARTNERS INC. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	December 31, 2021		December 2022		
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	310,684	\$	139,973	
Accounts receivable less allowances of \$3,255 at 2021 and \$3,862 at 2022		198,827		217,219	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		123,826		151,356	
Fixed assets—net		47,199		54,748	
Operating lease assets		249,850		258,697	
Debt financing costs—net		4,254		7,590	
Deferred tax assets—net		267,332		230,130	
Goodwill		1,925,315		2,167,917	
Other intangible assets—net		1,581,719		1,639,124	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,709,006	\$	4,866,754	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable	\$	11,580	\$	12,213	
Accrued expenses		72,572		80,679	
Due to affiliates		105,722		70,974	
Deferred revenue		10,932		10,726	
Contingent consideration and other liabilities		468,284		335,033	
Deferred tax liabilities		31,973		29,579	
Operating lease liabilities		277,324		288,895	
Borrowings under credit facilities (stated value of \$2,407,302 and \$2,563,970					
at December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2022, respectively)		2,393,669		2,510,749	
Tax receivable agreements obligations		219,542		224,611	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		3,591,598		3,563,459	
EQUITY					
Class A common stock, par value \$0.01, 500,000,000 shares authorized;					
65,320,124 and 65,929,644 shares issued and outstanding at					
December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2022, respectively		653		659	
Class B common stock, par value \$0.01, 500,000,000 shares authorized;					
11,439,019 and 11,827,321 shares issued and outstanding at					
December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2022, respectively		114		118	
Additional paid-in capital		841,753		918,044	
Retained earnings		24,995		116,779	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		3,029		18,318	
Total shareholders' equity		870,544		1,053,918	
Non-controlling interest		246,864		249,377	
Total equity		1,117,408		1,303,295	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$	4,709,006	\$	4,866,754	
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FOCUS FINANCIAL PARTNERS INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands)

For the twelve months ended December 31,

	December 31,			31,
		2021		2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net income	\$	24,440	\$	125,278
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating				
activities—net of effect of acquisitions:				
Intangible amortization		187,848		261,842
Depreciation and other amortization		14,625		15,281
Amortization of debt financing costs		3,958		3,999
Non-cash equity compensation expense		31,602		30,453
Non-cash changes in fair value of estimated contingent consideration		112,416		(64,747)
Income from equity method investments		(524)		(319)
Distributions received from equity method investments		1,143		1,396
Deferred taxes and other non-cash items		(8,568)		32,243
Loss on extinguishment of borrowings		_		1,807
Changes in cash resulting from changes in operating assets and liabilities:				,
Accounts receivable		(32,006)		(16,778)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		2,103		(245)
Accounts payable		486		(82)
Accrued expenses		14,444		10,445
Due to affiliates		38,831		(35,060)
Contingent consideration and other liabilities		(77,423)		(74,765)
Deferred revenue		543		(2,149)
Net cash provided by operating activities		313,918		288,599
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		313,310		200,333
Cash paid for acquisitions and contingent consideration—net of cash acquired		(070 062)		(461 522)
Purchase of fixed assets		(979,062) (11,018)		(461,522) (21,017)
Investments and other, net				
		(17,232)		7,358
Net cash used in investing activities		(1,007,312)		(475,181)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		1 210 275		1 000 000
Borrowings under credit facilities		1,318,375		1,998,900
Repayments of borrowings under credit facilities		(425,320)		(1,873,332)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net		219,636		_
Payments in connection with unit redemption, net		(57,735)		(0.07.5)
Payments in connection with tax receivable agreements		(4,423)		(3,856)
Contingent consideration paid		(78,092)		(62,025)
Payments of deferred cash consideration		-		(1,484)
Payments of debt financing costs		(8,282)		(19,072)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		8,350		1,158
Equity awards withholding		(1,343)		(685)
Other		(58)		372
Distributions for unitholders		(32,311)		(22,984)
Net cash provided by financing activities		938,797		16,992
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(577)		(1,121)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		244,826		(170,711)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:				
Beginning of period		65,858	_	310,684
End of period	\$	310,684	\$	139,973
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Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP measure. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as net income (loss) excluding interest income, interest expense, income tax expense (benefit), amortization of debt financing costs, intangible amortization and impairments, if any, depreciation and other amortization, non-cash equity compensation expense, non-cash changes in fair value of estimated contingent consideration, loss on extinguishment of borrowings, other expense—net and secondary offering expenses, if any. We believe that Adjusted EBITDA, viewed in addition to and not in lieu of, our reported GAAP results, provides additional useful information to investors regarding our performance and overall results of operations for various reasons, including the following:

- non-cash equity grants made to employees or non-employees at a certain price and point in time do not necessarily reflect how our business is performing at any particular time; stockbased compensation expense is not a key measure of our operating performance;
- contingent consideration or earn outs can vary substantially from company to company and depending upon each company's growth metrics and accounting assumption methods; the non-cash changes in fair value of estimated contingent consideration is not considered a key measure in comparing our operating performance; and
- amortization expenses can vary substantially from company to company and from period to
 period depending upon each company's financing and accounting methods, the fair value and
 average expected life of acquired intangible assets and the method by which assets were
 acquired; the amortization of intangible assets obtained in acquisitions are not considered a
 key measure in comparing our operating performance.

We use Adjusted EBITDA:

- as a measure of operating performance;
- for planning purposes, including the preparation of budgets and forecasts;
- to allocate resources to enhance the financial performance of our business;
- to evaluate the effectiveness of our business strategies; and
- as a consideration in determining compensation for certain employees.

Adjusted EBITDA does not purport to be an alternative to net income or cash flows from operating activities. The term Adjusted EBITDA is not defined under GAAP, and Adjusted EBITDA is not a measure of net income, operating income or any other performance or liquidity measure derived in accordance with GAAP. Therefore, Adjusted EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP. Some of these limitations are:



- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect all cash expenditures, future requirements for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;
- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, working capital needs;
 and
- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect the interest expense on our debt or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments.

In addition, Adjusted EBITDA can differ significantly from company to company depending on strategic decisions regarding capital structure, the tax jurisdictions in which companies operate and capital investments. We compensate for these limitations by also relying on the GAAP results and using Adjusted EBITDA as supplemental information.

Set forth below is a reconciliation of net income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2021 and 2022:

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Twelve Months Ended December 31,				
		2021		2022		2021		2022	
				(in tho	usar	ds)	-		
Net income (loss)	\$	14,935	\$	(1,411)	\$	24,440	\$	125,278	
Interest income		(112)		(645)		(422)		(791)	
Interest expense		17,108		35,888		55,001		99,887	
Income tax expense (benefit)		14,044		(6,888)		20,082		53,077	
Amortization of debt financing costs		1,102		1,000		3,958		3,999	
Intangible amortization		54,807		69,586		187,848		261,842	
Depreciation and other amortization		3,790		3,827		14,625		15,281	
Non-cash equity compensation expense		7,033		8,263		31,602		30,453	
Non-cash changes in fair value of estimated									
contingent consideration		16,175		17,703		112,416		(64,747)	
Loss on extinguishment of borrowings		_		1,807		_		1,807	
Other expense—net		118		7,536		337		11,370	
Secondary offering expenses		_		_		1,409		_	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	129,000	\$	136,666	\$	451,296	\$	537,456	



Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share

We analyze our performance using Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share. Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share are non-GAAP measures. We define Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments as net income (loss) excluding income tax expense (benefit), amortization of debt financing costs, intangible amortization and impairments, if any, non-cash equity compensation expense, non-cash changes in fair value of estimated contingent consideration, loss on extinguishment of borrowings and secondary offering expenses, if any. The calculation of Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments also includes adjustments to reflect a pro forma 27% income tax rate reflecting the estimated U.S. federal, state, local and foreign income tax rates applicable to corporations in the jurisdictions we conduct business and is used for comparative purposes. The actual effective income tax rate, in current or future periods, may differ significantly from the pro forma income tax rate of 27%.

Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share is calculated by dividing Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments by the Adjusted Shares Outstanding. Adjusted Shares Outstanding includes: (i) the weighted average shares of Class A common stock outstanding during the periods, (ii) the weighted average incremental shares of Class A common stock related to stock options and restricted stock units outstanding during the periods, (iii) the weighted average number of Focus LLC common units outstanding during the periods (assuming that 100% of such Focus LLC common units, including contingently issuable Focus LLC common units, if any, have been exchanged for Class A common stock), (iv) the weighted average number of Focus LLC restricted common units outstanding during the periods (assuming that 100% of such Focus LLC restricted common units have been exchanged for Class A common stock) and (v) the weighted average number of common unit equivalents of Focus LLC vested and unvested incentive units outstanding during the periods based on the closing price of our Class A common stock on the last trading day of the periods (assuming that 100% of such Focus LLC common units have been exchanged for Class A common stock).

We believe that Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share, viewed in addition to and not in lieu of, our reported GAAP results, provide additional useful information to investors regarding our performance and overall results of operations for various reasons, including the following:

- non-cash equity grants made to employees or non-employees at a certain price and point in time do not necessarily reflect how our business is performing at any particular time; stock-based compensation expense is not a key measure of our operating performance;
- contingent consideration or earn outs can vary substantially from company to company and depending upon each company's growth metrics and accounting assumption methods; the non-cash changes in fair value of estimated contingent consideration is not considered a key measure in comparing our operating performance; and
- amortization expenses can vary substantially from company to company and from period to period depending upon each company's financing and accounting methods, the fair value and average expected life of acquired intangible assets and the method by which assets were acquired; the amortization of intangible assets obtained in acquisitions are not considered a key measure in comparing our operating performance.



Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share do not purport to be an alternative to net income or cash flows from operating activities. The terms Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share are not defined under GAAP, and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share are not a measure of net income, operating income or any other performance or liquidity measure derived in accordance with GAAP. Therefore, Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share have limitations as an analytical tool and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP. Some of these limitations are:

- Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share do not reflect all cash expenditures, future requirements for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;
- Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share do not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, working capital needs; and
- Other companies in the financial services industry may calculate Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share differently than we do, limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure.

In addition, Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share can differ significantly from company to company depending on strategic decisions regarding capital structure, the tax jurisdictions in which companies operate and capital investments. We compensate for these limitations by relying also on the GAAP results and use Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share as supplemental information.

Tax Adjustments and Tax Adjustments Per Share

Tax Adjustments represent the tax benefits of intangible assets, including goodwill, associated with deductions allowed for tax amortization of intangible assets in the respective periods based on a pro forma 27% income tax rate. Such amounts were generated from acquisitions completed where we received a step-up in basis for tax purposes. Acquired intangible assets may be amortized for tax purposes, generally over a 15-year period. Due to our acquisitive nature, tax deductions allowed on acquired intangible assets provide additional significant supplemental economic benefit. The tax benefit from amortization is included to show the full economic benefit of deductions for acquired intangible assets with the step-up in tax basis.

Tax Adjustments Per Share is calculated by dividing Tax Adjustments by the Adjusted Shares Outstanding.



Set forth below is a reconciliation of net income (loss) to Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments and Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments Per Share for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2021 and 2022:

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Twelve Months Er December 31,				
		2021		2022		2021		2022
		(dolla	rs in	thousands,	exc	ept per shar	e da	ta)
Net income (loss)	\$	14,935	\$	(1,411)	\$	24,440	\$	125,278
Income tax expense (benefit)		14,044		(6,888)		20,082		53,077
Amortization of debt financing costs		1,102		1,000		3,958		3,999
Intangible amortization		54,807		69,586		187,848		261,842
Non-cash equity compensation expense		7,033		8,263		31,602		30,453
Non-cash changes in fair value of estimated								
contingent consideration		16,175		17,703		112,416		(64,747)
Loss on extinguishment of borrowings		_		1,807		_		1,807
Secondary offering expenses (1)		_		_		1,409		_
Subtotal		108,096		90,060		381,755		411,709
Pro forma income tax expense (27%) (2)		(29,185)		(24,316)		(103,074)		(111,161)
Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments	\$	78,911	\$	65,744	\$	278,681	\$	300,548
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Tax Adjustments (2)(3)	\$	13,440	\$	16,905	\$	46,805	\$	64,359
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Adjusted Net Income Excluding Tax Adjustments								
Per Share	\$	0.94	\$	0.79	\$	3.36	\$	3.62
Tax Adjustments Per Share (3)	\$	0.16	\$	0.20	\$	0.56	\$	0.77
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Adjusted Shares Outstanding	8	3,575,753	8	3,210,551	_;	82,893,928	8	3,093,073
Calculation of Adjusted Shares Outstanding:								
Weighted average shares of Class A common								
stock outstanding—basic (4)	6	1,290,333	6	5,883,284	!	57,317,477	6	5,552,592
Adjustments:								
Weighted average incremental shares of Class A								
common stock related to stock options								
and restricted stock units (5)		649,401		165,930		513,674		257,623
Weighted average Focus LLC common units								
outstanding (6)	1	2,046,461	1	1,731,666	:	15,200,900	1	1,857,164
Weighted average Focus LLC restricted common								
units outstanding (7)		81,726		217,913		73,983		199,495
Weighted average common unit equivalent of								
Focus LLC incentive units outstanding (8)	!	9,507,832		5,211,758		9,787,894		5,226,199
Adjusted Shares Outstanding	8	3,575,753	8	3,210,551	_;	82,893,928	8	3,093,073



- (1) Relates to offering expenses associated with the March 2021 and June 2021 secondary offerings.
- (2) The pro forma income tax rate of 27% reflects the estimated U.S. federal, state, local and foreign income tax rates applicable to corporations in the jurisdictions we conduct business and is used for comparative purposes. The actual effective income tax rate, in current or future periods, may differ significantly from the pro forma income tax rate of 27%. The actual effective income tax rate is the percentage of income tax after taking into consideration various tax deductions, credits and limitations. Among other things, periods of increased interest expense and limits on our ability to deduct interest expense may, in current or future periods, contribute to an actual effective income tax rate that is less than or greater than the pro forma income tax rate of 27%.
- (3) Tax Adjustments represent the tax benefits of intangible assets, including goodwill, associated with deductions allowed for tax amortization of intangible assets in the respective periods based on a pro forma 27% income tax rate. Such amounts were generated from acquisitions completed where we received a step-up in basis for tax purposes. Acquired intangible assets may be amortized for tax purposes, generally over a 15-year period. Due to our acquisitive nature, tax deductions allowed on acquired intangible assets provide additional significant supplemental economic benefit. The tax benefit from amortization is included to show the full economic benefit of deductions for acquired intangible assets with the step-up in tax basis. As of December 31, 2022, estimated Tax Adjustments from intangible asset related income tax benefits from closed acquisitions based on a pro forma 27% income tax rate for the next 12 months is \$67.8 million.
- (4) Represents our GAAP weighted average Class A common stock outstanding—basic.
- (5) Represents the incremental shares related to stock options and restricted stock units as calculated under the treasury stock method.
- (6) Assumes that 100% of the Focus LLC common units, including contingently issuable Focus LLC common units, if any, were exchanged for Class A common stock.
- (7) Assumes that 100% of the Focus LLC restricted common units were exchanged for Class A common stock.
- (8) Assumes that 100% of the vested and unvested Focus LLC incentive units were converted into Focus LLC common units based on the closing price of our Class A common stock at the end of the respective period and such Focus LLC common units were exchanged for Class A common stock.

Adjusted Free Cash Flow and Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation

To supplement our statements of cash flows presented on a GAAP basis, we use non-GAAP liquidity measures on a trailing 4-quarter basis to analyze cash flows generated from our operations. We consider Adjusted Free Cash Flow and Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation to be liquidity measures that provide useful information to investors about the amount of cash generated by the business and are two factors in evaluating the amount of cash available to pay contingent consideration and deferred cash consideration, make strategic acquisitions and repay outstanding borrowings. Adjusted Free Cash Flow and Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation do not represent our residual cash flow available for discretionary expenditures as they do not deduct our mandatory debt service requirements and other non-discretionary expenditures. We define Adjusted Free Cash Flow as net cash provided by operating activities, less purchase of fixed assets, distributions for Focus LLC unitholders and payments under tax receivable agreements. We define Cash Flow Available for



Capital Allocation as Adjusted Free Cash Flow plus the portions of contingent consideration and deferred cash consideration paid which are classified as operating cash flows under GAAP. The balances of such contingent consideration and deferred cash consideration are classified as investing or financing cash flows under GAAP; therefore, we add back the amounts included in operating cash flows so that the full amount of contingent consideration and deferred cash consideration payments are treated consistently. Adjusted Free Cash Flow and Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation are not defined under GAAP and should not be considered as alternatives to net cash from operating, investing or financing activities. In addition, Adjusted Free Cash Flow and Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation can differ significantly from company to company.

Set forth below is a reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities to Adjusted Free Cash Flow and Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation for the trailing 4-quarters ended December 31, 2021 and 2022:

	Trailing 4-Quarters Ended December 31,			
	2021			2022
		(in tho	usan	ds)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	313,918	\$	288,599
Purchase of fixed assets		(11,018)		(21,017)
Distributions for unitholders		(32,311)		(22,984)
Payments under tax receivable agreements		(4,423)		(3,856)
Adjusted Free Cash Flow	\$	266,166	\$	240,742
Portion of contingent consideration paid included in operating activities (1)		53,735		76,915
Portion of deferred cash consideration paid included in operating activities (2)		_		16
Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation (3)	\$	319,901	\$	317,673

- (1) A portion of contingent consideration paid is classified as operating cash outflows in accordance with GAAP, with the balance reflected in investing or financing cash outflows. Contingent consideration paid classified as operating cash outflows for each of the trailing 4-quarters ended December 31, 2021 was \$5.3 million, \$11.6 million, \$20.4 million and \$16.4 million, respectively, totaling \$53.7 million for the trailing 4-quarters ended December 31, 2021. Contingent consideration paid classified as operating cash outflows for each of the trailing 4-quarters ended December 31, 2022 was \$23.0 million, \$18.2 million, \$29.6 million and \$6.1 million, respectively, totaling \$76.9 million for the trailing 4-quarters ended December 31, 2022.
- (2) A portion of deferred cash consideration paid is classified as operating cash outflows in accordance with GAAP, with the balance reflected in financing cash outflows. Deferred cash consideration paid and classified as operating cash outflows was \$16 thousand for the trailing 4-quarters ended December 31, 2022.
- (3) Cash Flow Available for Capital Allocation excludes all contingent consideration and deferred cash consideration that was included in either operating, investing or financing activities of our consolidated statements of cash flows.



Supplemental Information

Economic Ownership

The following table provides supplemental information regarding the economic ownership of Focus Financial Partners, LLC as of December 31, 2022:

	December 31	l , 2022
Economic Ownership of Focus Financial Partners, LLC Interests:	Interest	%
Focus Financial Partners Inc.	65,929,644	79.2%
Non-Controlling Interests (1)	17,320,157	20.8%
Total	83,249,801	100.0%

⁽¹⁾ Includes 5,196,288 Focus LLC common units issuable upon conversion of the outstanding 16,602,886 vested and unvested incentive units (assuming vesting of the unvested incentive units and a December 31, 2022 period end value of the Focus LLC common units equal to \$37.27) and includes 296,548 Focus LLC restricted common units.

Class A and Class B Common Stock Outstanding

The following table provides supplemental information regarding the Company's Class A and Class B common stock:

		Number of Shares	Number of Shares
	Q4 2022 Weighted Average	Outstanding at	Outstanding at
	Outstanding	December 31, 2022	February 13, 2023
Class A	65,883,284	65,929,644	65,935,962
Class B	11,731,666	11,827,321	11,827,321



Incentive Units

The following table provides supplemental information regarding the outstanding Focus LLC vested and unvested Incentive Units ("IUs") at December 31, 2022. The vested IUs in future periods can be exchanged into shares of Class A common stock (after conversion into a number of Focus LLC common units that takes into account the then-current value of common units and such IUs aggregate hurdle amount), and therefore, the Company calculates the Class A common stock equivalent of such IUs for purposes of calculating per share data. The period-end share price of the Company's Class A common stock is used to calculate the intrinsic value of the outstanding Focus LLC IUs in order to calculate a Focus LLC common unit equivalent of the Focus LLC IUs.

Hurdle	Number
Rates	Outstanding
\$1.42	421
\$5.50	798
\$6.00	386
\$7.00	1,081
\$9.00	708,107
\$11.00	813,001
\$12.00	513,043
\$13.00	540,000
\$14.00	10,098
\$16.00	45,191
\$17.00	20,000
\$19.00	527,928
\$21.00	3,017,692
\$22.00	796,417
\$23.00	524,828
\$26.26	12,500
\$27.00	12,484
\$27.90	1,890,440
\$28.50	1,424,225
\$30.48	30,000
\$33.00	3,617,500
\$36.64	30,000
\$37.59	508,145
\$43.07	60,000
\$43.50	30,000
\$44.71	806,324
\$58.50	662,277
	16,602,886