

**Return of Private Foundation**  
or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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For calendar year 2015 or tax year beginning , 2015, and ending , 20

Name of foundation <b>COOPER FOUNDATION</b>		<b>A</b> Employer identification number 47-0401230
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	<b>B</b> Telephone number (see instructions)
1248 O STREET	870	(402) 476-7571

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code  
**LINCOLN, NE 68508**

**G** Check all that apply:

<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return	<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity
<input type="checkbox"/> Final return	<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change	<input type="checkbox"/> Name change

**H** Check type of organization  Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation  
 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust  Other taxable private foundation

**I** Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) **\$ 21,344,178.**

**J** Accounting method:  Cash  Accrual  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)

**C** If exemption application is pending, check here

**D** 1 Foreign organizations, check here   
2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation

**E** If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here

**F** If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here

<b>Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses</b> (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)				
	<b>2</b> Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B.				
	<b>3</b> Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	53.	53.		
	<b>4</b> Dividends and interest from securities	274,752.	274,752.		
	<b>5a</b> Gross rents				
	<b>b</b> Net rental income or (loss)				
	<b>6a</b> Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	1,246,921.			
	<b>b</b> Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	3,480,454.			
	<b>7</b> Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		1,246,921.		
	<b>8</b> Net short-term capital gain				
	<b>9</b> Income modifications			13,000.	
	<b>10a</b> Gross sales less returns and allowances				
<b>b</b> Less Cost of goods sold					
<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
<b>11</b> Other income (attach schedule)					
<b>12</b> Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,521,726.	1,521,726.	13,000.		
<b>Operating and Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	147,222.	8,029.		139,193.
	<b>14</b> Other employee salaries and wages	83,000.			83,000.
	<b>15</b> Pension plans, employee benefits	60,729.	2,437.		58,292.
	<b>16a</b> Legal fees (attach schedule)	1,630.	81.		1,549.
	<b>b</b> Accounting fees (attach schedule)	14,252.	6,568.		7,684.
	<b>c</b> Other professional fees (attach schedule)	45,525.	45,525.		
	<b>17</b> Interest				
	<b>18</b> Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) [2]	44,394.	613.		14,669.
	<b>19</b> Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion	2,281.	92.		
	<b>20</b> Occupancy	53,549.	2,148.		51,401.
	<b>21</b> Travel, conferences, and meetings	19,214.			15,779.
	<b>22</b> Printing and publications	617.			617.
	<b>23</b> Other expenses (attach schedule) [3]	35,585.	653.		34,932.
	<b>24</b> Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	507,998.	66,146.		407,116.
	<b>25</b> Contributions, gifts, grants paid	620,800.			719,139.
<b>26</b> Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	1,128,798.	66,146.	0.	1,126,255.	
<b>27</b> Subtract line 26 from line 12					
<b>a</b> Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	392,928.				
<b>b</b> Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		1,455,580.			
<b>c</b> Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			13,000.		

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value		
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing . . . . .				
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	37,392.	5,561.	5,561.	
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ . . . . .				
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ . . . . .				
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ . . . . .				
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ . . . . .				
	5	Grants receivable. . . . .				
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions) . . . . .				
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ . . . . .				
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ . . . . .				
	8	Inventories for sale or use. . . . .				
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	8,647.	6,111.	6,111.	
	10a	Investments - U S and state government obligations (attach schedule), . . . . .				
	b	Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule) . . . . .				
	c	Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule). . . . .				
	11	Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ . . . . .				
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ . . . . .					
12	Investments - mortgage loans. . . . .					
13	Investments - other (attach schedule) . . . . . ATCH 4	23,327,999.	21,327,108.	21,327,108.		
14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ . . . . . 116,569.					
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ . . . . . 111,171.	5,303.	5,398.	5,398.		
15	Other assets (describe ▶ . . . . .)					
16	<b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I) . . . . .	23,379,341.	21,344,178.	21,344,178.		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	22,912.	27,270.		
	18	Grants payable . . . . .	333,073.	234,734.		
	19	Deferred revenue. . . . .				
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons. . . . .				
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule) . . . . .				
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ . . . . . ATCH 5)	112.	19,352.		
23	<b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22) . . . . .	356,097.	281,356.			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.					
	24	Unrestricted . . . . .	18,023,244.	16,062,822.		
	25	Temporarily restricted . . . . .				
	26	Permanently restricted . . . . .	5,000,000.	5,000,000.		
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 31.					
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds . . . . .				
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund. . . . .				
29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds . . . . .					
30	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .	23,023,244.	21,062,822.			
31	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .	23,379,341.	21,344,178.			

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances		
1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) . . . . .	1 23,023,244.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a . . . . .	2 392,928.
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ ATCH 6 . . . . .	3 13,000.
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3 . . . . .	4 23,429,172.
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ ATCH 7 . . . . .	5 2,366,350.
6	<b>Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30 . . . . .</b>	6 21,062,822.

**Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income**

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)		(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo, day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo, day, yr)
<b>1a</b>	SEE PART IV SCHEDULE			
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b>				
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)	
<b>a</b>				
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b>				
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(i) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))	
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any		
<b>a</b>				
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b>				
<b>2</b>	Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	<b>2</b>	1,246,921.
<b>3</b>	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		<b>3</b>	0.

**Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income**

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see the instructions before making any entries			
(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2014	1,307,997.	23,936,545.	0.054644
2013	959,171.	22,305,269.	0.043002
2012	1,098,237.	20,148,933.	0.054506
2011	1,152,905.	21,021,294.	0.054845
2010	784,821.	19,615,122.	0.040011
<b>2</b>	Total of line 1, column (d)	<b>2</b>	0.247008
<b>3</b>	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	<b>3</b>	0.049402
<b>4</b>	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5	<b>4</b>	22,578,465.
<b>5</b>	Multiply line 4 by line 3	<b>5</b>	1,115,421.
<b>6</b>	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	<b>6</b>	14,556.
<b>7</b>	Add lines 5 and 6	<b>7</b>	1,129,977.
<b>8</b>	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions	<b>8</b>	1,126,255.

<b>Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see instructions)</b>			
1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1 . . . . . Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary - see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b . . . . .	1	29,112.
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-) . . . . .	2	
3	Add lines 1 and 2 . . . . .	3	29,112.
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-) . . . . .	4	0.
5	<b>Tax based on investment income.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .	5	29,112.
6	<b>Credits/Payments</b>		
a	2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015 . . . . .	6a	9,760.
b	Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source . . . . .	6b	
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868) . . . . .	6c	
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld . . . . .	6d	
7	Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d . . . . .	7	9,760.
8	Enter any <b>penalty</b> for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached . . . . .	8	30.
9	<b>Tax due.</b> If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter <b>amount owed</b> . . . . .	9	19,382.
10	<b>Overpayment.</b> If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the <b>amount overpaid</b> . . . . .	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be <b>Credited to 2016 estimated tax</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Refunded</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>11</b>		

<b>Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities</b>			
		Yes	No
1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign? . . . . .		X
b	Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for the definition)? . . . . . <i>If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities</i>		X
c	Did the foundation file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? . . . . .	N/A	
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? . . . . . <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities</i>		X
3	Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i> . . . . .		X
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year? . . . . .		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year? . . . . .	N/A	
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? . . . . . <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.</i>		X
6	Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument? . . . . .	X	
7	Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV</i>	X	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> NE,		
b	<i>If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation</i> . . . . .	X	
9	Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2015 or the taxable year beginning in 2015 (see instructions for Part XIV)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i> . . . . .		X
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses</i> . . . . .		X

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address WWW.COOPERFOUNDATION.ORG
14 The books are in care of COOPER FOUNDATION Telephone no 402-476-7571 Located at 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER, 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE ZIP+4 68508
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year. N/A
16 At any time during calendar year 2015, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114 If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days)
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))
a At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? If "Yes," list the years
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions)
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2015 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015.)
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?

**Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)**

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?  Yes  No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?  Yes  No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?  Yes  No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions).  Yes  No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?  Yes  No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?  Yes  No 5b N/A

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?  Yes  No  
If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No 6b X

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No  
If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?  Yes  No 7b N/A

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?  Yes  No

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**

**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
ATCH 8		147,222.	6,701.	0.

**2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 - see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."**

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000. 0.

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)**

<b>3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."</b>		
(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		0.
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services . . . . .		0.

**Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities**

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc	Expenses
1 N/A	
2	
3	
4	

**Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)**

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1 NONE	
2	
All other program-related investments See instructions	
3 NONE	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .	

**Part X Minimum Investment Return** (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	22,891,041.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	19,750.
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	1c	11,508.
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	22,922,299.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	22,922,299.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	343,834.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	22,578,465.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	1,128,923.

**Part XI Distributable Amount** (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here  and do not complete this part)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	1,128,923.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5	2a	29,112.
b	Income tax for 2015. (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	29,112.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	1,099,811.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	13,000.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	1,112,811.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	1,112,811.

**Part XII Qualifying Distributions** (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	1,126,255.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	1,126,255.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions)	5	0.
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	1,126,255.

Note. The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2014	(c) 2014	(d) 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Part XI, line 7 . . . . .				1,112,811.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only . . . . .			3,943.	
b Total for prior years 20 13, 20 12, 20 11 . . . . .				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015				
a From 2010 . . . . .				
b From 2011 . . . . .				
c From 2012 . . . . .				
d From 2013 . . . . .				
e From 2014 . . . . .				
f Total of lines 3a through e . . . . .	0.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 1,126,255.				
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a . . . . .			3,943.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions) . . . . .				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions) . . . . .				
d Applied to 2015 distributable amount . . . . .				1,112,811.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus . . . . .	9,501.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 . (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a) )				
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5 . . . . .	9,501.			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b . . . . .				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed . . . . .				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount - see instructions . . . . .				
e Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount - see instructions . . . . .				
f Undistributed income for 2015 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2016 . . . . .				
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions) . . . . .				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) . . . . .				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a . . . . .	9,501.			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2011 . . . . .				
b Excess from 2012 . . . . .				
c Excess from 2013 . . . . .				
d Excess from 2014 . . . . .				
e Excess from 2015 . . . . .	9,501.			

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

NOT APPLICABLE

1 a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2015, enter the date of the ruling . . . . .

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

Table with 5 main columns: (a) 2015, (b) 2014, (c) 2013, (d) 2012, (e) Total. Rows include 2a (Adjusted net income), 2b (85% of line 2a), 2c (Qualifying distributions), 2d (Amounts included in line 2c), 2e (Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct), 3 (Alternative tests: Assets, Endowment, Support).

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year - see instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))

N/A

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

N/A

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here [ ] if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc. (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.

a The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed:

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b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include.

SEE EXHIBIT 1

c Any submission deadlines

APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED AT BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETINGS.

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors.

GRANTS ARE MADE PRIMARILY TO NEBRASKA NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.

**Part XV** Supplementary Information (continued)

**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
<b>a Paid during the year</b> SEE EXHIBIT 2				620,800.
<b>Total</b> .....				<b>3a</b> 620,800.
<b>b Approved for future payment</b>  ATCH 10				
<b>Total</b> .....				<b>3b</b> 48,840.

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Table with 5 main columns: (a) Business code, (b) Amount, (c) Exclusion code, (d) Amount, (e) Related or exempt function income. Rows include Program service revenue, Membership dues, Interest on savings, Dividends, Net rental income, Gain or loss from sales, and Subtotal.

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Table with 2 columns: Line No. and Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes.

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

- 1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code... a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of: (1) Cash, (2) Other assets. b Other transactions: (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization, (2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization, (3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets, (4) Reimbursement arrangements, (5) Loans or loan guarantees, (6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations. c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees. d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule.

Table with 4 columns: (a) Line no, (b) Amount involved, (c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization, (d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements. Row 1 contains N/A.

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? Yes No

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name of organization, (b) Type of organization, (c) Description of relationship.

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 taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge. Sign Here: Signature of officer or trustee, Date: 05/16/2016, PRESIDENT, May the IRS discuss this return.

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name: KRISTIN TYNON, Preparer's signature, Firm's name: BKD, LLP, Firm's address: 1248 O STREET, STE 1040 LINCOLN, NE

**FORM 990-PF - PART IV  
CAPITAL GAINS AND LOSSES FOR TAX ON INVESTMENT INCOME**

Kind of Property		Description				P or D	Date acquired	Date sold
Gross sale price less expenses of sale	Depreciation allowed/allowable	Cost or other basis	FMV as of 12/31/69	Adj basis as of 12/31/69	Excess of FMV over adj basis		Gain or (loss)	
		TOTAL CAPITAL GAIN DISTRIBUTIONS					806,845.	
198,290.		ALGER SPECTRA PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 121,732.				P	VAR 76,558.	VAR
109,456.		BLACKROCK EQUITY DIVIDEND PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 74,378.				P	VAR 35,078.	VAR
145,065.		EAGLE SMALL CAP GROWTH PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 93,000.				P	VAR 52,065.	VAR
115,154.		HARBOR INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 84,469.				P	VAR 30,685.	VAR
118,930.		JOHN HANCOCK DISCIPLINED VALUE PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 27,943.				P	VAR 90,987.	VAR
105,633.		MFS INTERNATIONAL NEW DISCOVERY PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 63,137.				P	VAR 42,496.	VAR
120,921.		TEMPLETON INSTL FUNDS FOREIGN PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 76,989.				P	VAR 43,932.	VAR
41,988.		ROYCE OPPORTUNITY INSTL CLASS PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 28,677.				P	VAR 13,311.	VAR
130,527.		EUROPACIFIC GROWTH FUND F2 PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 105,022.				P	VAR 25,505.	VAR
155,373.		VOYA GLOBAL REAL ESTATE PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 103,772.				P	VAR 51,601.	VAR
110,948.		CALAMOS GROWTH & INCOME PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 114,713.				P	VAR -3,765.	VAR
		HSBC OPPORTUNITY FUND				P	VAR	VAR

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Kind of Property		Description				P or D	Date acquired	Date sold
Gross sale price less expenses of sale	Depreciation allowed/ allowable	Cost or other basis	FMV as of 12/31/69	Adj basis as of 12/31/69	Excess of FMV over adj basis		Gain or (loss)	
164,859.		PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 183,236.					-18,377.	
1,156,465.		FIDELITY GOVT MMKT CAP RESERVES PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 1,156,465.				P	VAR	VAR
TOTAL GAIN(LOSS) .....							<u>1,246,921.</u>	

FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>	<u>NET INVESTMENT INCOME</u>
INVESTMENT FEES	45,525.	45,525.
TOTALS	<u>45,525.</u>	<u>45,525.</u>

FORM 990PF, PART I - TAXES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>	<u>NET INVESTMENT INCOME</u>	<u>CHARITABLE PURPOSES</u>
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX	56.	2.	54.
PAYROLL TAXES	15,226.	611.	14,615.
FEDERAL EXCISE TAX	29,112.		
TOTALS	<u>44,394.</u>	<u>613.</u>	<u>14,669.</u>

ATTACHMENT 3

FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER EXPENSES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>	<u>NET INVESTMENT INCOME</u>	<u>CHARITABLE PURPOSES</u>
DUES	7,513.		7,513.
POSTAGE	1,439.	58.	1,381.
SUPPLIES	1,420.	57.	1,363.
MISCELLANEOUS	375.	15.	360.
INSURANCE	2,699.	108.	2,591.
SPECIAL SERVICES	850.		850.
COPIER LEASE	3,582.	144.	3,438.
COMMUNICATIONS	10,944.		10,944.
COMPUTER EXPENSE	6,763.	271.	6,492.
TOTALS	<u>35,585.</u>	<u>653.</u>	<u>34,932.</u>

ATTACHMENT 4FORM 990PF, PART II - OTHER INVESTMENTS

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ENDING BOOK VALUE</u>	<u>ENDING FMV</u>
EUROPACIFIC GROWTH FUND	1,676,341.	1,676,341.
ROYCE OPPORTUNITY FUND	1,433,828.	1,433,828.
CALAMOS GROWTH & INCOME	1,085,020.	1,085,020.
PRIME FUND - CAPITAL RESERVES	158,784.	158,784.
ALGER SPECTRA	1,781,453.	1,781,453.
BLACKROCK EQUITY DIVIDEND	1,750,215.	1,750,215.
EAGLE SMALL CAP GROWTH FUND	1,507,359.	1,507,359.
HARBOR INTERNATIONAL	1,667,292.	1,667,292.
JOHN HANCOCK DISCIPLINED VALUE	1,507,789.	1,507,789.
MFS INTNL. NEW DISCOVERY	1,283,506.	1,283,506.
TEMPLETON INSTL FDS FOREIGN	1,282,556.	1,282,556.
PIMCO COMMODITY REAL RETURN	949,746.	949,746.
OPPENHEIMER DEV MARKETS	2,698,607.	2,698,607.
VOYA GLOBAL REAL ESTATE	1,045,550.	1,045,550.
HSBC OPPORTUNITY FUND	1,499,062.	1,499,062.
TOTALS	<u>21,327,108.</u>	<u>21,327,108.</u>

FORM 990PF, PART II - OTHER LIABILITIES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ENDING BOOK VALUE</u>
FEDERAL EXCISE TAX PAYABLE	19,352.
TOTALS	<u>19,352.</u>

ATTACHMENT 6

FORM 990PF, PART III - OTHER INCREASES IN NET WORTH OR FUND BALANCES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
GRANT RECOVERIES	13,000.
TOTAL	<u>13,000.</u>

ATTACHMENT 7

FORM 990PF, PART III - OTHER DECREASES IN NET WORTH OR FUND BALANCES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
UNREALIZED LOSSES	2,366,350.
TOTAL	<u>2,366,350.</u>

FORM 990PF, PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND TRUSTEESATTACHMENT 8

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED TO POSITION</u>	<u>COMPENSATION</u>	<u>CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS</u>
BRAD KORELL 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TREASURER 2.00	1,600.	
JACK CAMPBELL 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, 68508	CHAIR 2.00	1,700.	
JANE HOOD 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,550.	
LINDA CRUMP 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, 68508	VICE CHAIR 2.00	1,600.	
NORTON WARNER 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	300.	

FORM 990PF, PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND TRUSTEESATTACHMENT 8 (CONT'D)

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED TO POSITION</u>	<u>COMPENSATION</u>	<u>CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS</u>
RICHARD VIERK 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,750.	
ROBERT NEFSKY 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,700.	
ELWOOD A. THOMPSON 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	PRESIDENT 40.00	133,872.	6,701.
KIM ROBAK 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,600.	
PAM SNOW 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,550.	
	GRAND TOTALS	<u>147,222.</u>	<u>6,701.</u>

COOPER FOUNDATION

47-0401230

ATTACHMENT 9

FORM 990PF, PART XV - NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE FOR APPLICATIONS

COOPER FOUNDATION  
870 WELLS FARGO CENTER, 1248 O ST  
LINCOLN, NE 68508  
402-476-7571

FORM 990FF, PART XV - CONTRIBUTIONS APPROVED FOR FUTURE PAYMENTATTACHMENT 10

<u>RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR AND FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT</u>	<u>PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES 285 S 68TH STREET PLACE LINCOLN, NE 68510	NONE PC	LOW-INCOME FEDERAL CREDIT UNION	10,000.
CRANE RIVER THEATER PO BOX 2141 KEARNEY, NE 68848	NONE PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	5,000.
LEADERSHIP LINCOLN, INC. 920 O STREET, SUITE 300 LINCOLN, NE 68508	NONE PC	STAFFING PROPOSAL	7,500.
PRAIRIE LOFT CENTER FOR OUTDOOR & AG. LEARNING PO BOX 1731 HASTINGS, NE 68902	NONE PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	10,000.
SOUTHERN HEIGHTS FOOD FOREST 5750 S 40TH ST LINCOLN, NE 68516	NONE PC	SOUTHERN HEIGHTS FOOD FOREST STAFF	7,500.
WACHISKA AUDUBON SOCIETY 4547 CALVERT, SUITE 10 LINCOLN, NE 68506	NONE PC	THE FERTIG PRAIRIE ACQUISITION PROJECT	8,840.
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS APPROVED			<u>48,840.</u>

**Grants Paid 2015**

Organization Name	City	State	Project Name	Payment Amount	Foundation Status of Recipient
<b>Arts</b>					
Flatwater Shakespeare Company	Lincoln	NE	Flatwater Shakespeare - 20 years in 2020	\$8,840 00	PC
Greater Lincoln Chamber Foundation	Lincoln	NE	Hear Lincoln	\$12,500 00	PC
Hear Nebraska	Omaha	NE	Executive Director position - 2016	\$10,000 00	PC
Hear Nebraska	Omaha	NE	Executive Director position - 2015	\$15,000 00	PC
Lincoln Friends of Chamber Music	Lincoln	NE	Non-Traditional Programming	\$4,000 00	PC
Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	Southwest High Theater - Thespian Festival	\$5,000 00	PC
Lofte Community Theatre	Manley	NE	General Operating Support	\$5,000 00	PC
Metropolitan Opera/Nebraska Auditions	Lincoln	NE	2015-16 Nebraska Auditions	\$1,000 00	PC
Mid-America Arts Alliance	Kansas City	MO	Wireframe Support for Technology Initiative	\$15,000 00	PC
Nebraska Shakespeare	Omaha	NE	Shakespeare On Tour	\$5,000 00	PC
Omaha Creative Institute	Omaha	NE	Artist INC	\$5,000 00	PC
Outlinc	Lincoln	NE	Prairie Pride Film Festival	\$2,000 00	PC
Sunrise Communications Inc /KZUM Radio 89.3 FM	Lincoln	NE	2015 Stransky Park Concert Series	\$5,000 00	PC
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Glenn Korff School of Music	Lincoln	NE	International Horn Competition of America	\$3,500 00	PC
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Glenn Korff School of Music	Lincoln	NE	i2Choir	\$5,000 00	PC
Vision Maker Media	Lincoln	NE	Capacity Building through Community Engagement	\$5,000 00	PC
<b>Total Arts</b>				<b>\$106,840.00</b>	
<b>Community Improvement</b>					
Nebraska Trails Foundation	Lincoln	NE	N Street Protected Bikeway	\$10,000 00	PC
<b>Total Community Improvement</b>				<b>\$10,000.00</b>	
<b>Education</b>					
Arc of Norfolk	Norfolk	NE	Graduation Transition Conference	\$3,500 00	PC
Bellevue University	Bellevue	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	\$3,000 00	PC
Boys & Girls Club of Lincoln/Lancaster County	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$5,000 00	PC
College of Saint Mary	Omaha	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	\$3,000 00	PC
Doane College	Crete	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	\$3,000 00	PC
Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$15,000 00	PC
Grand Island Community Foundation	Grand Island	NE	Curriculum development for "The Quilted Conscience "	\$15,000 00	PC
Hastings College	Hastings	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	\$3,000 00	PC
Jewish Federation of Omaha - Institute for Holocaust Education	Omaha	NE	Education Coordinator position	\$10,000 00	PC
Lincoln Children's Museum	Lincoln	NE	Master Exhibits Plan Phase III	\$20,000 00	PC
Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	Family Literacy Program - 2015	\$10,000 00	PC
Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	Family Literacy Program - 2016	\$10,000 00	PC
Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	Kloefkorn Elementary Inclusive Playground	\$5,000 00	PC
Midland University	Fremont	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	\$3,000 00	PC
Nebraska Wesleyan University	Lincoln	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	\$3,000 00	PC
Nebraskans for Civic Reform	Lincoln	NE	Lincoln Civic Action Project 2.0	\$12,500 00	PC
OpenSky Policy Institute	Lincoln	NE	Policy Director Support	\$10,000 00	PC
University of Nebraska State Museum	Lincoln	NE	Videoconference Educator for Morrill Hall	\$10,000 00	PC
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, College of Education and Human Sciences	Lincoln	NE	Science Olympiad	\$5,000 00	PC
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, E N Thompson Forum on World Issues	Lincoln	NE	Campaign for Nebraska	\$40,000 00	PC
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, E N Thompson Forum on World Issues	Lincoln	NE	Thompson Family Fund 2015	\$16,386 00	PC
<b>Total Education</b>				<b>\$205,386.00</b>	

**Grants Paid 2015**

Organization Name	City	State	Project Name	Payment Amount	Foundation Status of Recipient
<b>Environment</b>					
Bird Conservancy of the Rockies	Brighton	CO	Bird Conservation in Southwestern Nebraska	\$10,000 00	PC
Community CROPS	Lincoln	NE	Youth programs and general operating support	\$7,500 00	PC
Groundwater Foundation	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$10,000 00	PC
Hastings Museum	Hastings	NE	The Nature Nook exhibit	\$5,000 00	PC
Lincoln Parks and Recreation Foundation	Lincoln	NE	Prairie Corridor Capital Campaign Feasibility Study	\$10,000 00	PC
National Audubon Society	Denton	NE	General Operating Support	\$10,000 00	PC
Nebraska Land Trust, Inc	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$10,000 00	PC
Nebraska Water Center Foundation	Ogallala	NE	Educational activities at Lake McConoughy Water Center	\$2,500 00	PC
NET Foundation for Television	Lincoln	NE	Production of documentary, "Imagining the Platte."	\$25,000 00	PC
Prairie Plains Resource Institute	Aurora	NE	Sherman Ranch Acquisition	\$20,000 00	PC
<b>Total Environment</b>				<b>\$110,000.00</b>	
<b>Human Services</b>					
ACLU of Nebraska	Lincoln	NE	Juvenile Solitary Confinement in Nebraska	\$5,000 00	PC
CASA for Lancaster County	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$10,000 00	PC
CenterPointe	Lincoln	NE	Purchase of van	\$8,450 00	PC
Child Guidance Center	Lincoln	NE	Diagnostic Resources	\$5,934 00	PC
Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Counties	Lincoln	NE	Individual Development Account program	\$7,750 00	PC
Community Services Fund of Nebraska	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$7,500 00	PC
El Centro de las Americas	Lincoln	NE	Family Support & Educational Programs	\$10,000 00	PC
Fresh Start, Inc	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$10,000 00	PC
Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska	Lincoln	NE	Support for Lincoln Programs	\$10,000 00	PC
Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters	Lincoln	NE	Latino Mentoring Expansion	\$10,000 00	PC
Legal Aid of Nebraska	Omaha	NE	General Operating Support for Lincoln	\$15,000 00	PC
Lincoln Literacy	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$10,000 00	PC
Mediation Center	Lincoln	NE	Small Claims Court Mediation Program	\$5,000 00	PC
Nebraska Appleseed Center for Law in the Public Interest	Lincoln	NE	Increased Opportunity for Low Income Working Families	\$10,000 00	PC
Nebraska Children and Families Foundation	Lincoln	NE	Project Everlast Lincoln	\$15,000 00	PC
Northeast Family Center	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$10,000 00	PC
Radio Talking Book Service	Omaha	NE	General Operating Support	\$5,000 00	PC
Seniors Foundation	Lincoln	NE	Executive Director position	\$20,000 00	PC
St Monica's	Lincoln	NE	General Operating Support	\$15,000 00	PC
United Way of Lincoln/Lancaster County	Lincoln	NE	2015 Annual Campaign	\$17,879 00	PC
<b>Total Human Services</b>				<b>\$207,513.00</b>	
<b>Humanities</b>					
Durham Museum	Omaha	NE	First Folio! The Book that Gave Us Shakespeare	\$5,000 00	PC
Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries	Lincoln	NE	Planning Process for New Main Library	\$20,000 00	PC
Humanities Nebraska	Lincoln	NE	Core Programming	\$10,000 00	PC
Malone Community Center	Lincoln	NE	Symposium on Art, Culture, and History	\$4,400 00	PC
Nebraska Writers Collective	Omaha	NE	Louder Than a Bomb Great Plains Youth Poetry Festival	\$15,000 00	PC
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, International Quilt Study Center & Museum	Lincoln	NE	Digital Gallery	\$15,000 00	PC
Willa Cather Foundation	Red Cloud	NE	Program and Operating Support	\$10,000 00	PC
<b>Total Humanities</b>				<b>\$79,400.00</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>				<b>\$719,139.00</b>	