# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### **FORM 10-Q**

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	FOR THE Q	JARTERLY	PERIOD ENDED: SEPTEMBER 30, 2018	
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	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT	TO SECT	ION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXC	CHANGE ACT OF 1934
	FOR THE	TRANSITIO	ON PERIOD FROM TO	
	(	COMMISSIO	N FILE NUMBER: 001-16109	
		CORE	CIVIC, INC.	
			gistrant as specified in its charter)	
	MARYLAND (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)		62-1763875 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Numbe	r)
	10 BU		S BLVD., NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37215 and zip code of principal executive offices)	
		(Registrant's tel	(615) 263-3000 ephone number, including area code)	
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Regu			onically every Interactive Data File required to be submeriod that the registrant was required to submit such files)	
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Non-	accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	
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	emerging growth company, indicate by check marked financial accounting standards provided pursuan		ant has elected not to use the extended transition period $\mathfrak g$	or complying with any new or
Indic	ate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell c	ompany (as d	efined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes $\Box$ No	$\boxtimes$
Indic	ate the number of shares outstanding of each class of	of Common St	tock as of November 1, 2018:	
	Shares of Common	Stock, \$0.01 p	oar value per share: 118,681,329 shares outstanding.	

### CORECIVIC, INC.

### FORM 10-Q

### FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

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#### PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

## CORECIVIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

ASSETS	Sept	ember 30, 2018	Г	December 31, 2017
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	93,625	\$	52,183
Restricted cash		11,103		_
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$919 and \$782, respectively		234,162		254,188
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		27,965		21,119
Total current assets		366,855		327,490
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$1,576,128 and \$1,475,951,				
respectively		3,023,963		2,802,449
Goodwill		43,996		40,927
Non-current deferred tax assets		14,309		12,814
Other assets		134,909		88,718
Total assets	\$	3,584,032	\$	3,272,398
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			-	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	307,689	\$	277,804
Income taxes payable		1,375		3,034
Current portion of long-term debt		12,795		10,000
Total current liabilities		321,859		290,838
Long-term debt, net		1,752,185		1,437,187
Deferred revenue		29,510		39,735
Other liabilities		58,403		53,030
Total liabilities		2,161,957		1,820,790
Commitments and contingencies				
Preferred stock – \$0.01 par value; 50,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding				
at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively		_		_
Common stock – \$0.01 par value; 300,000 shares authorized; 118,670 and 118,204 shares				
issued and outstanding at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively		1,187		1,182
Additional paid-in capital		1,803,903		1,794,713
Accumulated deficit		(383,015)		(344,287)
Total stockholders' equity		1,422,075		1,451,608
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	3,584,032	\$	3,272,398

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

## CORECIVIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,				For the Nine N Septem			
		2018 2017		2018			2017	
REVENUES	\$	462,728	\$	442,845	\$	1,353,573	\$	1,324,922
EXPENSES:		_		_		<u>.</u>		_
Operating		333,759		316,865		973,449		940,065
General and administrative		25,085		28,303		77,594		79,546
Depreciation and amortization		39,465		36,507		116,114		109,564
Asset impairments		_		355		1,580		614
		398,309		382,030		1,168,737		1,129,789
OPERATING INCOME		64,419		60,815		184,836		195,133
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:		_						
Interest expense, net		20,534		17,029		58,608		50,141
Expenses associated with debt refinancing transactions		_		_		1,016		_
Other (income) expense		49		(65)		39		(108)
		20,583		16,964		59,663		50,033
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		43,836		43,851		125,173		145,100
Income tax expense		(2,842)		(2,673)		(7,205)		(8,400)
NET INCOME	\$	40,994	\$	41,178	\$	117,968	\$	136,700
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	0.35	\$	0.35	\$	1.00	\$	1.16
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	0.34	\$	0.35	\$	0.99	\$	1.15

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## CORECIVIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		
		2018		2017
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	ф	44 2 0 0 0	Φ.	106 500
Net income	\$	117,968	\$	136,700
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		440 44 4		100 501
Depreciation and amortization		116,114		109,564
Asset impairments		1,580		614
Amortization of debt issuance costs and other non-cash interest		2,562		2,349
Expenses associated with debt refinancing transactions		1,016		
Deferred income taxes		(1,495)		(1,725)
Non-cash revenue and other income		(11,571)		(10,210)
Non-cash equity compensation		9,758		12,203
Other expenses and non-cash items		5,476		2,975
Changes in assets and liabilities, net:				
Accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and other assets		15,318		(899)
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities		29,504		13,482
Income taxes payable		(1,659)		(918)
Net cash provided by operating activities		284,571		264,135
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Expenditures for facility development and expansions		(35,750)		(16,543)
Expenditures for other capital improvements		(44,144)		(35,214)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired		(161,057)		(29,174)
Proceeds from sale of assets		12,606		931
Increase in other assets		(2,291)		(2,444)
Payments received on direct financing lease and notes receivable		_		684
Net cash used in investing activities		(230,636)		(81,760)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Proceeds from issuance of debt and borrowings from credit facility		690,863		197,500
Scheduled principal repayments		(4,959)		(7,500)
Other principal repayments of debt		(523,500)		(215,500)
Payment of debt issuance and other refinancing and related costs		(6,033)		(65)
Payment of lease obligations		(2,679)		(1,791)
Contingent consideration for acquisition of businesses		(1,500)		_
Dividends paid		(153,019)		(150,691)
Purchase and retirement of common stock		(2,544)		(5,818)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		1,981		6,514
Net cash used in financing activities		(1,390)		(177,351)
NET INCREASE IN CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH		52,545	-	5,024
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH, beginning of period		52,183		37,711
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH, end of period	\$	104,728	\$	42,735
NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	<u> </u>	101,720	Ψ	12,700
Debt assumed on acquisition of property	\$	157,280	\$	_
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:	<del>-</del>		÷	
Cash paid during the period for:				
Interest (net of amounts capitalized of \$414 and \$0 in 2018 and 2017,				
respectively)	\$	38,155	\$	40,130
respectively)	Ψ	30,133	Ψ	70,130

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5,015

Income taxes paid

### CORECIVIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIODS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

			Additional		Accumulated Other	Total
	Commo Shares	r Value	Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Stockholders' Equity
Balance as of December 31, 2017	118,204	\$ 1,182	\$ 1,794,713	\$ (344,287)	\$ —	\$ 1,451,608
Comprehensive income						
Net income	_	_	_	37,777	_	37,777
Change in fair value of interest rate swap, net of tax	_	_	_	_	(2,028)	(2,028)
Total comprehensive income				37,777	(2,028)	35,749
Retirement of common stock	(117)	(1)	(2,524)	_	_	(2,525)
Dividends declared on common stock (\$0.43 per						
share)	_	_	_	(51,533)	_	(51,533)
Restricted stock compensation, net of forfeitures	_	_	3,486	_	_	3,486
Restricted stock grants	457	4	(4)	_		
Cumulative effect of adoption of new						
accounting standard		 		(2,575)		(2,575)
Balance as of March 31, 2018	118,544	 1,185	1,795,671	(360,618)	(2,028)	1,434,210
Comprehensive income						
Net income	_	_	_	39,197	_	39,197
Change in fair value of interest rate swap, net of tax		 			2,028	2,028
Total comprehensive income		_	_	39,197	2,028	41,225
Retirement of common stock	(1)	_	(19)	_	_	(19)
Dividends declared on common stock (\$0.43 per						
share)	_	_	_	(51,478)	_	(51,478)
Restricted stock compensation, net of forfeitures	_	_	3,980	_	_	3,980
Restricted stock grants	5		_	_		
Balance as of June 30, 2018	118,548	1,185	1,799,632	(372,899)		1,427,918
Net income	_	_	_	40,994	_	40,994
Dividends declared on common stock (\$0.43 per						
share)	_	_	_	(51,110)	_	(51,110)
Restricted stock compensation, net of forfeitures		_	2,292		_	2,292
Stock options exercised	122	2	1,979			1,981
Balance as of September 30, 2018	118,670	\$ 1,187	\$ 1,803,903	\$ (383,015)	<u> </u>	\$ 1,422,075

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## CORECIVIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIODS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	Commo Shares	n Stock Par V	alue	Additional Paid-in Capital		Paid-in		Paid-in		Paid-in		Paid-in		A	ccumulated Deficit	S	Total tockholders' Equity
Balance as of December 31, 2016	117,554	\$	1,176	\$	1,780,350	\$	(322,563)	\$	1,458,963								
Net income	_		_				50,047		50,047								
Retirement of common stock	(153)		(2)		(5,087)		_		(5,089)								
Dividends declared on common stock (\$0.42 per share)	_		_		_		(50,036)		(50,036)								
Restricted stock compensation, net of forfeitures	_		_		4,086		_		4,086								
Restricted stock grants	506		5		(5)		_		_								
Stock options exercised	233		2		5,188		_		5,190								
Balance as of March 31, 2017	118,140		1,181		1,784,532		(322,552)		1,463,161								
Net income		'			_		45,475		45,475								
Retirement of common stock	(22)		_		(729)		_		(729)								
Dividends declared on common stock (\$0.42 per share)	_		_		_		(50,098)		(50,098)								
Restricted stock compensation, net of forfeitures	_		_		4,059		_		4,059								
Restricted stock grants	1		_		_		_		_								
Stock options exercised	60		1		1,475		_		1,476								
Balance as of June 30, 2017	118,179		1,182		1,789,337		(327,175)		1,463,344								
Net income	_		_		_		41,178		41,178								
Dividends declared on common stock (\$0.42 per share)	_		_		_		(50,072)		(50,072)								
Restricted stock compensation, net of forfeitures	_		_		4,058		_		4,058								
Restricted stock grants	2		_		_		_		_								
Stock options exercised	10		_		173		_		173								
Balance as of September 30, 2017	118,191	\$	1,182	\$	1,793,568	\$	(336,069)	\$	1,458,681								

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#### CORECIVIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

#### 1. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

CoreCivic, Inc. (together with its subsidiaries, the "Company" or "CoreCivic") is the nation's largest owner of partnership correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities and one of the largest prison operators in the United States. The Company also believes it is the largest private owner of real estate used by U.S. government agencies. Through three segments, CoreCivic Safety, CoreCivic Community, and CoreCivic Properties, the Company provides a broad range of solutions to government partners that serve the public good through corrections and detention management, a growing network of residential reentry centers to help address America's recidivism crisis, and government real estate solutions. As of September 30, 2018, through its CoreCivic Safety segment, the Company operated 51 correctional and detention facilities, 44 of which the Company owned, with a total design capacity of approximately 73,000 beds. Through its CoreCivic Community segment, the Company also owned and operated 26 residential reentry centers with a total design capacity of approximately 5,000 beds. In addition, through its CoreCivic Properties segment, the Company owned 27 properties leased to third parties and used by government agencies, totaling 2.3 million square feet.

In addition to providing fundamental residential services, CoreCivic's correctional, detention, and reentry facilities offer a variety of rehabilitation and educational programs, including basic education, faith-based services, life skills and employment training, and substance abuse treatment. These services are intended to help reduce recidivism and to prepare offenders for their successful reentry into society upon their release. CoreCivic also provides or makes available to offenders certain health care (including medical, dental, and mental health services), food services, and work and recreational programs.

CoreCivic began operating as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") effective January 1, 2013. The Company provides services and conducts other business activities through taxable REIT subsidiaries ("TRSs"). A TRS is a subsidiary of a REIT that is subject to applicable corporate income tax and certain qualification requirements. The Company's use of TRSs permits CoreCivic to engage in certain business activities in which the REIT may not engage directly, so long as these activities are conducted in entities that elect to be treated as TRSs under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and enable CoreCivic to, among other things, provide correctional services at facilities it owns and at facilities owned by its government partners. A TRS is not subject to the distribution requirements applicable to REITs so it may retain income generated by its operations for reinvestment.

#### 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared by the Company and, in the opinion of management, reflect all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of results for the unaudited interim periods presented. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("US GAAP") have been condensed or omitted. The results of operations for the interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results to be obtained for the full fiscal year. Reference is made to the audited financial statements of CoreCivic included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on February 22, 2018 (the "2017 Form 10-K") with respect to certain significant accounting and financial reporting policies as well as other pertinent information of the Company.

#### Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the segmented data to conform to the current year presentation.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers", which establishes a single, comprehensive revenue recognition standard for all contracts with customers. For public reporting entities such as CoreCivic, ASU 2014-09 was originally effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016 and early adoption of the ASU was not permitted. In July 2015, the FASB agreed to defer the effective date of the ASU for public reporting entities by one year, or to interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017. In summary, the core principle of ASU 2014-09 is to recognize revenue when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration that is expected to be received for

those goods or services. Companies are allowed to select between two transition methods: (1) a full retrospective transition method with the application of the new guidance to each prior reporting period presented, or (2) a modified retrospective transition method that recognizes the cumulative effect on prior periods at the date of adoption together with additional footnote disclosures. CoreCivic adopted the standard in the first quarter of 2018 and utilized the modified retrospective transition method upon adoption. CoreCivic completed its analysis of the various contracts and revenue streams and concluded that the adoption of the ASU does not have a material impact on the Company's results of operations or financial position and its related financial statement disclosure. Upon adoption of the ASU, CoreCivic classifies certain contract-related costs for which it may not be reimbursed, or for costs that have been reimbursed, but may be required to be returned to the customer, as reductions to revenue. Prior to adoption, such costs were reflected as operating expenses.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, "Leases (ASC 842)", which requires lessees to put most leases on their balance sheets but recognize expenses on their income statements in a manner similar to current accounting requirements. ASU 2016-02 also eliminates current real estate-specific provisions for all entities. For lessors, the ASU modifies the classification criteria and the accounting for sales-type and direct financing leases. For finance leases and operating leases, a lessee should recognize on the balance sheet a liability to make lease payments and a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term, with each initially measured at the present value of the lease payments. For public reporting entities such as CoreCivic, guidance in ASU 2016-02 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years, and early adoption of the ASU is permitted. In July 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-11, "Targeted Improvements – Leases (Topic 842)", which permits entities to adopt a new transition method whereby the modified retrospective transition method would allow companies to recognize the cumulative-effect adjustment in the period of adoption rather than the earliest period presented and continue to apply the legacy guidance in ASC 840 in the comparative periods presented. Further, ASU 2018-11 also allows entities to elect, by class of underlying asset, to not separate non-lease components from the associated lease components when certain criteria are met. CoreCivic does not currently expect that the new standard will have a material impact on its results of operations, but expects that it will result in an increase in its long-term assets and liabilities for leases where the Company is the lessee. CoreCivic expects to elect to adopt the package of available practical expedients that permits lessees and lessors to not reassess certain items, including whether any expired or existing contracts are or contain leases,

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, "Intangibles—Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Simplifying the Test of Goodwill Impairment", that eliminates the requirement to calculate the implied fair value of goodwill by performing a hypothetical application of the acquisition method as of the date of the impairment test to measure a goodwill impairment charge. This requirement is the second step in the annual two-step quantitative impairment test that is currently required under Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 350, "Intangibles-Goodwill and Other". Instead, entities will recognize an impairment charge based on the first step of the quantitative impairment test currently required, which is the measurement of the excess of a reporting unit's carrying amount over its fair value. Entities will still have the option to perform a qualitative assessment to determine if the quantitative impairment test is necessary. For public reporting entities such as CoreCivic, guidance in ASU 2017-04 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those years. Early adoption of the ASU is allowed for interim or annual goodwill impairment tests performed on testing dates on or after January 1, 2017. CoreCivic adopted ASU 2017-04 in the third quarter of 2018.

In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-16, "Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory", which requires companies to recognize the income tax effects of intercompany sales or transfers of assets, other than inventory, in the income statement as income tax expense when the sale or transfer occurs. The new guidance is effective for public companies for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those annual periods. The guidance requires companies to apply a modified retrospective approach with a cumulative catch-up adjustment to opening retained earnings in the period of adoption. In the period of adoption, companies will write off any income tax effects that had been deferred from past intercompany transactions involving non-inventory assets to opening retained earnings. CoreCivic adopted the new standard in the first quarter of 2018 and wrote off approximately \$2.6 million of prepaid taxes to accumulated deficit as a result of intercompany transactions between the REIT and one of its TRSs.

In November 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-18, "Statement of Cash Flows – Restricted Cash", which requires entities to show the changes in the total of cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows. For public reporting entities such as CoreCivic, the guidance is to be applied retrospectively and is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those years. CoreCivic adopted the new standard in the first quarter of 2018.

Other recent accounting pronouncements issued by the FASB (including its Emerging Issues Task Force), the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the SEC did not, or are not expected to, have a material effect on the Company's results of operations or financial position.

#### **Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

To meet the reporting requirements of ASC 825, "Financial Instruments", regarding fair value of financial instruments, CoreCivic calculates the estimated fair value of financial instruments using market interest rates, quoted market prices of similar instruments, or discounted cash flow techniques with observable Level 1 inputs for publicly traded debt and Level 2 inputs for all other financial instruments, as defined in ASC 820, "Fair Value Measurement". At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, there were no material differences between the carrying amounts and the estimated fair values of CoreCivic's financial instruments, other than as follows (in thousands):

	 September 30, 2018			December	2017	
	Carrying Amount Fair Value		 Carrying Amount		Fair Value	
Note receivable from Agecroft Prison Management, LTD	\$ 2,953	\$	4,235	\$ 3,059	\$	4,511
Debt	\$ (1,778,684)	\$	(1,742,497)	\$ (1,459,000)	\$	(1,490,063)

#### 3. GOODWILL

ASC 350, "Intangibles-Goodwill and Other", establishes accounting and reporting requirements for goodwill and other intangible assets. Goodwill was \$44.0 million and \$40.9 million as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. This goodwill was established in connection with multiple business combination transactions.

Under the provisions of ASC 350, CoreCivic performs a qualitative assessment that may allow it to skip the annual two-step impairment test. Under ASC 350, a company has the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If, after assessing the totality of events or circumstances, an entity determines it is not more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, then performing the two-step impairment test is unnecessary. If the two-step impairment test is required, CoreCivic determines the fair value of a reporting unit using a collaboration of various common valuation techniques, including market multiples and discounted cash flows. These impairment tests are required to be performed at least annually. CoreCivic performs its impairment tests during the fourth quarter, in connection with its annual budgeting process. CoreCivic performs these impairment tests at least annually and whenever circumstances indicate the carrying value of goodwill may not be recoverable.

#### 4. REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

#### Acquisitions

On January 19, 2018, CoreCivic acquired the 261,000 square-foot Capital Commerce Center, located in Tallahassee, Florida for a purchase price of \$44.7 million, excluding transaction-related costs and certain closing credits. Capital Commerce Center is 98% leased, including 87% leased to the state of Florida on behalf of the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation. In allocating the purchase price of this transaction, CoreCivic recorded \$40.6 million of net tangible assets and \$3.2 million of identifiable intangible assets.

On July 17, 2018, CoreCivic acquired a portfolio of twelve properties for \$12.0 million, excluding transaction-related costs, 100% leased to the U.S. Federal Government through the General Services Administration ("GSA") on behalf of the Social Security Administration ("SSA"), the Department of Homeland Security, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Since this was a portfolio acquisition, the Company may elect to market up to three of the properties for sale. In allocating the purchase price of this transaction, CoreCivic recorded \$11.1 million of net tangible assets and \$1.7 million of identifiable intangible assets.

On August 23, 2018, CoreCivic acquired a 541,000 square-foot SSA office building in Baltimore, Maryland ("SSA-Baltimore") for a total purchase price of \$242.0 million, excluding transaction-related costs and certain closing credits. The office building was purpose built to SSA specifications in 2014 under a 20-year firm term lease expiring in January 2034, and is backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Federal Government through the GSA. In connection with the acquisition and as further described in Note 6, CoreCivic assumed \$157.3 million of in-place financing that was used to fund the initial construction of the property in 2014. In allocating the purchase price of this transaction, CoreCivic recorded \$207.4 million of net tangible assets and \$38.9 million of identifiable intangible assets.

On September 21, 2018, CoreCivic acquired a 217,000 square-foot, steel frame warehouse in Dayton, Ohio for \$6.9 million, excluding transaction-related costs and certain closing credits, that was built-to-suit for the National Archives and Records Administration ("NARA") in 2002. The building is 100% leased to the GSA on behalf of NARA through January 2023 and includes two additional 10-year renewal options. The building provides 1.2 million cubic feet of storage space, approximately 90% of which is dedicated to archives of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. In allocating the purchase price of this transaction, CoreCivic recorded \$6.9 million of net tangible assets and \$0.7 million of identifiable intangible assets.

CoreCivic acquired these 15 properties in 2018 as strategic investments that further diversify the Company's cash flows through government-leased properties and broaden the solutions it provides to its government partners.

#### **Leasing Transactions**

On January 24, 2018, CoreCivic entered into a 20-year lease agreement with the Kansas Department of Corrections ("KDOC") for a 2,432-bed correctional facility the Company is constructing in Lansing, Kansas. The new facility will replace the Lansing Correctional Facility, the State's largest correctional complex for adult male inmates, originally constructed in 1863. CoreCivic will be responsible for facility maintenance throughout the 20-year term of the lease, at which time ownership will revert to the State. Construction of the new facility commenced in the first quarter of 2018 with a timeline for completion of approximately 24 months. CoreCivic expects to account for the lease with the KDOC as a multiple element lease with a portion of the lease payments attributable to the capital lease. In addition, portions of the lease payments will be attributable to maintenance services and capital maintenance, representing two separately valued non-lease components. As of September 30, 2018, CoreCivic has capitalized \$31.8 million associated with the construction of the project.

#### **Idle Facilities**

As of September 30, 2018, CoreCivic had eight idled correctional facilities that are currently available and being actively marketed as solutions to meet the needs of potential customers. The following table summarizes each of the idled facilities and their respective carrying values, excluding equipment and other assets that could generally be transferred and used at other facilities CoreCivic owns without significant cost (dollars in thousands):

			Net Carrying Values				
Facility	Design Capacity	Date Idled	September 30, 2018		De	cember 31, 2017	
Prairie Correctional Facility	1,600	2010	\$	15,330	\$	16,118	
Huerfano County Correctional Center	752	2010		16,803		16,980	
Diamondback Correctional Facility	2,160	2010		40,702		41,370	
Southeast Kentucky Correctional Facility	656	2012		21,233		21,864	
Marion Adjustment Center	826	2013		11,878		12,058	
Kit Carson Correctional Center	1,488	2016		55,952		57,095	
Eden Detention Center	1,422	2017		38,741		39,707	
Torrance County Detention Facility	910	2017		35,752		36,882	
	9,814		\$	236,391	\$	242,074	

As of September 30, 2018, CoreCivic also had two idled non-core facilities containing 440 beds with an aggregate net book value of \$3.9 million. CoreCivic incurred approximately \$3.0 million in operating expenses at the idled facilities for both the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. CoreCivic incurred approximately \$9.7 million and \$8.0 million in operating expenses at the idled facilities for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

CoreCivic considers the cancellation of a contract as an indicator of impairment and tested each of the idled facilities for impairment when it was notified by the respective customers that they would no longer be utilizing such facility. CoreCivic updates the impairment analyses on an annual basis for each of the idled facilities and evaluates on a quarterly basis market developments for the potential utilization of each of these facilities in order to identify events that may cause CoreCivic to reconsider its most recent assumptions. As a result of CoreCivic's analyses, CoreCivic determined each of the idled facilities to have recoverable values in excess of the corresponding carrying values.

#### **Asset Dispositions**

In the second quarter of 2018, CoreCivic entered into an agreement to sell its corporate headquarters for \$12.6 million. In connection with the agreement, the Company wrote-down the value of the property to its net realizable value, recognizing an asset impairment charge of \$1.6 million in the second quarter of 2018. CoreCivic closed on the sale during the third quarter of 2018 and used the net proceeds from the sale to pay-down a portion of the amounts outstanding under the Company's revolving credit facility.

#### 5. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

Effective January 1, 2018, CoreCivic closed on the acquisition of Rocky Mountain Offender Management Systems, LLC ("RMOMS"), which provides non-residential correctional alternatives, including electronic monitoring and case management services, to municipal, county, and state governments in seven states. The aggregate purchase price was \$7.0 million, excluding transaction-related expenses.

In allocating the purchase price for the transaction, CoreCivic recorded the following (in millions):

Property and equipment	\$ 8.0
Intangible assets	3.1
Total identifiable assets and liabilities	 3.9
Goodwill	3.1
Total consideration	\$ 7.0

Several factors gave rise to the goodwill recorded in the acquisition of RMOMS, such as the expected benefit from synergies of the business combination that continues to broaden the scope of solutions CoreCivic provides. The results of operations for this business combination have been included in the Company's consolidated financial statements from the date of the acquisition.

#### 6. DEBT

Debt outstanding as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 consists of the following (in thousands):

	Sep	otember 30, 2018	December 31, 2017		
Revolving Credit Facility, principal due at maturity in April 2023; interest payable periodically at variable interest rates. The weighted average rate at					
September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 was 3.7% and 3.1%, respectively.	\$	189,000	\$ 199,000		
Term Loan, scheduled principal payments through maturity in April 2023; interest payable periodically at variable interest rates. The rate at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 was 3.7% and 3.1%, respectively. Unamortized debt issuance costs amounted to \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million at					
September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively.		198,750	85,000		
4.625% Senior Notes, principal due at maturity in May 2023; interest payable semi-annually in May and November at 4.625%. Unamortized debt issuance costs amounted to \$2.9 million and \$3.3 million at September 30, 2018 and					
December 31, 2017, respectively.		350,000	350,000		
4.125% Senior Notes, principal due at maturity in April 2020; interest payable semi-annually in April and October at 4.125%. Unamortized debt issuance costs amounted to \$1.3 million and \$1.9 million at September 30, 2018 and					
December 31, 2017, respectively.		325,000	325,000		
5.0% Senior Notes, principal due at maturity in October 2022; interest payable semi-annually in April and October at 5.0%. Unamortized debt issuance costs amounted to \$1.9 million and \$2.3 million at September 30, 2018 and					
December 31, 2017, respectively.		250,000	250,000		
4.75% Senior Notes, principal due at maturity in October 2027; interest payable semi-annually in April and October at 4.75%. Unamortized debt issuance costs amounted to \$3.6 million and \$4.0 million at September 30, 2018 and					
December 31, 2017, respectively.		250,000	250,000		
4.5% Non-Recourse Mortgage Note, secured by Capital Commerce Center; principal and interest at 4.5% payable monthly until maturity in January 2033. Unamortized debt issuance costs amounted to \$0.3 million at September 30, 2018.		23,725	_		
4.43% Non-Recourse Mortgage Note, secured by the Lansing Correctional Facility; principal and interest at 4.43% payable quarterly beginning in July 2020 until maturity in January 2040. Unamortized debt issuance costs amounted		35.363			
to \$3.4 million at September 30, 2018. 4.5% Non-Recourse Mortgage Note, secured by SSA-Baltimore;		35,363	_		
principal and interest at 4.5% payable monthly until maturity in February 2034. Unamortized debt issuance costs amounted to					
\$0.2 million at September 30, 2018.		156,846	_		
Total debt		1,778,684	1,459,000		
Unamortized debt issuance costs Current portion of long-term debt		(13,704) (12,795)	(11,813) (10,000)		
Long-term debt, net	\$		\$ 1,437,187		
Long term debt, net	Ψ	1,702,100	Ψ 1,+5/,10/		

*Revolving Credit Facility.* On April 17, 2018, CoreCivic entered into the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "New Credit Agreement") in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$1.0 billion, replacing the pre-existing \$900.0 million senior secured revolving credit facility and the associated incremental term loan, which was originally \$100.0 million. The New

Credit Agreement provides for a term loan of \$200.0 million (the "Term Loan") and a revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$800.0 million (the "Revolving Credit Facility"). The New Credit Agreement, among other things, extends the maturity from July 2020 to April 2023, and increases the total leverage covenant from 5.0x to 5.5x. The New Credit Agreement also contains an "accordion" feature that provides for uncommitted incremental extensions of credit in the form of increases in the revolving commitments or incremental term loans of up to \$350.0 million, as requested by CoreCivic, and provides additional flexibility by increasing certain permitted investment, disposition, and borrowing thresholds. Interest rate margins, unused facility fees, and commitment fees for letters of credit remain the same under the New Credit Agreement, except for the addition of a new interest rate margin and fee tier to accommodate the increase in the covenant for total leverage from 5.0x to 5.5x. All other terms remain substantially the same. CoreCivic capitalized approximately \$2.1 million of new costs associated with the Revolving Credit Facility and \$0.1 million of new costs associated with the Term Loan. CoreCivic also reported a charge of approximately \$1.0 million during the second quarter of 2018 for the write-off of a portion of the pre-existing loan costs and other costs associated with the New Credit Agreement.

At CoreCivic's option, interest on outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility is based on either a base rate plus a margin ranging from 0.00% to 1.00% or at the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") plus a margin ranging from 1.00% to 2.00% based on CoreCivic's then-current leverage ratio. The Revolving Credit Facility includes a \$30.0 million sublimit for swing line loans that enables CoreCivic to borrow at the base rate from the Administrative Agent on same-day notice.

Based on CoreCivic's current total leverage ratio, loans under the Revolving Credit Facility bear interest at the base rate plus a margin of 0.50% or at LIBOR plus a margin of 1.50%, and a commitment fee equal to 0.35% of the unfunded balance. The Revolving Credit Facility also has a \$50.0 million sublimit for the issuance of standby letters of credit. As of September 30, 2018, CoreCivic had \$189.0 million in borrowings outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility as well as \$23.7 million in letters of credit outstanding resulting in \$587.3 million available under the Revolving Credit Facility.

The Revolving Credit Facility is secured by a pledge of all of the capital stock of CoreCivic's domestic restricted subsidiaries, 65% of the capital stock of CoreCivic's foreign subsidiaries, all of CoreCivic's accounts receivable, and all of CoreCivic's deposit accounts. The Revolving Credit Facility requires CoreCivic to meet certain financial covenants, including, without limitation, a maximum total leverage ratio, a maximum secured leverage ratio, and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. As of September 30, 2018, CoreCivic was in compliance with all such covenants. In addition, the Revolving Credit Facility contains certain covenants that, among other things, limit the incurrence of additional indebtedness, payment of dividends and other customary restricted payments, transactions with affiliates, asset sales, mergers and consolidations, liquidations, prepayments and modifications of other indebtedness, liens and other encumbrances and other matters customarily restricted in such agreements. In addition, the Revolving Credit Facility is subject to certain cross-default provisions with terms of CoreCivic's other unsecured indebtedness, and is subject to acceleration upon the occurrence of a change of control.

*Incremental Term Loan*. Interest rates under the Term Loan are the same as the interest rates under the Revolving Credit Facility. The Term Loan also has the same collateral requirements, financial and certain other covenants, and cross-default provisions as the Revolving Credit Facility. The Term Loan, which is pre-payable without penalty, also has a maturity concurrent with the Revolving Credit Facility due April 2023, with scheduled quarterly principal payments through April 2023. As of September 30, 2018, the outstanding balance of the Term Loan was \$198.8 million.

Senior Notes. Interest on the \$325.0 million aggregate principal amount of CoreCivic's 4.125% senior notes issued in April 2013 (the "4.125% Senior Notes") accrues at the stated rate and is payable in April and October of each year. The 4.125% Senior Notes are scheduled to mature on April 1, 2020. Interest on the \$350.0 million aggregate principal amount of CoreCivic's 4.625% senior notes issued in April 2013 (the "4.625% Senior Notes") accrues at the stated rate and is payable in May and November of each year. The 4.625% Senior Notes are scheduled to mature on May 1, 2023. Interest on the \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of CoreCivic's 5.0% senior notes issued in September 2015 (the "5.0% Senior Notes") accrues at the stated rate and is payable in April and October of each year. The 5.0% Senior Notes are scheduled to mature on October 15, 2022. Interest on the \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of CoreCivic's 4.75% senior notes issued in October 2017 (the "4.75% Senior Notes") accrues at the stated rate and is payable in April and October of each year. The 4.75% Senior Notes are scheduled to mature on October 15, 2027.

The 4.125% Senior Notes, the 4.625% Senior Notes, the 5.0% Senior Notes, and the 4.75% Senior Notes, collectively referred to herein as the "Senior Notes", are senior unsecured obligations of the Company and are guaranteed by all of the Company's subsidiaries that guarantee the Revolving Credit Facility. CoreCivic may redeem all or part of the Senior Notes at any time prior to three months before their respective maturity date at a "makewhole" redemption price, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but not including, the redemption date. Thereafter, the Senior Notes are redeemable at CoreCivic's option, in whole

or in part, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but not including, the redemption date.

#### Non-Recourse Mortgage Notes:

Capital Commerce Center. As previously discussed herein, on January 19, 2018, CoreCivic acquired the 261,000 square-foot Capital Commerce Center, located in Tallahassee, Florida for a purchase price of \$44.7 million. The acquisition was partially financed with a \$24.5 million non-recourse mortgage note (the "Capital Commerce Note"), which is fully-secured by the Capital Commerce Center property, with an interest rate of 4.5%, maturing in January 2033. Principal and interest on the Capital Commerce Note are payable in equal monthly payments over the 15-year term of the note. The note is pre-payable at any time with a prepayment charge, if any, equal to an amount so as to maintain the same yield on the mortgage note as if it had been carried through to its full term using Treasury instruments having a term equal to the remaining term of the mortgage note as of the prepayment date. As of September 30, 2018, the outstanding balance of the Capital Commerce Note was \$23.7 million.

Lansing Correctional Facility. On April 20, 2018, CoreCivic of Kansas, LLC (the "Issuer"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, priced \$159.5 million in aggregate principal amount of non-recourse senior secured notes of the Issuer (the "Kansas Notes"), in a private placement pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The private placement closed on June 1, 2018. The Company is using the proceeds of the private placement, which is drawn on quarterly funding dates beginning in the second quarter of 2018, to fund construction of the Lansing Correctional Facility, along with costs and expenses of the project. The Kansas Notes have a yield to maturity of 4.43% and are scheduled to mature in January 2040, approximately 20 years following completion of the project, which is expected to occur during the first quarter of 2020. Principal and interest on the Kansas Notes will be payable in quarterly payments beginning in July 2020 until maturity. CoreCivic may redeem all or part of the Kansas Notes at any time upon written notice of not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for such prepayment, with a "make-whole" amount, together with interest on the Kansas Notes accrued to, but not including, the redemption date. CoreCivic capitalized approximately \$3.4 million of costs associated with the private placement. Because the Issuer has been designated as an unrestricted subsidiary of the Company under terms of the Company's New Credit Agreement, the issuance and service of the Kansas Notes, and the revenues and expenses associated with the facility lease, will not impact the financial covenants associated with the Company's New Credit Agreement. As of September 30, 2018, the outstanding balance of the Kansas Notes was \$35.4 million.

SSA-Baltimore. As previously discussed herein, on August 23, 2018, CoreCivic acquired the 541,000 square-foot SSA-Baltimore office building for a total purchase price of \$242.0 million. In connection with the acquisition, the Company assumed \$157.3 million of in-place financing that was used to fund the initial construction of the property in 2014. The assumed non-recourse mortgage note (the "SSA-Baltimore Note") carries a fixed interest rate of 4.5% and requires monthly principal and interest payments, with a balloon payment of \$40.0 million due at maturity in February 2034. The SSA-Baltimore Note is fully-secured by the SSA-Baltimore property. CoreCivic may pre-pay the SSA-Baltimore Note in whole or in part upon not less than 30 days' and not more than 60 days' prior written notice and such pre-payment shall include a "make-whole" amount. During the last 90 days of the permanent loan term and upon 30 days' prior written notice, CoreCivic may prepay the note in full, including any accrued and outstanding interest on any permanent loan payment date, without the payment of the "make-whole" amount. CoreCivic capitalized approximately \$0.2 million of costs associated with the assumption of the SSA-Baltimore Note. As of September 30, 2018, the outstanding balance of the SSA-Baltimore Note was \$156.8 million.

CoreCivic may also seek to issue additional debt or equity securities from time to time when the Company determines that market conditions and the opportunity to utilize the proceeds from the issuance of such securities are favorable.

*Debt Maturities.* Scheduled principal payments as of September 30, 2018 for the remainder of 2018, the next four years, and thereafter were as follows (in thousands):

2018 (remainder)	\$ 2,857
2019	14,121
2020	343,849
2021	20,337
2022	274,231
Thereafter	1,123,289
Total debt	\$ 1,778,684

#### 7. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

#### **Dividends on Common Stock**

During 2017 and the first nine months of 2018, CoreCivic's Board of Directors declared the following quarterly dividends on its common stock:

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payable Date	Per	Share
February 17, 2017	April 3, 2017	April 17, 2017	\$	0.42
May 11, 2017	July 3, 2017	July 17, 2017	\$	0.42
August 10, 2017	October 2, 2017	October 16, 2017	\$	0.42
December 7, 2017	January 2, 2018	January 15, 2018	\$	0.42
February 22, 2018	April 2, 2018	April 16, 2018	\$	0.43
May 11, 2018	July 2, 2018	July 16, 2018	\$	0.43
August 16, 2018	October 1, 2018	October 15, 2018	\$	0.43

Future dividends will depend on CoreCivic's distribution requirements as a REIT, future earnings, capital requirements, financial condition, limitations under debt covenants, opportunities for alternative uses of capital, and on such other factors as the Board of Directors of CoreCivic may consider relevant

#### **Stock Options**

Since 2012, CoreCivic has elected not to issue stock options to its non-employee directors, officers, and executive officers as it had in prior years, and instead elected to issue all of its equity compensation in the form of restricted common stock units ("RSUs"), as described hereafter. All outstanding stock options are fully vested. As of September 30, 2018, options to purchase 0.7 million shares of common stock were outstanding with a weighted average exercise price of \$20.17 per share.

#### **Restricted Stock Units**

During the first nine months of 2018, CoreCivic issued approximately 945,000 RSUs to certain of its employees and non-employee directors, with an aggregate value of \$20.5 million, including 850,000 RSUs to employees and non-employee directors whose compensation is charged to general and administrative expense and 95,000 RSUs to employees whose compensation is charged to operating expense. During 2017, CoreCivic issued approximately 554,000 RSUs to certain of its employees and non-employee directors, with an aggregate value of \$18.1 million, including 487,000 RSUs to employees and non-employee directors whose compensation is charged to general and administrative expense and 67,000 RSUs to employees whose compensation is charged to operating expense.

CoreCivic established performance-based vesting conditions on the RSUs awarded to its officers and executive officers in years 2015 through 2018. Unless earlier vested under the terms of the agreements, performance-based RSUs issued to officers and executive officers in those years are subject to vesting over a three-year period based upon the satisfaction of certain annual performance criteria, and no more than one-third of the RSUs may vest in any one performance period. Time-based RSUs issued to other employees in 2016 through 2018, unless earlier vested under the terms of the agreements, generally vest equally on the first, second, and third anniversary of the award. Time-based RSUs issued to other employees in 2015, unless earlier vested under the terms of the agreements, "cliff" vest on the third anniversary of the award. RSUs issued to non-employee directors vest one year from the date of award.

During the three months ended September 30, 2018, CoreCivic expensed \$2.3 million, net of forfeitures, relating to RSUs (\$0.4 million of which was recorded in operating expenses and \$1.9 million of which was recorded in general and administrative expenses). During the three months ended September 30, 2017, CoreCivic expensed \$4.1 million, net of forfeitures, relating to RSUs (\$0.5 million of which was recorded in operating expenses and \$3.6 million of which was recorded in general and administrative expenses).

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, CoreCivic expensed \$9.8 million, net of forfeitures, relating to RSUs (\$1.4 million of which was recorded in operating expenses and \$8.4 million of which was recorded in general and administrative expenses). During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, CoreCivic expensed \$12.2 million, net of forfeitures, relating to RSUs (\$1.5 million of which was recorded in operating expenses and \$10.7 million of which was recorded in general and administrative expenses). As of September 30, 2018, approximately 1.2 million RSUs remained outstanding and subject to vesting.

#### 8. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock or resulted in the issuance of common stock that then shared in the earnings of the entity. For CoreCivic, diluted earnings per share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares after considering the additional dilution related to restricted stock-based awards and stock options.

A reconciliation of the numerator and denominator of the basic earnings per share computation to the numerator and denominator of the diluted earnings per share computation is as follows (in thousands, except per share data):

	I	For the Three Septem				For the Nine I Septem	 
		2018		2017		2018	 2017
NUMERATOR							
Basic:							
Net income	\$	40,994	\$	41,178	\$	117,968	\$ 136,700
Diluted:							 
Net income	\$	40,994	\$	41,178	\$	117,968	\$ 136,700
DENOMINATOR							 
Basic:							
Weighted average common shares outstanding		118,597		118,182		118,544	118,044
Diluted:							 
Weighted average common shares outstanding		118,597		118,182		118,544	118,044
Effect of dilutive securities:							
Stock options		178		262		123	353
Restricted stock-based awards		74		84		44	 62
Weighted average shares and assumed conversions		118,849		118,528		118,711	118,459
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	0.35	\$	0.35	\$	1.00	\$ 1.16
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	0.34	\$ 0.35		\$ 0.99		\$ 1.15

Approximately 16,000 and 0.3 million stock options were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, because they were anti-dilutive. Approximately 16,000 and 5,000 stock options were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively, because they were anti-dilutive.

#### 9. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### **Legal Proceedings**

The nature of CoreCivic's business results in claims and litigation alleging that it is liable for damages arising from the conduct of its employees, offenders or others. The nature of such claims includes, but is not limited to, claims arising from employee or offender misconduct, medical malpractice, employment matters, property loss, contractual claims, including claims regarding compliance with contract performance requirements, and personal injury or other damages resulting from contact with CoreCivic's facilities, personnel or offenders, including damages arising from an offender's escape or from a disturbance at a facility. CoreCivic maintains insurance to cover many of these claims, which may mitigate the risk that any single claim would have a material effect on CoreCivic's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows, provided the claim is one for which coverage is available. The combination of self-insured retentions and deductible amounts means that, in the aggregate, CoreCivic is subject to substantial self-insurance risk.

CoreCivic records litigation reserves related to certain matters for which it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the range of such loss can be estimated. Based upon management's review of the potential claims and outstanding litigation, and based upon management's experience and history of estimating losses, and taking into consideration CoreCivic's self-insured retention amounts, management believes a loss in excess of amounts already recognized would not be material to CoreCivic's financial statements. In the opinion of management, there are no pending legal proceedings that would have a material effect on CoreCivic's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. Any receivable for insurance recoveries is recorded separately from the corresponding litigation reserve, and only if recovery is determined to be probable. Adversarial proceedings and litigation are, however, subject to inherent uncertainties, and unfavorable decisions and rulings resulting from legal proceedings could occur which could have a material adverse impact on CoreCivic's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows for the period in which such decisions or rulings occur, or future periods. Expenses associated with legal proceedings may also fluctuate from quarter to quarter based on changes in CoreCivic's assumptions, new developments, or by the effectiveness of CoreCivic's litigation and settlement strategies.

#### 10. INCOME TAXES

As discussed in Note 1, the Company began operating in compliance with REIT requirements for federal income tax purposes effective January 1, 2013. As a REIT, the Company must distribute at least 90 percent of its taxable income (including dividends paid to it by its TRSs) and will not pay federal income taxes on the amount distributed to its stockholders. In addition, the Company must meet a number of other organizational and operational requirements. It is management's intention to adhere to these requirements and maintain the Company's REIT status. Most states where CoreCivic holds investments in real estate conform to the federal rules recognizing REITs. Certain subsidiaries have made an election with the Company to be treated as TRSs in conjunction with the Company's REIT election; the TRS elections permit CoreCivic to engage in certain business activities in which the REIT may not engage directly. A TRS is subject to federal and state income taxes on the income from these activities and therefore, CoreCivic includes a provision for taxes in its consolidated financial statements.

Income taxes are accounted for under the provisions of ASC 740, "Income Taxes". ASC 740 generally requires CoreCivic to record deferred income taxes for the tax effect of differences between book and tax bases of its assets and liabilities. Deferred income taxes reflect the available net operating losses and the net tax effect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. The effect of a change in tax rates on deferred tax assets and liabilities is recognized in the statement of operations in the period that includes the enactment date. Realization of the future tax benefits related to deferred tax assets is dependent on many factors, including CoreCivic's past earnings history, expected future earnings, the character and jurisdiction of such earnings, unsettled circumstances that, if unfavorably resolved, would adversely affect utilization of its deferred tax assets, carryback and carryforward periods, and tax strategies that could potentially enhance the likelihood of realization of a deferred tax asset.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "TCJA") was enacted on December 22, 2017. The TCJA reduces the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%, requires companies to pay a one-time transition tax on earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries that were previously tax deferred, and creates new taxes on certain foreign-sourced earnings. However, the TCJA does not change the dividends paid deduction applicable to REITs and, therefore, CoreCivic generally will not be subject to federal income taxes on the Company's REIT taxable income and gains that it distributes to its stockholders. In the fourth quarter of 2017, the Company recorded, in accordance with ASC 740, the tax effects of enactment of the TCJA on existing deferred tax balances and the Company estimates there is no one-time transition tax on foreign earnings. The Company re-measured certain deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the rates at which they are expected to reverse in the future, which is generally 21%. In the fourth quarter of 2017, the Company recognized a charge of \$4.5 million, which was included as a component of income tax expense, for the revaluation of deferred tax assets and liabilities and other taxes associated with the TCJA. During the third quarter of

2018, the Company revised its estimates of the revaluation of deferred tax assets and liabilities resulting in the recognition of an additional charge of \$1.0 million, which also was included as a component of income tax expense. However, the Company is still analyzing certain aspects of the TCJA, including research on historical earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries among others, and refining its calculations which could potentially affect the measurement of these balances or potentially give rise to new deferred tax amounts.

CoreCivic recorded income tax expense of \$2.8 million and \$2.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. CoreCivic recorded income tax expense of \$7.2 million and \$8.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. As a REIT, CoreCivic is entitled to a deduction for dividends paid, resulting in a substantial reduction in the amount of federal income tax expense it recognizes. Substantially all of CoreCivic's income tax expense is incurred based on the earnings generated by its TRSs. CoreCivic's overall effective tax rate is estimated based on its current projection of taxable income primarily generated by its TRSs. The Company's consolidated effective tax rate could fluctuate in the future based on changes in estimates of taxable income, the relative amounts of taxable income generated by the TRSs and the REIT, the implementation of additional tax planning strategies, changes in federal or state tax rates or laws affecting tax credits available to the Company, changes in other tax laws, changes in estimates related to uncertain tax positions, or changes in state apportionment factors, as well as changes in the valuation allowance applied to the Company's deferred tax assets that are based primarily on the amount of state net operating losses and tax credits that could expire unused.

#### **Income Tax Contingencies**

ASC 740 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The guidance prescribed in ASC 740 establishes a recognition threshold of more likely than not that a tax position will be sustained upon examination. The measurement attribute requires that a tax position be measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

CoreCivic had no liabilities recorded for uncertain tax positions as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017. CoreCivic recognizes interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax positions in income tax expense. CoreCivic does not currently anticipate that the total amount of unrecognized tax positions will significantly change in the next twelve months.

#### 11. SEGMENT REPORTING

As of September 30, 2018, CoreCivic operated 51 correctional and detention facilities, 44 of which were owned by the Company. In addition, CoreCivic owned and operated 26 residential reentry centers and owned 27 properties that it leased to third parties. Management views CoreCivic's operating results in three operating segments, CoreCivic Safety, CoreCivic Community, and CoreCivic Properties. CoreCivic Safety includes the operating results of those correctional and detention facilities placed into service that were owned, or controlled via a long-term lease, and managed by CoreCivic, as well as those correctional and detention facilities owned by a third party and managed by CoreCivic. CoreCivic Safety also includes the operating results of TransCor America, LLC, a subsidiary of the Company that provides transportation services to governmental agencies. CoreCivic Community includes the operating results of those residential reentry centers placed into service that were owned, or controlled via a long-term lease, and managed by CoreCivic. CoreCivic Community also includes the operating results of the electronic monitoring and case management services provided by RMOMS. CoreCivic Properties includes the operating results of those properties leased to third parties. The operating performance of the three segments can be measured based on their net operating income. CoreCivic defines facility net operating income as a facility's revenues less operating expenses.

The revenue and net operating income for each of the three segments and a reconciliation to CoreCivic's operating income is as follows for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands):

		For the Three Septem		30,		Septem			
Revenue:		2018	_	2017	_	2018		2017	
Safety	\$	422,313	\$	410,975	\$	1,240,019	\$	1,238,439	
Community	Ψ	25,133	Ψ	19,199	Ψ	74,651	Ψ	53,832	
Properties		15,281		10,206		38,897		30,094	
Total segment revenue		462,727	_	440,380	_	1,353,567		1,322,365	
Operating expenses:	_	102,727	_	110,500	_	1,000,007	_	1,022,000	
Safety		310,698		300,577		905,670		894,077	
Community		18,911		13,504	57,035			37,498	
Properties		4,020		2,619	10,306			8,025	
Total segment operating expenses		333,629	_	316,700	_	973,011	_	939,600	
Facility net operating income:		333,023	_	510,700	_	575,011		333,000	
Safety		111,615		110,398		334,349		344,362	
Community		6,222		5,695		17,616		16,334	
Properties		11,261		7,587		28,591		22,069	
Total facility net operating income		129,098	_	123,680		380,556	_	382,765	
Other revenue (expense):		120,000	_	120,000	_	300,330	_	302,7 03	
Other revenue		1		2,465		6		2,557	
Other operating expense		(130)		(165)		(438)		(465)	
General and administrative		(25,085)		(28,303)		(77,594)		(79,546)	
Depreciation and amortization		(39,465)		(36,507)		(116,114)		(109,564)	
Asset impairments		_	- (355)			(1,580)			
Operating income	\$	64,419	\$	60,815	\$	184,836			

The following table summarizes capital expenditures including accrued amounts for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands):

	 For the Three Septem				s Ended 0,		
	2018		2017	2018			2017
Capital expenditures:							
Safety	\$ 13,166	\$	14,027	\$	38,018	\$	37,861
Community	1,202		7,273		9,621		20,393
Properties	282,968		9,507		336,670		15,064
Corporate and other	1,561	1,332			10,013		2,660
Total capital expenditures	\$ 298,897	\$	32,139	\$	394,322	\$	75,978

The total assets are as follows (in thousands):

	Sept	ember 30, 2018	D	ecember 31, 2017
Assets:				
Safety	\$	2,561,247	\$	2,643,609
Community		257,919		253,978
Properties		576,491		220,235
Corporate and other		188,375		154,576
Total Assets	\$	3,584,032	\$	3,272,398

#### 12. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES

The following condensed consolidating financial statements of CoreCivic and subsidiaries have been prepared pursuant to Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X. These condensed consolidating financial statements have been prepared from the Company's financial information on the same basis of accounting as the consolidated financial statements.

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET

As of September 30, 2018

(Unaudited and in thousands)

ASSETS		Parent	Combined Subsidiary Guarantors		Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries				C	Total onsolidated Amounts
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	68,599	\$	24,664	\$	362	\$	_	\$	93,625
Restricted cash		_		_		11,103		_		11,103
Accounts receivable, net of allowance		143,538		449,928		2,802		(362,106)		234,162
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		2,929		27,498		2,943		(5,405)		27,965
Total current assets		215,066		502,090		17,210		(367,511)		366,855
Property and equipment, net		2,470,164		314,981		238,818		_		3,023,963
Goodwill		33,057		10,939		_		_		43,996
Non-current deferred tax assets		_		14,780		_		(471)		14,309
Other assets		608,586		51,269		38,669		(563,615)		134,909
Total assets	\$	3,326,873	\$	894,059	\$	294,697	\$	(931,597)	\$	3,584,032
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY										
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	312,080	\$	352,062	\$	11,023	\$	(367,476)	\$	307,689
Income taxes payable		321		1,054		_		_		1,375
Current portion of long-term debt		7,456		_		5,339		_		12,795
Total current liabilities		319,857		353,116		16,362		(367,476)		321,859
Long-term debt, net		1,569,543		114,373		183,269		(115,000)		1,752,185
Non-current deferred tax liabilities		471		_		_		(471)		_
Deferred revenue		_		29,510		_		_		29,510
Other liabilities		14,927		43,476		_		_		58,403
Total liabilities	· ·	1,904,798		540,475		199,631		(482,947)		2,161,957
Total stockholders' equity		1,422,075		353,584		95,066		(448,650)		1,422,075
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	3,326,873	\$	894,059	\$	294,697	\$	(931,597)	\$	3,584,032

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET As of December 31, 2017

(in thousands)

ASSETS	Parent		Subsidiary Adjustr		onsolidating ustments and Other	Total onsolidated Amounts
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 25,745	\$	26,438	\$	_	\$ 52,183
Accounts receivable, net of allowance	211,673		372,755		(330,240)	254,188
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,835		24,986		(5,702)	21,119
Total current assets	 239,253		424,179		(335,942)	327,490
Property and equipment, net	2,467,166		335,283		_	2,802,449
Goodwill	26,031		14,896		_	40,927
Non-current deferred tax assets	_		13,193		(379)	12,814
Other assets	421,474		69,117		(401,873)	88,718
Total assets	\$ 3,153,924	\$	856,668	\$	(738,194)	\$ 3,272,398
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		_				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 251,011	\$	362,701	\$	(335,908)	\$ 277,804
Income taxes payable	1,443		1,591		_	3,034
Current portion of long-term debt	10,000		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	10,000
Total current liabilities	262,454		364,292		(335,908)	290,838
Long-term debt, net	1,437,982		114,205		(115,000)	1,437,187
Non-current deferred tax liabilities	379		_		(379)	_
Deferred revenue	_		39,735		_	39,735
Other liabilities	1,501		51,529		_	53,030
Total liabilities	1,702,316		569,761		(451,287)	1,820,790
	 _	'	_			_
Total stockholders' equity	 1,451,608		286,907		(286,907)	1,451,608
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 3,153,924	\$	856,668	\$	(738,194)	\$ 3,272,398

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the three months ended September 30, 2018 (Unaudited and in thousands)

	Parent		S	ombined ubsidiary uarantors	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Consolidating Adjustments and Other			Total onsolidated Amounts
REVENUES	\$	322,872	\$	381,594	\$	2,497	\$	(244,235)	\$	462,728
EXPENSES:										
Operating		253,267		323,765		962		(244,235)		333,759
General and administrative		8,686		16,399		_		_		25,085
Depreciation and amortization		23,475		15,349		641		_		39,465
		285,428		355,513		1,603		(244,235)		398,309
OPERATING INCOME		37,444		26,081		894				64,419
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:	-								-	
Interest expense, net		16,962		2,825		747		_		20,534
Other (income) expense		42		(20)		27		_		49
		17,004		2,805		774		_		20,583
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	-	20,440		23,276		120		_	-	43,836
Income tax expense		(332)		(2,510)		_		_		(2,842)
INCOME BEFORE EQUITY IN SUBSIDIARIES		20,108		20,766		120		_		40,994
Income from equity in subsidiaries		20,886		_		_		(20,886)		_
NET INCOME	\$	40,994	\$	20,766	\$	120	\$	(20,886)	\$	40,994

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the three months ended September 30, 2017 (Unaudited and in thousands)

		Parent	Combined Subsidiary Guarantors	Consolidating Adjustments and Other		Total Consolidated Amounts
REVENUES	\$	297,856	\$ 368,507	\$ (223,518)	\$	442,845
EXPENSES:			<u> </u>			_
Operating		231,528	308,855	(223,518)		316,865
General and administrative		9,823	18,480	_		28,303
Depreciation and amortization		22,147	14,360	_		36,507
Asset impairments		300	55			355
		263,798	341,750	(223,518)	)	382,030
OPERATING INCOME		34,058	26,757	_		60,815
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:	'					_
Interest expense, net		14,046	2,983	_		17,029
Other (income) expense		(96)	21	10		(65)
		13,950	3,004	10		16,964
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		20,108	23,753	(10)		43,851
Income tax expense		(541)	(2,132)	_		(2,673)
INCOME BEFORE EQUITY IN SUBSIDIARIES	'	19,567	21,621	(10)		41,178
Income from equity in subsidiaries		21,611	_	(21,611)		_
NET INCOME	\$	41,178	\$ 21,621	\$ (21,621)	\$	41,178

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the nine months ended September 30, 2018 (Unaudited and in thousands)

	 Parent	Combined Subsidiary Guarantors		y Guara		Consolidating Adjustments and Other		C	Total onsolidated Amounts
REVENUES	\$ 944,064	\$	1,119,524	\$	2,497	\$	(712,512)	\$	1,353,573
EXPENSES:									
Operating	739,305		945,694		962		(712,512)		973,449
General and administrative	26,618		50,976		_		_		77,594
Depreciation and amortization	68,921		46,552		641		_		116,114
Asset impairments	1,580		_		_		_		1,580
	 836,424		1,043,222		1,603		(712,512)		1,168,737
OPERATING INCOME	 107,640		76,302		894				184,836
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:	 								
Interest expense, net	49,705		8,156		747		_		58,608
Expenses associated with debt refinancing transactions	1,016		_		_		_		1,016
Other (income) expense	62		(107)		84		_		39
	 50,783		8,049		831				59,663
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	 56,857		68,253		63				125,173
Income tax expense	(1,097)		(6,108)		_		_		(7,205)
INCOME BEFORE EQUITY IN SUBSIDIARIES	55,760		62,145		63				117,968
Income from equity in subsidiaries	62,208		_		_		(62,208)		_
NET INCOME	\$ 117,968	\$	62,145	\$	63	\$	(62,208)	\$	117,968

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the nine months ended September 30, 2017 (Unaudited and in thousands)

	Parent		Combined Subsidiary Guarantors	A	onsolidating djustments and Other	Tota	l Consolidated Amounts
REVENUES	\$ \$ 885,271		1,094,805	\$	(655,154)	\$	1,324,922
EXPENSES:	 				_		
Operating	679,458		915,761		(655,154)		940,065
General and administrative	26,630		52,916		_		79,546
Depreciation and amortization	65,206		44,358		_		109,564
Asset impairments	 300		314		<u> </u>		614
	771,594		1,013,349		(655,154)		1,129,789
OPERATING INCOME	113,677	_	81,456				195,133
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:	_						
Interest expense, net	41,219		8,922		_		50,141
Other (income) expense	(248)		109		31		(108)
	40,971		9,031		31		50,033
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	72,706		72,425		(31)		145,100
Income tax expense	(1,711)		(6,689)		_		(8,400)
INCOME BEFORE EQUITY IN SUBSIDIARIES	70,995		65,736		(31)		136,700
Income from equity in subsidiaries	65,705		_		(65,705)		_
NET INCOME	\$ 136,700	\$	65,736	\$	(65,736)	\$	136,700

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the nine months ended September 30, 2018

(Unaudited and in thousands)

	Parent	Si	Combined Subsidiary M Guarantors		n-Guarantor ubsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments and Other		Tota	al Consolidated Amounts
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 255,765	\$	19,472	\$	9,334	\$	_	\$	284,571
Net cash used in investing activities	(178,280)		(23,098)		(124,178)		94,920		(230,636)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(34,631)		1,852		126,309		(94,920)		(1,390)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and									_
restricted cash	42,854		(1,774)		11,465		_		52,545
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED									
CASH, beginning of period	 25,745		26,438		<u> </u>				52,183
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH, end of period	\$ 68,599	\$	24,664	\$	11,465	\$			104,728

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the nine months ended September 30, 2017

(Unaudited and in thousands)

	Parent	Sub	nbined sidiary rantors	Adj	solidating ustments d Other	Consolidated Amounts
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 239,662	\$	24,473	\$	_	\$ 264,135
Net cash used in investing activities	(50,216)		(31,544)		_	(81,760)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(180,702)		3,351		_	(177,351)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	 8,744		(3,720)			5,024
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH, beginning of period	11,378		26,333		_	37,711
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH, end of period	\$ 20,122	\$	22,613	\$		\$ 42,735

#### ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q. In this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, we use the terms, the "Company," "CoreCivic," "we," "us," and "our" to refer to CoreCivic, Inc. and its subsidiaries unless context indicates otherwise.

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains statements as to our beliefs and expectations of the outcome of future events that are forward-looking statements as defined within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. All statements other than statements of current or historical fact contained herein, including statements regarding our future financial position, business strategy, budgets, projected costs and plans, and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. The words "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "projects," "will," and similar expressions, as they relate to us, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the statements made. These include, but are not limited to, the risks and uncertainties associated with:

- general economic and market conditions, including, but not limited to, the impact governmental budgets can have on our contract renewals and renegotiations, per diem rates, and occupancy;
- fluctuations in our operating results because of, among other things, changes in occupancy levels, competition, contract renegotiations or terminations, increases in costs of operations, fluctuations in interest rates, and risks of operations;
- changes in the privatization of the corrections and detention industry, the public acceptance of our services, the timing of the opening of new facilities, and the commencement of new management contracts, as well as our ability to utilize current available beds;
- our ability to obtain and maintain correctional, detention, and residential reentry facility management contracts because of reasons including, but not limited to, sufficient governmental appropriations, contract compliance, negative publicity and effects of inmate disturbances;
- increases in costs to develop or expand real estate properties that exceed original estimates, or the inability to complete such projects on schedule as a result of various factors, many of which are beyond our control, such as weather, labor conditions, cost inflation, and material shortages, resulting in increased construction costs;
- changes in government policy, legislation and regulations that affect utilization of the private sector for corrections, detention, and residential reentry services, in general, or our business, in particular, including, but not limited to, the continued utilization of the South Texas Family Residential Center by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE, under terms of the current contract, and the impact of any changes to immigration reform and sentencing laws. (Our company does not, under longstanding policy, lobby for or against policies or legislation that would determine the basis for, or duration of, an individual's incarceration or detention.);
- our ability to successfully integrate operations of our acquisitions and realize projected returns resulting therefrom;
- our ability to meet and maintain qualification for taxation as a real estate investment trust, or REIT; and
- the availability of debt and equity financing on terms that are favorable to us, or at all.

Any or all of our forward-looking statements in this quarterly report may turn out to be inaccurate. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy, and financial needs. Our statements can be affected by inaccurate assumptions we might make or by known or unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including the risks, uncertainties, and assumptions described in "Item 1A Risk Factors" disclosed in Part II of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, as well as in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, on February 22, 2018 (the "2017 Form 10-K") and in other reports, documents, and other information we file with the SEC from time to time. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or circumstances or otherwise, except as required by law. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in the 2017 Form 10-K.

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### The Company

We are a diversified government solutions company with the scale and experience needed to solve tough government challenges in flexible, cost-effective ways. Through three segments, CoreCivic Safety, CoreCivic Community, and CoreCivic Properties, we provide a broad range of solutions to government partners that serve the public good through corrections and detention management, a growing network of residential reentry centers to help address America's recidivism crisis, and government real estate solutions. We have been a flexible and dependable partner for government for more than 35 years. Our employees are driven by a deep sense of service, high standards of professionalism and a responsibility to help government better the public good.

Structured as a REIT, we are the nation's largest owner of partnership correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities and one of the largest prison operators in the United States. We also believe we are the largest private owner of real estate used by U.S. government agencies. As of September 30, 2018, through our CoreCivic Safety segment, we operated 51 correctional and detention facilities, 44 of which we owned, with a total design capacity of approximately 73,000 beds. Through our CoreCivic Community segment, we also owned and operated 26 residential reentry centers with a total design capacity of approximately 5,000 beds. In addition, through our CoreCivic Properties segment, we owned 27 properties leased to third parties and used by government agencies, totaling 2.3 million square feet.

In addition to providing fundamental residential services, our correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities offer a variety of rehabilitation and educational programs, including basic education, faith-based services, life skills and employment training, and substance abuse treatment. These services are intended to help reduce recidivism and to prepare offenders for their successful reentry into society upon their release. We also provide or make available to offenders certain health care (including medical, dental, and mental health services), food services, and work and recreational programs.

We are a Maryland corporation formed in 1983. Our principal executive offices are located at 10 Burton Hills Boulevard, Nashville, Tennessee, 37215, and our telephone number at that location is (615) 263-3000. Our website address is www.corecivic.com. We make our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, definitive proxy statements, and amendments to those reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, available on our website, free of charge, as soon as reasonably practicable after these reports are filed with or furnished to the SEC. Information contained on our website is not part of this report.

We began operating as a REIT effective January 1, 2013. We provide services and conduct other business activities through taxable REIT subsidiaries, or TRSs. A TRS is a subsidiary of a REIT that is subject to applicable corporate income tax and certain qualification requirements. Our use of TRSs enables us to comply with REIT qualification requirements while providing correctional services at facilities we own and at facilities owned by our government partners and to engage in certain other business operations. A TRS is not subject to the distribution requirements applicable to REITs so it may retain income generated by its operations for reinvestment.

As a REIT, we generally are not subject to federal income taxes on our REIT taxable income and gains that we distribute to our stockholders, including the income derived from our real estate and dividends we earn from our TRSs. However, our TRSs will be required to pay income taxes on their earnings at regular corporate income tax rates.

As a REIT, we generally are required to distribute annually to our stockholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (determined without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding net capital gains). Our REIT taxable income will not typically include income earned by our TRSs except to the extent our TRSs pay dividends to the REIT.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements in this report are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. As such, we are required to make certain estimates, judgments, and assumptions that we believe are reasonable based upon the information available. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. A summary of our significant accounting policies is described in our 2017 Form 10-K. The significant accounting policies and estimates which we believe are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results include the following:

Asset impairments. The primary risk we face for asset impairment charges, excluding goodwill, is associated with real estate properties we own. As of September 30, 2018, we had \$3.0 billion in property and equipment, including \$236.4 million in long-lived assets, excluding equipment, at eight idled correctional facilities. The impairment analyses we performed for each of these facilities

excluded the net book value of equipment, as a substantial portion of the equipment is easily transferrable to other company-owned facilities without significant cost. The carrying values of the eight idled facilities as of September 30, 2018 were as follows (in thousands):

Prairie Correctional Facility	\$ 15,330
Huerfano County Correctional Center	16,803
Diamondback Correctional Facility	40,702
Southeast Kentucky Correctional Facility	21,233
Marion Adjustment Center	11,878
Kit Carson Correctional Center	55,952
Eden Detention Center	38,741
Torrance County Detention Facility	35,752
	\$ 236,391

As of September 30, 2018, we also had two idled non-core facilities containing 440 beds with an aggregate net book value of \$3.9 million. We incurred approximately \$3.0 million in operating expenses at the idled facilities for both the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. We incurred approximately \$9.7 million and \$8.0 million in operating expenses at the idled facilities for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

We evaluate the recoverability of the carrying values of our long-lived assets, other than goodwill, when events suggest that an impairment may have occurred. Such events primarily include, but are not limited to, the termination of a management contract or a significant decrease in offender populations within a facility we own. Accordingly, we tested each of the idled facilities for impairment when we were notified by the respective customers that they would no longer be utilizing such facility.

We re-perform the impairment analyses on an annual basis for each of the idle facilities and evaluate on a quarterly basis market developments for the potential utilization of each of these facilities in order to identify events that may cause us to reconsider our most recent assumptions. Such events could include negotiations with a prospective customer for the utilization of an idle facility at terms significantly less favorable than those used in our most recent impairment analysis, or changes in legislation surrounding a particular facility that could impact our ability to care for certain types of offenders at such facility, or a demolition or substantial renovation of a facility. Further, a substantial increase in the number of available beds at other facilities we own could lead to a deterioration in market conditions and cash flows that we might be able to obtain under a new management contract at our idle facilities. Although they are not frequently received, an unsolicited offer to purchase any of our idle facilities at amounts that are less than the carrying value could also cause us to reconsider the assumptions used in our most recent impairment analysis.

Our impairment evaluations also take into consideration our historical experience in securing new management contracts to utilize facilities that had been previously idled for substantial periods of time. Such previously idled facilities are currently being operated under contracts that continue to generate cash flows resulting in the recoverability of the net book value of the previously idled facilities by material amounts. Due to a variety of factors, the lead time to negotiate contracts with our federal and state partners to utilize idle bed capacity is generally lengthy. As a result of our analyses, we determined each of the idled facilities to have recoverable values in excess of the corresponding carrying values. However, we can provide no assurance that we will be able to secure agreements to utilize our idle facilities, or that we will not incur impairment charges in the future.

By their nature, these estimates contain uncertainties with respect to the extent and timing of the respective cash flows due to potential delays or material changes to historical terms and conditions in contracts with prospective customers that could impact the estimate of cash flows. Notwithstanding our customers' fluctuating demand for bed capacity which led to our decision to idle certain facilities, we believe the long-term trends favor an increase in the utilization of our correctional facilities and management services. This belief is based on our experience in working with governmental agencies faced with significant budgetary challenges, which is a primary contributing factor to the lack of appropriated funding since 2009 to build new bed capacity by the federal and state governments with which we partner.

Goodwill Impairments – As of September 30, 2018, we had \$44.0 million of goodwill, established in connection with multiple business combination transactions. We evaluate the recoverability of the carrying value of goodwill annually, in connection with our annual budgeting process, and whenever circumstances indicate the carrying value of goodwill may not be recoverable. Under the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification 350, "Intangibles-Goodwill and Other," or ASC 350, we perform a qualitative assessment that may allow us to skip the annual two-step impairment test. Under ASC 350, we have the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If, after assessing the totality of events or circumstances, an entity determines it is not more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, then performing

the two-step impairment test is unnecessary. If the two-step impairment test is required, we determine the fair value of a reporting unit using a combination of various common valuation techniques, including market multiples and discounted cash flows. By their nature, valuation techniques are subject to considerable judgment and require estimates of future cash flows as well as other factors, which are often difficult to predict. Estimated fair values could change if there are changes in our capital structure, cost of debt, interest rates, capital expenditure levels, operating cash flows, or market capitalization. Accordingly, we may incur goodwill impairment charges in the future.

Self-funded insurance reserves. As of September 30, 2018, we had \$32.3 million in accrued liabilities for employee health, workers' compensation, and automobile insurance claims. We are significantly self-insured for employee health, workers' compensation, and automobile liability insurance claims. As such, our insurance expense is largely dependent on claims experience and our ability to control our claims. We have consistently accrued the estimated liability for employee health insurance claims based on our history of claims experience and the estimated time lag between the incident date and the date we pay the claims. We have accrued the estimated liability for workers' compensation claims based on an actuarial valuation of the outstanding liabilities, discounted to the net present value of the outstanding liabilities, using a combination of actuarial methods used to project ultimate losses, and our automobile insurance claims based on estimated development factors on claims incurred. The liability for employee health, workers' compensation, and automobile insurance includes estimates for both claims incurred and for claims incurred but not reported. These estimates could change in the future. It is possible that future cash flows and results of operations could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions, new developments, or by the effectiveness of our strategies.

Legal reserves. As of September 30, 2018, we had \$11.9 million in accrued liabilities under the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification Subtopic 450-20, "Loss Contingencies," or ASC 450, related to certain claims and legal proceedings in which we are involved. We have accrued our best estimate of the probable costs for the resolution of these claims and legal proceedings. In addition, we are subject to current and potential future claims and legal proceedings for which little or no accrual has been reflected because our current assessment of the potential exposure is nominal. These estimates have been developed in consultation with our General Counsel's office and, as appropriate, outside counsel handling these matters, and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible that future cash flows and results of operations could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions, new developments, or by the effectiveness of our litigation and settlement strategies.

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Our results of operations are impacted by the number of correctional and detention facilities we operated, including 44 we owned and seven owned by our government partners (CoreCivic Safety), the number of residential reentry centers we owned and operated (CoreCivic Community), the number of facilities we leased to other operators (CoreCivic Properties), and the facilities we owned that were not in operation. The following table sets forth the changes in the number of facilities operated for the periods presented:

	Effective	CoreCivic			
	Date	Safety	Community	Properties	Total
Facilities as of December 31, 2016		57	20	8	85
Acquisition of the Arapahoe Community					
Treatment Center in Colorado	January 2017	_	1	_	1
Expiration of the contract at the D.C.					
Correctional Treatment Facility in the					
District of Columbia	January 2017	(1)	_	_	(1)
Acquisition of the Stockton Female Community					
Corrections Facility in California	February 2017	_	_	1	1
Acquisition of the Oklahoma City Transitional Center in					
Oklahoma	June 2017	_	1	_	1
Combination of two existing facilities in Arizona into					
one complex	June 2017	(1)	_		(1)
Expiration of the contract at the Bartlett State Jail	1 2015	(4)			(4.)
in Texas	June 2017	(1)	_	_	(1)
Termination of the lease at the Bridgeport Pre-Parole	1 2017			(1)	(4)
Transfer Facility in Texas	June 2017	_	_	(1)	(1)
Acquisition of the Oracle Transitional Center in Arizona	August 2017	_	1	_	1
Expiration of the contracts at three managed-only	A 2017	(2)			(2)
facilities in Texas	August 2017	(3)			(3)
Acquisition of a portfolio of leased properties in Georgia and North Carolina	Contambox 2017			4	4
Acquisition of Time to Change, Inc. in Colorado	September 2017 November 2017	<del>-</del>	3	4	3
	November 2017		26		
Facilities as of December 31, 2017		51	26	12	89
Acquisition of Capital Commerce Center in Florida	January 2018	_	_	1	1
Acquisition of a portfolio of leased properties in					
Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee					
and Texas	July 2018	_	_	12	12
Acquisition of a leased property in Maryland	August 2018		_	1	1
Acquisition of a leased property in Ohio	September 2018			1	1
Facilities as of September 30, 2018		51	<u>26</u>	27	104

#### Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 Compared to the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017

Net income was \$41.0 million, or \$0.34 per diluted share, for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared with net income of \$41.2 million, or \$0.35 per diluted share, for the three months ended September 30, 2017. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, we generated net income of \$118.0 million, or \$0.99 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$136.7 million, or \$1.15 per diluted share, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Financial results in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 reflected income tax charges of \$1.0 million resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, or the TCJA, enacted in the fourth quarter of 2017, as further described hereafter. In addition, financial results in the nine months ended September 30, 2018 reflected \$1.6 million of asset impairments and \$1.0 million of expenses associated with debt refinancing transactions.

#### **Our Current Operations**

Our ongoing operations are organized into three principal business segments:

- CoreCivic Safety segment, consisting of the 51 correctional and detention facilities that are owned, or controlled via a long-term lease, and managed by CoreCivic, as well as those correctional and detention facilities owned by third parties but managed by CoreCivic. CoreCivic Safety also includes the operating results of our subsidiary that provides transportation services to governmental agencies, TransCor America, LLC, or TransCor.
- CoreCivic Community segment, consisting of the 26 residential reentry centers that are owned, or controlled via a long-term lease, and managed by CoreCivic. CoreCivic Community also includes the operating results of our electronic monitoring subsidiary, Rocky Mountain Offender Management Systems, LLC, or RMOMS.
- CoreCivic Properties segment, consisting of the 27 real estate properties owned by CoreCivic and leased to, and operated by, third parties.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, our total facility net operating income was divided among these business segments as follows:

		For the Three Months Ended September 30,		hs Ended 30,
	2018	2018 2017		2017
Segment:				
Safety	86.5 %	89.3%	87.9 %	90.0%
Community	4.8 %	4.6%	4.6 %	4.3%
Properties	8.7 %	6.1%	7.5 %	5.7%

#### **Facility Operations**

A key performance indicator we use to measure the revenue and expenses associated with the operation of the correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities we own or manage is expressed in terms of a compensated man-day, which represents the revenue we generate and expenses we incur for one offender for one calendar day. Revenue and expenses per compensated man-day are computed by dividing facility revenue and expenses by the total number of compensated man-days during the period. A compensated man-day represents a calendar day for which we are paid for the occupancy of an offender. We believe the measurement is useful because we are compensated for operating and managing facilities at an offender per-diem rate based upon actual or minimum guaranteed occupancy levels. We also measure our costs on a per-compensated man-day basis, which is largely dependent upon the number of offenders we accommodate. Further, per compensated man-day measurements are also used to estimate our potential profitability based on certain occupancy levels relative to design capacity. Revenue and expenses per compensated man-day for all of the correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities placed into service that we owned or managed, exclusive of those held for lease, and for TransCor were as follows for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017:

For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2017		
20 \$	72.46		
80	37.98		
32	15.22		
52	53.20		
\$	19.26		
.7%	26.6%		
.2%	79.7%		
17	81,913		
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Fixed expenses per compensated man-day for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 include depreciation expense of \$4.1 million and \$12.3 million, respectively, and interest expense of \$1.4 million and \$4.3 million, respectively, in order to more properly reflect the cash flows associated with the lease at the South Texas Family Residential Center. Fixed expenses per compensated man-day for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 include depreciation expense of \$4.1 million and

\$12.3 million, respectively, and interest expense of \$1.6 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, associated with the lease at the South Texas Family Residential Center.

#### Revenue

Total revenue consists of management revenue we generate through CoreCivic Safety and CoreCivic Community in the operation of correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities, as well as the revenue we generate from TransCor and RMOMS. Total revenue also consists of rental revenue we generate through CoreCivic Properties from facilities we lease to third-party operators. The following tables reflect the components of revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 (in millions):

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		2018		2017		S Change	% Change
Management revenue:							
Federal	\$	224.5	\$	208.2	\$	16.3	7.8%
State		176.6		183.5		(6.9)	(3.8%)
Local		25.4		22.8		2.6	11.4%
Other		20.9		15.7		5.2	33.1%
Total management revenue		447.4		430.2		17.2	4.0%
Rental revenue		15.3		10.2		5.1	50.0%
Other revenue		_		2.4		(2.4)	(100.0%)
Total revenue	\$	462.7	\$	442.8	\$	19.9	4.5%

	 For the Nine I Septem					
	2018		2017		\$ Change	% Change
Management revenue:						
Federal	\$ 651.7	\$	630.5	\$	21.2	3.4%
State	530.3		547.6		(17.3)	(3.2%)
Local	<b>74.</b> 5		64.5		10.0	15.5%
Other	58.1		49.7		8.4	16.9%
Total management revenue	 1,314.6		1,292.3		22.3	1.7%
Rental revenue	38.9		30.1		8.8	29.2%
Other revenue	_		2.5		(2.5)	(100.0%)
Total revenue	\$ 1,353.5	\$	1,324.9	\$	28.6	2.2%

The \$17.2 million, or 4.0%, increase in total management revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2018 as compared with the same period in 2017 was driven primarily by an increase of 4.1% in average revenue per compensated man-day. The \$22.3 million, or 1.7%, increase in total management revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 as compared with the same period in 2017 was primarily a result of an increase in revenue of approximately \$63.8 million driven primarily by an increase of 5.2% in average revenue per compensated man-day. The increase in average revenue per compensated man-day in both periods was primarily the result of the effect of per diem increases at several of our facilities. The acquisition of RMOMS in the first quarter of 2018, as further described hereafter, also contributed to the increase in total management revenue in both periods with incremental revenue of \$4.2 million and \$12.5 million, respectively. The increase in total management revenue during the three- and nine-month periods was partially offset by a decrease in revenue of approximately \$4.2 million and \$54.0 million, respectively, caused by a decrease in the average daily compensated population.

Average daily compensated population decreased 626, or 1.0%, to 63,030 during the three months ended September 30, 2018 compared to 63,656 during the three months ended September 30, 2017. Average daily compensated population decreased 2,728, or 4.2%, to 62,595 during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to 65,323 during the nine months ended September 30, 2017. There were several notable factors that affected the average daily compensated population when comparing both periods in 2018 to 2017. Average daily compensated population decreased primarily as a result of a continued, and anticipated decline in California inmates held in our out-of-state facilities and the expirations in the second and third quarters of 2017 of our contracts at four facilities that we managed for the state of Texas. The expiration of our contract with the Federal Bureau of Prisons, or BOP, at our Eden Detention Center on April 30, 2017 also contributed to the reduction in average daily compensated population during the nine-

month period in 2018. These average daily compensated population decreases were partially offset by the new contract with the state of Ohio at our Northeast Ohio Correctional Center, as further described hereafter. We began receiving offender populations in the third quarter of 2017 under the new contract at the Northeast Ohio facility. The new contract with the Commonwealth of Kentucky Department of Corrections, or KYDOC, to care for medium and close-security offenders at our previously idled 816-bed Lee Adjustment Center in Kentucky also contributed to the partial offset to decreases in average daily compensated population. The new contract with the KYDOC commenced on November 19, 2017, and we began receiving offenders at the Lee facility late in the first quarter of 2018 with approximately 850 offenders at the facility as of September 30, 2018. Additional populations from the United States Marshals Service, or USMS, and ICE and multiple acquisitions of residential reentry centers during 2017, resulted in an increase in average daily compensated population during both the three- and nine-month periods in 2018.

The solutions we provide to our federal customers, including primarily the BOP, the USMS, and ICE, continue to be a significant component of our business, yet remained stable as a percentage of our total revenue during the three- and nine-month periods in 2018 compared with 2017. Our federal customers generated approximately 49% and 47% of our total revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, increasing \$16.3 million, or 7.8%. Our federal customers generated approximately 48% of our total revenue for both the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, increasing \$21.2 million, or 3.4%. The increase in federal revenues in both periods primarily resulted from the combined effect of per diem increases for several of our federal contracts and a net increase in federal populations at certain other facilities, primarily from the USMS and ICE. Two new contracts with the USMS at our Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility and with ICE at our La Palma Correctional Center executed in June 2018 and July 2018, respectively, contributed to these higher federal populations. The increase in federal revenues in the nine-month period was partially offset by the expiration of our contract with the BOP at our Eden Detention Center on April 30, 2017.

State revenues from contracts at correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities that we operate decreased \$6.9 million, or 3.8%, from the third quarter of 2017 to the third quarter of 2018. State revenues decreased \$17.3 million, or 3.2%, from the nine months ended September 30, 2017 to the comparable period in 2018. The decrease in state revenues in both periods was primarily a result of a continued, and anticipated decline in California inmates held in our out-of-state facilities and the expirations in the second and third quarters of 2017 of our contracts at four facilities that we managed for the state of Texas. The decrease in state revenues in both periods was partially offset by the new contract with the state of Ohio at our Northeast Ohio Correctional Center, the execution in August 2017 of a new contract with the state of Nevada to care for up to 200 offenders at our 1,896-bed Saguaro Correctional Facility in Arizona, and the new contract with the KYDOC at our Lee Adjustment Center. Per diem increases and a net increase in state populations at certain other facilities also contributed to the offset.

Several of our state partners are projecting improvements in their budgets which has helped us secure recent per diem increases at certain facilities. Further, several of our existing state partners, as well as prospective state partners, are experiencing growth in inmate populations and overcrowded conditions, or are considering alternative correctional capacity for their aged and inefficient infrastructure. Although we can provide no assurance that we will enter into any new contracts, we believe we are well positioned to provide them with needed bed capacity, as well as the programming and reentry services they are seeking. Over the previous 18 months, we have entered into new contracts with Ohio, Kentucky, Nevada, South Carolina, Kansas, and Vermont, while Wyoming has begun utilizing an existing contract it had not utilized in nearly a decade.

The \$2.6 million, or 11.4%, increase and the \$10.0 million, or 15.5%, increase in management revenue from local authorities from the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively, to the comparable periods in 2018 were both primarily a result of acquisitions during 2017 of multiple residential reentry centers, some of which partner with local agencies, as further described hereafter. Also contributing to the increase in management revenue from local authorities in both the three- and nine-month 2018 periods was the execution in September 2017 of a new three-year contract with Cibola County, New Mexico to care for a minimum of 120 offenders at our 1,129-bed Cibola County Corrections Center. The execution in July 2017 of a new three-year contract with the City of Mesa, Arizona to care for up to 200 offenders at our 4,128-bed Central Arizona Florence Correctional Complex also contributed to the increase in management revenue from local authorities in the nine-month period of 2018.

The \$5.1 million, or 50.0%, increase and the \$8.8 million, or 29.2%, increase in rental revenue from the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively, to the comparable periods in 2018 were both primarily a result of acquisitions of properties leased to third parties, including multiple acquisitions in 2017, the acquisition of Capital Commerce Center in the first quarter of 2018, and in separate transactions, the acquisitions of a portfolio of 12 properties and a Social Security Administration, or SSA, office building in Baltimore, Maryland, or SSA-Baltimore, in the third quarter of 2018, as further described hereafter.

We believe the long-term growth opportunities of our business remain attractive as governments consider their emergent needs, as well as the efficiency and offender programming opportunities we provide, as flexible solutions to satisfy our partners' needs. Further, we expect our partners to continue to face challenges in maintaining old facilities, developing new facilities, and expanding current facilities for additional capacity, which could result in future demand for the solutions we provide. Finally, as further described hereafter, we continue to identify attractive investment opportunities for government-leased properties, and expect to complete

additional acquisitions that will diversify our cash flows, generate attractive risk-adjusted returns for our shareholders, and broaden the solutions we are able to provide to our partners.

#### **Operating Expenses**

Operating expenses totaled \$333.8 million and \$316.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, while operating expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 totaled \$973.4 million and \$940.1 million, respectively. Operating expenses consist of those expenses incurred in the operation and management of correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities, as well as those expenses incurred in the operations of TransCor and RMOMS. Operating expenses also consist of those expenses incurred in the operation of facilities we lease to third-party operators.

Expenses incurred by CoreCivic Safety and CoreCivic Community in connection with the operation and management of our correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities, as well as those incurred in the operations of TransCor and RMOMS, increased \$15.5 million, or 4.9%, during the third quarter of 2018 when compared with the same period in 2017. Expenses incurred by these segments increased \$31.1 million, or 3.3%, during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 when compared to the same period in the prior year. Similar to our management revenue, there were several notable factors that affected the operating expenses incurred in these segments in both periods. The expirations in the second and third quarters of 2017 of our contracts at four facilities that we managed for the state of Texas and the idling of our Torrance County Detention Facility in the fourth quarter of 2017 both contributed to a decrease in operating expenses in both periods. The expiration of our contract with the BOP at our Eden Detention Center in the second quarter of 2017 also contributed to a decrease in operating expenses during the nine-month period. However, the decrease in operating expenses in both periods was offset primarily by the additional operating expenses resulting from the new contract with the state of Ohio at our Northeast Ohio Correctional Center and start-up operational expenses associated with the new contract with the KYDOC at our Lee Adjustment Center. Operating expenses increased \$3.8 million and \$9.9 million, respectively, from the prior year three- and nine-month periods at the Lee facility. Additional expenses resulting from the acquisitions of multiple residential reentry centers during 2017 and the acquisition of RMOMS in the first quarter of 2018 also contributed to the increase in operating expenses.

Total expenses per compensated man-day increased to \$57.12 during the three months ended September 30, 2018 from \$54.61 during the three months ended September 30, 2017, and increased to \$56.62 during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 from \$53.20 during the same period in the prior year. Fixed expenses per compensated man-day increased to \$40.66 during the three months ended September 30, 2018 from \$37.98 during the same period in the prior year. Fixed expenses per compensated man-day for the three months ended September 30, 2018 from \$37.98 during the same period in the prior year. Fixed expenses per compensated man-day for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 include depreciation expense of \$4.1 million and interest expense of \$1.4 million and \$1.6 million, respectively, in order to more properly reflect the cash flows associated with the lease at the South Texas Family Residential Center. Fixed expenses per compensated man-day for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 include depreciation expense of \$12.3 million and interest expense of \$4.3 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, associated with the lease at the South Texas Family Residential Center. Negatively impacting expenses per compensated man-day in both the three- and nine-month periods in 2018 was the decline in, and eventual removal of all, California populations at our Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility, as well as a substantial reduction in California populations at our La Palma Correctional Center. However, we retained staff at these facilities in anticipation of new contracts, as further discussed hereafter, in order to quickly activate operations for multiple customers in need of immediate bed capacity. The aforementioned expenses associated with the start-up of operations at our Lee Adjustment Center also negatively impacted expenses per compensated man-day in the nine-month period in 2018.

As the economy has improved and the nation's unemployment rate has declined, we have experienced wage pressures in certain markets across the country, and have provided wage increases to remain competitive. These wage pressures (among other factors, including the aforementioned factors related to the Lee, Tallahatchie, and La Palma facilities) contributed to the decline in operating margins from the operation and management of correctional, detention, and residential reentry facilities during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 when compared to the same periods in the prior year. We continually monitor compensation levels very closely along with overall economic conditions and will set wage levels necessary to help ensure the long-term success of our business. Further, we continually evaluate the structure of our employee benefits package and training programs to ensure we are better able to attract and retain our employees. Salaries and benefits represent the most significant component of our operating expenses, representing 60% of our total operating expenses for both the first nine months of 2018 and the twelve months ended December 31, 2017.

The aforementioned expirations in the second and third quarters of 2017 of our contracts at four facilities we managed for the state of Texas also contributed to the increase in both revenue and expenses per compensated man-day from 2017 to 2018, as the revenue and expenses per compensated man-day for these facilities were lower than the portfolio average.

Operating expenses incurred by CoreCivic Properties in connection with facilities we lease to third-party operators increased \$1.4 million, or 53.5%, during the third quarter of 2018 when compared with the same quarter in 2017, and increased \$2.3 million, or 28.4%, during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 when compared with the same period in 2017. The increase in expenses in this segment in both periods was primarily the result of acquisitions of properties leased to third parties, including multiple acquisitions in 2017, the acquisition of Capital Commerce Center in the first quarter of 2018, and in separate transactions, the acquisitions of a portfolio of 12 properties and the SSA-Baltimore office building in the third quarter of 2018.

## **Facility Management Contracts**

We enter into facility contracts to provide prison bed capacity and management services to governmental entities for terms typically ranging from three to five years, with additional renewal periods at the option of the contracting governmental agency. Accordingly, a substantial portion of our facility contracts are scheduled to expire each year, notwithstanding contractual renewal options that a government agency may exercise. Although we generally expect these customers to exercise renewal options or negotiate new contracts with us, one or more of these contracts may not be renewed by the corresponding governmental agency.

The BOP currently has outstanding a Request for Proposal under the Criminal Alien Requirement XIX solicitation, or CAR XIX, to contract for up to 9,540 offenders with the private sector. The only contracted beds with the BOP under CAR XIX are at our 2,232-bed Adams County Correctional Center. The contract with the BOP at the Adams facility expires in July 2019.

Based on information available as of the date of this filing, we believe we will renew all material contracts that have expired or are scheduled to expire within the next twelve months. We believe our renewal rate on existing contracts remains high due to a variety of reasons including, but not limited to, the constrained supply of available beds within the U.S. correctional system, our ownership of the majority of the beds we operate, and the cost effectiveness of the services we provide. However, we cannot assure we will continue to achieve such renewal rates in the future.

# CoreCivic Safety

CoreCivic Safety includes the operating results of the correctional and detention facilities that we operated during each period. Total revenue generated by CoreCivic Safety increased \$11.3 million, or 2.8%, from \$411.0 million during the third quarter of 2017 to \$422.3 million during the third quarter of 2018, and increased \$1.6 million, or 0.1%, from \$1,238.4 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 to \$1,240.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. CoreCivic Safety's facility net operating income, or facility revenues less operating expenses, increased \$1.2 million, or 1.1%, from \$110.4 million during the third quarter of 2017 to \$111.6 million during the third quarter of 2018, and decreased \$10.0 million, or 2.9%, from \$344.4 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The aggregate depreciation and interest expense associated with the lease at the South Texas Family Residential Center for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 totaling \$5.5 million, respectively, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 totaling \$16.6 million and \$17.2 million, respectively, are not included in these net operating income amounts, but are included in the following per compensated man-day statistics. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, CoreCivic Safety generated 86.5% and 87.9%, respectively, of our total facility net operating income, compared with 89.3%, and 90.0%, respectively, during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

The following table displays the revenue and expenses per compensated man-day for CoreCivic Safety's correctional and detention facilities placed into service that we own and manage and for the facilities we manage but do not own, inclusive of the transportation services provided by TransCor:

	I	For the Three Months Ended September 30,				For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
			2017	2018			2017		
CoreCivic Safety Facilities:									
Revenue per compensated man-day	\$	77.93	\$	74.76	\$	77.76	\$	73.60	
Operating expenses per compensated man-day:									
Fixed expense		41.29		39.44		40.90		38.48	
Variable expense		17.07		16.27		16.93		15.68	
Total		58.36		55.71		57.83		54.16	
Operating income per compensated man-day	\$	19.57	\$	19.05	\$	19.93	\$	19.44	
Operating margin		25.1 %		25.5%		25.6 %		26.4%	
Average compensated occupancy		80.9 %		79.1%		80.2 %		79.7%	
Average available beds		72,833		75,583		72,833		77,303	
Average compensated population		58,901		59,756		58,411		61,635	
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On April 11, 2017, we announced that we contracted with the state of Ohio to care for up to an additional 996 offenders at our 2,016-bed Northeast Ohio Correctional Center. The initial term of the contract continues through June 2032 with unlimited renewal options, subject to appropriations and mutual agreement. We began receiving offender populations at the Northeast Ohio facility from the state of Ohio in the third quarter of 2017. On September 30, 2018, we cared for approximately 900 offenders from the state of Ohio, 700 offenders from the USMS, and approximately 300 detainees from ICE at our Northeast Ohio facility. Total revenue at the Northeast Ohio facility increased by \$5.6 million and \$17.2 million, respectively from the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 to the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, primarily as a result of this new contract with the state of Ohio. However, the new contract had a negative impact on operating margins during the first nine months of 2018 due to the gradual increase in offender populations at the facility.

Operating margins within the CoreCivic Safety facilities during the first nine months of 2018 were negatively impacted by start-up expenses incurred at our Lee Adjustment Center as we prepared to receive offender populations from the KYDOC late in the first quarter of 2018. We generated facility net operating income of \$0.6 million during the three months ended September 30, 2018 and incurred a facility net operating loss at the Lee facility of \$3.5 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared with a facility net operating loss of \$0.2 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, in the comparable prior year periods. The decline in, and eventual removal of all, California populations at our Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility and a substantial reduction in California populations at our La Palma Correctional Center also negatively impacted operating margins within the CoreCivic Safety facilities. We retained staff at these two facilities in anticipation of new contracts, as further discussed hereafter. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, facility net operating income declined at these facilities by \$3.2 million and \$5.5 million, respectively, from the comparable prior year periods. The negative impact on operating margins of these events was partially offset by an increase in offender populations from the USMS and ICE across the portfolio in the three- and nine-month periods.

On April 30, 2017, our contract with the BOP at our Eden Detention Center expired and was not renewed. We subsequently idled the facility in the second quarter of 2017. The Eden facility generated total revenue and facility net operating income of \$10.4 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, during the time the facility was active in 2017, negatively impacting margins in the nine months ended September 30, 2018 when compared to the same period in 2017.

During the fourth quarter of 2015, we completed construction of our 2,552-bed Trousdale Turner Correctional Center. We began caring for state of Tennessee inmates at the facility in January 2016. However, we have not yet stabilized the financial operations of this facility due to a competitive job market in the surrounding area. We have incurred incremental expenses for wage increases, various incentive plans, recruiting efforts, and other costs which has had a negative impact on the facility operating margin. Until operations are stabilized, we may continue to incur these incremental expenses.

During the third quarter of 2016, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, or TDCJ, solicited proposals for the rebid of four facilities we managed for the state of Texas. The managed-only contracts for these four facilities were scheduled to expire in August 2017. On March 31, 2017, the TDCJ notified us that, in light of the current economic climate as well as the fiscal constraints and budget outlook for the TDCJ for the next biennium, the TDCJ would not be awarding the contract for the Bartlett State Jail, one of the facilities included in the rebid process. During the first quarter of 2017, we wrote-off \$0.3 million of goodwill associated with this managed-only facility. In collaboration with the TDCJ, the decision was made to close the Bartlett facility on June 24, 2017. During the third quarter of 2017, the TDCJ notified us that it selected other operators for the management of the three remaining managed-only facilities that were subject to the rebid. We successfully transferred operations of these facilities to the other operators upon expiration of the contracts. The four facilities we managed for the state of Texas had a total capacity of 5,129 beds and generated total revenue and incurred a facility net operating loss of \$6.6 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, during the three months ended September 30, 2017. The four facilities generated total revenue and incurred a facility net operating loss of \$30.4 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, during the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

During the first quarter of 2015, the adult inmate population held in state of California institutions first met a Federal court order to reduce inmate populations below 137.5% of its capacity. Inmate populations in the state continued to decline below the court ordered capacity limit which has resulted in declining inmate populations in the out-of-state program at facilities we own and operate. As of September 30, 2018, the adult inmate population held in state of California institutions remained in compliance with the Federal court order at approximately 136.0% of capacity, or approximately 115,700 inmates, which did not include the California inmates held in our 3,060-bed La Palma Correctional Center in Eloy Arizona, our remaining out-of-state facility, compared with 116,000 inmates at September 30, 2017. During the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, we cared for an average daily population of approximately 2,200 and 4,400 California inmates, respectively, in facilities outside the state as a partial solution to the State's overcrowding. This decline in population resulted in a decrease in revenue of \$13.0 million and \$20.1 million, respectively from the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 to the comparable periods in 2018. Approximately 4% and 6%, respectively, of our

total revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 was generated from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, or CDCR, in facilities housing inmates outside the state of California.

During June 2018, the Governor of California signed the budget for fiscal 2018-2019. The budget contemplates that the continued implementation of initiatives to reduce prison populations will allow the CDCR to eliminate the use of out-of-state contract beds. In accordance with the budget, all inmates were removed from our 2,672-bed Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility in Tutwiler, Mississippi in the second quarter of 2018. Although the State's budget acknowledges that estimates of population reductions are subject to considerable uncertainty, the State's budget contemplates the removal of all inmates from our La Palma facility by January 2019. As of September 30, 2018, we cared for approximately 1,600 inmates from the state of California at our La Palma facility.

On June 14, 2018, we announced that we entered into a new contract under an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Tallahatchie County Correctional Authority, Tutwiler, Mississippi and the USMS at our Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility. The new contract, which also authorizes ICE and the BOP to utilize the facility, commenced on June 14, 2018, and has an initial term expiring June 30, 2020, with unlimited two-year extension options thereafter upon mutual agreement. On September 30, 2018, we cared for approximately 600 offenders from the USMS, 600 detainees from ICE, and approximately 200 offenders under additional new contracts from the states of South Carolina and Wyoming and the U.S. Virgin Islands at our Tallahatchie facility. On September 19, 2018, we announced that we entered into a new contract with the Vermont Department of Corrections to care for up to 350 of the State's inmates at our Tallahatchie facility. The new contract commenced on October 1, 2018, and has an initial term of two years, with one additional two-year extension option thereafter upon mutual agreement. We began receiving inmates from Vermont at our Tallahatchie facility during the fourth quarter of 2018.

On July 24, 2018, we announced that the city of Eloy agreed to modify an existing Intergovernmental Agreement with ICE to add the La Palma facility as a place of performance. We currently expect to care for up to 1,000 adult detainees for ICE at the La Palma facility under the new agreement, and ICE may place additional adult offender populations at the facility, subject to availability. The new contract commenced on July 24, 2018, and has an indefinite term, subject to termination by either party with 90 days' written notice. Capacity at the facility will initially be made available to ICE under the new agreement as California inmate populations exit the facility. On September 30, 2018, we cared for approximately 700 detainees from ICE at our La Palma facility.

### CoreCivic Community

CoreCivic Community includes the operating results of the residential reentry centers that we operated during each period, along with the operating results of RMOMS from its acquisition date. Total revenue generated by CoreCivic Community increased \$5.9 million, or 30.9%, from \$19.2 million during the third quarter of 2017 to \$25.1 million during the third quarter of 2018, and increased \$20.8 million, or 38.7%, from \$53.8 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. CoreCivic Community's facility net operating income increased \$0.5 million, or 9.3%, from \$5.7 million during the third quarter of 2017 to \$6.2 million during the third quarter of 2018, and increased \$1.3 million, or 7.8%, from \$16.3 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 to \$17.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, CoreCivic Community generated 4.8% and 4.6%, respectively, of our total facility net operating income, compared with 4.6% and 4.3%, respectively, during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

The following table displays the revenue and expenses per compensated man-day for CoreCivic Community's residential reentry facilities placed into service that we own and manage, but exclusive of the electronic monitoring and case management services provided by RMOMS given that revenue is not generated on a per compensated man-day basis for these services:

		For the Three Septen			For the Nine Mo Septembe					
		2018		2017		2018		2017		
CoreCivic Community Facilities:										
Revenue per compensated man-day	\$	54.94	\$	53.51	\$	54.41	\$	53.47		
Operating expenses per compensated man-day:										
Fixed expense		31.72		29.89		31.87		29.67		
Variable expense		7.78		7.75		7.78		7.57		
Total		39.50		37.64		39.65		37.24		
Operating income per compensated man-day	\$	15.44	\$	15.87	\$	14.76	\$	16.23		
Operating margin	<del></del>	28.1 %	, —	29.7%		27.1 %	-	30.4%		
Average compensated occupancy		79.2 %		81.9%		80.2 %		80.0%		
Average available beds		5,214		4,761		5,214		4,610		
Average compensated population	<del></del>	4,129	-	3,900		4,184		3,688		

The following acquisitions have positively impacted our facility net operating income and our diversification strategy:

- On January 1, 2017, we acquired Arapahoe Community Treatment Center, or ACTC, a 135-bed residential reentry center in Englewood, Colorado, which we integrated with the operations of our existing Colorado residential reentry centers;
- On June 1, 2017, we acquired the real estate operated by Center Point, Inc., or Center Point, a California-based non-profit organization. We consolidated a portion of Center Point's operations into our pre-existing residential reentry portfolio and assumed ownership and operations of the Oklahoma City Transitional Center, a 200-bed residential reentry center in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma;
- On August 1, 2017, we acquired New Beginnings Treatment Center, Inc., or NBTC, an Arizona-based community corrections company, along with
  the real estate used in the operation of NBTC's business from an affiliate of NBTC. In connection with the NBTC acquisition, we assumed a
  contract with the BOP to provide reentry services to male and female adults at the 92-bed Oracle Transitional Center located in Tucson, Arizona;
- On November 1, 2017, we acquired Time to Change, Inc., or TTC, a Colorado-based community corrections company. In connection with the acquisition, we assumed contracts with Adams County, Colorado to provide reentry services to male and female adults in three facilities located in Colorado containing a total of 422 beds; and
- Effective January 1, 2018, we closed on the acquisition of RMOMS, which provides non-residential correctional alternatives, including electronic monitoring and case management services, to municipal, county, and state governments in seven states.

We acquired these six facilities in 2017 and RMOMS in 2018 as strategic investments that further expand the network of reentry assets we own and broaden the scope of solutions we provide.

Operating margins in the CoreCivic Community segment were negatively impacted by the aforementioned increase in salaries due to a competitive labor market.

# CoreCivic Properties

CoreCivic Properties includes the operating results of the properties we leased to third parties and that were used by government agencies during each period. Total revenue generated by CoreCivic Properties increased \$5.1 million, or 49.7%, from \$10.2 million during the third quarter of 2017 to \$15.3 million during the third quarter of 2018, and increased \$8.8 million, or 29.3%, from \$30.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 to \$38.9 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. CoreCivic Properties' facility net operating income increased \$3.7 million, or 48.4%, from \$7.6 million during the third quarter of 2017 to \$11.3 million during the third quarter of 2018, and increased \$6.5 million, or 29.6%, from \$22.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 to \$28.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, CoreCivic Properties generated 8.7% and 7.5%, respectively, of our total facility net operating income, compared with 6.1% and 5.7%, respectively, during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

On February 10, 2017, we acquired the Stockton Female Community Corrections Facility, a 100-bed residential reentry center in Stockton, California. The 100-bed facility is leased to a third-party operator under a triple net lease agreement that extends through

April 2021 and includes one five-year lease extension option. The third-party operator separately contracts with the CDCR to provide rehabilitative and reentry services to residents at the leased facility. We acquired the facility in a real estate—only transaction as a strategic investment that further diversifies our cash flows through rental revenue received from third-party lessees.

On September 15, 2017, we acquired a portfolio of four properties, including a 230-bed residential reentry center leased to the state of Georgia and three properties in North Carolina and Georgia leased to the General Services Administration, or GSA, an independent agency of the United States government, two of which are occupied by the SSA, and one of which is occupied by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, or IRS.

On January 19, 2018, we acquired the 261,000 square-foot Capital Commerce Center, located in Tallahassee, Florida. Capital Commerce Center is 98% leased, and 87% leased to the state of Florida on behalf of the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

On January 24, 2018, we entered into a 20-year lease agreement with the Kansas Department of Corrections, or KDOC, for a 2,432-bed correctional facility we are constructing in Lansing, Kansas. The new facility will replace the Lansing Correctional Facility, the State's largest correctional complex for adult male inmates, originally constructed in 1863. We will be responsible for facility maintenance throughout the 20-year term of the lease, at which time ownership will revert to the State. Construction of the new facility commenced in the first quarter of 2018 with a timeline for completion of approximately 24 months.

On July 17, 2018, we completed the acquisition of a portfolio of twelve properties which are 100% leased to the U.S. Federal Government through the GSA on behalf of the SSA, the Department of Homeland Security and ICE. Since this was a portfolio acquisition, we may elect to market up to three of the properties for sale.

On August 23, 2018, we acquired the 541,000 square-foot SSA-Baltimore office building. The office building was purpose built to SSA specifications in 2014 under a 20-year firm term lease expiring in January 2034, and is backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Federal Government through the GSA.

On September 21, 2018, we acquired a 217,000 square-foot, steel frame warehouse in Dayton, Ohio that was built-to-suit for the National Archives and Records Administration, or NARA, in 2002. The building is 100% leased to the GSA on behalf of NARA through January 2023 and includes two additional 10-year renewal options. The building provides 1.2 million cubic feet of storage space, approximately 90% of which is dedicated to archives of the IRS.

We currently intend to pursue attractive investment opportunities for government-leased properties, and we expect to complete additional acquisitions that we believe will diversify our cash flows, generate attractive risk-adjusted returns for our shareholders, and broaden the solutions we are able to provide to our partners.

### General and administrative expenses

For the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, general and administrative expenses totaled \$25.1 million and \$28.3 million, respectively, while general and administrative expenses totaled \$77.6 million and \$79.5 million, respectively, during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. General and administrative expenses consist primarily of corporate management salaries and benefits, professional fees, including those associated with mergers and acquisitions, or M&A, and other administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses decreased in both periods primarily as a result of lower incentive compensation compared with the prior year.

## Depreciation and amortization

For the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, depreciation and amortization expense totaled \$39.5 million and \$36.5 million, respectively, while depreciation and amortization expense totaled \$116.1 million and \$109.6 million, respectively, during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. The increase in depreciation and amortization primarily resulted from our M&A activities, particularly the various acquisitions of real estate assets under our CoreCivic Properties segment.

# Asset impairments

In the second quarter of 2018, we entered into an agreement to sell our corporate headquarters for \$12.6 million. In connection with the agreement, we wrote-down the value of the property to its net realizable value, recognizing an asset impairment charge of \$1.6 million in the second quarter of 2018. We closed on the sale during the third quarter of 2018 and used the net proceeds from the sale to pay-down a portion of the amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility.

### Interest expense, net

Interest expense is reported net of interest income and capitalized interest for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. Gross interest expense, net of capitalized interest, was \$20.8 million and \$17.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and was \$59.6 million and \$50.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Gross interest expense is based on outstanding borrowings under our revolving credit facility, our outstanding Incremental Term Loan, or Term Loan, our outstanding senior notes, and our outstanding non-recourse mortgage notes, as well as the amortization of loan costs and unused facility fees. We also incur interest expense associated with the lease of the South Texas Family Residential Center, in accordance with ASC 840-40-55, formerly Emerging Issues Task Force No. 97-10, "The Effect of Lessee Involvement in Asset Construction". Interest expense associated with the lease of this facility was \$1.4 million and \$1.6 million during the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$4.3 million and \$4.9 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The increase in gross interest expense in both periods in 2018 primarily resulted from an increase in the London Interbank Offered Rate, or LIBOR, and higher interest expense associated with the offering of \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.75% senior notes in the fourth quarter of 2017, and the new non-recourse mortgage notes issued during the first nine months of 2018, as further described hereafter.

We have benefited from relatively low interest rates on our revolving credit facility, which is largely based on LIBOR. Based on our total leverage ratio, loans under our revolving credit facility during 2017 and 2018 were at the base rate plus a margin of 0.50% or at LIBOR plus a margin of 1.50%, and a commitment fee equal to 0.35% of the unfunded balance. Interest rates under the Term Loan are the same as the interest rates under our revolving credit facility.

On January 19, 2018, we acquired the 261,000 square-foot Capital Commerce Center located in Tallahassee, Florida for a purchase price of \$44.7 million. The acquisition was partially financed with a \$24.5 million non-recourse mortgage note, or the Capital Commerce Note, which is fully-secured by the Capital Commerce Center property, with an interest rate of 4.5%, maturing in January 2033.

On April 20, 2018, CoreCivic of Kansas, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of ours, priced \$159.5 million in aggregate principal amount of non-recourse senior secured notes, or the Kansas Notes, in a private placement pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The private placement closed on June 1, 2018. We are using the proceeds of the private placement, which is drawn on quarterly funding dates beginning in the second quarter of 2018, to fund construction of the Lansing Correctional Facility, as further described hereafter, along with costs and expenses of the project. The Kansas Notes have a yield to maturity of 4.43% and are scheduled to mature in January 2040, approximately 20 years following completion of the project, which is expected to occur during the first quarter of 2020.

On August 23, 2018, we acquired the 541,000 square-foot SSA-Baltimore office building for a total purchase price of \$242.0 million. In connection with the acquisition, we assumed \$157.3 million of in-place financing that was used to fund the initial construction of the property in 2014. The assumed non-recourse mortgage note, or the SSA-Baltimore Note, carries a fixed interest rate of 4.5%, with a balloon payment of \$40.0 million due at maturity in February 2034. The SSA-Baltimore Note is fully-secured by the SSA-Baltimore property.

Gross interest income was \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$1.0 million and \$0.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Gross interest income is earned on notes receivable, investments, and cash and cash equivalents. Capitalized interest was \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively. There was no interest capitalized during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

# Income tax expense

As a REIT, we are entitled to a deduction for dividends paid, resulting in a substantial reduction in the amount of federal income tax expense we recognize. Substantially all of our income tax expense is incurred based on the earnings generated by our TRSs. Our overall effective tax rate is estimated based on the current projection of taxable income primarily generated by our TRSs. Our consolidated effective tax rate could fluctuate in the future based on changes in estimates of taxable income, the relative amounts of taxable income

generated by the TRSs and the REIT, the implementation of additional tax planning strategies, changes in federal or state tax rates or laws affecting tax credits available to us, changes in other tax laws, changes in estimates related to uncertain tax positions, or changes in state apportionment factors, as well as changes in the valuation allowance applied to our deferred tax assets that are based primarily on the amount of state net operating losses and tax credits that could expire unused.

During the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, our financial statements reflected an income tax expense of \$2.8 million and \$2.7 million, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, our financial statements reflected an income tax expense of \$7.2 million and \$8.4 million, respectively. Our effective tax rate was 5.8% during both the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. The TCJA, enacted December 22, 2017, reduces the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%, requires companies to pay a one-time transition tax on earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries that were previously tax deferred, and creates new taxes on certain foreign-sourced earnings. However, the TCJA does not change the dividends paid deduction applicable to REITs and, therefore, we generally will not be subject to federal income taxes on our REIT taxable income and gains that we distribute to our stockholders. As a result of changes in the U.S. federal corporate tax rates resulting from the TCJA, during the fourth quarter of 2017, we re-measured certain deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the rates at which they are expected to reverse in the future, which is generally 21%. In the fourth quarter of 2017, we recognized \$4.5 million, which was included as a component of income tax expense, for the revaluation of deferred tax assets and liabilities resulting in the recognition of an additional charge of \$1.0 million, which was included as a component of income tax expense.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our principal capital requirements are for working capital, stockholder distributions, capital expenditures, and debt service payments. Capital requirements may also include cash expenditures associated with our outstanding commitments and contingencies, as further discussed in the notes to our financial statements and as further described in our 2017 Form 10-K. Additionally, our capital expenditures may include M&A activities that will enable us to further expand our network of residential reentry centers, grow our portfolio of government-leased properties, and acquire other businesses that provide complementary services. We will continue to pursue opportunities to help our government partners meet their infrastructure needs, primarily through the development and redevelopment of criminal justice sector assets, but also by acquiring other real estate assets with a bias toward those used to provide mission-critical governmental services, that we believe have favorable investment returns, diversify our cash flows, and increase value to our stockholders. We will also respond to customer demand and may develop or expand correctional and detention facilities when we believe potential long-term returns justify the capital deployment.

To maintain our qualification as a REIT, we generally are required to distribute annually to our stockholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (determined without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding net capital gains). Our REIT taxable income will not typically include income earned by our TRSs except to the extent our TRSs pay dividends to the REIT. Our Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.43 for the first, second and third quarters of 2018 totaling \$51.5 million in the first quarter, \$51.5 million in the second quarter, and \$51.1 million in the third quarter. The amount, timing and frequency of future distributions will be at the sole discretion of our Board of Directors and will be declared based upon various factors, many of which are beyond our control, including our financial condition and operating cash flows, the amount required to maintain qualification and taxation as a REIT and to reduce any income and excise taxes that we otherwise would be required to pay, limitations on distributions in our existing and future debt instruments, limitations on our ability to fund distributions using cash generated through our TRSs, alternative growth opportunities that require capital deployment, and other factors that our Board of Directors may deem relevant.

As of September 30, 2018, our liquidity was provided by cash on hand of \$93.6 million, and \$587.3 million available under our revolving credit facility. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, we generated \$284.6 million and \$264.1 million, respectively, in cash through operating activities, and as of September 30, 2018, we had net working capital of \$45.0 million. We currently expect to be able to meet our cash expenditure requirements for the next year utilizing these resources. We have no debt maturities until April 2020.

Our cash flow is subject to the receipt of sufficient funding of and timely payment by contracting governmental entities. If the appropriate governmental agency does not receive sufficient appropriations to cover its contractual obligations, it may terminate our contract or delay or reduce payment to us. Delays in payment from our major customers or the termination of contracts from our major customers could have an adverse effect on our cash flow, financial condition and, consequently, dividend distributions to our shareholders.

# Debt, equity and debt refinancing transactions

As of September 30, 2018, we had \$350.0 million principal amount of unsecured notes outstanding with a fixed stated interest rate of 4.625%, \$325.0 million principal amount of unsecured notes outstanding with a fixed stated interest rate of 5.0%, and \$250.0 million principal amount of unsecured notes outstanding with a fixed stated interest rate of 5.0%, and \$250.0 million principal amount of unsecured notes outstanding with a fixed stated interest rate of 4.75%. In addition, we had \$23.7 million outstanding under the Capital Commerce Note with a fixed stated interest rate of 4.5%, \$35.4 million outstanding under the Kansas Notes with a fixed stated interest rate of 4.43%, and \$156.8 million outstanding under the SSA-Baltimore Note with a fixed stated interest rate of 4.5%. We also had \$198.8 million outstanding under our Term Loan with a variable interest rate of 3.7% at September 30, 2018, and \$189.0 million outstanding under our revolving credit facility with a variable weighted average interest rate of 3.7% at September 30, 2018. As of September 30, 2018, our total weighted average effective interest rate was 4.8%, while our total weighted average maturity was 6.0 years. We may also seek to issue debt or equity securities from time to time when we determine that market conditions and the opportunity to utilize the proceeds from the issuance of such securities are favorable.

On April 17, 2018, we entered into the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, or the New Credit Agreement, in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$1.0 billion, replacing our pre-existing \$900.0 million revolving credit facility and the associated incremental term loan, which was originally \$100.0 million. The New Credit Agreement provides for a Term Loan of \$200.0 million and a revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$800.0 million. The New Credit Agreement, among other things, extended the maturity from July 2020 to April 2023, and increased the total leverage covenant from 5.0x to 5.5x. Interest rate margins, unused facility fees, and commitment fees for letters of credit remain the same under the New Credit Agreement, except for the addition of a new interest rate margin and fee tier to accommodate the increase in the covenant for total leverage from 5.0x to 5.5x. All other terms remain substantially the same. During the second quarter of 2018, we reported charges of \$1.0 million for the write-off of a portion of the pre-existing loan costs and other costs associated with the New Credit Agreement.

On August 28, 2018, we entered into an Amended and Restated ATM Equity Offering Sales Agreement, or ATM Agreement, with multiple sales agents, pursuant to which we may offer and sell to or through the agents, from time to time, shares of our common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, having an aggregate gross sales price of up to \$200.0 million. Sales, if any, of our shares of common stock will be made primarily in "at-the-market" offerings, as defined in Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The shares of common stock will be offered and sold pursuant to our registration statement on Form S-3 and a related prospectus supplement, both filed with the SEC on August 28, 2018. We intend to use substantially all of the net proceeds from any sale of shares of our common stock to repay outstanding borrowings or for working capital and other general corporate purposes, which may include investments. There were no shares of our common stock sold under the ATM Agreement during the quarter ended September 30, 2018.

#### Facility acquisitions, development, and capital expenditures

Effective January 1, 2018, we closed on the acquisition of RMOMS which provides non-residential correctional alternatives, including electronic monitoring and case management services, to municipal, county, and state governments in eight states. The aggregate purchase price was \$7.0 million, excluding transaction-related expenses. The acquisition was financed with cash on hand and cash from our revolving credit facility.

On January 19, 2018, we acquired the 261,000 square-foot Capital Commerce Center, located in Tallahassee, Florida for a purchase price of \$44.7 million, excluding transaction-related costs and certain closing credits. The acquisition was financed with the Capital Commerce Note, cash on hand, and cash from our revolving credit facility.

On January 24, 2018, we entered into a 20-year lease agreement with the KDOC for a 2,432-bed correctional facility we are constructing in Lansing, Kansas, for a total project cost of approximately \$155.0 million to \$165.0 million. Construction of the facility is being funded with proceeds from the Kansas Notes, as previously described herein. As of September 30, 2018, we have capitalized \$31.8 million associated with the construction project. This transaction represents the first development of a privately owned, build-to-suit correctional facility to be operated by a government agency through a long-term lease agreement. We will be responsible for facility maintenance throughout the 20-year term of the lease, at which time ownership will revert to the State. Construction of the new facility commenced in the first quarter of 2018 with a timeline for completion of approximately 24 months. With the extensively aged criminal justice infrastructure in the U.S. today, we believe we can bring our flexible solutions like this to other government agencies.

On July 17, 2018, we completed the acquisition of a portfolio of twelve properties for \$12.0 million, excluding transaction-related costs, 100% leased to the U.S. Federal Government through the GSA on behalf of the SSA, the Department of Homeland Security and

ICE. Since this was a portfolio acquisition, we may elect to market up to three of the properties for sale. The acquisition was financed with cash on hand and cash from our revolving credit facility.

On August 23, 2018, we acquired a 541,000 square-foot SSA office building in Baltimore, Maryland for a total purchase price of \$242.0 million, excluding transaction-related costs and certain closing credits. The office building was purpose built to SSA specifications in 2014 under a 20-year firm term GSA lease expiring in January 2034. The acquisition was financed by the assumption of the SSA-Baltimore Note, cash on hand, and cash from our revolving credit facility.

On September 21, 2018, we acquired a 217,000 square-foot, steel frame warehouse in Dayton, Ohio for \$6.9 million, excluding transaction-related costs and certain closing credits, that was built-to-suit for the NARA in 2002. The building is 100% leased to the GSA on behalf of NARA through January 2023 and includes two additional 10-year renewal options. The building provides 1.2 million cubic feet of storage space, approximately 90% of which is dedicated to archives of the IRS. The acquisition was financed with cash on hand and cash from our revolving credit facility.

As a result of long-standing demand from the USMS and ICE, and limited detention capacity in the Southwest region of the United States, during the fourth quarter of 2018, we obtained permits necessary to expand our 1,482-bed Otay Mesa Detention Center in San Diego, California by 512 beds. The expansion is expected to be complete during the fourth quarter of 2019 at an estimated cost of approximately \$43.0 million, including \$5.8 million incurred through September 30, 2018 for architectural and related costs. Both the USMS and ICE currently utilize the Otay Mesa Detention Center under an existing contract that enables both agencies to utilize the additional capacity without any contract modifications.

Pursuant to an agreement executed in 1998, the state of Montana had an option to purchase the Crossroads Correctional Center at fair market value less the sum of a pre-determined portion of per diem payments made to us by the State, resulting in ownership of the Crossroads Correctional Center effectively reverting to the state of Montana in the short-term. During the third quarter of 2018, we entered into an agreement with the State to extend our ownership of the Crossroads Correctional Center for the estimated duration of its useful life for \$34.1 million, and extended the management contract until June 30, 2021. We believe the new agreement helps to ensure the continuation of our operations at the facility for the foreseeable future, as approximately 20% of the State's inmate populations are currently located at the Crossroads facility.

Several of our existing federal and state partners, as well as prospective state partners, are experiencing growth in offender populations and overcrowded conditions, or are considering alternative correctional capacity for their aged or inefficient infrastructure. Competing budget priorities often impede our customers' ability to construct new prison beds of their own or update older facilities, which we believe could result in further need for private sector prison capacity solutions in the long-term. Over the long-term, we would like to see meaningful utilization of our available capacity and better visibility from our customers into their potential future needs before we develop new prison capacity on a speculative basis. We will, however, respond to customer demand and may develop or expand correctional and detention facilities when we believe potential long-term returns justify the capital deployment, like the aforementioned expansion of our Otay Mesa Detention Center. We expect to continue to pursue investment opportunities in residential reentry centers and are in various stages of due diligence to complete additional acquisitions. The transactions that have not yet closed will also be subject to various customary closing conditions, and we can provide no assurance that any such transactions will ultimately be completed. We are also pursuing additional investment opportunities in other real estate assets with a bias toward those used to provide mission-critical governmental services, as well as other businesses that expand the range of solutions we provide to government partners, and expect to complete additional acquisitions that would further diversify our cash flows and generate attractive risk-adjusted returns for our shareholders. Although we may finance such acquisitions with non-recourse secured debt, we will continue to pursue acquisitions financed with a combination of cash on hand, capacity under our revolving credit facility, unsecured debt, and equity.

# **Operating Activities**

Our net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 was \$284.6 million, compared with \$264.1 million for the same period in the prior year. Cash provided by operating activities represents the year to date net income plus depreciation and amortization, changes in various components of working capital, and various non-cash charges.

## **Investing Activities**

Our cash flow used in investing activities was \$230.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and was primarily attributable to capital expenditures during the nine-month period of \$79.9 million, including expenditures for facility development and expansions of \$35.8 million and \$44.1 million for facility maintenance and information technology capital expenditures. Our cash flow used in investing activities also included \$161.1 million primarily attributable to the acquisitions of RMOMS and Capital

Commerce Center in the first quarter of 2018, and the acquisitions of a portfolio of twelve leased properties, the SSA-Baltimore office building, and the NARA property in the third quarter of 2018, all as previously described herein. Our cash flow used in investing activities was \$81.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and was primarily attributable to capital expenditures during the nine-month period of \$51.7 million, including expenditures for facility development and expansions of \$16.5 million and \$35.2 million for facility maintenance and information technology capital expenditures. Our cash flow used in investing activities also included \$29.2 million attributable to the acquisitions of two residential reentry centers in the first quarter of 2017, the acquisition of Center Point in the second quarter of 2017, and the acquisitions of NBTC and a portfolio of four leased properties in the third quarter of 2017.

# **Financing Activities**

Cash flow used in financing activities was \$1.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and was primarily attributable to dividend payments of \$153.0 million and \$2.5 million for the purchase and retirement of common stock that was issued in connection with equity-based compensation. In addition, cash flow used in financing activities included \$5.0 million of scheduled principal repayments under our Term Loan and non-recourse mortgage notes and \$6.0 million of payments of debt issuance and other refinancing and related costs. These payments were partially offset by \$167.4 million of net proceeds from the issuance of debt and principal repayments under our revolving credit facility and the proceeds from the issuances of the Capital Commerce Note and the Kansas Notes.

Cash flow used in financing activities was \$177.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and was primarily attributable to dividend payments of \$150.7 million and \$5.8 million for the purchase and retirement of common stock that was issued in connection with equity-based compensation. In addition, cash flow used in financing activities included \$18.0 million of net repayments under our revolving credit facility and \$7.5 million of scheduled principal repayments under our Term Loan. These payments were partially offset by the receipt of \$6.5 million associated with the exercise of outstanding stock options.

## **Funds from Operations**

Funds From Operations, or FFO, is a widely accepted supplemental non-GAAP measure utilized to evaluate the operating performance of real estate companies. The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT, defines FFO as net income computed in accordance with GAAP, excluding gains or losses from sales of property and extraordinary items, plus depreciation and amortization of real estate and impairment of depreciable real estate and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures calculated to reflect funds from operations on the same basis. We believe FFO is an important supplemental measure of our operating performance and believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of REITs, many of which present FFO when reporting results.

We also present Normalized FFO as an additional supplemental measure as we believe it is more reflective of our core operating performance. We may make adjustments to FFO from time to time for certain other income and expenses that we consider non-recurring, infrequent or unusual, even though such items may require cash settlement, because such items do not reflect a necessary component of our ongoing operations. Even though expenses associated with M&A may be recurring, the magnitude and timing fluctuate based on the timing and scope of M&A activity, and therefore, such expenses, which are not a necessary component of our ongoing operations, may not be comparable from period to period. Normalized FFO excludes the effects of such items.

FFO and Normalized FFO are supplemental non-GAAP financial measures of real estate companies' operating performances, which do not represent cash generated from operating activities in accordance with GAAP and therefore should not be considered an alternative for net income or as a measure of liquidity. Our method of calculating FFO and Normalized FFO may be different from methods used by other REITs and, accordingly, may not be comparable to such other REITs.

Our reconciliation of net income to FFO and Normalized FFO for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 is as follows (in thousands):

		For the Three Months Ende September 30,			
FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS:	2018			2017	
Net income	\$	40,994	\$	41,178	
Depreciation and amortization of real estate assets		25,460		23,762	
Impairment of real estate assets		_		355	
Funds From Operations		66,454		65,295	
Charges associated with adoption of tax reform		1,024		_	
Expenses associated with mergers and acquisitions		994		1,093	
Normalized Funds From Operations	\$	68,472	\$	66,388	

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS:	2018			2017
Net income	\$	117,968	\$	136,700
Depreciation and amortization of real estate assets		74,789		71,417
Impairment of real estate assets		1,580		355
Funds From Operations		194,337		208,472
Expenses associated with debt refinancing transactions		1,016		_
Charges associated with adoption of tax reform		1,024		_
Expenses associated with mergers and acquisitions		2,333		1,524
Goodwill and other impairments		_		259
Normalized Funds From Operations	\$	198,710	\$	210,255

# **Contractual Obligations**

The following schedule summarizes our contractual cash obligations for the applicable indicated period as of September 30, 2018 (in thousands):

	Payments Due By Year Ended December 31,												
		2018 (remainder)		2019		2020		2021		2022	Thereafter	Total	
Long-term debt	\$	2,857	\$	14,121	\$	343,849	\$	20,337	\$	274,231	\$ 1,123,289	\$ 1,778,684	
Interest on senior and mortgage notes		29,010		61,887		54,879		47,857		47,524	117,278	358,435	
Contractual facility developments and													
other commitments		28,785		91,863		11,012		_		_	_	131,660	
South Texas Family Residential Center		12,806		50,808		50,947		36,888		_	_	151,449	
Operating leases		1,083		2,729		3,502		4,063		3,289	23,936	38,602	
Total contractual cash obligations	\$	74,541	\$	221,408	\$	464,189	\$	109,145	\$	325,044	\$ 1,264,503	\$ 2,458,830	

The cash obligations in the table above do not include future cash obligations for variable interest expense associated with our Term Loan or the balance on our outstanding revolving credit facility as projections would be based on future outstanding balances as well as future variable interest rates, and we are unable to make reliable estimates of either. The cash obligations in the table above also do not include the interest associated with the construction of the Lansing Correctional Facility as the debt was initially and partially drawn during the second quarter of 2018, and the timing and amount of the interest repayments will be based on the total amounts drawn by the date construction is complete. See Note 6 to the Company's consolidated financial statements for additional information concerning the terms of the indebtedness. The contractual facility developments included in the table above represent development projects for which we have already entered into a contract with a customer that obligates us to complete the development project. Certain of our other ongoing construction projects are not currently under contract and thus are not included as a contractual obligation above as we may generally suspend or terminate such projects without substantial penalty. With respect to the South Texas Family Residential Center, the cash obligations included in the table above reflect the full contractual obligations of the lease of the site, excluding contingent payments, even though the lease agreement provides us with the ability to terminate if ICE terminates the amended inter-governmental service agreement associated with the facility.

We had \$23.7 million of letters of credit outstanding at September 30, 2018 primarily to support our requirement to repay fees and claims under our self-insured workers' compensation plan in the event we do not repay the fees and claims due in accordance with the terms of the plan, as well as letters of credit to support our requirement to fund the timely completion of construction of the Lansing Correctional Facility and related debt service. The letters of credit are renewable annually. We did not have any draws under any outstanding letters of credit during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 or 2017.

### **INFLATION**

Many of our contracts include provisions for inflationary indexing, which mitigates an adverse impact of inflation on net income. However, a substantial increase in personnel costs, workers' compensation or food and medical expenses could have an adverse impact on our results of operations in the future to the extent that these expenses increase at a faster pace than the per diem or fixed rates we receive for our management services. We outsource our food service operations to a third party. The contract with our outsourced food service vendor contains certain protections against increases in food costs.

# SEASONALITY AND QUARTERLY RESULTS

Our business is subject to seasonal fluctuations. Because we are generally compensated for operating and managing correctional, detention, and reentry facilities at an inmate per diem rate, our financial results are impacted by the number of calendar days in a fiscal quarter. Our fiscal year follows the calendar year and therefore, our daily profits for the third and fourth quarters include two more days than the first quarter (except in leap years) and one more day than the second quarter. Further, salaries and benefits represent the most significant component of operating expenses. Significant portions of the Company's unemployment taxes are recognized during the first quarter, when base wage rates reset for unemployment tax purposes. Finally, quarterly results are affected by government funding initiatives, acquisitions, the timing of the opening of new facilities, or the commencement of new management contracts and related start-up expenses which may mitigate or exacerbate the impact of other seasonal influences. Because of these seasonality factors, results for any quarter are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be achieved for the full fiscal year.

# ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

Our primary market risk exposure is to changes in U.S. interest rates. We are exposed to market risk related to our revolving credit facility and Term Loan because the interest rates on our revolving credit facility and Term Loan are subject to fluctuations in the market. If the interest rate for our outstanding indebtedness under the revolving credit facility and Term Loan was 100 basis points higher or lower during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, our interest expense, net of amounts capitalized, would have been increased or decreased by \$0.9 million and \$2.5 million, respectively.

As of September 30, 2018, we had outstanding \$325.0 million of senior notes due 2020 with a fixed interest rate of 4.125%, \$350.0 million of senior notes due 2023 with a fixed interest rate of 5.0%, and \$250.0 million of senior notes due 2022 with a fixed interest rate of 5.0%, and \$250.0 million of senior notes due 2027 with a fixed interest rate of 4.75%. We also had \$23.7 million outstanding under the Capital Commerce Note with a fixed interest rate of 4.5%, \$35.4 million outstanding under the Kansas Notes with a fixed interest rate of 4.43%, and \$156.8 million outstanding under the SSA-Baltimore Note with a fixed interest rate of 4.5%. Because the interest rates with respect to these instruments are fixed, a hypothetical 100 basis point increase or decrease in market interest rates would not have a material impact on our financial statements.

We may, from time to time, invest our cash in a variety of short-term financial instruments. These instruments generally consist of highly liquid investments with original maturities at the date of purchase of three months or less. While these investments are subject to interest rate risk and will decline in value if market interest rates increase, a hypothetical 100 basis point increase or decrease in market interest rates would not materially affect the value of these instruments.

# ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of our senior management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Exchange Act as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. Based on that evaluation, our officers, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and information required to be disclosed in the reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

#### General

The nature of our business results in claims and litigation alleging that we are liable for damages arising from the conduct of our employees or others. In the opinion of management, other than the litigation matter discussed below, there are no pending legal proceedings that would have a material effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows. Claims and legal proceedings are, however, subject to inherent uncertainties, and unfavorable decisions and rulings could occur that could have a material adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows for the period in which such decisions and rulings occur, or future periods.

## Litigation

In a memorandum to the BOP dated August 18, 2016, the DOJ directed that, as each contract with privately operated prisons reaches the end of its term, the BOP should either decline to renew that contract or substantially reduce its scope in a manner consistent with law and the overall decline of the BOP's inmate population. In addition to the decline in the BOP's inmate population, the DOJ memorandum cites purported operational, programming, and cost efficiency factors as reasons for the DOJ directive. On February 21, 2017, the newly appointed Attorney General issued a memorandum rescinding the DOJ's prior directive stating the memorandum changed long-standing policy and practice and impaired the BOP's ability to meet the future needs of the federal correctional system.

Following the release of the August 18, 2016 DOJ memorandum, a purported securities class action lawsuit was filed against us and certain of our current and former officers in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, or the District Court, captioned *Grae v. Corrections Corporation of America et al.*, Case No. 3:16-cv-02267. The lawsuit is brought on behalf of a putative class of shareholders who purchased or acquired our securities between February 27, 2012 and August 17, 2016. In general, the lawsuit alleges that, during this timeframe, our public statements were false and/or misleading regarding the purported operational, programming, and cost efficiency factors cited in the DOJ memorandum and, as a result, our stock price was artificially inflated. The lawsuit alleges that the publication of the DOJ memorandum on August 18, 2016 revealed the alleged fraud, causing the per share price of our stock to decline, thereby causing harm to the putative class of shareholders.

On December 18, 2017, the District Court denied our motion to dismiss. The case is in fact discovery, and the parties are currently briefing class certification. We believe the lawsuit is entirely without merit and intend to vigorously defend against it. In addition, we maintain insurance, with certain self-insured retention amounts, to cover the alleged claims which may mitigate the risk such litigation would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows.

Also, see the information reported in Note 9 to the financial statements included in Part I, which information is incorporated hereunder by this reference.

# ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.

There have been no material changes in our Item 1A, "Risk Factors" as previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS.

None.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES.

None.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES.

None.

# ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION.

None.

# ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.

Exhibit <u>Number</u>	Description of Exhibits
31.1*	Certification of the Company's Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Securities and Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2*	Certification of the Company's Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Securities and Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1**	Certification of the Company's Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2**	Certification of the Company's Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS*	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase

<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith.

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# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

# CORECIVIC, INC.

Date: November 6, 2018

/s/ Damon T. Hininger

Damon T. Hininger

President and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ David M. Garfinkle

David M. Garfinkle

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Principal Accounting Officer

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#### CERTIFICATION

### I, Damon T. Hininger, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of CoreCivic, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 6, 2018

/s/ Damon T. Hininger

Damon T. Hininger

President and Chief Executive Officer

#### CERTIFICATION

### I, David M. Garfinkle, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of CoreCivic, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 6, 2018

/s/ David M. Garfinkle

David M. Garfinkle

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Principal Accounting Officer

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of CoreCivic, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending September 30, 2018 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Damon T. Hininger, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

/s/ Damon T. Hininger

Damon T. Hininger President and Chief Executive Officer November 6, 2018

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of CoreCivic, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending September 30, 2018 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, David M. Garfinkle, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

/s/ David M. Garfinkle

David M. Garfinkle

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Principal Accounting Officer

November 6, 2018