

CHANGE OF ACCOUNTING PERIOD

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

Form **990**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2018

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2018 calendar year, or tax year beginning JAN 1, 2019 and ending JUN 30, 2019

B Check if applicable: Address change Name change Initial return Final return/terminated Amended return Application pending	C Name of organization FOOD AND ENVIRONMENT REPORTING NETWORK INC. Doing business as		D Employer identification number 27-4108978
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	E Telephone number (646) 248-6014
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code NEW YORK, NY 10036		G Gross receipts \$ 621,289.
	F Name and address of principal officer: THOMAS LASKAWY SAME AS C ABOVE		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) 501(c) () (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527			
J Website: HTTP://THEFERN.ORG			
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation Trust Association Other			L Year of formation: 2010
M State of legal domicile: NY			

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>SEE SCHEDULE O</u>
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) 3 8
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) 4 7
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2018 (Part V, line 2a) 5 0
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) 6 7
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 7a 0.
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 38 7b 0.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) 1,004,498. 561,587.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) 107,277. 56,964.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) 23. 20.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) -10,747. 931.
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) 1,101,051. 619,502.
	Expenses	13
14		Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) 0. 0.
15		Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10) 526,266. 270,836.
16a		Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) 0. 0.
16b		Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) 22,852.
17		Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e) 681,726. 246,405.
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) 1,207,992. 517,241.	
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 -106,941. 102,261.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16) 141,547. 180,953.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) 133,209. 70,354.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 8,338. 110,599.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	Signature of officer THOMAS LASKAWY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title		Date		
	Print/Type preparer's name GARRETT M. HIGGINS	Preparer's signature GARRETT M. HIGGINS	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN P00543209
Preparer Use Only	Firm's name PKF O'CONNOR DAVIES, LLP		Firm's EIN 27-1728945		
	Firm's address 665 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022		Phone no. (212) 286-2600		

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
SEE SCHEDULE O

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ 305,013. including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ 41,337.)
SEE SCHEDULE O

4b (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ 54,899. including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ 15,627.)

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4c (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ _____ including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ _____ including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)

4e Total program service expenses **359,912.**

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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ?	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		X
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		X
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>		X
b Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		X
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>	X	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X

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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22	X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23	X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>	24a	X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a	X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b	X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26	X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27	X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a	X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b	X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c	X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29	X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30	X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31	X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32	X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33	X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34	X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	X
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b	
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36	X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37	X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	X

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	0
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	

Part V **Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance** (continued)

		Yes	No
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a		0
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	X	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	7d		
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		X
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a	
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15	X
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16	X

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

			Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.	1a	8		
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	7		
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2			X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3			X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4			X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5			X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6			X
7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a			X
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b			X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
a The governing body?	8a		X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b		X	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9			X

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

			Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a			X
b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b			
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a			X
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.				
12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a		X	
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b		X	
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c		X	
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13		X	
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14		X	
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?				
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a		X	
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b		X	
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).				
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a			X
b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b			

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **▶ NY, CA**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records ▶
THOMAS LASKAWY - (215) 370-2765
725 WESTVIEW ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19119

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) JOANNE KELLEY CHAIR	5.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) NATHANIEL BROWN TREASURER	5.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) SAMUEL FORMARTZ SECRETARY/EDITOR-IN-CHIEF	40.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4) DANIEL PULLMAN BOARD MEMBER	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(5) SUSAN WEST BOARD MEMBER	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) LORRAINE FONTANES BOARD MEMBER	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) LESLIE WILLIAMS BOARD MEMBER	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) AILEEN BURDICK BOARD MEMBER	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) THOMAS LASKAWY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00			X				0.	0.	0.

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Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
1b Sub-total							0.	0.	0.	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0.	0.	0.	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							0.	0.	0.	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization 0

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
NONE		

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization 0

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Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c	8,200.				
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	553,387.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		561,587.				
Program Service Revenue	2 a EDITORIAL FEE	Business Code 511110	41,337.	41,337.			
	b SUBSCRIPTIONS REVENUE	519130	15,627.	15,627.			
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f All other program service revenue						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		56,964.				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		20.			20.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6 a Gross rents	(i) Real					
		(ii) Personal					
		b Less: rental expenses					
		c Rental income or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss)						
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities					
		(ii) Other					
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					
		c Gain or (loss)					
	d Net gain or (loss)						
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 8,200. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a	750.				
		b Less: direct expenses	b	1,787.			
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			-1,037.			-1,037.	
9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a						
	b Less: direct expenses	b					
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a						
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11 a REIMBURSEMENT	900099	1,968.			1,968.		
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		1,968.					
12 Total revenue. See instructions		619,502.	56,964.	0.	951.		

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Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 ...				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	87,550.	63,827.	18,318.	5,405.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	162,160.	118,220.	33,929.	10,011.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes	21,126.	15,402.	4,420.	1,304.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	20,575.		20,575.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	164,603.	144,044.	17,179.	3,380.
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	20,654.	3,280.	14,622.	2,752.
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel	30,014.	15,139.	14,875.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials ...				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance	10,559.		10,559.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a _____				
b _____				
c _____				
d _____				
e All other expenses _____				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	517,241.	359,912.	134,477.	22,852.
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

Check here if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

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Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	76,676.	1	132,332.	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	3,670.	2	39,290.	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	52,500.	3	4,500.	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	8,701.	4	4,831.	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L			5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L			6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net			7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use			8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b		10c	
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities			11	
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11			12	
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11			13	
	14 Intangible assets			14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11			15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		141,547.	16	180,953.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	70,411.	17	57,155.	
	18 Grants payable		18		
	19 Deferred revenue	17,798.	19	13,199.	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20		
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D			21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L			22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties			23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	45,000.	24		0.
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D			25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		133,209.	26	70,354.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.				
	27 Unrestricted net assets	-168,007.	27	2,495.	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	176,345.	28	108,104.	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.				
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30		
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31		
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32		
33 Total net assets or fund balances		8,338.	33	110,599.	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		141,547.	34	180,953.	

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Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	619,502.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	517,241.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	102,261.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	8,338.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	
7	Investment expenses	
8	Prior period adjustments	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	110,599.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		X
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	X	
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? _____ If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	X	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? _____		X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits _____		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization **FOOD AND ENVIRONMENT REPORTING NETWORK INC.** Employer identification number **27-4108978**

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.

f Enter the number of supported organizations

g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

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Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	738,848.	806,648.	639,205.	1004498.	561,587.	3750786.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	738,848.	806,648.	639,205.	1004498.	561,587.	3750786.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						1345576.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						2405210.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	738,848.	806,648.	639,205.	1004498.	561,587.	3750786.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	1,428.	1,359.	357.	23.	20.	3,187.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	1,048.	1,500.	2,533.	2,980.	1,968.	10,029.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						3764002.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	379,183.
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2018 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	63.90 %
15 Public support percentage from 2017 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	63.99 %
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2018. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% support test - 2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2018. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions		<input type="checkbox"/>

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Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ►

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2018 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2017 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2018 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2017 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2018. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ►

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.</i>		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).		
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		

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Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI.) **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	Current Year
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9 Distributable amount for 2018 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2018	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2018
1 Distributable amount for 2018 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2018 (reasonable cause required- explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2018			
a From 2013			
b From 2014			
c From 2015			
d From 2016			
e From 2017			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2018 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2013 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2018 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2018 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2018, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2018. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2019. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2014			
b Excess from 2015			
c Excess from 2016			
d Excess from 2017			
e Excess from 2018			

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2018 INC.

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Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

SCHEDULE A, PART II, LINE 10, EXPLANATION FOR OTHER INCOME:

REIMBURSEMENT

2014 AMOUNT: \$ 1,048.

2015 AMOUNT: \$ 1,500.

2016 AMOUNT: \$ 2,533.

2017 AMOUNT: \$ 2,980.

2018 AMOUNT: \$ 1,968.

PART II, SECTION A, COLUMN (E), SHORT YEAR:

THE ORGANIZATION IS FILING A SHORT PERIOD RETURN DUE TO A CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PERIOD.

Schedule B

(Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000; or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>1</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>15,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>2</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>40,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>3</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>15,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>4</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>100,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>5</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>15,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>6</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>100,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 31,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 17,100.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
9	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 100,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
10	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
11	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 28,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Part II Noncash Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
		\$ _____	_____
		\$ _____	_____
		\$ _____	_____
		\$ _____	_____
		\$ _____	_____
		\$ _____	_____
		\$ _____	_____

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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this info. once.) ▶ \$ _____
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).
 Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) Preservation of a historically important land area
 Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure
 Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X

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- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other _____
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ _____ %
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶ _____ %
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶ _____ %
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | Yes | No |
|---|---------------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations | 3a(i) | |
| (ii) related organizations | 3a(ii) | |
| b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | 3b | |
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) ▶ 0.

Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value	
(1) Federal income taxes		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶		

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

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Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1 Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	621,289.
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	1,787.	
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		1,787.
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	619,502.
4 Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		0.
5 Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	619,502.

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1 Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	519,028.
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b Prior year adjustments	2b		
c Other losses	2c		
d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	1,787.	
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		1,787.
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	517,241.
4 Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		0.
5 Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	517,241.

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

PART X, LINE 2:

MANAGEMENT OF FERN HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE ARE NO MATERIAL UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT REQUIRE RECOGNITION OR DISCLOSURE IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

FERN'S TAX RETURNS FOR ALL YEARS SINCE 2015 REMAIN OPEN TO EXAMINATION BY THE APPLICABLE TAXING AUTHORITIES. THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO EXAMINATIONS IN PROGRESS.

PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

DIRECT FUNDRAISING EXPENSES REPORTED ON FORM 990, PART

VIII, LINE 8B

1,787.

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

DIRECT FUNDRAISING EXPENSES REPORTED ON FORM 990, PART

VIII, LINE 8B

1,787.

SCHEDULE O
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

OUR ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE IS TO EVALUATE, COMMISSION AND DISTRIBUTE INVESTIGATIVE NEWS ARTICLES OF BETWEEN 1,500 AND 5,000 WORDS IN LENGTH. THIS INCLUDES PLANNING, CONTRACTING WITH PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS FOR WRITING SERVICES, PROVIDING EDITORIAL OVERSIGHT, AND COPY EDITING, FACT CHECKING AND PROVIDING PRE-PUBLICATION LEGAL REVIEWS OF SUBMITTED STORIES. WE THEN DISTRIBUTE OUR REPORTS AT NO CHARGE TO MAINSTREAM PUBLICATIONS.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1:

THE FOOD & ENVIRONMENT REPORTING NETWORK (FERN) IS THE FIRST AND ONLY INDEPENDENT, NONPROFIT NEWS ORGANIZATION THAT PRODUCES AWARD-WINNING INVESTIGATIVE AND EXPLANATORY REPORTING ON FOOD, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS WITH REGIONAL AND NATIONAL MEDIA OUTLETS. THROUGH IMPARTIAL, FACT-BASED JOURNALISM, FERN EXPLORES THE FULL IMPACT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT. WITHIN THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE SPACE, WE SHINE A LIGHT ON INJUSTICES AND ABUSES OF POWER, BOTH CORPORATE AND GOVERNMENTAL, AND ACT AS A BULWARK AGAINST THE GROWING SUPPRESSION OF SCIENCE WITHIN GOVERNMENT. WE UNCOVER AND EXPLAIN NEWS THAT IS CRITICAL TO THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW ABOUT FOOD, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH.

FERN PRIMARILY PRODUCES NEWS ARTICLES OF BETWEEN 1,500 AND 5,000 WORDS, AND FUNCTIONS AS A FULL-SERVICE NEWS ORGANIZATION. FERN'S PROCESS INCLUDES STORY AND PITCH DEVELOPMENT, CONTRACTING WITH JOURNALISTS,

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PROVIDING EDITORIAL SUPPORT AND SERVICES AND NEGOTIATING DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENTS WITH MAINSTREAM PUBLICATIONS. FERN COMPLEMENTS ITS WRITTEN REPORTS WITH INFOGRAPHICS AND OTHER VISUALIZATIONS, WITH SOCIAL MEDIA ACTIVITY, THROUGH RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCAST COLLABORATIONS, AND THROUGH LIVE EVENTS. FERN RIGOROUSLY TRACKS THE IMPACT OF ITS STORIES USING A RANGE OF METRICS.

THE ISSUES FERN COVERS ARE AT THE HEART OF TODAY'S POLITICAL BATTLES. TRADE, IMMIGRATION, PUBLIC HEALTH, TOXIC CHEMICALS, LABOR, NUTRITION AND WATER QUALITY, ALL FALL WITHIN OUR REPORTING MANDATE AND GROW MORE CONTENTIOUS WITH EACH PASSING DAY. FERN PROVIDES THE EDITORIAL EXPERTISE TO EXPLORE, EXPLAIN AND INVESTIGATE ALL CORNERS OF THE FOOD SYSTEM AS WELL AS TO FILL GAPS IN COVERAGE THAT HAVE ARISEN DUE TO THE ONGOING AND ACCELERATING DISRUPTION OF THE TRADITIONAL MEDIA BUSINESS MODEL.

FERN EXPANDS PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF THESE CRUCIAL ISSUES AT A TIME WHEN TRUSTED SOURCES OF FACTS ARE ESSENTIAL. FERN STORIES HAVE APPEARED IN A WIDE RANGE OF OUTLETS, INCLUDING ABC'S WORLD NEWS TONIGHT, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, THE WASHINGTON POST, THE NEW YORKER, SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, EATING WELL, MOTHER JONES, PACIFIC STANDARD, HARPER'S, THE NEW FOOD ECONOMY, THE NATION, FAST COMPANY, REVEAL, THE GUARDIAN, SUNSET MAGAZINE, PRI'S THE WORLD, NPR'S LATINO USA, CALIFORNIA SUNDAY, AND VOGUE.

WE HAVE REPEATEDLY DEMONSTRATED AN ABILITY TO DELIVER HIGH-IMPACT JOURNALISM THAT REACHES A LARGE AUDIENCE. IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, SEVERAL OF OUR STORIES HAVE HELPED SPUR POLICY CHANGES AT THE

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INTERNATIONAL, NATIONAL, AND STATE LEVELS. OUR COLLABORATIVE DISTRIBUTION MODEL GIVES US THE RARE ABILITY TO REACH AUDIENCES THAT ARE NOT ALREADY EXPOSED TO, OR FAMILIAR WITH, THE ISSUES BOUND UP IN FOOD AND AGRICULTURE. OUR CAPACITY TO DELIVER SUCH RESULTS IS SIGNIFICANT AT A TIME WHEN THE PHILANTHROPIC COMMUNITY IS FOCUSED ON THE SOCIAL RETURN ON ITS INVESTMENTS AND IMPACT. FERN MAINTAINS THAT SUPPORT OF CIVIC COMMUNICATION PARTICULARLY THE STYLE OF INDEPENDENT JOURNALISM WE PRACTICE IS CRITICAL IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A FUNCTIONING DEMOCRACY AND IS A GROWING OBLIGATION OF THE PHILANTHROPIC COMMUNITY. INDEED, INDEPENDENT REPORTING FROM A TRUSTED SOURCE CAN HAVE AN OUTSIZED EFFECT ON PUBLIC-POLICY DEBATES. WE'VE SHOWN THE POWER OF TAKING THOSE ISSUES AND THE FACTS AND SCIENCE TIED UP WITHIN THEM AND WRAPPING THEM IN CAPTIVATING STORYTELLING.

A 501(C)3 NONPROFIT CORPORATION BASED IN NEW YORK AND OPERATING SINCE 2011, FERN HAS WORKED WITH 61 FREELANCE WRITERS ON OVER 151 STORIES THAT HAVE APPEARED IN 61 OUTLETS. FERN IS A MEMBER OF THE INSTITUTE FOR NONPROFIT NEWS, THE PRIMARY INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION FOR NONPROFIT NEWS ORGANIZATIONS, AND HAS BUILT KEY PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER NONPROFIT NEWS OUTLETS LIKE THE INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, THE PULITZER CENTER FOR CRISIS REPORTING AND PUBLIC RADIO INTERNATIONAL. WE SHARE THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF ALL INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISTS: TO EMPOWER INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO ADVOCATE FOR CHANGE AT THE CORPORATE AND GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL. IN AGGREGATE, OUR STORIES HAVE REACHED OVER 150 MILLION AMERICANS. WE ALSO PRODUCE FERN'S AG INSIDER, A DAILY FOOD AND AGRICULTURE POLICY PAID SUBSCRIPTION NEWS SERVICE AND HAVE RELEASED THREE PRINT COLLECTIONS, THE DIRT: DISPATCHES FROM THE FRONT LINES OF FOOD AND FARMING 2011-2016, AN ANTHOLOGY OF OUR

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FIRST FIVE YEARS OF REPORTING, THE DIRT 2017 AND THE DIRT 2018.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A CONTINUATION:

THE FOOD & ENVIRONMENT REPORTING NETWORK CONTINUES TO DEMONSTRATE AN ABILITY TO DELIVER IMPACTFUL CONTENT IN ITS AREA OF FOCUS AND EXECUTE ON ITS STRATEGIC GOALS. DURING FISCAL YEAR 2019, WE PRODUCED 16 EXPLANATORY OR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS ON A RANGE OF TOPICS PUBLISHED WITH 13 OUTLETS, INCLUDING SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, THE WASHINGTON POST, EATINGWELL, THE WEATHER CHANNEL, AND MANY OTHERS. TOPICS WE PRIORITIZED IN OUR PUBLISHED WORK IN THIS PERIOD WERE THE IMPACTS OF LIVESTOCK AGRICULTURE ON LOCAL COMMUNITIES, TOXIC PESTICIDES, POLLINATORS, AND CLIMATE IMPACTS ON AGRICULTURE AND THE FOOD SYSTEM.

WE ALSO PRODUCED DOZENS OF ARTICLES FOR OUR FERN'S AG INSIDER POLICY NEWS SERVICE. COMPLEMENTING OUR ABILITY TO REACH A BROAD AUDIENCE, FERN'S AG INSIDER POLICY NEWS SERVICE IS AIMED AT AN AUDIENCE OF POLICYMAKERS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, ADVOCATES, AND FOOD INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES. WE NOW HAVE OVER 300 INDIVIDUAL AND CORPORATE SUBSCRIBERS AND A GROWING NUMBER OF ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONAL SUBSCRIBERS, INCLUDING NYU, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, TUFTS, YALE, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. IN ADDITION, APPROXIMATELY 2,200 PEOPLE RECEIVE THE FREE NEWSLETTER VERSION EVERY WEEKDAY.

WE ALSO SYNDICATE AG INSIDER CONTENT TO AGRICULTURE.COM, ONE OF THE LEADING NEWS SITES FOR COMMODITY FARMERS WITH AN AUDIENCE OF OVER 275,000 MONTHLY VISITORS AND 390,000 MONTHLY PRINT SUBSCRIBERS, AS WELL AS TO MOTHER JONES AND NEW FOOD ECONOMY. OUR PRODUCT IS A KEY SOURCE OF INFORMATION OF THIS AUDIENCE AND IT ALSO SERVES AS A "TIP SHEET" FOR

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REPORTERS AS IT HELPS INFLUENCE COVERAGE ACROSS THE MEDIA SPECTRUM. THE

DAILY CONTACT WITH THIS AUDIENCE ALSO ENABLES US TO ALERT ITS MEMBERS

TO OUR MAIN BODY OF WORK: EXPLANATORY AND INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING.

REPRESENTING A GROUP OF INFLUENTIAL MEDIA AND POLICY FIGURES, THE AG

INSIDER AUDIENCE AMPLIFIES AND ENHANCES OUR OVERALL IMPACT.

WE CONTINUED OUR STRONG BROADCAST EFFORTS PRODUCING RADIO PIECES WITH

KQED AS WELL AS PRODUCING OUR FIRST PODCAST COLLABORATION WITH REVEAL

BY THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING, THE NATIONALLY DISTRIBUTED

RADIO SHOW AND PODCAST.

WE CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND SUPPORT FERN'S FRIDAY FEED NEWSLETTER,

A.K.A. THE #FFF, A WEEKLY SURVEY OF THE STORIES IN OUR AREAS OF

INTEREST THAT HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED BY OTHER OUTLETS. SOME SELECTIONS ARE

AT THE TOP OF THE NEWS WHILE OTHERS ARE PRESCIENT OR IN-DEPTH FEATURES

THAT WE THINK OUR READERS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT. WE SEND THIS NEWSLETTER

WEEKLY TO A SUBSCRIBER BASE OF 10,500 AS A WAY TO ENHANCE ENGAGEMENT

WITH AN AUDIENCE THAT IS MOSTLY DISTINCT FROM OUR SOCIAL-MEDIA

AUDIENCE. OVERALL, OUR TOTAL EMAIL AUDIENCE ACROSS ALL OUR NEWSLETTERS

IS NOW OVER 14,500. WE ALSO RELEASED A NEW PRINT COLLECTION, THE DIRT

2018, REPRESENTING OUR THIRD SUCH COLLECTION.

IN 2019, WE TRANSITIONED TO A NEW FISCAL YEAR. FERN HAD BEEN OPERATING

ON A CALENDAR YEAR BASIS AND AS OF JUNE 30, 2019 HAS SHIFTED OUR FISCAL

YEAR TO BEGIN JULY 1. WE DID THIS BECAUSE WE BELIEVE ENDING OUR FISCAL

YEAR IN JUNE BETTER ALIGNS OUR REVENUE CYCLE AND FUNDRAISING SCHEDULE

TO OUR FISCAL YEAR END. AT THE END OF OUR 2019 FISCAL YEAR (I.E. JUNE

30, 2019) WE HAD \$149,800 IN RETAINED EARNINGS AGAINST \$1,296,884 IN

ANNUAL REVENUE AND AVAILABLE FUNDS. IN THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2018 THROUGH

JUNE 30, 2019 WE HAD \$1,086,800 IN EXPENSES.

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AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT

FOR EARNED MEDIA THROUGHOUT THIS PERIOD, OUR STORIES AND REPORTERS HAVE BEEN FEATURED IN INTERVIEWS WITH WUNC'S THE STATE OF THINGS, BLUE RIDGE PUBLIC RADIO, CHEDDAR TV, WBAI NYC AND THE BUILDING LOCAL POWER PODCAST. FERN STORIES HAVE BEEN MENTIONED BY POPULAR OUTLETS SUCH AS LONGFORM, NBCNEWS, AND CNN. AND INFLUENCERS SUCH AS MARION NESTLE, MARK BITTMAN, MICHAEL POLLAN, AND TOM COLICCHIO CONTINUE TO BOOST FERN'S PROFILE VIA THEIR SOCIAL MEDIA AND PERSONAL BLOGS. IN ADDITION, FERN ORGANIZED AND PRESENTED TWO SESSIONS AT SXSW 2019, ONE ON RURAL REPORTING AND THE OTHER ON THE FUTURE OF SUSTAINABILITY AT LARGE FOOD COMPANIES.

FERN CONTENT FOR 2019 IS SEEING GOOD RESULTS IN TERMS OF REACH AND ENGAGEMENT ON SOCIAL MEDIA. THIS CAN BE CREDITED PARTIALLY TO A SUCCESSFUL STRATEGY TARGETING THE AUDIENCES WHO WOULD NOT ONLY BE INTERESTED IN OUR CONTENT, BUT WHO WOULD ALSO BE LIKELY TO ENGAGE WITH IT. WE'RE FINDING THAT LOW-BUDGET PAID "BOOSTS" TO SPECIFICALLY TARGETED AUDIENCES (I.E. TO USERS INTERESTED IN INDUSTRIAL AGRICULTURE OR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE) FOR AG INSIDER POSTS WORK WELL ON FACEBOOK IN TERMS OF BUILDING AND ENGAGING WITH AUDIENCES ON THE PLATFORM.

FERN'S COMBINED SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWING HAS SHOWN GROWTH SINCE THE BEGINNING OF 2019. WE STARTED THE YEAR WITH 43,000 FOLLOWERS, AND HAVE GAINED A TOTAL OF ABOUT 1,000 FOLLOWERS SINCE THEN. THE CURRENT BREAKDOWN OF OUR SOCIAL MEDIA AUDIENCE IS 15,241 (FACEBOOK), 27,288 (TWITTER), AND 1,301 (INSTAGRAM). ALTHOUGH WE'RE NOT SEEING HUGE GROWTH IN OUR TOTAL NUMBER OF SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS, WE DO CONTINUE TO SEE

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GROWTH IN OUR POST AND TWEET IMPRESSIONS, AS WELL AS IN POST/TWEET ENGAGEMENTS, WHICH IS THE FOCUS OF OUR EFFORTS ON SOCIAL MEDIA. THE GOAL IS TO HAVE QUALITY READERS WHO ARE ENGAGING WITH OUR CONTENT.

FOR COMBINED SOCIAL MEDIA POST/TWEET IMPRESSIONS, NOTE THAT WE HAD 4,495,211 IN 2018. AT THIS POINT IN 2019, OUR COMBINED SOCIAL MEDIA POST/TWEET IMPRESSIONS IS 1,554,839 WHICH KEEPS US ON TRACK TO SEE A SIMILAR TREND IN 2019 THAT WE SAW IN PREVIOUS YEARS. IN 2018, WE HAD 77,812 ENGAGEMENTS ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS (I.E. SOMEONE CLICKING ON OR INTERACTING WITH A POST). AT THIS POINT IN 2019, OUR COMBINED SOCIAL MEDIA POST/TWEET ENGAGEMENTS IS 27,023, ON TRACK TO SEE SIMILAR RESULTS TO 2018.

EDITORIAL

WE'VE HAD A WIDE RANGE OF STORIES FOCUSING ON IMMIGRATION, AG AND CLIMATE ISSUES, OCEANS, AND TOXIC PESTICIDES. PUBLICATION PARTNERS INCLUDED SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, THE WASHINGTON POST, KQED AND REVEAL BY THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING.

OVER THE COURSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR, WE HAVE BEGUN TO ORGANIZE COVERAGE AROUND BROAD THEMES, DISSECTING AN ISSUE WITH MULTIPLE STORIES PUBLISHED IN DIFFERENT OUTLETS. THE IDEA IS TO REACH A BROAD RANGE OF AUDIENCES, HELP READERS GRASP THE SCOPE OF A PROBLEM, AND GIVE THEM A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE SYSTEMS ARE BREAKING DOWN, AND WHAT THE SOLUTIONS MIGHT BE. FERN'S COLLABORATIVE APPROACH TO DISTRIBUTION ENSURES THAT THESE STORIES REACH LARGE, INFLUENTIAL AUDIENCES.

IN 2019 WE RELEASED THE INITIAL STORY IN THE FIRST OF THESE LARGE INITIATIVES, AN EXPLORATION OF AGRICULTURE AS BOTH A NEGATIVE AND

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POTENTIALLY POSITIVE FORCE IN ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE. PUBLISHED BY MOTHER JONES, THE FIRST STORY IN OUR CLIMATE AND AGRICULTURE SERIES LOOKED AT A FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATION THAT IS MOBILIZING MIDWESTERN FARMERS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE.

IMPACT

WE CONTINUE TO EMPHASIZE A VARIETY OF PARTNERS AND AUDIENCES. SOME ARE SMALL BUT HIGHLY FOCUSED, SUCH AS YALE ENVIRONMENT 360, WHICH CATERS TO ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY MAKERS, ADVOCATES AND MEDIA. OTHERS ARE BROAD AND MAINSTREAM, LIKE EATINGWELL OR THE WASHINGTON POST OR HUFFPOST. WE BELIEVE WE SUCCEEDED IN ALERTING MILLIONS OF "NEW TO THE ISSUES" READERS AND PRIMING THEM FOR REFORM.

FERN ENDORSES A FORMULATION OF JOURNALISTIC IMPACT DEFINED BY THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING. IT STATES THAT IMPACT REPRESENTS "A CHANGE IN THE STATUS QUO AS A RESULT OF A DIRECT INTERVENTION, BE IT A TEXT ARTICLE, DOCUMENTARY, OR LIVE EVENT. IMPACT CAN BE CHARACTERIZED BY THREE TYPES OF OUTCOMES: STRUCTURAL/MACRO EVENTS LIKE CHANGES IN LAWS AND POLICIES; MESO-LEVEL CHANGES SUCH AS SHIFTS IN PUBLIC DEBATE; AND MICRO-LEVEL CHANGES, LIKE ALTERATIONS IN INDIVIDUALS' KNOWLEDGE, BELIEFS, OR BEHAVIOR."

WE IMPLEMENT THIS CONCEPT BY TRACKING (I) VIEWS AND READS OF ONLINE STORIES AND ANCILLARY PRODUCTS LIKE INFOGRAPHICS, (II) REACH OF PRINT AND BROADCAST PARTNERS, (III) AWARDS RECEIVED, (IV) MEDIA UPTAKE (INCLUDING MEDIA APPEARANCES BY THE WRITER/FERN REPRESENTATIVES, COVERAGE OF THE STORY OR RE-REPORTING BY OTHER OUTLETS, AND CHANGES IN COVERAGE PATTERNS), (V) EFFECTS ON PUBLIC DEBATE, (VI) PUBLIC

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ENGAGEMENT CAMPAIGNS CREATED BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS BASED ON OUR REPORTING, (VII) CHANGES IN INDIVIDUAL/CONSUMER BEHAVIOR, AND (VIII) POLICY CHANGES AT THE CORPORATE, FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LEVEL.

IT IS OUR EXPECTATION THAT OVERALL OUR WORK WILL RAISE AWARENESS IN THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF THE ISSUES ON WHICH WE REPORT. A COMBINATION OF THE INFORMATION WE PRODUCE AND AWARENESS/DEBATE AMONG THE GENERAL PUBLIC CAN AND OFTEN DOES RESULT IN GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY REGARDING THE ISSUES. WE HAVE ALSO DEMONSTRATED A FURTHER ABILITY FOR OUR REPORTING TO LEAD DIRECTLY TO CORPORATE AND GOVERNMENT POLICY CHANGE.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A CONTINUATION:

OUR EDITORIAL PRODUCTION OVER THE PAST YEAR WAS STRONG, BOTH IN TERMS OF REACH AS WELL AS IMPACT. WHAT FOLLOWS ARE SOME HIGHLIGHTS.

"DAWN OF THE SLOW CHICKEN?" BY MARYN MCKENNA, PUBLISHED WITH EATINGWELL MAGAZINE, TELLS HOW SOME BIG POULTRY COMPANIES ARE ABANDONING FAST-GROWTH BREEDS IN FAVOR OF SLOWER-GROWING BIRDS IN AN EFFORT TO LOWER THE VOLUME OF ANTIBIOTICS THEY HAVE TO USE. EATINGWELL HAS A MONTHLY READERSHIP OF 4 MILLION AND A PRINT CIRCULATION OF 1.7 MILLION. THE PIECE GENERATED SOCIAL MEDIA ATTENTION WAS SHARED BY A VARIETY OF GROUPS, SUCH AS THE CENTER FOR A LIVEABLE FUTURE, THE UNITED STATES PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP (U.S. PIRG), AND FARM FORWARD.

"BEES FACE YET ANOTHER LETHAL THREAT IN DICAMBA, A DRIFT-PRONE WEEDKILLER," BY LIZA GROSS, WAS A FOLLOW-UP TO HER DICAMBA INVESTIGATION THAT EXPLAINS HOW THE WEEDKILLER IS WREAKING HAVOC ON

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HONEYBEES AND OTHER ALREADY EMBATTLED POLLINATORS. PUBLISHED WITH REVEAL, WHICH REACHES 300,000 USERS A MONTH. THE STORY WAS RE-PUBLISHED BY MOTHER JONES, GRIST AND WIRED. ON SOCIAL MEDIA, THE PIECE APPEALED TO NICHE GROUPS INTERESTED IN PESTICIDES AND BEE ISSUES. IT WAS SHARED BY BEE CITY USA'S FACEBOOK GROUP (FOSTERS ONGOING DIALOGUE IN URBAN AREAS TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE ROLE OF POLLINATORS) AND WAS TWEETED BY THE NON-GMO REPORT (MONTHLY NEWS MAGAZINE). THE ORGANIC COMPANY EARTHBOUND FARM SHARED IT VIA THEIR SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNELS.

"WHERE BEEF IS MORE THAN DINNER," A RADIO PIECE BY LISA MOREHOUSE FOR CALIFORNIA REPORT, EXPLORES A RANCH THAT USES COW PARTS IN THE BIOMEDICAL FIELD, FOR THINGS LIKE BONE SCREWS, COLLAGEN, AND DENTAL FILLINGS.

THE BEEF INDUSTRY TOOK NOTICE OF THE STORY, AS SEEN BY ONLINE MENTIONS BY BEEF MAGAZINE AND TWEETS BY THE NATIONAL CATTLEMEN'S BEEF ASSOCIATION. OTHERS WHO SHARED THE PIECE ONLINE INCLUDED CHEFS COLLABORATIVE AND THE NEW FOOD ECONOMY.

"A LIFELINE FOR SNAP PAYMENTS A FARMERS' MARKETS," BY JANE BLACK, IS A FOLLOWUP TO OUR WIDELY SHARED STORY LAST SUMMER. THIS ONE BREAKS THE NEWS THAT A SNAP PAYMENTS COMPANY, WHICH WAS HEADED FOR BANKRUPTCY, LEAVING THOUSANDS OF FARMERS' MARKETS AROUND THE COUNTRY UNABLE TO ACCEPT FOOD STAMPS, WAS BAILED OUT BY SQUARE. BOTH THE ORIGINAL STORY AND THIS FOLLOW-UP WERE PUBLISHED WITH THE WASHINGTON POST, WHICH HAS AN AUDIENCE REACH OF 90.2 MILLION.

THIS STORY RECEIVED SOCIAL MEDIA ATTENTION FROM ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS

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SLOW FOOD, NATIONAL SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE COALITION (NSAC), FAIR FOOD NETWORK, ROOTS OF CHANGE, FOODPRINT, AND FOOD POLICY ACTION. THE PIECE ALSO POINTED TO OUR GROWING INFLUENCE ON INSTAGRAM, WITH OUR POST OF THE STORY RECEIVING A REPOST BY FOOD WRITER, AMY HOLLORAN.

"AS COASTAL FLOODING SURGES, 'LIVING SHORELINES' SEEN AS THE ANSWER," BY ROWAN JACOBSEN IS OUR LATEST PIECE WITH SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, IT TELLS THE STORY OF A GROWING SCIENTIFIC CONSENSUS THAT TRADITIONAL BULWARKS AGAINST COASTAL FLOODS, SO-CALLED HARD BARRIERS LIKE SEAWALLS, ARE FAR LESS EFFECTIVE THAN THE NATURAL BARRIERS SUCH AS SALT MARSHES AND OYSTER REEFS.

THE STORY WAS MENTIONED ON COASTAL NEWS TODAY, HOME OF THE AMERICAN SHORELINE PODCAST NETWORK. THE TRUSTEES OF RESERVATIONS (A NONPROFIT THAT PROTECTS PROPERTIES OF EXCEPTIONAL SCENIC, HISTORIC, AND ECOLOGICAL VALUE IN MASSACHUSETTS) INCLUDED THE STORY IN THEIR WEEKLY #FRIDAYFIVE OF MUST-READ ARTICLES EACH WEEK. TWEETS CAME FROM ALBEMARLE-PAMLICO NATIONAL ESTUARY PARTNERSHIP, THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY'S COASTAL RESILIENCE CENTER, AND EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY'S INTEGRATED COASTAL PROGRAMS.

"WHAT PESTICIDE MONITORING MISSES," BY LIZA GROSS SPOTLIGHTS THE SHORTCOMINGS OF THE NATION'S PESTICIDE-MONITORING PROCESS, NOTING SPECIFICALLY THAT IT IS FOCUSED ON CONSUMER PROTECTION WHILE LARGELY IGNORING THE EXPONENTIALLY HIGHER EXPOSURE RISKS TO FARMWORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, AS WELL AS TO WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO LIVE NEAR FARM FIELDS. WE PUBLISHED THIS PIECE DIRECTLY, AND THEN SYNDICATED IT WITH THE NATION AND WITH NEW FOOD ECONOMY. LIZA'S PIECE WAS PEGGED TO THE

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**RELEASE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING GROUP'S LATEST "DIRTY DOZEN"
REPORT ON PESTICIDES.**

**THE NATION REACHES A SIGNIFICANT AUDIENCE, BOTH ONLINE AND IN PRINT.
THEIR SOCIAL MEDIA AUDIENCE ALONE IS ABOUT 2 MILLION. AND THOUGH NEW
FOOD ECONOMY'S AUDIENCE IS NOT AS LARGE AS THE NATION, THEIR NICHE
AUDIENCE TENDS TO BE ACTIVELY ENGAGED ON SOCIAL MEDIA. NUTRITIONIST
KERI GLASSMAN CITED THE PIECE ON HER BLOG, NUTRITIOUS LIFE. KERRI IS A
RENOWNED EXPERT IN NUTRITION, WHO'S BEEN FEATURED ON TV AND IN
MAGAZINES.**

**ON SOCIAL MEDIA, THE ARTICLE APPEARED TO RESONATE STRONGLY WITH
ORGANIZATIONS FOCUSED ON HOW PESTICIDES CAN HARM CHILDREN'S
DEVELOPMENT. EXAMPLES INCLUDE THINKING AUTISM (UK CHARITY SUPPORTING
PEOPLE WITH AUTISM AND THEIR FAMILIES) AND JONAS PHILANTHROPIES
(FORMERLY THE JONAS CENTER, A NYC-BASED HEALTH ORGANIZATION THAT
INVESTS IN SOLUTIONS THAT CAN BE SCALED FOR THE GREATEST IMPACT).**

**"AS THE HEAT RISES, FARMWORKERS BAND TOGETHER," BY AUDREA LIM WAS THE
FINAL PIECE IN OUR SERIES WITH THE NATION ON HOW COMMUNITIES ARE
ADAPTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE. LIM TAKES READERS TO WASHINGTON STATE TO
SEE HOW RISING TEMPERATURES HAVE BECOME ANOTHER FACTOR DRIVING
ORGANIZING EFFORTS AMONG MIGRANT FARMWORKERS.**

**AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, THE NATION HAS A SIGNIFICANT SOCIAL MEDIA
AUDIENCE. THE PIECE WAS LINKED TO BY REALCLEARENERGY, A SITE THAT IS
COMMITTED TO ELEVATING THE CONVERSATION AND PROVIDING AN EXTENSIVE
RESOURCE FOR THOSE SEEKING TO EDUCATE THEMSELVES ON ALL ASPECTS OF**

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ENERGY POLICY AND MARKETS. REALCLEARENERGY FALLS UNDERNEATH THE
UMBRELLA OF REALCLEAR MEDIA GROUP.

BOTH FARMWORKER ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA AND CLIMATE JUSTICE ALLIANCE
ENGAGED WITH OUR TWEET FOR THE STORY. OUR INSTAGRAM POST WAS NOTICED BY
ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS FAIR WORLD PROJECT, FOOD PRINT, AND FARM FORWARD.

"AFTER A MEGA-DAIRY WAS SHUT DOWN, OREGON LAWMAKERS CONSIDER MORATORIUM
ON NEW OPERATIONS," BY LEAH DOUGLAS TELLS THE STORY OF A LEGAL FIGHT IN
OREGON BETWEEN THE DAIRY INDUSTRY AND THOSE WHO WANT TO LIMIT HUGE
INDUSTRIAL FARMS. CAFOS ARE A BIG STORY FOR FERN, BUT THIS PIECE
REPRESENTS A PROMISING NEW PATH IN OUR LOCAL/REGIONAL SYNDICATION
EFFORTS. IT WAS PUBLISHED WITH OREGON'S LARGEST NEWSPAPER, THE
OREGONIAN.

THE STORY WAS WIDELY CIRCULATED ON SOCIAL MEDIA, ESPECIALLY TWITTER. IT
WAS RETWEETED BY BOTH INDIVIDUALS AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WHO
CLOSELY FOLLOW ISSUES RELATED TO ANIMAL AGRICULTURE. THE LIST INCLUDES:
AMANDA OBORNE OF ECOTRUST, ANDREW DECORIOLOIS OF FARM FORWARD, REPORTER
DEBBIE WEINGARTEN, THE INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL SELF-RELIANCE, ARCADIA
CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE, PRINCETON STUDIES FOOD,
AND THE SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE AGRICULTURAL PROJECT, AMONG OTHERS. FARM
FORWARD MENTIONED AND LINKED TO THE STORY VIA THEIR BLOG.

"THE HERBICIDE DICAMBA IS SPARKING A CIVIL WAR IN FARM COUNTRY," BY
TREY KAY AND LORETTA WILLIAMS IS THE SECOND PART OF OUR DICAMBA
INVESTIGATION WITH REVEAL, FROM THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING
AND WAS BROADCAST ON MORE THAN 600 PUBLIC RADIO STATIONS AS WELL AS THE

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REVEAL PODCAST. IT BUILT ON THE TEXT INVESTIGATION BY LIZA GROSS LAST FALL, WHICH SHOWED HOW THE EPA HAD IGNORED INDEPENDENT SCIENCE IN APPROVING DICAMBA, WHICH IS PRONE TO DRIFT. TREY AND LORETTA BUILD ON LIZA'S REPORTING, SHOWING HOW THE FIGHT OVER DICAMBA IS PITTING NEIGHBOR AGAINST NEIGHBOR, SOMETIMES WITH DEADLY CONSEQUENCES. SOCIAL MEDIA SHARES FOR THIS STORY INCLUDE GM WATCH AND THE NON-GMO REPORT, CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY, AND CARA COWAN WATTS, AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL.

"THE LOOPHOLE: HOW AMERICAN FORESTS FUEL THE EU'S APPETITE FOR 'GREEN ENERGY,'" BY CARSON VAUGHAN TELLS HOW COMPANIES ARE TURNING VAST TRACTS OF FOREST IN THE SOUTHEAST INTO WOOD PELLETS, THAT ARE THEN SOLD TO EUROPE AS A "SUSTAINABLE" ENERGY SOURCE FOR ELECTRICITY GENERATION. MANY EXPERTS QUESTION THAT CLAIM. THE PHOTOS WERE SHOT BY GEORGE STEINMETZ, WHO FREQUENTLY SHOOTS FOR THE NY TIMES MAGAZINE AND NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC. THIS IS THE LATEST IN OUR ONGOING PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WEATHER CHANNEL.

CARSON SPOKE ABOUT THE STORY ON WUNC'S THE STATE OF THINGS, A DAILY NORTH CAROLINA RADIO PROGRAM THAT IS ALSO AVAILABLE VIA PODCAST. THE INTERVIEW WAS PUBLISHED ON THEIR WEBSITE. BLUE RIDGE PUBLIC RADIO ALSO PUBLISHED THAT INTERVIEW ON THEIR WEBSITE. FERN EDITOR-IN-CHIEF SAM FROMARTZ APPEARED ON CHEDDAR TV TO DISCUSS THE STORY. CHEDDAR TV IS A LIVE STREAMING FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK. CHEDDAR BROADCASTS LIVE DAILY FROM THE FLOOR OF THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, NASDAQ, THE FLATIRON BUILDING IN NEW YORK CITY, AND THE WHITE HOUSE LAWN AND BRIEFING ROOM IN WASHINGTON, D.C. COVERING NEW PRODUCTS, TECHNOLOGIES, AND SERVICES. IT RECEIVES OVER 100 MILLION VIEWS PER MONTH ACROSS ALL ITS PLATFORMS

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AND HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS "CNBC FOR MILLENNIALS."

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DOGWOOD ALLIANCE (AN ORGANIZATION MENTIONED IN THE STORY), ENVIRONMENTAL INTEGRITY PROJECT, AND HARVEST PUBLIC MEDIA TWEETED THE STORY. IT ALSO GOT TRACTION ON INSTAGRAM. PHOTOJOURNALIST GEORGE STEINMETZ (744K FOLLOWERS) SHARED AN INSTAGRAM POST FOR THE STORY, GETTING 4.6K LIKES AND LEADING TO REFERRAL CLICKS TO OUR WEBSITE. WITHIN A FEW WEEKS OF THE PUBLICATION OF OUR STORY, THE COMPANY AT THE HEART OF OUR INVESTIGATION, ANNOUNCED AN "ENHANCED AND EXPANDED GLOBAL SOURCING POLICY" TO RECOMMIT ITSELF TO REFORESTATION AND TO RESTRICT HARVESTING IN "HIGH CONSERVATION VALUE" FORESTS.

"TORONTO RESTAURANT FIGHTS FOOD WASTE BY CHOPPING MENU PRICES TIL ALL THE DISHES ARE GONE," BY JONATHAN BLOOM, PUBLISHED WITH NPR'S THE SALT, TELLS THE STORY OF A RESTAURATEUR WHO GREW UP ON A FARM, LEARNED TO HATE FOOD WASTE, AND DEvised A CREATIVE STRATEGY TO MINIMIZE THE WASTE IN HIS POPULAR RESTAURANTA STRATEGY THAT COULD EASILY BE ADOPTED BY OTHER CHEFS. HE CUTS PRICES UNTIL THE FOOD IS GONE. AT NPR, THE STORY HAD 118K PAGE VIEWS. WE'VE ALSO NOTED THAT THE SALT'S VERSION OF THE PIECE WAS PUBLISHED TO DOZENS OF OTHER NPR AFFILIATES' WEBSITES.

INDIANA PUBLIC MEDIA'S EARTH EATS REPUBLISHED THE STORY. EARTH EATS IS A WEEKLY PODCAST, PUBLIC RADIO PROGRAM AND BLOG THAT BRINGS AUDIENCES NEWS AND RECIPES INSPIRED BY LOCAL FOOD AND SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE. ANOTHER WEB MENTION FOR THE STORY INCLUDED EIN NEWSDESK, A NEWS AGGREGATION SERVICE GEARED TOWARD FOOD INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS.

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IT'S NO SURPRISE THAT THE STORY RESONATED WITH SOCIAL MEDIA AUDIENCES.

WE SAW THAT JONATHAN'S TWEETS, IN PARTICULAR, WERE RETWEETED BY FOLKS SUCH AS FOOD TANK, BIOCYCLE (FROM THE ORGANICS RECYCLING AUTHORITY), SF ENVIRONMENT, GREENWHEEL FOOD HUB (SOCIAL ENTERPRISE IN HAWAII), AND THE SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE AT THE SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

SECOND HARVEST, A LARGE FOOD RESCUE AND RECOVERY ORGANIZATION IN TORONTO, ALSO TWEETED ON THEIR OWN ABOUT THE STORY.

"AS THE OCEANS HEAT UP, THE TYPES OF SEAFOOD WE EAT WILL CHANGE," BY BEN GOLDFARB, PUBLISHED WITH EATINGWELL, WHICH HAS MORE THAN 4 MILLION READERS. IT SHOWS IN VIVID DETAIL HOW CLIMATE CHANGE IS SCRAMBLING THE WORLD'S FISHERIES, CHANGING WHAT IS "NATIVE" TO A GIVEN REGION, AND, ULTIMATELY, WHAT AMERICANS WILL HAVE TO LEARN TO LOVE.

OUR TWEET FOR THIS STORY HAS BEEN SHARED BY FOLKS WHO WORK FOR THE MARINE STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL, THE PLYMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY/ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, AND MANOMET (NONPROFIT BASED IN NEW ENGLAND THAT'S FOCUSED ON APPLYING SCIENCE AND ENGAGING PEOPLE TO SUSTAIN OUR WORLD). WE ALSO SAW A TWEET BY THE OCEAN POLICY PROGRAM AT THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS.

"FIFTY YEARS LATER, A DAUNTING CLEANUP OF VIETNAM'S TOXIC LEGACY," BY GEORGE BLACK LOOKS AT THE LEGACY OF AGENT ORANGE, AN HERBICIDE THAT HAS THREATENED THE HEALTH OF THREE GENERATIONS OF VIETNAMESE. USED IN THE VIETNAM WAR, BLACK SHOWS HOW IT HAS SEEPED INTO WATER AND THE FOOD SUPPLY, EVEN SHOWING UP IN BREAST MILK. NOW THE U.S. AND VIETNAM ARE FINALLY CLEANING UP THE MESS. THE STORY WAS PUBLISHED WITH YALE ENVIRONMENT 360, WHICH HAS A VERY STRONG AUDIENCE IN THE ENVIRO

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COMMUNITY AND AMONG ACADEMICS.

AEC NEWS TODAY, A BLOG THAT AGGREGATES NEWS COVERAGE TARGETED SPECIFICALLY AT THE ASEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (AEC), MENTIONED AND LINKED TO THE STORY. ON THE AFTERNOON OF THE STORY'S PUBLICATION, THE YALEE360 LINK HAD ALREADY RECEIVED OVER 1K SOCIAL MEDIA SHARES, MOSTLY VIA LIKES AND RETWEETS OF YALEE360'S TWEET FOR THE STORY. SOME ADDITIONAL TWEETS WE SAW FOR THE PIECE WERE FROM EARTH EATS AND NON-GMO REPORT.

ORGANIC FARMING HAS A PLASTICS PROBLEM. ONE SOLUTION IS CONTROVERSIAL. BY LISA HELD, PUBLISHED WITH NPR'S THE SALT. JUST LIKE THEIR CONVENTIONAL COUNTERPARTS, ORGANIC FARMERS RELY ON PLASTIC THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF MILES OF IT TO SUPPRESS WEEDS, CONSERVE WATER AND AID PLANT GROWTH. WHEN THE SEASON IS OVER, IT ENDS UP IN LANDFILLS. ONE CONCEIVABLE SOLUTION, BIODEGRADABLE PLASTIC, ISN'T ALLOWED UNDER ORGANIC RULES IN ITS CURRENT FORM, THOUGH SOME THINK THOSE RULES SHOULD BE CHANGED. DOZENS OF NPR AFFILIATES REPUBLISHED THIS STORY, INCLUDING WHY, KUOW, OREGON PUBLIC BROADCASTING, AS WELL AS THE EARTH EATS AND FIELD WORK PODCASTS.

OTHER SITES THAT REPUBLISHED THE PIECE INCLUDED RURAL MESSENGER (PRINT PUBLICATION SERVING RURAL-MINDED READERS OF CENTRAL KANSAS) AND ILLINOIS NEWSROOM (REGIONAL JOURNALISM COLLABORATION SUPPORTED BY THE CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING, MCCORMICK FOUNDATION). WIDELY SHARED ON FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM AND TWITTER BY ORGANIZATIONS FOCUSED ON SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE. SOME EXAMPLES INCLUDE CERTIFIED NATIONALLY GROWN, CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL FORESTRY RESEARCH (CIFOR), NORTHEAST

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SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE WORKING GROUP (NESAWG), AND FOODPRINT.

**AN UNHEALTHY ALLIANCE BETWEEN ALMONDS AND HONEYBEES, BY PAIGE EMBRY,
PUBLISHED WITH HUFFPOST, REPUBLISHED BY HUFFPO PARTNER YAHOO NEWS. WHEN
OUR STORIES GET PUBLISHED TO BOTH OF THESE SITES, THE POTENTIAL WEB
AUDIENCE IS OVER 193 MILLION. THE CALIFORNIA ALMOND INDUSTRY, WHICH
SUPPLIES 80 PERCENT OF THE WORLD'S ALMONDS, IS BOOMING. IT IS UTTERLY
DEPENDENT ON HONEYBEES, TRUCKED IN FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY AND PLOPPED
IN ORCHARDS IN THE MIDDLE OF WINTER. BUT THE BEES, BESET BY A HOST OF
AFFLICTIONS, ARE STRUGGLING TO KEEP PACE, AS EACH YEAR THE ACREAGE
DEVOTED TO ALMONDS GROWS. MEANWHILE, THE BEEKEEPERS ARE INCREASINGLY
DEPENDENT ON THE MONEY THEY MAKE FROM ALMONDS TO PAY THE BILLS THE REST
OF THE YEAR.**

**HIGH COUNTRY NEWS ALSO REPUBLISHED THE PIECE, AS DID ECOCOLMENA (AN
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT INVOLVES CITIZENS IN THE PROTECTION OF
BEES AND POLLINATORS. SOCIAL MEDIA SHARES INCLUDED HARVEST PUBLIC
MEDIA, THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES AT UC
DAVIS, KCUR, AND PROJECT APIS (A NONPROFIT THAT ENHANCES THE HEALTH OF
HONEYBEES WHILE IMPROVING CROP PRODUCTION).**

**ONE MAN IS TRYING TO SAVE THE WORLD FROM CLIMATE CHANGE BY MOBILIZING
AN UNLIKELY TEAM: IOWA'S FARMERS, BY BRIAN BARTH, PUBLISHED WITH MOTHER
JONES AND THE FIRST STORY IN OUR CLIMATE AND AGRICULTURE SERIES. IT'S
THE FASCINATING STORY OF MATT RUSSELL, A GAY FARMER WHO RUNS THE IOWA
BRANCH OF INTERFAITH POWER AND LIGHT, A NONPROFIT THAT PROMOTES A
RELIGIOUS RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE. RUSSELL BELIEVES THAT FARMERS, A
DEMOGRAPHIC SEEN AS RELIGIOUS AND CONSERVATIVE, ARE A SECRET WEAPON IN**

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THE CLIMATE FIGHT. AND IN IOWA AT LEAST, HE'S MAKING HIS BELIEF A REALITY. MOTHER JONES TWEETED THE STORY A FEW TIMES (AND TAGGED FERN) FROM BOTH THEIR MAIN TWITTER ACCOUNT AND THEIR MOTHER JONES FOOD ACCOUNT, REACHING ABOUT 1.76 MILLION USERS. WITHIN A MONTH OF OUR STORY, CNN FOLLOWED IT WITH A PROFILE OF RUSSELL AND HIS ORGANIZATION. THIS STORY BECAME THE BASIS FOR A CNN BROADCAST REPORT ON RUSSELL, THUS DEMONSTRATING FERN'S POWER TO SET THE NATIONAL REPORTING AGENDA.

JUSTICE DEPT. INTERVENES IN MAJOR POULTRY PRICE-FIXING CASE. OUR OWN LEAH DOUGLAS BROKE THE STORY ON HOW THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT WAS INVESTIGATING A MAJOR POULTRY ANTITRUST ISSUE, WHICH HAS BEEN SUBJECT TO SEVERAL LAWSUITS. ALTHOUGH THE LAWSUITS HAD BEEN REPORTED, DOJ'S INTEREST HAD NOT. THE NEW YORK TIMES, THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, BLOOMBERG, REUTERS, CNN, USA TODAY AND MANY OTHERS "MATCHED" THE STORY THE FOLLOWING DAY, I.E. REPORTED IT AS NEWS WITH THEIR OWN COVERAGE. IN SEVERAL CASES, INCLUDING ON THE WALL STREET JOURNAL AND CNN, FERN WAS CREDITED IN THESE ARTICLES WITH A "AS FIRST REPORTED BY THE FOOD & ENVIRONMENT REPORTING NETWORK" MENTION. THE STORY CAUSED POULTRY COMPANY STOCKS TO DECLINE AND WAS A NEWSBREAK FROM THE LARGER GUARDIAN ITEM IN AUGUST ABOUT COMPANIES HAVING THE POWER TO COORDINATE AND LOWER PRICES PAID TO FARMERS. THIS PIECE ALSO PUT US ON THE RADAR OF JOHN OLIVER'S HBO SERIES "LAST WEEK TONIGHT." WE WERE CONTACTED BY THE SHOW'S NEWS PRODUCER TO HELP PROVIDE SOME CONTEXT FOR THE RECENT LIVESTOCK NEWS.

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DAWN OF THE SLOW CHICKEN? - BY MARYN MCKENNA FOR EATINGWELL

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BEES FACE YET ANOTHER LETHAL THREAT IN DICAMBA, A DRIFT-PRONE

WEEDKILLER - BY LIZA GROSS FOR REVEAL

WHERE BEEF IS MORE THAN DINNER - BY LISA MOREHOUSE FOR CALIFORNIA

REPORT

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FOR HUFFPOST**

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:

**THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PRESENTS A DRAFT FORM 990 TO THE CHAIR AND TREASURER
OF THE BOARD ELECTRONICALLY, WHO REVIEW AND APPROVE PRIOR TO SUBMISSION TO
THE IRS.**

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

**BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS ARE REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE ANY ACTUAL OR POSSIBLE
CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH THE GOVERNING BOARD. AFTER DISCLOSURE, AN
INVESTIGATION IS HELD DURING WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL MUST RECUSE THEMSELVES
FROM VOTING ON THE MATTER. IF THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT AN INDIVIDUAL HAS
FAILED TO DISCLOSE ANY ACTUAL OR POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST, APPROPRIATE
DISCIPLINARY AND CORRECTIVE ACTION WILL BE TAKEN. SUCH MATTERS INVOLVING
THE EXISTENCE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST ARE TO BE DOCUMENTED IN THE MINUTES
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD. ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, EACH BOARD MEMBER AND OFFICER
IS REQUIRED TO SIGN A STATEMENT WHICH AFFIRMS THAT THEY RECEIVED A COPY OF
THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY.**

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15:

TO DETERMINE COMPENSATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, THE BOARD UTILIZES COMPENSATION DATA FOR EACH POSITION AMONG PEER ORGANIZATIONS. A PROPOSED AMOUNT FOR EACH POSITION IS THEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD AND RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD. THE PROCESS WAS LAST CONDUCTED IN 2018.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

THE ORGANIZATION'S FORM 990 IS MADE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 6104 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE. IT IS POSTED ON NEW YORK STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL WEBSITE, GUIDESTAR.ORG AND OTHER SIMILAR TYPES OF WEBSITES. IN ADDITION, THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE UPON WRITTEN REQUEST AT 576 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10036 OR BY CALLING THE ORGANIZATION DIRECTLY AT (646)248-6014.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:

SPECIAL PROJECTS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	64,671.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	64,671.

WRITERS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	36,110.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.

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TOTAL EXPENSES	36,110.
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PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	16,655.
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MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
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FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
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TOTAL EXPENSES	16,655.
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DESIGN/DEVELOPMENT:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	7,513.
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MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	15,679.
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FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	3,380.
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TOTAL EXPENSES	26,572.
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COMMUNICATIONS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	11,295.
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MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	1,500.
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FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
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TOTAL EXPENSES	12,795.
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PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	7,800.
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MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
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FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
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TOTAL EXPENSES	7,800.
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TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A	164,603.
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FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:

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**THE ORGANIZATION HAS A COMMITTEE THAT ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR
OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OF ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SELECTION OF AN
INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT. THE PROCESS HAS NOT CHANGED FROM THE PRIOR
YEAR.**

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