#### 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): April 16, 2024

# **BLUM HOLDINGS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	000-56626	93-3735199
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)
3242 S. Halladay St., Suite 202		
Santa Ana, California		92705

Santa Ana, California (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (888) 909-5564

Not Applicable

(Zip Code)

(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:

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:

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in 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  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by checkmark 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 April 16, 2024, Blum Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing financial results for its fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2023. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and in Exhibit 99.1 referenced herein is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless the Company expressly so incorporates such information by reference.

# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit	Description
<u>99.1</u>	Press Release, dated April 16, 2024
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL Document).

## 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.

# **BLUM HOLDINGS, INC.**

Date: April 16, 2024

By: /s/ Sabas Carrillo

Sabas Carrillo Chief Executive Officer

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# Blüm Holdings Inc. Reports Full Year 2023 and Fourth Quarter Financial Results

SANTA ANA, Calif., April 16, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Blum Holdings, Inc. (OTCQB: BLMH) (the "Company," "Blüm," "we" or "us"), a cannabis company with operations throughout California, today reported financial results for the full year and fourth quarter ended December 31, 2023.

#### Full Year 2023 Highlights

- Revenues decreased by 36% compared to the prior year primarily due to the Company's strategic slowdown in its underperforming distribution segment. However, gross profit only fell by 3%, or \$0.5 million, with gross margins increasing by 18% to 53% for the year.
- Net loss from continuing operations was \$13.8 million, an improvement of 93% compared to \$183.9 million from the prior year. The significant improvement of \$170.1 million was primarily attributable to the Company's prior year's impairment charges and to a lesser extent, the Company's exit from unprofitable segments, reduced corporate headcount which expenses were partially offset by litigation and professional fees and non-cash stock-based compensation.
- EBITDA loss from continuing operations was \$4.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2023, a significant improvement from \$173.6 million in the prior year.
- Provision for income tax expense for continuing operations was \$4.1 million in fiscal year 2023 compared to prior year's tax provision benefit of \$2.8 million.
- Gain on extinguishment of debt was \$5.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2023.
- Cash used in operating activities from continuing operations decreased 85% to \$1.0 million compared to \$6.4 million in the prior year.

### Fourth Quarter 2023 Highlights

- Quarterly revenues remained steady at \$8.1 million, with gross margin increasing to 54% from 51% in the prior quarter ended September 30, 2023.
- Operating expenses increased by 23% to \$11.1 million compared to the consecutive prior quarter.
- Quarterly loss from continuing operations before taxes was \$6.3 million, an increase of 125% from the fiscal third quarter. This was due to the Company recognizing
  income tax related interest and penalties of \$3.2 million recognized in interest expense and selling, general and administrative expenses.
- The Company completed the exit of its unprofitable cultivation facility in Northern California during the fiscal fourth quarter 2023. Consequently, all prior year figures pertaining to the Company's cultivation operations are presented as discontinued operations.

Patty Chan, Chief Financial Officer of Blüm Holdings, stated "2023 was a truly transformative year for Blüm Holdings during which the Company focused on disposing nearly all the Company's underperforming assets and significantly reducing selling, general, and administrative ("SG&A") expenses while simultaneously realigning our strategic focus to increasing our gross margin from 35% in 2022 to 53% in 2023. Consequently, while our revenue decreased from \$52.0 million in 2022 to \$33.2 million in 2023, our decrease in gross margin was only \$0.5 million on a revenue decrease of \$18.8 million. Similarly, our SG&A decreased by \$22.4 million on a \$18.8 million evenue decrease. Furthermore, our EBITDA loss was just \$4.0 million. As such, we are pleased to report our fourth quarter and full year 2023 results, which demonstrate our commitment to enhancing our operational efficiency and a focus on financial performance. The divestiture of unprofitable operations has allowed us to focus on our core strengths, resulting in improved gross margins and a significant reduction in net operating loss."

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#### **Non-GAAP Financial Information**

This press release includes certain non-GAAP financial measures as defined by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures assess the Company's ongoing business in a manner that allows for meaningful comparisons and analysis of trends in the business, as they facilitate comparing financial results across accounting periods and to those of peer companies. These non-GAAP financial measures exclude certain material non-cash items and certain other adjustments the Company believes are not reflective of its ongoing operations and performance. Management uses non-GAAP financial measures, in addition to GAAP financial measures, to understand operational decision-making, for planning and forecasting purposes, and to evaluate the Company's financial measures enhance investors' understanding of the Company's financial and operating performance and enable investors to evaluate the Company's operating results and future prospects in the same manner as management. Reconciliations of these non-GAAP financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP are included in the financial schedules attached to this press release. This information should be considered as supplemental in nature and not as a substitute for, or superior to, any measure of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP.

### About Blüm Holdings

Blüm Holdings is a leader in the cannabis sector. Our commitment to quality, innovation, and customer service makes us a trusted name in the cannabis industry, dedicated to shaping its future. Blüm Holdings operates leading dispensaries throughout California as well as several leading company-owned brands including Korova, known for its high potency products across multiple product categories, including the legendary 1000 mg THC Black Bar.

For more info, please visit: https://blumholdings.com.

### Cautionary Language Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this communication regarding matters that are not historical facts, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, known as the PSLRA. These include statements regarding management's intentions, plans, beliefs, expectations, or forecasts for the future, and, therefore, you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on them. No forward-looking statement can be guaranteed, and actual results may differ materially from those projected. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. The Company uses words such as "anticipates," "believes," "plans," "expects," "projects," "future," "intends," "may," "will," "should," "could," "estimates," "predicts," "potential," "continue," "guidance," and similar expressions to identify these forward-looking statements that are intended to be covered by the safe-harbor provisions of the PSLRA. Such forward-looking statements are based on the Company's expectations and uncertainties; consequently, actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied in the statements due to a number of factors.

New factors emerge from time-to-time and it is not possible for the Company to predict all such factors, nor can the Company assess the impact of each such factor on the business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. These risks, as well as other risks associated with the combination, will be more fully discussed in the Company's reports with the SEC. Additional risks and uncertainties are identified and discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and other documents filed from time to time with the SEC. Forward-looking statements included in this release are based on information available to the Company as of the date of this release. The Company undertakes no obligation to update such forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this release.

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### Unrivaled Brands, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands)

		December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022		
Current Assets		\$	4,693	\$	4,575	
Long-Term Assets			27,378		35,935	
Total Assets		\$	32,071	\$	40,510	
Current Liabilities		\$	62,548	\$	59,145	
Long-Term Liabilities			15,219		17,902	
Total Liabilities			77,767		77,047	
Stockholders' Deficit			(45,696)		(36,537)	
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Deficit		\$	32,071	\$	40,510	
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# Unrivaled Brands, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except for per share data)

		(unaudited)						
	Three Months Ended			Year Ended				
		ember 31, 2023		ıber 30, 23	De	ecember 31, 2023	De	ecember 31, 2022
Revenue	\$	8,095	\$	8,188	\$	33,229	\$	52,015
Cost of Goods Sold	4	3,720	φ	4,021	Ψ	15,565	Ψ	33,875
Gross Profit	\$	4,375	\$	4,167	\$	17,664	\$	18,140
Gross Margin %	-	54%		51%		53%		35%
Operating Expenses		11,060		9,011		31,870		202,950
Loss from Operations		(6,685)		(4,844)		(14,206)		(184,810)
Less: Other (Income) Expense		(346)		(2,022)		(4,503)		1,884
Loss from Continuing Operations Before Taxes		(6,339)		(2,822)		(9,703)		(186,694)
Provision for Income Tax (Expense) Benefit for Continuing Operations		(3,274)		(309)		(4,116)		2,784
Net Loss from Continuing Operations	\$	(9,613)	\$	(3,131)	\$	(13,819)	\$	(183,910)
Net Loss from Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax		(123)		(231)		(311)		(4,746)
Net Loss		(9,736)		(3,362)		(14,130)		(188,656)
Non-Controlling Interests		_		_		_		(275)
Net Loss Attributable to Unrivaled Brands, Inc.	\$	(9,736)	\$	(3,362)	\$	(14,130)	\$	(188,931)
Basic and Diluted Loss per Share:								
Net Loss from Continuing Operations per Common Share	\$	(1.04)	\$	(0.32)	\$	(1.69)	\$	(31.19)
Net Loss Attributable to Unrivaled Brands, Inc. per Common Share	\$	(1.05)	\$	(0.35)	\$	(1.72)	\$	(32.04)
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# Unrivaled Brands, Inc. Non-GAAP Reconciliation (in thousands)

	Year En	Year Ended December 31,				
	2023		2022			
Net Loss	\$ (14,	130) \$	(188,656)			
Less: Net Loss from Discontinued Operations, Net		311	4,746			
Add (Deduct) Impact of:						
Interest Expense	3,	777	4,173			
Provision for Income Tax Expense (Benefit)	4,	116	(2,784)			
Depreciation Expense		140	1,271			
Amortization of Intangible Assets	1,	500	7,616			
EBITDA Loss from Continuing Operations (Non-GAAP)	\$ (3,	986) \$	(173,634)			
Non-GAAP Adjustments:						
Stock-based Compensation Expense	2,	435	4,919			
Impairment of Assets		—	163,698			
Severance Expense for Series A Share Repurchases		—	901			
Realized Loss on Sale of Investments		61	_			
Unrealized Gain on Investments	(	567)	(210)			
Loss (Gain) on Disposal of Assets	1,	507	(13,432)			
Gain on Settlement of Liabilities		(70)				
Gain on Extinguishment of Debt	(5,	141)	(542)			
Adjusted EBITDA Loss from Continuing Operations (Non-GAAP)	<u>\$ (6,</u>	<u>)61) §</u>	(18,300)			

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