

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 6, 2025

Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

One Vanderbilt Avenue, Suite 3400
New York New York
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

814-00995
(Commission
File Number)

80-0789789
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

10017
(Zip Code)

(212) 813-4900
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock	CGBD	The Nasdaq Global Select Market
8.20% Notes due 2028	CGBDL	The Nasdaq Global Select Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02 – Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 6, 2025, Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its first quarter ended March 31, 2025 financial results and a detailed earnings presentation. Copies of the press release and the earnings presentation are attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, respectively.

The information disclosed under this Item 2.02, including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”), and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing made under the Securities Act of 1933 (the “Securities Act”) or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 7.01 – Regulation FD Disclosure.

On May 6, 2025, the Company issued a press release, included herewith as Exhibit 99.1, announcing its first quarter ended 2025 financial results and the declaration of a second quarter 2025 base dividend of \$0.40 per share payable on July 17, 2025 to stockholders of record as of June 30, 2025.

The information disclosed under this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing made under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 – Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 shall be deemed furnished herewith.

(d) Exhibits:

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Earnings press release of Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc., dated May 6, 2025.
99.2	Earnings presentation of Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc., dated May 6, 2025.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

CARLYLE SECURED LENDING, INC.
(Registrant)

Dated: May 6, 2025

By:

/s/ Thomas M. Hennigan

Name: Thomas M. Hennigan
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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SECURED LENDING

For Immediate Release
May 6, 2025

Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc. Announces Financial Results For First Quarter Ended March 31, 2025, Declares Second Quarter 2025 Dividend of \$0.40 Per Common Share

New York - Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc. (together with its consolidated subsidiaries, “we,” “us,” “our,” “CGBD” or the “Company”) (NASDAQ: CGBD) today announced its financial results for its first quarter ended March 31, 2025. Justin Plouffe, CGBD’s Chief Executive Officer, said, “Following successful completion of the merger with CSL III at the end of March, CGBD remains focused on driving stable income, consistent credit performance, and disciplined execution of our strategy. Complementing our conservative investing approach, we continue to optimize the capital structure of CGBD, increasing total commitments on our credit facility and exchanging the preferred stock for common stock in the first quarter. Despite tariff- and trade-driven uncertainty, we believe the quality of our existing portfolio positions us to deliver attractive returns in this environment while maintaining a dynamic approach to origination in response to market volatility.”

Net investment income for the first quarter of 2025 was \$0.40 per common share. Adjusted Net Investment Income Per Common Share, a Non-GAAP financial measure described below, for the first quarter of 2025 was \$0.41.

Net asset value per common share decreased by 1.0% for the first quarter to \$16.63 from \$16.80 as of December 31, 2024. The total fair value of our investments increased to \$2.2 billion as of March 31, 2025 mainly driven by the successful completion of the merger of Carlyle Secured Lending III (“CSL III”) with and into the Company.

Dividends

On April 29, 2025, the Board of Directors declared a base quarterly common dividend of \$0.40 per share. The dividend is payable on July 17, 2025 to common stockholders of record on June 30, 2025.

On March 12, 2025, the Company declared a cash dividend on the Preferred Stock for the period from January 1, 2025 to March 26, 2025 in the amount of \$0.413 per Preferred Share to the holder of record on March 26, 2025. The Preferred Stock was exchanged for common stock at net asset value per share in connection with the completion of the merger of CSL III with and into the Company, which eliminated a substantial dilutive overhang.

Conference Call

The Company will host a conference call at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, May 7, 2025 to discuss these quarterly financial results. The conference call will be available via public webcast via a link on our website and will also be available on our website soon after the call’s completion.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

On a supplemental basis, we are disclosing Adjusted Net Investment Income Per Common Share, which is calculated and presented on a basis other than in accordance with GAAP (“non-GAAP”). We use this non-GAAP financial measure internally to analyze and evaluate financial results and performance, and we believe this non-GAAP financial measure is useful to investors as an additional tool to evaluate our ongoing results and trends and to review our performance without giving effect to (i) the amortization/accretion resulting from the new cost basis of the investments acquired and accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting in accordance with ASC 805 and (ii) the purchase one-time or non-recurring investment income and expense events, including the effects on incentive fees. In addition, Company’s management uses the non-GAAP financial measure described above internally to analyze and evaluate financial results and performance and to compare its financial results with those of other business development companies that have not had similar one-time or non-recurring events. The presentation of this non-GAAP measure is not intended to be a substitute for financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP and should not be considered in isolation.

For the first quarter of 2025, the adjustment to net investment income per common share to determine Adjusted Net Investment Income Per Common Share represents the difference between GAAP amortization under the asset acquisition method of accounting in accordance with ASC 850 and management's non-GAAP measure of amortization related to assets acquired in connection with the CSL III merger on March 27, 2025, and the remaining interest in Middle Market Credit Fund II on February 11, 2025. This adjustment reflects management's view of the economic yield on the acquired assets and is consistent with our internal evaluation of performance.

There were no other one-time or non-recurring events considered as part of the non-GAAP measure for the first quarter of 2025.

Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc.

CGBD is an externally managed specialty finance company focused on lending to middle-market companies. CGBD is managed by Carlyle Global Credit Investment Management L.L.C., an SEC-registered investment adviser and a wholly owned subsidiary of The Carlyle Group Inc. Since it commenced investment operations in May 2013 through March 31, 2025, CGBD has invested approximately \$9.6 billion in aggregate principal amount of debt and equity investments prior to any subsequent exits or repayments. CGBD's investment objective is to generate current income and capital appreciation primarily through debt investments in U.S. middle market companies. CGBD has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

Web: carlylesecurabledending.com

About Carlyle

Carlyle ("Carlyle," or the "Adviser") (NASDAQ: CG) is a global investment firm with deep industry expertise that deploys private capital across three business segments: Global Private Equity, Global Credit and Global Investment Solutions. With \$441 billion of assets under management as of December 31, 2024, Carlyle's purpose is to invest wisely and create value on behalf of its investors, portfolio companies and the communities in which we live and invest. Carlyle employs more than 2,200 employees in 28 offices across four continents. Further information is available at www.carlyle.com. Follow Carlyle on X @OneCarlyle and LinkedIn at The Carlyle Group.

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Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc.
Quarterly Earnings Presentation

March 31, 2025

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This presentation (the "Presentation") has been prepared by Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc. (together with its consolidated subsidiaries, "we," "us," "our," "CGBD" or the "Company") (NASDAQ: CGBD) and may only be used for informational purposes only. This Presentation should be viewed in conjunction with the earnings conference call of the Company held on May 7, 2025 and the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2025. The information contained herein may not be used, reproduced, referenced, quoted, linked by website, or distributed to others, in whole or in part, except as agreed in writing by the Company.

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Information throughout the Presentation provided by sources other than the Company (including information relating to portfolio companies) has not been independently verified and, accordingly, the Company makes no representation or warranty in respect of this information.

The following slides contain summaries of certain financial and statistical information about the Company. The information contained in this Presentation is summary information that is intended to be considered in the context of our SEC filings and other public announcements that we may make, by press release or otherwise, from time to time. We undertake no duty or obligation to publicly update or revise the information contained in this Presentation.

CGBD is managed by Carlyle Global Credit Investment Management L.L.C. (the "Investment Adviser"), an SEC-registered investment adviser and a wholly owned subsidiary of The Carlyle Group Inc. (together with its affiliates, "Carlyle").

This Presentation contains information about the Company and certain of its affiliates and includes the Company's historical performance. You should not view information related to the past performance of the Company as indicative of the Company's future results, the achievement of which is dependent on many factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Company and the Investment Adviser and cannot be assured. There can be no assurances that future dividends will match or exceed historical rates or will be paid at all. Further, an investment in the Company is discrete from, and does not represent an interest in, any other Carlyle entity. Nothing contained herein shall be relied upon as a promise or representation whether as to the past or future performance of the Company or any other Carlyle entity.

Q1 2025 Quarterly Highlights

First Quarter Results

- Net investment income was **\$0.40 per common share**
- Adjusted net investment income⁽¹⁾ was **\$0.41 per common share** after adjusting for the effect of amortization on asset acquisition accounting
- NAV per share was **\$16.63** as of 3/31/25, compared to NAV per share of **\$16.80** as of 12/31/24
- We declared a base dividend of **\$0.40 for 2Q25**, equating to an annualized dividend yield of 9.6% on our NAV as of 03/31/25

Portfolio & Investment Activity

- As of 3/31/25, total fair value of the portfolio was **\$2.2 billion** across 138 portfolio companies with a weighted average yield of 10.9%⁽²⁾
- Net investment activity excluding the CSL III Merger and all Credit Fund activity was **\$(9.3) million** during the quarter driven by new investment fundings of **\$178.3 million** with a weighted average yield of 9.8%⁽³⁾. Total repayments and sales during the quarter were **\$187.6 million⁽³⁾** with a weighted average yield of 10.9%⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾
- As of 3/31/25, non-accrual investments represented 2.2% and 1.6% of the total portfolio based on amortized cost and fair value, respectively, compared to 1.0% and 0.6%, respectively, as of 12/31/24

Liquidity & Capital Activity

- On 3/27/25, we successfully completed the merger with CSL III, resulting in 18.9 million shares issued to CSL III shareholders and a \$485.7 million increase in the fair value of our portfolio
- In connection with the merger of CSL III, our preferred stock was exchanged for 3.0 million common shares at the closing net asset value of **\$16.64** compared to the 12/31/24 conversion price of **\$8.87**
- We entered into an equity distribution agreement to sell up to **\$150.0 million** of our shares through an at-the-market offering
- We amended the Credit Facility in March, increasing total commitments to **\$935.0 million** and extending the maturity to **March 2030**
- Statutory leverage was **1.04x** as of 3/31/25
- Total liquidity as of 3/31/25 was **\$858.5 million** in cash and undrawn debt capacity

Note: Per share amounts within this presentation apply to common shares of the Company unless otherwise noted. (1) See appendix for a description of non-GAAP measures. (2) On income producing investments at amortized cost. (3) Excludes the effect of the CSL III Merger and Credit Fund II Purchase, each as defined in the Company's Form 10-Q as well as the return of capital distribution from Credit Fund. (4) Includes sales to Investment Funds.

Quarterly Operating Results Detail

<i>(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)</i>	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025
SUMMARY INCOME STATEMENT					
Total investment income	\$ 62,007	\$ 58,264	\$ 55,965	\$ 56,354	\$ 54,864
Total expenses ⁽¹⁾	(34,433)	(32,266)	(31,956)	(32,183)	(34,061)
Net Investment Income⁽¹⁾	\$ 27,574	\$ 25,998	\$ 24,009	\$ 24,171	\$ 20,803
Acceleration of debt issuance costs, net of incentive fee impact	—	—	1,011	—	—
Amortization of premium/discount on acquired assets	—	—	—	—	321
Adjusted Net Investment Income⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$ 27,574	\$ 25,998	\$ 25,020	\$ 24,171	\$ 21,124
Net realized and change in unrealized gains (losses)	815	(8,127)	(5,273)	(3,689)	(7,575)
Net Income (Loss)⁽¹⁾	\$ 28,389	\$ 17,871	\$ 18,736	\$ 20,482	\$ 13,228
Acceleration of debt issuance costs, net of incentive fee impact	—	—	1,011	—	—
Amortization of premium/discount on acquired assets	—	—	—	—	321
Reversal of unrealized appreciation from the amortization of premium/discount on acquired assets	—	—	—	—	(321)
Adjusted Net Income⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$ 28,389	\$ 17,871	\$ 19,747	\$ 20,482	\$ 13,228
SUMMARY PER SHARE METRICS					
Net Investment Income per Common Share⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.40
Acceleration of debt issuance costs, net of incentive fee impact	—	—	0.02	—	—
Amortization of premium/discount on acquired assets	—	—	—	—	0.01
Adjusted Net Investment Income per Common Share⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.41
Net Income (Loss) per Common Share⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.25
Acceleration of debt issuance costs, net of incentive fee impact	—	—	0.02	—	—
Amortization of premium/discount on acquired assets	—	—	—	—	0.01
Reversal of unrealized appreciation from the amortization of premium/discount on acquired assets	—	—	—	—	(0.01)
Adjusted Net Income per Common Share⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.25
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding	50,795	50,795	50,839	50,896	51,923

Please refer to the Company's Form 10-Q and Form 10-K for more information.

(1) Inclusive of the preferred stock dividend. (2) See appendix for a description of non-GAAP measures.

Quarterly Financial Condition Detail

<i>(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)</i>	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025
SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET					
Total investments, at fair value	\$ 1,784,893	\$ 1,726,050	\$ 1,709,537	\$ 1,803,543	\$ 2,245,626
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	69,921	92,222	68,669	56,575	250,883
Other assets	40,257	48,358	38,721	65,875	37,299
Total Assets	\$ 1,895,071	\$ 1,866,876	\$ 1,816,927	\$ 1,925,993	\$ 2,533,808
Debt and secured borrowings ⁽¹⁾	930,182	906,088	848,508	960,949	1,247,186
Accrued expenses and liabilities	48,069	49,971	61,815	59,840	74,233
Preferred stock	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	—
Total Liabilities and Preferred Stock	\$ 1,028,251	\$ 1,006,059	\$ 960,323	\$ 1,070,789	\$ 1,321,419
Net Assets	\$ 916,820	\$ 910,817	\$ 906,604	\$ 905,204	\$ 1,212,389
Preferred stock	(50,000)	(50,000)	(50,000)	(50,000)	—
Net Assets less preferred stock	\$ 866,820	\$ 860,817	\$ 856,604	\$ 855,204	\$ 1,212,389
Common shares outstanding at end of period	50,795	50,795	50,848	50,906	72,903
Net Asset Value available to Common	\$ 17.07	\$ 16.95	\$ 16.85	\$ 16.80	\$ 16.63
LEVERAGE					
Statutory Debt to Equity⁽²⁾	1.14x	1.12x	1.05x	1.20x	1.04x
TOTAL INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO BY ASSET TYPE ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾					
First lien debt	70.9%	70.9%	72.2%	73.4%	83.4%
Second lien debt	9.3%	8.5%	7.1%	6.4%	5.8%
Equity	5.9%	6.2%	6.4%	6.5%	5.4%
Investment funds	13.9%	14.4%	14.3%	13.7%	5.4%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Investment funds - First lien debt held	98.4%	98.7%	98.7%	98.6%	99.9%
Senior secured exposure ⁽⁵⁾	94.8%	94.0%	93.7%	93.5%	94.4%

Please refer to the Company's Form 10-Q and Form 10-K for more information.

(1) Inclusive of deferred financing costs and the effective interest rate swap hedge. (2) Reflects cumulative convertible preferred securities as debt. These securities are considered "senior securities" for the purposes of calculating asset coverage pursuant to the Investment Company Act. (3) At quarter end. (4) As a percentage of fair value. (5) Represents CGBD's exposure to the respective underlying portfolio companies, including CGBD's proportionate share of the portfolio companies held in Credit Fund and Credit Fund II, prior to February 2025.

Origination Activity Detail

<i>(Dollar amounts in thousands and based on par)</i>	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025
NEW INVESTMENT FUNDINGS BY ASSET TYPE⁽¹⁾					
First lien debt	\$ 71,581	\$ 77,431	\$ 140,202	\$ 179,855	\$ 173,719
Second lien debt	406	5,915	847	2,152	988
Equity ⁽²⁾	22,892	1,445	2,364	3,957	3,598
CSL III Merger	—	—	—	—	487,879
Credit Fund II Purchase	—	—	—	—	198,824
Total	\$ 94,879	\$ 84,791	\$ 143,413	\$ 185,964	\$ 865,008
Weighted Average Yield at Amortized Cost⁽³⁾	12.5%	12.7%	10.7%	10.6%	9.8%
SALES & REPAYMENTS BY ASSET TYPE⁽¹⁾					
First lien debt	\$ (126,240)	\$ (98,369)	\$ (128,034)	\$ (61,910)	\$ (171,891)
Second lien debt	(25,146)	(21,454)	(25,091)	—	(9,341)
Equity ⁽²⁾	(8,196)	(6,610)	(2,407)	(1,522)	(6,415)
Total	\$ (159,582)	\$ (126,433)	\$ (155,532)	\$ (63,432)	\$ (187,647)
Weighted Average Yield at Amortized Cost⁽⁴⁾	13.7%	12.7%	12.4%	11.2%	10.9%
Net Investment Activity	\$ (64,703)	\$ (41,642)	\$ (12,119)	\$ 122,532	\$ 677,361
Net Investment Activity Excluding CSL III Merger and Credit Fund Activity	\$ (64,703)	\$ (41,642)	\$ (12,119)	\$ 122,532	\$ (9,342)
PURCHASES AND SALES WITH INVESTMENT FUNDS					
Purchases from Investment Funds	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Sales to Investment Funds	(13,863)	(9,500)	(15,650)	(25,310)	(89,348)
Credit Fund Return of Capital	—	—	—	—	(62,500)
Net Investment Fund Activity	\$ (13,863)	\$ (9,500)	\$ (15,650)	\$ (25,310)	\$ (151,848)
Weighted Average Yield on Debt Investments at Amortized Cost⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾	12.7%	12.6%	11.9%	11.2%	10.8%
Weighted Average Yield on Income Producing Investments at Amortized Cost⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾	12.6%	12.7%	11.9%	11.7%	10.9%

Please refer to the Company's Form 10-Q and Form 10-K for more information. No assurance is given that the Company will continue to achieve comparable results.

(1) Excludes activity between the Company and the Investment Funds with the exception of the investments assumed as part of the Credit Fund II Purchase. (2) Based on cost/proceeds of equity activity. (3) Excludes the effect of the CSL III Merger and Credit Fund II Purchase. (4) Includes sales to Investment Funds. (5) Weighted average yields represent yields of the Company and exclude investments on non-accrual status. Weighted average yields of income producing investments include Middle Market Credit Fund ("Credit Fund") and, prior to Q1 2025, Middle Market Credit Fund II ("Credit Fund II") and with Credit Fund, the "Investment Funds", as well as income producing equity investments. (6) At period end.

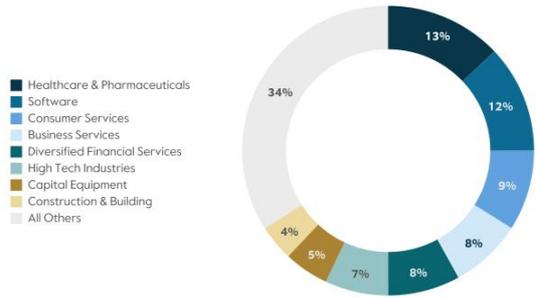
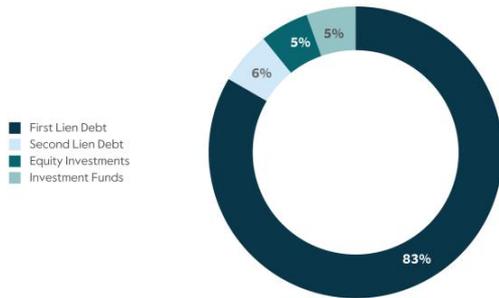
Portfolio Highlights

Total investments at fair value (\$mm)	\$2,246
Weighted Average Yield on Income Producing Investments at Amortized Cost ⁽¹⁾	10.9%
Number of investments	195
Number of portfolio companies	138
Average exposure by portfolio company ⁽²⁾	0.7%
Non-accrual investments ⁽²⁾	1.6%

Floating Rate 99.4%	Senior Secured Exposure ⁽³⁾ 94%
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Company EBITDA ⁽⁴⁾ (Median) \$87mm	Sponsored 93%
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Key Statistics Asset Mix⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾ Portfolio Industry Exposure⁽²⁾⁽³⁾



Note: Information presented is as of March 31, 2025. (1) Weighted average yields exclude investments placed on non-accrual status. Weighted average yields of income producing investments include Credit Fund, as well as income producing equity investments. (2) As a percentage of fair value. (3) Represents CGBD's exposure to the respective underlying portfolio companies, including CGBD's proportionate share of the portfolio companies held in the Credit Fund. (4) Excludes equity positions, loans on non-accrual, unfunded commitments, and certain asset-backed, asset-based, and recurring revenue loans.

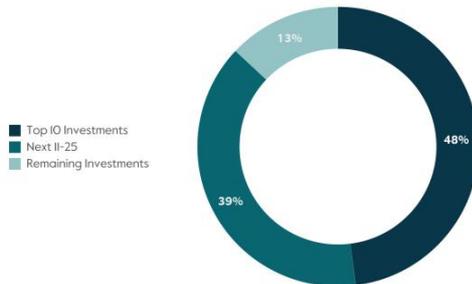
Overview of Investment Funds

- In Q1 2025, we completed a consolidation of the third party membership interest in Credit Fund II for cash and now own 100% of the entity and consolidate it into the Company's financial statements
- Credit Fund declared a \$62.5 million return of capital distribution to each partner in Q1 2025, in connection with the refinancing of its debt facility

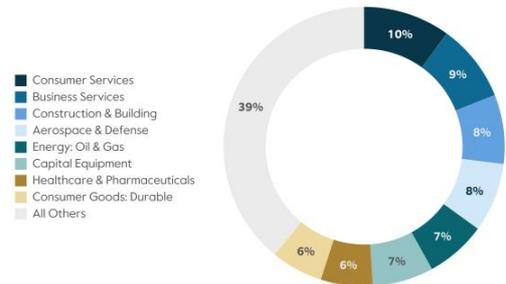
Key Statistics – Credit Fund	
CGBD Investment at cost (\$mm)	\$131
CGBD ownership	50.0 %
% of CGBD Portfolio	5.4 %
Leverage	2.06x
Effective cost of debt	SOFR + 1.60%
Annualized dividend yield to CGBD	11.7 %

Portfolio Statistics – Credit Fund	
Investments, at fair value (\$mm)	\$611
Portfolio companies	35
Floating rate	100.0%
First lien	99.9%
Yield of debt investments at cost ⁽¹⁾	10.2%
Non-accrual	0.9%

Diversification by Borrower



Diversification by Industry



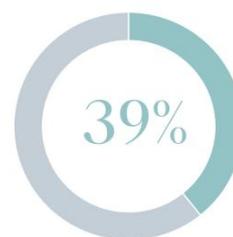
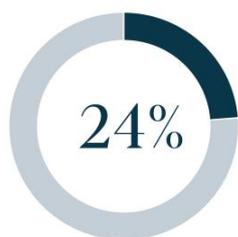
Note: Information presented is as of March 31, 2025 (1) Weighted average yields at cost of the debt investments include the effect of accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums and are based on interest rates as of period end. Weighted average yields exclude investments placed on non-accrual status. Actual yields earned over the life of each investment could differ materially from the yields presented above.

Funding and Capital Management Overview

- In Q1 2025, we amended the Credit Facility to increase total commitments by \$145M to \$935M and extended the maturity date to March 2030

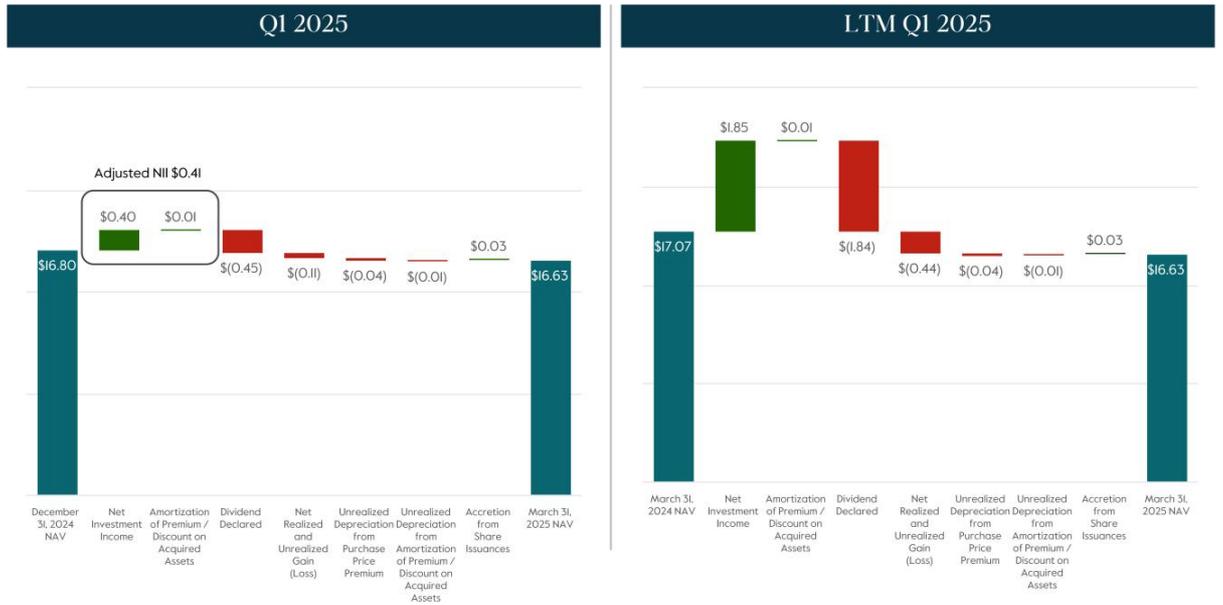
Overview of Balance Sheet Financing Facilities				
As of March 31, 2025	Commitment	Outstanding	Maturity Date	Pricing ⁽¹⁾
Credit Facility	\$935	\$288	3/12/2030 ⁽²⁾	SOFR + 1.88%
CSL III SPV Credit Facility	\$250	\$206	9/30/2030	SOFR + 2.85%
CLO 2015-IN ⁽³⁾	\$380	\$380	7/1/2036	SOFR + 1.94%
2028 Senior Notes	\$85	\$85	12/01/2028	SOFR + 3.14% ⁽⁴⁾
2030 Senior Notes	\$300	\$300	2/18/2030	SOFR + 3.23% ⁽⁵⁾
Total / Weighted Average⁽⁶⁾	\$1,950	\$1,259	6.8 years	6.50%

% of Utilized Balance Sheet Leverage Fixed ⁽⁷⁾	% of Committed Balance Sheet Leverage Available	% of Utilized Balance Sheet Leverage With Mark-To-Market ⁽⁸⁾
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(1) SOFR borrowings are subject to an additional spread adjustment. (2) \$135,000 of the \$935,000 in commitments will mature on May 25, 2027. (3) Amounts exclude \$30 million of Class C-R Notes retained by the Company. (4) Represents the floating interest rate paid by the Company as part of the interest rate swap agreement. The interest rate of the 2028 senior notes is 8.20%. (5) Represents the floating interest rate paid by the Company as part of the interest rate swap agreement, commencing on the effective date of August 18, 2025. The interest rate of the 2030 senior notes is 6.25%. For purposes of the calculation, the fixed rate of 6.75% was used. (6) Weighted average maturity and pricing amounts are calculated based on amount outstanding. (7) Senior notes with interest rate swap agreements in effect are considered floating rate for purposes of this calculation. (8) Represents the Credit Facility and CSL III SPV Credit Facility.

Net Asset Value Per Share Bridge



Note: The net asset value per share and dividends declared per share are based on the shares outstanding at each respective quarter-end. Net investment income per share and net change in realized and unrealized gain (loss) per share are based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding for the period. Net investment income is also net of the preferred dividend. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

Risk Rating Distribution

- As of March 31, 2025, four borrowers were on non-accrual status, representing 1.6% of total investments at fair value and 2.2% at amortized cost, compared to 0.6% and 1.0%, respectively, in the prior period

PORTFOLIO RISK RATINGS				
Internal Risk Rating	December 31, 2024		March 31, 2025	
	Fair Value	% of Fair Value	Fair Value	% of Fair Value
1	\$380	0.0%	\$379	0.0%
2	1,258,072	87.4%	1,796,289	89.7%
3	172,840	12.0%	170,951	8.5%
4	7,756	0.5%	35,101	1.8%
5	1,116	0.1%	—	—%
Total	\$1,440,164	100.0%	\$2,002,720	100.0%

RATING	DEFINITION
1	Borrower is operating above expectations, and the trends and risk factors are generally favorable.
2	Borrower is operating generally as expected or at an acceptable level of performance. The level of risk to our initial cost basis is similar to the risk to our initial cost basis at the time of origination. This is the initial risk rating assigned to all new borrowers.
3	Borrower is operating below expectations and level of risk to our cost basis has increased since the time of origination. The borrower may be out of compliance with debt covenants. Payments are generally current although there may be higher risk of payment default.
4	Borrower is operating materially below expectations and the loan's risk has increased materially since origination. In addition to the borrower being generally out of compliance with debt covenants, loan payments may be past due, but generally not by more than 120 days. It is anticipated that we may not recoup our initial cost basis and may realize a loss of our initial cost basis upon exit.
5	Borrower is operating substantially below expectations and the loan's risk has increased substantially since origination. Most or all of the debt covenants are out of compliance and payments are substantially delinquent. It is anticipated that we will not recoup our initial cost basis and may realize a substantial loss of our initial cost basis upon exit.

Stock and Dividend Information

Annualized dividend coverage has continued to equal or exceed 100%, resulting in \$0.85 per share of spillover income⁽¹⁾

Ticker	Exchange	Market Cap ⁽²⁾	Annualized Dividend Yield	Base Dividend Coverage	ITD Repurchases ⁽³⁾
CGBD	NASDAQ	\$1,038M	9.6%	100%	\$158M

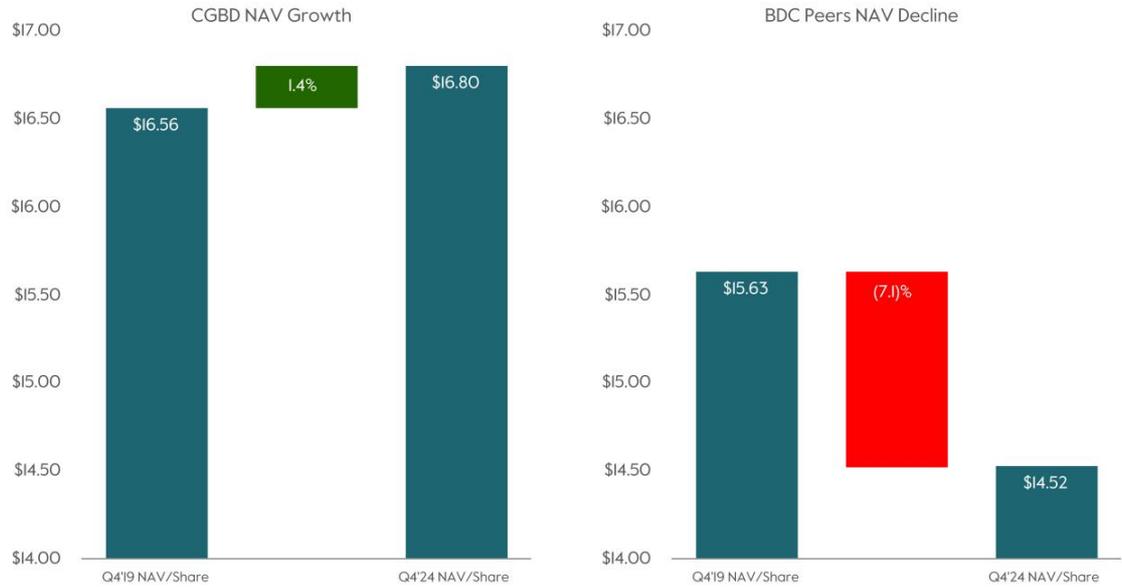
Historical Dividend Data



Note: Historical dividend data for dividends declared prior to the period shown are available on the Company's website at carlylesecuredlending.com. There can be no assurance that the Company will continue to achieve comparable results. (1) Spillover income does not include any taxable income adjustments for the current year (2) As of May 5, 2025 (3) Represents shares repurchase as part of the Company's Stock Repurchase Program, which was originally approved on November 5, 2018 and continues through November 5, 2025.

Historical Net Asset Value Information

CGBD NAV per share has increased over the past 5 years while BDC peers experienced an average decline of 7.1%



Past performance is not indicative of future results. For illustrative purposes only. There is no assurance that market trends will continue.
BDC Peers include all externally managed, publicly traded BDCs with market capitalizations over \$750 million with pre-COVID IPO dates and excludes BDCs with material merger-related NAV adjustments. Information is sourced from public filings.

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Appendix

Carlyle Firm Overview¹

Firm Overview		Global Credit	\$192 bn AUM ³ 190+ Investment professionals ⁴
Founded:	1987	Global Private Equity	\$164 bn AUM 425+ Investment professionals
AUM:	\$441 bn	Global Investment Solutions	\$85 bn AUM 100+ Investment professionals
Employees:	2,300+		
Investment Professionals:	725+ ²		
Offices / Countries:	29 / 17		
The Carlyle Edge		Global Investment Platform	
✓ Reach:	"One Carlyle" Global Network		
✓ Expertise:	Deep Industry Knowledge		
✓ Impact:	Executive Operations Group		
✓ Data:	Portfolio Intelligence		

Note: AUM numbers may not sum to total due to rounding. Certain communications between Carlyle Global Credit and investment professionals in other business segments may be restricted in accordance with Carlyle's information barrier policy. Past performance is not indicative of future results and there can be no assurance that any trends will continue.

(1) Firm data as of December 31, 2024 (2) Total includes Investment Professionals in the Executive Group (3) Carlyle Global Credit AUM includes \$77 billion of insurance related assets (4) Includes 11 professionals in the Carlyle Global Credit Capital Markets group

Carlyle Global Credit Platform

CARLYLE GLOBAL CREDIT – \$192BN AUM ¹							
LIQUID CREDIT AUM: \$50.0 billion		PRIVATE CREDIT AUM: \$30.4 billion		REAL ASSETS CREDIT AUM: \$19.4 billion		ASSET-BACKED FINANCE AUM: \$7.6 billion	
CLO MANAGEMENT	Carlyle managed CLOs (broadly syndicated senior secured bank loans)	DIRECT LENDING	Directly originated loans, primarily first lien and financial sponsor-backed	AVIATION FINANCE	Commercial aircraft leasing / servicing and securitization of aircraft portfolios	IG DEBT	Directly originated, privately structured asset-backed solutions, focused on acquiring or lending against diversified pools of collateral with contractual cash flows
CLO INVESTMENT	Equity and debt CLO tranches	OPPORTUNISTIC CREDIT	Directly originated private capital solutions primarily for non-sponsored companies	INFRASTRUCTURE CREDIT	Credit investments in U.S. and international infrastructure assets	NON-IG DEBT	
LOANS & REVOLVING CREDIT	Senior secured revolving credit facilities of non-IG issuers	HYBRID CAPITAL	Flexible mandate across credit-oriented solutions, structured equity, and stressed / dislocated investments	REAL ESTATE CREDIT	Lending to global real estate projects	RESIDUAL / EQUITY	
PLATFORM INITIATIVES AUM: \$85.0 billion ¹							
CARLYLE TACTICAL CREDIT FUND		CROSS-PLATFORM SMAs			ADVISORY CAPITAL		
Closed-end Interval fund investing dynamically across Carlyle's entire credit platform		Tailored separate accounts investing across the credit platform			Credit assets sub-advised for insurance platform		

Source: The Carlyle Group. As of December 31, 2024 unless otherwise stated. 1) Carlyle Global Credit and Platform Initiatives AUM includes \$76.9 billion of insurance related assets. Past performance is not indicative of future results and there can be no assurance that any trends will continue.

Carlyle Direct Lending Investment Philosophy & Overview

Carlyle Direct Lending seeks to operate in the middle market, utilizing an integrated platform sourcing approach

- 1** Focus on **performing, non-cyclical companies** with EBITDA of \$25mn or greater, primarily backed by high-quality financial sponsors
- 2** Employ a rigorous and consistent **investment process** informed by the capability of the entire **Carlyle platform**
- 3** Target a defensive approach to lending via **disciplined underwriting**
- 4** Seek to deliver **sustainable current cash income** from predominantly **first lien, secured, floating rate** instruments

Note: Comments made here are based on Carlyle's subjective views. Past performance is not indicative of future results. There can be no assurance that a fund will be able to achieve comparable results, implement its investment strategy or achieve its investment objective. No assurance is given that any trends will continue, that forecasts will ultimately materialize, or that investment opportunities will be available.

Non-GAAP Measures

On a supplemental basis, we are disclosing Adjusted Net Investment Income, Adjusted Net Investment Income Per Common Share, Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Net Income Per Common Share each of which is calculated and presented on a basis other than in accordance with GAAP ("non-GAAP"). We use these non-GAAP financial measures internally to analyze and evaluate financial results and performance, and we believe these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors as an additional tool to evaluate our ongoing results and trends and to review our performance without giving effect to (i) the amortization/accretion resulting from the new cost basis of the investments acquired and accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting in accordance with ASC 805 and (ii) the purchase one-time or non-recurring investment income and expense events, including the effects on incentive fees. In addition, Company's management uses the non-GAAP financial measure described above internally to analyze and evaluate financial results and performance and to compare its financial results with those of other business development companies that have not had similar one-time or non-recurring events. The presentation of these non-GAAP measures is not intended to be a substitute for financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP and should not be considered in isolation.

For the first quarter of 2025, the adjustment to Adjusted Net Investment Income Per Common Share Represents the difference between GAAP amortization under the asset acquisition method of accounting in accordance with ASC 850 and management's non-GAAP measure of amortization related to assets acquired in connection with the CSL III Merger on March 27, 2025, and the Credit Fund II Purchase on February 11, 2025. This adjustment reflects management's view of the economic yield on the acquired assets and is consistent with the internal evaluation of performance.

The following details the additional one-time or non-recurring events considered as part of the non-GAAP measures:

- On July 2, 2024, Carlyle Direct Lending CLO 2015-1R LLC, a wholly-owned and consolidated subsidiary of the Company, completed the refinancing of its outstanding notes by redeeming the notes in full and issuing new notes and loans (the "2015-1R CLO Reset"). Refer to Note 8, Borrowings, in the Company's Form 10-K for the Annual Period ended December 31, 2024 for more information on the refinancing. In connection with the refinancing, the debt issuance costs were accelerated in accordance with GAAP.

Quarterly Balance Sheet Detail

<i>(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)</i>	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025
ASSETS					
Investments—non-controlled/non-affiliated, at fair value	\$ 1,472,096	\$ 1,411,590	\$ 1,397,946	\$ 1,485,049	\$ 2,050,323
Investments—non-controlled/affiliated, at fair value	64,199	66,492	67,619	71,861	73,912
Investments—controlled/affiliated, at fair value	248,598	247,968	243,972	246,633	121,391
Total Investments, at Fair Value	1,784,893	1,726,050	1,709,537	1,803,543	2,245,626
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	69,921	92,222	68,669	56,575	250,883
Receivable for investments sold/repaid	66	9,644	1,156	25,407	644
Interest and dividend receivable	33,940	32,371	30,526	32,436	25,154
Derivative assets, at fair value ⁽¹⁾	35	—	1,068	1,863	306
Prepaid expenses and other assets	6,216	6,589	5,971	6,169	11,195
Total Assets	\$ 1,895,071	\$ 1,866,876	\$ 1,816,927	\$ 1,925,993	\$ 2,533,808
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS					
Debt and secured borrowings	\$ 930,182	\$ 906,088	\$ 848,508	\$ 960,949	\$ 1,247,186
Payable for investments purchased	—	—	11,694	1,353	16,395
Interest and credit facility fees payable	8,025	10,027	8,507	10,853	12,061
Dividend payable	24,353	23,845	23,898	22,908	22,931
Base management and incentive fees payable	12,755	12,201	11,693	11,908	13,405
Administrative service fees payable	2,752	740	830	885	986
Derivative liabilities, at fair value ⁽¹⁾	—	246	—	6,875	3,502
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	184	2,912	5,193	5,058	4,953
Total Liabilities	978,251	956,059	910,323	1,020,789	1,321,419
Preferred Stock	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	—
Total Liabilities and Preferred Stock	1,028,251	1,006,059	960,323	1,070,789	1,321,419
Net Assets	866,820	860,817	856,604	855,204	1,212,389
Net Asset Value Per Common Share	\$ 17.07	\$ 16.95	\$ 16.85	\$ 16.80	\$ 16.63

Please refer to the Company's Form 10-Q and Form 10-K for more information.

(1) Effective December 31, 2024, the Company separately disclosed the fair value of derivatives. Prior periods were conformed to the current presentation.

Quarterly Income Statement Detail

<i>(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)</i>	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025
INVESTMENT INCOME					
Interest income ⁽¹⁾	\$ 51,949	\$ 48,710	\$ 46,650	\$ 45,697	\$ 47,359
Dividend income from credit funds	8,276	8,781	8,276	9,572	6,554
Other income	1,782	773	1,039	1,085	951
Total Investment Income	\$ 62,007	\$ 58,264	\$ 55,965	\$ 56,354	\$ 54,864
EXPENSES					
Management fees	\$ 6,888	\$ 6,677	\$ 6,590	\$ 6,753	\$ 7,609
Incentive fees	5,867	5,524	5,101	5,155	4,400
Interest expense and credit facility fees	17,863	16,616	16,882	17,124	18,603
Other expenses	2,110	1,597	1,758	2,094	1,947
Excise tax expense	830	977	750	182	676
Net Expenses	\$ 33,558	\$ 31,391	\$ 31,081	\$ 31,308	\$ 33,235
Preferred stock dividend	875	875	875	875	826
Net Investment Income⁽²⁾	\$ 27,574	\$ 25,998	\$ 24,009	\$ 24,171	\$ 20,803
Net realized and change in unrealized gains (losses)	815	(8,127)	(5,273)	(3,689)	(7,575)
Net Income (Loss)⁽²⁾	\$ 28,389	\$ 17,871	\$ 18,736	\$ 20,482	\$ 13,228
Net Investment Income per Common Share	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.40
Net Income (Loss) per Common Share	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.25

Note: There can be no assurance that we will continue to earn income at this rate and our income may decline. If our income declines, we may reduce the dividend we pay and the yield you earn may decline. Refer to the Company's Form 10-Q and Form 10-K for additional details.

(1) Inclusive of payment-in-kind interest income. (2) Presented net of the preferred stock dividend for the period.

