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Form 990  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)  The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements	OMB No 1545-0047 2009 Open to Public Inspection
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A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2009 and ending 09-30-2010				
B Check if applicable ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Terminated ☐ Amended return ☐ Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION		D Employer identification number 41-1369512
		Doing Business As		E Telephone number (952) 233-0333
		Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	G Gross receipts \$ 3,348,913
		738 FIRST AVENUE EAST		
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 SHAKOPEE, MN 55379		
F Name and address of principal officer DEVONNA ZEUG 738 FIRST AVENUE EAST SHAKOPEE, MN 55379		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
		H(b) Are all affiliates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No If "No," attach a list (see instructions)		
		H(c) Group exemption number 		
I Tax-exempt status ☒ 501(c) (5)  (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527				
J Website:  WWW.MNCORN.ORG				
K Form of organization ☐ Corporation ☐ Trust ☒ Association ☐ Other 			L Year of formation 1978	M State of legal domicile MN

Part I	Summary
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Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities Identify and promote opportunities for corn growers while enhancing quality of life		
	2	Check this box  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)		
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)		
	5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)		
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)		
	7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 . . .		
	7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 . . .		
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)		
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)		
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)		
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)		
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)		
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)		
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)  0		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)		
	18	Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)		
	19	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12		
Net Assets or Fund Balances		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year	
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	2,259,361	2,137,729
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	1,418,668	1,128,334
	22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	840,693	1,009,395

Part II	Signature Block
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Sign Here	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				
	 *****		2011-07-13		
	Signature of officer		Date		
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature 		Date	Check if self-employed ☐	Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 		LARSONALLEN LLP 220 SOUTH SIXTH STREET SUITE 300 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402		EIN 
					Phone no  (612) 376-4500

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

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1

Briefly describe the organization's mission

Identify and promote opportunities for corn growers while enhancing quality of life

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 exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Producer Services (PS) Team The PS Team has a broad and diverse list of projects and organizations with which it partners In addition to promotion, necessary materials and educational work at the Minnesota State Fair and 20 tradeshow this year, the team supported sponsorships for several dozen community, statewide and regional organizations Through the PS Team, 46 organized county affiliates are supported through matching grant programs that encourage activities at the local level The six regional representatives assist the county affiliates and participated in more than 200 events

4b

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Production Stewardship (SP) Team The SP Team supported 15 projects in the areas of corn production methods and drainage and nutrient management The Minnesota Agriculture Water Resources Coalition and Discovery Farms initiative are notably successful projects under the purview of the SP Team

4c

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Communications Numerous broadcast and print media activities were covered by the Minnesota corn organizations communications efforts resulting in hundreds of millions of media impressions These included outreach to the non-farm urban and suburban communities as well as more agriculture-based areas of Minnesota At times during the year, focus teams and committees directed projects to communications staff when they contained a messaging or media component This ranged from simple print advertisements associated with sponsored events and tradeshow to more involved participation in a coalition-based campaign Communications staff oversee social media efforts of the organizations and are also the first point of contact for journalists requesting television, radio, print interviews

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

See also Additional Data for Description

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e

Total program service expenses

\$

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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1	No					
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2	No					
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	No					
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4						
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	No					
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 	6	No					
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II 	7	No					
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 	8	No					
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 	9	Yes					
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 	10	No					
11	Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable. 	11	Yes					
	• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.							
	• 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.							
	• 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.							
	• 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.							
	• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.							
	• 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.							
12	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII 	12	Yes					
12A	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <table><tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td></tr><tr><td>If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional </td><td>12A</td><td>No</td></tr></table>	Yes	No	If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional 	12A	No		
Yes	No							
If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional 	12A	No						
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No					
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No					
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I 	14b	No					
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the U S ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II 	15	Yes					
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the U S ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III 	16	No					
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I	17	No					
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	No					
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	No					
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20	No					

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21	Yes	
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22		No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 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	Yes	
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 questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i>	24a		No
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) and 501(c)(4) 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		
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		
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27		No
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		No
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		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29		No
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		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
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		No
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		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	34	Yes	
35	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35		No
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		
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		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Part V

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable	1a71	1c	Yes
	b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?				
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a11	2b	Yes
	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 this return (see instructions)			
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	3a		No
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O			3b	
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)?	4a		No
	b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts			
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a		No
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?			5b	No
c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?			5c	
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?	6a		No
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?			6b	
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?			7a	
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?			7b	
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?			7c	
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year			7d	
e Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?			7e	
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?			7f	
g For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?			7g	
h For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?			7h	
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?			8	
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.				
a Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?			9a	
b Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?			9b	
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	

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body . . .	1a	19	
b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent . . .	1b	19	
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		No
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		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets? . . .	5		No
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes	
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	7a	Yes	
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons? . . .	7b		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following			
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes	
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		No

Section B. Policies

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

			Yes	No
10a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		No
b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?	10b		
11	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11	Yes	
11A	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review the Form 990			
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes	
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes	
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	12c	Yes	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes	
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	Yes	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b		No
	If "Yes" to line a or b, 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		No
b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken 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▶
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. ☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ▶ SUZANNE SWENSON 738 1ST AVENUE EAST SHAKOPEE, MN 55379 (952) 233-0333

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

☐ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current or former officer, director, trustee or key employee

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1b	Total	459,247	0	61,507
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2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization 2

		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>	3 Yes	
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>	4 Yes	
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	No

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
Combest Sell and Associates 4908 92ND STREET LUBBOCK, TX 79424	LOBBYING and education	154,797
MOJO 920 Ford Center 420 N Fifth Street Minneapolis, MN 55401	ADVERTISING	119,474

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

Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514			
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . .	1a							
	b	Membership dues	1b							
	c	Fundraising events	1c							
	d	Related organizations	1d							
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e							
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f							
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____								
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f								
Program Service Revenue			Business Code							
	2a	reimb from mn CRPC	900,099	2,720,663	2,720,663					
	b	MEMBERSHIP DUES	900,099	380,031	380,031					
	c	other operating and le	900,099	62,801	62,801					
	d	CONVENTION INCOME	900,099	25,940	25,940					
	e	VARIETY PLOTS	900,099	16,825	16,825					
	f	All other program service revenue								
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		3,206,260						
	Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)		648			648		
4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . .								
5		Royalties								
6a		Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal	136,100			136,100		
		b	Less rental expenses							
			c	Rental income or (loss)					136,100	
			d	Net rental income or (loss)						
7a		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)						
8a		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18								
		b	Less direct expenses							
			c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . .						
9a		Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19								
		b	Less direct expenses							
			c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . .						
10a		Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances								
		b	Less cost of goods sold							
			c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . .						
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code								
11a	MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	900,099	5,905				5,905			
b										
c										
d	All other revenue									
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d			5,905						
12	Total revenue. See Instructions			3,348,913	3,206,260	0	142,653			

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) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

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 governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21	679,947			
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	10,000			
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	254,445			
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	182,041			
7	Other salaries and wages	185,243			
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	15,937			
9	Other employee benefits	19,811			
10	Payroll taxes	58,116			
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	13,912			
c	Accounting	20,104			
d	Lobbying	90,025			
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17	2,743			
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	306,631			
12	Advertising and promotion	174,655			
13	Office expenses	109,889			
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	100,758			
17	Travel	282,354			
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	171,477			
20	Interest	28,170			
21	Payments to affiliates	143,275			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	59,840			
23	Insurance	28,526			
24	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below)				
a	STIPENDS	189,365			
b	AWARDS	25,994			
c	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	25,243			
d	MISCELLANEOUS	1,710			
e					
f	All other expenses				
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	3,180,211			
26	Joint costs. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X

Balance Sheet

					(A)		(B)
					Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing			160,476	1	142,610
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			151,496	2	138,403
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net				3	
	4	Accounts receivable, net			427,327	4	341,526
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L				5	
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L				6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net				7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use				8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			16,271	9	33,334
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	1,844,193			
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	10b	362,337	1,503,791	10c	1,481,856
	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)			2,259,361	16	2,137,729
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			351,527	17	162,079
	18	Grants payable				18	
	19	Deferred revenue			276,660	19	300,213
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities				20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D				21	
	22	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			790,481	23	666,042
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties				24	
	25	Other liabilities Complete Part X of Schedule D				25	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25			1,418,668	26	1,128,334
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.						
	27	Unrestricted net assets			840,693	27	1,009,395
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets				28	
	29	Permanently restricted net assets				29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ 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			840,693	33	1,009,395
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances			2,259,361	34	2,137,729

Part XI **Financial Statements and Reporting**

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ 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? . . .		No
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	Yes	
c If "Yes," to 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	Yes	
d If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separated basis		
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?		No
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 . . .		

Additional Data

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Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

4d. Other program services			
(Code	) (Expenses \$	including grants of \$	) (Revenue \$
Food & Bioenergy (FAB) Team The FAB Team is the newest of the four joint focus teams of Minnesota's corn organizations. Nine statewide or national-scale projects were supported through the FAB Team. In addition to supporting livestock and other allies in agriculture through the Farmers Feed US consumer education initiative, successful FAB-directed projects include research into low-carbon fuel standards, two national initiatives aimed at constructing ethanol fueling infrastructure, and the Minnesota-based work to expand the blender pump/E85 fueling network and awareness of the driving public.			
(Code	) (Expenses \$	including grants of \$	) (Revenue \$
Expanded Uses (EU) Team The EU Team supported six research projects during the last year in addition to the work of 10 additional projects through its collaborative agreement with the Agriculture Utilization Research Institute. Research pertained but was not limited to nutritional feeding studies of dried distillers grains, biomass collection methods and ethanol-powered engine performance and emissions testing. In addition to the AURI work, successes of the EU Team include work with Minnesota State University-Mankato's MN-CAR program and the University of Minnesota Beef Team.			

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)							(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				
DOUG ALBIN PAST PRESIDENT/COB	2 00	X		X				11,759	0	0	
DEVONNA ZEUG PRESIDENT	15 00	X		X				6,416	0	0	
TIM DRITZ VICE PRESIDENT	5 00	X		X				6,447	0	0	
JOHN MAGES TREASURER	5 00	X		X				6,740	0	0	
ROGER MOORE BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						7,578	0	0	
RYAN BUCK BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						2,930	0	0	
TIM DOLAN BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						2,785	0	0	
RYAN GRAVENHOF BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						2,890	0	0	
LARRY KONSTERLIE BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						4,313	0	0	
STEVE KRAMER BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						6,051	0	0	
JEFFREY LARSON BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						4,580	0	0	
DAVID PFARR BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						2,913	0	0	
RICHARD ROHRER BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						3,715	0	0	
GREG SCHWARZ SECRETARY	5 00	X		X				4,154	0	0	
STEVE SODEMAN BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						6,015	0	0	
DALE TOLIFSON BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						4,221	0	0	
RICHARD TREBESCH BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						5,048	0	0	
CURT WATSON BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						3,659	0	0	
TOM HAAG BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						0	0	0	
GERALD MULDER BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						1,147	0	0	
BRUCE PETERSON BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						0	0	0	
JERRY LARSON NCGA CORN BOARD REPRESENTA	2 00	X						1,939	0	0	
TIM GERLACH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	50 00			X				136,244	0	21,541	
SUZANNE SWENSON BUS/FIN DIRECTOR	50 00			X				69,833	0	5,184	
NANCY BROWN BUS/FIN DIRECTOR	50 00			X				9,231	0	741	

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(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			
BRUCE STOCKMAN former EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40 00						X	148,639	0	34,041

Form 990, Part VIII - Statement of Revenue - 2a - 2g Program Service Revenue -

	Business Code	(A) Total Revenue	(B) Related or Exempt Function Revenue	(C) Unrelated Business Revenue	(D) Revenue Excluded from Tax under IRC 512, 513, or 514
reimb from mn CRPC	900,099	2,720,663	2,720,663		
MEMBERSHIP DUES	900,099	380,031	380,031		
other operating and le	900,099	62,801	62,801		
CONVENTION INCOME	900,099	25,940	25,940		
VARIETY PLOTS	900,099	16,825	16,825		

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

Attach to Form 990. See separate instructions.

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate 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?	
	Yes No	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may 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	
	Yes No	

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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 pleasure)

☐ Protection of natural habitat

☐ Preservation of open space

☐ Preservation of an historically importantly land area

☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

2

Complete lines 2a–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 Year
2a	Total number of conservation easements
2b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
2c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
2d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06

3

Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable 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?

Yes

No

6

Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting and enforcing conservation easements during the year

7

Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, 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 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

Yes

No

9

In Part XIV, 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" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, 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 XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, 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)

Revenues included in 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 relating to these items

a

Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

\$

b

Assets included in Form 990, Part X

\$

Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3

Using the organization's 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 XIV

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" to 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 XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
c Beginning balance	11,719
d Additions during the year	61,028
e Distributions during the year	67,456
f Ending balance	5,291

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?

☐ Yes

☒ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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 Investment earnings or 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 year end balance held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶

b

Permanent endowment ▶

c

Term endowment ▶

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" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b	

4

Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI

Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b)Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		111,834		111,834
b Buildings		1,448,439	151,554	1,296,885
c Leasehold improvements		3,991	3,990	1
d Equipment		279,929	206,793	73,136
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ▶				1,481,856

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements			
1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	3,348,913
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3,180,211
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	168,702
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	0
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	168,702

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return			
1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	513,930
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	513,930
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 XIV)	4b	2,834,983
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	2,834,983
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	3,348,913

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return			
1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	345,228
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 XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	345,228
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 XIV)	4b	2,834,983
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	2,834,983
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	3,180,211

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to 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, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Part IV, Line 1b		Tim Gerlach, Executive Director MCGA, acts as Treasurer for Farm Policy Facts. Farm Policy Facts sends invoices to MCGA and we write the checks. Tim Gerlach is a signer on the checks.
Part X	Description of Uncertain Tax Positions Under FIN 48	The Growers adopted the accounting standard for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an entity's financial statements. This standard clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an entity's financial statements and prescribes a recognition threshold for the financial statement recognition of tax positions taken or expected to be taken on a tax return that are not certain to be realized. The implementation of this standard had no impact on the Growers' financial statements. The Growers' tax returns are subject to review and examination by federal authorities. The tax returns for the years 2007 to 2009 are open to examination by federal authorities.
Part XII, Line 4b - Other Adjustments		EXPENSES RELATED TO CONTRACT WITH MN CORN RESEARCH AND PROMOTIONAL COUNCIL 2691708 Membership Forwards to NCGA and Counties 143275
Part XIII, Line 4b - Other Adjustments		EXPENSES RELATED TO CONTRACT WITH MN CORN RESEARCH AND PROMOTIONAL COUNCIL 2691708 Membership Forwards to NCGA and Counties 143275

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000 ☐

Use Schedule F-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
			East Asia and the Pacific	to support a conference	10,000				

2

Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter ☐

3

Enter total number of other organizations or entities ☐

1

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 16.
Use Schedule F-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

[illegible]

Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any additional information.

[illegible]

Schedule I
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1

Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes

☐ No
- 2

Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000. Use Part IV and Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed ▶ ☐

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
See Additional Data Table							

2

Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations

12

3

Enter total number of other organizations

8

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

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Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

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Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Center for Food Integrity 7501 NW Tiffany Springs Parkway Suite 200 KANSAS CITY, MO 64153	20-4662713	501(c)(4)	42,000				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
Farm Policy FactsPO Box 596 ARLINGTON, VA 22216	20-8921012	501(c)(4)	25,000				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
KRA SpeedwayBox 1723 WILLMAR, MN 56201	41-1993665		12,000				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
MN Agriculture & Rural LeadershipSW MN State University 1501 State St MARSHALL, MN 56258	23-7108470	501(c)(3)	30,000				EDUCATION
MN 4-H FoundationUMN Gateway Ctr 200 Oak Street SE Ste 270B MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55455	41-1408161	501(c)(3)	10,000				SPONSORSHIP
MN Agriculture in the Classroom FdnPO Box 196 NEW MARKET, MN 55054	41-1587595	501(c)(3)	25,000				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
MN Farm Bureau3080 Eagandale Place EAGAN, MN 55121	41-0417230	501(c)(5)	142,362				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
MN State Fair1265 Snelling Ave North ST PAUL, MN 55108	41-2013696	501(c)(3)	8,500				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
MSU MANKATO236 Wigley Admin Ctr MANKATO, MN 56001	41-6033423	501(c)(3)	32,422				RESEARCH
MN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE625 Robert St N ST PAUL, MN 55155	40-6007162		15,000				SPONSORSHIP

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Prairie Woods Env Learning Ctr12718 10th St NE SPICER, MN 56288	41-1366265	501(c)(3)	7,500				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
RENEWABLE FUELS ASSOCIATION425 3rd St SW Suite 1150 WASHINGTON, DC 20024	52-1203707	501(c)(6)	30,021				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
The Hand That Feeds UsPO Box 596 ARLINGTON, VA 22216	26-3822330	501(c)(4)	75,000				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
UMN Extension2900 University Avenue CROOKSTON, MN 56716	41-6007513	501(c)(3)	12,000				RESEARCH
UND EERCGrants Contracts 264 Centennial Drive Mail Stop 7306 GRAND RORKS, ND 58202	45-6002491	501(c)(3)	20,557				RESEARCH
MSU Mankato Fdn126 Alumni Fdn Ctr Mankato, MN 56001	41-6033423	501(c)(3)	10,000				RESEARCH
MN FFA FdnPO Box 118 Rosemount, MN 55068	41-6038263	501(c)(3)	14,270				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
The National Academies500 Fifth St NW Washington, DC 20001	53-0196932		25,000				EDUCATION
University of MN1300 S 2nd St Suite 266 Minneapolis, MN 55454	41-6007513	501(c)(3)	47,100				EDUCATION, AWARENESS AND SCHOLARSHIP
Waterways Council801 N Quincy St Suite 200 Arlington, VA 22203	26-0080090	501(c)(6)	11,000				EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

Schedule J

(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, question 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization

MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

41-1369512

Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

- 1a

Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items

☐ First-class or charter travel

☐ Travel for companions

☐ Tax idemnification and gross-up payments

☐ Discretionary spending account

☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use

☐ Payments for business use of personal residence

☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees

☐ Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)
- 1b

If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain
- 2

Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?
- 3

Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply

☒ Compensation committee

☒ Independent compensation consultant

☐ Form 990 of other organizations

☒ Written employment contract

☒ Compensation survey or study

☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee
- 4

During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization

4a

Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?

4b

Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?

4c

Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?

If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III

Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-9.

5

For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of

5a

The organization?

5b

Any related organization?

If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

6

For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of

6a

The organization?

6b

Any related organization?

If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

7

For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8

Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs section 53 4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

9

If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53 4958-6(c)?

Yes

No

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Intructions for Form 990

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For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

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Part III

Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	Part I, Line 4a	BRUCE STOCKMAN, severance payment of \$182,680

SCHEDULE O

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Supplemental Information to Form 990

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part III, line 2	New Program Services	Food & Bioenergy To strategize, research, build and educate in areas associated with the food, feed, fuel and fiber uses of corn see 4c for more details Communication, Promotion & Education To promote and educate all on production agriculture issues and concerns, on the needs and positions of corn farmers, and on the activities of our organization see 4a for more details

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 6		The Organization's membership is open to all individuals and corporations w ho have an interest in supporting the common purposes of Minnesota corn producers

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 7a		Duly appointed delegates from county associations and members of the Association elect the association's Board of Directors

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 11		Executive Committee review s 990 in depth w ith key staff and auditor The 990 is then presented to the full Board before it is filed w ith the IRS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 12c		the association has CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY ANNUAL STATEMENT WHERE EACH DIRECTOR, OFFICER AND MEMBER OF A COMMITTEE WITH BOARD DELEGATED POWERS SHALL COMPLETE AND SIGN THE STATEMENT AT THE TIME OF HIS OR HER INITIAL ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER THE ASSOCIATION ALSO CONDUCTS PERIODIC REVIEWS OF THE POLICY TO ENSURE THAT IT OPERATES IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH ITS PURPOSES If a conflict exists, the interested person must leave the board (or committee) meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the proposed transaction or arrangement that results in the conflict of interest

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 15a		The Personnel Committee which is independent used a salary survey to determine compensation. A written contract was approved by the personnel committee. Procedure was last performed in 2010.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section C, line 19		THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
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Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships
▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.** ▶ **See separate instructions.**

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity
minnesota corn research and promotional council 738 FIRST AVENUE EAST SHAKOPEE, MN 55379 93-1026869	research	MN	government entity	N/A	N/A

Part III

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V—UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?	
							Yes	No		Yes	No

Part IV

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership

Part V

Transactions With Related Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35, or 36.)

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III or IV

1

During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

a

Receipt of (i) interest (ii) annuities (iii) royalties (iv) rent from a controlled entity

b

Gift, grant, or capital contribution to other organization(s)

c

Gift, grant, or capital contribution from other organization(s)

d

Loans or loan guarantees to or for other organization(s)

e

Loans or loan guarantees by other organization(s)

f

Sale of assets to other organization(s)

g

Purchase of assets from other organization(s)

h

Exchange of assets

i

Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to other organization(s)

j

Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from other organization(s)

k

Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for other organization(s)

l

Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by other organization(s)

m

Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets

n

Sharing of paid employees

o

Reimbursement paid to other organization for expenses

p

Reimbursement paid by other organization for expenses

q

Other transfer of cash or property to other organization(s)

r

Other transfer of cash or property from other organization(s)

Yes

No

1a

No

1b

No

1c

No

1d

No

1e

Yes

1f

No

1g

No

1h

No

1i

Yes

1j

No

1k

Yes

1l

No

1m

Yes

1n

No

1o

No

1p

Yes

1q

No

1r

No

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type(a-r)	(c) Amount involved
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		

Schedule R (Form 990) 2009

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

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