# Q4 2024 EARNINGS





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In addition, we use several non-GAAP financial measures when presenting our financial results in this presentation. Please refer to the reconciliations between our U.S. GAAP and non-GAAP financial measures in the appendix to this presentation and on our website at www.trueblue.com under the Investor Relations section for additional information on both current and historical periods. The presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures is used to enhance the understanding of certain aspects of our financial performance. It is not meant to be considered in isolation, superior to, or as a substitute for the directly comparable financial measures prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Any comparisons made herein to other periods are based on a comparison to the same period in the prior year unless otherwise stated.

#### Q4 2024 Overview

#### **Total revenue down 22%**

- Prior year period included an extra 14th week Revenue down 16% on a comparable basis
- Uncertainty and caution continued to weigh on customers, driving reduced volumes with the exception of commercial driving services which delivered double-digit growth for the second consecutive quarter

#### Net loss was \$12 million vs. net loss of \$3 million in Q4 2023

- Gross margin expanded 50 basis points primarily due to favorable workers' compensation reserve adjustments
- SG&A improved by 18% Disciplined cost management partially offset revenue decline
- Adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup> increased to \$9 million v. \$5 million in Q4 2023

#### **Strong liquidity position**

Cash of \$23 million, debt of \$8 million and \$119 million of borrowing availability

## **Financial summary**

Amounts in millions, except per share data	Q4 2024	Change	FY 2024	Change
Revenue	\$386	-22% -16% comparable <sup>1</sup>	\$1,567	-18% -17% comparable
Net loss	-\$11.7	NM	-\$125.7	NM
Net loss per diluted share	-\$0.40	NM	-\$4.17	NM
Net loss margin	-3.0%	-3 pp	-8.0%	-7 pp
Adjusted net loss <sup>2</sup>	-\$0.7	NM	-\$13.9	NM
Adj. net loss per diluted share	-\$0.02	NM	-\$0.46	NM
Adj. net loss margin	-0.2%	-1 pp	-0.9%	-1 pp
Adjusted EBITDA	\$8.9	+73%	\$11.2	-61%
Adjusted EBITDA margin	2.3%	+1 pp	0.7%	-1 pp

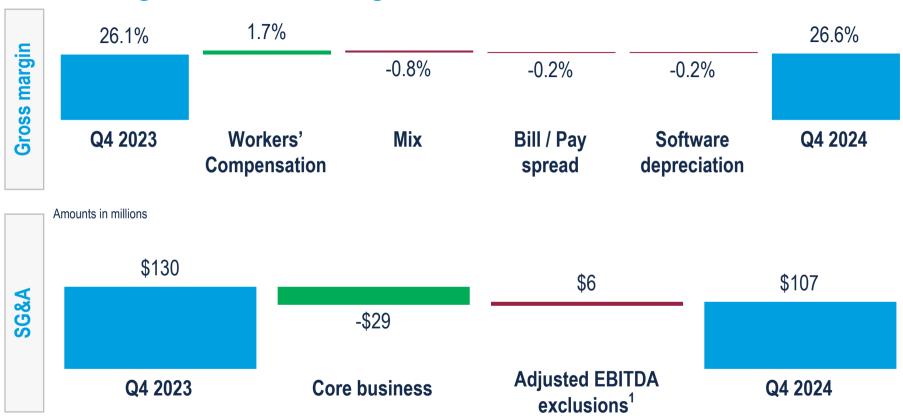
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Refer to the appendix to this presentation for a definition and full reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures to GAAP financial results.

## **Gross margin and SG&A bridges**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Represents the year-over-year change in Adjusted EBITDA exclusions impacting SG&A. Refer to the adjusted EBITDA reconciliation in the appendix to this presentation for more information.

## Q4 2024 Results by segment

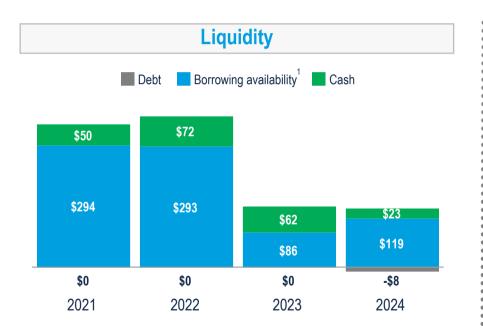
Amounts in millions	PeopleReady	PeopleScout	PeopleManagement
Revenue	\$208	\$33	\$146
% Change	-27%	-31%	-9%
Segment profit <sup>1</sup>	\$7	\$1	\$6
% Change	-7%	-55%	+105%
% Margin Change	3.6% +80 bps	<b>4.0%</b> -220 bps	3.9% +220 bps
Notes:	<ul> <li>Revenue:         <ul> <li>-21% on a comparable basis²</li> <li>Softness across most verticals and geographies</li> </ul> </li> <li>Segment profit margin:         <ul> <li>Expansion due to favorable workers' compensation reserve adjustments partially offset by lower operating leverage as revenue declined</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Revenue:         <ul> <li>-30% on a comparable basis</li> </ul> </li> <li>Reduced client hiring volumes due to uncertainty around workforce needs</li> <li>Segment profit margin:         <ul> <li>Contraction due to lower operating leverage as revenue declined</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Revenue:         <ul> <li>-2% on a comparable basis</li> </ul> </li> <li>Lower on-site client volumes, primarily in the retail end market, partially offset by growth in commercial driving services</li> <li>Segment profit margin:         <ul> <li>Expansion due to disciplined cost management</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

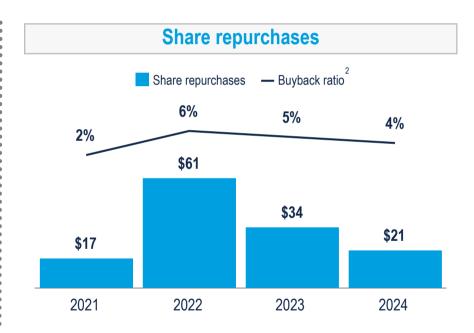
<sup>1</sup> We evaluate performance based on segment revenue and segment profit. Segment profit includes revenue, related cost of services, and ongoing operating expenses directly attributable to the reportable segment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Prior year fiscal period included an extra week.

#### Solid balance sheet with ample liquidity

Amounts in millions





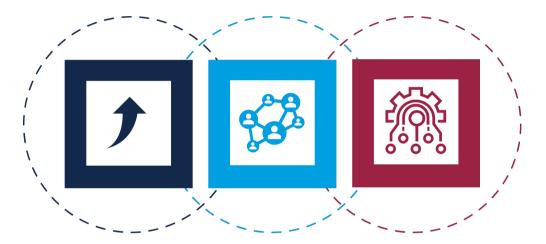
Note: Figures may not sum to consolidated totals due to rounding. Balances as of fiscal period end.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Borrowing availability is based on maximum borrowing availability under our most restrictive covenant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Buyback ratio calculated as the dollar value of share repurchases during the period divided by our market capitalization at the beginning of the fiscal period.

# Outlook

# Accretive acquisition of Healthcare Staffing Professionals, Inc. (HSP) accelerates diversification into attractive healthcare market



## Accelerate Growth

Building on combined strengths to accelerate growth

## **Diversify Business**

Niche service in local government sector diversifies business model

## **Enhance Synergies**

Complementary services bolster offerings and create synergies

Transaction Highlights	Acquisition Date	Jan 31, 2025				
	Purchase Price	\$42M				
	Valuation Multiple <sup>1</sup>	6x - 8x				
	Financing	Existing Facility				
NTM <sup>2</sup>	Revenue	\$75M - \$85M				
Outlook	Segment Profit	\$5M - \$7M				

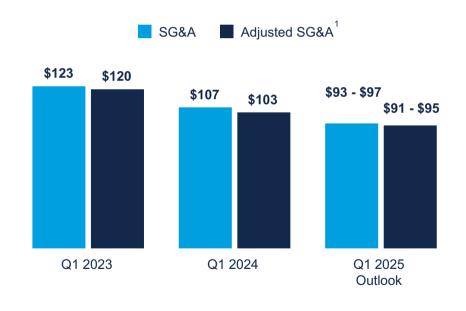
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Possibility of an additional \$14 million of consideration based on 2025 and 2026 results.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> NTM - Next twelve months

# Decisive cost actions to deliver efficiencies and enhance long-term profitability



#### Amounts in millions



#### **Select outlook information**

Item	Q1 2025	Commentary
Revenue	\$347M to \$374M -13% to -7% vs. prior year	Assumes current market conditions continue into Q1 and includes -1 percentage point from Canada sale offset by +3 percentage points of inorganic growth from the acquisition of HSP in late January.
Gross margin	-70 to -30 bps vs. prior year	Gross margin decline due primarily to changes in business mix.  Refer to the EBITDA adjustments below for additional information on expected costs.
SG&A	\$93M to \$97M -13% to -9% vs. prior year	SG&A reduction driven by disciplined cost management.  Refer to the EBITDA adjustments below for additional information on expected expense.
EBITDA adjustments <sup>1</sup>	\$4M	<ul> <li>+\$1M in SaaS amortization included in SG&amp;A</li> <li>+\$1M in Software depreciation included in cost of services</li> <li>+\$2M in other SG&amp;A adjustments</li> </ul>
Shares	29.7M	Reflects approximate basic weighted average shares outstanding and does not include the impact of any potential share repurchases.
Item	FY 2025	Commentary
CapEx <sup>2</sup>	\$19M to \$23M	Depreciation expected to be \$24M to \$28M and includes \$4M of software depreciation reported in cost of services.
Income Tax Expense	\$2M to \$6M	Minimal income tax expense expected due to the valuation allowance in effect.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Refer to the appendix to this presentation for a definition of non-GAAP financial measures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes planned investments in software as a service (SaaS) assets capitalized in other long-term assets with the related amortization recorded in SG&A.

# Appendix

#### NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES AND NON-GAAP RECONCILIATIONS

In addition to financial measures presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP, we monitor certain non-GAAP key financial measures. The presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures is used to enhance the understanding of certain aspects of our financial performance. It is not meant to be considered in isolation, superior to, or as a substitute for the directly comparable financial measures prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

Non-GAAP measure	Definition	Purpose of adjusted measures				
Adjusted net income (loss) and Adjusted net income (loss) per diluted share	Net loss and net loss per diluted share, excluding:  gain on divestiture,  amortization of intangibles,  goodwill and intangible asset impairment charge,  PeopleReady technology upgrade costs,  COVID-19 government subsidies, net,  executive leadership transition costs,  other adjustments, net, and  tax effect of the adjustments and deferred tax asset valuation allowance.	<ul> <li>Enhances comparability on a consistent basis and provides investors with useful insight into the underlying trends of the business.</li> <li>Used by management to assess performance and effectiveness of our business strategies.</li> <li>Provides a measure, among others, used in the determination of incentive compensation for management.</li> </ul>				
EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA	EBITDA excludes from net loss:  income tax expense (benefit),  interest and other (income) expense, net, and  depreciation and amortization.  Adjusted EBITDA further excludes:  third-party processing fees for hiring tax credits,  amortization of software as a service assets,  goodwill and intangible asset impairment charge,  PeopleReady technology upgrade costs,  COVID-19 government subsidies, net,  executive leadership transition costs, and  other adjustments, net.	<ul> <li>Enhances comparability on a consistent basis and provides investors with useful insight into the underlying trends of the business.</li> <li>Used by management to assess performance and effectiveness of our business strategies.</li> <li>Provides a measure, among others, used in the determination of incentive compensation for management.</li> </ul>				
Adjusted SG&A expense	Selling, general and administrative expense excluding:  - third-party processing fees for hiring tax credits,  - amortization of software as a service assets,  - PeopleReady technology upgrade costs,  - COVID-19 government subsidies, net,  - executive leadership transition costs, and  - other adjustments, net.	Enhances comparability on a consistent basis and provides investors with useful insight into the underlying trends of the business.				

# 1. RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP NET LOSS TO ADJUSTED NET INCOME (LOSS) AND ADJUSTED NET INCOME (LOSS) PER DILUTED SHARE (Unaudited)

		Q4 2024 Q4 2023				2024	2023 53 weeks ended (1) Dec 31, 2023	
(in thousands, except for per share data)		13 weeks ended	14 weeks ended (1)			52 weeks ended		
		ec 29, 2024	Dec 31, 2023		Dec 29, 2024			
Net loss	\$	(11,705)	\$	(2,551)	\$	(125,748)	\$	(14,173)
Gain on divestiture		_		_		(716)		_
Amortization of intangible assets		489		1,355		4,051		5,175
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charge		_		_		59,674		9,485
PeopleReady technology upgrade costs (2)		8,318		440		8,807		1,342
COVID-19 government subsidies, net		_		_		(9,652)		525
Executive leadership transition costs		_		3,296		_		5,788
Other adjustments, net (3)		2,197		1,926		9,150		5,503
Tax effect of adjustments and deferred tax asset valuation allowance (4)		_		(1,824)		40,540		(4,920)
Adjusted net income (loss)	\$	(701)	\$	2,642	\$	(13,894)	\$	8,725
Adjusted net income (loss) per diluted share	\$	(0.02)	\$	0.08	\$	(0.46)	\$	0.28
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		29,561		31,450		30,177		31,590
Margin / % of revenue:								
Net loss		(3.0)%		(0.5)%		(8.0)%		(0.7)%
Adjusted net income (loss)		(0.2)%		0.5%		(0.9)%		0.5%

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#### 2. RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP NET LOSS TO EBITDA AND ADJUSTED EBITDA (Unaudited)

		Q4 2024	Q4 2023		2024	2023		
		3 weeks ended	14 weeks ended (1)	5	52 weeks ended	53 weeks ended (1)		
(in thousands)	Dec 29, 2024		Dec 31, 2023	De	ec 29, 2024	De	c 31, 2023	
Net loss	\$	(11,705)	\$ (2,551)	\$	(125,748)	\$	(14,173)	
Income tax expense (benefit)		1,692	(4,851)		37,224		(6,472)	
Interest and other (income) expense, net		(390)	(1,223)		(4,251)		(3,205)	
Depreciation and amortization (5)		6,945	6,946		29,561		25,821	
EBITDA		(3,458)	(1,679)		(63,214)		1,971	
Third-party processing fees for hiring tax credits (6)		90	(67)		240		253	
Amortization of software as a service assets (7)		1,752	1,233		6,162		4,117	
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charge		_	_		59,674		9,485	
PeopleReady technology upgrade costs (2)		8,318	440		8,807		1,342	
COVID-19 government subsidies, net		_	_		(9,652)		525	
Executive leadership transition costs		_	3,296		_		5,788	
Other adjustments, net (3)		2,197	1,926		9,150		5,503	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	8,899	\$ 5,149	\$	11,167	\$	28,984	
Margin / % of revenue:								
Net loss		(3.0)%	(0.5)%		(8.0)%		(0.7)%	
Adjusted EBITDA		2.3%	1.0%		0.7%		1.5%	

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# 3. RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE TO ADJUSTED SG&A EXPENSE (Unaudited)

		Q4 2024		Q4 2023		Q1 2025 Outlo	ok	2024		2023	
		13 weeks ended		14 weeks ended (1)		13 weeks ended			52 weeks ended		53 weeks ended (1)
(in thousands)	Dec 29, 2024		Dec 31, 2023			Mar 30, 202	Dec 29, 2024		Dec 31, 2023		
Selling, general and administrative expense	\$	106,942	\$	129,961	\$	93,400 - \$	97,400	\$	410,870	\$	494,603
Third-party processing fees for hiring tax credits (6)		(90)		67		(100)			(240)		(253)
Amortization of software as a service assets (7)		(1,752)		(1,233)		(1,100)			(6,162)		(4,117)
PeopleReady technology upgrade costs (2)		(8,318)		(440)		_			(8,807)		(1,342)
COVID-19 government subsidies, net		_		_		_			6,759		(525)
Executive leadership transition costs		_		(3,296)		_			_		(5,788)
Other adjustments, net (3)		(2,156)		(1,246)		(1,500)			(8,634)		(3,620)
Adjusted SG&A expense	\$	94,626	\$	123,813	\$	90,700 - \$	94,700	\$	393,786	\$	478,958
% of revenue:											
Selling, general and administrative expense		27.7%		26.4%					26.2%		25.9%
Adjusted SG&A expense		24.5%		25.2%					25.1%		25.1%

Refer to the last slide of the appendix for footnotes.

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#### Footnotes:

- 1. Our fiscal period ends on the Sunday closest to the last day of December. In fiscal years consisting of 53 weeks, the final quarter consists of 14 weeks, while in fiscal years consisting of 52 weeks, all quarters consist of 13 weeks.
- 2. Costs associated with upgrading legacy PeopleReady technology.
- 3. Other adjustments for the 13 and 52 weeks ended December 29, 2024 primarily include workforce reduction costs of \$0.9 million and \$7.3 million, respectively. Other adjustments for the 14 and 53 weeks ended December 31, 2023 primarily include workforce reduction costs of \$1.8 million and \$5.1 million, respectively.
- 4. The tax effect includes the application of our statutory rate of 26% to all taxable / deductible adjustments. The tax effect for the 52 weeks ended December 29, 2024 includes \$55.3 million of valuation allowance recorded against our U.S. federal, state and foreign deferred tax assets. For the 13 weeks ended December 29, 2024, there was no tax effect associated with the adjustments due to the valuation allowance recorded against our deferred tax assets.
- 5. Includes software depreciation reported in cost of services.
- 6. These third-party processing fees are associated with generating hiring tax credits.
- 7. Amortization of software as a service assets is reported in selling, general and administrative expense.