# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 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): November 16, 2023



# **Brighthouse Financial, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-37905** (Commission File Number) 81-3846992 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

11225 North Community House Road, Charlotte, North Carolina

(Address of principal executive offices)

28277

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (980) 365-7100

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:

 $\Box$  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:

<u>Title of each class</u>	Trading symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	BHF	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/1,000th interest in a share of 6.600% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A	BHFAP	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/1,000th interest in a share of 6.750% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B	BHFAO	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/1,000th interest in a share of 5.375% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series C	BHFAN	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/1,000th interest in a share of 4.625% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series D 6.250% Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2058	BHFAM BHFAL	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

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 8.01. Other Events.

On November 16, 2023, Brighthouse Financial, Inc. ("Brighthouse Financial" or the "Company") issued a news release announcing that it has authorized the repurchase of up to \$750 million of Brighthouse Financial common stock. This stock repurchase program is in addition to the \$1 billion stock repurchase authorization the Company announced in August 2021, under which approximately \$71 million remains as of November 15, 2023. Repurchases under the stock repurchase program may be made through open market purchases, including pursuant to 10b5-1 plans or pursuant to accelerated stock repurchase plans, or through privately negotiated transactions, from time to time at management's discretion in accordance with applicable legal requirements. A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	Description
<u>99.1*</u>	News release of Brighthouse Financial, Inc., dated November 16, 2023, announcing common stock repurchase authorization
104*	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

\* Filed herewith.

# 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.

BRIGHTHOUSE FINANCIAL, INC.

By: /s/ Kristine H. Toscano

Name: Kristine H. Toscano Title: Chief Accounting Officer

Date: November 16, 2023

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Exhibit 99.1

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Brighthouse Financial Announces \$750 Million Stock Repurchase Program

CHARLOTTE, NC, November 16, 2023 - Brighthouse Financial, Inc. ("Brighthouse Financial" or the "company") (Nasdaq: BHF) announced today that it has authorized the repurchase of up to \$750 million of its common stock. The stock repurchase program is in addition to the \$1 billion stock repurchase authorization announced by the company in August 2021, under which \$71 million remains as of November 15, 2023.

"We are pleased to announce this new stock repurchase program, which further demonstrates our ongoing commitment to return capital to our shareholders over time," said Eric Steigerwalt, president and CEO, Brighthouse Financial. "Since we began our common stock repurchase program in August 2018 through November 15 of this year, we have repurchased approximately \$2.2 billion of our common stock and reduced the number of shares outstanding by more than 46% from the time we became an independent, public company."

Repurchases under the program may be made through open market purchases, including pursuant to 10b5-1 plans or pursuant to accelerated stock repurchase plans, or through privately negotiated transactions, from time to time at management's discretion in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

### Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This news release and other oral or written statements that we make from time to time may contain information that includes or is based upon forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements involve substantial risks and uncertainties. We have tried, wherever possible, to identify such statements using words such as "anticipate." "estimate," "expect," "project," "may," "will," "could," "intend," "goal," "target," "guidance," "forecast," "preliminary," "objective," "continue," "aim," "plan," "believe" and other words and terms of similar meaning, or that are tied to future periods, in connection with a discussion of future operating or financial performance. In particular, these include, without limitation, statements relating to future actions, prospective services or products, financial projections, future performance or results of current and anticipated services or products, sales efforts, expenses, the outcome of contingencies such as legal proceedings, as well as trends in operating and financial results.

Any or all forward-looking statements may turn out to be wrong. They can be affected by inaccurate assumptions or by known or unknown risks and uncertainties. Many such factors will be important in determining the actual future results of Brighthouse Financial. These statements are based on current expectations and the current economic environment and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that are difficult to predict. These statements are not guarantees of future performance. Actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements due to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors. For the reasons described above, we caution you against relying on any forward-looking statements, which should also be read in conjunction with the other cautionary 1

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statements included and the risks, uncertainties and other factors identified in Brighthouse Financial's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, particularly in the sections entitled "Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements and Summary of Risk Factors," "Risk Factors" and "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk," as well as in Brighthouse Financial's other subsequent filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Further, any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made, and Brighthouse Financial does not undertake any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which the statement is made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as otherwise may be required by law.

### About Brighthouse Financial, Inc.

Brighthouse Financial, Inc. (Brighthouse Financial) (Nasdaq: BHF) is on a mission to help people achieve financial security. As one of the largest providers of annuities and life insurance in the U.S.,<sup>(1)</sup> we specialize in products designed to help people protect what they've earned and ensure it lasts. Learn more at brighthousefinancial.com.

<sup>(1)</sup> Ranked by 2022 admitted assets. Best's Review<sup>®</sup>: Top 200 U.S. Life/Health Insurers. AM Best, 2023.

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